# Shoals

# **Rabies Clinics Concluding**

SHOALS- Mobile Rabies Clinics continue in Lauderdale County this week. Colbert County concluded

theirs last week. Alabama State law requires that all dogs and cats three months

of age or older be vaccinated against rabies each year.

The remaining rain or shine schedule is inside this issue. The mobile fee is \$12 per animal.

# The '23 Syed Recipients

SHOALS-The Dr. Faizullah Syed Scholarship Foundation recently awarded 12 area seniors with scholarships for the coming year. Those are:

Katie McCaig, Belgreen

High School;

Ashton Goodloe, Central High School;

Cayden Spain, Covenant Christian School;

Ainslie Grimmitt, Deshler High School;

**Sweet-Carson Taylor**, Jasper High School;

Juli French, Lexington High School

**Ēlla Embry**, Mars Hill Bible School;

Madelynn Olson, Muscle Shoals High School;

Sierra Terrell, Red Bay High School;

Selena Pounders, Russellville High School; Lee Swindall, Shoals

Christian School; Makayla Carter, Wilson High School

Dr. Syed was a physician in the Shoals who valued

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**POSTAL PATRON** 



and Some Flag Etiquette Dos and Don'ts

Day is a celebration that honors and commemorates the stars and stripes on the American Flag. While we may not have a day off from work or school, Flag Day is celebrated on June 14 to honor the day in 1777 when the Continental Congress passed a resolution that stated America must have an official flag to

SHOALS - Flag

approved that same day. When we show respect for the flag, we respect the men and women who sacrificed to build

represent the nation and its'

people. A design for the flag was

this country and protect its freedom. When we honor the flag, we honor our country, our people, and ourselves.

The next time you see our country's flag, think of the unique and wonderful freedoms we enjoy as Americans!

Some significant flag dates in our history – a timeline: from combined references.

1777 – first official US flag adopted by Congress. First flown

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# Elder Abuse Awareness

Florence Mayor Andy Betterton recently joined the Lauderdale Department of Human Resources to proclaim Thursday,

June 15, 2023, as Elder Awareness Abuse Day in Florence. All citizens in the area are encouraged to recognize

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Pictured L-R with Florence Mayor, Andy Betterton, are frontline APS workers, Denise Jones, Angela Haithcoat, Debra Newman (APS Supervisor), and Emily Cox. Not pictured is APS case aide, Tara Konig. Courtesy photo

# **Eden's Quest Continues**



FLORENCE-Eden Jeanette Calhoun made her precious appearance on September 6, 2022 with a rare birth defect called Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH). Her parents, Dylan and Lexie Calhoun, had to relocate to Houston, Texas for Eden to have the best chance to survive since there were no hospitals near them equipped with the proper surgeons and items needed to help her.

Sweet Eden lived 27 loving days and

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# The '23 Sved Recipients

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education and giving back to the community through medicine. These students were selected based on academic excellence, service, and their desire to go into the healthcare field in college and beyond.

# **Locket Joins UNA Staff**

FLORENCE--University of North Alabama football coach Brent Dearmon has announced the addition of De'Von Lockett as an assistant coach with responsibilities as passing game coordinator and with defensive backs. Lockett ioins the Lions coaching staff after serving as the assistant head coach and cornerbacks coach at Northwestern State for the past 13 seasons. He completes Dearmon's first-year staff following the departure of defensive backs coach Marc St. Felix earlier this spring.

"We hit a home run with De'Von Lockett," said Dearmon.

"Me and my family are blessed and thankful for the opportunity to join Coach Dearmon and his staff," Lockett said. "I'm excited about coming to UNA and bringing in open ideas to the defensive staff to not only be competitive but have success. Looking forward to a great year."

At Northwestern State, Lockett was instrumental in leading a defensive back unit that ranked as one of the top units in the Southland Conference.

# **Local Tourism Sets Record**

FLORENCE - The Florence-Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau has received the results of the 2022 Alabama Tourism **Economic Impact Report** issued by the Alabama Tourism Department.

Lauderdale County had a record-breaking year for Tourism in 2022 with \$322,610,470 in travel-related expenditures according to the 2022 Alabama Tourism Economic Impact Report issued by the Alabama Tourism Department. This is a 15% rate of growth over 2021. Lauderdale County employs 3,554 full-time, part-time, and seasonal employees, with over 5,000 in the tourism workforce for the twocounty (Shoals) area.

In the last decade, the amount spent in Alabama more than doubled from \$10.6 billion in 2012 to a record \$22.4 billion in 2022.

Travel-related expenditures include lodging facilities, eating and drinking establishments, general retail, entertainment. public transportation, and auto transportation.

Rob Carnegie, president & CEO, with the Florence-Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau said, "This milestone of exceeding \$300 million in visitor spending in Lauderdale County alone speaks to the fact that the Shoals is growing its product offerings and driving visitor demand."

Carnegie said the CVB saw 11 record setting months in 2022 which

significantly bolstered overall revenues. In addition, the first four months of 2023 have been strong with lodging tax revenues up 14% as of April 30, 2023, over 2022.

For more information on the Florence-Lauderdale CVB, contact us at 256-740-4141 or 256-263-6225.

# **Belle Mont's Dish Feature**

TUSCUMBIA - Art of the Dish, the popular antique china exhibit. returns to Belle Mont Mansion in Tuscumbia as part of the 2023 Helen Keller Festival. The antique and vintage china display, representing more than two centuries of place settings, will be displayed in inspiring tablescapes throughout the mansion Thursday-Saturday, June 22-24. Regular museum hours and admission rates apply. As a new twist, this year's exhibit will also feature antique and vintage wedding dresses and wedding china.

On Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24 historian **George** Terrell will present an entertaining presentation on 1800's tablescapes and dining. The Tuscumbia native is a former history professor at Gadsden State Community College.

Tickets for the presentation include a boxed lunch from The Red Clay Table and a collector-led tour of the exhibit. Tickets are \$25 in advance at the museum or online www. eventhrite com and search Art of the Dish

Presentations will be offered at 11am and 1pm each day. Space is limited, so advance purchase of tickets is strongly encouraged.

Art of the Dish is hosted by Colbert County Historical Landmarks Foundation.

# **Benson Hosts** K-D Workshop

FLORENCE-The Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts will host a ceramics workshop with UNA Art

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# **Benson Hosts** K-D Workshop

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9am-Noon: Introduction, design, and hand-build

Noon-1:30pm: Lunch Break (while clay dries) 1:30-3pm: Glaze and place in kiln.

Art pick-up: July 9, between 1-4pm.

WORKSHOP FEE: \$95 (includes Instruction & materials costs)

Register in person at the Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts, 217 E. Tuscaloosa St. Florence, AL 35630 (Note: payment can be made with cash or check only; deadline to register is June 15).

The Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts is open to the public at no charge Monday–Friday from 9-4 and on Sundays from 1-4. The art center is located at 217 E. Tuscaloosa St. Florence. AL and can be reached by calling 256-760-6379.

# **Lopez Earns Scholarship**

FLORENCE - Ashley Lopez, a senior at Brooks High School, is the recipient of a \$5,000 **Crawford Johnson III** and Walker Johnson Jones Scholarship on behalf of Coca-Cola **Bottling Company** United, Inc. (UNITED).

Ashley is the daughter of Armando Lopez, who is employed at Florence Coca-Cola Bottling Company, a sales and distribution center of Coca-Cola UNITED. Ashley plans to attend The University of Alabama in Huntsville this fall.

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Gospel Meeting - Tri-Cities church of Christ, June 18 - 23. Speaker: Nick Woods • Sunday 9:30am, Speaker: Nick Woods Suriday 9:30am, 10:25am, and 3pm Congregational Singing 2:30pm Monday - Friday at 7pm. Everyone Welcome. 1665 S. Wilson Dam Road, Muscle Shoals

Shoals Artists Guild Annual Night **Meeting** Friday, June 17, 6pm at Art & More, 124 E Tennessee St, Downtown Florence. Come and help create a very unique piece of artwork. For more info, contact Carolyn Wear, 256-710-6854.

Karaoke Night Fund-raiser for Waterloo Volunteer Fire Department waterloo Volunteer Fire Department at the Waterloo Community Center. June 17, 5-8pm . Hosted by Karaoke Bob, \$12 pasta dinner and dessert. Jay Mahaney, site manager 256-239-6786.

For Parrot Lovers in the Shoals-Join our Facebook group - For the Birds Parrot Club. We discuss Pet Sitting, Re-homing, best Bird Vets, Bird food, Sharing Advice, and more.

Revival at Community Free Will Baptist - Preaching: Bro. Casey Jones. June 11 5pm singing- The Herstons; June 12 7pm singing- Billy Walker; June 13 7pm singing- LeeAnn White; June 14 7pm singing- The Luna. Church located on County Road 24, in the Zip City area, north of Florence. Everyone is welcome!

Lauderdale Republican Executive committee will be holding our monthly meeting Thursday, June 15 at 7pm at our new location which is St. Florian Town Hall at 83 St. Florian Road in Florence.

Our speakers this month will be the state legislative body from Lauderdale County. Ben Harrison, Tim Melson, Phillip Pettus, and Bubba Underwood. They will be giving us a follow up (extensive) from this past legislative session.

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It is important to note that only individuals who have outstanding

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# Flag...

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on June 14, 1777 at the Battle of Brandywine.

**1795** – flag updated to 15 stars and stripes

1814 – Star-Spangled Banner flag flown at Fort McHenry

**1818** – Flag restored to 13 stripes and fixed at 20 stars

**1912** – flag standardized to 48 stars in six rows of eight.

1937-Pennsylvania became the first official state to declare Flag Day (June 14) an official state holiday.

1945 - flag raised at Iwo Jima by US Marines

1949-Congress approved the national observance of Flag Day.

1969 – flag planted on the moon during the flight of Apollo 11

2001 - flag flown at Ground Zero after 911 terrorist attacks

The U.S. Flag Code formalizes and unifies the traditional ways in which we give respect to the flag. It also contains specific instructions on how the flag is not to be used. This is by no means an exhaustive list. However, it can be a good guideline compiled from various reliable references.

### The DOs

Display the U.S. flag from sunrise to sunset on buildings and stationary flagstaffs in the open. When a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24-hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

On special days, the flag may be flown at halfstaff. On Memorial Day it is flown at half-staff until noon and then raised.

When flown at halfstaff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day.

To raise the flag, hoist it up "briskly," but lower it "ceremoniously."

When placed on a single staff or lanyard, place the U.S. Flag above all other flags.

flags are When displayed in a row, the U.S. flag goes to the observer's left. Flags of other nations are flown at same height. State and local flags are traditionally flown lower.

If you're raising other national flags too, the U.S. flag should be raised first and lowered last.

If displaying the flag off a staff, it should be displayed flat.

If the flag is being shown on a wall, door window, the blue section, also known as the Union, should go on your left when displayed horizontally. If you are displaying it vertically, the Union should stay in the upper left-hand

If you are covering a casket with the flag, put the Union at the upper right-hand corner.

Fold in the traditional triangle for stowage, never wadded up.

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### uniform may render the military salute.

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### The DON'Ts

The flag should never be displayed with the stars down, unless as a signal of dire distress.

should The flag touch anything never underneath it, such as the floor, the ground, water or merchandise.

The flag shouldn't be displayed outdoors during bad weather.

Don't ever carry the flag flat or horizontally; it should always be aloft and free.

Don't improperly dispose of a flag. Flags be properly should burned. Dropping them an American Legion Military or Veterans post for proper ceremonial disposal is the best option.

The flag should not be used as a drapery, or to cover a desk, drape a platform, or for any decoration in general. Bunting of blue, white and red stripes is available for these purposes. The blue stripe of the bunting should be on the top.

The flag should never have placed on it, or attached to it, any mark, insignia, letter, word, number, figure or drawing of any kind.

The flag should not be used for advertising. should not embroidered, printed or otherwise impressed on cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins. boxes, intended anything be discarded after temporary use.

Don't dip the U.S. Flag for any person, flag, or vessel..

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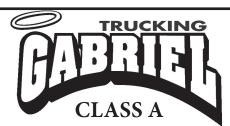
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# Guest Commentary

# 4 Things to Know **About Debt Limit**

s Congress was debating a last minute deal to increase the debt limit, there are four things Americans should know:

1. Immediate spending reduction

in Biden-McCarthy deal is infinitesimal; longterm reductions are small and uncertain. Faced with a \$1.571 trillion deficit next year, and \$20.3 trillion in deficits over the next 10 years, the deal brokered by President Joe Biden and House Speaker Kevin McCarthy includes only \$12 billion (that's \$0.012 trillion) in spending reductions next

Moreover, the roughly \$1.3 trillion in alleged cuts over the 10-year horizon represent only 1.7% of total spending and are not guaranteed as future Congresses could waive or amend many of the reductions.

Trillions are truly incomprehensible. However, to put these numbers in perspective, the median family income in the

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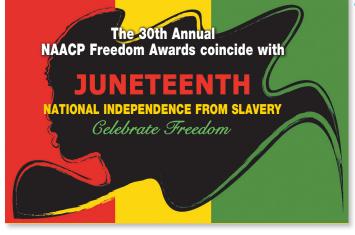
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# **Freedom Awards June 17**

T~U~S~C~U~M~B~I~A-T~h~eNAACP Tri-County Branch announces its 30th Annual NAACP Freedom Awards Breakfast at 9am Saturday, June 17 at the Tuscumbia Roundhouse. The event will be catered by Rhoda P's. The event This year marks the return of the popular gathering for the first time since 2019 when Covid-related health concerns forced the Branch



to substitute the traditional annual banquet with what were termed, "Dine In Dinners." This year's NAACP Breakfast is taking place during the weekend of Juneteenth and will be the first of several activities planned for that day.

Individuals

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# Junior Dig at Pope's Tavern

FLORENCE-Pope's Tavern Museum is hosting its second annual Junior Archaeology Day on Saturday, June 17 from 9am-3pm at Pope's Tavern Museum at 203 Hermitage Drive in Florence. Students K-12 are invited to

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### THE SHEFFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL HOST A JUNETEENTH EVENT on

Monday, June 19 at 5pm. Stephen Gill will speak at 6pm with music accompaniment by Eric Kirkman Combo starting at 6:30pm. Snacks will be served from 5-6pm. Sheffield Public Library is located at 316 N Montgomery Ave. Contact them at 256-386-5633 for more information.

### THE 1ST **ANNUAL** JUNETEENTH CELEBRA-TION at the Willie Green Recreation

Center in Tuscumbia is Saturday, June 17 from 2-9pm. Junteenth is a special day that marks the end of slavery in the United States, a time to reflect on the strengths and achievements of Africans in America and celebrate our culture and heritage. This fun-filled event with activities, performances, good food and vendors is hosted by Black Wall Street Alabama. To be a vendor please contact

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# Offending Sandbag

To the Editor:

An article from the ultraconservative Western Journal states that President Biden "stumbled while stepping down or tripped over his own feet on a flat surface" following his recent graduation speech at the Air Force Academy. The facts fail to support this assertion.

The surface of the platform from which Mr. Biden spoke was indeed flat (actually, "level" would be the better descriptor; a vertical wall can be flat, but it is not a surface that is walked on, except perhaps by Spider-Man). The infrastructure which the President was walking was indeed level, but

sandbags were placed to stabilize a teleprompter. The proximate cause of the President's fall was one of

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director is not held

in contempt. . .

those sandbags. Thus, it was not "his own feet" two over which the President tripped. In the video of the President's fall, he himself is seen pointing to the location

of the offending sandbag.

With each of its articles, the Western Journal includes a lengthy and commendably comprehensive list of the "ethical and editorial standards" it purports to observe.

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spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness. None

calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in

vanity and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the

spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is

crushed breaketh out into a viper. Their webs shall not become

garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in

their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed

innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting

and destruction are in their paths. The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace. Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake

us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noonday as in the night;

we are in desolate places as dead men. We roar all like bears, and

mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but there is none;

for salvation, but it is far off from us. For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us: for our

transgressions are with us; and as for our iniquities, we know them;

In transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing

away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. And judgment is

turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is

fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. Yea, truth faileth;

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# Eden...

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passed away in the arms of her mommy and daddy on October 3. Her resilience through fight 13 surgeries in those 27amazed days doctors and prayer warriors around the world. It is for

that reason that Dylan and Lexie hope to honor Eden's life by keeping her legacy alive with an event that can help future parents

McFarland Park in Florence will be the host site for Eden's River Walk Saturday, June 24 from 9am-1pm. Supporters of all ages can complete a 3/4 mile shaded loop on bikes, scooters, skates, on foot, or whatever they want to complete the loop. Tents and multiple carnival games will be set up along the path and at the pavilion where kids can play fun carnivalstyle games.

The main pavilion will also have areas for face painting, ice cream, food, fun music, an inflatable slide, and more games for kids to play and win



This fun kid-centered event will raise money for the Eden Calhoun Charitable Fund.

Dylan and Lexie found 011t how financially difficult it was to relocate in order for Eden to have the best care possible. They believe shouldn't families have to choose between saving their child's life and financial stability. From having to pay their residential home here and their monthly Airbnb apartment in expensive Houston, hospital parking garage tickets, and meals in the hospital, money was draining quickly. In light of the foregoing, the Eden Calhoun Charitable Fund wants to make an incredibly stressful situation a little less stressful for families having to provide the best care for their CDHdiagnosed baby. Eden's

River Walk is a good start.

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The website is www. ahandtoalwayshold.org where people can learn more about Eden's story, mission, all the our families we help each month, etc.

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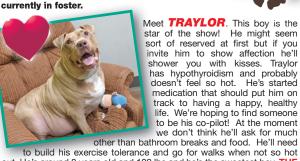


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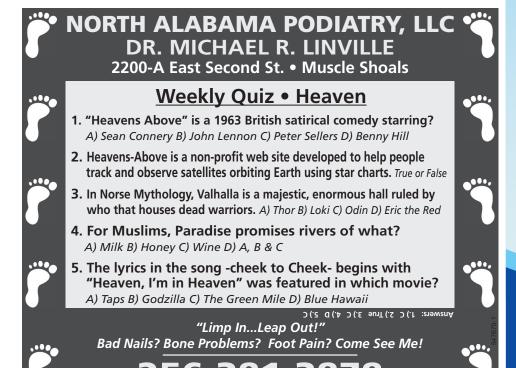
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# Freedom...

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Tri-County Branch President, Tori Bailey, said, "Our Freedom Freedom Awards honor those who go above and beyond to make our community a better place for all."

Bailey looks forward to presenting Freedom Awards in person again this year to give awardees a chance to shine.

The banquet has always been well-attended and typically draws elected officials, church members, community leaders, and anyone who wants to be inspired. A table of eight can be purchased for \$240 while individual tickets are available for \$30 each. Funds raised by the Banquet assist in providing civil rights

advocacy. The Tri County Branch was chartered in 1965 to serve Lauderdale. Colbert, and Franklin Counties. More information about the Branch can be found at www.NAACPTriCounty Alabama.org, by calling NAACP at 256-383-4260, by emailing President@

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## **Golf Cart safety basics:**

- Read the owner's manual for important safety information and to get to know your vehicle.
- During lightning stay away from your golf cart and golf clubs.
- Check your state's laws for driver's license requirements.
- Only carry the number of passengers you have seats or seat belts for.
- Operate a cart from the driver's seat ONLY.
- Always fully engage the parking brake and remove the key before leaving the vehicle.

### While you're driving:

- Obey and follow all traffic rules.
- Keep feet, legs, hands, and arms inside vehicle at all times.
- Make sure the direction selector is in the correct position before accelerating.
- Always bring the golf cart to a full stop before shifting direction.
- Slow down before and during turns.
- Check behind you before operating in reverse.
- Always yield to pedestrians.

### Adapting to your terrain:

- Use extra care and reduced speed when driving in poor conditions or on poor surfaces.
- Avoid extremely rough terrain.
- Don't drive fast downhill, and avoid steep slopes.
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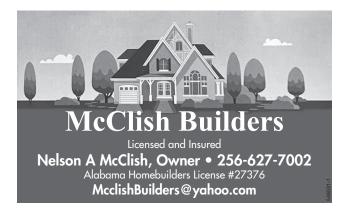
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# Offending Sandbag

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I find it impossible to reconcile the content of the article cited above with the noble criteria allegedly embraced by the Western Journal.

John Crowder Florence

# Disasterous **U.S. Policy**

Editor:

What NATO, and in particular the United States, have done to the Ukrainian people is a crime against humanity. It is the consequence of disastrous U.S. policy that began with the Clinton administration

The end of the Cold War

should have marked a time of healing and the beginning of a celebration of Europe's history and high civilization. Instead, Washington's insane hatred of Russia and the Deep State's desire to destroy and replace Western traditional have turned values, Ukraine into a horrendous battlefield.

The misguided policy has cost the lives of hundreds of thousands Ukrainian soldiers of and permanently injured many more. The damage it has done will be felt for generations in the form of lost husbands, fathers, brothers, sons, and uncles.

Washington foolishly believed it could carry out a war of subversion against Russia by using the Ukrainian people as a spearhead. However, Russia is a great world power with a history and culture behind it more profound than our own. It has a right and responsibility to secure it's borders.

Make no mistake about it, the cold-blooded people Washington in who support this policy want Americans thrown into the killing field.

So far, they have failed to mislead the public into war. In many cases their lies, cover-ups, and false narratives have been immediately exposed by rebel sites on the internet. The typical "Gulf of Tonkin" false narratives and the unusual "Weapons of Mass Destruction" lies have become difficult Washington to pull off. Though the policy is being conducted mostly in secret, a sizeable portion of American people have

caught on to what is happening, and they want no part of it.

The Russia-Ukraine War was an entirely avoidable war. It was intentionally provoked by NATO and the U.S. The purpose was to subvert and destroy Russia. No matter what the war's outcome, if truth prevails, that's how history will record it.

**Thomas Ponder** Killen

# No Appetite for Sanity

Editor,

There is something profoundly wrong in America today. November the American people elected a republican majority to the House of Representatives. Yet, nothing seems to change. There is lawlessness at the southern border with millions of aliens now being welcomed, processed, and released on their own recognizance into country. DHS secretary Mayorkis has not been impeached, nor has his agency funding been curtailed in any measure.

The Department of Justice is openly persecuting the opposition political party without reprocussions. any FBI is flagrantly The noncompliant with congressional subpoenas and the director is not held in contempt. The executive administration continues open disregard for law and order and implements its radical gender ideology through See LETTERS... Page 31

Department of the Education (DoE)- treating a psychological disorder as if it were a civil right.

Again, the DoE has ot had its funding not challenged or reduced. The U.S. government is corrupt, and I believe it is by design in order to wreak havoc upon the nation to enact further government control. Half of the country isn't on board with anything the executive branch supports, yet everything keeps rolling along in their favor. When Trump was president, three letter government agencies were actively conspiring against him and the legacy media was an accomplice. Today these same corrupt proviđe institutions cover, and the legacy media simply sleeps.

As the country approached its debt limit last week, conservative leaders had a rare opportunity to enact change. meaningful The only way to direct a change of course is starve the beast. yet not enough of our so-called conservatives in Washington DC have the appetite for doing what is necessary. This is really not complicated. They absolutely agreed to uncap the national debt until after the next presidential election. This is pure insanity! Conservatives are without representation in the good ole USA.

**Greg Duncan** 

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# Guest Commentary - Rachel Greszler

# Debt Limit...

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U.S. was about \$70,784 in 2021. If that family spent like the federal government, they would spend \$19,879 more than they earned next year. And they'd spend \$276,000 more than they earn over the next 10 years.

Surely, no mortgage lender or credit card company would readily lend to a household with this fiscal trajectory. They would likely laugh if the household submitted a responsible" "fiscally proposal that required them to shave only \$173 out of their budget next year and reduce their amount of new debt by only \$18,000 out of \$276,000.

**2**. Suspension is a blank check on new spending that Americans can't

afford. The difference between a dollar amount increase in the debt limit and a two-year suspension in the debt limit is the difference between giving someone a gift card for \$500 versus giving them your credit card for a month.

A specific dollar amount incentivizes the recipient to prioritize their spending to stretch the gift card out as long as possible. A specific time period of unlimited borrowing incentivizes the recipient to borrow as much as possible as quickly as possible.

While certain accounts might be subject to spending limits, the bill does not prevent Congress from creating entirely new programs and giveaways.

**3**. Nothing to prevent or even deter crony giveaways. Mere weeks before the federal hit government the current debt limit in January, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. approved a \$35.8 billion taxpayer bailout of the Central States Pension Fund, which provides benefits to Teamster union members. That particular plan was under federal conservatorship as a result of its involvement in the mafia. Therefore, it and the 100-plus other plans that are receiving taxpayer bailouts are private union pension for plans which taxpayers should have no

obligation.
Just as ordinary
Americans can't tap into

the U.S. Treasury if they fail to save as much as they'd like in their 401(k) retirement accounts, taxpayers should not be responsible for the broken pension promises of private sector unions and employers.

Had policymakers faced tighter spending constraints, they might have addressed the root problems that led to private union pensions promising \$677 billion more in pension benefits than they set aside to pay. Instead, they just opened the spigots to taxpayer bailouts

4. Democrat policies and poor governance—not the Limit, Save, Grow Act—deprive veterans. One of Democrats' tactics to demonize the Limit, Save, Grow Act was to wrongly claim that it included 22% cuts to veterans health care. But nothing in the act required such cuts.

. Biden Rather, the administration's actions and unaccountable governance the Department of Veterans Affairs have deprived veterans of healthcare. the 2018. Trump administration banned professionals medical at the VA (more than 100,000 of them) from shirking their duties to treat patients and instead working for their employee unionsometimes full time through a practice known as "official time."

The Biden administration revived official time for medical professionals at the VA and used significant VA resources to retroactively pay VA employees for time they spent working for their union instead of treating veterans during the three years that the practice was banned.

Moreover, bad governance and an utter lack of accountability have deprived veterans of medical care. Just two of the VA's programs—long-term services and supports and community care—wasted \$2.7 billion on improper payments last year. The long-term services program routinely spends more than half of its funds improperly.

With \$245 billion of improper payments



issued by the federal government last year alone, there is plenty of room to significantly reduce spending without actually cutting benefits to programs' intended recipients.

It's not only possible, it's vitally imperative that Congress immediately stop its reckless run-up in spending and address the federal government's irrefutably unsustainable fiscal trajectory. Heritage Foundation's Blueprint Budget provides more than 200 policy recommendations that would bring federal spending in line with federal revenues restoring the federal government to its proper role. (The Daily Signal is the news outlet of The Heritage Foundation.)

The Limit, Save, Grow Act was a modest step toward fiscal responsibility, but the Biden-McCarthy deal is a vastly watered-down version of that proposal.

Regardless of where policymakers settle in this current debt limit debate, policymakers will still have significant work to do in preventing fiscal calamity and to restore fiscal sanity.

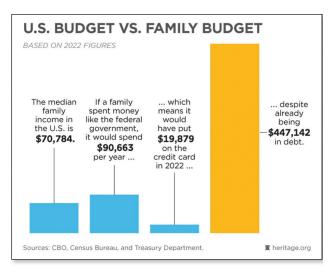
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# DON'T PUT ALL YOUR EGGS IN ONE BASKET

Dear Dave,

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John

Dear John,

Generally, I don't recommend buying single stocks at all. Single stocks are way too risky, and a 15% discount is nothing special in this kind of scenario. Virtually every single company out there that has an employee stock option plan offers a 15% discount.

In most situations like this, if you pull up a 52-week chart on the stock's performance, you'll find a variance of as much as 15% in those 52 weeks. In other words, you could lose any or all of that discount in one move of the stock. Plus, it's not like 15% is a big discount to begin with.

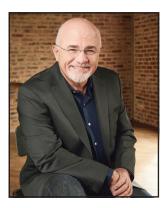
Fifteen percent off a single stock, considering how volatile they are, is no big deal. But hey, if you love your company that much, they have a great track record, and the stock has a good history, go ahead. Just don't allow single stocks as a category to make up more than 10% of your net worth.

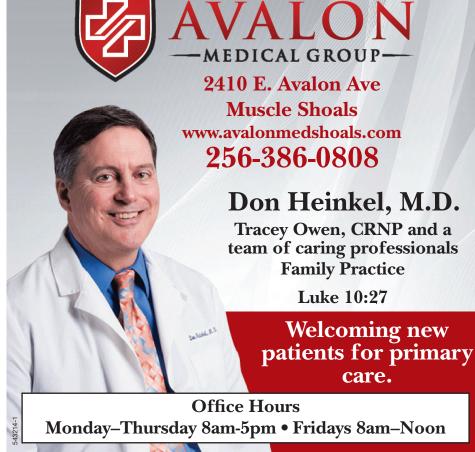
The core issue here is a lack of diversification. When you put all your eggs in one basket, there's always some clown twirling the basket. The first time I ran into that was a long time ago with a lady who was 70 years old. She had worked for a large company for 40 years. On top of that, she invested all her 401(k), all her wealth—\$800,000 total in that one company. this company experienced a crisis. It lost nearly half of its value, and her \$800,000 was suddenly worth about \$400,000. She left herself vulnerable with a high-risk play, John.

I'll say it again. Don't bet the farm on one horse, and don't have more than 10% of your net worth wrapped up in single stocks. Hundreds of research projects have been done that show individuals who buy individual stocks and think they know what they're doing actually lose money much more often than they make

money.
— Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of "The Ramsey Show." He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," the "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 of Ramsey Solutions.





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Writer's note: Please enjoy Some mornings when we this reprint from 10/03/2012. are grandbabies There distracting me! summer everybody!

When I was growing up in the '60s in my in-town neighborhood, we expected two knocks on Saturday mornings. One knock was on our front door. The other knock was on our back door.

was not always welcomed. dressed like a left over seemingly far off risk.

saw the man coming, we would all get quiet to the "Shush' from our mother and the TV would get turned off. We would sit silently until the knocking ceased. The man who was knocking was Mr. Clive Davis, the insurance man. It's amazing that I remember his name. But on the days that we did open the door, Mr. Davis The knock on the front was nice to me. Mr. Davis

from the '50s. I am sure that he used Brylcreem. He always wore a suit and black metal rimmed glasses like those that have come back around and are worn by people who want to look studious. But Mr. Davis needed them to see. I remember he would push them up his nose as he sat on the edge of our naugahyde couch to fill out the little hand-held insurance ledger book that mama kept in a drawer by the front door. He would record that \$5 or \$7 or \$12 payment and initial it. Mr. Davis represented somebody's "Mutual Life", but for my mom he represented protection that she needed for her family that she could not always afford. Truthfully, he was a long-term fix for a

The back door knock was a rap, rap, rap on our wire screen door. This knock was usually met with a "Hey girl, how you doing?" This lady was more of a friend and was invited in to sit at the kitchen table to share the day's news. Questions about family were asked and answered. Any sick or hurt in the neighborhood were mentioned. And then she and my mama would always end up talking about baseball; the American League, the National League, who was leading, what the spread was, who needed to catch up, etc. And then on some Saturdays, I would get to pull the tips randomly from the board. Tips were little tickets attached in rows to a cardstock sheet. On this manufactured board, one end of the tips was glued down and the other end always curled up upward a little. The outside of the tickets were solidcolored, sometimes red, sometimes blue or green. I believe each tip pulled cost 50 cents or a dollar. When vou unfolded the tip there were sets of numbers that were associated with the spreads and placements of the baseball teams in the professional leagues. Of all the years that the tip lady came to our house, I only remember mama winning a few times. I don't remember ever personally pulling a winning tip. And yet every week she came to our house and to most of the houses in our neighborhood, and she was welcomed in. She was a risk, but she represented the hope of a short-term fix

for a long-term problem. My folks never made a lot of money. Insurance bills, food and the needs of four children, I am sure were tough. I know that my mom did the best that she could. I never felt a lack. But I wonder how much money she spent on those high risk baseball odds. It wasn't until she matured spiritually, educated herself and took on a career that the tip lady stopped coming to our house. By then mama could pay the bills and the insurance man.

It is hard to resist what seems to be the quick and easy fix, especially when it comes knocking at our door. We have to stop waiting for opportunity to knock and go out and create it for ourselves.

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Moundville Archaeological Park's Education Department will be facilitating this program, along with representatives from Tennessee Valley Authority, the University North Alabama's Public History Program, Pope's Tavern



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Lauderdale County. Pope's Tavern Museum is museum dedicated to the early (1800-1870) history of Florence and Lauderdale County. The Museum has recently contracted with the University of Alabama to continue archaeological testing at the Museum, after a 2021 archaeological dig unearthed over 300 artifacts. This program is free and is sponsored by the City of Florence Department of Arts and Museums with support the Alabama from Historical Commission. Call 256-760-6439 for more

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# 2022 Water Quality Report Chisholm Heights Water Authority

The Board of Directors of Chisholm Heights Water along with the City of Florence Water Department monitors for contaminants in your drinking water. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of water and services we deliver to you every day. Our goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. We purchase our water from the City of Florence and redistribute in our area; Florence Water Department's water source is Wilson Lake and Cypress Creek. This provides an abundant supply of quality water for all customers.

We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe

and met or surpassed all federal and state requirements during 2022.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning the quality of your water you can contact our office number 256-718-0301, or one of the board members, Jimmy Risner 256-764-5222, Trent Butler 256-766-3549 or Steve Watkins 256-764-8670.If you have problems or concerns you can attend our scheduled meetings. Please call the office to be placed on the agenda for the meeting.

The Board of Directors of Chisholm Heights Water

along with the Florence Water Department monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following tables shows the results of the monitoring by Florence Water from the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. It is important to remember that the presence of some contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk.

The Florence Water Department utilizes coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation, and filtration in their process. Also, chlorine is used for disinfection, fluoride for dental protection and lime for ph treatment.

In the testing that we are required to do each month, total coliform bacteria, we did not have any violations. CHW was late sending in two of our monthly operation reports during 2022. Disinfection By-Product Monitoring (DBP) done every 3 months, with no problems. Lead/ Cooper testing was done in 2021.

In 2014 Florence Water added the MIEX system as a simple solution for meeting U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) disinfection by-product (DBP) removal by employing a continuous ion exchange process. The process removes dissolved organic carbon (DOC) allowing for improved drinking water quality and regulatory

Included are tables of the testing from Florence Water. What do these tables mean? Our water is tested to assure that it is safe and healthy. The Table of Primary Contaminants provides an overview of some primary contaminants that are known to pose a health risk to humans. The **Table of Secondary Contaminants** is contaminants that generally pose no health risk, but are monitored for reasons of aesthetics. In the **Table of Detected Contaminants**, the column marked Amount Detected shows the highest test results during the year. Sources of contaminant level show where this substance usually originates. Columns headed MCL and MCLG refer to:

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The

level of a contaminant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, which a water system must follow.

**Treatment Technique (TT)** - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking

AL = Action Level, Pci/I = Picocuries per liter, CL = Maximum Contaminant Level PPM=Parts per Million, CLG = Max. Contaminant Level Goal, PPB = Parts per Billion, NTU = Nephelometric Turbidity Units, TT = Treatment Technique, ND = Not Detected

### UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS

The Florence Water Department nor Chisholm Heights Water tested for, nor was it required to test, for Radon during 2022. However, there are other unregulated contaminants that were tested for in 2022.

### ASBESTOS and DIOXIN

Based on a study conducted by ADEM with the approval of the EPA, a statewide waiver for the monitoring of asbestos and dioxin was issued. Thus, monitoring for these contaminants is not required.

### **SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENTS**

Florence Water Department has performed source water assessments for the Wilson Lake Treatment Plant and the Cypress Creek Treatment Plant. This information may be viewed at Florence Water Department office between the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, Appointments for reviewing are recommended.

### CRYTOSPORIDIUM & GIARDIA

Cryptosporidium and Giardia are microscopic organisms found in surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium and Giardia the most commonly used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Ingestion causes an abdominal infection. Symptoms of the infection include nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps. Most available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline healthy individuals can overcome the disease within a (800-426-4791). few weeks. However, immuno-compromised individuals, infants, small children and the elderly are at greater risk of developing life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infections. Cryptosporidium and Giardia must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water. Florence Water currently monitors for Cryptosporidium and Giardia and is removed and/or treated by effective filtration and disinfection processes.

### LEAD

present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Chisholm Heights Water is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but can not control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at

http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

TABLE OF NON-DECTED SUSATANCES Bis(2ethylhexyl)phthalate, Bromobbenzene, Bromochloromerhane, Bromoform, Bromomethane, n-Butylbenzene, sec-Butylbenzene, Isopropybenzene, tert-Butylbenzene, Chloromethane, 2- Chlorotoluene. Chloroethane, Chloromethane, 2- Chlorotoluene, 4-Chlorotoluene, Dibromomethane, 1,2 Dichlorobenzene, 1,3 Dichlorobenzene, 4-Chlorotoluene, 1,4 Dichlorobenzene, Dichlorodifluoromethane, 1,1 Dishloroethane, 1,1 Dishloroethene, cis-1,2 Dichloroethene, trans-1,2Dichloroethene, 1,3 Dichloropropane, 2,2 Dichloropropane, 1,1 Dichloropropane, 2,2
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### REQUIRED ADDITIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes limits on the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animal or from human activity. Contaminants that may be presenting the source water include:

- (A) Microbiological contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations,
- (B) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts, and metals, which can be natural occurring or result from urban storm runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- (C) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agricultural, storm runoff, and residential use.
- (D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems
- (E) Radioactive Contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than is the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are

### NATIONAL PRIMARY DRINKING WATER REGULATION COMPLIANCE

This Annual Water Quality Report was prepared by Steve Watkins using technical assistance and guidance from Florence Water/

Wastewater Department, Alabama Rural Water Association (ARWA), United States Environment Protection Agency (EPA), and Department of Environmental (EPA), and the Alabama Management (ADEM), American Water Works Association (AWWA), National Rural Water Association (NRWA).

**Table of Primary Contaminants** 

		AMOUNT	ary correamment		AMOUNT
CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECTED	CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECTED
Bacteriological			2,4-D	0.7	ND
Total Coliform Bacteria	<5%	5%	Dalapon	0.2	ND
Turbidity	TT	0.40	Dibromochloropropane	0.0002	ND
Fecal Coliform & E. Coli	0	0	o-Dichlorobenezene	0.6	ND
Fecal Indicators	TT	0	p-Dichlorobenezene	0.075	ND
Radiological	· · ·		1.2 Dichloroethane	0.005	ND
Beta photon			1,2 Dichloroctilane	0.000	ND
emitters(mrem/yr)	4	ND	1,1 Dichloroethylene	0.007	ND
			cis1,2 Dichloroethylene	0.07	ND
Alpha emitters (pCi/l)	15	ND	trans1,2 Dichloroethylene	0.1	ND
			Dichloromethane	0.005	ND
Combined radium (pci/l)	5	ND	1,2-Dichloropropane	0.005	ND
			Di-(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	0.4	ND
Uranium	30	ND	Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	0.006	ND
Inorganic			Dinoseb	0.007	ND
Antimony (ppb)	0.006	ND	Dixon (2,3,7,8-TCDD)	0.00000003	ND
Arsenic	0.01	ND	Diguate	0.02	ND
Asbestos (MFL)	7	ND	Endothall	0.1	ND
Barium	2	0.024	Endrin	0.002	ND
Beryllium	0.004	ND	Epichlorohydrin	TT	ND
Bromate	0.01	ND	Ethylbenezene	0.7	ND
Cadmium	0.005	ND	Ethtlene dibromide	0.00005	ND
Chloramines	4	ND	Glyphosate	0.7	ND
Chlorine	4	1.6	HAA5	60	17.8
Chlorine Dioxide	0.8	ND	Heptachlor	0.0004	ND
Chlorite	1	ND	Heptachlor epoxide	0.0002	ND
Chromium	0.1	ND	Hexachlororbenzene	0.001	ND
Copper	1.3	.05	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	0.05	ND
Cyanide	0.2	ND	Lindane	0.002	ND
Fluoride	4	.86	Methoxychlor	0.04	ND
Lead	0.015	.00033	Oxamyl (Vydate)	0.2	ND
Mercury	0.02	ND	Pentachlorophenol	0.001	ND
Nitrate	10	1.4	Picloram	0.5	ND
Nitrite	1	ND	PCBs	0.0005	ND
Total Nitrate & Nitrite	10	ND	Simazine	0.004	ND
Selenium	0.05	ND	Styrene	0.1	ND
Thallium	0.002	ND	Tetrachloroethylene	0.005	ND
Organic Chemicals			Toluene	1	ND
Acrylamide	TT	ND	TOC	TT	2.29
Alachlor	0.002	ND	TTHM	80	25.1
Atrazine	0.003	.0001	Toxaphene	0.003	ND
Benzene	0.005	ND	2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	0.05	ND
Benzo(a)pyrene[PHAs]	0.0002	ND	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	0.07	ND
Crabofuran	0.04	ND	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	0.2	ND
Carbon Tetrachloride	0.005	ND	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	0.005	ND
Chlordane	0.002	ND	Trichloroethylene	0.005	ND
Chlorobenzene	0.1	ND	Vinyl Chloride	0.002	ND
			Xylenes	10	ND

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Contaminant	MCL	Units	Amount Detected			
Alkalinity, Total	NA	Ppm	107			
Aluminum	0.20	Ppm	.032			
Calcium	NA	Ppm	25.5			
Carbon Dioxide	NA	Ppm	37.2			
Chloride	250	Ppm	27.4			
Color	15	Units	ND			
Surfactants (MBAs)	0.5	Ppm	ND			
Hardness	NA	Ppm	81.2			
Iron	0.30	Ppm	ND			
Magnesium	NA	Ppm	4.8			
Manganese	0.05	Ppm	.0057			
Nickel	0.1	Ppm	ND			
Odor	3	Threshold Odor Number	ND			
Ph	NA	Ppm	7.6			
Silver	0.10	Ppm	ND			
Sodium, as Na	NA	Ppm	24.6			
Sulfate	500	Ppm	7.5			
Specific Conductance		umhos/cm	234			
Total Dissolves Solids	500	Ppm	130			
Zinc	5	Ppm	ND			
Langelier Index	NA		-1.35			

**Table of Detected Contaminants** 

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					Amount				
Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Range	Violation	Detected	Likely Source of Contamination			
Bacteriological 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2022									
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	<5%		NO	5.00%*	Naturally Present in the environment			
Turbidity	0	TT	.0140	NO	.40 NTU	Soil runoff			
Inorganic Chemicals									
Chorine	4	4	.2 – 1.6		1.6 ppm	Disinfectant			
						Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong			
Fluoride	4	4	086	NO	.86 ppm	teeth; Discharge from fertilize and aluminum factories			
Nitrate	10	10	0 – 1.4		1.4 ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits			
Organic Chemicals									
HAA5	NA	60	7.5 – 38.0	NO	17.8 ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination			
TOC	NA	TT	.5 – 1.3	NO	1.3 ppb	Naturally present in the environment			
ттнм	NA	80	9.4 – 56.0	NO	25.1 ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination			

BEAUTIFUL Brooke decided to join the team in Rome. Hope continued to wrestle with fantasy versus reality. Steffy made a promise. Taylor had to deal with the consequences of her scheme to eliminate Brooke as an obstacle for Ridge's heart. Eric predicted that Rome would be a successful trip for more than one reason. Taylor was once again left disappointed. Hope and Liam shared a deeply emotional goodbye. Liam turned to someone surprising for guidance. Wait to See: Hope is unaware that she is being watched by more than one person. R.J. gets some attention. Liam decides to take matters into his own hands.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES Gwen conducted her interview with Dimitri. Maggie interrupted and Chloe to Xander offer Xander a job. On the one-year anniversary of Abigail's death, Chad paid her gravesite a visit. Stephanie opened up to Alex about Chad. Bonnie did her best to keep Sarah's pregnancy a secret from Xander. Nicole shared news with Eric about her baby. EJ and Stefan sparred, while Gabi suggested they focus on a bigger threat. Megan tried to tempt Li. Paulina asked Steve and John if

THE BOLD AND THE they had any luck finding Abe. Meanwhile, something discovered about his past. Stefan opted to spend an evening with Gabi. EJ confronted Megan after overhearing her deadly plans. Li managed to convince Wendy he'd moved on from Gabi. Megan met with Li to discuss their plot. EJ found himself in a bad situation. Leo busted Gwen for being attracted to Dimitri. Harris took Kate up on her offer to get rid of Megan. Wait to See: Belle witnesses Shawn spiraling. Sloan encourages Eric to have a baby with her. Harris prepares to abduct Megan.

**GENERAL HOSPITAL** Gladys felt anxious. Jordan supported a friend in need. Drew updated Carly. Curtis celebrated his birthday. Spencer delivered a gift. Nina was a bundle of nerves. Sonny questioned Gladys. Drew made an offer. Ava sensed an opportunity. Cody sought Sam's help. Olivia weighed an important decision. Sasha checked in on Willow. The Quartermaines were left reeling. Curtis and Trina connected. Austin cautioned Laura. Jordan received an intriguing opportunity. Nina had to think fast. Ava found herself to be the voice of reason. Drew conferred with Sam. Wait to See: Liz offers counsel to Portia. TJ

opens up to Alexis. Jordan receives a surprise visitor.

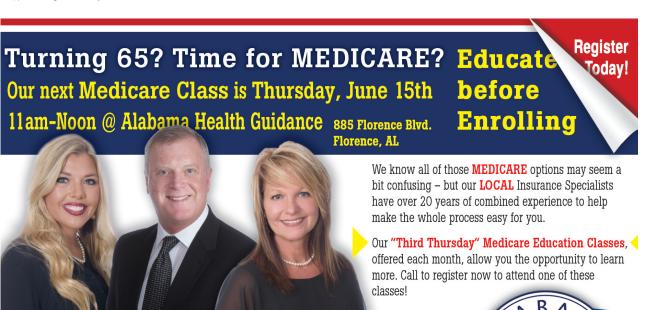
THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Phyllis reached out to Daniel. did damage Victoria Newman. control Sharon and Nick received upsetting news some Faith. Jack and about Diane made an important decision. Billy came to Chelsea's rescue. Daniel defended Phyllis. Audra set her sights on a new conquest. Summer lost her cool with Diane. Wait to See: Sally leans on Adam. Elena spars with Victoria. Nick and Sharon face off with Cameron.

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Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 10AM at the main office located at

505 N. Columbia Ave., Sheffield, AL 35660

The purpose of this hearing is to solicit public comment on the Revised Annual PHA Plan, the Moving to Work Supplement and the Capital Fund Five Year Action Plan. This hearing is open to all citizens of Sheffield. Any citizen with a physical disability or other special need may contact the Housing Authority at (256) 383-4773 so that we can make arrangements to get you there. In addition, effective with the publication of this notice, the Public Housing Agency Plan will be available for public review prior to the Public Hearing at the Housing Authority main office.

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# **Community Notes...**

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Power of Play - FREE Community **Event,** takes place Saturday, June 17 at Gattman Park in Muscle Shoals. Discover the Power of Play at this event which promotes FREE Family fun! There will be family activities, bounce houses, food trucks, free raffle prizes, and much more! Everyone is Welcome. Tennessee Valley Pediatrics is celebrating 20 years of serving the children and families of the Shoals buy sponsoring the Power of Play event. The Power of Play theme comes from the concept that parents/caregivers playing with their children builds healthy bonds, communication, problem-solving, and self-regulation skills. Children communicate, learn, and get new ideas through play. For more information email kflannagin@pedstvp.com.

The Village School Foundation Volunteer Day is Saturday, June 17.

The Village School Foundation is joining forces with Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area for its next volunteer event. They'll be cleaning and organizing various sections of the interior at the Old Village Schoo, 200 Chickamauga St. in Sheffield and preparing for the next phases of restoration. This may include cleaning, scraping, and painting; they'll provide supplies and direction, no experience necessary. Please wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty in, such as jeans and closed-toe shoes. If you're not able to stay the whole morning, please stop by anyway to say hi. Information: thevillageschoolfoundation@gmail.com.

Join the Colbert County Tourism & Convention Bureau and the Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area for We Rocked the World: Muscle Shoals Music Concert, Saturday, June 17 at the Ritz Theatre in Sheffield. This extraordinary concert with the talents of T. Graham Brown, Angela Hacker & James LeBlanc, and Billy Lawson & Wishbone starts at 7pm and pays tribute to the timeless music that originated from Muscle Shoals. Secure your tickets now at www. tennesseevalleyarts.org Information: 256-383-0783.

"Bookin' It" Friends of the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library 5K Fundraiser, Saturday June 17. Starting at 8am followed by 1 Mile Fun Run! Ready to run? Register now runsignup/com/Race/AL/Florence/

BookinIt5KFunRun. \$30 registration.

1st Annual Juneteenth Celebration the Willie Green Recreation Center. Tuscumbia, Saturday, June 17 from 2-9pm. Hosted by Black Wall Street Alabama.

Junteenth is a special day that marks the end of slavery in the United States. It's a time to reflect on the strengths and achievements of Africans in America, as well as to celebrate our culture and

heritage.
This years Juneteenth Celebration promises to be a fun-filled event with activities, performances, good food and vendors! To be a vendor please contact Carolyn 256.398.1184 Or Sirrene 256.320.9515.

Shoals Writers Guild meets June 17. the third Saturday of each month in the conference room at the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, 350 N. Wood Ave. in Florence from 10:15am-12:30pm. Guest speakers for the June 17 meeting will be authors Jacque Rainwater and Clarissa Lovvorn. Angela Bailey, editor for Rainwater's book, "On A Limb and A Prayer," will host an editing workshop at 10:30am.

Anyone interest

Anyone interested in becoming a published author is welcome to attend. There is no charge for the first visit. For more information contact:

shoalswritersguild@gmail.com The Shoals Writers Guild is also accepting applications for new members. The Guild was founded in 2015 by Director, Joy Willow.

The Guild's mission is to motivate. inspire and educate unpublished writers about the publication process. Honorary members include: Billy Warren; Lee Freeman; Bonnie Roberts; Glyndell Clemmons; Chervis Isom, and Dr. George Makowski. The Membership dues are \$40 per vear

Father's Day concert on Sunday, June 18 at 10:30am - Cypress Creek Methodist Church presents Southern Gospel's favorite mixed Quartet, The Perry's. 801 Lewis Bruce Lane in Florence. Everyone is welcome to hear this dynamic ministry in song.

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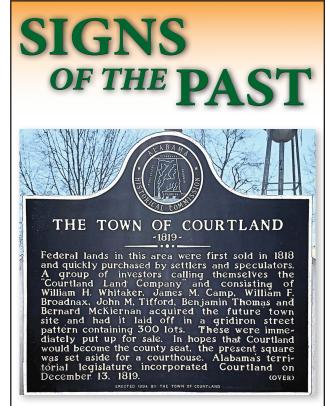
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Here are a few things to think about. For those of you who are married you will want to know how it will affect your spouse if you leave employer coverage. If your spouse is not old enough for Medicare it may affect your decision differently than someone whose spouse is also Medicare eligible. If your spouse is also Medicare eligible you will want to know what your exact premium will be for you and your spouse together and separately. If that cost is high you may benefit by looking at a Medicare plan outside the company.

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

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

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

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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LifeSouth Blood Drive Dates

**Thursday, June 15** TriGreen Equipment, 1160 Sockwell Lane, Leighton, 10am - 3nm

Sunday, June 18 Walmart, Avalon

Avenue, Muscle Shoals, 10am - 4pm
Monday, June 19 Pathway Eye
Rogersville,11am - 5pm
Friday, June 23 Easter Seals
Rehabilitation, 1615 Trojan Drive, Muscle
Shoals, 9am - 1pm.

Friday, June 23 Helen Keller Festival,

Spring Park, Tuscumbia, 4pm - 10pm **Saturday, June 24** Helen Keller Festival, Spring Park, Tuscumbia, 1pm

Sunday, June 25 Walmart, Cloverdale

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# Letters...

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# The Children Are Innocent

Editor:

In response to Dan Waterman's letter on June 7, entitled, "HB 430 Bars Our Freedom," my wife and I hope it passes.

It will give us freedom from these Transgender and WOKE people. I hope Dan and his followers will read Proverbs 14: 12. There is a way that seems right to man, but the end is the way of death.

 $Iagree\,with\,the\,Governor$ of Florida and Christians who do not want these books in their schools that encourage elementary-age children to have sex change operations that our government will pay for along with medication to help them with their "transitions" 'transitions.' What do 8-year-old children know about God's laws, homosexuals, and lesbians, much less what they really want to do in life?

In Genesis 1:27 we read God created man in his own image; In the image of God he created him; male and female, he created them.

God's wrath against sinful humanity is partially described in Romans 1:24-27: Therefore, God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator... Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones. In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed shameful acts with other men and received in themselves the due penalty for their error.

The young children are innocent ones. Don't blame this on Republican Christians who want their children to obey God's laws. We are better informing our children than you and your followers. The majority of parents don't agree with these transgender views. Now Target and Budweiser may not agree with it

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