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## **Fast Fiber** Completed

CHEROKEE - TEC, a leading provider of broadband in Alabama, has completed the construction of Fast Fiber Internet to the Red Rock community in Barton. Installations have begun for residential and business customers who will now have access to high-quality internet. TEC contributed \$663,319 of the \$1,020,490 total investment for the project. The remaining \$357,171 was provided by the Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund.

"I want to thank everyone at TEC for making high speed internet available to all of us in the Red Rock, Barton, and Highway 247 area," stated community member **Steve Harrison**. "I know that TEC has been working hard over the last several years to make this service available to us. For over 15 years many of us have had to endure either no service, limited dial up service, or expensive cell service. As soon as the new TEC fiber optic service went online, it was like we finally entered the 21st century.

Fiber optic broadband is a future-proof technology that increases property values and improves quality of life.

## Stewardship June Speaker

FLORENCE-The Florence Indian Mound Museum, in partnership with the Tennessee Valley Authority, is sponsoring The Shoals Archaeological Stewardship Virtual Speaker

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Race Amity's First Century at FLPL

FLORENCE-The second Sunday in June is recognized across the country as Race Amity Day. "Amity" is a word denoting friendship and cooperation. The movement to recognize

the day goes back to 1921.

National Center for Race Amity indicates the day is to recognize that the people of our nation are its greatest asset. Further, the purpose is to recognize that our nation is comprised of multicultural, multiethnic multiracial citizens, and to encourage friendship, collegiality,



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# **Street Party is Back!**

Performers Converge on Sheffield

SHEFFIELD — The popular Sheffield Street Party returns June 12 after last year's postponement and COVID concerns. The outdoor entertainment event includes three top-tier performers and begins at 7pm on North Montgomery Avenue. Gates open at 6pm. The stage will be

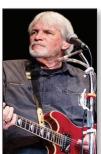
situated in front of Zoey Belle's Boutique. Performers include Travis Wammack, Wet Willie, and Odis Redding III.

With entertainment options having been limited for so long,

organizer David Johnson expects a great turnout.

"People are ready to get out and have some fun and listen to some good music," he said. "With such a stellar entertainment

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## **Tide Athletics for 5 More Years**

SHOALS-Valley Broadcasting, Inc. President, Greg Thornton, recently announced a new five-year deal with Learfield and the Crimson Tide Sports Network to continue broadcasting Alabama athletics on 93.9 THE SCORE through the 2025-2026 seasons.

kwise from top right: Wammack, Redding, Wet Willie Courtesy photos

THE SCORE has been a part of the Crimson Tide Sports Network since 2004. The agreement includes broadcasting all

football and men's basketball baseball select and select games, women's basketball and

The station covers six NW Alabama counties and parts of southern Tennessee.

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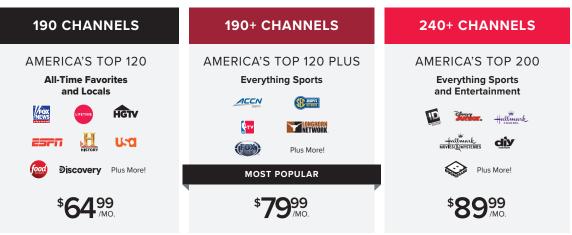
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## Stewardship's June Speaker

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Series this year. Each month from March - October features a different presentation as part of the Thousand Eyes Program initiative, an effort to raise awareness about looting in the Shoals area.

'We've had good participation and because it's interactive people can ask questions and have good discussion," said **Brian Murphy**, curator for Florence arts and museums.

The sessions are interactive and panel members include archaeologists from TVA, the state, the Florence Indian Mound Museum and various tribal Choctaw and Chickasaw nations have been among the participants in the recent panel presentations.

The June 11 meeting will feature Scott Meeks, a TVA archaeological researcher. He will present, Ponds, Springs, and Plantations: Examining 12,000+ Years of Human-Environment Interactions in the Middle Tennessee River Valley. Meeks will discuss various Native American and Euro-American archaeological sites throughout the Middle Tennessee River Valley.

Members of the Alabama Chapter of the Trail of Tears Association will talk about their work on July 23. In August the program will feature the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

The sessions are free by signing in online at tva. com/thousandeyes.

The June 11 session can be viewed starting at 12 noon. Past sessions may also be viewed at any time by using the archives' talk

Call 256-760-6427 for more information.

## Father's Day Pay-Up Offer

FLORENCE-The Lauderdale County District Attorney's Child Support Unit has launched its "Pay Up by Father's Day" Campaign. Those who have been ordered to pay child support and who currently have

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## An exclusive listing of the better sales in the Shoals area.

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FLORENCE YARD SALE Sat. 7am-until?, 969 County Road 118., Women & Mens clothes, shoes & more!

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FLORENCE: 58 OLD OR-CHARD Rd. Sat. 6/12 7AM Patagonia Pullovers, Patagonia Vests, Silver Jeans (Men/Wom-ens), Lots of Men's Polo Shorts and T-Shirts, women dresses," Samsung Flat Screen, China Set, Men's Nike Shoes, W. Shoes

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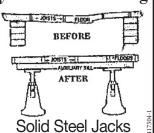
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The Valdosta Community Reunion will be cancelled again this year due to limited seating in our restaurants due to the COVID-19 virus. Hopefully we will see

Mt. Zion Church of Christ VBS: "You've got a friend in me!" (Butler Creek Road) will take place June 6-10.

Classes will be available nursery age through adult. There will be crafts, skits, puppets throughout the week. For more info or questions call 904-571-8895 or 256-764-1462.

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The Florence Camerata Rehearsals will begin on Thursday, June 10 7-9pm in the Choral Room at UNA. Come

join us!

The Florence Camerata Concert will

The Florence The Florence Camerata Concert will be at 7pm Tuesday, July 20 at the First Presbyterian Church in Florence. Conductor is Rebecca Rockhill. Collaborative Pianist is Karen Cantrell

Tickets will not be sold, but donations will be accepted.

The Centennial celebration of Race Amity Day will be observed as a Watch Party at the Florence Public Library at 3pm on June 13. The national observance will be available for viewing and the proclamations and resolutions of governments in the Shoals area will

You are Invited to a Gospel Meeting at Frankfort Road Church of Christ on June 13-16 with speaker Chris Miller.

Service times: Sunday Bible Study 30am; Worship 10:30am; Evening Service 1pm; Monday-Wednesday 7pm. Located 8170 Frankfort Rd, Tuscumbia, south on Frankfort Rd. off U.S. Hwy 72. 256-702-7500.

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## Father's Day Pay-Up Offer

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"Over the past year, the number of bench warrants issued for failure to pay court ordered child support has grown substantially," said Lauderdale County District Attorney, **Chris Connelly**. "We have about 120 outstanding warrants which account for approximately \$3 million in unpaid child support and accrued interest. We want to work with those ordered to pay so that they can avoid arrest.

\*one line is approx. 30 characters

Ány person with an outstanding child support bench warrant may come to the 2nd Floor office of the Lauderdale County Courthouse during business hours, 8am-5pm - through Friday, June 18 - to make payment arrangements.

"After this grace period expires, we will round up those with warrants and arrest them," Connolly added. "This is an opportunity for people to avoid arrest. If they



take advantage of this opportunity by Father's Day, they can be free on July 4th-Independence

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## White Visiting **Artist at UNA**

FLORENCE - John Paul White, Grammy Award winner and co-founder of Single Lock Records, will join UNA's Department of Entertainment Industry faculty as a Visiting Artist of Practice for the Fall 2021 semester. Students will learn about the music industry from an insider who has toured the world as a solo artist who is also

a UNA graduate. "I'm honored to have the opportunity to give back to my alma mater and to share my experiences with students eager to tackle this vocation," White said in a release.

White was born in

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## Score...

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## Shorts...

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Muscle Shoals, grew up in Loretto, and moved to Florence to attend UNA. For the last 20 years, he has honed his career, first as a songwriter and major publisher and then as half of The Civil Wars a groundbreaking duo that won four Grammys White has since worked and toured as a solo artist, collaborating with other well-known names in the music industry, including Emmylou Harris, Roseanne Cash, Shoals native Jason Isbell. in 2020.

White will be teaching alongside Dr. **Bob Garfrerick**, the Chair of the Department of Entertainment Industry.

'The privilege of adding a multiple Grammy winner to your team is a rare occurrence in higher education," Garfrerick said. "I have particularly enjoyed watching John evolve over the past 20 years to the artist he is today. We are so grateful to be part of his legacy.'

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before disbanding in 2012. His most recent album, The *Hurting Kind,* was released

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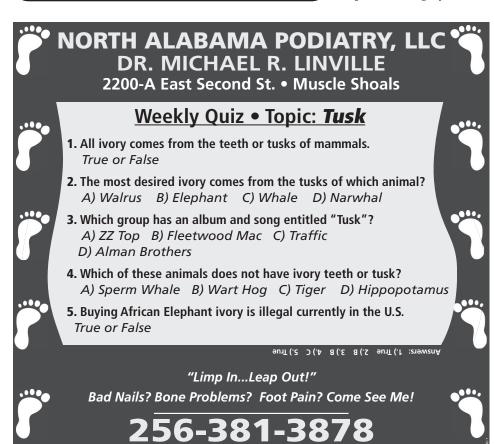


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Most churches had good intentions in doing this. They were trying to continue spreading the gospel while also slowing the spread of coronavirus.

However, as churches have started meeting in person again, some people have not returned to worship. They have opted for online church instead - if they even "attend" at all.

But is online church...really church? Some would argue that getting online

and listening to the weekly sermon is exactly what he or she would do in person, only they are now sitting on their couch instead of in a pew.

Others suggest that worship is a personal matter



Evangelist

and that one does not need to "go to church" to "be the church." He or she can worship anytime, anywhere, and by themselves.

My question to those who hold these views, as with any church-related issue, is to ask, "What does the Bible say?" And not only that, but what does that mean for those who profess to follow Christ today?

(Want to read the rest of this Go article? to facebook.com/ midwaychurchofchrist.org)



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A coalition

of organizations in northwest Alabama has organized events to commemorate this centennial.

The first was a showing of the PBS film, "An American Story: Race Amity and the Other Tradition" on June 6 at the Indian Mound Museum.

The second is the Centennial celebration of Race Amity Day. It will be observed as a Watch Party at 3pm on June 13 at the Florence Lauderdale Public Library. The national observance will be available for viewing and the proclamations and resolutions of governments in the Shoals area will be on

Dr. Jacqueline Osborne, representative of one of the coalition partners, stated, "Race Amity Day is a day to celebrate the commonly shared ideals of the collective citizenry of our nation. We do this by encouraging communities across the United States to reflect on the beauty and richness of our diverse peoples with a spirit of friendship and good feeling toward one another.'



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automatically be enabled on all your compatible Amazon devices. The internet privacy police kinda went crazy over this announcement. It sounds



Jim Fisher

essentially siphoning off some of your WiFi for Amazon's convenience. I hope to clear up some of that confusion and do my small part to settle things down a bit.

An Amazon Echo is a small wireless speaker you can use

# **AMAZON SIDEWALK HYSTERIA**

by "The Computer Skeptic"

to play music, ask questions, control devices in your home such as light switches and TV's. Think of it as Amazon's answer to "Okay Google." The Ring doorbell is a wireless doorbell that alerts you with sound and video when someone approaches your front door. If you do not have an Amazon Echo speaker or Ring doorbell, none of this applies to you.

Amazon's description reads: 'Amazon Sidewalk is a shared network that helps devices work better. Sidewalk can help simplify new device setup,

extend the low-bandwidth working range of devices to help find pets or valuables with Tile trackers, and help devices stay online even if they are outside the range of their home wifi. In the future, Sidewalk will support a range of experiences from using Sidewalk-enabled devices, such as smart security and lighting and diagnostics for appliances and tools.'

So what does that mean for you? It means that if you own an Echo or Ring Doorbell, you and many of your neighbors will all be enveloped in a shared low-power concerns? Is Amazon able

computer network. "Low power" meaning that you can't use Sidewalk to watch Netflix or even check your email on your phone. Sidewalk is limited to only 80kbps - a small fraction of a typical home neighborhood and that data network bandwidth. But if you have a Tile tracker to keep track of your lost keys, the Tile will communicate with Sidewalk to tell you where you dropped them. You can purchase a pet tracker and know the whereabouts of your pet as long as he's close to someone's Echo. It also means that, should your home internet experience an outage, you may still be able to get notifications if someone rings your Ring doorbell--as long as your Ring doorbell is within range of a neighbor's Echo or Ring doorbell. Lots of other small things will be able to talk to each other in the future via Sidewalk.

Are there any privacy

to spy on all of us? Well, no and no. At least no more than they already do. Sidewalk only communicates with other Sidewalk devices in your is encrypted. Amazon doesn't "read" that data. The only data sent to Amazon is security protocols to make sure the devices that are talking to each other are supposed to do so. If you're still uncomfortable with the whole idea, it's pretty easy to go into your device's settings and disable Sidewalk.

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## Election Fraud That's Why We Track It

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In his May 20 piece entitled, Thanks to Kobach, Trump, and conservative think tank, we know extent of voter fraud," Kansas City Star columnist Charles Hammer wrote that The Heritage Foundation's Election Fraud Database has 1,322 proven instances of election fraud, including 17 cases from

According to Hammer, that number is "measly" compared with the number of registered

Missouri.

While we appreciate his drawing the public's attention to our database (now up to 1,328 cases), Hammer left out some vital information.

Significantly, he omitted the fact that, as prominently stated in its introduction, the database presents only a "sampling" of election fraud cases and "is intended to highlight cases of proven fraud and the many ways in which

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## Courier Journal

# June 9, 2021

# **Unique Vessel**

Kennedy-Douglass Hosts Benson

FLORENCE-Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts has converted its Carriage House into a community ceramics studio with funding from the Kennedy-Douglass Trust. They will host ceramics workshops and classes in the studio, with plans for artist residencies being developed for the future.

Benson

The new studio will play host to UNA Associate Professor of Art, Ceramics and Sculpture, Aaron Benson, Saturday for one-day ceramics workshop. Benson will be teaching adults and children 16 and older how to combine traditional slab building methods to create unique one of a kind plant containers
June 12 from 9am-3pm.
Participants will work

through designing, building, and decorating their vessels.

Aaron Tennessee Benson has a combined 20 years of experience working in clay. He received his MFA in Ceramics from the New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University and his BFA in Ceramics from the University of Tennessee

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# Theeere's Johnny!

MUSCLE SHOALS-The room is packed full of eager music lovers, and a blur passes through the crowd several times. You're not sure who it is... all you see is someone wearing a pony tail, baseball cap, t-shirt, shorts and flip-flops – it's the dead of winter! Someone vells; "Hey Johnny", and that's the first time most in attendance actually see Johnny Belew. He's the Tourism Ambassador of Colbert County and is a well-

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native and Rhythm & Blues singer, Jimmy Hughes, takes place Saturday, June 12 in historic downtown Leighton. Hughes is best known for his hit, "Steal Away," and his contributions to the success of the Shoals music industry. Festivities begin at noon with music by DJ JROC and Pat Jamar and Crew. The special tribute to Hughes is at 6pm. Music by the Midnighters begins at 7pm. Enjoy local food, local art, and a Kids area! The Farmer's Market will be open from 7am-noon. The Leighton Museum (located in Bank Independent) is open from 1-5pm. Bring a chair and enjoy a day of family fun and fellowship.

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## **Commentary Was Way Off**

To Tom Magazzu;

Your last commentary (Fools' Obsession with Insurrection, June 2) was way off. Everyone says the Jan. 6 commission is all about democrats. Wrong. How about the mother of the dead capital officer wanting the commission? How about the capital police wanting the commission? How about the majority of the American people wanting the commission?

It's not always republican vs democrat. Politicians and media should be paying attention to what the American people want, not what they think will get them a sound bite on the news.

**Larry Oneill** 

## From the Same Stale Mold

Editor:

We all agree that quality education is increasingly important for our young people to get good paying jobs - and to attract companies offering those jobs. We must be smart, innovative,

and open to different ways of thinking.

The near-term prospects in Lauderdale County for advancing quality education and livelihoods are not good. The seven public high schools in the county are just average in the state of Alabama – only two barely made the top 20%.

Lest we forget, Alabama public schools rank only 46th in quality and 42nd in student-teacher ratios among the 50 states. Yet, there seems to be

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We need to keep adequate military forces in the region... to counter Taliban and al-Qaida...





## Letters...

## From the Same Stale Mold

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scant concern among state and county officials.

For example, there is little discussion about increasing property and income tax revenue to improve educational outcomes. The Agriculture Authority was allowed to capture tax revenue that could have benefitted Lauderdale schools.

Republican good old boys (e.g., white male coaches who became principals) to the school board as well as most other offices. There they perpetuate the same mindset and hiring practices that improvement.

Most school staff and half of students are female, but there are no women (or minorities) on the Lauderdale County School Board or administration leadership. Only one high school principal is female.

How can we prepare our young to compete in this complex and diverse world when residents continue to elect representatives from the same stale mold? When will WE ever learn so that our children and grandchildren can?

Dan Waterman

## Stand Up for Yourselves!

Females don't want in sports, because they claim

biological males.
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**BEAUTIFUL** fumed after learning from Ridge that Liam killed Vinny. Hope begged determined to get to the Justin to find a way to get truth. Quinn and Carter stunned to hear from Paris that Shauna and Carter had an affair. Carter's guilt got the best of him while working with Eric. Shauna had to decide whether to lie to Flo or come clean about Quinn.

THE BOLD AND THE discovery. Attempting EAUTIFUL Thomas to move forward, Carter Attempting proposed once again to Zoe. Wait to See: Paris is Liam out of jail. Flo was update one another on their current relationship status.

70e remains blissfully unaware that her happiness hangs in the balance.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES Ava and Sami had a tense face-off. Rafe pressed Nicole for answers about Paris made a shocking Xander. Chanel and Allie

shared their big news with Tripp. Xander threatened to expose Gwen's secret. Paulina struggled to hide her ulterior motives from Abe. Chanel and Eli had another awkward encounter. Tripp tipped off Kayla about Dr. Snyder and Gwen. Allie sought counseling from Marlena. EJ DiMera returned to Salem. Lucas suggested to Sami that they give their relationship another shot. Wait to See: Chanel makes a puzzling discovery. Nicole contemplates confessing her one-night stand to Eric. Xander warns Dr. Snyder to leave Gwen alone.

GENERAL HOSPITAL Carly shut Jax out. Michael and Willow grew closer. Lenny gave Mike some advice. A surprise visitor arrived to check on Curtis. Sam questioned Dante's motives. Stella talked to Portia about her presence in Curtis' life. Alexis and Shawn made a discovery. Jax backed Michael into a corner. Elizabeth and Finn worked together to rehash Chase's case. Nina received a promising call. Chase's health appeared to be improving. Dante was called to Wyndemere after Ava and Nikolas received a troubling threat. Britt apologized to Maxie. Obrecht helped Anna vent her frustration about Peter. Sonny stepped up when he and Phyllis were caught by surprise. Finn contemplated making a big decision. Michael told Willow about his encounter with Jax. Carly grew suspicious. Brando and Sasha became closer. Carly confronted Jax. Willow made a promise. Wait to See: Chase has a heartfelt talk with Jackie and Gregory. Brook Lynn and Valentin chara a zorna and Valentin share a warm moment. Spinelli Maxie with a

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Lily kept the peace between Jack Billy. Kyle sensed some trouble with Tara. Victoria commiserated with Ashland. Victor and Adam shared a difference of opinion in their battle with Billy. Summer tried to connect with Harrison. Amanda learned of a missed opportunity. Nick and Phyllis debated over a business venture. Sharon plans Nikki and Rey made for their future. gave Adam a warning shot. Michael and Rey strategized about Chelsea. Sally formed a dangerous alliance. Kyle challenged Ashland. Wait to See: Victor questions Amanda's connection to Sutton. Jack counsels Tara. Lily turns to Devon for help.

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## **EXTRA ZUCCHINI**

For everyone like me who has far too many zucchini to deal with, here is a good tip. Peel the vegetable and grate it. Then put it in your blender and blend until very creamy. Now, bag it in resealable freezer bags in 11/2-cup portions and freeze. This milk can be used for all of your baking, saving you the cost of milk. I have been doing this for about 30 years now and have never had a failure. This can also be canned by pressure canning if you have no freezer. I do this when my freezer is full, using the

canning time for squash. Next year, when planting your garden, put in a good row of zucchini and save many dollars in dairy costs. *Annemarie* 

## END OF THE DAY SAVINGS

I am a single person that works long hours. Many evenings, I do not feel up to cooking a healthy meal. At my local grocery store, I have found that at the end of the day, they mark down the prices of the deli food. I'm not sure how they calculate it, but I can sometimes get a full meal for 61 cents to a \$1.16.

Last night, I had rotisserie chicken (a very large portion) for \$1.16.

I imagine most deli departments in grocery stores do the same thing. I find it works perfect if I stop in on my way home between 5-6pm. They are glad to give large portions for a very cheap price to clear out the pans for the evening. Our local grocer deli closes its hot food section at that time of evening. *Mary R*.

## PET HAIR REMOVER

Instead of the expensive rolls of sticky paper to remove pet hair f rom couches, chairs, etc., try using the regular brush that you use on your pet. My roommate found it was much more effective at grabbing those pesky hairs, and it does not create more landfill waste. *Katie S. in Baltimore, MD* 

## **SLEEPING FOR TWO**

A mattress that feels fine with one person on it doesn't always feel fine with two people on it. If you sleep with a spouse, always have both of you lie on the mattress to test it out. We learned this from experience! *Martha L.* 

## SPECIAL SALAD DRESSINGS

Whenever I use canned fruit, I save the juice that's packed with the fruit. I add some olive oil, balsamic vinegar, and spices. Then I pour the mixture into an old salad dressing bottle. This makes a unique, special homemade salad dressing! *Kat* 

## END OF MONTH CLEAN-OUT

About the 20th of each month, I take an inventory of the food in our fridge, freezer, and pantry. I pay special attention to anything that's likely to go bad soon. Then I search for recipes that use those items. I've found that I save money on my last shopping trip for the month, and we waste less food. Also, my family gets to try some new dishes. It's a win, win, win! Tracie

## **DRYER EFFICIENCY**

Using your clothes dryer correctly can make a difference in your electric bill. I use two tricks to keep my dryer running efficiently. First, I never

overload the machine. Clothes need room to tumble and to have the hot air circulate around them. Second, I often don't use the hottest setting. I know that it's tempting to turn up the heat. You might dry your clothes quicker, but you'll damage them in the process. All that heat makes clothes look old much sooner. *Korrine* 

## GROCERY SHOPPING WITH CHILDREN

Every expert will tell you not to take your kids grocery shopping with you, but as a single mom, Í don't have a choice. So, I decided to make it work for me. When we go shopping, both of my children get \$3 to spend as they like on candy, sugary breakfast cereal, ice cream, etc. By leaving the decision up to them, I give them the chance to learn how to compare options and even delay gratification by saving their \$3 to be added to another \$3 on our next shopping trip. You'd be surprised how quickly they pick up the concepts. Honore

## **SEW AND SAVE**

I like to sew, but I really don't want to make my clothes from scratch, so I scout for end-of-season sales. Often the best deals are on the biggest sizes. I buy them for cheap and use my sewing skills to modify them to my size. If I'm careful in what I buy, it usually is only a few seams that need to be ripped and modified. Often I resize designer labels that I could never afford otherwise. My friends think that I spend a lot on clothes. They'd be surprised if they knew my secret.

## FREE SAVINGS FOR A NEWER CAR

Once my car is about six years old, I drop collision coverage. I always check with my insurance company to see what they'd pay if I totaled the car. After they subtract the deductible, it's hardly worth it even if I do have an accident. I take the savings from my insurance and put it into an account for when I need to replace my car. Right now, my car is in year ten and I probably can get another two years out of it. I've saved thousands for my next ride. Iulian

## SELLING YOUR HOUSE THIS YEAR?

We're planning on selling our home this summer. I spoke with a real estate agent and asked what we could do that would increase the sale price. He offered two suggestions that were lowcost improvements. He suggested that we repaint a few rooms that were looking worn and update the light fixtures in our dining and bathrooms. We can do the work ourselves, so the only cost will be materials. *Iulianne* 

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# Street Party...

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lineup, "I believe we will have a big crowd."

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## A Nation Of No Needs— King David in Psalms 86:1 "Bow down thine ear,

King David in Psalms 86:1 "Bow down thine ear, O LORD, hear me: for I am poor and needy." King David again: Psalms 51:3 "For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me." Now that's the kind of man that will get help from God and he did. Great example. Sadly today, we have a world and church that has no need or time for God, the bible, prayer, church or Christianity. The prophet stated: Zephaniah 1:12 "And it shall come to pass at that time, that I will search Jerusalem with candles, and punish the men that are settled on their lees: that say in their heart, The LORD will not do good, neither will he do evil." Again in: Ezekiel 16:49 "Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom (Samaria), pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy." And in the final church age Laodicea: Revelation 3:17(a) "Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; (b) and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:" History repeats. That's the church and America's position (a), and then (b) follows God's truth of that wretched mess. America fits the bill. No needs? Really? We'll soon see. Study the verses.

Professing saved folk are following the position and examples of the world, like the parable of the tares and the wheat. It's very hard to tell them apart, unless judged and examined by God, which God will do. The book says: **Psalms 14:1** "The fool hath said in his heart, *There is no* God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good." Are you ready to meet the one you cussed and so often ignored and rejected? You can only escape if you have a Saviour. You got one? He's Jesus Christ. When your world caves in and you pass on, you're at God's mercy. Don't be surprised when God treats you like you've treated Him. "I never knew you." See Matthew 7:23. See Romans 8:9. If you're saved, you'd better get your act together.

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Florence Roman Catholics established their first church here in 1898 with Gammelbert Brunner, OSB, as pastor. They earlier met in private homes attended by visiting priests. Churches in Tuscumbia and St. Florian served the Shoals at large. The original wooden church and its school were the center of the surrounding Catholic Hill neighborhood for seventy-five years. A brick church replaced the wooden building in 1974. When founded, St. Joseph Church and school mainly served the working class areas of East Florence. In time, it became the chief religious and educational center

**Location:** 1111 E. College St, Florence 34.8045°N, 87.6634°W

Although Catholic Churches already existed in Tuscumbia and St. Florian, Florence's burgeoning industry in East Florence at the end of the 19th century created a need for a local church. The marker tells that story. The beautiful church site is often referred to as "Catholic Hill".

~ Courtesy David Curott ~ author of "Signs of the Past" and "More Signs of the Past"



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## **Helping Seniors Find Discounted High-Speed Internet Services**

Dear Savvy Senior,

Do you know where I can find cheaper high-speed internet services for my home? I'm 70-years old and live strictly on my Social Security and would like to find something faster and less expensive than I currently have.

Surfing Susan

Dear Susan.

There are actually two new resources available today that can help you save money on your home internet services, but what's available to you will depend on your income level and where you live. Here's where to begin.

### **Internet Discounts**

Depending on your financial situation, a good first step to reducing your home internet costs is through the new Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) program. This is a temporary federal benefit that provides a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on tribal

Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute \$10 to \$50 toward the purchase price.

To qualify, you'll need to show that your annual household income is at or below 135 percent of the federal poverty guidelines, which is \$17,388 for one person or \$23,517 for two. Or, if you're receiving certain types of government benefits such as Medicaid, food stamps (SNAP), SSI, public housing assistance, veterans' pension or survivors pension benefit, or live on federally recognized tribal lands.

Households that experienced a substantial loss of income since February 29, 2020 due to job loss or furlough can also qualify for the EBB program, as long as their household income for 2020 was at or below \$99,000 for single filers and \$198,000 for joint filers.

To apply, go to GetEmergencyBroadband.org where you can

apply online or print out an application and mail it in.
If you're already receiving assistance through the federal Lifeline benefit (see Lifeline Support.org), which is a \$9.25 monthly subsidy for phone or internet costs, you automatically qualify for the EBB program, and you can receive both benefits at the same time. You can apply your EBB and your Lifeline benefit to the same or separate

Or, if your broadband provider already has its own lowincome or COVID-19 relief program, you may be able to qualify through this program as well. Talk to your broadband provider for More information.

## Low-Cost Internet

If you're not eligible for the EBB program, another resource for locating cheaper high-speed internet is Aging Connected, which has a higher income qualification. Created by Older Adults Technology Services from AARP

(OATS) and the Humana Foundation, Aging Connected is a nationwide campaign created to help lower-income seniors find low-cost, in-home broadband options in their area.

Partnering with telecommunications companies, nonprofits and public entities, Aging Connected will help you search for services in your area that provide high-speed internet at a very low cost. Most participating companies charge around \$10 to \$15 per month, with no contract and no equipment fee.

Aging Connected also provides referrals to affordable

desktop and laptop computers for under \$160.

To qualify, you'll need to show that your annual household income is at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty guidelines, which is \$23,800 for one person or \$32,200 for two. Or, if you're receiving certain types of government benefits similar to the EBB program.

To search, go to AgingConnected.org and type in your ZIP code, name and email address, or you can call 877-745-1930.

## Other Search Options

If you find that you're not eligible for either of the previously listed resources, you may still be able to save on your internet by shopping and comparing. The best way to do this is at websites like *InMyArea.com* and *BroadbandNow*. com, both of which provide a list of internet providers in your area, along with pricing and download speeds.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070. or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.



## Notes...

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Wednesday, June 9, 10am-4pm -Genesis Cypress Cove, 200 Alabama Ave., Muscle Shoals

Thursday, June 10, 1-6pm - Buffalo Rock, 98 Highway 43, Tuscumbia Friday, June 11, 11am-7pm - Southern

Care New Beacon Hospice, 239 Azalea Drive, Florence Saturday, June 12, 9am-4om - Rally at the River, McFarland Park, Hwy 20,

Florence
Sunday, June 13, Noon-6pm Walmart, Cloverdale Road, Florence
Monday, June 14, 9am-3pm Florence Lauderdale Animal Services,

3240 Roberson Road, Florence Tuesday, June 15, 9am-4pm - Colbert County Courthouse, 401 N. Main St.,

Tuscumbia

Wednesday, June 16, 10:30am-5:30pm - Times Daily, 219 W. Tennessee St., Florence Thursday, June 17, Noon-6pm -Shoals Hospital, W. Avalon Ave., Muscle

Snoals Friday, June 18, 11am-5pm - CB&S Bank, Avalon Ave., Muscle Shoals Saturday, June 19, 1-10pm - Phil Campbell Hoedown Festival, Railroad St.,

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Sunday, June 20, Noon-6pm - Rural ng, 3401 Woodward Ave., Muscle

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All proceeds will go to the Alzheimer's

### Geezers and Grandkid's Fishing Dates at Deibert Park:

Tuesday, June 15, 6:30-11am Bring your friends, family, grandkids, tackle, chairs, snacks, etc., Please sign

in at the table before fishing.

We appreciate your continuing to social distance at the parks. For more information call The Club, 256-760-6420

Shoals Scholar Dollars is hosting its June Jubilee Charity Golf Classic on June 18 at Robert Trent Jones at the Shoals courses - 8am shotgun start

Email randy@shoalsscholardollars com for more information.

**Emergence, a juried art exhibition** for emerging artists featuring 45 innovative artists from across the country is on Display at the Tennessee Valley Museum of Art in Tuscumbia through

submissions, seeking artists who are working in unique ways, pushing creative processes to the breaking point, and have something important to express through their work. Abayne Sides) chose the most innovative work from these submissions to be included in the show. Don't miss this opportunity to get a glimpse of the future of art, through the eyes of some of the country's most

talented emerging artists. Exhibition Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9am-5pm; Saturday 10am-5pm Admission: \$5 for Adults; \$3 for

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This spring, we put out a call for See NOTES... page 34

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## Benson...

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at Knoxville. He has been an intern at Anderson Ranch Center Colorado and a long term resident and MID Fellow at the Archie Bray Foundation in Montana. Benson's work has been published, collected, and exhibited both nationally and internationally. His current body of work uses traditional ceramic hand building methods to create large scale public works.

The June 12 workshop fee of \$95 includes a day of instruction and all materials and tools. Registration for the workshop can be made at https://www.florencealmuseums.com/calendar/1-day-ceramics-workshop-with-aaronbenson

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Call 256-760-6379 for more information. The K-D Center is located at 217 East Tuscaloosa Street in Florence.





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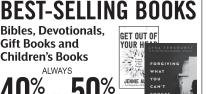
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For information on when your section will be flushed, please call 256-248-2745 between 7am and 3:30pm Monday through Friday.

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## Colbert Co. Rabies Clinic Schedule 2021

State law requires all dogs and cats over 3 months of age be vaccinated against rabies each year. The fee is \$12 per animal at any given stop on this notice. If you have 10 or more animals a private stop may be arranged by contacting the office at 256-386-9800. Please make arrangements prior to our scheduled stop in your area. We will attempt to follow this schedule rain or shine. Please be patient if we run late.



Tuesday, June 8 - Dr. Carmen Ludington

## Randall B. Davis, DVM **Rabies Inspector**



Tuesday, June 8 - Dr. Jennifer Thompson		
6pm	Shady Grove Methodist Church River Road-Leighton	
5:15pm	Ace Hardware-River Road and County Line Road	
4:15pm	Muscle Shoals High School Parking Lot	
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<u>Tuesday, June 8 - Dr. Jennifer Thompson</u>	
3pm	Cherokee High School Parking Lot
3:45pm	Barton Chevron Parking Lot
4:30pm	Red Rock Church of Christ-Red Rock Road
5:15pm	Srygley Church Of Christ Parking Lot. Hwy 247
6pm	Yogi's One Stop Hwy 247 And 72 Cherokee

١	Wednesday-June 9 - Dr. Randall Davis			
	4:30pm	Bianco's Berryhill-Vacant Lot-Underwood And Frankfort Road		
	5pm	Colbert Heights High Schoolyard		
	5:45pm	Piney Grove Church Parking Lot-Wheeler Mt.		
	6:15nm	Malona's Ganeral Store-New Rethel		

Inursday, June 10 - Dr. Jennier Thompson		
3:15pm	Littleville Park-Behind First Baptist Church	
4pm	Leighton Farmers Co-Op County Line Road Leighton	
4:30pm	White Oak Store-Hwy 157 And County Line Rd.	
5·15nm	Spring Valley Market	

Thursday, June 10 - Dr. Carmen Ludington		
4pm	Tuscumbia Farmers Co-Op, 1417 Hwy 72 West	
4:30pm Harri	is Chapel Baptist Church Parking Lot-North Pike Cherokee	
5:15pm	Barton Baptist Church-Barton	
6pm0	Oak Grove Baptist Church Parking Lot-Hwy 72, Tuscumbia	

Saturday, June 12, 9-11am - Dr. Randall Davis	
Tennessee Valley Animal Clinic	

1582 Hwy 72E, Tuscumbia; Back of the Parking Lot No Appointment Needed For This Special Clinic





# **THE DOLLAR**



## **GIFT BASKET IDEAS**

The key to a good gift basket is to create one that you know the person would like. For example, I love ice cream. I have a great ice cream maker, and my friends know it. For one birthday, a friend gave me a gift basket with ice cream paraphernalia, including sprinkles, nuts, an ice cream dish, and a long spoon. I will always remember that gift even though it was about 30 years ago because it was so fitting for me. Linda

## **FUNNY MONEY**

My husband introduced me to this idea when we were dating. Each week, he set aside \$5 for something that was just fun. I picked up the habit, and we've been doing it now for 25 years! Over the years, we've increased the amount to \$10 per week to keep up with inflation. He can spend his however he wants. He can accumulate it for something bigger. I have the same rights. We don't get to judge or approve of each other's purchases. I once saved mine for a massage, which I know he thought was silly. Since it was my funny money, he said that he was glad I enjoyed it. Not only does it help us keep from fighting about money, but it also gives each of us something to look forward to when we're saving in other places. Gina

## **RESTORING YARD** TOOLS

The shovels and axes we use for field operations in the Marine Corps get a beating! These tools often come back from the deserts of Twenty-Nine Palms or the cold, wet climate of Norway in really bad condition.

We sand down the wooden handles with light grade sandpaper and then apply linseed oil liberally to the wooden handle. For metal parts, we first sand them down, preferably with a wire brush grinder, and then we spray paint them with cheap paint found just about anywhere. Staff Sergeant S.B., USMC

## WINTER WINDSHIELD **WASHER FLUID**

Make your own windshield washer mixture that won't freeze by combining one quart of rubbing alcohol, one cup of water, and two tablespoons of liquid detergent. This formula will not freeze down to -35 degrees F.

### **REMOVING SMOKEY** ODORS

I used to be a smoker, and when I quit, I would get sick from the smell when I came into my house. I put vinegar and water in bowls around the house and soon the smell was gone. I also know some landlords who do that when a renter moves out.

## WHY WE VOLUNTEER

My family volunteers at local festivals. We get in free, get fed, and usually get commemorative t-shirts as uniforms. Most festivals need volunteers in various capacities before, during, and after the event. Plus, the behind-the-scenes action is immensely entertaining.

## WHY BUY THE MIX?

Reading the ingredients and proportions on labels is a great money saver. One example is pancake mix. All that is in the box is flour, baking powder, and a little salt. This mix contains the same ingredients and proportions as self-rising flour, which is sold in a five-pound bag. This flour often goes on sale for less than half the pancake mix. So compare the ingredients in any mixes you buy. You might save some money!

## **NOT INSTANT MASHED POTATOES**

I love mashed potatoes, but I hate taking the time to make them. But, I hate the taste of instant even more. So, now I make large batches of mashed potatoes and freeze them in freezer bags. I flatten the bags before putting them into the freezer.

When I want mashed potatoes, I break off as much as I need for the meal and pop them in the microwave! I have mashed potatoes that taste freshly made, and they take less time than even the instant potatoes.

## **BIG BILL CRISIS!**

When my husband and I first combined finances, I was shocked to find out all of the different insurance premiums we were paying throughout the year. Health insurance aside, we had bills for house insurance, life insurance, car insurance, ATV insurance, and the list

After being caught off guard with an \$800 insurance bill, I sat down and made a list of every type of insurance we had, how much the premium was, and when it was due. I then did some simple math of adding all the premiums together and

dividing by 52. I opened a separate savings account (super quick to do thanks to the ease of online banking), and each week an automatic transfer puts that designated amount into our "insurance savings account." Now whenever the insurance premiums pop up, I just go to that savings account and the money is already there! Mandy in Virginia



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## Lauderdale Co. Rabies Clinic June 5-12, 2021

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## Dr. Brandon Fisher, DVM **Rabies Inspector, Lauderdale County**

7-8pm..



...... Threets Crossroads/Liberty Baptist Church

### Thursday, June 10 3-4pm. ..Lexington High 4:15-5:15pm...... ... Grassy/Hammond Store 5:30-6:30pm...... Anderson Center (Anderson Elementary School) 6:45-7:45pm.. ...Lauderdale Co. High School

### Friday, June 11 . Rogers High School 4:30-5:30pm..... ..Lone Cedar Church 5:45-6:30pm...... Mt Zion Church .St. Florian Town Hall 6:45-8pm.

Saturday, June 12	
8-8:25am	Handy Recreation Center
8:35-9:15am	Long Rider Feed & Seed
9:30-10:45am	Broadway Recreation Center
11-11:45am	Home Builders Association on Veterans Drive

Royal Avenue Recreation Center 2-3:15pm.. . Cox Creek Farmers Market

## INDEPENDENT INVESTING

# 4 Financial Steps When Dealing with Alzheimer's



If a person close to you has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, it may be time to address some serious financial questions. Due to the debilitating nature of Alzheimer's and related forms of dementia on your loved one's ability to make sound financial decisions, the sooner you can get financial matters in order the better.

Here are four important steps to take:

## #1 – Look for signs of unusual financial activity

Discrepancies involving money can often be among the early signs of cognitive challenges for an individual. Red flags may include difficulty paying a proper amount for an item, leaving bills unpaid or making out-of-the-ordinary purchases. If you observe signs of a loss in judgment related to financial matters, additional action may be required. action may be required.

#2 - Identify and designate a power of attorney

Many people are reluctant to hand control over of their personal finances, however, it's important to have an honest discussion with your loved one and discuss looking out for their interests. Identify somebody who can be a trusted surrogate to manage day-to-day money matters should it become necessary. An individual should be designated as financial power-of-attorney, authorized to sign checks, pay bills and help keep an eye on the affected person's finances. They should ease into the role, only assuming full control when it becomes absolutely necessary to make decisions.

## #3 - Make sure proper documentation is in place

An individual needs to be considered competent to complete or update legal paperwork such as wills, trusts, estate planning documents, and an advanced health care directive as health deteriorates. Check beneficiary designations on any retirement and financial accounts as well as life insurance policies. Be sure the information and named beneficiaries are upto-date and that proper processes are followed. Check with an estate planning attorney for help.

#4 – Assess costs of care and how it will be covered
Determine a strategy for how your loved one will be
cared for if their cognitive abilities should deteriorate
over time. Will specialized care be required, either in
the home or in a nursing or assisted living facility? Are
there resources or long-term care insurance policies in
place to help with costs? Talk to an elder law attorney
about trusts that can be established to provide for care about trusts that can be established to provide for care for the disabled individual while still protecting the family's assets.

Be proactive in your approach
Waiting too long to address financial considerations after an Alzheimer's diagnosis can compound an already stressful and emotional time. Take steps to get on top of the situation as soon as you are aware that it could be a problem. Even establishing a plan for addressing these issues before a form of dementia is firmly diagnosed makes sense. Consult with your financial advisor for guidance on how to manage these challenging times.

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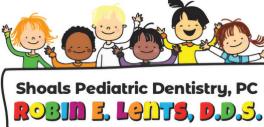
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help.
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tested. It may or may not be valid.

If the new law is valid, then employers in Alabama will not be able to make hiring or firing decisions based on someone's COVID vaccination status. I do think that healthcare employers can legally require their workers to be vaccinated against certain illnesses simply because they have been doing so for so long.

None of this has anything to do with the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, also known as HIPAA. HIPAA does prohibit a person's health information from being shared without their knowledge or consent. The law only applies to health-related entities such as healthcare providers and health insurance providers. It's not really a prohibition on asking; it's a prohibition against sharing. This means if your best friend tells someone about your health condition, it's not a violation of HIPAA.

Under federal law there are very few situations in which businesses, airlines, schools and even those covered by HIPAA are prohibited from asking you to share your vaccination status or show your vaccine record card.

It is important to be mindful of state laws. It does not violate federal law to ask someone their vaccination status. However, if the state law says you can't ask, then employers are likely to be governed by that state law.

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## Guest Commentary - John G. Malcolm

## Fraud...

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fraud has been committed."
The introduction continues:

It does not capture all cases and certainly does not capture reported instances or allegations of election fraud, some of which may be meritorious, some not, that are not investigated or prosecuted.

Because of vulnerabilities that exist in state's election laws, election fraud is relatively easy to commit and difficult to detect after the fact.

Moreover, some public officials appear to be unconcerned with election fraud and fail to pursue cases that are reported to them. It is a general truism that you don't look for.

for.
We doubt that the voters in the 9th Congressional

District of North Carolina, where the 2018 election was overturned due to election fraud, or the voters in Paterson, New Jersey, whose City Council race was overturned due to fraud in 2020, share Hammer's cavalier attitude toward the problems that unfortunately exist in our election system. Both cases are in our database.

If he wants more detailed information on some other elections overturned due to fraud, he may want to review a case study The Heritage Foundation released last year, "Four Stolen Elections: The Vulnerabilities of Absentee and Mail-In Ballots."

It isn't our intention to misstate the extent of the problem. That's one reason our database includes only proven instances of voter fraud, not allegations of election fraud, of which there are many.

As we further acknowledge in the introduction:

There are people who claim that election fraud is massive, and those who claim it is exceedingly rare or doesn't occur at all. ... The big problem is that nobody really knows the extent of election fraud, including us.

While we are not making any definitive claims about the extent of election fraud in our country, we are confident in saying that there are far too many vulnerabilities in our current system.

However, and this is the most important point, we add:

Preventing, deterring, and prosecuting election fraud is essential to protecting the integrity of our voting process.

Winning elections leads to political power, and the incentives to take advantage of security vulnerabilities are great. Therefore, it is important that we take reasonable, commonsense steps to make it hard to cheat, while making it easy for legitimate voters to vote.

Americans deserve to have an electoral process they can trust.

There are those, such as Hammer, who seek to minimize or ignore the current vulnerabilities in our election systems and the potential extent of the election fraud problem, just like the proverbial police officer at an obvious crime scene saying, "Move along, nothing to see here."

In our view, the integrity of our elections and the current vulnerabilities in the system are too important to ignore. Accordingly, The Heritage Foundation will keep looking and pressing on this important issue.

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I don't think it's common for most folks to feel like they've experienced some kind of grand revelation, and suddenly they know what they're supposed to do with their lives. Personally, I believe this kind of thing usually starts out as an activity or idea connected to something they enjoy and want others \*Dave Ramsey is a seventime #1 national best-selling then maybe into a career—or even a business.

\*Dave Ramsey is a seventime #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Dave

anything can be termed a calling. I know this is true in *some* cases, because that's how it happened with me. I can't honestly tell you that when I first started on radio, or began formally teaching and writing I knew it was God's plan for my life. I knew



early on I was drawn to it, and felt there was a need for it, but it took a while for me to understand and accept that it was what I was really meant to do.

I hope this helps a little bit, Tony. Just be honest with yourself, think about it, and pray about it a lot, too. God wants what's best for you, so make sure you include Him in everything. It worked for me. I've been doing what I do for nearly three decades now, and I still love it. I'm convinced that it is God's calling on my life.

–Dave

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# Another Bird or An Eagle?

To the Editor:

Springtime! This is the season so many have worked years for as they graduate from high school and college. I am sure many times you thought this day would never come. It is a bittersweet time mixed with anticipation of a new environment and a little sadness of saying goodbye to old friends and ways of the past.

why you set goals and you must now step out into the real world. So, have you considered how you will face the future, set entirely new objectives-set the course for the rest of your life? The many decisions made now will be difficult to change.

Nevertheless, this day is

As you reflect back of some of the great American writers, recall analogy drawn comparing life to traveling a country road, of arriving at fork in the road; one path of difficulty, indecision, uncertainty and likely failure. The other equally accessible is a road of success, legitimate goals that will pay dividends for a lifetime. The question is obvious: which road will

vou take?

One of the most common symbols of strength and integrity is the American Eagle. Obviously, there is a reason for this comparison. The eagle is a unique bird that usually flies alone seeking its prey oblivious to other birds.

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So new graduates, will you be an eagle in the storm, learning to soar above life's storms, or will you become just a bird of the flock? The decision is yours, please make the most of it. Best wishes in your future!

**James W. Anderson** Talladega

## A Dangerous Afghanistan Withdrawal

Editor:

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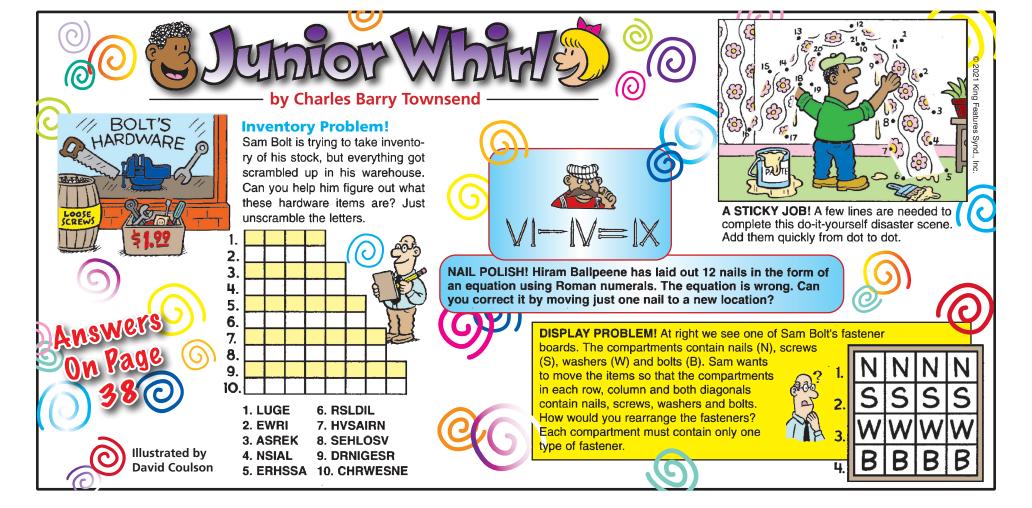
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## Letters...

## A Dangerous **Afghanistan** Withdrawal

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of all U.S. and European troops from Afghanistan by September 11, 2021 will probably allow the Taliban to reconquer Afghanistan and impose a strict Islamist regime within the country, establish terrorist organizations devoted to attacking the United States

The Taliban followers are terrorists who are aligned with al-Qaida. They are the same groups who have launched terrorist attacks in the world over the past 30 years, including the September 11, 2001 attacks in the United States.

We need to keep adequate military forces in the region outside of Afghanistan to counter Taliban and al-Qaida moves in Afghanistan and to keep them off balance to prevent attacks against us. Approximately 3000 U.S. troops should be based on the Arabian peninsula in case they are needed as a quick reaction force. U.S. Special Forces in the region will probably have to be beefed up.

We need ground assault aircraft available in Saudi Arabia and the UAE. Additionally, a squadron of B-52s should be based in

the region. A U.S. Navy carrier battle group and an amphibious assault force must be deployed in the region to provide the capabilities for air bombardment and missile attacks as necessary.

The Taliban are the enemy and must be treated as such.

**Donald Moskowitz** Londonderry NH

## Some Honestly Disagree

Editor, Courier Journal;

A recent lengthy letter disparaged those who were Pro-Life. Thus, by everything implication, about Pro-Choice was

right and proper.

I Disagree. You might be a Pro Choice liberal if...

...you believe anyone disagreeing with you is automatically wrong and should not have the right to express views other than those you espouse;

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... you support the current VP and others who believe aborting babies any time prior to birth is acceptable.

... you are losing a discussion; you then claim the other's views are "racist" even though you support an organization founded by a rabid racist woman who believed only whites should live and be in control; all others should be aborted (Planned Parenthood).

...you believe Constitution is outdated because it inhibits your ability to be unfettered in what you want do.

... you support Socialism even though this form of government has not worked in Sweden, Russia, Cuba or Venezuela.

vou believe government can solve and social economic issues better than private enterprise.

you believe most religion is outdated, that Goď and Jesus are myths, and that humans arrange for better activities and living arrangements.

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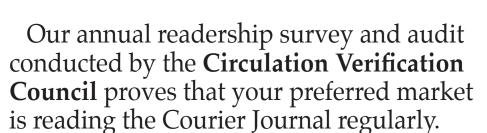
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The Friends Bookstore appreciates the community's patience while it had to suspend accepting donations during the Covid period. Donations are vital to the library and the bookstore, as the profit from the sales made in the Friends Bookstore provide the community with free services, materials, and programs. For ore information, call (256)-764-6564 ext. 126, or visit www.flpl.org

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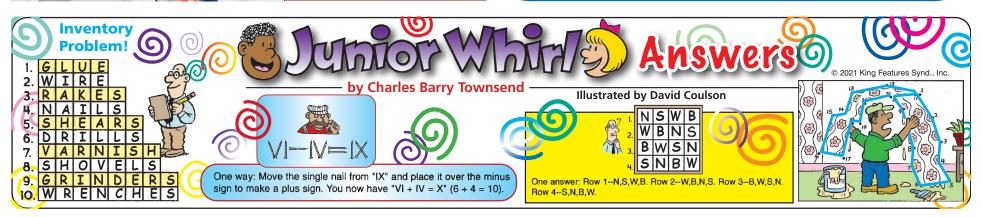
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## "Part B & Preventive Services"

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The obvious question is "how much will these screenings cost me?" *Your Medicare and You Handbook* states, "You pay nothing for most preventive services if you get the service from a doctor or other qualified health care provider that accepts Medicare assignment." If you have employer insurance or a Medicare Advantage Plan your costs may be different so contact your benefit coordinator or plan for your cost.

If you have had Part B for less than 12 months you qualify for a "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit or if you have had Part B for more than 12 months you qualify for a yearly "Wellness" visit. Both of these visits are designed to help you develop and follow a personalized plan to aid you in preventing illness and disability. If these visits are to a doctor or health care provider that accepts Medicare assignment there is no cost to you. One important fact to remember about your "Welcome to Medicare" or "Wellness" visit is, you only get one per year and from only one provider.

Preventive screenings are very important to your overall health. Medicare encourages you, our company encourages you and our family encourages you to GET THOSE PREVENTIVE SCREENINGS DONE. It may save your life!!!

If you have questions regarding any aspect of Medicare or Medicare health plans feel free call us at Alabama Health Guidance (256-648-5710), stop by our office at 885 Florence Blvd (Four Lane Shopping Center) or email me at ikey@alabamahealthguidance.com. Alabama Health Guidance is

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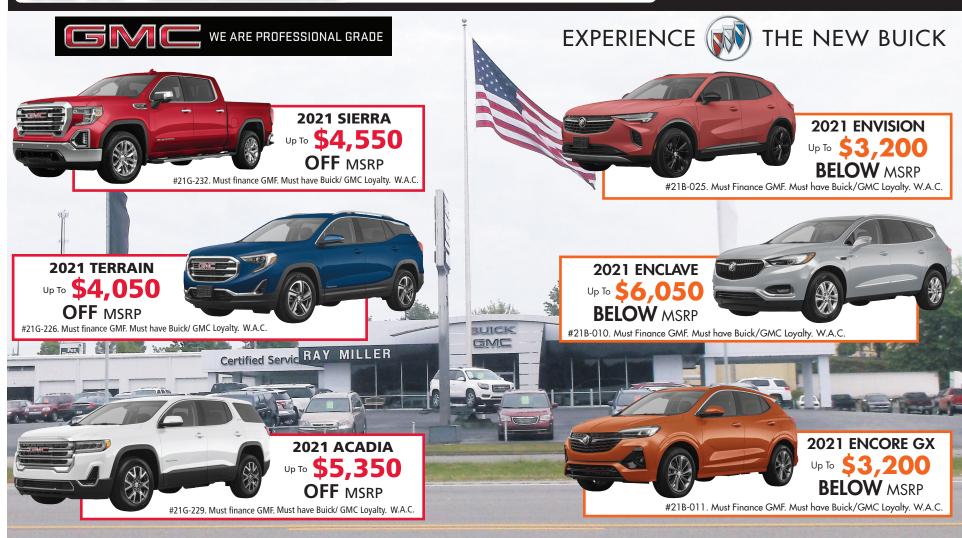
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