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Dentists Join Singing River

TUSCUMBIA—Singing River Dentistry recently welcomed two new dentists to their expanding family of Shoals offices.

Dr. **Brittany Burgess** was born in Opelika and attended the University of Georgia. She completed dental school at the Georgia School of Dental Medicine in Augusta, Georgia.



Burgess

Burgess gained an Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency degree at the VA Hospital in Birmingham last year.

Burgess is trained and competent in implant dentistry, endodontics, pedodontics, and all aspects of general dentistry.

Dr. **Joshua McClanahan** was born and raised in the Shoals and graduated from Muscle Shoals High School in 2007. He graduated from UAB in 2012 with a BS in Biology and earned his



McClanahan

Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the UAB School of Dentistry in 2016.

McClanahan has enjoyed being a part of four short-term dental mission trips in Honduras and Guatemala.

First Family Fun Day

MUSCLE SHOALS—Shoals Hospital will host its first Family Fun Day on Saturday, September 10 from 10am-2pm in the back parking lot of the facility. It's the first event of its kind at Shoals with a variety of activities designed to help educate as well as entertain people of all ages.

"Having an event that brings our community and Shoals Hospital together is vital to our mission here at Shoals," said Shoals Hospital's Chief Executive Officer **Kidada Hawkins**. "We're here to provide the highest quality of care, and we want our community to see that we are their neighbors and friends."



Hawkins

Booths promoting local physicians, non-profit organizations, and local first responders, including the police, firefighters, and EMTs, are scheduled to participate. A number of hospital departments will be present with a variety of

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Back Home

Native Americans Return to Cold Water

TUSCUMBIA-- Spring Park in Tuscumbia soon will be filled with the sights and sounds of Native America. Representatives of more than a dozen tribes will return September 9-10 to share their heritage with the communities of the Shoals and the surrounding area at the place the Chickasaw called Oka Kapassa, meaning Cold Water. The Oka Kapassa - Return to Cold Water Native American Festival will bring more than 150 artists and demonstrators to display their work, perform music and dance, and demonstrate the life skills of Native Americans.

When Creek Indians were camped at Tuscumbia in preparation for their removal to the West, the townspeople witnessed their deplorable condition and brought food, clothing, and blankets to them. This spirit of goodwill by Tuscumbia is the only known documentation of such an act. A newspaper of the day published the words of Chief Chilly McIntosh, "As long as our nation remains upon the earth, we will recollect Tuscumbia." According to Terry

McGee, chair of this year's event, "This is what the Oka Kapassa Festival is based upon and why the Nations travel each year to the Homeland.

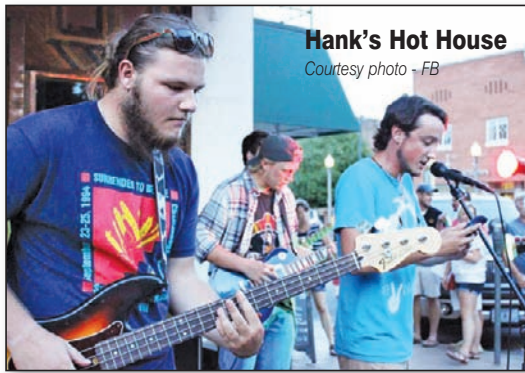
Vice-chair Anita Flanagan, said, "Dancers in full regalia will demonstrate both Pow Wow style and Stomp Dance. Pow wow has more

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Arvel Bird
Courtesy photo

Classmates Organize Ragan's Rock...



Hank's Hot House
Courtesy photo - FB

FLORENCE—The Morris family planned to spend Memorial Day weekend on the lake with friends as they always had. As was the norm, fourteen year old, Ragan Morris, and her best friend Claire planned to ride Papa's jet-ski up and down the river until the sun set.

Those plans ended suddenly when the jet-ski Ragan and Claire were on collided with another jet ski driven by two of their friends. Ragan was thrown off her jet ski and slammed head first into the other one.

See **RAGAN'S ROCK...** on Page 6

BIG GAMES

Game Day Score Card Brings Weekly Excitement, Big Money

SHOALS - The college football season traditionally opens with two or three good games on Labor Day weekend and numerous yawners. Scores like 47-7 and 42-13 are common because most of the big names were scheduling lower caliber teams that served as more of a first-game exhibition or a team scrimmage.

No so this year. Marquis names and matchups cover the season's first *Courier Journal* Game Day Score Card this week. Alabama vs. USC, UCLA at Texas A&M, Clemson at Auburn, and Notre Dame at Texas are just a sampling. North Alabama also plays up in classification as it visits one of its oldest traditional rivals, Jacksonville State, on Thursday night.

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DEADLINE:
6pm Thursday!**

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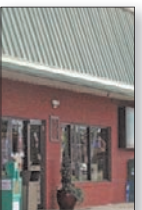
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The Florence Falcons Foundation is a non-profit organization that operates independently of our local school system. It is guided by a Board of Directors of local residents committed to educational excellence and the future of our children. FFF has awarded more than \$360,000 in classroom grants to the teachers of the Florence City Schools!

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Shoals Donor Center - Monday thru Friday 9am - 5pm, 1208 South Jackson Highway, Sheffield

ECM Donor Center - Monday thru Friday 9am - 5pm

Wednesday, August 31, 11am-5:30pm, Walgreens, 109 E Dr. Hicks Blvd., Florence

The Northwest Alabama Friends of NRA invites you to attend and participate in our only local fund raiser banquet & auction, at 5:30 PM on Thursday September 1 at the Florence/Lauderdale Coliseum.

Tickets are \$35 per person or \$50 per couple with children 12 & under admitted free. 100% of funds raised are used for programs to teach gun safety for Law Enforcement, Youth & Women with 50% staying in the State of Alabama. Catering is furnished by Pop's BBQ in St Florian.

Please join us for a fun, family oriented evening with no politics or speeches. Tickets are available on line at http://www.friendsofnra.org/, at the door or locally at Southland Safes, 1113 Florence Blvd and at Gold,Guns & Guitars, 902 Florence Blvd.

The Order of St. Luke Shoals Chapter monthly meeting is September 1 at 6:30pm in the Sheffield Room of Park Place, 501 N. Montgomery Ave. Sheffield. Dr. Stephen Gray's message "Are You Ready to Commit to Spiritual Growth?" is the last of his series. Prayer is available at 6pm and after the program.

Cherokee Community Caring and Sharing Fundraiser for 3 year old cancer patient, Asher Wallace on Friday, September 2 at the Lion's Den, 118 Church Street in Cherokee. There will be a bake sale and bean dinner (beans slaw, cornbread, dessert a drink) for \$7 per plate. Dine in or carry out.

The Barnett Brothers Band will be at West Side Village Community Center, Hwy 99 in the Owens Community, Friday, September 2, 7pm. Admission is \$5. All ages are welcome. No smoking allowed, no drugs or alcohol permitted. Bring finger foods to share at break. For more information call 256-771-0586.

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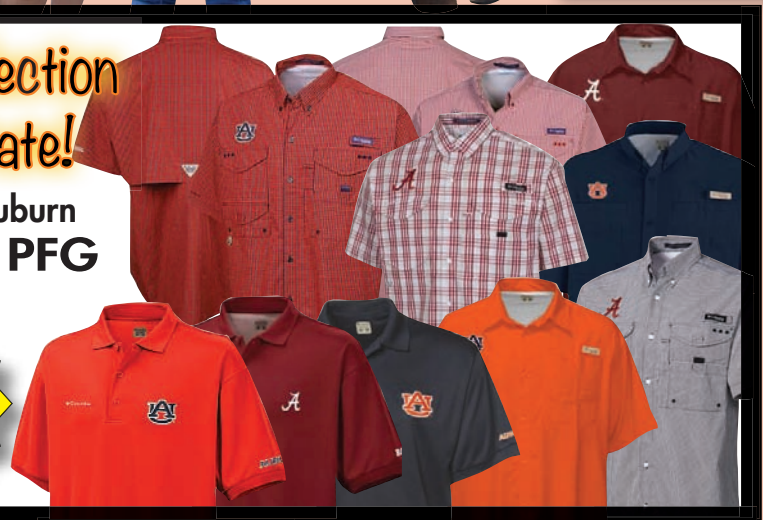
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Ragan's Rock in the Park

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Claire and the other two boys realized Ragan was hurt as she floated in the water face down not moving. They quickly were able to get her turned over, and two other heroes jumped in and managed to get Ragan out of the water and onto a nearby pier.

She was unresponsive when paramedics arrived. She was quickly airlifted to Huntsville Hospital to be stabilized and then to Children's Hospital in Birmingham. After being admitted to the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, CT scans and other medical tests revealed Ragan had suffered a traumatic brain injury (TBI) and a broken arm. She has been unconscious since May 30 as the family holds vigil by her bedside.

Ragan's Rock in the Park - Fundraising concert to benefit Ragan Morris, Thursday, September 8, 5:30-8pm at Wilson Park, Florence. Bring a lawn chair and be ready to enjoy Electric Zen and Hank's Hot House. Three freshmen classmates of Ragan, Zane Bowling, Trey Nichols, and Caroline Webb, along with junior, Nathan Grissett from Florence High School are members of Electric Zen. They have played at both the Helen Keller and W.C. Handy Festivals.

Hank's Hot House includes recent Rogers High School graduates, Ari Bobo, Tristan Dailey, Kendell Dean, Kemper Olive, and Tanner Shaw. The event is September 8 from 5:30-8pm at Wilson Park in downtown Florence. Donations will be accepted

at the park. Checks can be written to Scott Morris with Ragan's Miracle in the memo line. Donations also may be made on go fund me @ Ragan's Miracle.

Doctors have prepared the family for a very long road to recovery with no guarantees of success. The family is eternally grateful for the outpouring of love and support that has overflowed from their community and from friends around the country.

There is much work to be done and great expense continues to be incurred as Ragan continues her long road to recovery.

- ALL donations go to:**
- 1) Pay for 2 med flights
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The Foundation's Mission will be to assist needy families in crisis at Children's Hospital in Birmingham and/or possibly other medical facilities center where Ragan is treated.

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My husband and I have a survivorship will and a durable power of attorney typed and ready to sign before a notary public. We have two children and they are equally named in the will and power of attorney. Our reasoning for the power of attorney is that if one or both of us became incapacitated then there would be someone who would be able to make decisions for us regarding health problems, finances, etc. Do you have to probate a will when you have a power of attorney signed by both parties?

Peggy, Tuscumbia, AL

First of all, I am glad to see that you have taken the time to get your priorities in order with regards to your future. There are some things, however, that you need to know regarding Last Wills and Testaments and Power of Attorneys.

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Oka Kapassa...

Continued from Page 1

bling and high energy as stomp dance is traditional and ceremonial. We will also feature northern and southern drums this year." Two Native American award-winning artists, Arvel Bird (Paiute and Celtic) and group Injunuity (Chickasaw and Choctaw) will head the musical line up for this year's festival and present a unique combination of traditional and contemporary Native American music.

It has been said, "If the stories fall silent, who will teach the children?" Elementary school groups from across the region will attend special activities on Friday, including storytelling, dancing, music, art, and living history demonstrations. Teachers are urged to pre-register through the UNA In-Service Center, 1-800-760-7517.

The general public is invited to the Spring Park on Saturday when festivities begin at 9am and continue throughout the park until 6pm.

Last year's event drew an estimated 9,000 people over the two days with about 1,000 students benefiting from the educational program. The 2015 festival was again named a Top 20 Event by the Southeast Tourism Society. Credited for its authenticity and educational focus, the festival requires participants to be Native American and hold federally-recognized documentation.

Beginning in 2016 the National Park Service (NPS) is celebrating 100 years of sharing America's special places and helping Americans make meaningful connections to nature, history and culture. Under the umbrella of the NPS, the Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area is proud to be a supporter of Oka Kapassa - Return to Coldwater. It is honored to partner with the festival this year and designate it as a National Park Service Centennial Event.

Festival events also include blow gun, tomahawk, and stickball demonstrations, flint-knapping, basket-making, pottery, beading and jewelry, archery, hoop dancing, storytelling, corn shuck doll artistry, hair braiding, historical encampments, drum and flute, and native language booths. Native American foods include buffalo burgers, fry bread, and Indian tacos.

In addition to activities in Spring Park, two community events have been added to the schedule.

A pre-festival presentation featuring the Chickasaw Dance Troupe from Ada, Oklahoma and Freeman Owle (Eastern Band Cherokee), Native American storyteller, takes place on Thursday, September 8 at 6pm at the Cherokee Public Library. Admission is free.

An outdoor event featuring music by Arvel Bird and storyteller Amy Bluemel (Chickasaw) will take place at the Florence Public Library from 6-7:30pm on Friday, September 9. Native American heritage, culture

and history will be presented through violin, drum, native flute, and stories by these extraordinary Native American performers. Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs. In the event of rain, the program will be inside.

Oka Kapassa- Return to Cold Water and the additional events are made possible through Alabama State Council on the Arts, the City of Tuscumbia, the Chickasaw Nation, Colbert County Community Development Commission, Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area, Northwest Alabama Resource Conservation and Development (RC & D), Onaway Trust, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, TVA Community Credit Union, and the Tennessee Valley Authority. Other local businesses and community sponsors are listed on the festival website.

The prestigious Southeast Tourism Society has named Oka Kapassa a Top 20 Event in the Southeast for September 2016.

Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and picnic blankets. Admission is free. For a full schedule of events or for more information, including how to book a school group, visit www.okakapassa.org, the Oka Kapassa Facebook page, or call Colbert County Tourism at 256-383-0783 or 800-344-0783.

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Commentary

Rain, More Rain and Much Misery

Zachary, Louisiana was one of the towns hardest hit in East Baton Rouge Parish when 24 inches of rain fell in a two-day period beginning on August 11. My sister, Ginamarie, recently moved from Baton Rouge to this small, quaint town about 20 miles away, with her husband, Lee, and son, Dane. She awoke to unusually heavy rain on August 11, which happened to be her 50th birthday. Within hours, she began receiving flash flood alerts on her cell phone. However, because their home wasn't in a predetermined flood zone, she dismissed them. That was until photos from neighbors and friends also came flooding into her phone, depicting the rapidly-rising water flowing into their homes. Fortunately, my sister's house was spared the wrath of the floodwaters that breached some homes in her neighborhood, as well approximately 120,000 other homes in the parish.

Homes were inundated with one - eight feet of water... and the sewage. Yes, to make matters worse, backwater flooding from the onslaught of rain in such a short amount of time caused sewer lines and drain lines to swell, mixing with flood water. With nowhere for the water to drain, it rapidly flowed into properties, into businesses, and into homes. The odds of such a rain disaster were unfathomable, one-tenth of 1% in any year, making it a one-thousand year rain event.

See RAIN... on Page 30

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In A Few Words



TOM MAGAZZU
Editor

Courier Journal

in the

Shoals

August 31, 2016

THIS WEEK

Happening THIS WEEK

Bricks Echo of Coffee High

FLORENCE-The Florence Falcons Foundation is selling engraved souvenir bricks from the former Coffee High School building for \$30 each. Bricks are available for purchase through Paypal at www.florencefalconsfoundation.org or by sending a check to P.O.



Box 1225, Florence, AL 35631. Shipping is an additional \$5. Each brick will be engraved with "Coffee High School

1917-2004."

All proceeds will benefit the classrooms of the Florence City Schools through the Florence Falcons Foundation.

The classroom grants enhance educational opportunities for all students

See BRICKS... on Page 35

THE POPULAR SWAMPETTE TOURS of music heritage venues in the Shoals area will take place September 3 and December 3. Tours are led by Swampette Judy Hood, the wife of bass player David Hood, one of the famous Swampers who crafted the Muscle Shoals Sound. Each tour by trolley bus will include visits to sites like the Alabama Music Hall of Fame, FAME Studios, and the home of Muscle Shoals Sound Studios at 3614 Jackson Highway. The cost is \$35/person. The Saturday, September 3 tour is from 1-4pm. It will begin at the Florence/Lauderdale Tourism & Visitor Center in McFarland Park. Florence/Lauderdale Tourism will provide musical entertainment before the tour at noon with local musicians Justus Montgomery and T.J. Bender in the tourism gallery. The mini-concert is free and open to the public. Montgomery and Bender are singer/songwriters who are pursuing their Music Business degrees at UNA. Seating is limited and seats fill fast so reservations are recommended. Call the tourism office at 256-740-4141

RALLY, PARADE, MUSIC AND SPEAKERS

Labor Day in the Park

TUSCUMBIA- The Shoals Labor Council presents 94th Annual Labor Day Rally and Parade in Tuscumbia September 5. The parade runs down Main Street and through Spring Park starting at 10am.

The rally in the park is from 11am-2pm with presentation of the flags, music by a local band, numerous speakers, and great gift giveaways in the park from the Council. Local businesses will honor working men and women. \$1 tickets will make you eligible for gifts. Local businesses will honor working men and women. For more information, call Belinda at 256-383-2758 from 8am-noon.



The Shoals Labor Council will host its local awards on Sunday, September 4.

Labor Person of the Year Tony Quillen (member and President of IBEW 558)
Friend Of Labor Rep. Johnny Mack Morrow
Friend of Labor - Posthumous Award - Sen. Howell Heflin

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Hall of Fame Posthumous Award - Lance Blackstock (member of IBEW 558 and former Business Agent)

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YOUR Letters

Your Courier Journal welcomes tastefully presented letters to be published as space allows. Letters may refer to timely matters of local, state, or national interest or any topic of concern or interest. **Letters must include name, address and phone number for verification.** (Only name and town will be published.) Letters subject to editing. Please limit letters to 400 words. All letters become the property of the Courier Journal and may not necessarily reflect opinions of the Courier Journal staff, its advertisers or a majority of readers. Please submit typed or neatly written letters to: Editor-Courier Journal

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King of Nothing

Editor:

Have you ever met someone who lives, interacts, and thrives on the very notion that they are "it"? They are right; they are in charge; they have it all together; and you should feel privileged that they are in your life.

Well, me too! Isn't it ironic? They are so great and the rest of us are nothing. They are somehow better at everything and know it all. Everything and everyone around them is beneath them, like they are King. And, yes, mine told me he was "King." Then, what are they the King of?

You got it - Nothing. If you are everything and everyone else is nothing, and you are King of It, then you are KING OF NOTHING! Just let that sink in, Oh Mighty One.

S. Simon Killen

Shape Up or Shut Up!

Editor:

In response to "The Unarmed Man Who Was Armed," (August 24), mistrust in the media has been growing for a long time.

The phrase, "You can't believe half what you read in the newspaper," has become a reality. Mistrust of the media is at it's all time highest. This is a shame that the media has

There is no way that any sane person could believe that these justices heard the case with open minds.



become a yellow rag. This is probably a big cause of people only reading online which caused the demand for home delivery to decrease to the point of some papers having to close their doors.

Wake up reporters and get this point we as readers are demanding TRUTH in reporting the news. We do not want the sensationalism you have created in your minds. We no longer trust you. SHAPE UP or SHUT UP!

Sue Geiger
Florence

Johnson to AMHOF

Mr. Editor, (and to the Alabama Music Hall of Fame Board):

Now that the State Tourism Board has recognized a well-deserving person like David Johnson, it's time to induct him into the Alabama Music Hall of Fame.

See LETTERS... on Page 18

September 2016

Calendar of Events



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Thurs. & Fri.

1-2

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Thursday

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Thursday

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Friday

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marked with next week's date on it and know it's "time" to plan a particular meal?

Diane S. in North Olmsted, OH

SENIOR EDUCATION PROGRAMS

If you are 55 or older, call or go to your local junior or community college and ask about their senior education program. My local school offers a large range of subjects from water aerobics to computers. They offer tai chi, oil painting, self defense for seniors, tennis, wood carving, Spanish, German, nutritional classes and much more!

You don't get college credits for the classes, but you also don't pay the regular tuition rate either. Best of all, there are no tests! I had to pay a one-time fee of \$20 for a semester and I can take as many classes as I want. I'm so excited. Now I just have to find time to

squeeze in all the classes I want to take.

Dottie

ZIPPER REPAIR

If you break the pull tab off a zipper, an easy fix is to insert a key ring in place of the tab. Generally you can work it in just as if you were adding a key to the ring. And it's easy to pull and doesn't look unusual.

Bonnie

STUDENT HOUSING

If you have a student living off campus but not at home, check your insurance policy to see if they're covered for burglaries. In most cases, they are not. That means that if their apartment is robbed, you'll be out the cost of replacing those items. Most apartment insurance is low cost and would be real welcome if they ever have a break in.

Mari

A TOT'S TOY TIP

This is a dollar stretcher tip from my 8-year-old. When it comes to buying toys for your children, if you spend more time playing with your children and the toys they already have, there won't be a need to buy so many new ones. Children want you to spend time with them more than they want you to spend money on them.

Denise D.

GREAT MOTIVATION

This is something of a radical idea, but I needed a way to motivate myself to keep from getting my hair cut at \$100 a visit (I've been very unhappy at cheaper salons). I'm now growing my hair for Locks of Love, a nonprofit organization Locks of Love that makes wigs for children who've lost their hair. Now I'm saving money and helping a good cause!

Cathy in Los Angeles

DINNER DATING

On the subject of freezer efficiency, I like the idea of marking frozen food with the date by which it should be consumed versus the date it was put into the freezer. Isn't it easier to see a package

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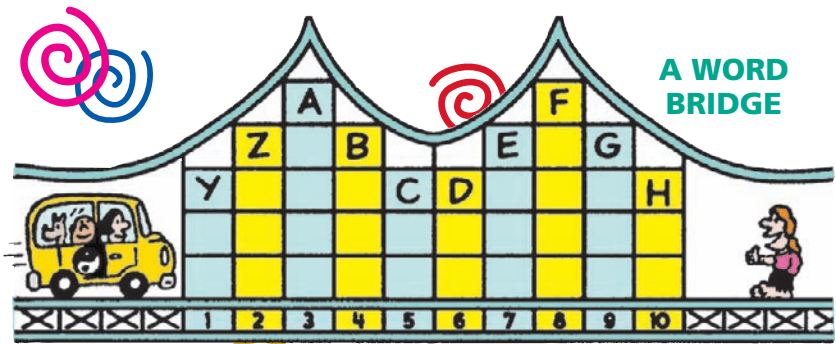
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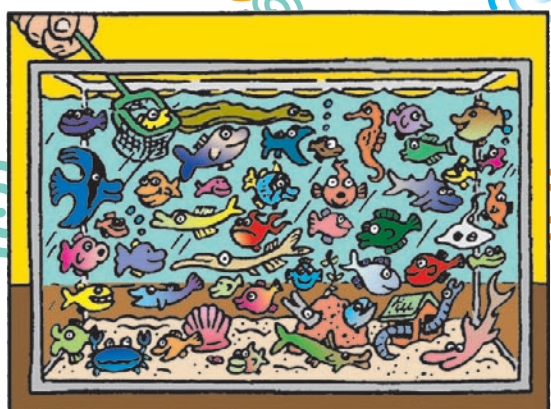


A WORD BRIDGE

The bridge to the left contains 10 supporting words. We give you the first letter of each word, plus plenty of hints below.


1. A "yes" vote.
2. Devotion to a cause.
3. French for farewell.
4. To strike forcefully (slang).
5. Comes with corn.
6. To put on.
7. A fencing sword.
8. A Hindu magician.
9. A heckling remark.
10. Used to carry bricks.

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A FULL TANK AT THE FISH FARM! Try counting all the sea creatures in Fred's tank before he makes another sale!

TERRIFIC THREES! Professor Flunkum challenges you to arrange three 3's into a math problem that will equal 20. Do I see a show of hands?



Answers On Page 42

THIS WILL MAKE YOUR CAR GO! Pictured below are two puzzle grids for you to fill in. Hints are given for each word. The words in Grid A contain the same letters as the corresponding words in Grid B.

GRID A			GRID B		
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1. Escapes from the law (sl).
2. Opposite of sweet.
3. Orderly and precise.
4. A timely benefit.

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DAVE Says

by DAVE RAMSEY

PAYING CASH DOESN'T MAKE IT SMART



Dear Dave,
What is your opinion on paying cash for a "tiny house"?

Dear Wes,
This may be a really un-hip or un-cool thing to say, but I wouldn't buy a tiny house at all. Paying cash for something like that might make the mover smarter, but that still doesn't mean it's a smart choice.

Now, don't take what I'm saying the wrong way. I don't have a problem with people

who build tiny houses or buy them. My problem with these things is that there's no track record on them. There's also a pretty good chance they're going to be just a fad. Another problem is that you'd have a really small market when it comes time to sell your tiny house. In other words, they probably won't go up in value like a traditional home. They may actually lose value over the years.

There's a thing in economics called the supply-demand curve, and from what I've seen tiny houses also have a tiny demand and pretty narrow market appeal. Their appeal seems to be mostly for early adopters and people who think they'll never be able to afford a house. That means they're not going to have broad appeal when you get ready to sell them, either. And that creates a problem.

I could be wrong, though. I mean, if enough people buy tiny houses and they become a real part of our culture, then maybe they'll do okay. But right now it's an unproven product line and an unproven concept. So I wouldn't buy a tiny house. Honestly, I wouldn't even buy one at half of its current value because I'd be afraid it would drop to a fourth of its value. There's just no proven record at this point of these things going up in value.

—Dave

DID DAD DO HER WRONG?

Dear Dave,
My father loaned my husband and I money 20 years ago to help us start a business. The

business eventually failed, and it forced us into bankruptcy. After this, we never seemed to get around to paying him back. He died earlier this year, and when we got together with my brother and sister for the reading of the will, we realized he had deducted the amount of the loan from my inheritance. Everything was equal between us before that. I think that's wrong. What's your opinion?
Karen

Dear Karen,
I'm really sorry about your dad. I'm also sorry this was never taken care of or discussed while he was still alive.

There are a lot of emotions at play, so I don't want to beat you up too much. But legally, he didn't have to leave you anything in his estate. The stuff we're talking about, money included, was his to do with as he saw fit. It was a little odd that he didn't address this with you beforehand, but there are lots of instances where kids get nothing from an estate or not as much as others. It's not uncommon.

In my mind, and, from the sound of it, his too, he left you an equal share minus what you still owed. He loaned you the money, and he had the right to set terms on that. I understand your frustration. You feel like he took something away that was yours. My point is it was never yours; it was his.

I know it still hurts though. This is one of the reasons I advise never borrowing money from, or loaning it to, relatives. The best of intentions can end up in places like this.
—Dave

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My Turn, The Enemy within... whitewashing Islam

by Major Euell White, U.S. Army, (retired)

At the June 28 Senate Judiciary Subcommittee hearing on Islamism, led by Texas Senator Ted Cruz, Homeland Security whistle blower, Phil Haney, testified that 820 documents were modified or purged from counter terrorism databases, most of them dealing with the relationship between American Muslim Brotherhood figures and global jihadist networks. That was done at the behest of Muslim Brotherhood leaders, the very people responsible for cultivating the climate of Sharia adherence and political Islam within our country. The Obama administration has given the Muslim Brotherhood prominent roles in our government. The willful blindness of the administration to Islamic terrorism here at home was delivered by counter-terrorism expert Chris Gaubatz.

While doing undercover research on Hamas, American's most prominent Muslim organization, Gaubatz preserved documents that revealed Hamas doing business as CAIR, conspired to cover-up fraud committed by one of their immigration attorneys; Discussed coordinating with Bin Laden and his associates; Placed staffers and interns inside congressional offices; Conspired to influence Congress--specifically judiciary, intelligence, and homeland security committees-- Impacted congressional districts--tasking each Hamas Chapter office with influencing at least two legislators-- Ordered books from the Saudi embassy on the virtue of jihad and martyrdom; Worked with a Muslim law enforcement officer to influence a major terrorism investigation by accessing a classified federal police database and tipping off the suspect.

The current administration and the US national security apparatus continues to use leaders of Muslim Brotherhood groups like ISNA, the Muslim Public Affairs Council (MPAC), CAIR, and others to provide direct input into American foreign policy and domestic counter-terrorism strategies. One of the results of this dangerous situation is to order the removal of terms like, "jihad", and, "sharia", from our counter terrorism lexicon. Not only is this group not banned from the country, they help craft Obama's "counter terrorism" policies and are now serving as a blocking force to prevent law enforcement from digging deeper into the community connections of the Orlando and San Bernardino terrorists. Senator Cruz opened the hearing giving account after blood-chilling account of the attacks carried out on our own soil. Mere seconds into his opening, as he spoke of the November 5, 2009 attack by Nidal Hasan, an Army major and psychiatrist who killed 13, including an unborn child, and injured more than 30 others at Fort Hood--Cruz had to call out those in the gallery who were snickering as he spoke-- illustrating that our lawmakers are not engaged in seriously addressing the issue. Gaubatz testified that the two Muslim members of Congress, Democrats Keith Ellison of Minnesota and André Carson of Indiana, attended a 2008 convention hosted by the Islamic Society of North America — a Muslim umbrella group, which he claims is a front for the Muslim Brotherhood. This condition could not exist if the Congress was doing its job.

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Johnson to AMHOF

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Mr. Johnson's history in Alabama Music speaks for itself. His contributions and dedication to the advancement of the museum in Tusculmbia and fund raising for NWSCC truly is deserving of induction. Keeping the AMHOF doors open on a small budget and sometimes none at all, proves that this man has earned a place in the AMHOF. His being denied the honor is an injustice and an outright shame.

I've worked with David since 1991 as a volunteer for the Hall of Fame and his fund raising efforts. There is no one more deserving to be inducted into the Hall of Fame than he.

It's time to do the right thing.

Larry Lewis
 Tusculmbia

Dred Scott Offers Proof

Editor:

If any proof is needed that the Supreme Court can be terribly wrong, consider the Dred Scott case. With the same majority that ruled homosexual marriage is constitutional, the Dred Scott ruling explicitly denied state and federal citizenship to all African-Americans and ended the "once free, always free" standard courts applied to emancipate slaves who had lived in free territory. The Chief Justice ruled that when the Founding Fathers declared that a man's property was sacred, "property" would have included slaves. The Court ruled Blacks could not be considered citizens.

At the time of the Dred Scott case, the justices were in league with the states that relied on slave labor. The Dred Scott ruling essentially denied the humanity of African-Americans. The justices who ruled that homosexual marriage is lawful already had their minds made up before hearing the case. Some of the justices had actually performed gay marriages. Certainly those who had performed gay marriages should have recused themselves. There is no way that any sane person could believe that these justices heard the case with open minds. They knew beforehand how they would rule.

This idea that the Supreme Court ruling is the law of the land and should not be questioned that some of the Republican candidates hide behind is ridiculous. When the court makes rulings that are unconstitutional they are the lawbreakers and should be held accountable. The framers never meant for this Court to have dictatorial power over the citizens of this nation. If the right

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Have you ever thought about applying that phrase to your life? If you sat down today and counted all your blessings, I have no doubt that at some time during the day you would get your list back out and say "But Wait There's More". How many of us stand in front of a closet full of clothes and say we have nothing to wear or a full refrigerator and say that we have nothing to eat? Just looking for the "But Wait There's More" moments in our lives can open our eyes to how blessed we are compared to most of the people in the world.

This knowledge ought to build within us a sense of gratitude. From that gratitude should spring a willingness to help others who are less fortunate. I remember when I was little we used to sing a song that said, "Love is like a

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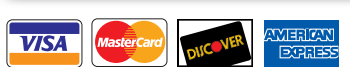
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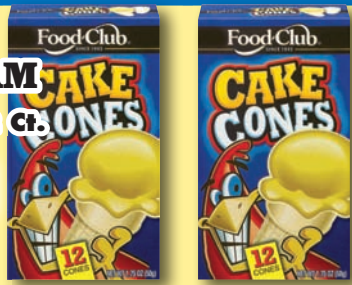
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Dred Scott Offers Proof

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thing for us to do is accept the Supreme Court ruling on gay marriage, then the Dred Scott ruling should still be followed. Of course, this is ridiculous. However, it would make just as much sense as claiming that the gay marriage ruling should be accepted as the law of the land.

There is nothing in the constitution that gives the Supreme Court the authority to decide what the state laws on marriage should be.

Euell White
Florence

Two Flawed Candidates

Letter to the Editor:

Clinton and Trump are flawed candidates running for President.

Clinton has questionable scruples, and she has made significant mistakes. As Secretary of State she set up an unsecured private server in her home for government email communications and sent and received secret and top secret information. She had ultimate responsibility for the Benghazi debacle where our ambassador and other Americans were killed by Islamic terrorists. Her foundation accepted contributions from foreign entities.

Trump is the most unqualified person to ever run for President. He is a vile loudmouth with possible bigoted views who only cares about himself. He does not respect our constitution and our institutions. Trump could have dictatorial tendencies. He has no knowledge of government operations and has no understanding of our domestic and world economies. His lack of knowledge in foreign affairs and military matters will hurt us in the world.

The choices are: vote for who you dislike the least, or vote for a third party candidate, or do not vote. How sad.

Donald Moskowitz
Londonderry, NH

Clinton Unhinged?

Editor:

Following multiple damaging email leaks and disclosures, Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign decided, in the weirdest attempt at damage control I've ever seen, to invoke the late Allen Ginsberg's "America":

"America it's them bad Russians.

Them Russians them Russians and them Chinamen. And them Russians."

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SHORTS...

First Family Fun Day

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interactive displays. There will be opportunities for learning about ways to keep healthy with the approach of cold and flu season.

"We believe this shows how much we care about our community, and it's a way for us to give our community a fun way to interact with us," said Community Relations Director **Michelle Eubanks** "Further, it gives an insight to what Shoals is all about."

We'll offer participants health screenings including blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol readings. Children's activities will include face painting, bouncy houses, and a car show. The event is free.

For more information or questions about Family Fun Day and the events, contact Michelle Eubanks by email at mreubanks@chgroup.org or via telephone at 256-386-1808.

Guild Plans a Writers' Crawl

SHOALS - The Shoals Writers' Guild will host the first Renaissance City Writers' Crawl this fall. Hopefully, the exact date will be announced in the month of October which is Renaissance Month.

A poster contest with a cash prize to be determined and an honorary membership to the Guild will be among the prizes.

The poster can be either from photography, a drawing, or a painting.

Current members winners will have a one year exemption of dues should they be the winner.

The Guild is asking for other businesses, authors, and publishing companies to also offer a prize.

The deadline for the submission will be Friday September 16, and the poster will be chosen at the Saturday, September 17 meeting.

The theme of the poster should include a book and elements of the Renaissance Era.

The purpose of the Crawl is to enrich writer awareness, to encourage the growth and development of writers as authors, publishers as they express their life experiences both in fictional writings and their biographies, autobiographies, and in creative fiction.

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For more information contact the Guild at shoalswritersguild@gmail.com.

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Optimist Club Plans Cruise

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Dr. Brittany Burgess

Brittany Burgess was born in Opelika, Alabama and moved to Dawsonville, Georgia at the age of 15. She is one of four daughters to Thad and Barbara Burgess. She and all three of her sisters attended the University of Georgia. Brittany completed dental school at the Medical College of Georgia School of Dental Medicine in Augusta, Georgia.

Last year, she gained an Advanced Education in General Dentistry Residency degree at the VA Hospital in Birmingham.

Brittany is trained and competent in implant dentistry, endodontics, pedodontics, and all aspects of general dentistry.

She and her fiancé, Jannie Westerman, recently moved to the Shoals area and are excited about becoming part of the Singing River Dentistry family!



Dr. Joshua McClanahan

Dr. Joshua McClanahan was born and raised in the Shoals area. He graduated from Muscle Shoals High School in 2007. Afterwards, he attended the University of Alabama-Birmingham and graduated in 2012 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and minors in Chemistry and Finance

Dr. McClanahan then attended the University of Alabama-Birmingham School of Dentistry and graduated with a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree in 2016.

He is the grandson of Dr. James D. Ashmore, who served the Shoals area for 52 years as a Family Medicine Physician in Muscle Shoals. Dr.

McClanahan has enjoyed being a part of four short-term dental mission trips in Honduras and Guatemala while in dental school, as well as six mission trips in high school and college as a chaperone for the youth.

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Commentary

Rain...

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The death, injuries, and devastation, despair left behind is incomprehensible to those of us unable to witness it in person. Damage estimates are at \$20 billion. Over 100,000 people have been displaced to makeshift housing, shelters, or friend's couches and floors. And sadly, because most of these homes also were not in the traditional flood areas, they did not have flood insurance.

By day three on Sunday, the sickening waters began to recede. In the days that followed there was no time to mope. In an attempt to salvage as much of their homes as possible, they had to be completely emptied and gutted to the studs almost immediately to avoid the development of mold in the muggy Louisiana heat and mostly powerless homes. In many cases, seven-eight feet of water meant that even ceilings were soaked and had to be removed.

Along with thousands of other residents, Ginamarie, Lee, and Dane have been experiencing some incredible life lessons in recent weeks. Their days continue to consist of helping neighbors, friends, and even complete strangers move their beloved, sewage-soaked belongings, clothes, sofas, furniture, appliances, mattresses, soaked insulation and sheet-rock to the curb, where it all may remain for months.

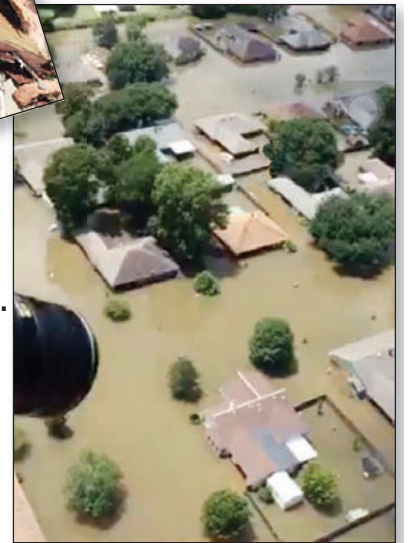
In spite of such an unexpected tragedy, the community in and around Baton Rouge has come together in ways no one thought imaginable six



Top two photos depict what every street looks like in the affected areas. Courtesy photos



Aerial view of massive flooding in one neighborhood before water receded.



weeks ago. They have a very long way to go and they can use our help. It is Katrina revisited in so many ways.

For those interested in helping, there are many options. Check with your church, the Red Cross, or Salvation Army.

Several local churches have already collected money and items to send down.

Cox Blvd Church of Christ in Sheffield has a response team working in South Baton Rouge and in Lafayette. Checks can be made to Louisiana Mission Fund.

There is a benefit concert planned in Baton Rouge through Raycom Media September 5 entitled, Louisiana Rising. Harry Connick, Jr and Randy Jackson are hosting the event and over a dozen acts are booked with more signing up. For more information, visit Deadline.com/tag/louisiana-rising/

In an effort to get much-needed cash into the hands of those families that they've been helping, while avoiding the red tape of large organizations, my sister is even collecting financial donations via her PayPal account. Below is a Facebook post of hers:

Ginamarie Magazzu Showalter: August 21 at 3:30pm--

For those in other states who have been messaging me, asking how you can directly help some of the victims of the flooding in Baton Rouge and surrounding area, please read:

Like thousands of others in our area (over 100,000 now), Lee Showalter and I have friends who've lost some or all of their belongings, to include their homes and cars. Some have even lost loved ones in the flood. Yet this city has spent the past week rallying to help friends and total strangers - from preparing meals to helping others gut their sewage-ridden homes, in an attempt to salvage whatever they can. But they've lost so much. And because many were not in a flood zone, they didn't have flood insurance. So they are starting from scratch,

having to figure out a way to purchase everything from flooring to cabinets, appliances to furniture, while also having to find a place to live in the interim, during the costly and lengthy rebuilding process.

So I'm personally raising money for them. Below is a link to my PayPal account. 100% of all funds received, regardless of how small, will be gifted to these friends in need, in the form of cash. No middlemen, no fees. No need to pay to ship items, etc. They will receive the cash donations to purchase the items they need most. And hopefully they will receive your prayers, as well. Most importantly, it will be a complete surprise and a blessing for these families.

When donating, please consider writing an encouraging note or scripture in the memo area and I will print and share with them. If no note- then please simply write 'Flood Relief' so I will know the purpose of your gift.

My hope is that this will be an immediate, efficient, and effective way for our friends and relatives to help. Even \$5 or \$10 per person would make a huge difference.

Also- please spread the word by SHARING this post with your own family and friends.

Thanks!
Ginamarie and Lee
LINK: <https://paypal.me/ginamarieshowalter>

There are many avenues through which to assist, that will allow you to bypass needless administrative fees or service charges taken before the money gets to those in need. Please note that unlike churches or charities, the donation through Ginamarie's Paypal is not tax deductible, if that is important to you.

I'm very proud that my sister takes an active leadership role while also working in the trenches.

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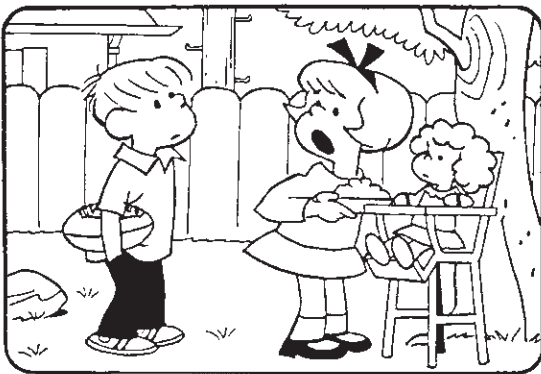
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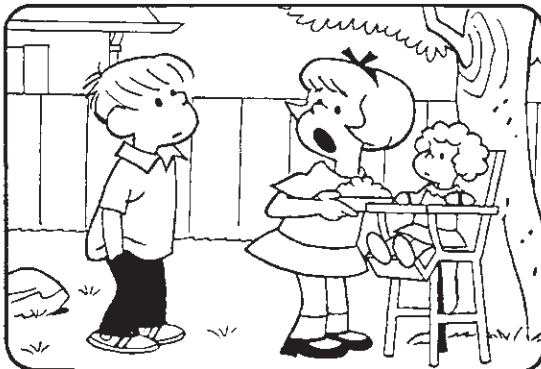
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Ramsey Solutions study shows financial literacy leads to confidence and action when it comes to money

NASHVILLE - A new study by Ramsey Solutions, a leading company in financial education, finds that students who are taught personal finance lessons in the classroom have a better understanding and more confidence when it comes to managing their money.

Of high school students who have taken a personal finance course, 94 percent report understanding how student loans work and 79 percent report understanding how a 401(k) works. Students who have taken a personal finance course are also more than three times as likely to say they would rather have \$500 in the bank instead of a smartphone.

Ramsey Solutions surveyed more than 76,000 high school students across the country for its Students and Money National Research Study. This report is the first in a series on the impact of financial literacy on the next generation.

Students who have taken a personal finance course are 23 percent less likely to say they plan to use student loans to pay for college. Instead of student loans, 69 percent of students plan to utilize scholarships, 53 percent plan to have help from their parents, and 51 percent plan to personally fund their college expenses.

"It's promising that so many students are leaving high school with a solid foundation in handling money," said Anthony O'Neal, youth and money expert and speaker with Ramsey Solutions. "But

what's even better is that the students are putting into practice what they're learning. And by doing so, they're creating good money habits that will pay off over their lifetimes."

The survey also found that students who have completed a personal finance course:

- Report confidence in budgeting (95%), investing (87%) and saving money (94%).
- Bring in an average monthly income of \$243, or \$3,000 per year. Almost two-thirds of students surveyed say they are earning money.
- Create a budget monthly (nearly 80%).
- Say they have a car they paid for by themselves (20%).

Additional survey results can be found at daveramsey.com/research.

Funding for this report was provided by Find Your Calling, an organization that helps students answer the question: What do you want to be when you grow up? Find Your Calling's mission is to help students find fantastic careers and the education they need to achieve their goals by assessing interests and providing data on matching

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BANK ON DOGS

The bankhar returns to an age-old job with a new twist

By Kim Campbell Thornton
Universal Uclick

There's a new khan in town. Scientists are working to re-establish a Mongolian flock-guarding dog called the bankhar, whose powerful demeanor could be said to be reminiscent of the Great Khan, Genghis, the famed and feared 13th-century conqueror.

Their goal? To not only protect the goats, sheep, horses, camels and yaks belonging to Mongolia's nomadic herders, but also to protect endangered snow leopards and other predators such as wolves and bears from being shot, trapped or poisoned for killing livestock. By warding off predators and forcing them to seek wild prey, the bankhar performs double duty as a protection dog, saving lives on both sides.

"More often than not, the physical presence of the dog would be enough of a deterrent to the predator," says Greg Goodfellow, project scientist for the Mongolian Bankhar Dog Project. "Predators might just view the cost/benefit ratio as not significant enough and just move on."

The MBDP is a nongovernmental environmental conservation organization founded in 2011 by Bruce Elfstrom, a biologist by training and CEO of a company that does frequent business in Mongolia. It seeks to bring back the historic use of the dogs as livestock guardians. The practice faded away in the mid-20th century when the government sought to introduce more modern methods of livestock care.

Elfstrom was familiar with the use of livestock guardian dogs in other countries

and wondered why they weren't being used in Mongolia, where predator-livestock interactions were a problem. When he discovered that some people in remote areas still kept dogs for that purpose, he became interested in learning more about them.

Bankhars go way back in Mongolia. When I asked wildlife ecologist and MBDP national project coordinator Batbataar Tumurbataar how long the bankhar has existed, he said, "It's the first dog, which means 15,000 years."

"Is that what the stories say?" I asked. "It's what DNA says," he replied.

Although there's no way of knowing what early dogs looked like or when bankhars took the form they have today, DNA indeed shows that bankhars, along with other Central Asian dogs such as Tibetan mastiffs, have much more genetic diversity than dogs elsewhere, says Adam Boyko, Ph.D., a geneticist at Cornell University who is studying the evolution and genetics of village dogs around the world.

"It is consistent with these being ancient groups of dogs," he says.

Bankhar are big and athletic, giving the impression that they can move quickly if the need arises. They don't typically bark unless provoked, but when they do, it sends a menacing message. Bankhar have a playful, curious side as well, Goodfellow says, and can be clever escape artists from their kennels at the training facility near Mongolia's Hustai National Park.

Their job is to stay with livestock 24/7, whether they are in pastures or barns. They are fed and watered with the animals they guard to ensure that they don't have any



The bankhar is respected and revered in Mongolian culture.

need to leave their charges. That's a key part of training them to stay with the flock, Goodfellow says.

Since the winter of 2014, approximately 19 puppies have been placed with herders in the Hustai area as well as in the South Gobi desert and near Gorkhi Terelj National Park. The dogs don't typically show mature livestock guarding behavior until they are 2 to 3 years old, Goodfellow says. It's not yet known how their presence has affected predation on livestock.

"Ultimately, we want to compare predation rates pre- and post-bankhar placement and then translate that into economics," Goodfellow says. "Our hope is that by giving herders dogs that protect their livestock from predators, they won't feel the need to kill or trap predators."

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At age 19, Anthony ONeal was deep in debt and short on hope with no direction on where his life was headed. But after hitting rock bottom, he turned his life around and committed to helping students find and pursue their passions. Now ONeal has joined Ramsey Solutions to spread this encouraging message to students nationwide as a Ramsey Personality. Follow ONeal on Twitter and Instagram at @AnthonyONeal and online at anthonyoneal.com or facebook.com/aoneal.

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THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL Tired of the judgment from his family, Eric called Steffy out on deflecting her own personal issues onto his and Quinn's relationship. Ivy returned from Australia to Forrester Creations hoping to design jewelry again. Quinn agreed to

hire Ivy back at the company with one significant condition. While not hiding his own desire to reunite with Steffy, Liam offered Wyatt valuable advice on how he could fix his marriage. Bill and Katie met to discuss the terms of their divorce settlement. Liam presented himself as an option to Steffy, telling her he could solve all of her problems. Brooke was still determined to follow through with her role in the plan despite Ridge's noted objection. *Wait to See: Family members battle over a coveted position.*

DAYS OF OUR LIVES Deimos was suspicious of Chloe. Victor was released on bail and headed home to see Maggie, whose recovery was advancing. Hope went to the station to confront Aiden about how he stole the D.A. job away from Justin. Kate bought the B&B from Doug and Julie, and promptly evicted all the guests. Claire sought romantic advice from Belle and was a little annoyed at finding Ciara and Theo together. Gabi and Sonny got caught up when they visited Will's gravesite. Chad said goodbye to Abigail in his own way. Brady didn't want to believe his grandfather could have taken Tate, but all the evidence suggested otherwise. Chad communicated with Abigail's spirit. *Wait to See: While visiting Clyde in prison, Marlena has a near miss with a face from the past.*

GENERAL HOSPITAL Ava made a sobering realization. Monica and Finn struggled to keep order after the hospital lost power. Hayden was at the wrong place at the wrong time. Franco made a pointed observation. Nathan and Maxie received some words of advice. Nina delivered news to Claudette. Ava surprised Paul with a request. Diane did her best to counsel Alexis.

Finn came to Hayden's defense. Jordan heard a critical accusation. Griffin came across an important piece of evidence. Jordan made an arrest. Joe asked to spend more time with Teddy. Bobbie offered to take care of baby Avery. An old friend paid a visit to Port Charles. *Wait to See: Carly makes Nelle an offer.*

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Summer was shocked when Daniel made a surprise appearance at her engagement party. Noah also arrived and gave Daniel a hard time for supporting Summer's wedding to Luca. Noah got drunk,

but Sharon stopped him from making a scene at the party. Later, Daniel reminded Phyllis how she interfered with his past relationships and urged her to let her daughter live her own life. Jill saw through Colin's manipulative tactics, but he was determined to find out why she was spending more time in Genoa City. Daniel warned Kevin to take things slow with Chloe. An upset Phyllis asked Billy if he was still in love with Victoria. *Wait to See: Dylan takes on a new case.*

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Letters...

Clinton Unhinged?

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Forget the content of the leaks. Just focus on their alleged (not proven, alleged) source. IT'S THEM RUSSIANS!

Never mind that one of the leaks uncovered the Democratic National Committee's secret program to deliver its party's presidential nomination to Clinton at all costs. Did I mention that Donald Trump MIGHT BE WORKING WITH THEM RUSSIANS?

Never mind that another disclosure gave the public a glimpse of Clinton's corrupt "pay to play" scheme, in which high-dollar donors to the Clinton Foundation got special goodies from the Clinton State Department. Who cares? The Ukrainian government (installed in a 2014 coup funded by the US and orchestrated by Clinton's protege, Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs Victoria Nuland) just happened to conveniently discover evidence linking Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort to THEM RUSSIANS!

Servergate? Never mind FBI director James Comey's announcement and testimony revealing that she's at least recklessly negligent and almost certainly a felon who only avoided prosecution because her name is Hillary Clinton. LOOOOOO! THEM RUSSIANS!

It's all so maladroit and ham-handed that it would be laughable if not for the stakes.

Clinton's strategy for drawing attention from her corruption and incompetence so that she can win the White House, is an all-out attempt to restart the Cold War (at the risk of one or more very hot wars) and resurrect Joe McCarthy between now and November. And it just might work.

No, I can't bring myself to support Donald Trump. However, it's getting harder and harder to peg him as the distinctively harebrained, irresponsible, unhinged one in the race. Clinton is still a game down to Trump in the World Series of Crazy, but it looks like the series will go all the way to seven.

It has been noted over and over by pretty much everyone that Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton are the two most despised presidential candidates since polling became a thing. How either one of them got within spitting distance of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue is a mystery for the ages. And one of them almost certainly moving in come January sounds like an establishing shot for next summer's top-grossing horror film.

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Cat & Kids

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Yes, Mica Amber seemed to come easy, without a crowd, without a fuss, without us. Even her doctor was out of town. We got on an earlier-than-planned flight home from a convention in Kansas City. When we touched down in Nashville, Mica, was born – less than six hours after we got the call. Her mother's first birth – who would have thought that it would have been so quick, so easy. Easy to me – with our son's help, our daughter-in-law walked the hospital halls, used the Pilates ball and the water tub, at the last moment possible she had a mild sedative and then she pushed that 20 inch, 7 pound 4 ounce girl out. She came out beautiful and peaceful. Not a blemish. Sweet.

I had wondered what she would look like. Our son, Randall, is a handsome young man, who has medium brown skin. He looks like a Turner. His beautiful wife, Brianna,

has creamy white skin and striking blue eyes. None of this matters except that it left me wondering what our grandbaby would look like. Mica came out with a more wide than narrow nose and with full, rosy lips. She looked like a Turner. And as usual with our children, she had a head full of hair. It was slick and black. Her skin was the color of the inside of my hand rather than the outside of my hand. When our daughter held her niece for the first time, she looked at me and said, "Mom, she's a white Randall!" My thought was, "How can God do that?" How can He take two people who look so different and make one person who looks like both of them? How can He do that over and over again and nobody look exactly like anybody else and yet we all look like somebody? How can Mica look like Randall and Brianna? God is amazing. And how can it be that Mica acts like her parents already? Peaceful and calm. She's amazing. Aren't we all?

Whether babies come how they are planned or when are planned, they are a blessing. Whether their birth is traumatic or tranquil, or in the midst of physical or spiritual upheaval, the end result is a Godsend. Fearfully and wonderfully made. God produced and God presented for our pleasure and for His glory. We have grown in both these births and both our grandbabies have caused us to seek God and to thank Him.

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Fish Fry at East Colbert Church of Christ Saturday, September 3 12:30-6pm. All you can eat. Adults & Carry Outs \$12 each. Children ages 5-11 \$6. 4 & Under free. (All proceeds go to mission work & benevolence.)

Sam Thompson Family Reunion, Saturday, September 10 at noon. Please bring covered dish. North Carolina Church of Christ Activity Building.

Josh and Ashley Franks will be Singing at Milner's Chapel UMC, 31301 CR 8, Florence (Greenhill area) next to El Reposo Nursing Home, at 6pm Sunday, September 4. A Love offering will be received. For more info, call 256-762-8323.

You are invited to the 90th birthday party for Richard Taylor, Sr. on Monday, September 5 from 1-2:30pm at Chisholm Hills Church of Christ fellowship room. (2810 Chisholm Rd)

Taylor was a teacher at Mars Hill Bible School for 32 years, over seven years as administrator of the Christian Children's Home, preached and taught in a number of local congregations, and in other parts of the U.S. and beyond, and served as camp director at Maywood Christian Camp.

We invite you to help honor him with a Come & Go reception on the 5th. No gifts please. Any memories that you could share, whether long or short, are welcomed. If you cannot come the family is hoping to reach at least 90 birthday cards. You can send them to Perry Taylor at 1388 CR 34, Florence, AL 35634.

If you can RSVP to Perry at perrydtaylor@gmail.com or 256-856-2797, that would help with the planning. Cake and ice cream will be served.

The Board of Directors of Kennedy-Douglass invite you to join them for an Open House on Friday, September 9 from 11:30am-2pm at 217 East Tuscaloosa St., Florence. All three houses will be open, and we encourage you to tour each house. Many changes have been made in each one. Refreshments will be served. Door prizes. For more information, please call 256-760-6379.

Margerum Community Church will be having a "River" baptism Sunday, September 11 at 11am at TVA Park on Riverton Rose Trail. Everyone is invited. The church is at 2460 Margerum Road in Cherokee.

The Landing is a place for junior high and high school youth to get help with hurts, habits and hang-ups. It follows the format of Celebrate Recovery. This non-denominational program at Rogersville United Methodist Church in Rogersville is a Christ-centered way to help teach and bring healing to teenagers who are dealing with many issues in their life including dysfunctional families, addictions, self-harm, or struggling to find their place in this world. We meet Thursdays at 6pm for snack and the program starts at 6:30pm. For more info contact Robert at 256-247-3307 or Jan at 256-230-5653. If you know anyone who needs this help, please direct them to this group.

Faith Baptist Church in Moulton will host Gospel recording artist Joseph Habadank on Sunday, September 11 at 6pm. Habadank was voted new artist of the year in 2014 by the Singing News. This will be a free concert with a love offering received for Mr. Habadank. For more information, contact Faith Baptist Church, Moulton at 256-974-9351.

Gospel Meeting at Maud Church of Christ September 11 - 14. Sunday services will be at 10am, 11am and 7:30pm. Services will be held at 7pm Monday-Wednesday. Al (Butch) Colley will be the guest speaker. Everyone attending Sunday morning services is invited to stay for dinner after service. The church is located 15 miles south of Cherokee at 2300 Mingo Road.

Jacksonburg Church of Christ will conduct a Gospel Meeting September 11-14. Visiting speaker is Ben Hayes, of Highland Park Church of Christ. Bible class September 11 will be at 9am, morning worship at 9:45am, followed by a fellowship meal and an afternoon service at 1:30pm. Nightly services are September 12-14 at 7pm. The church is just off Chisholm Highway at 414 Lauderdale CR 28.

NAMI Shoals Family Support Group for families with adults and/or children who have brain disorders (mental illnesses) and NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group for people who have been diagnosed with a brain disorder and are in recovery meets Tuesday, September 13 at 7pm at the NAMI Shoals office, 749 Thompson St., Suite A, Florence. Need directions or more information, call 256-765-2081.

Florence Parks & Recreation/ The Club (senior center) on-going chair exercise class M/W/F 8:45 am. No Fee. BINGO 9:30 am T/Th. Lunch served at 11 am M-F. Square Dance lessons Fridays 6:30pm. Social Dancing with The Browns, Tuesday evening 6:30 pm. \$6. Morning and afternoon games: Rook, Rummycubes, Chicken Foot Dominoes, UNO, Scrabble, art classes and other fun. For more information about The Club/ senior center or any of our special events please call 256-760-6420 Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Email: fdavis@florenceal.org 450 Country Club Drive, Florence

Florence Parks & Recreation/The Club (senior center) offers a variety of programs for our boomers and seniors to enjoy. We are currently serving lunch for 35 people on M/W/F and 25 on T/Th. We'd like to include you, too! Suggested donation is \$1. Sign in before 9:30am on the day you'd like to eat lunch. For more information about The Club/senior center or any of our special events please call 256-760-6420 Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm. Email: fdavis@florenceal.org 450 Country Club Drive, Florence

The Attention Homes of NW Alabama is hosting a Benefit Dinner on Thursday, September 15 at 6pm at Cross Point Church of Christ. The featured guest will be nationally acclaimed speaker and author Michael Franzese. Dinner will be catered by Ricatoni's.

Mr. Franzese grew up as the son of a notorious underboss of New York's violent and feared Colombo crime family. He will share his journey from being an active player in organized crime to falling in love and dedicating his life to Christ. Enjoy dinner and this extraordinary life story as you help benefit the Attention Homes of NW Alabama. Read more about Mr. Franzese, at www.michaelfranzese.com. The Attention Homes provide a safe residential alternative for at-risk and disadvantaged youth of our area. For more information and to see how you can become an event sponsor call 256-767-0972.

An Evening with Thom Gossom, Jr. at the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library Thursday, September 15 at 5:30 pm.

Professional writer, actor, and communications consultant Thom Gossom, Jr. will talk about his new "Slice of Life" trilogy of short story collections. Gossom was the first black athlete to graduate from Auburn University, and his acting credits include "NYPD Blue," "In the Heat of the Night," and "Fight Club."

Friends of the Killen Library Bookstore will have a half-price book sale in the categories of history, military, and travel during the entire month of August. We also have collectible books, most are first editions, selling for around \$3, some are just \$2. Signed copies sell for slightly more at \$4-5. Paperbacks are 50¢, magazines 25¢, hardbacks \$1, and DVD's and audio books are only \$2. We have a good selection of fiction by popular authors and non-fiction in many categories. All volunteer staff; all proceeds go to the benefit of the library. Open from 9-5 on Fridays and 9-1 on Saturdays. The Friends bookstore is located next door to the Killen Library on J C Mauldin Hwy in the Killen Town Hall Complex.

Rogersville Optimist Club "Through The Locks" River Cruise takes place September 17. Take an four-hour cruise on the beautiful Nautical Wheeler pontoon boat along the spectacular natural shoreline of Joe Wheeler State Park and the lower section of Wheeler Lake in scenic North Alabama. The cruise will pass through the lock (descending) of Wheeler dam, travel south touring Wilson Lake, turn around and return through the lock (rising) and return to Joe Wheeler State Park lodge.

Tickets are \$40/person. Proceeds benefit Optimist Club youth programs.

Seating is limited to twenty people. Call 256-436-0387 for more information. The cruise will run from 9am-1pm. Rain date: September 24

Nautical Wheeler Cruise Boat is operated by Tennessee River Adventures, Inc. in Rogersville and is certified and inspected annually by the U.S. Coast Guard. The passenger pontoon boat is extremely safe and features a full-length roof, comfortable seating, and a nice restroom facility on board.

The Rogersville Optimist Club is a local youth-service organization dedicated to helping the young people of the community. For additional information call David Myers at 256-247-0958.

Attention Vendors interested in participating in the St. Florian Oktoberfest: October 1 & 2. Please call 256-412-4696, 256-762-3934 or 256-349-3713.

Also, anyone interested in placing an advertisement on the St. Florian T-Shirt please call one of the numbers listed above.

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- Which group has an album titled "The Dance"?
A.) Beatles B.) Fleetwood Mac
C.) Rolling Stones D.) ZZ Top
- The Fox Trot, a popular dance, began in which year?
A.) 1914 B.) 1924
C.) 1934 D.) 1944
- Which woman was a dance partner with Fred Astair?
A.) Ginger Rogers
B.) Greta Garbo
C.) Suzie Creamcheese
D.) Willshe Bend
- Who first had a hit song that popularized the Twist?
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Revelation 17:5-6 "And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration." **Revelation 17:9** "And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth." (ONLY ONE CITY IN THE ENTIRE WORLD FITS THAT DESCRIPTION)
Revelation 17:18 "And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth." Here's the saddest part, WE ARE WARNED; **Revelation 18:4&5** "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." When God remembers your sins, you are in real trouble. This mystery woman is named BABYLON, SHE IS A CITY THAT SITS ON SEVEN MOUNTAINS, SHE CONTROLS THE KINGS OF THE EARTH. SHE IS VERY COLOURED AND VERY POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS. Her end is **Revelation 18:8** "Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her." Careful study even by a lost man can see who this is. To the saved person, all is explained in the text.
The stage is set. This year's election may well prove to be the great deciding factor when these scriptures on some of these mysteries are fulfilled. To the saved I say this **Philippians 3:20** "For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ." We are already there. To the lost I say this **Amos 4:12d** "prepare to meet thy God." **Hebrews 9:27** "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." **Matthew 12:37** "For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." May God help you with your mouth to decide to receive Christ as your Savior today. Careful study of Revelation, chapters 16-18 will reveal things you absolutely don't want to be a part of.

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Answer: $3 + 3 \div .3 = 20$

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