Cast Your Votes November 8!

The Stewart Springs Life?

FLORENCE - a group of local citizens and the city of Florence are working to record the history and the stories of Stewart Springs, a black community which no longer exists. Photos of locations, persons and events that will help provide insight into life in this area before 1965 are needed. The areas were generally located to the west and northwest of UNA's Flowers Hall and the baseball field in the Cumberland St. and Stewart Ave. areas.

If anyone possesses old pictures, news items, church bulletins, obituaries. etc. that can be shared or copied, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact **Brian Murphy** at 256-760-6379 or bmurphy@florenceal.org or email **Anita Smith Cobb** at brmoweme@gmail.com.

18-36 Months at Calvary

TUSCUMBIA-Calvary Learning Center at 601 North Main in Tuscumbia is now enrolling from children ages 18 months to 3 years. The DHR licensed facility has speciallytrained staff and a program designed to assist children in

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Each November organizers with 1Table Florence invite our community to share a meal together. No one is asking you to buy, bring, believe, vote for, or commit to anything! It is FREE Lunch for the whole community! There is no cost, no catch, no agenda! Just neighbors sharing a meal together at one very long table. You are invited to join everyone on November 3. A lunch of chicken and dressing, green beans, sweet potato casserole, cranberry chutney and banana pudding will be served, and music will be played.

The organizers of 1Table see the value of coming together to be reminded of the goodness in each of us, to sit across the table with someone whose path you may never otherwise cross. It's a unique opportunity to be among hundreds of our

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trox4maxturkeytrot5k.itsyourrace.com/ Benefits YMCA of The Shoals For information about advertising in this spot, call 256-740-4701 A Vision for the Park

FLORENCE- The City of Florence is nearing completion of the McFarland Park Master Plan process The plan is an action-oriented strategy for upgrading McFarland Park created by the community's vision for the park, according to a

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Parker



Parker, Rhodes Are Promoted

SHEFFIELD- Bank Independent recently announced the promotions of team members, Harris Parker and Dustin Rhodes.

Harris Parker has been promoted to Assistant Vice President - Sales Officer at the Athens East Sales Office. Parker joined the Bank in 2014 as a

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Two ASUN All **Academics**

ATLANTA, GA-University of North Alabama seniors Morgan Ebert and Grace Lensing have been named to the 2022 ASUN Conference Women's Soccer All-Academic Team. The Lions were among 11 student-athletes honored by the ASUN Conference with the academic award.

Ebert and Lensing are both five-year members of the UNA women's soccer program and both

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competed as graduate students during the recent 2022 season. They have been members of the UNA program for the entire four-year Division I transition and the first vear of full Division I membership.

Ebert started all 18 matches in



Ebert

2022 and all 64 of her career matches at UNA. She graduated from UNA in May of 2022 and earned

the Keller Key Award for the highest gradepoint average from the graduating senior class. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and is pursuing a Masters in Criminal Justice.

Lensing started in



Lensing

63 of her 80 career matches at UNA. She has already earned a Bachelor's degree from UNA in Exercise Science

and is Pursuing a Masters degree in Biology. She has already been accepted to Physical Therapy School.

Both student athletes have a 4.00 GPA

Hand, Women of True Grit Here Nov. 19

FLORENCE-NASA's Women of True Grit, is a 30-minute documentary showcasing three women behind NASA's planned missions to put the first woman and person of color on the moon. The

documentary premieres on Alabama Public Television Thursday, November 17 at 8pm CST and will stream on demand

Noted film documentarian, Alabama native, and Shoals Writers Guild author, Edie Hand. wrote and produced the documentary, the second episode in Hand's Women of True Grit series. Hand will host a screening of her APT documentary 'Women of True Grit.' personally at 11am Saturday, November 19 at the Florence Library. There is no admission charge.

NASA's Women of True Grit title sponsors include 8 Track Entertainment, Alabama Power, and Coca Cola Bottling Company United.

In this compelling episode, Hand shines a light on Jody Singer, Director of NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center; Dr. Lisa Watson-Morgan, Manager of NASA's Human Landing System Program; and Lakiesha Hawkins, Deputy Manager (SES) of the Human Landing System Program at NASA. Hand's in-depth one-on-one interviews share the captivating stories of these three professional women.

'We are excited to work with Edie Hand to explore the stories of the women of NASA who are leading work at Marshall Space Flight Center. said Phil Hutcheson. Interim Executive Director/Alabama Public Television. "These Women of True Grit are role models for the coming generation of scientists and engineers reaching for the future here in Alabama.

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Tuesday, November 8, 8am-3:30pm -Wilson High School, Florence Wednesday, November 9, 11am-5pm

- Bank Independent, Sheffield FALL CLOTHES GIVE AWAY Thursday, November 3 from 8–10am at the Care Center, First Baptist Church,

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Spine & Sport PT in Killen

KILLEN-"Spine & Sport Physical Therapist Care opened for business October 3 as the sole physical therapist provider in Killen.

John Waggoner is the owner and therapist of Spine & Sport PT Care, and he has nearly ten years of experience, with the last sevenplus years being in the Shoals area. He received his Doctorate of Physical Therapy at Duke University and is board-certified in Orthopaedics. Waggoner is also one of 12 Manual Therapy Fellows in the state of Alabama.

Spine & Sport PT Care provides one-on-one care, visits with the same physical therapist each time, and individualized exercise prescription/ instruction.

Grandparents Art Camp

FLORENCE-Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts is offering two "Grandparents' Holiday Art Camp" workshops before the holidays arrive and visiting relatives are upon us.



Learn a creative activity or two that you can take home and enjoy teaching to your grandchildren during their next visit. Include these easy-tolearn projects in your upcoming holiday plans and strengthen family bonds while making fun memories!

WORKSHOP 1:

Thursday, November 10, 3-4:30pm—**Holiday Card** activity

Learn to make your own holiday cards using simple printmaking practices and easy-tofind everyday household

WORKSHOP 2:

Thursday, November 17, 3-4:30pm—**DIY Wrapping** Paper activity.

Enjoy putting your personal touch to gift wrapping this year by making your own wrapping paper with easy printmaking methods and common supplies.

Each workshop will be limited to 20 participants, so sign up for one or both today! Participation is \$15 per person/per class. Separate sign-ups are required for each workshop. All supplies will be provided, just dress for mess! This is an adult only Art Camp.

To register, visit Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts at 217 E. Tuscaloosa St. in Florence Monday-Friday from 9-4 or on Sunday from 1-4.

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neighbors who meet new friends, call each other by name, and show up ready to belong.

"Some friends and I saw that Huntsville was putting on something similar in 2016, but it didn't return the next vear. said Brittany Ashley, one of the organizers of the event. 'So, we just said, let's try it here. While we all know that one meal will not change the world. we can all appreciate the moment of community and joy to kick off the holiday season."

According to Ashley, the first Shoals event took place in November of 2017 in perfect weather with 500 attending. The second-year saw freezing cold weather with snow, yet around 700 people still came. In 2019 rain forced a last-minute change of venue to First Methodist. "To our complete shock, 900 people participated, Ashley said. From all these experiences, have learned that the magic is not in the environment, it is in the simple act of people coming together."

The five who organized 1Table Florence include Ashley, Brittany Chelsea Wassner, Bevin Scarlett Thomaston, and Kristin Lyons, Husainy.

"That first year, we literally had no clue how we would pull it off, Ashley recalled. "I called a caterer I had heard good things about (Jill's Sweet Memories) to ask her for some advice and recommendations how to handle the food aspect. She fell in love with the idea and offered to provide the entire meal for \$1 per plate."

The generosity of Jill and her team is more impressive each year! Jill's Sweet Memories is the definition of what it means to be an active part of our community!" Ashley stated. has been so amazing to provide the food for this event as a way of giving back. It's a wonderful hot meal and we know health codes are followed," she added.

Obviously, catered meal for many hundreds costs far more than \$1 per plate. Donations come in from individuals and businesses who recognize the value in his type of open community event.

"We are a 501(c)(3) and this year have set up an online platform that allows donors to support 1Table through a variety of ways. After we cover all costs, we give Jill's Sweet Memories the rest. We have never come close to fully reimbursing her costs, but she comes back each year just to help enrich our community."

Ashley indicated that event costs other than the food are fairly minimal: liability insurance for the day, paper products, coffee accoutrements. signage. volunteer refreshments, and a few other things. In addition, some area businesses allow them to borrow items for the event, like tables, benches, brown paper to cover the tables, and some festive decor.

"We five organize the event, but 1Table is done 100% by the community coming together. We have about 50 volunteers the day of to pull it all off." The rain location is First United Methodist Church in downtown Florence

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this summer. Early Bird 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.com

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The Alzheimer's Association's 2022 Walk to End Alzheimer's in the Shoals is set for November 6 at McFarland Park Volunteers are needed from 12-3pm to help with registration, greeting, and engaging with the community. We expect to have 500 participants and raise over \$90,000 for Alzheimer's research, advocacy, and care/support efforts in our community.

Registration begins at 1pm and the Opening Ceremony and Walk begin at

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Tickets are \$50 available at Kennedy-Douglass Art Center, Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, First United Methodist Church of Florence, First Presbyterian Churches of Florence and Sheffield, and Lola's. Proceeds benefit CaringPlace of

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Dr. Amber Olsen received her undergraduate degree from Auburn University and attended Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine in Auburn. Dr. Olsen completed her Family Residency at University of Alabama at Birmingham - Huntsville. She is now seeing patients at Medical Associates Cloverdale Road.

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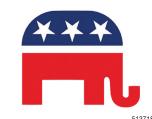




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Management. He graduated in 2019 from the Alabama Banking School at the University South Alabama. Harris is a member of the Athens Rotary Club volunteers and with The American Chestnut Foundation, a non-profit scientific research organization focused on forestry preservation.

"Since moving commercial lending role less than 18 months ago, Harris has had a remarkable amount of success in a short period of time," Bank Independent Athens City President, Bob Thompson, said. "He has contributed a sizeable amount of growth to our loan portfolio in Limestone County and to the Bank as a whole. We are all very proud of Harris and his accomplishments and look forward to seeing him further contribute to the Bank's success in the years to come.'

Dustin Rhodes has been promoted to Senior Vice President - Sales Officer at the Muscle Shoals sales

office. Rhodes first joined the Bank in May 2007 as a Collections Adjuster and moved into the roles of Loan Review Analyst and then Sales Officer before moving out of state in 2015. He returned in 2017 as a Sales Officer. The Muscle Shoals native graduated from UNA with a degree in Economics and is currently enrolled in the class of '23 at LSU Banking School. Rhodes serves on the NACOLG Revolving Loan Committee and is a board member of the Lion's Athletic Club at UNA.

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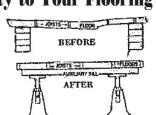
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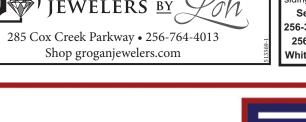
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oting is one of our sacred rights as citizens, but it is also a privilege and a responsibility that we should take seriously. As flawed as our republic is, the brilliance

Few

Words

TOM MAGAZZU

of the founders is amazing. We have the responsibility to maintain the independence created by generations of courageous men and women before us.

Everyone who is eligible to vote should take the time to do so. There are no new Voter ID issues in Alabama like some would have us believe. We've been required to show an ID ever since I can recall voting. More Alabamians are registered to vote now than ever before.

Editor Some people will persist in a racial angle until this world ends. Asking people for an ID to vote is prudent in any case. It keeps the one person - one vote concept intact.

Judging from record early voting totals in

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Courier Journal

November 2, 2022 Input



SHOALS-Voters this coming Tuesday can choose from any candidate in any race on their ballot. They can choose any party candidate or Independent which may be in any race. They can also write in a candidate for any race on the ballot.

Alabama's restriction on crossover voting only applies to Primary elections and Primary Runoff elections. A voter in the primary must choose a party ballot and they can only vote for candidates in that party during the primary and during any runoff races that occur in the following weeks. In the November General Election, the party selected

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on the Trace Bridge

TUPELO, MS-The National Park Service (NPS) is seeking public feedback on the John Coffee Memorial Bridge Replacement or Rehabilitation project along the Natchez Trace Parkway (Parkway), six miles north of Cherokee.

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Use No Equipment

Editor:

Clinton Curtis is a computer programmer who is known as the first to write code to change the results of an election using computerized votecounting equipment.

In his opinion, the only way to secure elections using voting equipment that is run by computers is to not use the equipment at all.

To help people understand, he pretends to write a number between

one and two on the palm of his hand. He then closes his hand and asks what number he wrote. Regardless of the answer, he claims they are wrong. If the person wants to see what he wrote, he simply refuses to show them.

That is how Alabama's elections work. If you doubt this, try to verify the results of any election in Alabama and see how far you get. You will run into roadblocks everywhere.

We must have a reason to trust our elections. Our government telling us they are trustworthy is not a reason. But for now, it's all we've got.

Wayne Christopher Grand Bay, AL

House Race Decided

Editor:

In response to Mr. Mike Lane's letter on October 19, Regarding Our Election Integrity, and the Alabama District 2 House race, there appears to be a misunderstanding of the situation which could mislead the citizens and voters.

Mrs. Butler didn't just lose the election by 14 votes. The primary election in question shows Mrs.

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McFarland

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release last week from Mayor Andy Betterton and Parks and Recreation Director Bill Jordan.

A project presentation and community open house event for the public will take place on Tuesday, November 8 from 5:30-7pm in The Mane Room at 310 N Pine St in Florence.

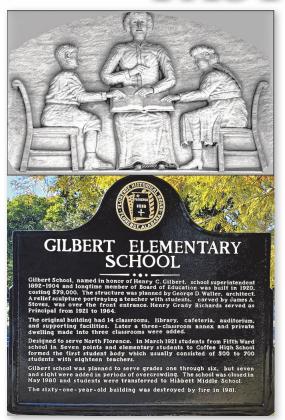
At the open house, the design team from Goodwyn Mills Cawood will present the plan, including elements such as an expanded marina and RV Park, improved festival grounds, a new fishing pier, and more.

The goal of the master plan is to build upon the many assets and attractions

currently in the park while reimagining how new and improved amenities can maximize utilization of the park to bolster its status as both a local community park and a regional attraction. The project will further activate the park's waterfront and natural areas in order to strengthen Florence's position as an active riverfront community.

Approximately 2,500 citizens have already contributed to this process through online surveys. Although the plan is nearing completion, this event is an important opportunity to voice your opinions.





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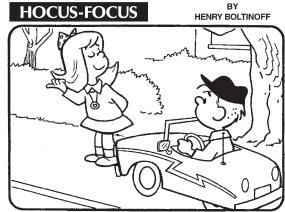
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1. They have suffered a back injury. Individuals can hurt their backs by lifting heavy objects, overexerting themselves, or moving the wrong way. The muscles and ligaments in the back can be twisted and damaged.

Back pain that is the result of a recent injury is called acute pain, meaning it comes on suddenly. Acute pain is usually temporary, so when the injury heals, the pain lessens or disappears completely. Over the counter medications such as analgesics, topical creams, and antiinflammatory drugs help manage back pain caused from an injury but don't necessary fix the problem.

Chiropractic care is another way to lessen acute pain and feel more comfortable. By adjusting the spine, chiropractors can relax the muscles, and relieve acute pain faster than simply suffering throughout the injury.

2. They battle a medical condition or illness. Unfortunately, there are several illnesses that can cause back Fibromyalgia, osteoarthritis, inflammatory diseases of the joints, and scoliosis are some of the common conditions that cause back pain. Because the conditions create pain that lasts longer periods of time, this type of pain is considered to be chronic pain.

Chronic pain is an entirely different animal than acute pain, and patients who suffer with it often look for options outsideof traditional medication. Chiropractic care is an excellent choice in dealing with chronic back pain.

Adjustments to the spine can promote healing in all areas of a person's body, as well as provide relief from the pain. Chiropractic care for medical conditions sometimes takes a bit longer to show results, so the patient must be committed to the treatment plan the chiropractor suggests in order to enjoy the maximum benefits of chiropractic.

3. They have made poor lifestyle choices. Decisions we make can affect



Doctors: Troy Smith, Amanda Franconi, and Bruce Thompson

our health, either negatively or positively. Being overweight, avoiding an exercise routine, and smoking can result in health issues that cause back pain.

Additional weight puts extra stress on an individual's back that can eventually cause pain.

Smoking is a habit that has many negative consequences, including increasing the chances for back pain. According to the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, smoking can cause a lack of nutrients which affects the back's discs. In addition, people who smoke tend to heal slower, so smoking can actually increase the length of time a person must endure

Exercise increases a person's strength in muscles and tendons, and a sedentary lifestyle weakens a person's body, often bringing on back pain, as well as other health issues.

Chiropractic care can assist in lessening a patient's back pain, which then hopefully leads to better lifestyle choices.

Feeling better often prompts patients to embark on a fitness routine, eat healthier, and quit smoking. Exercise regimens that include strength training can positively impact a person's health in a number of ways, including back pain reduction.

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Letters...

House Race Decided

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Butler was almost 200 votes behind the vote leader, Ben Harrison. Mr. Harrison also took first place in the run-off election four weeks later to become the Republican nominee. In neither election did it come down to just a few votes for first place.

The question of whether Mrs. Butler came in second or third in the May election is a moot point since Mr. Harrison came in first in both the May primary and June run-off. This made him the clear winner and only Republican on the ballot November 8.

The situation of Kimberly Butler not supporting the Republican nominee reminds me of the destructive socalled Republicans that publicly said they would not support Donald Trump after he won the nomination in 2016.

Mrs. Butler has held campaign events and posted online with support posts from well-known Democrat party operatives and community organizers. Yes, we have these even in Alabama.

Did you wonder why Mrs. Butler is running as a write-in candidate instead of as a Democrat or Independent? It is because we have a sore loser law in Alabama that prevents her from doing so after not winning in the Republican primary elections. Any way you look at it, Ben Harrison is the only Republican and conservative choice in the upcoming election for House District 2.

Remember to support him at the polls. We must mark his name on the ballot instead of leaving it blank even though no other candidate will be shown as an option.

Angela Broyles Florence

About Truth & His Mercy

Dear Editor:

This note is in response to a letter published in the October 26 issue of the *Courier Journal*, entitled "Are We That Stupid?"

I oppose the statement "96% of Republicans voted against letting women keep birth control."

If you believe the words of the Lord, 96% of Republicans voted to make murder illegal. God stated in Jeremiah 1:5, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you."

The author of the letter then stated that "the Supreme Court has same sex marriages and genderneutral humans on the chopping block."

The Lord clearly stated in Leviticus 20:13 that same sex relationships are an abomination to God, and in 1 Corinthians 6:9-10, He reiterated that those who practice such acts will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Jesus addressed gender neutrality in Matthew 19:4 when He quoted a portion of Genesis 1:27 stating that "He who created them from the beginning made them male and female."

Christians are warned in 1 Corinthians 2:14 that people who are not Christians cannot receive the things of the Spirit of God because they are foolishness to these people and they cannot understand them.

I hope the letter writer and anyone who agrees with her, comes to know my Savior, Jesus Christ, while He is still abundantly showering us with mercy. I'm not "gullibly stupid", as the author of the letter stated. However, I have

been warned that people of the world will view me as if I am because I have chosen to follow Jesus and obey His commands.

I pray for those who persecute Christians (whether physically or verbally) as I pray for those of us who are persecuted. I pray for myself - a sinner, just like all of humanity. Jesus saved me from sin, not due to my works, but because I believe and place my faith in Him. Praise God!

I am not a Republican, as the author insinuated. I vote for the person with Biblical morals because I am a Christian. I sincerely hope that you are as well.

Patrick McGee Sheffield

Judging Our Leadership

To the Editor:

As a kid growing up in rural Alabama, I vividly recall a wise senior neighbor telling me a brief but poignant proverb that sticks with me to this day:

A smart man does not have to tell you how smart he is; a wealthy man would not have to tell you how rich he is; tough men never have to say how tough they are; a beautiful woman never has to say how pretty she is; musicians and artists never have to relate how gifted they are; genuine Christians never should have to tell you how strong their faith is; and most of all, honest men will never have to tell you how honest they are.

Å person's attributes will be obvious.

These thoughts are a good barometer when judging our political leadership before we vote on November 8. Make your vote count for something!

James W. Anderson Talladega

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the Holy Spirit has brought us the Word of God. Why? Because He wants you to be saved!

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Jesus stated boldly "I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you can be also" (John 14:1-6). **He wants you to be saved!**

Simon Peter spoke of the longsuffering (patience) of God, not willing that any should perish (2 Peter 3:9-10). **He wants you to be saved!**

So, friends, it is up to each of us! We determine our eternal destiny by our "doing the will of the Father" (Matthew 7:21). Some will be saved, others will be lost (Matthew 25:46). If you died today, stood before Jehovah in judgment – would you be SAVED or LOST? Please, make sure you are among the chosen few (Matthew 7:13-14)..

Searching The Scriptures...

What type of wood was Noah to build the ark? What were the measurements?

(Answer, last week: Exodus 20:11, God's work week = 24 hour days) and God compared it to the creation days.

One Final Thought To Consider...

If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?



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DAYS OF OUR LIVES "Charlie" advised Ava to stay in Salem and exact revenge on EJ. Chad comforted Stephanie over being fired by Paulina. Maggie unwittingly got Alex out of a jam. Victor gave Xander a hard time. Ava offered Xander a job. Chanel questioned Wendy about her intentions regarding Johnny. Stephanie redeemed herself with Paulina. Chad learned that Alex came through for Stephanie. Gabi became suspicious when she caught Wendy and Johnny together. Kristen ordered Li to make an offer to Chloe. Meanwhile, Chloe bristled at Brady's concern over her involvement with Stefan. Rafe was thrown by Jada's news. Alex suggested that Nicole and Eric model together. Stefan found Gabi ready to move forward in her life. Johnny explained to Susan that he believed EJ might have done something to Stefan. Ava had second thoughts about her plan. Wait to See: Wendy and Johnny work together to uncover Dr. Rolf's whereabouts. Stefan comforts Chloe over her breakup with Brady. Rachel becomes upset when she overhears Brady and Kristen arguing.

GENERAL HOSPITAL Finn treated a new patient. Robert opened up to Holly. Scott defended Anna. Alexis called out Gregory. A long-awaited reunion took place. Elizabeth's world was rocked. Robert rejected Sonny's offer. Finn checked in on Anna. Drew sought advice from Alexis. Sam tried to keep the peace. Trina confided in Josslyn. Scott and Obrecht gave Cody the cold shoulder. Alexis called on Jordan and Dante for help. Gregory voiced his reservations. Sam enlisted Spinelli's aid. Austin comforted Gladys. Portia and Curtis changed their plans. Maxie and Sasha had an important meeting. Robert was shocked by Mac's news. Holly was torn. Cam and Drew reminisced. Austin had a request for Spinelli. Wait to See: Joss is surprised by what she sees. Jordan puts pressure on Portia. Maxie shares her theory.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Nate pondered an enticing offer. Adam crossed the line. Billy supported Chelsea. Devon discovered Nate and Victoria's alliance. Abby caught Chance in a lie. Lily set the record straight. Victor questioned Nick's judgment about Sally. Kyle

learned some disturbing news. Phyllis scored a win against Diane. Lily and Billy shared a difference of opinion. Abby confided in Devon. Nate and Elena discussed their relationship. Wait to See: Jack and Phyllis share a difference of opinion. Diane comes clean. Ashley faces a tough decision about Tucker.

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Slow Walking

The other night I taught a class on adoption. And as we were covering, at one point, I used the process of plant grafting to enhance original family. You see, one of the most common ways of plant grafting is using the V-cut. You slice the bottom of the branch that you want to graft into a "V", so that the cambium, the inside living, pithy, viable part of the branch, is exposed. Then you cut a "V" in the cambium of the original/host plant, leaving some bark to surround and support the incoming branch. Then the adopted branch is inserted such that the living, viable parts of both plants are touching. They get wrapped together and over time the plants become organically united. For instance, if one was a pink flowering rose plant and the other was a white blooming rose plant, the grafted plant would bloom both pink and white flowers. What a wonderful thing adoption is - bringing someone into your original family and surrounding them with such love and care that over time you share the same root system. That's beautiful!

Then something came out of my mouth that I wasn't expecting, I said that's how it should be in all my relationships. I should expose my soul so that others can open up their souls. Then I can wrap my arms around them and have our living, pithy, viable parts touch. And through time and learning we can unite. You know... you can't graft a dead or ruined rose branch or a frog into a rose bush. But we are all humans. We share the same spirits. However, some of us don't want to be grafted into relationship. It makes me think of that cool, hostile teenager who for years would pass by my office and throw a sneer my way. I found out his name, and for years, I would smile and say good morning, calling his name. Over time he became less hostile. One day he stepped into my office and said, "I need

that his dad, who they had a part of the subjects that a restraining order against, was in the building and if he saw him one more time they would have to fight. the understanding of how I took care of him and the the adoptee is added to the situation. After that we were united. And then there was the gruff old man who for years wouldn't speak to me or make eye contact. If he did, it was only to complain. I was committed to being inconsistently kind to him, and I tried to fix his complaints if they were within my scope. One day he reported that our wrist roller was broken, and that it was his favorite, and that he needed it. I made a special effort to replace it quickly. The day he used it, he came in my office to tell me that I had saved his life. His doctor had told him that if he didn't exercise his hands, he would lose them. After that we were friends.

If only humans would just share our spirits with

others! Some people think that they lose their power (their cool, their rank, etc.) when they expose their living, viable, vulnerable selves. That perhaps they will have to give up what is them to be in relationship. But why can't we (like that pink and white rose bush) have the same root system of love and still bloom the things that are true to us? Different blooms - the same tree - that's amazing! But it takes time and commitment. Try adopting/grafting a hostile/ruined/different friend. As my daddy would say, "Slow walk them down." Take the time to make the world a better

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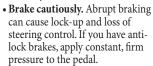
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Tips for Driving in Ice or Snow

- Slow down. Bridges and overpasses freeze first, so take it slow and avoid sudden changes in speed or direction. Watch out for black ice.
- Keep windows clear. Visibility is crucial, especially in bad weather. Turn on the lights and wipers and crank up the defroster, if necessary.

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• Resist the urge to "floor it." If you get stuck in snow, straighten the wheels and accelerate slowly. Avoid spinning the tires. Use sand or blocks under the drive wheels.

Tips for Driving in Rain

- Turn on wipers. Wipers should be replaced every six to twelve months for optimal performance.
- Use headlights. Visibility is usually compromised in rainy conditions. Headlights can help.
- Keep windows clear. The defroster or air conditioner may help keep windows and mirrors clear.
- Be patient. Take it slower than normal. Leave more room when stopping. Wet pavement may cause loss of traction and lead to sliding or hydroplaning.
- Go around. Never cross a flooded roadway because it's tough to tell how deep the water is. Take the time to find an alternate route. The last thing you want is to get caught in a flash flood.
- Turn off cruise control. When roads are wet it is best to allow the driver to control speed and react to conditions.

Tips for Navigating in the Fog

- Turn on the low beams and fog lights. Headlights should be on and set to low beam in the fog.
- Wait it out. If you're having trouble seeing, safely pull over to the right side — well out of the traffic lane — and turn on your emergency flashers. Wait until visibility improves before continuing.

Tips for Handling Your Vehicle in High Winds

- Look out. Keep an eye out for flying debris. And use extra caution near trailers, vans or vehicles carrying lightweight cargo.
- Some cars shouldn't be driven. It's best not to drive a trailer, van or other "high-profile" vehicle (autos with high centers of gravity like SUVs and trucks) in high winds.

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- Listen to the radio. Tune into a local weather station for storm and traffic updates.
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- Don't wait. Leave low-lying areas and move inland.

Driving in All Types of Weather

- Buckle up. Every trip, every time.
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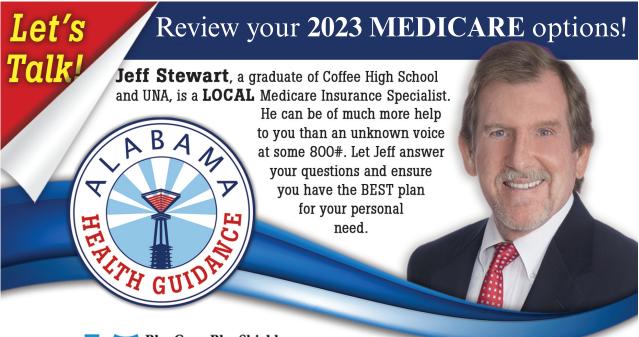


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ATTORNEY **Amendment Voting On**

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I get a lot of questions about the amendments to the Alabama Constitution to be voted on in November. Some of those amendments relate to a particular county and really don't concern people outside of those particular counties. I am generally in favor of those amendments.

I really like the amendment that will reorder the Alabama Constitution sequentially and organize the Alabama Constitution in a logical way

I really can't express my dislike of the first amendment that appears on the ballot. This proposes to take away the right to bail for people accused

of certain crimes. It's dumb. It's unconstitutional. It's a waste of time for a whole lot of people who will have to deal with the consequences of this amendment just to see that it won't work. We pay those people who have to strike this amendment down later and it's just a waste of money.

Certainly, many politicians run on being "tough on crime". Maybe that's why the United States has more people in prison than any other country on earth. Even China and Russia. That being said, it's not my job to reform the system and I don't know where I would start. It is my job to give my opinion on the constitutionality of the law when asked.

This is a really nice teaching point. Think of the game "rock, paper, and scissors". The United States Constitution can not be amended or contradicted by a state constitution. A citizen's constitutional right under United Constitution can't be taken away by a state constitution. The 8th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution says that "excessive bail shall not be required". The 14th Amendment says, "nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law"

Putting somebody in jail without a trial just because they're accused of a crime deprives them of due process required by the United States Constitution. Remember the presumption of innocence?

It might seem like a good idea to preventatively detain someone without a trial but as one of our foremost constitutional law senators said, "if you give up freedom for safety, you won't have safety or freedom for very long"

It's not for nothing that on the day I write this, October 27, 2022, is the 235th anniversary of the date the first publication of the Federalists Papers which argued and explained our proposed constitution in all of its wisdom and majesty in the newspapers of the day.

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Commentary

Election...

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Georgia, the charges of Jim Crow-type voter suppression with new ID laws is as shallow in truth as some of the other political platforms we may hear about.

Elections create anxiety for many of us because we control so little ourselves. We have one vote, but that vote can mean a great deal. Regardless, do remember that the sun will come up on Wednesday.

One way to reduce stress levels is to ignore the social media hamster wheel of distortions, doom, and death. It's uncontrollable, stressful, and detrimental to overall health. Every electronic

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Anyway, you know how you are voting by now and how your friends and family members are voting. Opinions, arguments, and predictions are pointless.

Voting takes a little time, but that is only as it should. Legitimate mailin or absentee voting for medical or travel reasons is one thing. Otherwise, we need to get off our backsides and go vote. It shouldn't be so easy and haphazardly unaccountable like it was in 2020 and shows signs of being in some places again this year.

Post Office assurances of secure mail-in voting do nothing for my confidence in that avenue of submission.



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Planning Ahead

Dear Planning, From an entitlement program standpoint, 2023 is going to be a very good year for retirees! Not only will you receive a nice 8.7 percent cost-of-living increase in your Social Security retirement benefits – the largest since 1981 – the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services also recently announced that your Medicare Part B standard monthly premium will be lowered 3 percent (\$5.20) from the current rate of \$170.10 per month, to \$164.90/month in 2023.

The reason for the reduction is a correction to last year's hefty Part B premium increase, which was larger than it needed to be. The 2022 premium hike of about 14.5 percent was announced amid uncertainty about the potential impact of a new Alzheimer's drug called Aduhelm, which threatened to explode Medicare costs. That didn't happen. The cost of the drug was cut roughly in half from an original \$56,000 a year and Medicare sharply limited coverage. This created a large financial reserve for Part B, allowing the program to reduce next year's premium.

You'll also be happy to know that in addition to the premium reduction, the annual deductible for Medicare Part B will also be lowered \$7 from \$233 in 2022, to \$226 in 2023. And if you have a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan, the average premium in 2023 will be about \$31.50, which is a 1.8 percent decrease from \$32.08 in

2022

But the news isn't all rosy. The deductible for Medicare Part A (hospital coverage) per benefit period (which generally starts who you are admitted to the hospital) will be \$1,600 in 2023, up \$44 from this year's \$1,556. That applies to the first 60 days of inpatient care. For the 61st through 90th day, the coinsurance will be \$400 per day, up from \$389 this year. And for days 91 to 150, the charge will be \$800 per day (up from \$778 in 2022).

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21-100 will also increase to \$200 per day, up from \$194.50 in 2022.

Wealthy Beneficiary Breaks

High earning Medicare beneficiaries, which makes up about 7 percent of all Medicare recipients, will also receive a break in 2023. Medicare surcharges for high earners are based on adjusted gross income from two years earlier, which means that 2023 Part B premiums

are determined by 2021 annual income.
So, if your 2021 income was above \$97,000 up to \$123,000 (\$194,000 up to \$246,000 for married couples filing jointly), your 2023 Part B monthly premium will be \$230.80, down from \$238.10 in 2022.

Monthly premiums for singles with an income between \$123,000 and \$153,000 (\$246,000 and \$306,000 for joint filers) will decrease from \$340.20 to \$329.70 in 2023.

Individuals earning above \$153,000 up to \$183,000 (\$306,000 to \$366,000 for joint filers) will see their monthly premium decrease from \$442.30 to \$428.60 in

Those with incomes above \$183,000 up to \$500,000 (\$366,000 to \$750,000 for joint filers), your 2023 Part B premium will be \$527.50, down form \$544.30 in 2022.

And single filers with income of \$500,000 or more (\$750,000 or more for joint filers) will pay \$560.50 per month next year, versus this year's premium of \$578.30. High-income beneficiaries with a Medicare Part D

prescription drug plan will also pay a little less next year. If your income was over \$97,000 (\$194,000 for joint filers) you'll pay a \$12.20 to \$76.40 monthly surcharge on top of your regular Part D premiums based on your income level.

For more information on Medicare's 2023 costs see // Medicare.gov/basics/costs/medicare-costs.

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



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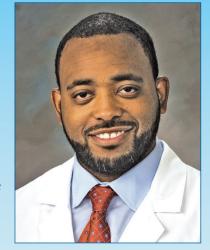
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the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;" The reason preachers don't preach doctrine is they are not sure of their faith or salvation. Being unsure of salvation, they cave on bibles, sin, names, words, hell, judgment, fire, and suffering, and show little excitement about the horrors of hell or the joys of heaven.

Beware the messenger trying not to offend anyone. If you are saved and love the world, you should feel awful about how your influence might convince others to lose their soul in hell. it's called conviction. Preaching should contain the Word, some excitement, some purpose and doctrine and shake the minions of darkness and hell and open the door of heaven. But when you have nothing to offer, then nothing gets done. See: 2Timothy 4:1&2. The death of doctrine has just about finished off this generation. Devil's doctrines include: "no absolute salvation", "your too rotten too be saved", "too good to need salvation", "death ends it all", "no judgment or hell", "I don't sin", are just a few. The devil preaches and lies on all counts. 400+ versions? Aw c'mon. Correcting the KJV proves unhappiness with the Author and uncertainty in your own soul. Which author of confusion are you following? No doctrine promotes chaos in the soul.

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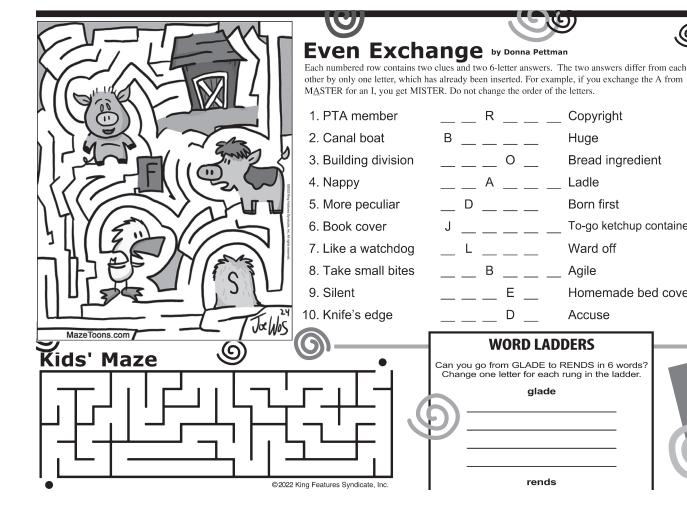
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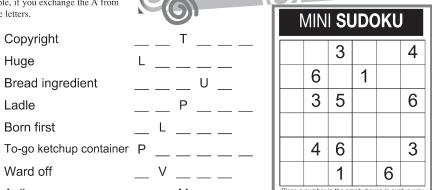
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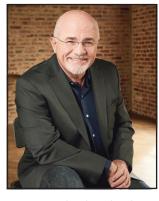
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After hearing you talk about financial infidelity, infidelity, I have to admit that I hide money from my husband. I have been setting aside money for emergencies without his knowledge. He is not terrible with money, but he always seems to find something to spend it on. Before I started doing this, we never managed to save much money at all. But now I feel like I have been doing something wrong. What should I do?

Lana

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your husband about

I know it won't be easy for you, so you have to make sure you tell him in the right way. Playing the blame game won't help. Basically, you've been deceiving him about this. Sure, it sounds like he has been immature when it comes to your household finances, but you made the decision to hide things. You chose to do this instead of talking to him about your concerns.

Let's start here. Tell your husband you need to talk to him about something important, and sit down together with no distractions. Explain what's been going on, and that you're sorry for not being honest about things, but you also need to speak up and tell him why you were doing this secretly. If you were afraid

to disagree with him, tell him that. Tell him why, too, and let him know you just want the two of you to have a successful financial future, and that you're committed to never hiding things again.

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You each have a vote, but it also means you have to stand up and vote no, Lana, if he wants to blow money on silly stuff when you guys don't have your finances in order.

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 for Ramsey Solutions.

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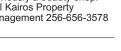
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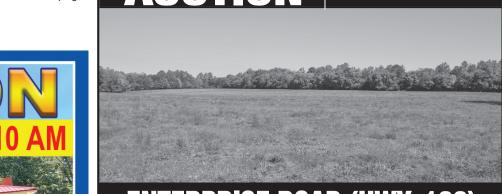
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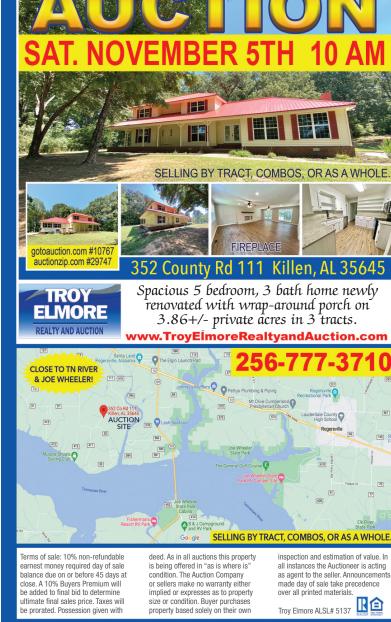
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The Florence Exchange Club's Annual One Nation Under God Prayer Breakfast takes place on Tuesday, November 8 at the Marriott-Shoals Conference Center in Florence.

The Guest Speaker is American Country Artist, Marty Raybon, Lead Singer of the group, Shenandoah.

Tickets are \$25 each. A table of 8 is \$200. Breakfast Served at 6:30am. The

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For ticket Information, contact Heather Begley at hbegley@shoalscasa. org or 256-765-0041.

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Free Diaper Giveaway on Saturday, November 12 from 9am - Noon at Pleasant Valley Church of Christ, 3700 CR 33 in Killen.

Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 12, 10am-2pm at Underwood/ Petersville Community Center. 20+ Vendors including arts & crafts, wood working and many more. One stop Christmas shop. Event is free. Food and drinks will be available.

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Performances: Fridays/Saturdays at 7:30pm. Sundays at 2pm. Info & tickets: tennesseevalleyarts.org

Jacksonburg Church of Christ, at 414 Lauderdale 28 in Florence, will **observe Homecoming** on Sunday, November 13, with guest speaker, Brooks Jackson. Services begin with Bible class at 9am and worship at 9:45am. A fellowship meal follows the worship. The afternoon service

PUBLIC NOTICE The Colbert County Conservation of Soil And Water will hold its monthly board meeting: Thursday, November 17 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

55th Annual Turkey Shoot on Saturday, November 19 and December 17, 7am until we run our of shooters at Knights of Columbus, Langer Hall, 4051 Co. Rd. 30, St. Florian. All ammunition provided. Shotgun rounds, .22cal rifle rounds, .22 pistol rounds. We have ham

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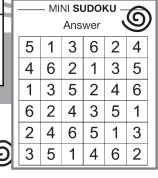
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Medicare Minute

"Medicare Advantage Plans Part 2"

A Medicare Advantage Plan (MA) is a type of Medicare health plan offered by a private insurance company that contracts with Medicare to provide you with all your Part A and Part B benefits. If you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan, most Medicare services are covered through the plan and aren't paid for under Original Medicare. Most Medicare Advantage Plans offer prescription drug coverage. There are six things you will want to consider if looking at a Medicare Advantage Plan. They include the premium, copays, coinsurance, deductibles, providers that take the plan and the drug formulary of the plan. This week we will look at the premium, copays and coinsurance.

The premium of MA plans can vary depending on the type of plan you have and the company offering the plan. Although the premium of the plan should be a part of your decision it shouldn't be the only consideration. For some, the MA plan with the lowest premium may fit your needs perfectly but for others it could actually cost you more in the long run if the other five considerations don't match up for you. Also, if you are currently in a MA plan and it is working for you, switching plans solely because of the premium may not be in your best interest.

Copays and coinsurance are also two factors to consider when looking at MA plans. A copay is a set amount you will pay when you receive a service. An example of a copay would be the set amount you pay to your primary care doctor when you see him or her. Coinsurance is a percentage you pay if you receive a specific service. An example of coinsurance would be the percentage you pay for durable medical equipment.

If you have questions regarding any aspect of Medicare or Medicare health plans feel free call us at Alabama Health Guidance (256-648-5710), stop by our office at 885 Florence Blvd (Four Lane Shopping Center) or email me at ikey@alabamahealthguidance.com. Alabama Health Guidance is an independent insurance agency and is not affiliated with Medicare or any other government agency.



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Join Me in Voting "Yes"

Editor:

Three years ago this week, the nation watched as Alabama learned of an unjust tragedy that never should have taken place. While we prayed for a different outcome, Aniah Blanchard's untimely death revealed flaws in the judicial system.

is past time fix those issues, but because of the unwavering dedication the of Aniah's family and the unanimous support by the Alabama Legislature, Amendment One, also known as Aniah's Law, will be on the ballot this November.

encourage Alabamian to join me in voting Yes on Aniah's Law to ensure no family would have to go through the pain of preventable tragedy. Public safety is a top priority, and Aniah's Law won't just bolster public safety, but it will honor and allow for Aniah to redefine Alabama's judicial system to help save lives across the state.

If passed, Amendment One would allow judges to deny bail to a person charged with a violent following felony power This hearing. This power would be extended to 13 first-degree offenses, including murder. kidnapping, assault, rape, sodomy, domestic violence, human burglary, trafficking, arson, robbery, sexual torture, terrorism and aggravated child abuse.

Kay Ivey Governor of Alabama

Editor's Note: On the surface, this proposed law may seem appropriate. However, it is largely based on emotion created the heinous death of a young, attractive victim. It doesn't lessen the need for vigilance; However, the proposed amendment tramples due-process protections in the US Constitution, especially for the accused with no convictions and no previously reported incidents. Amendment One should bear strong scrutiny

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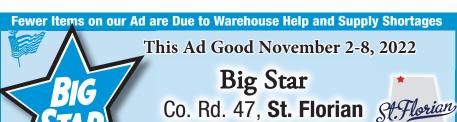
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