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Laughter for Learning

FLORENCE-The Muscle **Shoals Education Foundation** will sponsor a Night of Laughter on Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30pm at Replacement Estimate the Shoals Theater in downtown Florence.

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Proceeds benefit the Muscle Shoals Education Foundation.

perform.

The MSEF is a nonprofit organization that has been supporting students and faculty of $\bar{\text{MSCS}}$ since 2004. Over \$20,000 in grants were awarded to classroom teachers in 2022 and over \$18,000 in scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors. The Foundation also supports teachers and students through various outreach programs throughout the school year.

Tickets are available at www.The ShoalsTheatre.org

UNA Men's Basketball

FLORENCE - A 13-game home slate, along with road trips at SEC, ACC, Pac12, Big West and American Athletic Conference opponents highlight the

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SHEFFIELD-The Sheffield Education Foundation sponsored a "Welcome Back to School" concert on Saturday August 13 in the Carl Boley Auditorium of L.E. Willson Elementary School. The concert featured that nationally known bluegrass band, Iron Horse, and the local band, Doctors, Lawyers & Such.

In conjunction with the concert was the induction of two classes into the Education Foundation's Registry of Honor; the classes of 2021 and 2022.

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Top: Doctors, Lawyers, and Such; Above: Ironhorse Photos: Shannon Cassiday

Photo of a large Spooklight near Cloverdale (State Rd 272) in December, 2021. Wyatt Cox

The Spooklight Legend Lives

by Wyatt Cox

The Heart of Dixie has more than its share of the strange, the mysterious, and the unexplained. Everything from haunted houses, to UFOs, to Bigfoot, and more can be found in

It is the so-called "Spooklights," which many folks have encountered in northwest Alabama over the past several years. This is perhaps the

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If you are texting and driving down the highway at 55 mph, that's like traveling the length of a football field with your eyes closed. You can only drive safely when your full attention is on the road. Any activity that isn't related to driving is a potential distraction and increases your risk of a collision.

Distracted driving accidents are always preventable. Driving can become mundane at times, but it's important to distract yourself safely so that no one gets hurt. For example, listening to podcasts or music so that your primary focus in on

If you are a parent, it is critical that you avoid distracted driving at all times, but especially in front of your children. Children will pick up on your actions much quicker that your words.

It's important to practice safe habits behind the wheel. You want to make sure that your passengers know how serious you are about driving without distractions. One of the most effective ways to lead is through example. Be a good example for your friends and family by avoiding driving while you're distracted.

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Spooklight ...

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most mysterious and the strangest phenomenon of all. These Spooklights are curiously unexplained.

So, what are these "Spooklights?" And where are they observed?

Spooklights also known as "Earthlights" or "Lantern Lights" are generally described as very bright pulsating balls or orbs of light that suddenly appear and disappear and while in view, they sometimes hover or float across grassy fields or above the trees. They are completely silent, they are unaffected by the wind, and are usually observed between sunset and sunrise. They can be in plain view for just a few seconds or up to eight minutes. Some are perhaps two-to-three feet in diameter and some are much larger.

While Spooklights seem to be a rare natural phenomenon, researchers and

scientists have yet to reach a consensus as to what they actually are and how they are produced. Yet, it is truly an amazing experience to actually observe one of these bright orbs float across fields or above the trees.

There are several theories suggested to explain what produces these large and bright One theory that orbs. has gained considerable acceptance is there are unique subterranean geological conditions which produce substantial underground electrical currents flowing beneath the While not surface. fully understood, this electrical energy and the other unique geological features of the area produce these strange orbs directly above the current flow.

What we do know and have reasons to suspect

1) there is a geological fault line (seems stable yet "active"), 2) there is a large

2) there is a large amount of underground "sulfur water,"

3) considerable quantity of low-grade iron ore and quartz in the soil/clay near the surface and

4) appears there are quantities methane gas (sometimes called swamp gas) in the Cloverdale area.

These minerals with the subterranean water containing sulfur inside an active geological fault zone are believed to be capable of producing electrical energy that flows inside the geological fault line. This phenomenon is believed produce enough voltage and to electrically charge pockets of air or possibly methene gas that has chemically reacted to the sulfur. These pockets of electrically charged air or gas, pulsate based on the frequency of the electrical currents and their movements are dictated by the electrical fields produced by the flowing currents.

There are several in locations United States where 'Spooklights" (aka Earthlights) have These been observed. locations include, Marfa, Texas, Brown Mountain, North Carolina, Gurdon, Arkansas, and Joplin, Missouri. It seems to me one of the better locations to observe one of these large pulsating orbs is right here in Lauderdale county near Cloverdale, Waterloo, and St. Florian. One of the Spooklights locations have been observed on several occasions is on State Road 272 which is a short distance from Cloverdale.

These Spooklights

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you also place a paid ad by calling 256-764-4268. That way it will be in at least one area of the paper. When your community note is published, your event will have coverage in two different locations.

Jackson Road in Florence will be closed on the morning of Wednesday, September 7 from Cox Creek Parkway to Seymore Ave for a routine bridge For any questions, call *256-760-6353.*

Until further notice, the fishing pier at McFarland Campground is closed. As disappointing as it may be, this decision was made out of genuine care and concern for the safety and well-being of those who utilize the pier. The city appreciates your patience as they work to determine a best course of action moving forward.

If you played in a High School or College Band and would like to get back to playing for fun, the Shoals Community Concert Band welcomes you. We are from all over the Shoals area, north Alabama and southern Tennessee, and range from High School students to retirees, at all levels of ability. We are especially seeking to build up our percussion and trumpet sections, but all instruments are welcome. Percussion equipment of all kinds is provided. It doesn't matter how long its been since you played and no auditions are required.

We usually meet on Tuesdays at 7pm at the Florence First Baptist Church Annex, 218 N. Wood Avenue, Florence, the old library building enter from the side parking lot.

For more information, please contact James Ed Champion, Band Director. jchampion46@yahoo.com

LifeSouth Blood Drives for September

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Thursday, September 15, Noon-5:30pm - Shoals MPE, Florence

Friday, September 16, 7:30am-4pm - Sheffield High School

Saturday, September 17, 10am-4pm - Natchez Trace Harley-Davidson, Hwy 72, Tuscumbia Sunday, September 18, 11am-5pm

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Room, Florence Wednesday, September 21, 11am-5pm - CB&S Band, Muscle

PUBLIC NOTICE The Colbert County Conservation of Soil And Water will hold its monthly board meeting: Thursday, September 15 at 7am,at Two Fat Sister's Restaurant, 1606 US 72, 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 EXT# 3

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The Colbert County Republican Party will be celebrating the 235th **anniversary** of the United States Constitution on September 15 at historic Locust Hill in Tuscumbia and everyone is invited.

Everything gets started at 5:30pm with live music from local band, Doctors and Lawyers and Such.
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UNA Men's Basketball

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2022-23 University of North Alabama men's basketball schedule. The UNA men's team will open its first season at a full Division I institution on Monday, Nov. 7, at home against Oakwood.

The new era of North Alabama basketball has begun, and we are excited about the schedule we have built," said UNA men's basketball head coach Tony Puiol.

Following the season opener, UNA will travel to Huntsville on Nov. 10 to play at Alabama A&M. A home game against Blue Mountain on Nov. 14 will be followed by six consecutive games away from Flowers Hall. Schedule highlights include road contests at UC-Santa Barbara (Nov. 23), Georgia Tech (Nov. 26), Memphis (Nov. 30), Colorado (Dec. 15), Ole Miss (Dec. 20), and Jacksonville State (Dec.

Home games with

St. Vincent de Paul

Alabama State (Dec. 7) ASUN newcomer Austin Peay (Feb. 9), Lipscomb (Feb. 11), and Jacksonville St. (Feb. 24) highlight the schedule.

The ASUN Tournament will begin February 27 with the championship game on March 5. NCAA Selection Sunday taking place the following week.

Mission Q '22 Cook-Off Here

TUSCUMBIA- If you think you cook the best smoked chicken, ribs, or steak in the area. Mission Q 2022 will give you a chance to prove it.

Cooks will gather Friday, September 16 to compete in the Steak Competition of America event. Participants will grill rib eye steaks provided by organizers and certified SCA judges will determine a winner and five runnersup based on taste, appearance and texture.

Pitmasters will gather on the Commons in Tuscumbia on September 17 to cook chicken and ribs provided by the cook teams. The smoked ribs and chicken will be submitted to certified Kansas City Barbeque Society judges who will choose a winner and five runners-up in each category. An entry fee of \$150 is charged to participate in the Mission Q Backyard BBQ Competition.

All outdoor cooks and outdoor cooking enthusiasts are invited to participate in this year's SCA steak cookoff or the Mission Q Backyard competition.

All proceeds from Mission Q events go directly to missions. More Information can be found at www.calvarvbaptist tuscumbia.com or by calling Mara Brewer at 256-410-4110

UNA's \$100 for 1 Campaign

FLORENCE -- The University of North Alabama Athletic Department is encouraging everyone to support its Division I membership by making a gift of \$100 or more to its **Graduating Champions**

UNA recently completed its four-year transition period to NCAA Division I, and the Lions are now full Division I members for the first time.

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"Every gift in support of the Graduating Champions Fund will directly impact the success of the more than 300 student-athletes at UNA," said **Payton Haslam**, the UNA Athletic Department's Director of Development.

To donate to the \$100 for 1 campaign, visit https://www.una.edu/ advancement/100-for-1.

GOP Brings Marshall in

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The National Anthem will be sung by renowned vocalist and U.S. veteran, Ms. Donna Johnson.

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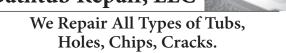
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The 2021 Class Includes THREE INDUCTEES

Jim Holland - Holland was locally prominent and successful businessman, active in all types of community and church functions. He was honored with a street in Sheffield named for him.

Ella McElroy is a life-long educator who served in the classroom and as a local school board member. is recognized for her contributions at the state level and has volunteered her time on numerous community-oriented boards.

Nancy Sanford is accomplished an professional in jobs interacting with public, Her innovative ideas have improved community relationships with educators and Sanford was industry. previously honored Sheffield Kiwanian as 'Citizen of the Year" and currently is a member of the UNA board of trustees.

The 2022 Class Includes **FOUR INDUCTEES**

Braxton Ashe - Ashe is a prominent attorney, a U.S. military veteran,

foundation and lifelong resident and supporter of Sheffield. He is well known in the legal fields having handled cases before the State Court of Appeals, the State Supreme Court. and the U.S. Supreme Court.

> Christine Griffith Box - Box is a devoted Sheffield servant having served on many volunteer boards of the city included the Sheffield City School Board. She served as director of the public library for many years, and she was an active member of her church until her death. The Sheffield Kiwanis Club named her its "Sheffield Citizen of the Year" in 2006.

Britney Colagross Schneider A very accomplished professional educator who began her career as a classroom teacher and is currently principal of McBride Middle School in Muscle Shoals. She is a former Miss Auburn and first runner-up to Miss Alabama. While working toward her doctorate at the University of Alabama, she was named the "Most Outstanding" doctorate student.

Kirk Wallace lifelong resident of Sheffield, Wallace was active in sports. His athletic prowess provided him the opportunity attend Auburn University. He returned to Sheffield where he eventually became the athletics director and had a very positive impact on the lives of many Sheffield children. Wallace remained the AD until his retirement. In 2013 he was inducted into the Colbert County Sports Hall of Fame.

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Lauderdale County High School **Homecoming** is Friday, September 16. The administration of LCHS invites all alumni and community members to the Homecoming football game to cheer on the Tigers against the Colbert County Indians that night. Kick-off is at 7pm at the Robert Earl Grisham stadium. Presentation of the elementary Homecoming court will take place at 6:15pm on the football field. Presentation of the 7th-12th Homecoming court and crowning of 2022 Homecoming queen will take place during halftime.

Homecomina festivities will begin on Thursday night with a community bonfire On Friday morning and pep rally. there will be a Homecoming breakfast in the lunchroom. Tickets may be prepurchased closer to the event.

The Homecoming parade will begin at 1:15pm. Any business or organization that would like to participate in the parade should contact Kellee Morgan by phone (256-247-3414 ext.17013) or email (kellee.morgan@lcschools.org) by September 2. All parade participants should be in place behind the Larry Sinyard gymnasium by 11:45am sharp on Friday, September 16.

Grief can be an overwhelming season to go through. There is a monthly grief support group that meets on the third Friday of each month (September 16) at 10am at First Baptist Church of Rogersville, 222 College Street. Come and share and let us pray with you for strength and comfort! These groups are FREE, open to the public, and include supportive materials. Another grief support meeting also takes place at 10am every first Tuesday at Cliff Haven Church in Sheffield. These groups are sponsored by Kindred Hospice. For more information, call 256-764-0873.

Rogers High School Class of 1972 **50th Class Reunion** on September 17 at 5pm at St. Florian Park, Shelter #1. Chicken stew and drinks provided. Bring

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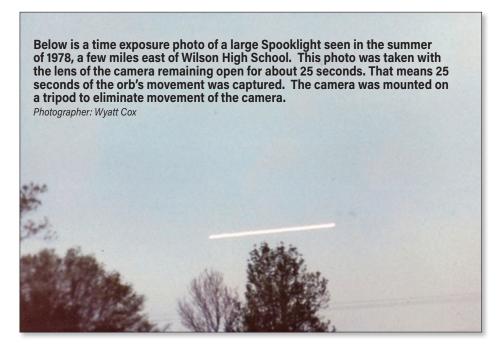












Orbs ...

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have been seen by credible witnesses in northwest Alabama for several years. In fact, a large bright Spooklight was seen by multiple witnesses near Waterloo in 1930 – according to the Florence Daily Newspaper.

Raleigh Nix and some of his family members observed what appeared to be a very large and bright Spooklight in early 1973 near his home which is a short distance west of Lexington.

According to Nix, he and some family members were on his front porch at about 11:30pm when they spotted a bright yellowish-orange orb in a grassy field about 300 yards away. The strange

light was described as being about two feet above the ground and about eight feet in diameter. He claimed that after viewing the strange light for a few moments, the object suddenly disappeared as if someone had turned a switch. Nix claims he had a total of four sightings of this or similar orbs.

Since then, many folks

have come forward with the claims of observing these strange orbs near Cloverdale and St. Florian.

The first Spooklight personally observed was back in 1977 about 3 miles east of Wilson High School which is located on Chisholm Highway. I was a teenager at the time and a friend of mine, and I were at another friend's house when we spotted a very large and bright yellowish-orange ball of pulsating light appearing about 200 feet above some trees and slowly and silently moving parallel to Mount Zion Road. The strange orb was moving to the west of us and was in sight for about five minutes. Since then, my friend and I have observed more than 200 of these mysterious orbs. We have spoken to many folks who have also claimed to have witnessed these amazing Spooklights.

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I was going to take my down comforter to the dry cleaner, but my sister talked me out of it. She said that I could wash it in cold water with regular laundry detergent. To dry, she suggested that I add a couple of new tennis balls to the dryer. The balls fluffed the comforter nicely!

TIME FOR CLOSET **ORGANIZATION**

I just finished organizing my closet. I used backto-school sales to buy cubes and bins that are advertised for college students. I use them to put similar things together that I don't use on an everyday basis. I also got shoe holders and some other specialty items. My closet looks better, and it's so much easier to find what I need now. Dawn

NO STREAKS!

I was at my local coffee shop enjoying a cup when the window washer showed up. He made it look so easy! I asked him what he used. He told me that he used four drops of dishwashing liquid to a quart of water in a spray bottle. I watched as he sprayed the window, rubbed it briefly with his cloth (microfiber I think), and then used his squeegee. Kittv

LET'S SWAP!

Everyone has probably heard about clothing My friends at swaps. work have taken it a step further. We're always looking for new things to swap. Last month, we swapped framed pictures from our living and family rooms. Before that, we swapped lamps, candle holders, and vases We've even swapped

small kitchen appliances. I always wanted to try a juicer but didn't want to spend the money for something I might not use. Therefore, I swapped a milk shake mixer for a juicer! We'd had our fill of milkshakes, and it was just collecting dust. Our group continues to look for things that we can swap. It's fun and doesn't cost us a penny!

THE \$100 KITCHEN **MAKEOVER**

I wanted to do something with my kitchen. Of course, I didn't have much money to spend. I decided to replace all the drawer pulls. I found a site that had great prices on them. While I had the old ones off, I used a mixture of vegetable oil and baking soda to scrub down the front of the cabinets. I painted the wall by our dinette set a different color, too. For less than \$100, my kitchen has a new look! Danielle

REDUCING MY CAR PAYMENT

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Commentary

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here are two ways in which we normally hear a US President speak. One is at a political rally, a naturally partisan event meant to drive support for specific candidates

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TOM MAGAZZU

Editor

or a certain set of ideals. Any expenses surrounding those events are paid for in their entirety by the President's political party. A Presidential Address on the other hand is official, non-political, and of national importance like an inauguration or state of the union, catastrophe, or a matter of urgency that should receive a wide-range of media coverage. As should be assumed, any expenses associated with those are government-related and are picked up by the taxpayers.

The speeches we had from President Biden on September 1 in Philadelphia and again on Labor Day in several steel towns were billed in advance as Presidential Addresses. However, much of the media even saw through that

See AMERIKA... on Page 32

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A River That Sings

FLORENCE-The Florence Indian Mound Museum's series of children's programs programs will feature the Tennessee River at 10am on Saturday, September 17. The program will focus on the importance of the river to Native Americans in our area.

See RIVER... on Page 31



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See COLLIE ... on Page 30

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THIS WEEK

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Someone's Bad Luck

Editor:

On August 26, I was driving down Hwy. 43 when a school bus pulled in front of me causing me to run into its side as it pushed me into a ditch. It took over 45 minutes to cut me out of my car, leaving me injured and my car totaled

I am very thankful to be alive and even more thankful my 11-year-old son, Landon, was not riding with me.

We just recently moved to Killen from Lawrenceburg. All my family has passed away, and I know very few people out here. I have legal representation, but that will be a long process.

I cannot work due to my injuries,

The lady explained to me she was giving me the wonderful opportunity to pay off my debt with COVID money...
Good ole COVID!

have surgeries scheduled because of the wreck, and I need a working vehicle. I started a go fund me page to ask for some help, and any donations would be so greatly appreciated. Prayers would also be appreciated as my surgeries approach. https://gofund.me/3960848f

Erica Hutcherson Killen

Handicapped - Yes!

Editor:

The new hospital does NOT have enough Handicap Parking Spaces. Especially at the Medical Center---They need to have Handicap Parking

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How the Inflation Reduction Act Will Lower Your Drug Costs

Dear Savvy Senior,

What kind of changes can Medicare beneficiaries expect to see in the Inflation Reduction Act that was recently signed into law? I'm enrolled in original Medicare and have a Part D prescription drug plan but spent more than \$6,000 out-of-pocket last year on medications alone.

Overpaying Paul

Dear Paul,

The climate, tax and health care bill known as the Inflation Reduction Act that was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Biden last month includes significant improvements to the Medicare program that will kick-in over the next few years.

These changes will lower prescription drug prices for millions of seniors by allowing the government to negotiate drug prices for the first time and capping seniors' out-of-pocket drug costs at \$2,000 annually. Some other popular changes will include free vaccinations, lower insulin costs and expanded subsidies for lower income seniors.

Here is a breakdown of the changes to expect in Medicare and when they will roll out.

2023: Starting this January, all vaccines covered under Medicare Part D, including the shingles vaccine, will be free to beneficiaries. And the skyrocketing cost of insulin will be capped at \$35 per month. This will be a significant saving for the more than 3 million Medicare enrollees who currently use insulin to control their diabetes.

Also starting next year, drug makers will be penalized in the form of "rebates" that they would be forced to pay to the government if they impose price increases that exceed general inflation.

2024: Cost sharing for catastrophic coverage in Part D will be eliminated. Under the current Part D benefit, once your out-of-pocket costs reach \$7,050 in 2022, you enter "catastrophic" coverage but are still responsible for 5 percent of your prescription drug costs, with no limit.

But in 2024, people with Part D coverage will no longer be responsible for any out-of-pocket drug costs once they enter catastrophic coverage. This is significant for seniors who use expensive medications for conditions like cancer or multiple sclerosis.

Also starting in 2024 through 2029, Part D premiums will not be allowed to grow faster than 6 percent per year.

And for lower income Medicare beneficiaries, eligibility for the Part D Low Income Subsidy (also known as Extra Help) will be expanded to 150 percent of the federal poverty level, from today's limit of 135 percent. This change will mean about 500,000 more seniors will qualify for financial assistance to help pay some or all of their prescription drug premiums and deductibles.

2025: One of the biggest cost reduction measures for Medicare beneficiaries will begin in 2025 when out-of-pocket spending on Part D prescription drugs will be capped at \$2,000 per year. This will be a major savings for the more than 1.5 million beneficiaries who currently spend more than \$2,000 out-of-pocket each year.

2026: When Medicare's Part D program was enacted in 2003, negotiating lower drug prices was forbidden. But because of the Inflation Reduction Act, starting in 2026 Medicare will be empowered to begin negotiating prices with drug companies for 10 of the most expensive drugs covered under Part D. In 2027 and 2028, 15 drugs would be eligible for negotiations and in 2029 and subsequent years, 20 drugs would be chosen.

And, in addition to all the Medicare improvements, the Inflation Reduction Act also extends the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) premium subsidies for three years that have helped millions of Americans gain coverage before they're eligible for Medicare.







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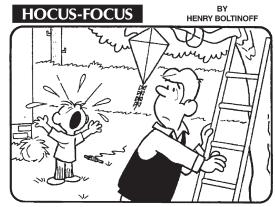
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Speaking The

Ephesians 4:15



Nevertheless Moment

EXPLANATION: Part One of this article appeared last week. PART TWO continues:

He sustains us daily, sending his sun / rain on the good and the evil. Our very life is dependent on him. For in him we live, and move, and have our being," Acts 17:28

He has provided salvation from our sins in the person of his sinless son, JESUS CHRIST, "Neither is there salvation in any other," Acts 4:12. And then we have our NEVERTHELESS moment. Despite all the aforementioned blessings, temporal and eternal, the majority, like our 10 spies of long ago begin to doubt God's ability to provide, to deliver. What do we do? We trust in self, the creature more than the creator. We start to listen to Satan's lies such as you could never be a follower of Christ, doing his will.

You could never give up all your so called "true" friends. You have been too bad a person, you just have too much old baggage. You're just having way too much fun. There is no way. Your heart just too calloused with years of sin.

Friend, the Bible I read responds to satan's lies with the truth of the promise and the ability of God's word to touch, yes to penetrate and soften the most indifferent heart of man, to indeed fulfill its purpose (Isaiah 55:11). We can take such comfort as we recall Jesus in his great time of mental anguish, even in His NEVERTHELESS moment, knowing His hour of unimaginable pain was drawing near, as He prayed to His Father in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26:39). Christ's NEVERTHELESS moment, yes, He being in the flesh with human feelings and yet He being deity, "God in the flesh," proved to be unmatched down through the ages, fulfilling his purpose and his hour, "but for this cause came I into this hour," John 12:27. Friend, will you not take advantage of "Christ's hour," not personally rejecting Christ, yet obeying His gospel, submitting to His will, even as Christ submitted to His Father in His most trying hour. The blessings are innumerable.



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The Central Community Center in Central Heights will be having its monthly breakfast the third Saturday, September 17, from 7-9am. Breakfast includes bacon, sausage, eggs, biscuit, gravy, chocolate gravy, grits. \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 10 years and younger. Proceeds go toward upkeep of Community Center

Inaugural Cornhole Tournament at Singin' River Brewing

Co., 526 E. College St., Florence on Saturday, September 17, 10am-2pm. Shoals Nonprofit Center is hosting

its very first Cornhole Tournament. This event is a fundraiser to benefit the work SNC does to amplify the impact our local nonprofits have on the communities of Lauderdale, Colbert, and Franklin counties.

Boards will be provided by SNC and the tournament will follow the rules set for by the American Cornhole Association: https://americancornhole. com/.../ACO-Cornhole-Rules.

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The TVA Retirees Association will meet at 10am Wednesday, September 21 at TVA Community Credit Union, 1405 Wilson Dam Rd in Muscle Shoals

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Ladies Day at Jacksonburg Church of Christ at 414 Lauderdale CR 28 in Florence at 10am Saturday, Octobei 8. The guest speaker will be Celine Sparks, with the topic "Hospitality." Lunch will be served.

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I'm okay, and if they don't hear from me, they start checking. At first, Í would basically give them a weather report, but it has turned into a newsletter with jokes and memories of my youth. I now send to 13 different children and grandchildren as they have asked. They get to know me a little better and get a laugh to start their day after hearing some of the funny things that have happened to me in the past. Phyllis C.

EXTENDING TOMATO SEASON

We live in Western Michigan where the first frost comes early. For years, I still had tomatoes that weren't quite ripe when the first frost happened. A neighbor showed me an old-timers trick. I pull the plants up root and all. Shake off the leaves and hang them upside down in my basement, making sure that none of the plant touches the ground. The tomatoes continue to

slowly ripen. We've even had fresh tomatoes with our Thanksgiving dinner! Jayson

HOMEMADE HAIR CONDITIONER

I have recently been using a homemade hair conditioner and am surprised and pleased with the results. Mix 1/4- to 1/2-cup apple cider vinegar with a little bit of lemon juice and a quart of water and rinse your hair with it after shampooing. Wait a few minutes and then rinse with clear water. Your hair will be so easy to comb and soft. It's amazing. The smell of vinegar is gone by the time your hair is dry, and it's not really that bad anyway.

COUNTRY TIME

I live in a large city that's surrounded by farming areas. I've found that many things are cheaper in those communities. For instance, the vet I use for my dog is a country

vet. He recently saved me over \$100. About once a month, I'll go shopping outside the city. Some things are more expensive, but a lot of stuff is cheaper. I've also discovered that there are some things that I can buy at the farm supply store that are sold in small packages at my local grocery store at a huge markup. Julia

ELIMINATING MUSTY SMELLS

My brother used to work for a tannery and they used fresh coffee grounds to eradicate smells in the trucks that hauled hides. They would open the truck doors and pour out a fresh can of coffee and then lock the doors. In a day or so, they would sweep out the grounds and no smell would remain.

We began using that idea as a military family moving frequently and having our household goods periodically put in storage. After cleaning out our refrigerators and freezers prior to a move and going into storage, we would be sure each was thoroughly dried inside. Then I would take about one to two cups of fresh coffee grounds and place them in a brown paper bag (lunch

See DOLLAR... page 33

by Hal Kaufman



Nutty Smiles & Frowns

WHO has the broadest smile in this smiling acorn-face contest? See if you can pick the winner. Then, see if you can decide on second place, etc., on down the line to Mr. Drearypuss himself.

P.S.: Last place is something of a tossup.

FOUR FITS! True or false?

- Four score totals 80. 2. If one-fourth Kate's age is 1, double her age is 8.
- 3. Petit fours are small iced cakes.
- 4. The fourth dimension is regarded as time.



HEADS UP! Our artist says heads of 16 different creatures appear in this Noah's ark scene. How many of them do you see?



LETTER GO! Remove the middle letter from certain words and another word remains. Drop U from POUND, for instance, and POND remains. Drop B from ROBOT, and ROOT remains, etc. Just for fun, let's see how quickly you can find five such five-letter words in accord with

drop-out letters indicated (right) and definitions below:

- Shade tree. 2. Porch, of sorts. 3. Abode.
- 4. Eat snacks. 5. Bicycle part.

Time limit: Two minutes.

VERSE OFF! "A thousand and one, a sixth part of twenty; some have none, others have plenty." Plenty of what, as suggested in this classic verse-riddle?

Medicare Minute "Physician Charges"

The past couple of weeks we have discussed Medicare Parts A & B in detail. These are the two parts of Medicare that are received through the federal government. This week let's review what we have discussed.

Although Medicare Part A and Part B are great programs that cover a lot of services there are some things Medicare does not cover. They include most dental care, eye exams related to prescribing glasses, dentures, acupuncture and hearing aids.

Medicare Part A is primarily used to cover your inpatient care. Part A has a \$1,556 deductible for each benefit period, meaning the deductible can be applied more than once in a calendar year. This deductible covers hospital services, including semi-private rooms, meals, general nursing, drugs as part of your inpatient treatment, and other hospital services and supplies. Part A is "free" to most Medicare beneficiaries. "Free" meaning you may not have to pay Medicare to have Part A. It does not excuse the deductibles and co-insurance.

In most cases Part B is used to cover your outpatient services. These include visits to your primary care physician and/or specialist. It also may cover transportation by ambulance, durable medical equipment, preventive services and mental health treatment. Part B also entitles you to an annual "Wellness" visit to a qualified provider. Most Medicare beneficiaries joining Medicare Part B for the first time in 2021 pay a monthly premium to Medicare of \$170.10. Part B has an annual deductible of \$233 and a coinsurance the beneficiary pays of 20%, after the deductible is met.

To cover the deductibles and coinsurance that Part A and Part B have you would need to look at some type of supplemental policy sold through private insurance companies. These include Medicare supplement plans or Medicare Advantage Plans. If you want to study Part A or Part B in more detail you can look at previous Medicare Minute articles or give our office a call and we'll be glad to discuss this with you.

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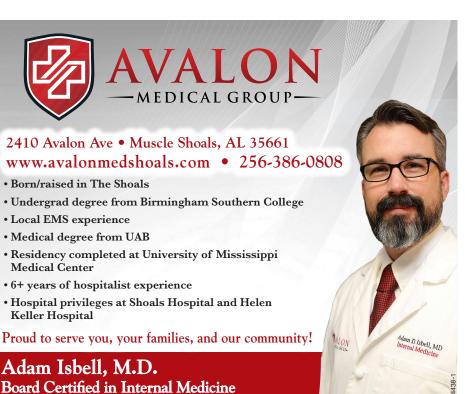
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by DAVE RAMSEY

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Dear Dave,

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Dear Jackson, Playing with snakes is



always a bad idea. Sooner or later, you're going to get bitten.

Everyone thinks they're the exception to the rule, or they're somehow winning or getting rich by doing stuff like this. It doesn't work that way. So, stop playing around with debt products. This guy's just trying to hook you and make more money.

Your idea might sound good on the surface to a lot of folks, but the problem is the vast majority of those same people don't have the discipline to follow through on a plan like this. Having that store account, even for a short period of time, would be too much of a temptation. Another issue

is many places like this hit you with a fee when you pay off the card. They'll fee you to death on other things, too, if you're not careful, until you end up wishing you'd never even seen the place.

If it were me, I'd just talk to the owner again and let him know I'm taking my business elsewhere unless he discounts the furniture 15% on a cash purchase. There's no way I'd take out a stupid credit card for a place like that whether I had the cash on hand or not!

— Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time #1 national best-selling author. personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 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 take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO

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Letters...

Handicapped-Yes!

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Spaces on BOTH sides of the parking lot. I don't know what they were thinking.

The Medical center is for heart patients, AND Bone & Joint patients.

I am disabled with a Handicapped tag. Yet, when I went for my appointment at the Bone and Joint because of my back and hip, I had to park too far away. I have trouble walking a long way. This is T-Totally WRONG!

should have They designated more spaces closer to entry doors and built another parking deck if need be for overflow.

Nancy Johnson Florence

Russian Pros Get a Pass

Editor:

CEO, New York Times: Why did US Open Tennis allow Russian players to play in the Open? Examples Daniel Medvedev and Karen Khachanov! As of this writing, Khachanov has reached the women's semi-finals. Their country is not shown but the country of their opponent is shown when score of the match is shown on ESPN. They are still Russian. Has the Open forgotten? Does it not care about those Americans being held as political prisoner?

It appears that the Open doesn't care about the War. The New York fans are said to be tough. Why the cheering for Khachanov I will watch American Frances Tiafoe play but no other matches!

Bill Smoak Florence

Isn't COVID Wonderful?

Editor;

recently was pondering Mr Biden's latest give away. It's as if money is piled to the ceiling in each room of the White House and someone must give it away, even

if that someone does not have the constitutional authority to do so. What does that matter? He has gotten away with it several times before. I have a B.S., Masters, and Doctorate. When I first began my educational journey, was married and had two precious little boys. I worked at what was then Reynolds Aluminum, working the evening shift or the midnight shift. During the day I attended UNA. I paid for all of my education by working.

I have purchased a home and over the years several different vehicles. With each purchase there was also a loan. Along with the loans came monthly payments. Can you imagine that? None of these payments was ever deferred, nor did the loaning organization ever call me with the good news they would declare my debt cancelled. They did give me a Paid in Full document, but not until I had paid in full. Perhaps many of you who read this have found this to be true in your experience also.

I read an article from Dave Ramsey this week, a personal finance expert, concerning Biden's student debt cancellation. "This is so intellectually dishonest." He added, "If student loans are so bad that you have to cancel them, then why are you continuing to make them?" "It is an obvious political ploy."

Biden on the other hand justifies this decision invoking the 2003 Heroes Act. One part of this act states the authority Biden claims to have is related to those who have economic hardship as a result of war, military operation, or national emergency. Biden's Justice Department cites the "economic hardship" clause arguing that student loans can be cancelled on a class-wide basis in response to the COVID 19 pandemic. I recalled my stay in a local hospital at the beginning of 2021 because my very worn knees caused me extreme pain. After being checked by several doctors who did not really know why my knees had suddenly become so painful, one doctor finally discovered the cause. was COVID!" Wow! What a revelation! Of course, it was simply my knees had worn out. COVID gets blamed for everything.

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Collie also is venerated songwriter whose songs have been recorded by stars such as Tim McGraw. Martina McBride, Garth Brooks, Billy Ray Cyrus, Aaron Tippin, and George Jones.

Opening for Collie will be Billy Lawson and Wishbone. Lawson is a singer, songwriter, producer, and owner of Wishbone Recording Studio in Muscle Shoals. to Susann According Hamlin, President/ CEO of Colbert County Tourism, this concert is part of a larger effort bring more live entertainment to the area. The organization is hosting a monthly "Songwriters in the Round" event with most events taking place at org or call 256-383-0783.

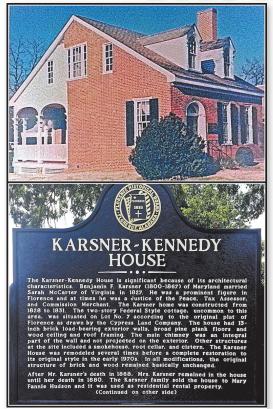
Champy's. "Billy

Lawson Wishbone Studios is our host each month and has been able to book some amazingly talented songwriters this year,' says Hamlin. "We are fortunate to have the historic Ritz Theatre here in Sheffield and wanted to utilize this wonderful venue. We hope that by having a major artist and performer such as Mark Collie, others will follow. Colbert County Tourism is delighted to partner with the Ritz Theatre for this fundraiser concert event."

For more information, visit tennesseevalleyarts. org or call 256-383-0533. For more about Colbert County Tourism, visit colbertcountytourism.







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This downtown Florence house is the 2nd local structure to be listed on the National Register of Historical Places. The house is approaching its 200th birthday and its architectural significance is aptly described on the marker.

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

River...

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All are welcome to attend. Dutch Treat if you choose to eat breakfast. Any questions or comments, please call:

Brooke Pate 256-383-4323 EXT# 3







<u>Commentary</u>

Amerika

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ruse with advance notes on the events. The hard red Stalinist shading of Constitution Hall on September 1 was rather chilling, and the US Marine political props were a nice communistic touch as he castigated MAGA "radical the Trump Republicans" claiming their existence is a threat to freedom and democracy? I don't recall them being used on these occasions, but the blanket term, "semi-fascist" used often the week before is just as caustic as Hillary's "deplorables" Hillary's comment, and it was fresh on people's minds. Biden is nothing like the healer and the unifier he claimed to be at his inauguration.

Democrats have both the House and the Senate, the Oval Office, big business, the university establishment, overseers of the social safety net, and an overwhelming portion of the major media that questions

nothing. Oh, yes! Those radical MAGA's sure are overwhelming the power structure.

Frankly, the message from Biden and his handlers IS of a Stalinist nature, demonstrating an intolerance for any opposition.

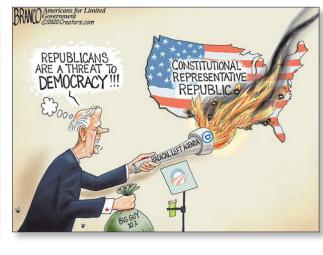
In review, the Marxist Social Democratic Labour Party gave way to the October Revolution and one-party state in 1917 before the Soviet establishment Union's in 1922. Stalin assumed leadership over the country following Lenin's death in 1924.

Under Stalin, socialism became the central party doctrine. The country underwent agricultural collectivisation and created a centralized command economy which contributed to the first of two famines, 1930-33, that starved millions.

To eradicate accused "enemies of the working class", Stalin instituted the Great Purge, in which over a million were imprisoned and at least 700,000 executed from 1934-1939. By 1937, he had absolute control as he expanded the Gulag system of forced labour camps.

present Back day Amerika, Biden's messages must mean that if you want to "save our democracy," revert to a one-party political system.

Aren't you happy to know that the US taxpayer covered the cost of Biden's repeated political regurgitations?



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size) and staple shut. This would be put on a refrigerator shelf and another in the freezer compartment. Our things were often in storage for a month, and when delivered, we would always be able to open the appliance doors, take out the coffee grounds bags, close the doors, and plug the appliances into the power. There was never that stale "refrigerator" smell, but always a clean, fresh smell.

This would probably work as well in a storage unit. However, you might have to place several sacks around the unit to get full coverage. It impressed me when I first heard of it since it had been proven to remove the smell of hides. We have shared this with many friends through the years, and all have had the same positive result we did.

BEFORE YOU BUY...

When watching the TV infomercials, we are sometimes swayed to buy. Before doing so, go to Amazon.com or epinions. com and see if you can get feedback on the item. I was tempted recently to purchase an "As Seen on TV" item, but after reading the poor ratings, it made my decision not to buy very easy. This also applies to QVC/HSN offerings. Kandy

FIZZY MIX

Juices are expensive, but diet store brand soda is cheap. We water down pure fruit juice with half diet soda (at 50 cents a liter). It might not be as nutritious but the kids like the fizzy feeling and it tastes great. The savings is about 7 cents a glass. Van M.

PARTY DECOR

Both of my teenage girls have a tropical themed bedroom. I found our

local party supply store to be a great source of decorations for their rooms. One daughter got a "Hilfiger Hula" comforter for her birthday. It is a quilt with various red, white and blue tropical designs. I went to the party supply store and they actually had red, white, and blue tropical party ware. I bought, for \$4.99, a string of paper lanterns. We hung them up along one long wall and it acts just like a border to break up the white wall space. All of my friends were amazed! My other daughter has a more traditional tropical room, and for her, we bought two five-foot-tall paper palm trees. They are on the wall by her bed. They were \$3.99 each. Easy, cheap, and easily changed. I love it!

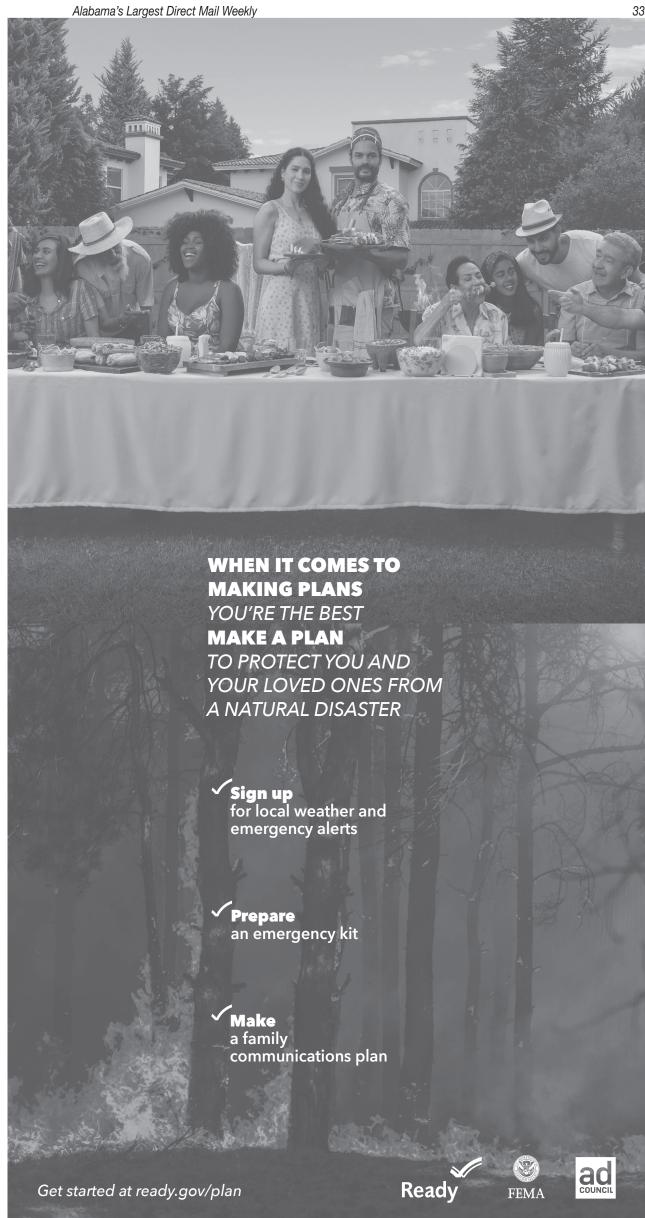
AUTOMATICALLY PAY

I have read so many articles and books that tell you to pay yourself first. It sure isn't easy, though. Finally, I set up a weekly automatic \$10 transfer from our checking to our savings account. I also set up in Quicken to record this item automatically this item automatically, so I didn't forget and overdraw my account. Guess what? It has been working, and we haven't noticed the "loss" of \$40 per month. In fact, last month I increased the amount to \$25 per week. I also started doing an automatic transfer to a different account to help us save for our dream vacation. I am proud of myself for making this happen! Jennifer in Longmont, CO

"GENTLE" **DISHWASHING**

When I used to put small items in the basket of my dishwasher, I found them on the bottom of the dishwasher, sometimes

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Letters...

Isn't COVID Wonderful?

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afternoon week as I was driving Woodward along on Avenue, my phone rang seemed to with what be a local call. The lady explained to me she was giving me the wonderful opportunity to pay off my debt with COVID money. I also was told by a man who rented property that for the last three years he had received the \$1000 a month rent from the federal government COVID money. Good ole COVID! It is the cause of most all unexplained medical problems and seems to be available to provide all sorts of financial assistance. I did wonder where COVID money was coming from. Could Mr. Biden have discovered another room full of COVID money at the White House more than a year ago?

One with a reasonable memory may believe Mr. Biden is speaking out of

both sides of his mouth. His administration has previously argued court that the in pandemic coronavirus was over when seeking to rescind Title 42, a Trumpera pandemic emergency order to expel illegal aliens at the border. The administration argues that COVID has ended at the southern border (Title 42) but is somehow still an emergency. So, taxpayers have to pay \$300 billion plus for Biden's student loan transfer. The Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget estimates handout will cost U.S. taxpayers roughly \$500 Billion or more over the next decade. I sure hope Mr. Biden can discover another unused room at the White House full of COVID money and cancel our taxpayer debt. Again, we would say, "Isn't COVID wonderful!" I would advise that we do not hold our breath awaiting this discovery because I'm not sure COVID funds are available

Gary Cosby Muscle Shoals

for funerals.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 the Sheffield Housing Authority will hold a Public Hearing on Monday September 19, 2022 at 10:00 AM

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STRANGE but TRUE

- A town in Washington has a treetop bridge over a busy road that's just big enough for squirrels, called the Nutty Narrows Bridge.
- Russian author Vladimir Nabokov came up with the idea for smiley emoticons in 1969.
- Now here's a great way to "go green":
 Residents of Surabaya, Indonesia, can pay their bus fare with plastic waste, which will earn them two hours of travel time. The dual aim is to reduce waste as well as the number of cars on the road by encouraging the use of public
- A U.S. constitutional amendment was proposed in 1893 suggesting that the country be renamed The United States of Earth.

transportation.

• If you've ever questioned the idea that smartphone addiction is real, consider the case of computer programmer

computer programmer Maneesh Sethi, who hired a woman (at \$8 an hour) to slap him in the face every time he tried checking Facebook during working hours! • The average MLB baseball lasts for just 5-7 pitches. In the beginning of a game, at least 90 balls are required on hand, with about 60-

• When Apple purchased rural land for a new data center in Maiden, North Carolina,

70 used per the average

game.

an older couple refused to sell the one-acre plot they'd originally purchased for \$6,000 more than three decades earlier. After all offers were rejected, Apple finally asked them to name a price. Success at last! For just a cool \$1.7 million.

- The Spice Girls' nicknames were created by Top of the Pops magazine in a 1996 article.
- Monopoly, originally called The Landlord's Game, was invented by Lizzie Magie to share her views on the dangers of capitalism.

Thought for the Day: "Knowing trees, I understand the meaning of patience. Knowing grass, I can appreciate persistence." -- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Stretcher



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melted, after the load was washed. I now put a mesh bag (the kind oranges come in) over the small items and the items stay in the basket during the wash cycle. I no longer have to replace the melted tops of the small Tupperware containers I use for salad dressing in my brown bag lunches. Anna S.

TAG SALE PREVIEWS

I have found that I can save the most money simply by not buying things that I don't need. I cleaned out my house and found a lot of things that I bought but never used and ended up getting 50 cents to a \$1 for them at a garage sale and then I donated the rest.

I realized that I didn't want to waste money like that anymore. Staying out of the stores has helped a ton in this regard. When you are at a store, visualize the item with a 50 cents tag on it at your garage sale or at a Goodwill store after you donate it and then see how much you still want to buy it. I used to go shopping for recreation. Now I only go for groceries or if I really need something. This also saves money on gas by not driving to the stores all the time. Jenny

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IN MY LAST ARTICLE, WE DISCUSSED THE URGENT NEED to move away from email services from AOL, Bellsouth, Comcast, and AT&T (hereafter referred to as "ABCA"). These companies don't give a hoot about you, don't filter the bad

stuff from your email and, as a result, I have to deal with clients succumbing to scams and phishing attacks on a daily basis.





by "The Computer Skeptic"

worthy of consideration. The steps to move your abca email to one of these services are all very similar.

Okay, so let's roll up our sleeves, crack your knuckles, and get started, shall we?

What we're going to do is create a new gmail address, add your ABCA address to Gmail, then use Gmail's world-class spam filtering capabilities to scrub your ABCA address of spam, and deliver only clean mail to your phone, tablet, or computer.

It is a little less cumbersome to

perform these steps on a desktop. However, you can certainly accomplish this on whatever device you are using now. The first step is to launch an internet browser and visit www.Gmail. Com where it will ask you to either log into an existing account or create a new one. Be careful here, this is an address that will be with you until the end of time so "PartyAllNightLong@gmail. com" may not be appropriate 10 years from now should you decide to become a nun.

Once you set up your account, log in and click on the "settings"

cog wheel in the upper right corner of the page then click on "accounts and import." Next, scroll down to "check mail from other accounts." The website will walk you through entering vour ABCA email account and password. From that point forward, whenever you want to check your old ABCA email, you'll simply go to Gmail.com on your computer or download and use the Gmail app on your smartphone or tablet.

Once you have it set up properly, you will receive both your old ABCA emails and new Gmail in the same inbox. With your mail effectively filtered of junk, you can then proceed with the tedious task of changing your email address for all your accounts (banks, credit cards, investment accounts, Amazon, eBay, etc.). You'll also want to let both of your friends know that you have a new email address. Í'm sorry, but there is no Easy Button for this, but it really needs to be done sooner rather than later - BEFORE ABCA allows hackers into your account.

Gmail allows you to configure standard mail clients such as Outlook, Microsoft Mail, or Apple Mail to download your Gmail. Configuration can be a bit of a chore for the uninitiated but that is why evolution produced computer technicians.

Jim Fisher owns Excel Computer Services in Florence. Reach him at www.ExcelAL.com



Moments in History

from The History Channel

• On Sept. 12, 1846, Elizabeth Barrett elopes with Robert Browning.

Despite her father's dislike of Browning, calling him an unreliable fortune hunter, Elizabeth and Robert conducted a secret courtship. After a secret wedding at St. Marylebone Parish Church, the two moved to Italy, where Elizabeth's former weak health improved dramatically.

• On Sept. 14, 1901, U.S. President William McKinley dies after being

shot in Buffalo, New York. When McKinley was operated on, doctors had failed to find the bullet, and gangrene soon spread throughout his body.

- On Sept. 15, 1935, German Jews are stripped Mary Kay Ash launches of their citizenship, reducing them to "subjects" of the state. German Jews were excluded from highprofile vocations, from public office to journalism and teaching, even farming. Jews found it difficult even to buy food.
- On Sept. 16, 1940, the first peacetime draft in the history of the United States is imposed on men between the ages

of 21 and 36. There were 20 million eligible young men; 50% were rejected the very first year for health reasons or illiteracy.

- On Sept. 13, 1963, Texas-born entrepreneur a cosmetic company in Dallas. Mary Kay Inc. would become a cosmetic empire with revenue of more than \$3.5 billion and salespeople in dozens of countries. Mary Kay became renowned for an award system designed for women, including mink coats, diamond rings and pink Cadillacs.
- On Sept. 17, 1976, NASA publicly unveils its first space shuttle,

the Enterprise, during a ceremony in California. In 1977, the Enterprise became the first space shuttle to fly freely when it was lifted to a height of 25,000 feet by a Boeing 747 airplane and then released, gliding back to Edwards Air Force Base on its own accord.

• On Sept. 18, 1981, the 20,000-car parking lot at Canada's West Edmonton Mall makes the Guinness World Records as the largest parking lot in the world. However, Dubai was said at the time to be building a 40,000-space parking lot at their mall, but it only has 14,500 slots today.

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watkins@comcast.net or text/ leave message at 256-810-1010 by October 2 deadline.

WoodmenLife Charity Tournament benefiting local elementary schools Back Pack Program - filling needy back packs with food on Fridays so students will have food over the weekend, 1pm Shotgun Start on Monday, October 10 at Turtle Point Yacht & Country Club.

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Early Bird general admission weekend pass is \$79. Early Bird VIP weekend pass is \$99, and Early Bird VIP weekend pass and access to Thursday night Kick-Off Party is \$129. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.mssongfest.

The Batting Brigade Quilt Guild meets every 2nd Monday at 9:30am at Edgemont Methodist Church, 1330 Eauclaire Ave in Florence. Evervone interested in Quilting is welcome - from beginners to expert

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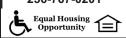
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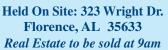
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urged Ridge to admit his then reminisce about their past.

THE BOLD AND THE feelings to Taylor. Hope BEAUTIFUL A conflicted attempted to process Liam's Ridge thought back on his concerns about Thomas' best moments with Brooke intentions. Steffy and Hope and Taylor. Paris modeled battled over Taylor, Brooke Zende's newest design for and Douglas. Wait to See: Bill Ridge and Thomas. Steffy and Brooke talk about Katie,

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Sheffield Housing Authority of Sheffield, Alabama, hereafter called the "Public Housing Agency" or PHA, will receive sealed bids for the Interior and Exterior Renovation of 8 Buildings and Office on Atlanta Avenue of Sheffield Housing Authority, until 10:30 a.m., Friday, October 21, 2022, at the office of the PHA located at 505 North Columbia Avenue, Sheffield, Alabama 35660, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and

ANY BID RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSING TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED.

Plans may be viewed, downloaded, and physical copies ordered at the Memphis Reprographics' Web Site Plan Room at www.mrplanroom.com.

In order to be a qualified bidder, bidding documents must be obtained from the plan room above. There is no cost associated with viewing or downloading an electronic copy of the plans and project manual. If you would like a physical set then they can be printed, paid for, and shipped to you, directly through the website.

All bids must be submitted on forms furnished by the PHA, submitted in duplicate and submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked to show the name and address of the bidder, contract job number, and date and time of bid opening. Bidders are required to have an Alabama Contractor's License. Each bid submitted must contain the following items:

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- 3. A signed Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders; and,
- 4. A Non-Collusive Affidavit
- 5. Bidders Section 3 Clause Certification
- 6. Certification of Bidder Regarding Section 3 and Segregated Facilities.
- 7. Certification of Prime Bidder Regarding Equal **Employment Opportunity**
- 8. Certification by Prime Bidder Regarding Nonsegregated **Facilities**
- 9. Contractor's Certification Concerning Labor Standards and Prevailing Wage Requirements

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish an Alabama Performance and Payment Bond or Bonds in the amount of 100 percent of the Contract Bid for contracts that exceed \$25,000.

The PHA reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the PHA.

WALK THROUGH AND PRE-BID CONFERENCE

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Eric opened up to Jada. an update on a patient. Britt (c) 2022 Xander and Sarah's state confided in Brad. Curtis Syndicate, Inc. of wedded bliss came to voiced his suspicions. Cody an abrupt halt. Nicole had and Leo bonded. Sonny an enticing offer for Eric. disagreed with Jordan. Wait Rafe and Jada got a lead on to See: Curtis reassures Portia. Orpheus. Gabi informed Elizabeth uncovers more of EJ that Stefan was alive. her memories. Josslyn vents to Chanel and Allie argued *Trina*. about Johnny and Ava. TH favor.

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Brady. Wait to See: Chloe is motives for hiring Adam.

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y and connection between Nick
their and Sally. Victor helped
y had Nikki prepare for battle. Jack
pand extended an invitation to the state of the s relationships. Sonny had Nikki prepare for battle. Jack a revelation. Jordan and extended an invitation to Dante were summoned to a Diane. Elena worried about

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