

**A Camerata  
Awakening**

FLORENCE – Florence Camerata, your local community chorus, celebrates our return to singing with a free concert next week. “An Awakening” will take place at 7pm, Tuesday, July 20 at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Florence. Rebecca Rockhill will be the conductor. Karen Cantrell will be the collaborative pianist. Help set the stage for the upcoming Handy Festival!

**50% Tuition  
at NW-SCC**

MUSCLE SHOALS -- Northwest-Shoals Community College is using CARES funding to provide at least a 50% tuition break for students who register for the fall semester.

NWSCC has received approximately \$6 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security money to be disseminated to students. The college has given out almost \$3 million to date. The amount of CARES funds students receive this fall will depend on how many hours they have taken.

High School Dual enrolled students (limit to two classes) and NW-SCC students that are within 15 hours of graduating will receive full tuition free if they have applied for CARES.

According to NW-SCC President Dr. Glenda Colagross, the CARES money will be given to students after they complete their CARES application and once they register for fall semester classes. “Our students have had a hard

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**Saddle-Up!**

Grab the Reins... The 25th Annual St. Jude Benefit Won't Disappoint

By Lisa Singleton-Rickman  
TimesDaily Staff Writer

TUSCUMBIA — Saddle up your horses, there's a trail to blaze. The 25th Annual Saddle Up for St. Jude Trail Ride and Concert will be July 15-17 at Gardiner Farms.

Country music star Clint Black is the Saturday night headliner.

The event has raised more

than \$2.5 million for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital over the years. This year's goal set at \$250,000.

“We're hoping that our auction will raise over \$100,000,” said Jimmy Gardiner, owner of Gardiner Farms. “We're so proud of our community for the support they've given this event for

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**Kids in College  
Next Week!**

MUSCLE SHOALS -- Northwest-Shoals Community College's Child Development Center will offer the 2021 Kids in College STEM summer camp July 19-23. The camp is open to children entering grades 1-9 in the fall.

Each day participants will experience STEM-related activities in science, technology, engineering and math. According to NW-SCC Child Development

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Reid Homan

**Homan is  
a Winner  
for Life**

ATLANTA – The ASUN Conference has recognized North Alabama's Reid Homan as a member of the 2020-21 Winners for Life Team. The league announced its spring sport honorees recently

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**Listerhill Has Forbes  
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MUSCLE SHOALS— According to Forbes, Listerhill Credit Union has once again been named the best credit union in Alabama.

That's according to a comprehensive study done by Forbes for their 2021 rankings of America's Best-in-State Credit Unions.

Forbes rated banks and credit unions based on overall recommendations and satisfaction. Also included were five subdimensions: trust, terms and conditions, branch services, digital services, and financial advice. Over 25,000 customers were surveyed through market research firm Statista to capture their opinions on current and former banking relationships. Of the 5,068 credit unions

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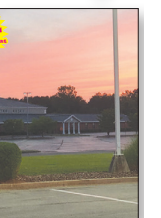
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Recent empirical data suggest that smaller juries are less likely to foster effective group deliberation. At some point, this decline leads to inaccurate fact-finding and incorrect application of the common sense of the community to the facts. Generally, a positive correlation exists between group size and the quality of both group performance and group productivity. The smaller the group, the less likely are members to make critical contributions necessary for the

solution of a given problem. Because most juries are not permitted to take notes, memory is important for accurate jury deliberations. As juries increase in size, then, they are less likely to have members who remember each of the important pieces of evidence or argument. Furthermore, the smaller the group, the less likely it is to overcome the biases of its members to obtain an accurate result.

Therefore, in Alabama, both state criminal and civil cases, our laws require a minimum of 12 jurors be seated to hear the evidence presented in a case. (*Alabama Rules of Criminal Procedure Rule 18.4 and Alabama Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 47*). Commonly, an alternate juror will be selected. An alternate juror is selected in case one of the other jurors is unable to fulfill their service to ensure that a minimum of 12 jurors are available to decide the case. The juror selected as an alternate will not know of their alternate status. If the alternate juror is not utilized, he or she will be dismissed prior to deliberations.

In federal criminal cases, the number of jurors must be 12. *Federal Criminal Procedure Rule 23* provides: "A jury consists of 12 persons unless the rule provides otherwise." This is in contrast to federal civil cases, where there often are only six jurors.

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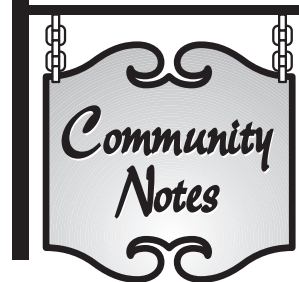
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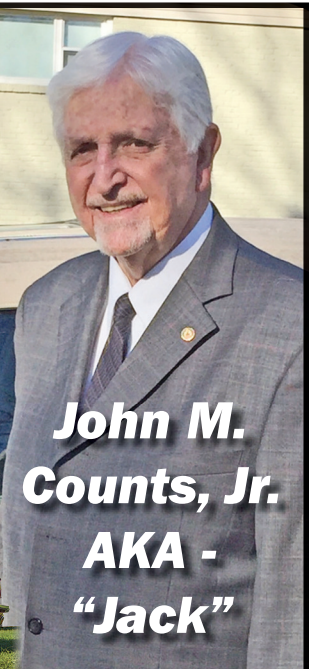
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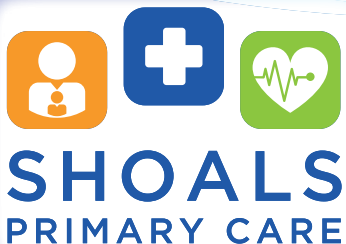
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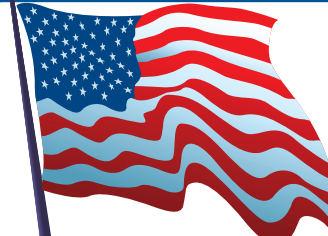
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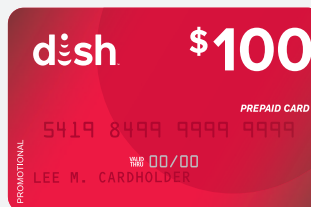
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**Saddle Up for St. Jude Celebrates its 25th Annual Trail Ride and Concert** July 15-17 at Gardiner Farms, 85 Underwood Road in Tuscumbia  
 Thursday, July 15 Live entertainment starting 6:30pm.

Friday, July 16 Live entertainment starting 6:30pm Saturday, July 17, Live entertainment starting 11am.  
 Live Auction starting 3:30pm.  
 Event headliners include Shenandoah, T. Graham Brown, and Clint Black

Bring your horse, \$50 donation for the weekend. Bring your chair and donation: \$20 for Thursday & Friday, \$35 for Saturday. Primitive camping sites available for \$25, contact Ann Jones 256-446-5392

Saddle-Up for St. Jude is coordinated by: Circle 5 Outfit, Jimmy King.

Directions: From Hwy 72 West, turn left at Colbert Farmer's Co-op -Go 1 block and turn left on Frankfort Road

-Go 1.7 miles and take left fork on Underwood Mountain  
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-Go 1 block and veer right on Dead End Road to Gardiner Farm  
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For a complete list of events and opportunities, please visit: Saddleup4kids.org

**Bradshaw Class of 1971 - 50 Year Reunion, August 27 & 28.**

Friday, August 27, 4-7pm - Welcome and tour of the Memorabilia Room at Burrell Slater High School, 620 W. College St., Florence. 6-10pm - Meet and greet at The GunRunner Boutique Hotel, 310 W. Tennessee St., Florence.

Saturday, August 28, 6pm at Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum for Bunyans' BBQ, Music and Lots of Fun. Cost \$30 per person.

RSVP by July 15 Pat Joiner Barger-pbarger126@comcast.net or Mae Sutherland Austin-hemebama423@yahoo.com or Jan Trousdale-jan4olemiss@yahoo.com

**Bank Independent has launched its 8th Annual School Share Drive** to benefit local school children through the "\$5 Helps Carry the Cost" campaign. School supplies and donations will be accepted at all locations of Bank Independent, by PayPal, and through scheduled collection events until July 16. Bank Independent works with local partner organizations across their seven-county footprint to ensure donations are distributed to area families in need.

In addition to the campaign, Bank Independent pledges to match total customer Smart Swipe savings up to \$10,000 until July 16 and donate that amount to School Share partner organizations. Smart Swipe is a simple savings plan that rounds up change from Bank Independent Debit Card purchases to the next dollar and deposits the difference into another BI account of the customer's choosing. Customers can enroll in Smart Swipe at any location, online at bibank.com, or through Customer Service.

School Share donations will go to purchase supplies for distributed through local organizations in each served market.

**Coffee High School Class of 1971 - 50 Year Reunion, September 3-4**

Main Reunion Event Saturday, September 4, 6-10pm at the Historic Sweetwater Train Depot, 502 South Royal Avenue.

Cost \$75 per person, \$150 per couple.

Informal meet and greet Friday, September 3, at 5:30pm at Singin' River Brewing Co., 526 E. College Street.

RSVP by July 30 by emailing coffehigh1971@gmail.com

Mail your payment to: CHS 1971 Reunion, PO Box 2384, Florence, AL 35630

Check out our website at <https://tiny.one/CHS1971>

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# Shorts...

## 50% Tuition at NW-SCC

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time the past year, and we believe we have developed a plan to help them regardless of what stage they are in with their education," said Colagross. "All students that have applied for CARES will receive at least half tuition. We will look at each individual case. Some may receive even more if they've been at the college throughout the pandemic."

Registration is now underway at <https://www.nwsc.edu/2021-summerfall-registration>. To be eligible for the financial help, students must first register for classes and then apply through their individual Moodle student portal. They will receive an email and/or text message from the college explaining the process.

NW-SCC fall semester classes begin August 19.

the title track from her debut EP "Forty Miles." Authors of the article, Jon Freeman and Joseph Hudak, referred to the Shoals Soul-inspired tune as one of those in the grand tradition of some great weary road songs and "a promising entry that makes Hill a young performer worth watching."



Hill

The 5-song EP collection was co-written with her father, Billy. *The Rolling Stone* honor came just days before her live July 9 performance in Huntsville at the Mars Music Hall in the Von Braun Center.

Hill is a regular at Nashville's Bluebird Cafe, and has co-written with Rock and Roll Hall of Famers, John Oates, Spooner Oldham, and Brenda Lee. She has shared the stage with Jason Isbell & The 400 Unit, John Paul White, Randy Owen, Shenandoah, and Lonestar.

## Rolling Stone Lists Tosha Hill

MUSCLE SHOALS—Each week *Rolling Stone Country* selects some of the best new music releases from country and Americana artists. Last week the digital magazine featured Shoals singer-songwriter Tosha Hill and

## Library Voices New in Athens

ATHENS—The Athens-Limestone County Public Library will host a ribbon-cutting in conjunction with the Greater Limestone County Chamber of Commerce on July 15 at

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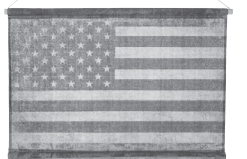


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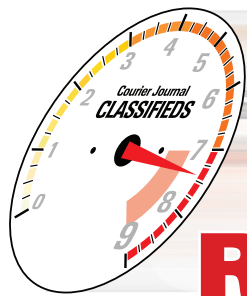
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### 125 Years in Loretto



LORETTO, TN – Loretto Telecom, a SkyBest Company, announced the official kickoff of its 125th anniversary today. They unveiled a special 125th anniversary logo as part of the anniversary celebration and describing special events Lawrence County residents can look forward to over the coming months.

“We are one of the oldest continuously operating telephone and communications companies in our state,” said Loretto Telecom General Manager, **Jason Shelton**. We celebrate with our wonderful customers along with all the hardworking employees, past and present.”

The company traces to 1897 when the local **Pruitt** family built a telephone line from Iron City (then a popular resort area) to Lawrenceburg, the county seat. The line was soon purchased and operated by **William H. Wiggerman**, a former Loretto postmaster.

The company changed ownership many times. Interestingly, this 125th anniversary also marks the 75th anniversary of the company’s purchase by **Ralph and Louise Passarella**. Their family continued at its helm until the Skybest purchase in 2018.

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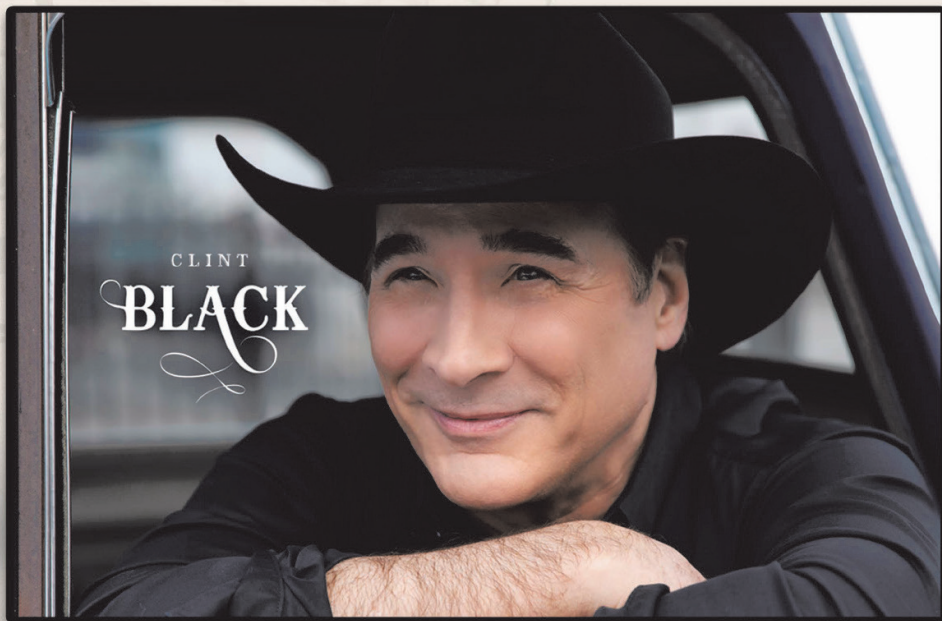
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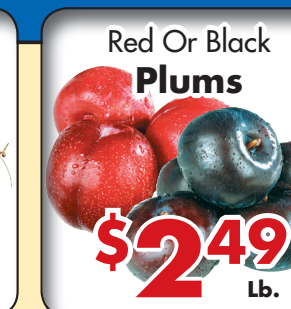
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# DAVE Says

by DAVE RAMSEY



## HONESTY MATTERS

Dear Dave,  
My husband and I are both teachers, and we're on Baby Step 7. We're struggling with things where our wills are concerned. Three of our four adult children aren't being wise with their money, and my husband and I disagree on how to talk to them about it and how it may affect us re-structuring our wills. We don't want to be judgmental, but at the same time we agree something needs to be said or done.  
Danielle

Dear Danielle,  
Let's say someone is working at my company, and taking my money in the form of a paycheck. Let's also say this person isn't doing a good job. If I don't talk to them about their performance because I don't want to be seen as judgmental, I'm not doing my job. I owe them the feedback necessary for them to become a good team member. Otherwise, they could just get fired one day without really knowing what happened because I refused to "judge" them.

You're supposed to judge people. The idea that you're not supposed to is ridiculous. But you don't have to be a jerk about it. There's a big difference between *judging* people and being *judgmental*. But it's unkind not to share insights or suggestions for a better way of life with those you love most. Holding back and telling yourself the way someone behaves is just the way they're made is wrong in most instances. Overspending and not saving money aren't character traits—they're decisions.

They're adults now, and they're going to do what they want. They don't have to understand or support your ways of handling

money, but you and your husband have every right to tell them they have to start behaving in certain ways if they expect to receive your money when the time comes. If they're misbehaving, and you give them money, you're funding that bad behavior. That's not love, that's enabling. And a big pile of money isn't going to heal the bad things—it's only going to magnify them.

Sit down with your kids, and have a loving, clear discussion about the situation. Remind them that they're adults, and you and your husband are no longer able to tell them how they have to live. But let them know in no uncertain terms, gently but firmly, they will not receive your money if they continue to behave in ways you both consider foolish or unreasonable. Let them know they'll always have your love, just not your money, unless they begin behaving more

intelligently and maturely with their finances.

You can't *make* them do anything, Danielle. But you can ensure they understand you two won't be sharing your wealth with people who can't handle it and use it wisely.

—Dave

*\* Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Dave Ramsey Show, heard by more than 16 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.*

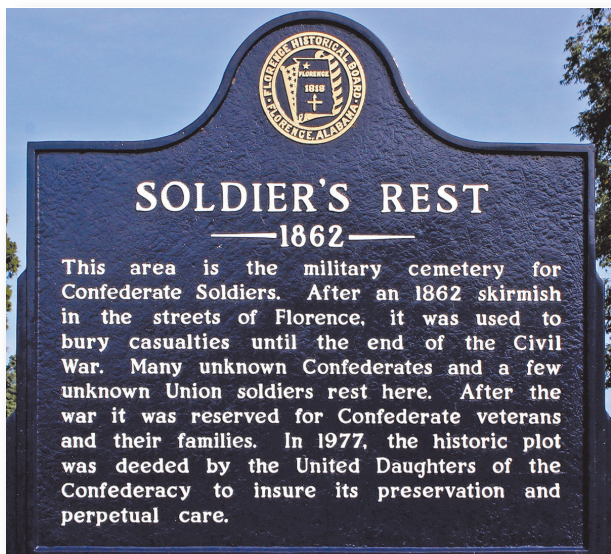
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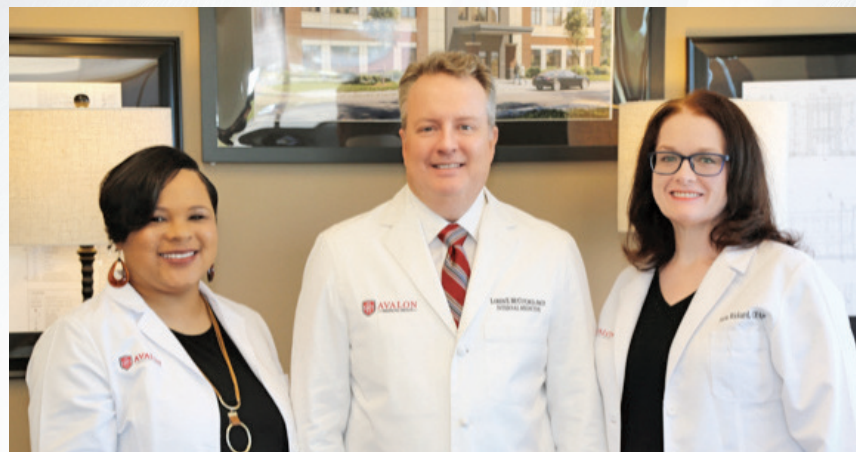
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**Commentary**

# Lines of Division Are Being Drawn

Unless you have been living under a rock, you have heard the term Critical Race Theory (CRT) at least a few times in recent months.

Some say the whole premise of the term Critical Race Theory lacks any basis in reality, that it is just some right-wing racist tactic to rile their base.

However, at its annual meeting recently, the national teachers union, the NEA, announced its support of CRT being taught in America's public schools. The NEA adopted New Business Item 39 which essentially calls for the organization to defend the teaching of Critical Race Theory.

The NEA will also provide a study that critiques "empire, white supremacy, anti-Blackness, anti-Indigeneity, racism, patriarchy, cisheteropatriarchy, capitalism, ableism, anthropocentrism, and other forms of power and oppression at the intersections of our society."

"...and other forms of power and oppression" sounds like a wide and never-ending topic. There seems to be a large contingent with an ax to grind... and just as many whites as blacks.

The ACLU intends to side with the NEA on

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**In A Few Words**



**TOM MAGAZZU**  
Editor

# Courier Journal

# THIS WEEK

in the *Shoals*

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*Happening*

**THIS WEEK**

## School Sales Tax Holiday

SHOALS – Alabama's 16th annual sales tax holiday for school-related items begins at 12am Friday, July 16 and ends at midnight Sunday, July 18.

Those three days give shoppers the opportunity to purchase certain school supplies, computers, books, and clothing free of the state's 4% sales or use tax. Most cities and counties also participate by offering even greater savings.

This one of two annual sales tax holidays for the state, the other is for Severe Weather Preparedness in the spring.

The Back-To-School Sales Tax Holiday always begins at 12am on the third Friday in

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Speakers include:

- **Jamie Miller** - President of Cyber Huntsville, Company Affiliation: Mission Multiplier
- **Darren Mott** - FBI Agent (Retired) and host of "The CyBUr Guy" Podcast

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**JULY IS NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH.**

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### Noise in the County!

Editor:

There needs to be a loud noise ordinance in Lauderdale county, especially when the people who live beside you have no respect for their sick and elderly neighbors.

The guy beside us kept shooting fireworks until after 12am! I asked him to please stop that we were sick. He didn't care.

I talked to his wife and told her that my husband has heart problems and

he is on oxygen. She apologized.

On Monday night the guy started up again, this time louder than Sunday night.

Lauderdale County Commissioners, PLEASE HELP your residents!!

**Nancy Johnson**  
Florence

### Another Minority Insult

Editor:

The state organization that regulates

lawyers in Oregon has recommended no longer requiring law school graduates to pass the bar exam to practice because they claim it's racist and unfair.

What an insult, particularly to the black race. It's saying they are not as smart as white people and can't compete intellectually. That, in itself, is discriminating against blacks.

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## Savvy SENIOR

### The Hidden Dangers of Sleep Apnea

Dear Savvy Senior,  
How can you know when someone has sleep apnea? My husband has become such a terrible snorer that he wakes himself up at night, and he keeps me up too.

Tired Teri

Dear Teri,

If your husband is a loud snorer who wakes himself up during sleep, he probably needs to be tested for sleep apnea, a dangerous disorder that affects more than 22 million Americans, but often goes undiagnosed.

Sleep apnea is a disorder that causes a person to stop breathing during sleep, hundreds of times during the night, for 10 seconds or more at a time. Left untreated, it can cause extreme daytime sleepiness, as well as a host of serious health conditions like high blood pressure, heart attack, stroke, diabetes and dementia. In fact, it's estimated that every year, around 38,000 Americans die in their sleep from a heart attack or stroke because of sleep apnea.

But the good news is that sleep apnea is very treatable and most insurance companies, including Medicare, cover it.

#### Who Has It?

There are three types of sleep apnea: obstructive, central and mixed. Of the three, obstructive sleep apnea (or OSA) is by far the most common and occurs when the throat muscles relax during sleep, blocking the airway.

While anyone can have it, sleep apnea is most common in people who are overweight, male, middle-aged and older. For women, the risk increases after menopause.

The symptoms include loud snoring (however not everyone who snores has apnea), long pauses of breathing, gasping or choking during sleep and daytime drowsiness. But because most of these symptoms happen during sleep, most people don't recognize them. It's usually the person they're sleeping with who notices it.

#### Diagnosing Sleep Apnea

To help you get a handle on your husband's problem, the American Sleep Apnea Association has several diagnostic tests he can take at [SleepApnea.org/treat](http://SleepApnea.org/treat) - click on "Test Yourself."

If the screening indicates that he may have sleep apnea, make an appointment with his doctor or a sleep specialist who will probably recommend an overnight diagnostic sleep test called polysomnography, which can take place at a sleep center lab (see [SleepEducation.com](http://SleepEducation.com)), or at home using a portable device.

#### Treatment Options

Your husband is at greater risk for sleep apnea if he's overweight, smokes, and/or consumes excessive amounts of alcohol. Excess weight, especially around the neck, puts pressure on the airway, which can cause it to collapse. Smoking can increase the amount of inflammation and fluid retention in the upper airway. And alcohol and sleeping pills can relax the muscles in the back of his throat, interfering with breathing. Addressing these issues, if necessary, is usually the first line of treatment.

If that doesn't do the trick, mild cases of sleep apnea may respond to oral devices that fit into the mouth like a removable mouth guard or retainer. These devices work by positioning the lower jaw slightly forward to keep the airway open during sleep.

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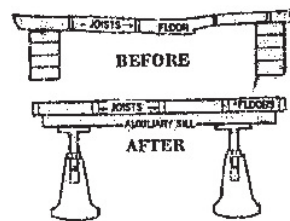
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Guests are invited to bring their horses for trail riding for a donation of \$50.

Day and evening events on Thursday and Friday are \$20. Saturday's admission is \$35.

Primitive camping sites are available for \$25. Contact Ann Jones at 256-446-5392 for details.

The farm opens for campers and riders at noon on July 15 with music beginning at 6:30pm.

Gates open at 7am on Friday. Music starts at 7pm with headliner T. Graham Brown taking the stage at 8:30pm.

Gates open at 7am Saturday with music throughout the day beginning at 11am. A live auction will take place at 3:30pm. Concessions are available throughout the day.



## Schedule of Events

Bring your horse, \$50 donation for the weekend. Bring your chair and donation: \$20 for Thursday & Friday, \$35 for Saturday

Primitive camping sites available for \$25, contact Ann Jones 256-446-5392

### Thursday, July 15th

- 12:00 p.m. Farm opens for campers & riders
- 6:00 p.m. Concessions open & Kid Zone open
- 6:30 p.m. **Cowboy Church Band** - on stage
- 7:30 p.m. **Drive** - on stage
- 8:30 p.m. **Shenandoah** - on stage
- 12:00 p.m. Lights out each night

### Friday, July 16th

- 7:00 a.m. Gates open
- 11:00 a.m. Concessions open
- 6:00 p.m. Kid Zone open
- 7:00 p.m. **April Michelle** - on stage
- 8:30 p.m. **T. Graham Brown** - on stage

### Saturday, July 17th

- 7:00 a.m. Gates open
- 10:00 a.m. Concessions open all day
- 11:00 a.m. Kid Zone open
- 11:00 a.m. **Maddie Johnson** - on stage
- 11:15 a.m. **Josh Brannon Band** - on stage
- 12:00 p.m. **Showdown** - on stage
- 1:00 p.m. **Josh Brannon Band** - on stage
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## Homan...

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with a list that includes one student-athlete from each of the nine institutions and honors those who display excellence on and off the playing surface.

Homan graduated Summa Cum Laude in May with a 4.0 grade-point average that included a degree in business administration. He was a four-year letterman on the UNA baseball team and plans to return to UNA in 2021-22 as a graduate student.

Homan hit .258 this season and set UNA Division I records with a 13-game hitting streak; he also got on base safely in 19-straight games. Roman was named to the ASUN All-Academic Team and scored 14 runs with 22 RBI during the season. Over the last four seasons at UNA, he played in 135 games with 132 starts.

Homan's civic engagements off the field included the Red Cross Blood Drive, Martin Luther King Jr. Service Day, Baseball ROTC Run to Remember 9/11 Victims and the Billy Reid Shindig. He was previously awarded the team's Robert E. "Bob" Stephenson Award for being the Lions' leader on and off the field.

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Justin blew up over Justin's attempt at a hostile takeover of Spencer Publications. Carter told Quinn about the conditions Eric set forth for him. *Wait to See: Justin approaches Ridge with an offer of alliance. Carter and Quinn's mutual lust for each other is palpable. Bill attempts to process Justin's duplicity and disloyalty.*

**DAYS OF OUR LIVES** Julie interrupted an intimate moment between Xander and Gwen. Theo shared some exciting news with Chad. Ben and Ciara clashed over both of them wanting to hire Justin. Chanel admitted to Allie that she might have feelings for her. Lani told Paulina she was cutting her out of her life. Marlena and John tried to cheer up Abe. Bonnie was hurt when Justin turned her down. Gabi concocted a devious plot with Jake. Sami's secret wasn't so safe after all. Chanel had an awkward encounter with Allie and Tripp. Eric and Nicole shared a joyous reunion. Lucas told Philip about his affair with Sami. Eli grilled Gwen about Snyder's death. Eric and Nicole threw together a last-minute anniversary party. *Wait to See: Brady invites Chloe to Eric and*

Nicole's party. Sami tries to hammer out a deal with Xander. Lucas and Philip strategize how to blow up EJ and Sami's marriage.

**GENERAL HOSPITAL** Austin approached Carly about the Michael Corinthos wing at GH. Britt and Obrecht came to an understanding. Sam was worried about Alexis's well-being. Jordan, Shawn and TJ had a family discussion. Curtis was apologetic. Laura tried to bolster Nikolas. Sonny awaited some important news. Scott shared a big announcement. Maxie looked to Nina for advice. Trina defended Ava. Brook Lynn was worried her secret would be exposed. Nikolas was pleasantly surprised. Laura tried to reassure Ava. Anna and Valentin discussed their evolving relationship. Sonny awaited Lenny's return. Carly faced off with Gladys. Curtis and Portia addressed the tension between them. Sam questioned Jason's motives. Phyllis gave a protective warning about Nina. *Wait to See: Brando gets to the bottom of Sasha's hesitation. Maxie needs a favor. Ned, Brook Lynn and Michael come together for a common goal.*

**THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS** Victor laid down the law. Sharon gave Adam a reality check. Kyle and Tara's day in the park took an unexpected turn. Nate and Elena fended off a third wheel. Rey got a new assignment. Chelsea's dreams came true. Sally

was stung by betrayal. Billy came clean with Jack. Victoria and Ashland made a shocking announcement. Abby and Tessa ramped up the tension. Phyllis and Tara played nice. Sharon was reunited with an old friend. *Wait to See: Billy and Phyllis join forces. Nikki supports Victoria. Amanda asks Victor for help*

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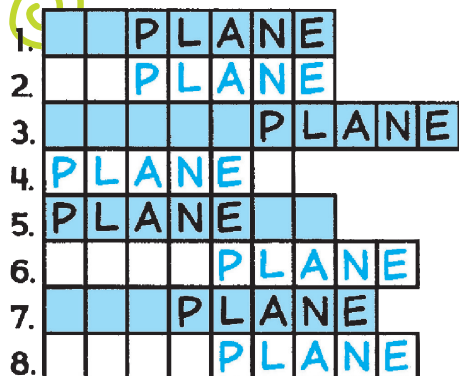
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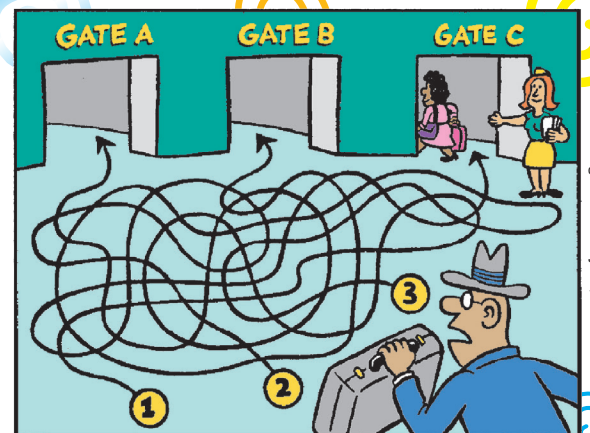
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2. Get off.
3. High-speed motorboat.
4. It smooths wood surfaces.
5. There are nine of these.
6. Light glider.
7. It lands on water.
8. It has one pair of wings.



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IT'S FLIGHT TIME! Which route will get this late traveler to Gate C? Take a guess.



**CITY SCRAMBLE!** Our friends have logged a lot of air miles on their global holiday. The stickers on their luggage display the names of the cities they explored. However, we've scrambled the letters to make a puzzle for you. What cities did they visit? Time limit: 2 minutes.

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Commentary

# Lines of Division...

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this issue, so it will be around and debated for years if not decades.

CRT in principle has been around since the 70 and 80's, however it has ramped in the last few years.

Two bills have been pre-filed for the 2022 Alabama Legislative session dealing with divisive concepts in school. Concepts that state that an individual, by virtue of his or her race or sex, is inherently racist, sexist, or oppressive, and consequently bears responsibility for actions committed in the past by other members of the same race or sex. It's absurd that as grown-ups, we even have to address such broad stereotypical generalizations.

Telling minors in K-12 that they should feel guilt or responsibility because of their skin color and that they owe others in society because of it is simply nonsense. The CRT proponents have already started and they are intent on poisoning the minds of America's youth over the next generation.

Those who teach it shouldn't be allowed around children, period; theirs or other people's.

Are there gaps in what we are taught, important

events that are excluded from our knowledge unless we seek to learn on our own? Absolutely. Stories of heroism and tragedy dot our history, instances of disrespect, torture, and neglect that will tear your heart out. I still marvel at the story of Harriet Tubman which has been covered briefly in this space. I grimace at the thought of the innocent black lives lost and the human pain and suffering in Tulsa a century ago. Those people were just pursuing the American Dream so frequently referenced. Why did hatred and distrust run so deeply as to end and disrupt so many lives?

Those and many other situations and occurrences should be taught, but not with the assumption that our foundational structures of independence from Britain and the liberties found in our Constitution and nurtured over the last two and a half centuries are flawed.

That is not a mindset of reconciliation. It is yet another reckless attempt to divide our country.

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# ON YOUR DEBT

## Debunking Bankruptcy Myths: But Won't Bankruptcy Ruin My Credit For Seven Years?



**B. Grant McNutt**  
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This question, or some form of it, is asked by virtually every person that comes to see us to discuss their financial problems. The answer is usually simple. By the time they have come in to see us, their credit is already in bad shape! This does not necessarily mean that they have a bad credit score. Some folks manage to keep making minimum payments each month. Unfortunately, this is often done by taking cash advances against another card and/or borrowing money from a payday loan store. But even in these cases, the poor individual is hopelessly over extended and living with a great deal of stress.

The old myth about bankruptcy ruining a person's credit for seven years seems to come from a belief that a bankruptcy filing can be listed on a person's credit report for seven years. This belief is incorrect. A Chapter 7 bankruptcy filing can, in fact, be listed on a filer's credit report for ten years from the date of filing. This does not mean, however, that a person has bad credit for ten years. In fact, a bankruptcy discharge can often make it EASIER to obtain credit.

Does not make sense? Well, think about it from a practical perspective. Say you go to a banker to borrow money today. You have NEVER filed bankruptcy. You have, however, been a week or two late on your mortgage or car payment a couple of times. You have about \$25,000 in credit card debt and have only been making minimum payments for a while now. You may even have a payday loan or two. In other words, you are barely getting by. If the banker lends you money today, he will be competing with all your other creditors to be paid on his loan. You barely have enough money to pay them. How are you going to pay this new debt? In addition to this, the banker will have to consider the fact that you could file bankruptcy on the other creditors and him after he lends you the money. The likelihood of receiving your loan is next to none.

Now fast forward a few months. You filed a Chapter 7 bankruptcy and received Discharge of all your unsecured debt and now only have your car and house payments. Since that time, you have made your house and car payments on time every month. You have no other

creditors. If the banker lends you money now, he will not be competing with other creditors. Furthermore, he will not need to worry about you filing another chapter 7 bankruptcy. You cannot file again for eight years after the first bankruptcy was filed.

From this perspective, you are less of a risk now than you were before filing your bankruptcy and now your likelihood of receiving the loan is looking pretty good!

If you question this logic, call the finance manager at your local car dealership. You will likely learn that you can qualify for an automobile loan the day after you receive your bankruptcy discharge. Call a real estate agent. You will also learn that many people qualify for a mortgage within a few short years after a bankruptcy discharge.

Now this does not mean that bankruptcy is the best option for you. Bankruptcy should never be your first choice. If, however, you are struggling with debt, you should sit down with an experienced consumer bankruptcy attorney and fully explore how a bankruptcy will affect your credit.

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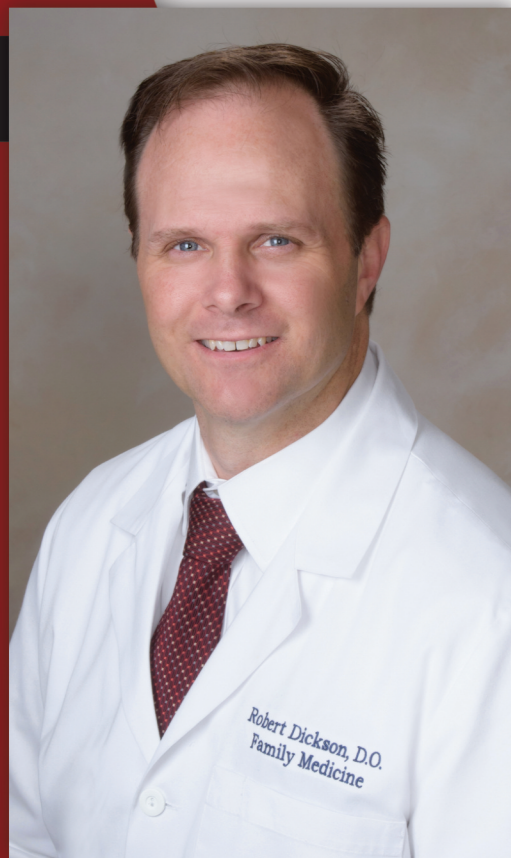
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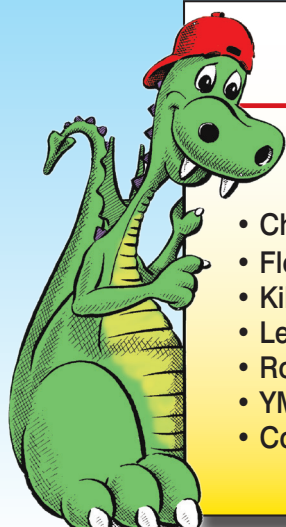
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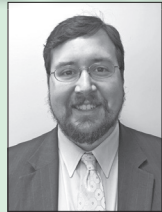


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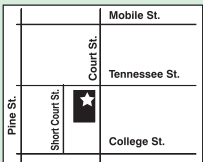
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### Transformation Starts with Us

Editor:

What is the United States missing that is leading to its own self-destruction? It's a simple word but so misunderstood in a fallen world. Love. Love is missing.

You might think, "How can you believe love is the issue when we constantly hear of loving ourselves and loving who we choose to love?" But, that's the issue. We think love can mean what we want it to mean and can be practiced the way we think it should be practiced.

In reality, love is built on brotherly affection. Brotherly affection is built on Godliness. Godliness is built on steadfastness. Steadfastness is built on self-control. Self-control

is built on knowledge. And, knowledge is built on virtue (2 Pet. 1:5-10).

The United States is crumbling because the base of the structure is crumbling. At the base of the structure is virtue. In John 14:6, Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to

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#### How much liability insurance do you need?

Liability covers expenses when you're at fault in a crash. The coverages extend to the vehicle and persons impacted by the crash but not the individuals in your car. Most states require you to carry a minimum amount of liability coverage on your vehicle.

No one can predict exactly how much you'd have to pay if you cause a crash. But the key question to ask is: Can you afford to cover any damages exceeding your coverage limits? The higher your liability coverage limits, the more damages your policy might cover.

To get an idea of how much liability coverage you might need, add up the value of your home, cars, savings, and investments. Then subtract your debts (what you owe). For example, if the total "net worth" was \$220,000, you could consider \$250,000 liability for injuries per accident. If you feel you need additional coverage, you can increase it typically in \$50,000 increments up to \$500,000. If you feel you need coverage beyond that, consider an umbrella policy.

#### Do you need comprehensive and/or collision insurance on an old car?

Collision coverage covers repairs to your car if you're in an accident. Comprehensive coverage covers your car if it's stolen or damaged outside of an accident. You might not have a choice to carry this coverage if your car is leased or financed; most lenders will require you to carry enough coverage to cover the cost of repairs to your car.

If you own the vehicle, you could consider whether the savings from dropping collision and/or comprehensive coverage is enough to offset the risk of having to pay the entire cost of repairing or replacing your car. For example, if your car is totaled from an accident in which the other driver is at fault and has no insurance, hit in a parking lot while you were in the store shopping, or stolen while you were hiking at a park, do you have the means to replace it without any help from the insurance company?

#### How much should my collision and comprehensive deductibles be?

This is a balancing act. Higher deductibles typically lower your premium, but will increase your out-of-pocket costs if a loss occurs. Ask yourself how much you're willing and able to pay directly, often on short notice, to potentially save on your premium. If you want to lower the amount you have to pay when a crash occurs, you might want to opt for a lower deductible.

If saving money on your insurance is your motivating factor behind removing your collision and raising your deductible, consider these other car insurance money savings tips.

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a system that would steer a nation towards virtue. They knew the Republic would not last without virtuous citizens. If we fail to acknowledge virtue, we will fail. The founders recognized how they fell short of virtue, and set about trying to right those wrongs where they could. Just like the United States cannot force other nations to accept virtue, each individual State, in the formation of the Republic, could not force another state to accept virtue. But, they could try to make it more difficult for an unvirtuous state to succeed in the Republic.

Is it too late for the United States? I don't know. What I do know is the transformation starts with each individual today. We must acknowledge and accept all of virtue, truth, not just the parts we want to acknowledge. Where are you in the search for truth? Seek it yourself. Don't just blindly follow pleasant words you hear from fallen sources - mypersonalbiblestudy.worldbibleschool.org.

Jason Howton  
Florence

## The Cost for All Projects?


Editor:

At the May 14, 2013 Florence City Council meeting, an item on the Regular Agenda was a "Resolutions establishing proposed capital projects and established costs to be funded by the City's proposed General Obligation Warrant Series 2013 sponsored by President Jordan." Since under the Regular Agenda, there were

discussions among the council members. Several citizens spoke, some for and some against this resolution. Those against were concerned with the cost, interest on the loan, and with the millions included for UNA. The principal was \$19,340,000. Interest that would be due on the principal - \$8,639,208 - was not shown.

At the June 15, 2021 Florence City Council meeting, an item on the Consent Agenda was a

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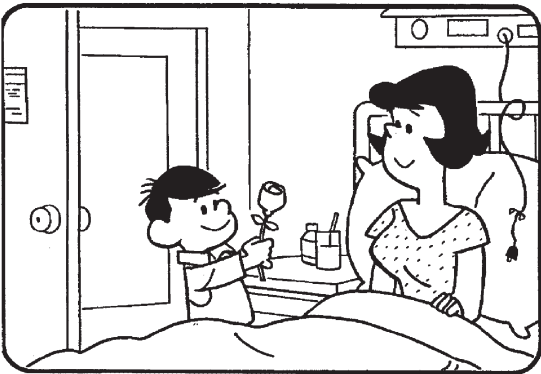
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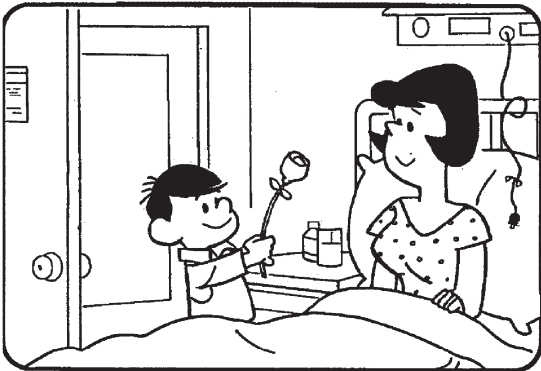


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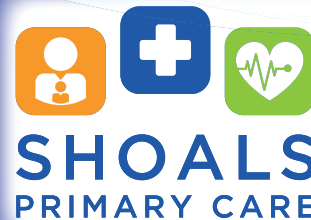
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Resolution to approve construction of a new city hall, two new parking decks, and the demolition of the current parking deck. This resolution was sponsored by Mayor Betterton. When an item is on the Consent Agenda, there is no discussion by council members. In that case, Mayor Betterton/President Jordan need to provide an explanation to the citizens as to the reason(s) this item was placed on the Consent Agenda and not on the Regular Agenda.

At the July 6 Florence City Council meeting, the Resolution from June 15 was defeated did not gain a majority. Three for - Jordan, Member Eubanks, Member Edwards; Three against - Member Griffin, Member Oliver, Member Simmons. Reasons for the against votes included acting too quickly, location, lack of citizen input, and cost.

Citizens need to know the estimated cost and the estimated interest that will be paid over life of loan(s) prior to the next vote. The *TimesDaily* provided a list of projects that were being considered by the council in April 2021.

The article stated that the list of projects would go to the City Treasurer who would determine cost and return to the council for ranking. In addition to items already noted, the council must state their plans for the other projects prior to approving the construction of the new city hall and new parking decks. It's time to Get it Right, the Right way.

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Weeds that grow between bricks on your walkway or sidewalk are unsightly and can easily be killed without weed killer. Simply boil water in your teakettle and pour it on the weeds. This is better for the environment, too. *Kristel w.*

## RECYCLING RESEALABLE BAGS

Ever wonder how to save money and dispose of stinky diapers without having to smell them all day? The trick is using zip-closed food bags. I always save these bags after they have been used. In fact, my next baby isn't due until late fall and I am already saving zip-closed bags for all of those diapers we will be disposing of. (I am giving them a quick rinse and then air drying them before I put them away.) *Julie R.*

## GARDENING FOR MERE MORTALS

Experienced gardeners know this well, but the rest of us mortals may need a small reminder. While tending to your plants in this growing season, remember to allow some plants/flowers to go to seed in order to collect the seeds for next year. Like a botanist, you can pick and choose what grows best and tailor your garden to your needs and desires. Remember to mark the seed packages. Also, be sure to store in a cool, dry and dark place. In the midst of winter, start your babies growing. Also remember that towards the end of summer, most places put supplies on sale, which you might need for your growing project. *Cristina*

## NECKLACE CARRIERS

Although I rarely buy fast food, when I do, I save the straws from my sodas. I take them home and wash them really well. Then I use them when I travel to keep my necklaces from tangling. I slide a necklace through each straw and clasp it. My necklaces remain tangle-free. *Jennifer h.*

It never fails. Shortly after you put a clean plastic liner in the kitchen wastebasket, something really smelly gets thrown away before the bag is full. I've found I can eliminate rotten odors in a wastebasket by completely covering the offending waste with a few layers of newspapers. I use the newspaper ad supplements that fill up my mailbox each week. The paper absorbs the smell entirely so you can use each bag to capacity. *Julie B. in Houston TX*

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# Cat & Kids

by Cathy Turner

## Family Is...Best!

I retired, then I had a post-pandemic sibling reunion as my husband and I traveled to Corolla, NC to celebrate our anniversary. The day after our return came the Turner Family Day in Memphis, wherein we stayed in a big rented house with all our children and grandchildren. What a way to start my new phase – being reminded that family is the best!

Family is watching the NBA Finals together and there never being any silence. People popping up and reenacting dribbles and shots. Shared exasperation. Glimpses toward each other as hands fly up in wonderment. Disagreeing. Agreeing. Cheering on the guy with the long name on his jersey.

Family is having sisters remind you to give things time. It's a sibling reunion of sixty-somethings that last deep into the night. It's eating at midnight, Mulla's caramel pound cake now perfected over time by my brother.

Family is not wanting the good-byes to happen.

Family is listening to great-grandmother tell stories about her childhood and her parents and her grandmother. Taking notes. Finalizing charts. Name proud. Four generations in the room. A new one born this morning.

Of course, for us, family is playing games. My new daughter, who married my son, almost beat me in the card game Spit or Speed, whichever you call it - almost. It was intense. She could hang. Fun. And of course, in a day my other son and I completed a 750 piece Disney Lady Villains puzzle. The extensive conversation during construction, between he and his siblings, was about which villain was the most evil? Questions like, "Is it worst to kill puppies or abuse people?" came up. Cruella was just a capitalist, but The Evil Queen hired an assassin. The list ended up being, worst to not-so-worst: Snow White's Evil Queen, Maleficent, Ursula, Cinderella's stepmother, and then Cruella. Yep, that's family - my family.

Family means bringing chairs from the other room to fill out the dining room table.

Family is traveling 2100 miles to celebrate your 40th wedding anniversary and family, and enjoying every minute of it.

Family is sharing your beginnings and knowing who you are. New births, aspirations, future plans. Rooting each other on. Asking each other the hard questions. Wishing all good things for your cousins, brothers, mom, dad, sisters, aunties,

uncles, and grandbabies - everybody with your name.

Family is standing up for hugs every time somebody new comes in the room.

Family is watching 4th of July fireworks at Graceland, a few blocks from grandad's home place. And eating dinner at the Elvis Pressley Grill inside the Guest House Hotel.

Family is rolling around in the floor with your nieces and nephews.

Watching the sunrise together.

Family is needing to rent Fuller State Park so that you all can see each other. Having the little ones blow up the balloons, throw the confetti on the tables, and then watch them thrash it all about. Breaking out the Neely's BBQ and beans and making a balloon laden throne chair for Grandmother Leonia. Seeing true love in the eyes of the six auntie and uncle couples as they tell their stories. Oh, and family is watching all the Turners swoop down on the clean-up. People arguing over the broom – done in ten seconds flat!

Family is banana pudding lessons from the elders. Whip that meringue, don't stir it. Bananas stirred in the custard? Last layer: cookies or bananas?

Family is seat-dancing and arm-pumping with your children at the movie, "In the Heights". Let's go!

Family means a carnival visit, a 32nd birthday party and Autobahn Speedway Racing.

Family is getting a goodbye sandwich hug with kisses all over from your sisters-in-love of forty years.

Family is fulfilling, overwhelming and understanding. Family sustains, manages and maintains. Family makes you. If it breaks, forgiveness heals. Families are fun. Families are work. Family is mine. Blessed!

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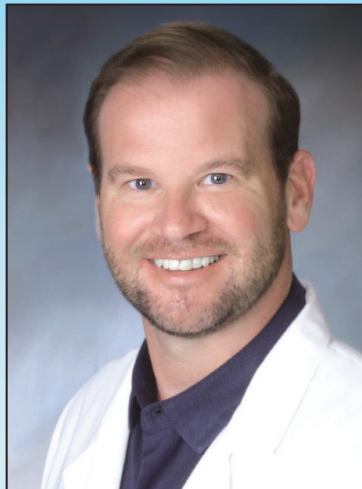
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by Charles Barry Townsend

Illustrated by David Coulson

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**Florence Parks and Recreation Department, The Club/Florence Senior Center presents The Brown's, Boomer's & Senior's Social Dance Night**, each Tuesday evening. Doors Open 6pm. Dance 6:30-8:45pm. 450 Country Club Drive in Florence -- \$5 per person. The Club is a drug, alcohol, tobacco, weapon free facility. For more information: [fdavis@florenceal.org](mailto:fdavis@florenceal.org),

Facebook: Florence Senior Center/The Club, 256-760-6420. Mask optional. Social distancing appreciated.

**Florence Parks and Recreation Department, The Club/Florence Senior Center presents Joints In Motion**, chair exercise classes, 2 times a week, improving strength, balance and range of motion. Wednesday and Friday,

9:30am-10:15am, 450 Country Club Drive in Florence. For more information: [fdavis@florenceal.org](mailto:fdavis@florenceal.org), Facebook: Florence Senior Center/The Club, 256-760-6420. Mask optional. Social distancing appreciated.

**In an effort to reward local people for Outstanding Community Service**, Long-Lewis Automotive Group in cooperation with The Long-Lewis Foundation, will be awarding one person each month \$500 and a Certificate of Appreciation to recognize their efforts in serving The Shoals Community. To nominate someone for the Long

Lewis Hero of the month award by visiting the Long Lewis Facebook page.

Simply nominate someone you feel deserves this award for Outstanding Community Service. The recipient of the Award will be determined by the nominee post that gets the most Likes from the community at the end of each month. The recipient will be announced via social media, on the 1st of the month. Congratulations to the June winner, Quentin Woods.

**The Shoals Writers Guild has finalized the remainder of its 2021 Schedule.** Update your calendars.

All meetings at Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, 350 N. Wood Avenue, Florence unless otherwise indicated.

Saturday, July 17 10am-noon  
Speakers: Poet Dr. Brenna Wardell; I Local entrepreneur Lillian Glanton,

For more information, please email, [shoalswritersguild@gmail.com](mailto:shoalswritersguild@gmail.com)

**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.

**Family Fun Fest! Fun with Bubbles, Games, Popsicles, and More!** on Thursday, July 22 from 6-7:30pm at the Girl Scout Office, 4050 Helton Dr. in Florence. Parking in front and back. Fun for the whole family! Hope to see you there!

**Hot BBQ, Cool Blues**—Roundhouse, Tuscumbia, July 22, 6-8 pm. Live music by Max Russell & L.O. Bishop BBQ dinner, sponsored by Tuscumbia Retail Development. Tickets: 256-383-9797

**"The Last Five Years" at the Historic Ritz Theatre** in downtown Sheffield July 22-24 and 29-31 at 7:30pm

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a five-year relationship, take stock of what matters most, and perhaps take a side. A two-person play, "The Last Five Years" focuses on strong vocal and acting performances from our three sets of casts.

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For tickets, visit [tennesseevalleyarts.org](http://tennesseevalleyarts.org). Questions? Call 256-383-0533

**40th Annual W. C. Handy Music Festival**, July 23-August 1. Various locations across the Shoals area. Events/music across all genres. For more info: [wchandyfestival.com](http://wchandyfestival.com)

**June is Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month**, and the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, in collaboration with the Coalition for Alzheimer's and Related Disorders (CARD), is presenting a series of free symposiums on Alzheimer's disease in the coming months. The first took place June 24, a discussion on the difference in normal aging memory loss and knowing when it's time to seek help including the 10 common signs of Alzheimer's disease

Symposiums are scheduled in the library conference room from 5-6:30pm the fourth Thursday each month through October. Future topics will include:

July 22 - Beyond Memory Loss  
Anxiety/aggression • Depression • Behavior changes • Sleep disturbances • Redirecting behavior to avoid medications

Every 65 seconds, someone develops Alzheimer's disease, with 5.8 million American's living with the disease, according to CARD data. CARD is a nonprofit organization established in 1993 to provide education and support for the residents of Colbert, Franklin, Lauderdale, Marion and Winston counties.

The scheduled facilitator for the symposiums is CARD board member Donna Tidwell.

**The Coffee High School Class of 1971 is having its 50 Year Reunion** September 3-4, 2021. The Main Reunion Event is September 4, from 6-10pm at the Historic Sweetwater Train Depot, 502 South Royal Avenue. An informal meet and greet is set for September 3 at 5:30pm at Singin' River Brewing Co., 526 East College St. RSVP to [coffeehigh1971@gmail.com](mailto:coffeehigh1971@gmail.com) or text questions to 256-290-9127.

**Join the fun with the 3rd Annual Handy on the H2O event** that takes place Saturday, July 24 with Boat Poker Run beginning at 11:30am... The concert begins at 5pm featuring Country music star Chris Lane headlining, along with Dustin Richardson, Dixie Mafia, and DJ Stan Daman at Allred Point on Wilson Lake in Muscle Shoals. The concert is by boat access ONLY.

Handy on the H2O is a benefit for the Kruzn For a Kure Foundation.

Visit the 2021 Handy on the H2O Boat Poker Run FB event page for more info and updates!

**The Shoal Writers Guild July Meeting** will be Saturday, July 24, from 10am-12pm, at the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library. The speakers will be Dr. Brenna Wardell, UNA English Department, and artist Lillian Glanton.

**Vacation Bible School at First Free Will Baptist Church** July 26-30, 6:30-8:30pm. Ages 4 - completed 5th Grade. Registration Event at the church on July 26, 10am-2pm or register online at <https://www.fwbflorence.org>. First Free Will is located at 2701 Florence Blvd. Florence.

**Muscle Shoals Sound Studio** will be open Monday-Saturday 10am-4pm through Labor Day. Tours are on the half-hour every hour and tour price is \$15. Discounts are available for military, senior and group tours. We are pet friendly! Tickets can be purchased online or at the studio [www.muscleshoalssoundstudio.org](http://www.muscleshoalssoundstudio.org), 256-978-5151. Muscle Shoals Sound Studio is at 3614 N. Jackson Highway in Sheffield.



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