

**A Day as a
Poll Worker**

MONTGOMERY—Alabama Secretary of State, **Wes Allen**, is encouraging qualified Alabamians to serve as poll workers for the November 5 General Election.

“Poll workers work hard from sunup to sundown on Election Day ensuring our elections run smoothly and efficiently. Serving as a poll worker is a great way to get involved in the elections process,” Allen said.



Allen

Alabama poll workers must be registered voters in the county where they wish to serve as a poll worker. Poll workers are selected by an appointing board consisting of their county probate judge, sheriff, and circuit clerk. They must also attend training administered by their county probate judge prior to each election.

Qualified individuals can apply for the position by filling out the form at: www.sos.alabama.gov/sites/default/files/PollWorkerApplication.pdf.

Secretary Allen has provided counties with two poll worker recruitment tools: Lawyers for Liberty and Heroes at the Polls. These programs aim to recruit uniquely qualified individuals, Alabama attorneys and veterans, to serve as poll workers in their counties.

“As a former probate judge, I know firsthand how vital poll workers are to election administration, and I understand the struggle that

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FLORENCE—The City of Florence hosted its annual Walk of Honor Inductees ceremony on Friday, September 20 at the Marriott Shoals Conference Center. The Walk of Honor, located in the beautiful River Heritage Park next to the Marriott complex, recognizes individuals from Florence and Lauderdale County who have achieved national or international acclaim. This is a means of giving honor and perpetuating

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Premier of Do Right

SHOALS – *Do Right: The Stallings Standard* is a documentary about 1992 National Championship Coach Gene Stallings. The documentary premieres this Thursday night in Tuscaloosa, and will premier here at the Shoals Theatre this Sunday afternoon.

Stallings successfully bridged the 30-year championship gap between University of Alabama

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Awards for NWSCC



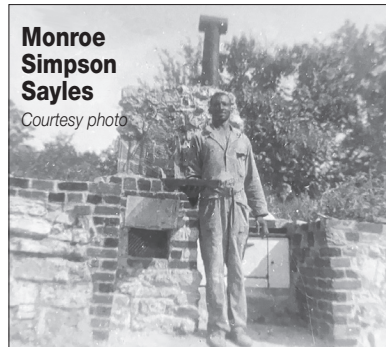
Randolph

MUSCLE SHOALS – The Northwest Shoals Community College Public Relations and Marketing Department received five awards for outstanding marketing and public relations efforts by the Alabama Community College System Public Relations Association recently ACCSPRA's annual conference in Orange Beach.

NWSCC Public Relations and Marketing Director, Trent Randolph, was also named the association's 2024 Communicator of the Year. Randolph oversees the branding, media relations, public relations, marketing and promotional services office for the college. He has worked in the Public Relations and Marketing office since 2003.

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Two Parts for Stewart Spring



Monroe Simpson Sayles

Courtesy photo

FLORENCE—Florence Arts and Museums and community members coordinated by Anita Smith Cobb invite everyone to a presentation on the history of the Stewart Spring neighborhood on Sunday, September 29 from 2:30-4:30pm at the Coach Harvest Mitchell Gymnasium, at Burrell Slater School, 610 West College Street in Florence.

A group of citizens that formerly

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can sometimes come with recruiting poll workers," explained Secretary Allen. "As Secretary of State, I will always support our hardworking election officials across the state and work to ensure they have everything they need to administer the most secure elections in the country."

Quilt Show at Belle Mont

TUSCUMBIA—The Historic Belle Mont Mansion south of Tuscumbia is excited to bring back its annual Quilt Show during the month of October, where the historic home will be decorated in vintage and antique quilts, dating as far back as the 1800s! Every Friday at 1pm during October, **Glenn Rikard** will put on a Quilt Show Program discussing the various quilts on display throughout the house. Don't forget to bring your own quilt to share with the group for "Quilt Show & Tell!"

Admission to the exhibit will be at regular Belle Mont admission prices. Admission to the Quilt Show Program will be \$8/person.

Belle Mont is located at 1569 Cook Lane off US 43 in Tuscumbia. Please call 256-381-5052 or email bellemontmansion@gmail.com with questions.

100 Days 'til Christmas

SHOALS – The Salvation Army is preparing for another demanding season of need with just 100 days until Christmas. While the economy has improved slightly, thousands of area residents face challenges during the holidays as high prices for food and housing continue.

"We have found that we are receiving more requests for assistance than ever before," said Lt. **Timothy Cook** of the Salvation Army. "Many people are still struggling to make ends meet."

The Salvation Army of Florence anticipates requests for services to increase this holiday season over previous years.

Last year, the organization provided over 9,150 Christmas gifts to children in the area, and served 6,984 meals, while providing 6,984 nights of shelter. In addition, The Salvation Army supplied food pantry and utility assistance to over 1,500 struggling families.

"With the public's generosity, The Salvation Army will continue to provide help and hope to our neighbors in need," Cook said. "We are grateful for how the residents of Florence support us, but we need help now more than ever."

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open at 5:30pm. Alabama House of

Representatives Speaker Nathaniel
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Friday, Oct. 4
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Stallings and his family
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needs of all ages. The film
illustrates this family's
legacy of championing a
better life for all.

Capturing the legacy
of Gene Stallings in an
hour-and-a-half-long
documentary is no easy
feat. The professors
went to great lengths
over several years to
capture the coach's
impact on the lives of his
players and his family's
advocacy for individuals
of all ages with special
needs. Everywhere you
go someone seems to
have a story about the
former Alabama national
championship head
coach. He also takes great
pride in his family which
includes, his wife Ruth
Ann, his four daughters,
and of course, his late
son, John Mark.

As educators, Chandra
and Michael learned there
are many lessons to share
from a coach who had an
unfathomable love for
his only son, John Mark
Stallings. It is a story they
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about one of Alabama's
legacy families. They
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the importance of the
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families have to make
when it comes to taking
care of loved ones when
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resided in Stewart Spring has collaborated with Florence Arts and Museums to record the history of this black community which no longer exists. Interviews, photographs, newspaper clippings, art, and memories tell the story of the neighborhood, which is compiled into two 40-minute video presentations. The afternoon will include both videos, a short intermission, and a question-and-answer session.

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Florence native, Dr. Jeffery L. Briggs, started composing at the age of 13 after developing a deep admiration for Beethoven and Prokofiev. Dr. Briggs attended the University of Rochester's Eastman School of Music where he studied with Samuel Adler and Joseph Schwantner. Among other awards, Briggs was the recipient of an ASCAP Young Composer Award, a MacDowell Colony Fellowship, and the 2011 International Music Prize for Excellence in Music Composition by the National Academy of Music.

While working as a professional freelance composer, Briggs accepted a position as a designer and composer at MicroProse Entertainment Software in 1988. His advancement

to Director of Product Development in 1993 was the result of his achievement in game design and development. Briggs created the soundtrack for dozens of games at MicroProse in addition to designing and developing the iconic game, "Civilization", which has touched the lives of more than 100 million game players since its first release in 1991. In 1996, he founded Firaxis Games, and though he sold it in 2006, it is still one of the leading independent computer game development studios in the world.

Currently, Dr. Briggs serves as a consultant and composer, known most recently for The (New) Beethoven String Quartets, a re-imagining of the 32 Piano Sonatas of Ludwig van Beethoven for string quartet, slated for recording and worldwide release in 2025.

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Allen "Skip" Butler was born in Florence in 1946. He graduated from Coffee High School, attended Florence State College, and entered the military service in 1967. He completed his distinguished and trail-breaking military service

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Helpful Car Insurance Tips For College Students

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on November 30, 1990. Butler continued his dedicated support to the military as a consultant and contractor for another 20 years. He is a true American hero, who, as an attack helicopter pilot, was directly responsible for saving hundreds of American soldiers on the battlefield of Vietnam and, later, as the soldier most responsible for funding and equipping extensive Special Operations modifications on U.S. Army helicopters.

Butler was properly recognized for his personal bravery with a "staggering and amazing" display of awards and decorations. They include the Silver Star, two Distinguished Flying Cross Awards, the Bronze Star, 39 Air Medals, and two Air Medals with "V" device (V stands for Valor). His helicopter is on display at the Air and Space Museum at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

Almeda Fowler was born on February 27, 1886, in Florence. She was an actress, known for *Party Girl* (1930), *Fifteen Wives* (1934) and *Carolina* (1934). She was married to Alfred Henry Reeves in 1907.

Almeda had minor appearances in numerous films from 1930-1954, most of which were uncredited, meaning her name was left out of the end credits. Because of this, she did not rise to immediate fame. Ironically, she played Maude Lindsay in the 1930 movie *Party Girl* as her debut performance. Almeda was undoubtedly acquainted with another Miss Maud Lindsay, the head of the Maud Lindsay Kindergarten in her hometown of Florence. Among Almeda's other popular motion pictures were the 1933 film *Damaged Lives*; the 1935 film *Clive of India*, starring Ronald Colman and Loretta Young; the 1946 film *To Each His Own*; the 1948 film *Mickey*; and the 1954 film *A Star is Born*, starring Judy Garland.

a Bachelor of Arts in Physical Education from Mercer University and EdS degrees from Peabody College (at Vanderbilt) in Nashville. Throughout his education he played football, basketball, and ran track.

Alexandria, Virginia is where Yoast made the largest impact of his career. Along with Herman Boone, Bill Yoast helped unite the T. C. Williams High School football team, the "Titans," during a tense season after black and white schools in Georgia were integrated. In 1971, the team ranked second in national polls and won their state finals. Yoast and Boone are depicted in the Walt Disney feature film, *Remember the Titans*. Yoast spoke for the National Gallery for America's Young Inventors at their Annual Induction Ceremony, offering encouraging words in honor of the young inventors' successes.

After receiving nominations from the public, the Walk of Honor Selection Committee chose these four inductees. These inductees join the other individuals selected from previous years. A bronze plaque with a picture of each inductee, along with a brief inscription of their accomplishments, has been placed on the Walk of Honor monuments in the park. The public is invited to visit the site.

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Cedar Grove Church of Christ will host its Homecoming and Gospel Meeting Sunday-Wednesday, October 6-9. The guest speaker is Brandon Grieves of Fairview church of Christ in Pulaski, TN. His theme for the week is "Jesus' Heart-Healing, Mind-Making, and Soul-Saving Parables." Cedar Grove is at 6421 Co Rd 26 (Snake Rd.) northeast of Rogersville. Everyone is welcome.

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Guest Commentary

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Imagine driving your kids through a city plastered with graphic, inappropriate billboards—images that assault their innocence at every turn.

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Now, imagine families petitioning their city council to restrict public obscenity. Imagine people simply asking for a chance to move through public spaces without fear of exposing their children to harmful imagery.

How do you think the billboard companies would respond? If they're anything like Big Tech's reaction to proposed legislation in Congress, they'd unleash a storm of exaggerated claims, lobbyists, and manufactured outrage.

See **KIDS ONLINE...** on Page 24

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Wesley Hodges

Courier Journal

in the Shoals

THIS WEEK

September 25, 2024

Happening THIS WEEK

Native American Music from Our Southwest

FLORENCE—The Florence Indian Mound Museum hosts a monthly series of children's programs where students can explore the early history of the Shoals through short lessons and hands-on learning exercises. Each month features a practice that relates to Native American culture! Participants explore the history and cultural meaning behind each practice while engaging in an activity related to that topic. The program and activity on Saturday, September 28, at **MUSIC... on page 18**

Courtesy photo

PINK ALABAMA ANNUAL PINK RUN 2024 AND SURVIVOR WALK will take place at Florence High School on Saturday September 28 at 8am. Registration for the 5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Run will begin at 7am. All proceeds will go toward Pink Alabama, a non-profit organization assisting local cancer patients. The event is presented by Pink Alabama and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Participants are asked to pay \$10, and survivors walk for free. Sign up at www.pink-alabama.com.

THE ROGERSVILLE FALL FESTIVAL is Saturday September 28, 2pm-10pm and is located at 33 Market Square, Rogersville. Special thanks to Bloom Winery for use of their property. Live Music, Food Vendors, Craft Vendors, Car/Bike Show & More. There is No Vendor Fee or Car/Bike Fee. Event by Glenda's Rockin' It Promotions.

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Flipping an Election

Editor,

The most efficient way to flip an election is to flip votes. A flipped vote takes one from one candidate and gives it to the other candidate. That is a change of two votes.

In the 2020 election in Georgia, 4,935,478 votes were cast. Biden won by 11,779 votes. If vote flipping

occurred, only one flipped vote in every 838 cast would have resulted in a tie. In Arizona, one in 638, Wisconsin one in 313, Pennsylvania one in 170, Michigan one in 71.

Computers and their electronic attachments can do amazing things. They can follow commands and then erase their tracks.

Jack Sullivan
Florence

... Anyone who feels a need to reply to this letter can save sore fingers and righteous anger by not doing so. . .



More Dangerous

Editor,

With all that cackling we should certainly expect some eggs.

Back in days gone by when we had a hen that was not producing, more often than not, her neck was wrung, and she was unceremoniously plucked. Then, she was served nicely fried to the visiting preacher for Sunday dinner. As a society, we should expect a return to that old custom of expecting worthwhile outcomes from our cackling hens.

Our next election is going to be closely watched by world leaders. They are looking for uncertainty,

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Letters...

It is More Dangerous

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weakness, indecisiveness, and fecklessness. When those things are seen in the elected leadership, world leaders know that an attack will be successful.

A real case can be made for the attack of 9/11 being the result of a perceived weakness in the leadership of the younger Bush. He was most probably thought to have been elected because of familial connections rather than competence. Harris is the same song, second verse – a candidate put in place because of connections, not proven ability.

Russia was invited into Ukraine by Joe Biden who said he'd tolerate "a limited incursion." China is eyeing Taiwan while

North Korea is looking for any opportunity to cause trouble. Iran, flush with cash since the US isn't competing in the energy market, has obvious plans to destroy Israel. Our country will be under attack very quickly after the November elections if Kamala Harris wins.

From within, our nation is vastly more dangerous that it has ever been.

An apartment complex in Aurora, Colorado, was taken over by a gang of immigrants and the local police seem unable to take control. Every evening's news carries reports of violence throughout the nation. Many of the most violent are the immigrants from the prisons of central and South America coming through open borders. Back in that days when we were plucking those cackling, nonproductive hens for Sunday dinner, we weren't even locking

our front doors because we didn't have a criminal element moving into our nation in massive numbers.

Charlotte Dean
Florence

No Doubt, I am Correct

Editor,

A thought flew through my head the other day. A quick trip, I might add. I remembered that Christ, hanging on the cross, shouted out to His Father, asking why He had been forsaken. At that moment, for the first time in my life, I questioned if Christ was in on the plan.

I began to think of all of the turmoil, pain, anguish, and suffering in the world that, if not caused by different religions, surely contributes. So, I thought to myself that if folks would understand that most of us were taught from birth to believe in and follow one religion, the chances of changing beliefs is pretty low. Some have, but not a lot.

People who were raised in an agnostic or atheist household are probably where the most converts come from. It is interesting to consider these things because surely God, in his

infinite wisdom, couldn't really blame people for following a religion that they, and most of their friends, have followed for their entire lives.

Faith is a cool word but one would think that if God were to simply make an appearance every 10-20 years, or every century or so, most sane folks would be screaming, "Sign me up, coach!" I don't judge or begrudge anyone for what religion they follow. I, myself, after many, many, years of doubts and curiosity, have decided that the only story of our origins, history, and different religions that make sense are the ones claiming that extraterrestrials are solely responsible. I know, hahaha.

However, if you keep an open mind about the world and history, ancient history, it begins to make a lot of sense. There is enough circumstantial evidence available that it becomes very clear that it is as possible as some things claimed, yet unproven, in assorted holy books. Anyone who feels a need to reply to this letter can save sore fingers and righteous anger by not doing so. There isn't a doubt in my mind that I am correct.

I expect, if anything, to hear how the hottest fires available are awaiting my arrival, unless I change.

Stoke 'em, babe.

Rodney Osborn
Florence

Get Educated on a Lottery

Editor:

On the Tennessee Lottery website, it mentions \$7.5 billion they have invested in Tennessee Education for their future.

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(This is a rehash of an article from last year but I have since switched back to Comcast and only pay \$20 per month for internet. So this is a reminder to stop feeding the pig.) Way back in 2020 I gave up my AT&T internet service and switched over to Comcast after AT&T had gone up on their rates again.



Jim Fisher

Before I switched, I called to ask them to please reconsider. AT&T said, "Nah, see ya." That kinda stung, honestly. I thought AT&T and I were buds.

Anyway, I switched to Comcast's "Performance Starter" package for only \$20 per month. The 20gbps plan was plenty of bandwidth for everything I do at my home. This discount ended

QUIT FEEDING THE PIG

by "The Computer Skeptic"

one year later in 2021 when my bill increased to \$60. I looked around and that was about the going rate for home internet. No one else had any specials going on so I stayed put.

Another year passed (this past June or so) and Comcast decided to start charging me for the "free" TV box I received at the beginning of my service. I never use the goofy thing but it was free when they offered it so why not? I should have known better. Comcast tacked on an additional \$50 per month for

this "Broadcast TV" so my bill went from \$20, to \$60, then to \$110 per month. I called Comcast and asked them to please remove the "broadcast TV" thing to bring me back to \$60 per month. The nice lady said, "Sure, but without the bundle price, you will pay \$150 per month."

"Waitaminute," I said, "you're going to charge me more to remove a \$50 line item from my account?" She answered in the affirmative. I don't argue with these people, I get even. So I hung up and plotted my revenge.

I looked up my old buddies from AT&T, clicked a few things, and quickly agreed to their much-faster service for \$60 per month. Included in that monthly price is a promise that the bill will never go up. Yeah, we shall see about that, but so far so good. In total, I saved \$600 per year.

I've made this cost-saving switch a few times over the years. The key to a successful, stress-free switch is to either own your own WiFi network or be sure to tell the technician to name your new WiFi exactly the same as your old WiFi name AND use the same password. This will avoid the tedium of reconnecting all your wireless devices. I have lots of smart TVs, WiFi thermostats, game consoles, watches, phones, smart curtains, and garage doors, that would all have to be re-programmed unless I

kept the same WiFi name and password. If you don't have many wireless things, then this switch is painless.

I know so many clients who never even look at their bill and just keep paying whatever amount appears on the invoice. Please quit feeding that pig! I've saved literally over \$1,200 per year over what I used to pay for TV and internet with no reduction in quality of service.

For questions or comments, Contact the Computer Skeptic, Jim Fisher at Jim@ExcelAL.com



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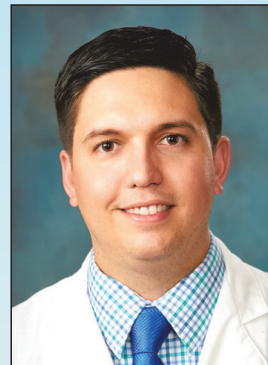
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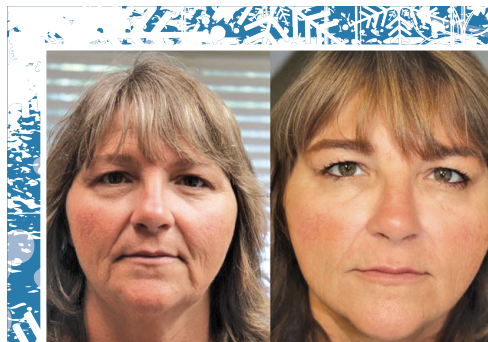
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Admission to the exhibit will be at regular Belle Mont admission prices. Admission to the Quilt Show Program will be \$8/person. Belle Mont is located at 1569 Cook Lane off US 43 in Tusculumbia. Please call 256-381-5052 or email bellemontmansion@gmail.com with questions.

Florence Civitan Club Golf Tournament, October 11 – Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail at the Shoals **Please register by September 27.**

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The Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area has unveiled a new traveling exhibit titled "The Memphis & Charleston Railroad Bridge: Connecting the Shoals." The exhibit will be on display at the Helen Keller Public Library, 511 North Main Street in Tusculumbia through October 4. This exhibit explores the historic significance of the Old Railroad Bridge, a vital link between Sheffield and Florence. Scholar Clayton Davis, MSNHA historic preservationist and primary author of the National Register of Historic Places nomination for the bridge, will present a thought-provoking discussion on the topic September 22. For more information, visit msnha.una.edu or call the library at (256) 383-7065.

Run for RayRay - Saturday, November 2, Starts at 2pm - Presented by LCHS Track & Field and Beta Club. At Joe Wheeler State Park, Sandy Beach Area, 100 McLean Drive, Rogersville.

Register early to receive a t-shirt. **Early registration ends on Friday, 10/11/2024.** Concessions. Medals for top finishers!

Friday 11/1 3:30-6pm Early Packet Pickup @ LCHS football field.

Saturday 11/2 11:30am-1:30pm Additional registration and Packet Pickup @ Joe Wheeler.

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Tennessee Valley Museum of Art will feature the works of Dr. LaRue Harding and Muriel Harding Now through October 26.

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While the majority of personal injury cases are settled without filing a lawsuit, some cases have to be filed in court. Sometimes evidence just is not available without a subpoena or the insurance company for whatever reason chooses a particular case for trial. When injuries require multiple surgeries and a drawn-out healing process, it's probably better to go ahead and file suit so that if the case doesn't settle you already have some of the work done and you're a little closer to resolving your claim.

For a variety of reasons, some cases just have to be filed. When a case is filed the law gives the other side 30 days to answer and six weeks to investigate and respond to questions. This is the process of discovery. Part of the process is writing questions to the other side that ask about their claims and what basis they have for making those claims. Part of the process is issuing subpoenas to third parties (those are people not involved in the lawsuit but have evidence like medical records or video of the accident). Certain records are difficult to get, and medical records are protected by law. In fact, to issue and acquire medical records, the court has to issue an order that directs the parties to keep the records confidential and protect the privacy of the people involved.

Getting medical records used to be fairly simple. Now, there are whole industries around charging lawyers for the process of acquiring, copying, and mailing (or emailing) medical records. What used to take three weeks, now takes eight. Some healthcare providers like emergency rooms are incorporated with their business office out of state so that the process becomes extremely difficult.

Eventually, depositions will be taken and those are in person, under oath examinations that require preparation, concentration, and an understanding of the issues. All of the discovery process is done under time limits identified in the *Rules of Civil Procedure*. If a litigant does not participate in the process or doesn't follow the time limits, a judge has the duty to issue orders that a party comply with the rules and do so within a certain amount of time. In a recent case, the Alabama Supreme Court ruled that when a particular person continually canceled scheduled depositions, the trial court was well within its rights to enter a default judgment against that party for failure to comply with the rules.

As long as you follow the rules and understand the process it works well for both parties. Claims are made and resolved and if the parties can't resolve the claims through settlement or mediation a jury or a judge will decide the issues.

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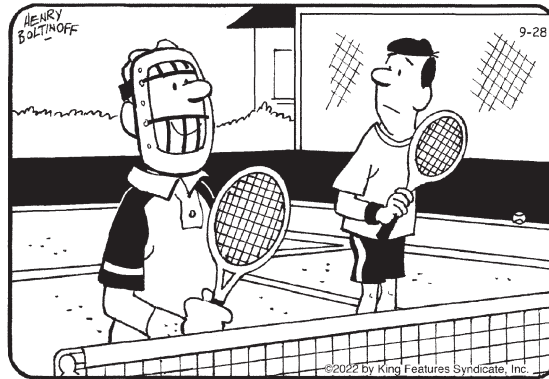
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Hebrews 12:1&2 "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." **Romans 8:26** "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." **Romans 8:34** "Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us." The saved, born-again child of God has all the best resources that heaven can offer, the entire Godhead, looking after them once they are in God's family. Staying close to and walking with God ensures that even in the worst conditions, we are never alone. **Hebrews 13:5** "Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." **2 Corinthians 7:1** "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." Surely like today, things are not looking good but, this is not our final home. **STUDY; Hebrews 10:34** "For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance." **2 Corinthians 4:18** "While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." Keep your mind on good things coming and your eyes on heaven looking for Jesus Christ. **Titus 2:13** "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;"

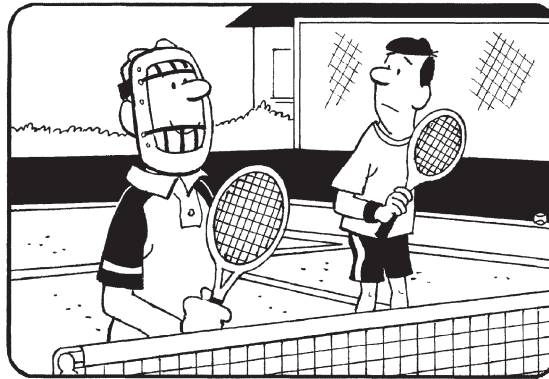
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The Inflation Reduction Act was passed in 2022 and goes into effect in 2025, so this Annual Enrollment Period (AEP), which is October 15 - December 7, will be a very important time to have your Medicare Prescription coverage reviewed. The Inflation Reduction Act accomplished three major things: removal of the coverage gap, lower maximum out-of-pocket amount, and a new prescription payment plan option.

In 2025, the Coverage Gap, also known as The Donut Hole, was removed. There are now three Part D prescription drug coverage stages. The first stage is an annual deductible stage. If the plan you choose for 2025 includes a drug deductible, you will be responsible for paying the full cost of your medication during this phase. Depending on your plan, the deductible may apply to all medications or only certain tiers of medication.

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In 2025, there is also a new option for a Medicare Prescription Payment plan. Instead of paying all of your out of pocket medication costs at the pharmacy, you can spread your total yearly costs into equal monthly payments. This program does not lower your overall costs, but may make monthly payments easier to manage, especially if your medications are subject to the drug deductible stage. Your plan may contact you if you are likely to benefit from the program.

Although these changes are meant to lower costs for Medicare beneficiaries, 2025 plans could have higher premiums, deductibles, changes in formulary, or other plan changes. This means it is extra important to have your Medicare coverage reviewed for 2025. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a consultation with an advisor, please visit the United Benefits office at 3295 County Rd 47, Florence, AL, call us at 256-980-1744 or visit our website at <http://unitedbenefits.com/shoals-medicare/>



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The The Full Moon Players and Cypress Moon Studios in Sheffield have a great fall and holiday show season this year.

"Something Wicked This Way Comes" written by Ray Bradbury, is set for October 3-6. "The Haunting of Hill House" written by Andrew F. Leslie from the novel by Shirley Jackson is November 7-10.

Tickets for each of the fall shows are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.

"Million Dollar Quartet Christmas" written by Colin Escot will have meet and greet with dinner for Full Moon membership Patrons and a sneak peak of the show Wednesday, December 4. The play opens December 5-8 and December 12-15. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Visit cypressmoonstudios.org or call 256-335-6961 for tickets or more information.

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Guest Commentary—Wesley Hodges

Kids Online...

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However, unlike billboards—which can't track your kids or target them based on their vulnerabilities—Big Tech knows exactly who your children are, what content grabs their attention, and how to keep them hooked.

Although kids may spend about seven hours a week in the car, they spend up to nine hours a day online. And while most cities have rules governing billboards, Big Tech's influence over our kids remains largely unchecked.

When parents rightfully ask for transparency and control over their children's digital lives, Big Tech's reaction is alarmist. It accuses concerned parents of wanting censorship, government overreach, and even poor parenting.

Why the panic? Because Big Tech knows the free pass to exploit our kids for profit is running out.

This Bill's Critical Role

The proposed Kids Online Safety Act, or KOSA, is our best chance in a generation to improve online child safety. In July, the bill passed the Senate with a landslide 91-3 vote.

The momentum of the legislation is driven by the real stories of parents whose children might have been spared had KOSA's protections been in place.

Under the bill, greater transparency requirements would allow a mother to see the extent of cyberbullying overwhelming her son. David Molak might still be here.

A father could use direct messaging restrictions to prevent predators from harassing his daughter. Grace McComas might still be here.

And harmful design features, like algorithms pushing videos that encourage self-harm or suicide, would be prohibited. Annalee Schott might still be here. These are commonsense rules that would save lives.

Big Tech's False Claims

But Big Tech is crying wolf, throwing up smokescreens with three false claims: The Kids Online Safety Act is burdensome, illegal, and unconservative.

Let's look at these arguments one by one.

Big Tech claims KOSA is too burdensome. It says that the bill mandates age verification and limits what users can search for online. However, the bill's text directly refutes these accusations:

Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require a covered platform to implement an age gating or age verification functionality.

Nothing in [this Act] shall be construed to require a covered platform to prevent or preclude any minor from deliberately and independently searching for, or specifically requesting,



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content.

If Big Tech were genuinely concerned with regulatory burdens, it would embrace a tightly constructed, national framework such as KOSA. Without this legislation, Big Tech faces a patchwork of laws from different states, creating far more complex and costly compliance challenges.

Social media companies are being asked to prevent their platforms from using design features to promote harmful behavior to children, including suicidal behavior, substance abuse, addiction, and sexual exploitation.

This is well within their ability and wouldn't threaten their business model.

Big Tech claims KOSA violates the First Amendment. But legal precedent and societal norms long have

established protections for children against certain harms.

Is it unconstitutional for your city to ban pornographic billboards? Certainly not.

The Kids Online Safety Act wouldn't require companies to restrict appropriate content on their social media platforms and wouldn't impose restrictions on individual searches.

Protecting children from exploitative digital design features is lawful, necessary, and doesn't require violating others' First Amendment rights.

Big Tech claims KOSA isn't conservative. Conservatives weigh the costs and benefits of public policy with a focus on protecting the family—the most important institution in society.

The Kids Online Safety Act embodies this principle. It was authored by conservative leaders,

Sen. Marsha Blackburn, R-Tenn., and Rep. Gus Bilirakis, R-Fla. The bill enjoys overwhelming support from the Senate Republican Conference, movement organizations such as Heritage Action, and 87% of Republican voters.

It's no surprise that groups such as the ACLU are opposing the bill. But that opposition only highlights how deeply conservative the values behind the Kids Online Safety Act are.

Protecting a parent's sovereignty over a child's digital life isn't just conservative—it's a necessity.

Holding Big Tech Accountable

Don't believe everything you read on the internet, especially when it's coming from the internet itself.

The Kids Online Safety Act is a reasonable, carefully constructed measure to establish commonsense rules for protecting the innocence and well-being of our children.

Big Tech is crying wolf. It's time to hold these companies accountable and fight for our kids.

Wes Hodges is an adviser for coalitions at The Heritage Foundation.

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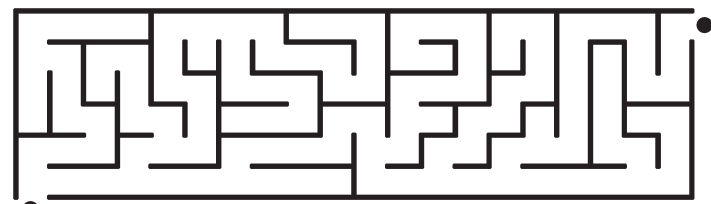
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- 6. Boring tool ___ U ___ Irritation ___ N ___
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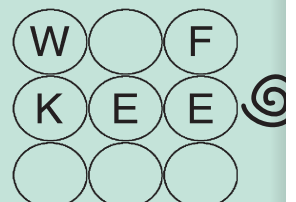
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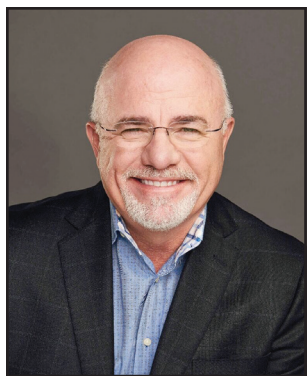
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Allison

Dear Allison, I get what you're saying. Sometimes, when you first begin working hard to gain control of your money and get out of debt, it can seem like all the fun goes out of life. It takes a lot of hard work and discipline to change any habit.

I know budgeting sounds intimidating, but goals and dreams have a better chance of coming true if you have a written game plan. Just give it a try. Sit down with your husband at the beginning of each month and do a written budget together. Give every dollar a name on paper before you spend anything. It's not medieval torture, and it's not just a math exercise. It's a chance for you both to have input on what you want to accomplish and how to make it happen.

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— Dave

really appreciate your thoughts on the situation.
Gracelyn

Dear Gracelyn,

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Here's my opinion. If you don't agree with gambling on a moral basis, then you shouldn't work in a gaming establishment. If you think drinking alcohol is wrong or sinful, then you probably shouldn't work in a brewery or distillery. See where I'm going with this? Personally, I don't like gambling, either. I think it's a tax on people who can't do math and poor people.

There are other jobs that pay well out there, Gracelyn. But to be at peace with yourself, you've got to do something that's

consistent with your own personal value system and principles.
— Dave

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LifeSouth Bloodmobile Dates:
Wednesday September 25, Florence High School, 7:30am - 3:30pm
Thursday September 26, UNA - Student Nurses Association, Clock Tower 10am - 5pm
Sunday September 29, Walmart - Cloverdale Road - Florence, 10am - 4pm
Monday September 30, Walgreens - Dr. Hicks Blvd - Florence, Noon - 6pm
Tuesday October 1, Tarkett

West, 430 County Road 30, 5am - NOON
Saturday October 5, St. Florian Oktoberfest, 9am - 4pm

Ladies Day at Jacksonburg Church of Christ, will celebrate Ladies Day on Saturday, October 12, with speaker Betty Hamblen. The program begins at 10am with church doors opening at 9:30am. Lunch will be served in the annex. All ladies are welcome. Jacksonburg is at 414 County Road 28, Florence.

Shoals Area Invasive Plant Project at Deibert Park, 2810 Darby Dr, Florence. Sept. 27, 9am-Noon

Join us for the last session as part of the 2024 Shoals Area Invasive Plant Project in partnership with the Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area, City of Florence, TVA, and the Land Trust of North Alabama. Anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

To register go to: www.aces.edu/go/shoalsinvasives

This is the last event date for 2024: **September 27** - Cane Creek Nature Preserve, Tusculumbia

For this event we will begin the morning with a 1-hour "walk and talk" to identify the invasive plant species that we see along the paved trails in the location for that day. Following this portion, we will have an optional 2-hour volunteer opportunity to gain hands on experience with controlling the invasive plant species we encounter. Your participation is encouraged for the added benefit of controlling the non-native invasive plants in our valuable community green spaces.

Please keep in mind that this event will require walking on paved and unpaved surfaces. Snacks and water will be available. Certificates of participation can be provided with advanced notice.

Contact: Kerry Steedley
 kes0150@auburn.edu
 (334) 350-0485

Babytime Storytime (Birth to 18 months) - Friday, September 27, 10:30am - 11:30am. Every Friday at the Muscle Shoals Public Library. Caregivers must remain with children for all programs.

Toddler Time Storytime (Ages 18-36 months) - September 24, 10:30am - 11:30am. Every Tuesday at the Muscle Shoals Public Library. Join Ms. Amy for songs, stories, and age-appropriate activities. Caregivers must remain with children for all programs.

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3 yrs and up) - Wednesday, September 25, 10:30am - 11:30am. Every Wednesday at the Muscle Shoals Public Library. Join Ms. Amy for songs, stories, and age-appropriate activities. Caregivers must remain with children for all programs.

The Club/Florence Senior Center's Travel Club (Diamonds in the Rough) Final 2024 Trip is to Pigeon Forge, Nov. 18-22, \$1086 dbl/\$1335 single

A world of motorcoach travels awaits you in 2025. Get your daily steps in with us. San Antonio, Feb. 16-22, -\$916 dbl/\$1135 single. The Ark Encounter, April 7-11, -\$815 dbl/\$1014 single. Virginia Beach, Williamsburg, Norfolk, May 4-10, \$1130 dbl/\$1419. Cape Cod & Martha's Vineyard, July 12-20, \$1370 dbl/\$1675. Beautiful Vermont, Oct. 11-19, \$1698 dbl/\$2277 single. Lancaster Show & Dutch Country, Nov. 16-22, \$1130 dbl/\$1337 single.

Trips are open to the general public, no age restrictions, must be able to get off and on the bus several times a day. \$75 deposit holds your space until final payment is due. Make checks or Money Orders payable to Diamond Tours, NO CASH PLEASE. For more information: The Club: 256.760.6642 or Fdavis@florenceal.org. Florence Senior Center/ Florence Parks & Rec - 450 Country Club Drive, Florence, Alabama.

Applications for the Elk National Foundation's Most Valuable Student Scholarship program will be available online now. Any high school senior who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to apply. Applications must be submitted online on or before November 12, 2024.

The scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$7,500/ year to the highest-rated applicants in this year's competition. Male and female students will compete separately. Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, service, and financial need. For additional information and to apply, go to enf.elks.org/MVS or contact Dr. Jean Love, Scholarship Coordinator at Shoals Elks Lodge 2860 at 256-762-5043.

Zodiac Players season - The Zodiac Players have the following plays scheduled: "Legally Blonde the Musical" Oct. 3-6, directed by Justin Nicholson; "Steel Magnolias" Jan. 16- 19, 2025, directed by Dylan Bales; "South Pacific the Musical" April 17-20, 2025, directed by Jacob Adams. The plays will be at Shoals Theatre, 123 N. Seminary St., Florence. For ticket information, or to become a patron, call 256-764-1700 or go to theshoalstheatre.org.

The Batting Brigade Quilt Guild, meets (October 14) the second Monday of the month at: Edgemont United Methodist Church, 1330 Eauclaire Ave., Florence. Hospitality time starts at 9am and the meeting begins at 9:30am. Any questions, please call Liz at 601-590-4367 leave message if no answer.

WoodmenLife Charity Golf Tournament - Benefitting Local Elementary Schools' Back Pack Programs 8am Breakfast, 9am Shotgun Start, October 14 at Blackberry Trail Golf Course.

2 person scramble @ \$250 per team. Prizes for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin, 1st Place Team \$300, 2nd Place Team \$200, 3rd Place Team \$100.

Hole-in-one New Car Prize sponsored by: the Long Lewis Foundation.

Hole Sponsorships available \$100.

For questions or to register... Office 256-760-1581, Rocky Beck 710-7133 or Adam Beck 762-6499.

Chess Club - Play Chess at the Sheffield Public Library Conference Room, 316 N. Montgomery Ave., from 4-5 p.m. Mondays. Beginners to advanced; all ages.

Over 40 and love to play basketball, but not quite as fast as you once were? Then 40up is for you. We are Christ-centered, family friendly and we meet every Sunday at: Victory Christian Fellowship Church gym, 2302 Hough Road in Florence.

At halftime Pastor Torey encourages all from the Word of God so bring a friend.

Florence Parks and Recreation/ The Club hosts the Florence Singing

Medicare Minute

"Medicare and the Marketplace"

Some of the most frequently asked questions we get from people under the age of 65 concerns the relationship between the Marketplace (Obamacare) and Medicare. There seems to be a great deal of confusion about how these two insurance programs work. Here are this week's questions:

Will my Marketplace insurance end automatically when I become eligible at age 65 for Medicare? The short answer to this question is "no". You must go to healthcare.gov or contact your Marketplace insurance carrier to cancel your plan.

Can I keep my Marketplace plan after I become eligible for Medicare? Yes, you can keep your Marketplace plan after becoming eligible for Medicare. This will not, however, exempt you from enrolling into Medicare Part A and Part B during your initial enrollment period. If you delay your enrollment into Part B, or Part A if you must pay a premium for it, you may be assessed a late enrollment penalty if you decide to sign up after the initial enrollment period.

I am receiving a tax credit to help pay for my Marketplace plan. Will I continue to receive this tax credit once I become Medicare eligible? This is a tricky one. Once you become eligible for Medicare Part A, you won't be eligible for a premium tax credit for a Marketplace plan. If you kept your Marketplace plan, you'd have to pay full price.

Can you give me an example of losing my tax credit? Let's say you are on a Marketplace plan that has a premium of \$1,100 per month. You have a tax credit of \$1,000 per month which means you would pay a monthly premium of \$100 per month for your plan. Once your Medicare Part A begins the \$1,000 tax credit goes away and you would have to pay the full premium of \$1,100 per month.

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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Courier Journal ADOPT A FRIEND

The animals you see here are currently in local animal shelters or rescue facilities. Adoption fees vary and include having your new friend spayed or neutered, if necessary. Help us help these and other animals by adopting a new friend today.

Meet Roger! Roger is a smaller dog who still is learning. He is still a puppy and would be easy to train. He's adorable with his cute ears. He will steal your heart completely when you meet him. Come take him home for a weekend! The adoption fee is currently \$85 and include everything your new pet needs to be on track for a happy, healthy life: vaccines, a microchip, spay/neuter, and heartworm test. Please call or come by **Florence Lauderdale animal services 256-760-6676** to meet this pup.



Meet Trooper! Sweet handsome Trooper is medium sized and well behaved. He is dog friendly, very sweet, and energetic! He loves to be with people and would be extremely happy to go home with you. This amazing guy is a sweet boy who is easily trainable. The adoption fee is currently \$85 and include everything your new pet needs to be on track for a happy, healthy life: vaccines, a microchip, spay/neuter, and heartworm test. Please call or come by **Florence Lauderdale animal services 256-760-6676** to meet this handsome guy.



Meet Punk! Look at these amazing eyes! She is a sweet cuddle buddy and loves attention. She's very good and mild mannered. She would love to go out on doggies day out with you! The adoption fee is currently \$85 and include everything your new pet needs to be on track for a happy, healthy life: vaccines, a microchip, spay/neuter, and heartworm test. Please call or come by **Florence Lauderdale animal services 256-760-6676** to meet this sweet girl.



Meet Fred. 1.5 year old catahoula mix. Great with kids and dogs. Has been ok with cats at the shelter. Housetraining currently on a schedule. Available for \$85. Will include neuter, rabies and all current vaccines, de fleaing and de wormer. For more info please contact the **Colbert County Animal Shelter at 256-381-4073**.



Meet Ambria. 2 year old domestic short hair. Very sweet with a gorgeous coat! Use to being around other cats. Loves kids and already spayed! Available for \$85. All vaccines, de wormer and defleaing are up to date. For more info please contact the **Colbert County Animal Shelter at 256-381-4073**.





Puzzle Whirl Answers

- Even Exchange answers**
- Lurch, Lunch
 - Strike, Strive
 - Clock, Cloak
 - Arcade, Arcane
 - Harry, Hurry
 - Auger, Anger
 - Better, Butter
 - Throne, Throng
 - Baron, Aaron
 - Maize, Maine

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Answer

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3	4	6	1	2	5
5	2	3	6	1	4
4	6	1	2	5	3
6	5	2	4	3	1
1	3	4	5	6	2

ON YOUR DEBT

Tackling Financial Struggles at the Start of College Football Season



B. Grant McNutt
Managing Attorney

As fall approaches, many in Alabama and Mississippi eagerly anticipate the start of the college football season. Tailgates, team spirit, and the excitement of the games bring communities together and offer a sense of pride and joy. But for some, financial burdens may make it hard to fully enjoy this exciting time of year.

Just like college football requires strategy, planning, and execution, managing financial challenges can feel like preparing for a high-stakes game. If you're struggling with debt or facing unexpected financial difficulties, it can overshadow the excitement of football season. However, you don't have to face these challenges alone. At the **Bond & Botes Law Offices**, we understand the financial stress many individuals and families are facing, and we're here to help.

How Financial Struggles Interfere with Enjoying the Season

Whether it's the pressure of keeping up with household bills, dealing with high-interest credit card debt, or managing medical expenses, financial difficulties can creep into every aspect of your life. During football season, the stress may feel more apparent when you're trying to participate in social events, buy tickets for the big game, or simply enjoy the season without worrying about your finances.

Common Financial Pressures Around Football Season

1. Tailgating and Game Tickets – Many fans are passionate about attending games, but the rising costs of tickets, parking, and tailgating supplies can quickly add up. While college football is an important tradition, it's easy to spend more than your budget allows, leading to more debt.

2. Unexpected Medical Bills – The start of fall also signals the beginning of flu season and other illnesses. Whether it's personal medical expenses or a family member's healthcare costs, these unexpected bills can

exacerbate existing financial issues.

3. Student Loan Payments – With college football on the forefront, student loan payments may also be top of mind for many graduates who are fans or alumni. As federal loan repayment requirements return, many individuals are finding it harder to juggle these payments along with daily living expenses.

You Don't Have to Fumble Your Finances

If you're feeling like you're on the losing side of the financial game, you have options. Just as a coach helps players navigate tough plays, a qualified bankruptcy attorney can guide you through the process of tackling debt. At the **Bond & Botes Law Offices**, we offer compassionate, experienced guidance to help you overcome financial hurdles.

Our **free initial consultation** can help you understand your options, whether it's filing for Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 bankruptcy or exploring alternatives to bankruptcy. Don't let debt steal your joy during football season—take back control and get the fresh start you deserve.

How We Can Help You Score a Financial Touchdown

Rebuild your financial future – Bankruptcy is not the end but rather the beginning of a fresh start. Our attorneys will provide you with advice and resources to help you rebuild your credit and secure a stronger financial future.

Enjoy the Season, Worry-Free

You deserve to enjoy the traditions and excitement of the college football season without the cloud of financial stress hanging over you. If debt is keeping you from fully enjoying this time of year, reach out to the **Bond & Botes Law Offices** today for a confidential consultation. We're here to help you get back in the game and find a path to financial recovery.

We can alleviate your stress! We want to help!

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Fran Davis at 256-760-6420 or fdavis@florenceal.org

Senior Meals on Weekdays at 11:30am at The Club, 450 Country Club Road in Florence. \$1 donation.

Social Dance on Tuesday Nights, 6:30-8:45, at The Club (Florence Senior Center), 450 Country Club Drive in Florence. Music from across the decades provided by The Browns. The Club is an alcohol, drug, smoke, and weapon-free

facility. 256-760-6420.

Joints in Motion, chair exercise class, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at The Club (Florence Senior Center), 9:30am. No charge. **BINGO** Wednesdays 10:15am until our 11:30am lunch (w/ \$1 lunch donation)! If you are 60+ you can join us for lunch and games. 256-760-6420.

Dance Lessons Florence Parks and Rec will be offering small group ballroom dance lessons at Royal Avenue Recreation Center. Beginner class 1-2pm, intermediate class 2-3pm. There are also select times available for individual/couple lessons. These lessons are perfect for

weddings, formals, proms, lead outs, cotillions etc. Space is limited. Call Royal Ave, Rec Center, 256-760-6245, to sign up.

Florence-Lauderdale Tourism is excited to announce that they now offer prints of The Shoals Mural at McFarland Park. They are 12 "x 36" and printed on archival paper. They are available for purchase at the visitor center during our regular business hours.

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Lewis, Thomas	R34	Household Misc.
Moore, Ricky	N3	Household Misc.
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