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FLORENCE - UNA senior shortstop Reid Homan of Athens was named to the 2022 CoSIDA Academic All-America[®] Baseball team with a perfect 4.0 cumulative GPA



as he pursues a Masters degree. A third team selection, he is one of just 33 student-athletes selected for the honor from the more than 9,000 competing in NCAA Division

I college baseball. It also marks the second consecutive year Homan has been named to the ASUN Conference All-Academic Baseball Team. During his career at UNA from 2018-22, Homan set a school record for most at bats with 704. He finished 10th in career hits with 177, 5th in career games with 188, and fourth in career starts with 185.

The 2021 UNA grad also earned a perfect 4.0 as a Computer Information Systems undergraduate.

Listerhill CU **Adds Dickson**

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Dickson as a mortgage loan officer. Dickson will help expand

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FLORENCE- Pegasus Senior Living recently had 12 of its senior communities awarded the designation of Best Senior Living from the U.S. News and World Report's 2022-23 survey. This includes their community in the Shoals, The Renaissance of Florence, on County Road 47 just north of Cox Creek Parkway.

U.S. News awards the designation of Best Senior Living only to those communities that satisfy the U.S. News' objective statistical assessment of each senior living community's performance from consumer satisfaction surveys administered from March 2021 - February 2022. These surveys reflect the viewpoints of more than 200,000 current residents and family members of residents living in thousands of senior living communities nationwide.

Inside

The U.S. News' press release continues, The inaugural U.S. News Best Senior Living ratings and profiles offer comprehensive information and exclusive analysis of consumer satisfaction data evaluating such factors as community and activity, food and dining, caregiving, and management and staff for nearly 2,500 communities in the continental U.S. and Hawaii. For more than 30 years, U.S. News has served the American public as an unbiased arbiter of quality regarding a variety of important choices. Whether of important choices. Whether picking a college, selecting a hospital, or moving to a nursing home, consumers go to the U.S. News to research and make consequential life decisions.

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Celebrate the Art of the **Dish**

TUSCUMBIA- "Art of the Dish," the popular antique and vintage china exhibit, will return to Belle Mont Mansion Thursday - Saturday, June 23-25. Individuals from across the Shoals have been invited to display china and tableware from their private collections, some dating from the 1700's through the mid-1900's.

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the credit union's service capacity in the Shoals area, according to **Torrey Moore**, Vice President of Mortgage Lending. "Instead of merely meeting the high demand

Celebration of Life in loving memory of Steve Bradford Underwood June 30, 1959 – January 13, 2022

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of our mortgage loan requests, we can now help our members and those new to the area turn their dream homes into a reality more quickly," said Moore. "Having Kyle serving the Shoals area will bolster an already exceptional team we have at Listerhill."

Dickson has eighteen years of experience in financial services ranging from mortgage lending to executive leadership. Based at Listerhill's new Lending and Investment Center on College Street in Florence, Dickson will focus specifically on helping mortgage applicants realize their home goals and connect with local real estate agents in Lauderdale County and Colbert County.

"No matter how times change, I've always believed that service and ease of use are key factors in choosing a mortgage lender," said Dickson. "I am so proud to be a part of the great member experience we provide at Listerhill."

Bookin' It Run for FLPL

FLORENCE-The Bookin' It 5k and Fun Run Benefiting the



Florence Lauderdale Public Library takes place Saturday, June 18 at the library at 350 N Wood Ave in Florence.

The 5k starts at 8am. Race day registration and packet pickup is at 6:30am

Registration is \$30 for the 5k or the 1-mile Fun Run. Both include a t-shirt.

Early Packet Pickup is Friday, June 17 from 10am-6pm at Solid Rock Running Company at 2801 Mall Rd Ste 12A in Florence.

For more information, or for details on registering, call **Abby** at 256-764-6564 ext127 or email her at abby@flpl.org.

A Hot Diggity Dawg Wash

FLORENCE – Join the fun on Saturday, June 18 from 10am-2pm for the Chloe's Fund Hot Diggity Dawg wash. The superstars of the UNA women's basketball team will be soaping up the pups in the parking lot of the Florence-Lauderdale Animal Services (FLAS) building, located at 3240 Roberson Road in Florence. For just \$15 you can sponsor a Shelter dog and/or bring your own dog for a wash! All proceeds benefit Chloe's Fund which covers the cost for many medical needs of Florence Shelter

Animals that are awaiting adoption.

Chloe's Fund was started in March of 2017 after shelter volunteers, **Glen** and **Debby Nelson** lost their beloved dog of 16 years, **Chloe**. After Chloe's passing, Debby

set out on a mission to help as many sick and injured Florence-

Lauderdale Animal Shelter animals as possible. With your continued help, Chloe's Fund can keep saving the lives of hundreds of animals! Hope to see you June 18!

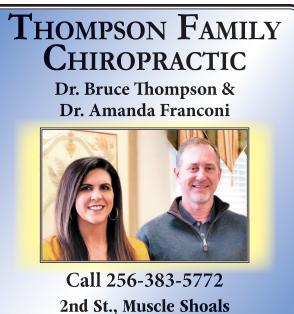
Volunteer for Day of Caring

FLORENCE—United Way of Northwest Alabama is excited about the return of the Annual Day of Caring that will take place on Friday, June 24! This year's Day of Caring is presented by Pilgrim's.

The Day of Caring is an opportunity for nonprofit agencies to utilize volunteer resources to benefit their organizations and have projects completed that they might not otherwise be able to complete. Now is the time for volunteers to sign up!

Eighteen different projects have been submitted by local nonprofit organizations. Some of the projects will take a couple of hours, while others will take a

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Benefit Fishing Tournament for Terry McCombs who is waiting for a double lung transplant, will be Saturday, June 18 at Smith Lake Dam from 6pm-2am. \$125 Entry Per Boat Help Terry catch his breath with a double lung transplant

Guaranteed payout: 1st \$3,000, 2nd \$2,000, 3rd \$1,000, 4th \$750, 5th \$500, 6th-10th \$125, Big Spot \$250, Big Largemouth \$250. 5 Fish Limit - Overs Only

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GoFundMe page set up for Terry. (Search Terry McCombs lungs)

Homecoming and Gospel Meeting at Pine Hill Church of Christ located on County Road 10, Waterloo on June 12-15 with speaker Keith Parker. Sunday Bible Study 9am, Worship 10am. Meal after morning service. Sunday evening service 1pm. Monday – Wednesday evening at 7pm. Everyone welcome.

You are invited to a Gospel Meeting June 12-15 with David Conley at Frankfort Road Church of Christ, located at 8170

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Frankfort Road in Tuscumbia. Monday - Wednesday at 7pm

The church is south on Frankfort Road off of U.S. Highway 72 For more information, call 256-702-7500.

Wood Avenue Church of Christ in Florence will host a series "Difficult Questions Answered" each Wednesday at 7pm this summer, located at 400 N. Wood Ave. Florence. Until August 10 with different guest preachers every week. June 15 - Why is homosexuality

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full day to complete.

"You can volunteer on your own, volunteer with a group of friends, or volunteer with a group of your colleagues at work for a rewarding teambuilding experience," said Kerry Del Pizzo, COO of United Way of Northwest Alabama. "This is one of our favorite days of the year. People give of their time and effort to local organizations for a day. We haven't been able to do that for a number of years.

"Taking the time to volunteer is very rewarding," added United Way CEO, **Jennifer McNulty**. "We cannot wait to see how many projects are completed on June 24.'

Signup is available on United Way of Northwest Alabama's website, www. uwnwal.org or you can call Del Pizzo at United Way to register yourself or your team, 256-764-5892.



Braves Trophy Tour June 22

ATLANTA - The Atlanta Braves have announced additional stops of the World Champions Trophy Tour Presented by Truist. The tour will travel throughout Braves Country this summer with a total of 151 stops to commemorate 151 years of Braves baseball.

The tour includes a stop at the Florence Lauderdale Coliseum in Florence at 4pm on Wednesday, June

Stops will include the opportunity for fans to take photos with the trophy and programming by the Braves entertainment teams, alumni, and more at select locations.

Visit www.Braves.com/ TrophyTour for additional details and to register to be a Braves Insider to receive communications about stops near you.

Based in Atlanta since 1966, the Braves are the longest continuously operating franchise in Major League Baseball. Since 1991, Braves teams have earned two National League wild cards, 19 division championships, six National League pennants, and two World Series titles. Atlanta Braves games are telecast on Bally Sports South and Bally Sports Southeast. Radio broadcasts can be heard in Atlanta on 680 The Fan (AM), Rock 100.5 (FM) and locally on Sports Radio 93.9, The Score. Follow the Braves at braves.com, facebook. com/braves, and twitter. com/braves.

Peak Sports Signs UNA

FLORENCE - The University of North Alabama Athletics Department announced a new partnership with Peak Sports MGMT to oversee multimedia rights and enhance the North Alabama Athletics marketing brand on Tuesday. "We're stoked for this

opportunity in Florence," said **Ryan Holloway**, President of Peak Sports. Holloway added. "Josh [Looney] has always had great vision and being able to work with him again is extremely exciting, we're thrilled to be a part of the Lion community!"

Peak Sports will manage and sell all sponsorship inventory for North Alabama, including venue signage, program advertising, digital and web content, and game sponsorships.

"This was an incredibly easy decision for us," said Wesley Abercrombie, Vice President of Peak Sports, "The people at UNA are driven and passionate about the task at hand. I truly believe we can accomplish just about anything in Florence!"

"Partnering with Peak Sports elevates North Alabama Athletics to take the next step in maximizing our multimedia rights portfolio and expanding the Division I brand of the state's fastest growing university," said UNA director of athletics Dr. **Josh Looney**. "Peak Sports has positioned itself as a premier partner for rapidly growing Division I athletic departments, led by respected and trusted founders in Ryan and Cara Holloway. This partnership is a win for UNA Athletics and our present and future corporate partners.





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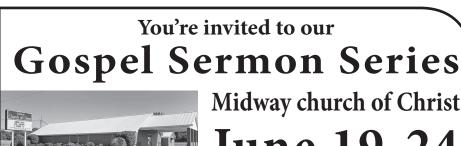
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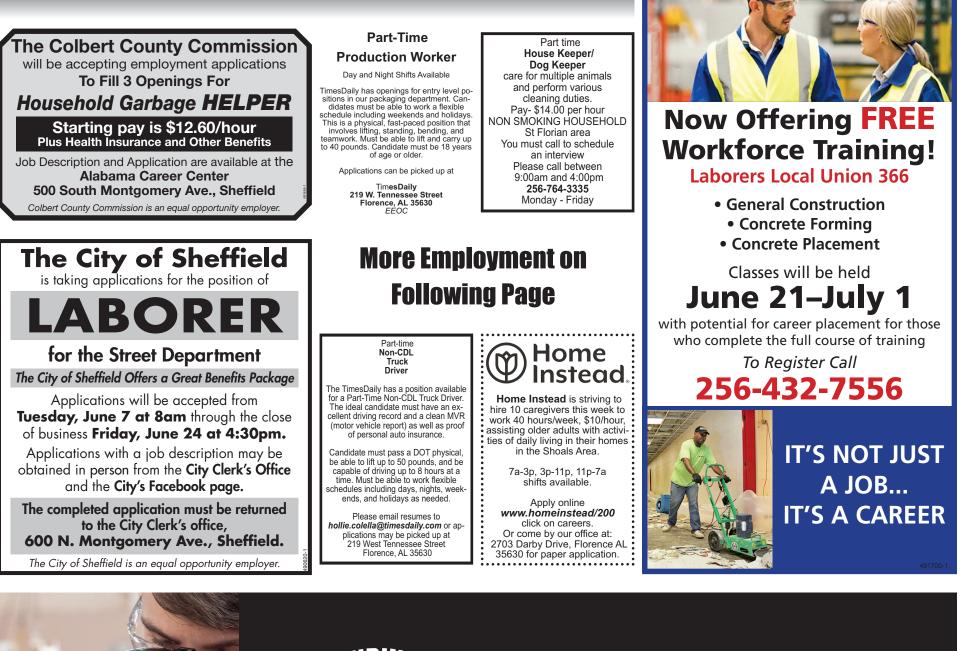
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The Art of The Dish...

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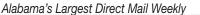
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porcelain and ironstone accented with pieces glassware in various tablescapes, will be set throughout the museum.

George Terrell will provide an informative and entertaining program regarding dining customs during the late 1800s and early 1900s. Terrell is a native of Tuscumbia and a former history professor retired from Gadsden State Community College. He is a well-known collector, speaker, and author.

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Commentary

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have always respected Jack Del Rio, although I never liked him until AFTER he graduated from USC. The two-time All-American linebacker was a

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Words

TOM MAGAZZU

Editor

stud, a celebrated baseball player drafted out of high school who instead chose to play college football as a Trojan. Full disclosure, I dislike USC.

Del Rio was a decent NFL player, but may be most noted for his time in Kansas City. During the 1987 strike season, he mistook Kansas City Chiefs' legend, Otis Taylor, for a replacement player and assaulted him. Taylor was a Chiefs' scout at the times and had been retired for 12 years.

Del Rio was a respected head coach in nine years with the Jaguars and three with the Raiders.

He is currently the defensive coordinator for the Washington Commanders, formerly the Redskins.

Del Rio found himself in hot water last week following some comments he made on Twitter and at a follow-up news conference.

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Lauderdale Public Library has launched an eight-themed backpack program. The backpack launched this month for checkout to library patrons will have an architecture theme. It features a copy of the book, *Frank Lloyd Wright: The Man Who Played with Blocks;* a family pass to Florence's museums, including the Rosenbaum Museum; a set of building blocks; a set of Lincoln Logs (did you know Wright's son designed Lincoln Logs?); flashcards of notable American architects; and the locally authored book, *Frank Lloyd Wright's Rosenbaum House: The Birth and Rebirth of an American*

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in the

A Shoals First at Lewis Field

FLORENCE – The inaugural Juneteenth Celebration in Florence will take place Sunday, June 19 at Lewis Field from 1–8pm. The event will celebrate freedom, heritage, and community. Those who attend will learn more about local organizations and business as well as enjoy free food, live music, spoken word poetry readings, face painting, and more.

The Juneteenth Celebration is an opportunity to share

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Young's counseling practice

focuses on Motherloss, having

will be the guest speaker.

lost her own mother when

she was teenager. Young

will be speaking on "Losing a Parent." Please join us.

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Thanks: Great Food Drive

Dear Editor,

Thank you for getting the Food Drive information out to the public through the *Courier Journal*. Since the NALC and USPS hasn't done the Food Drive for the last 2 years. I want to say we did very well in 2022. Our community really showed the love of giving. People in Cherokee, Waterloo, Muscle

People in Cherokee, Waterloo, Muscle Shoals, Tuscumbia, Sheffield, Russellville, Rogersville, Phil Campbell, Spruce Pine, Town Creek, Courtland, Leighton, Killen, Red Bay, and Florence donated a total of 25,770 pounds of food on May 14, 2022. Awesome!!

Every 12 pounds of food feeds 10 people. It just goes to show you we have angels all around us all the time.

Thank you again and God bless everyone

for giving.

Lisa Jones, *Letter Carrier, and USPS Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Coordinator* Florence

Vote for Mo or Katie?

Dear Editor:

Mo Brooks has never voted any issue on the Congressional floor that was inconsistent with our values in Alabama.

Shelby has on occasion and McConnell has even more. Katie Britt, who knows? Personally, I am unwilling to roll the dice on

Britt.

I don't vote for anyone solely because of

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God said that He created life...

Man said that life evolved from matter...



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Florence Council District 3 Community Meeting with Councilman Bill Griffin - Tuesday, June 14 at 5:30pm at Broadway Recreation Center, 300 N Broadway St in Florence.

Monthly Covered Dish Lunch and **Program** at Zip City Community Center, 10511 Hwy 17, Florence on Thursday, June 16 at 11:30am. Please bring a covered dish. Everyone is welcome.

Nitrate City Volunteer Fire department will have a special open business session June 16 at 7pm for the purpose of amending some out-dated By-Laws. Public input is welcomed.

We Need The Saviour

Luke 2:11 "For unto you is born this day in the

city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.' Matthew 1:21 "And she shall bring forth a son, and

thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his

people from their sins." Romans 3:23 "For all have

sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" All have

a sin problem. Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners,

Christ died for us." Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." **2 Corinthians 5:21** "For he hath

made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might

be made the righteousness of God in him." And if you don't have His righteousness, you are lost and need the

Hebrews 2:15 "And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage." Are you

still in a religious bondage through the fear of death?

You don't have to be. If you had Christ, that fear would

disappear. You only need Jesus Christ. Christ is the only

Saviour from death, hell and sin. Don't wait too late. The saved Apostle Paul wrote: 2 Timothy 1:9&10 "Who hath

saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according

to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world

began, But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath

brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:" Hebrews 7:25 "Wherefore he is able also to save them to the

uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." Ask Christ to forgive you and save today. If you reject Christ and die and go to hell,

you have chosen to go there and pay for your own sins. You need Jesus Christ. Without Him, you lose everything.

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LifeSouth Blood Drives for June Wednesday, June 15, 10am-4pm Genesis Cypress Cove, Muscle Shoals

Genesis Cypress Cove, Muscle Shoals Thursday, June 16 - 9am-3pm -Florence Police Department Friday, June 17, 11am-6pm - Lowe's, Cox Creek Pkwy, Florence

Sunday, June 19, 1-8pm - Juneteenth elebration, Lewis Field, Florence

С Monday, June 20, Noon-6pm Shoals Hospital, Avalon Ave., Muscle Shoals

Tuesday, June 21, 1-6pm - The maissance of Florence, Florence Wednesday, June 22, 11am-5pm -R Bank Independent, Avalon Ave., Muscle Shoals

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Royal Avenue Recreation Center, 421 North Royal Ave. - Tuesday–Sunday 1-5pm. Admission \$4. All ages, 3 pools, 1 slide

The Colbert County Conservation of Soil and Water will have its monthly board meeting Thursday June 16 at 7am at Two Fat Sister's Restaurant. 1606 US 72 in Tuscumbia . All are welcome to attend. Dutch Treat if you choose to eat breakfast. Any questions or comments, please call Brooke Pate 256-383-4323 Fxt #3

The Phil Campbell Hoedown will be June 17-18 in downtown Phil Campbell.

The Miracle Worker Play, Helen Keller Birthplace, 300 North Commons W, Tuscumbia. June 17, 18, 24, 25 & July 8, 9, 15, 16, – Performances are Friday and Saturday evenings at Democratic concert. Term 8pm (gates open at 7pm). Reserved seats \$15, General Admission \$10. Info: www.helenkellerbirthplace.org Ticket reservations: 256-383-4066

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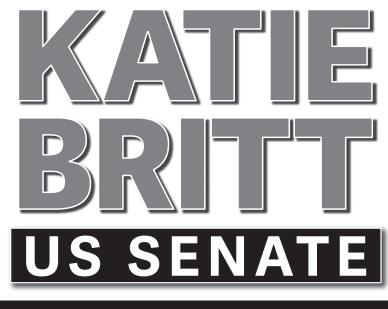
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How to Choose a Medicare Supplemental (Medigap) Policy

Dear Savvy Senior, I'm planning to enroll in original Medicare in a few months and have been told I probably need to get a Medicare supplemental policy too. Can you offer any tips on selecting one?

Dear Almost. If you're enrolling in original Medicare, getting a supplemental policy (also known as Medigap insurance) too is a smart idea because it will help pay for things that aren't covered by Medicare like copayments, coinsurance and the Part A deductible. Here are some tips to help you choose an appropriate plan.

Medigap Plans In all but three states (Massachusetts, Minnesota, and Wisconsin), Medigap plans, which are sold by private health insurers, are available to new enrollees in eight different standardized plans. These plans are labeled with the letters A, B, D, G, K, L, M and N, with two more, C and F, that are only available to those eligible for Medicare before 2020.

Plan G is the most popular policy among new enrollees because it covers the most comprehensive range of benefits. Monthly premiums for Plan G typically range between \$100 and \$300, depending on your age and the state you reside in. If that's more than you're willing to pay, there are also high-deductible plans that have lower premiums but impose higher out-of-pocket costs.

For more information on the different types of plans and coverage details, including Medigap options in Massachusetts, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, go to //Medicare.gov/publications and type in "choosing a medigap policy" in the Keyword box, and download their 2022 guide. Or call 1-800-MEDICARE and ask them to mail you a copy.

How to Choose

To pick a Medigap policy that works best for you, consider your health, family medical history and your budget. The differences

among plans can be small and rather confusing. To help you choose, visit //Medicare.gov/medigap-supplemental-insurance-plans and type in your ZIP code. This will give you a list of the plans available in your area, their price ranges and the names, and contact information of companies that sell them. But to get specific pricing information, you'll need to contact the carriers directly or call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program. See *ShipHelp.org* or call 877-839-2675 for contact information.

Since all Medigap policies with the same letter must cover the exact same benefits (it's required by law), you should shop for the cheapest policy.

You'll get the best price if you sign up within six months after enrolling in Medicare Part B. During this open-enrollment period, an insurer cannot refuse to sell you a policy or charge you more because of your health.

You also need to be aware of the pricing methods, which will affect your costs. Medigap policies are usually sold as either: "community-rated" where everyone in an area is charged the same premium regardless of age; "issue-age-rated" that is based on your age when you buy the policy, but will only increase due to inflation, not age; and "attained-age-rated," that starts premiums low but increases as you age. Community-rate and issue-age-rated policies are the best options because they will save you money in

the long run. You can buy the plan directly from an insurance company, or you can work with a reputable insurance broker.

Drug Coverage You also need to know that Medigap policies do not cover prescription drugs, so if you don't have drug coverage, you'll need to buy a separate Medicare Part D drug plan too. See //Medicare. *gov/plan-compare* to compare plans. Also note that Medigap plans do not cover vision, dental care, hearing aids or long-term care. **Alternative Option**

Instead of getting original Medicare, plus a Medigap policy and separate Part D drug plan, you could sign up for a Medicare Advantage plan (see *//medicare.gov/plan-compare*) that provides all-in-one coverage. These plans, which are sold by insurance companies, are generally available through HMOs and PPOs that require you to get your care within a network of doctors

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Letters... Vote for Mo

or Katie? Continued from Page 16

what college they graduated or who played football there. I don't vote for someone solely because they are a veteran (I am an Air Force vet), or which helicopter they piloted.

Mo Brooks is a fighter, always has been!

Ronny Aday Muscle Shoals

Black People Sold Blacks

Editor:

Commenting on James E Bankston's letter to the editor in the *Courier Journal* last week, "White Supremacist," you need to read about how the black people were sold by black traders onboard the slave ships. They were not captured by white men. Dr. Alexander

Dr. Alexander Falconbridge (An Account Of The Slave Trade On The Coast Of Africa) 1788. A black trader invited his country black negro people to get in a canoe and view a slave ship in the river. A black trader would jump in the canoe and seize the man, and sell him on board the slave ship. It was not right for this

It was not right for this to happen, but it once again proves God's words as true. I Timothy 6:10 -For the love of money is the root of all evil.

Rogers Kimbrell Florence

God Created? Life Evolved?

Editor:

What is happening to the USA?

What is the cause of the devastating changes taking place before our eyes? Almighty God blessed our precious country with the opportunity to become the most powerful, rich, and generous country in the history of the world. Because of His great love for us, he gave us commandments to live by that would bring peace,

joy, and happiness into our hearts. We lived by the directions provided from the word of God.

Almighty God said that in five days He created this great spaceship we call Earth, and this mighty solar system where it resides. People who study such things say that this Earth weighs over 1,000 trillion metric tons. That this Earth is traveling around the sun at 67,000 miles per hour. They say that we are 93 million miles away from the sun, which is exactly the distance required to sustain life on this Earth.

Almighty God created life. He created all means to sustain life. He created the process that would continue to reproduce and sustain life after its kind. On the sixth day, He created man. He then tasked man to be the stewards of this Earth and all the life that He created here.

People who study such things say that is would have been impossible for life on Earth to evolve from matter alone. The creation of life as we know

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4-4:45pm Wright Pentecostal Church
5-5:30pm Gravely Springs
5:45-6:30pm Oakland Methodist Church
6:45-7:45pm Threets Crossroads/Liberty Baptist Ch.
Thursday, June 16
3-4pm Lexington High
4:15-5:15pm Grassy Baptist Church
5:30-6:30pmOld Ball Field on Bayles Street
6:45-7:45pmLauderdale Co.High School
Friday, June 17
3-4:15pmRogers High School
4:30-5:30pmLone Cedar Church
5:45-6:30pmMt. Zion Church
6:45-8pmSt. Florian Park
Saturday, June 18
8-8:30amPetsmart
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10:30-11:45am Broadway Recreation Center
12:45-1:45pmRoyal Avenue Recreation Center
2-3:15pm Cox Creek Farmers Market

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with a paper towel, turning it frequently to get up all the ink. This also works if you have tar in the dryer. It may take repeating the process several times. Wayne

COOKING AND FOOD STORAGE PANS

I like to freeze extra meals for my own family's use as well as giving to others for various occasions. I did manage to find foil pans cheaper, but I hate the throw-away aspect of them. So I started looking at thrift stores and yard sales for casserole pans (square, rectangle, and round). They are usually no more than \$1, and since I get many uses out of them, I feel it's worth the cost. Since I send food to family and friends, I always get the pans back eventually, but with my stockpile, I'm not waiting on them.

The glass and metal pans work well in the freezer. If you don't want to put the glass pan straight into the oven from the freezer (Pyrex(r) pans are made to withstand the temperature changes), then just thaw the dish out in the refrigerator the night before you plan to bake it. Jenny in Missouri

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SATURDAY COOK-OFF

My friend and I are both single moms, so neither of us has time to spare. Every other Saturday, we get together to do some cooking. We've collected recipes that our kids like and that freeze well. We make a big enough batch that we get four meals (two for each

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family) with each batch. Most of the time, we make three different recipes. We like casseroles and stews. Our kids enjoy playing together and sharing the work makes cooking fun! When we're through, we each have six meals for the next two weeks. This makes coming home from work and feeding the kids much, much easier! Julie

JUST LOOKING

There was a time when I wanted everything my friends had. When I couldn't pay my credit card bills, I knew that I

had to do something, so I reprogrammed myself. Now when my friend gets a new car, I do a little research to find out how much the monthly payments would be if I wanted to buy it. Instead of wanting the car, I make

for above ground pools on for \$10 and up online, but by time you add shipping, it'll cost a bit more. Last summer, we had a leak and didn't want to overpay for a kit or wait for delivery. Therefore, I went to the craft section of a locally owned store and bought a piece of clear vinyl and a tube of vinyl adhesive. Together they cost less than \$9! We in no time! *\$usie*

CUSTOM KITCHEN BACKSPLASH

space. Then I saw a picture that gave me the solution. I bought two 4x8 sheets of pegboard. I had them cut in half lengthwise. That and mounted them over the existing backsplash. I bought some hooks to hang pots and other kitchen utensils. That gave me the extra space I wanted in my drawers. They look great and totally changed the feel of the kitchen. For just a few dollars, I have a totally new

SUMMER BREEZE!

Who doesn't enjoy a cool summer breeze? I created my own. I took a two-liter soda bottle, filled it with water, and froze it. Now, when I'm watching TV, I place the frozen bottle in front of an oscillating fan. I get an instant cool breeze! Leslie



In Love

Does It Really Matter?

So many religions from which to choose - does it matter what we select? We are told we can be baptized (immersed or have water sprinkled on our head) - does it matter which? Some say that men only are to lead in worship, others say it is acceptable for women to lead does it matter? We often hear that instruments of music in worship is pleasing to God, others say it is not – does it really matter? So confusing is it not? What Does The Bible Say? Do we have specific messages from God about what HE desires? Are there

examples (lessons) from which we can learn as to how God reacts to man's actions? The answer is YES!

It did matter what type of sacrifice that Cain and Abel offered to God. It did matter what type of wood from which Noah built the ark. It did matter who built the temple. It did matter what type of fire that Nadab and Abihu used in their worship to Jehovah. It did matter where the Israelites were to worship

It did matter that the exact commandments were obeyed when God spoke.

Friends, if does matter to our

Heavenly Father what we believe, where we worship, how we worship, how we live our lives as an ambassador of our Father. We are NOT at liberty to select, determine, choose what WE might want to do (Jeremiah 10:23; Proverbs 14:12).

In fact, the New Testament provides direct statements that show any who choose to follow God must do exactly what our Almighty Creator desires. Listen to God's inspired instruction for us today. Matthew 7:21: "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom one inui suin unto me, Lora, Lora, shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven; but **he that doeth the will of my Father** which is in heaven." Hebrews 5:8-9: "Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation **unto all** them that obey him." them that obey him.

It matters! We MUST obey God, not man (Acts 5:29). We MUST acknowledge God as the Creator and we are the created. Further recall, we will stand before HIM one day and be judged based on our response to HIS will.

Without any doubt or fear of contradiction, it does matter what we believe, do and how we live. Are YOU living an acceptable life in Almighty God's sight. Are you ready to be judged by HIM?



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Differences in the management of would certainly look to money, debt, and finances are often you for payment. cited by couples as an underlying reason for divorce. Marriage is a contract and the division of assets and debts is required when divorcing. This often leaves one or both parties without the income necessary to meet their ongoing financial needs. For the average American, the need for a lawyer's guidance is rare. For some, there may be times when more than one of these needs coincide.

Two Incomes Often Become One

A common reason for bankruptcy is a divorce. While many Americans encounter financial challenges every day in their marriages, a divorce can be a very destabilizing force. Even if both parties in the marriage have jobs, the creation of two households can cause numerous new expenses such as renting apartments or one party's effort to buy the other party out of the family home, plus the added burden of child support costs that can create a tipping point.

Another issue is joint debt from the marriage. Your marriage dissolution is carried out by a contract between you and your former spouse. However, your contract does not alter the terms of the agreements that you make with lenders or financial institutions.

So, if your ex-spouse received a car as part of the divorce settlement, if the loan obligation was joint, should he or she fail to pay, the lender could demand you pay. If your former spouse filed for bankruptcy and obtained a your stress! W discharge for that debt, the lender can help you!

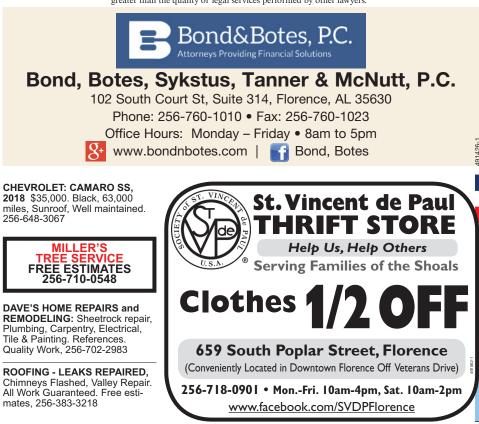
The same is true for joint credit cards, and if your former spouse had significant credit card debt, you should attempt to have that debt paid off prior to the completion of the divorce, because as with a car loan, if your ex-spouse files for bankruptcy, the creditor (or collector) would look to you to satisfy the debt.

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One important factor is the prescription drugs, if any, that you are taking. Often employer coverage will cover expensive prescription drugs better than Medicare. Also, employer coverage does not have the "donut hole" or coverage gap that Medicare drug plans have.

How Medicare works and how it coordinates with other Medicare plans can be very confusing. Some companies require their employees to go through a third-party call center to obtain their Medicare health plan. The biggest disadvantage with going through a call center outside of the area is you lose the ability to have a local agent explain your coverage face-to-face and that can go to the insurance company on your behalf if you have a problem.

In most cases it's best to stay on your employer sponsored plan. I would never encourage anyone to leave their employer coverage but the decision to do so is an individual one. What's best for your former coworker may not be what's best for you. Feel free to contact our office anytime if we can be of assistance.

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Don't Leave Your First Love

Writer's note: It's been ten years this year since Whitney Houston died from an accidental drowning due to a drug overdose. She was one of my favorites. What an early loss. My sentiments still are the same as I wrote in March of 2012. Live good.

I feel deep sorrow for Whitney Houston's mom. Now, granted, Cissy Houston and I are not close friends and I have no insider information. But as a casual outsider looking in through very general, assuming observations, I hurt for this mom. She has lived through every Christian mom's fear, the fear of after years and years of teaching and training your child will walk away from their first love, the love that their life was based on, the love of God and home.

I have wondered just how much Mrs. Houston must loathe Bobby Brown, a man who spun platinum, abused cocaine, had children by numerous women and was arrested for striking Whitney. To watch her

child walk away into an environment foreign to her raising must have been devastating. I wonder how many times family members said, "No, don't, stop!" I wonder how many times Whitney said to her family and friends something like, "I know that he isn't who ya'll want, but he is so fun/ crazy/caring. He loves me like no one else has."

No matter how innocent or guilty of bad living Bobby Brown is, Whitney made the choices to be in his presence and in the presence of drugs. I wonder if she thought that she would be good for him. I wonder how many times she had to tell herself that it was okay to be where she was. As a speaker I heard recently would put it, I wonder how many stop signs that she had to walk through.

Whitney Houston's voice carried many songs into fame and memory. "I'm Every Woman" brought

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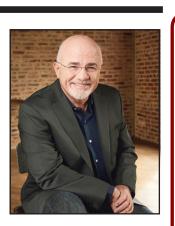
Dear Dave,

My wife and I are on Baby Step 3, and we were talking the other day about how our home, travel trailer and cars have appreciated recently. Everything is paid for except the home, but we were wondering if we should increase the amount of insurance coverage on these items since they have skyrocketed in value. Dale

Dear Dale,

Yes! And you should make it a habit to review all your insurance coverage once a year.

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value. Then, when some insurance companies got absolutely hammered after some events like Hurricane Katrina, they stopped doing that. They stopped covering actual replacement value, and started covering only the specified amount on the policy. Today, it can be tough to even find replacement value coverage on houses. And if you do, it's crazy expensive.

When it comes to your home especially, you need to have a policy equal to the value of the home, and you should revisit your coverage and your home's value every single year. You have to be vigilant about things like that, Dale, because your insurance company won't be! — Dave

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TRAVEL TIP

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I've always enjoyed having a lot of ríngs, bracelets, and necklaces. I found that there are two great places to shop for inexpensive jewelry, which include church thrift shops and hospital gift shops. The thrift shops often get jewelry from members who pass away. Even if it's dated, I can often repurpose it. The hospital gift shops seem to have nice pieces at a reasonable cost. I'm not sure why, but who cares? Barbara

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Cat & Kids...

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Oprah to light. Her "I Will all mothers try to teach -Always Love You" is in the books as a Grammy sellout. And Whitney's rendition of "The Star Spangled Banner" will remain through history. But the song that kept resonating in my mind during the reporting of her death was "Oh, I wanna dance with somebody...I wanna feel some heat with somebody...Yeah I wanna dance with somebody, with somebody who loves me.' Recorded when Whitney was 24, the video for this song was light-hearted, but I believe that this song expressed a small desire that grew. Five years later, Whitney married Bobby Brown and went headlong into a life of chaos and drugs. At age 48 she died.

Whitney Houston's story is a classic example of what

bad companions can be dangerous. In truth, no one can make you do anything, but you only encounter the opportunities that your environment offers. Somewhere Whitney cross a line or ran one stop sign too many. It's a sad waste of talent. It is a certainty that Whitney rejected her training and landed where her mother is left only with sadness.

My heart goes out to Cissy Houston. I have said it before, but I can't get over this general thought about young people and life – if you stick with your good raising, your days will be long on the earth. That's a promise.

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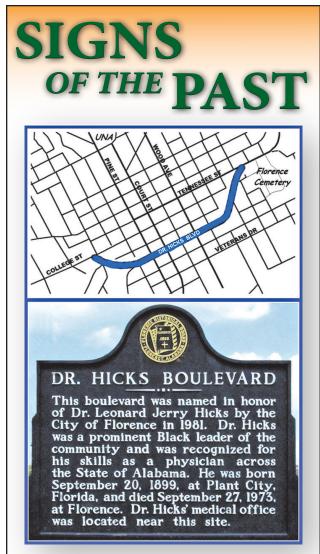
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THE BOLD AND THE **BEAUTIFUL** Ridge was blindsided by Carter's announcement about Paris. Li lashed out at Taylor, blaming the Forresters for Finn's death. Not realizing they were being watched, Eric and Donna had a playful pillow fight in their bungalow. Sheila gloated

to a terrified Li that many have tried, but failed, to keep her behind bars. Hope confronted Donna, who begged her not to tell anyone about Eric. Ecstatic that Finn is alive, Sheila quickly turned on Li for keeping it a secret. Eric was stunned to learn that Quinn had called upon Bridget for a "health" intervention. Ridge and Taylor attempted to contact Li to warn her that Sheila had escaped prison. Wait to See: Carter and Quinn's passion for each other becomes apparent. Li and Sheila receive an unexpected surprise. Quinn tries to convince Carter not to propose to Paris.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES A shocking death rocked Salem. Things heated up between Belle and EJ. Allie and Chanel grew closer. Tripp delivered surprising news to Steve and Kayla. Chad lashed out at Kate. Lucas woke up from his bender with no memory of the night before. Leo and Gwen accused one another of murder. A terrible tragedy brought Jack and Jennifer back to Salem. Chad grilled Kate about Lucas. Li broke some difficult news to Gabi. A guilt-ridden Lucas consoled Jennifer. Wait to See: Tripp says goodbye to Ava and Steve.

Programming Note: "Days" will be preempted Thursday, June 16, and Friday, June 17 GENERAL HOSPITAL Michael learned about a surprising backer for Aurora. Valentin was determined to retain of ELO. Spencer makes an admission to Anna came up with a new plan. Ava pondered Nikolas' suggestion. Esme had a tense confrontation. Carly and Sonny discussed his rift with Michael. Trina and Joss asked Spinelli for help. Sam and Dante auestioned someone from his past. In Pautuck, Austin was surprised by an unexpected arrival. Maxie worried about a noise she heard. Cameron made note of Finn's efforts. Brook Lynn and Chase made a discovery about Linc. Joss and Trina wondered if they were in over their heads. Valentin and Anna went on their first official date. Nina questioned Sonny's motivations. Britt got some

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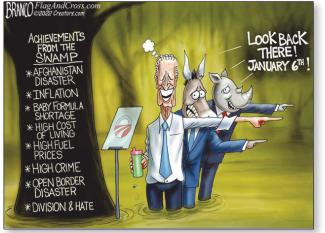
unwanted attention. Esme sought Kevin's insight, while Spencer enlisted Victor' help. Wait to See:

THE YOUNG THE RESTLESS AND Victor offered Lily and Devon some words of wisdom. Jack kept the peace. Jill returned home. Victor shared some unexpected news with Adam. Nate traveled outside his comfort zone. Diane pushed Nikki's buttons. Victor struck back. Victoria and Ashland enjoyed a change of scenery. Adam and Sally toasted their success. Traci and Ashley reminisced about their lives, loves and losses. Wait to See: Nikki recruits Michael for a new project. Imani cozies up to Nate. Billy gives Jill a progress report. (c) 2022 King Features Syndicate, Inc.



by Hal Kaufman 15. **Stay the Course** Start-Up Time WHILE Jones prefers to get his exercise riding a bicycle, his friend Smith likes to run. When Jones bikes, he averages 10 miles per WHAT'S UP! Strictly speaking, a catch is not hour, which is three times Smith's always a catch on a fishing trip. Draw missing HALF RIGHT! Old joke: Teacher: "Class, what's half of eight?" Student: "Which average speed on foot. lines dot to dot. half?" Teacher: "What's the difference?" Student: "Top half is zero, side half is Last week, both Jones and Smith left at the same time from the same place in Longville, agreeing to meet three." each other in Shortville, before returning home. PLAY BALL! There are at least 21 baseball terms to spell out in the letter Jones's trip on a winding road maze at right. Start at any letter, move to an adjacent totaled 10 miles, and Smith's trip via NFAEM letter across, up, down or diagonally. Individual letters a cross-country shortcut totaled UONT may be used in more than one word, but not repeated C three and one-third miles. Both in the same word. Words to find: SRIUG reached the same spot in Shortville Ball Bat Fan Force Cushion at exactly 12 o'clock noon. HCSSB Sack Strike Out Error Hit Steal Question: At what time did they Run Balk Battery Curve Trade Bunt S EATA depart together from Longville? Starter Foul Hero Slab Answer in 30 seconds. ADRTE K See how quickly you can find them. ECRORY

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Commentary

Follies...

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Twitter А recent comment from Del Rio to a news post about the January 6th committee read as follows: "Would love to understand the whole story about why the summer of riots, looting, burning and the destruction of personal property is never discussed but this is ??? never #CommonSense — Jack Del Rio (@coachdelrio) June 7, 2022

It was a fair question that many have asked, but no one has yet to satisfactorily answer.

It is so fair a question that without mentioning the Black Lives Matter riots of 2020, everyone knew what he was talking about.

How can that one-day, three-hour riot at the Capitol – where the only person murdered was an unarmed female protester – justify an 18-month Congressional obsession? Conversely, a summer of rioting that killed dozens of people in numerous US cities, led to billions of dollars in damage, made the news nightly (termed "largely peaceful protests") but was never reviewed on Capitol Hill. That term "dust-up"

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got him in trouble. For some reason he later apologized for his choice of words in downplaying its significance. However, when pressed on the matter at a press conference the next day, Del Rio reiterated his confusion.

"I can look at images on the TV, people's livelihoods are being businesses destroyed, are being burned down, no problem. And then we have a dust up at the Capitol, nothing burned down, and we're going to make that a major deal.

If you'll recall, we covered the fact in this space that those riots that summer involved a high percentage of white people as well. The BLM founders were simply the ones stoking the George Floyd flames of anger.

Del Rio was successfully comparing January 6 with those riots without ever bringing race into the conversation. And that was driving people crazy.

It's not racist to question why one issue gets so much more attention than the other. It's only racist when one portion of society declares it so. And, as we all have come to know lately about so many topics of the day, the mere declaration changes them from raccoon skat to incontestable fact.

If January 6 were the remnants of a democrat

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observation) no formal congressional inquisition would be going 18 months later.

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definitely would

Pure politics and Trump hatred, folks. It is a vain attempt to distract 2022 voters from line-by-line assessments of the most incompetent example of executive leadership in our nation's history: a quagmire of space cadets living in an unreality of their own creation.

They watched over the raping of the American economy and America's standing as a world leader. They called on no one to stop it, did nothing on their own to deter the aggression, and in many cases, joined-in on the crime itself - against 300 million people, adversely impacting the most vulnerable in our communities, those who have no voice and cannot defend themselves against the abuse.

And the crime shows no sign of ending for those at or near the low end of the economic scale who democrats have claimed to be helping for 60 years. Wake up folks.

With all the serious issues on the table, their priority now is attempting k republican with several ĺink to officials several hundred inebriated and overzealous people who were caught trespassing taxpayer-funded on property.

How does that compare to months of riots, billions in personal property and taxpayer losses, tens of taxpayer losses, tens of thousands of criminals inflicting injury, death, and damage who then walk with charges dropped or reduced to misdemeaners? misdemeanors?

Like Del Rio noted so accurately, it doesn't. But wait a minute; he's a white dude and therefore inherently racist, so what does he know? And why does he even get to talk?

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God Created? Life Evolved

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it required knowledge, power, and imagination! Evolutionists opened the door for Satan. Satan brings misery, heartache, and despair into this world, and we can see it all around us today. Look at where our country was 50 years ago, and where it is now.

Is there any hope for the United States of America? Only God knows!

Evolution has been taught nationwide for years. No God – no moral standards – no Many people ethics. hate Christians because we disagree with their ideology. They cannot those tolerate with different views than their own. For centuries the church was considered sacred, but no longer! Our churches are under attack! God said that He created life.

Man said that life evolved from matter.

Belief in God brings peace, love, and happiness. Despite this, many have chosen to believe the word of man instead. To believe that life evolved from matter is to deny God. In the absence of God, Satan reigns free. We need God to guide us so that we may live a life filled with peace, love, and happiness.

Leon Smith Florence

Protecting Our Students

To the Editor:

I have heard several reports from people witnessing drivers going around school buses that have their stop signs out and lights flashing, stopping for students to board. I have also heard of drivers going around school buses that are completely stopped with signs out and lights flashing, preparing for students to disembark to go home.

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The Florence-Lauderdale Farmers Market is Now Open 6am-1pm on Saturdays. You will find fruit, vegetables, beef, chicken, farm-fresh eggs, flower plants, and knife / scissor sharpening. flowers. The market is a covered pavilion located at 451 Fairground Road in Florence with plenty of parking. Call if

you have questions 256-443-4998.

Shoals Artists Guild Annual Night Meeting will be at the Art & More Gallery, 124 E. Tennessee Street, Friday June 17, beginning at 6pm. Andrea Linville Gray will be doing a demo. For more info, contact Carolyn Wear, 256-710-6854

The Deshler High School class of **1972** is having a 50th Reunion on June 18. An effort is being made to reach all classmates. For info call Matt Kirkland at 256-280-1487.

The Arts Alive Gallery exhibit is showing at the Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts in Florence until June 24. Hours are 9am-4pm Monday-Friday and 1-4pm on Sunday.

Summer Saturdays, Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, 511 N Water St., Tuscumbia, June 18 & 25. Children's art activities, free to guests with paid admission, 11am-2pm.

Registration is open for Florence Lauderdale Public Library's Bookin' It: Friends of the Library 5K Fundraiser! Join us at the library beginning at 8am, Saturday, June 18, for the Bookin' It 5k and 1 Mile Fun Run. Registration is \$30 and includes a Bookin' It 5k T-Shirt.

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Sovereign immunity simply means that ordinary citizens cannot sue the government except in limited circumstances. The government gets to say what those circumstances are. On one hand I am absolutely not a fan of sovereign immunity because when the government gets it wrong, they ought to be responsible for the damages that they cause. On the other hand, the money for those damages comes from our tax dollars and costs everyone. We are a government of the people and by the people.

On May 27, 2022, the Alabama Supreme Court modified the law in Alabama regarding when you can and when you cannot sue a state employee

for wrongdoing in the line of duty. Let's recognize that the federal government has allowed a great deal of latitude for suits against the federal government, but the State of Alabama has not.

It's surprising to see the federal government held liable for faulty background checks in school shooting cases. I argued a case before the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals over sovereign immunity where a death occurred as a result of the direct negligence of a TVA truck driver who killed a lady after the driver unhooked his airbrakes. We lost that case because of sovereign immunity and Alabama State law.

In May of this year, the Alabama Supreme Court allowed a case to proceed against a Marion County investigator who, it is alleged, absolutely changed the facts of an arson case which resulted in someone being indicted by the grand jury. What he had learned during the investigation was not what he told the district attorney and what he testified to before the grand jury. The man so accused was charged with a felony, lost his job, and was sued for \$36,000. It was on the news that he had been accused of arson. The Marion County Circuit Court ruled that the investigator was an employee of the State and therefore could not be sued.

The Alabama Supreme Court ruled that the investigator's conduct was so outside of his duties that his conduct constituted an intentional malicious act for which he could be held responsible. This overruled previous Alabama law, and the Marion County Circuit Court was directed by the Alabama Supreme Court to allow a jury to determine liability and damages.

In almost all cases an employee of the State is immune from suit. This case is a positive decision that requires more care where it is important to be careful.

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rich the meaning behind the day, how it originated, and how it resonates in the African community American and with everyone who appreciates the history, trials, and progress of our nation.

Mayor Andy Betterton expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to enhance the already robust partnership between UNA and the city. "I am grateful to the University of North Alabama for inviting the city of Florence to participate in the First Juneteenth This event Annual Celebration. has been meticulously organized by Dr. Ron Patterson, Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at UNA and Councilwoman Kaytrina Simmons. I look forward to joining with our community to spotlight this historical day.

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