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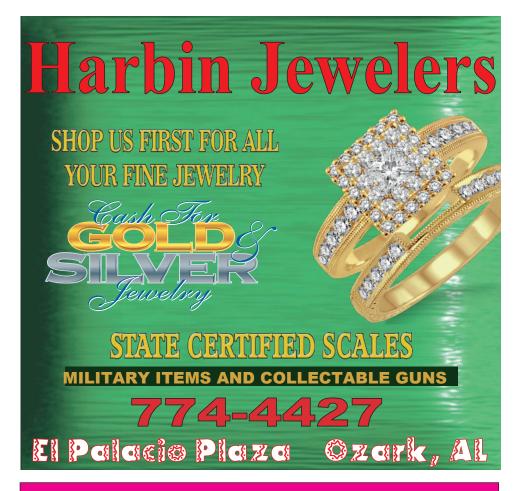
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had just finished visiting a friend in the hospital and stopped by a burger drive-through for lunch to eat on the way back to work. I ordered the #1 combo (burger, fry, coke) for \$4.29. She said "that'll be \$4.83, please drive forward." "\$4.83? For a \$4.29 meal? That's 54 cents tax! That can't be right," my mind raced. Tax is 8 cents on the dollar and for 4 dollars that would be 32 cents plus 1/3 (29) of 8 cents would be 35 cents max. I'd heard of window workers overcharging drive through customers and skimming the money for themselves. I didn't have my calculator watch (I lost it a while back) so I got a pen and paper and did the long division since there were 2 cars ahead of me. Let's see ... 483/429 ... over 12 percent tax! When I got to the window I handed her a 5 and said "what's the sales tax here?" She didn't know. I said "\$4.83 for a \$4.29 meal is 12 percent tax. That can't be right. Can I talk to the manager?" She gave me my change and called the manager. So the manager comes over. I ask what the sales tax here, and she says 8 percent. I say that I just paid \$4.83 for a \$4.29 meal and that's over 12 percent sales tax. She got a funny look on her face and said that maybe the computer had rung it up wrong or had charged me for the biggie size. (biggie upgrade was 35 cents which would be 4.64 plus tax which would put it over \$5). She admitted it was supposed to be 4.63, and opened the drawer to give me my extra change. "HA!" I thought to myself. "Six years engineering school has so heightened my mental

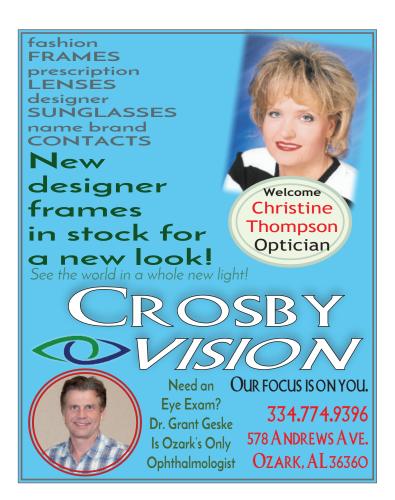
mathematical adeptness that I can do percentages in my head and my superior intellect has foiled a feeble attempt by a drive-through worker to overcharge me."

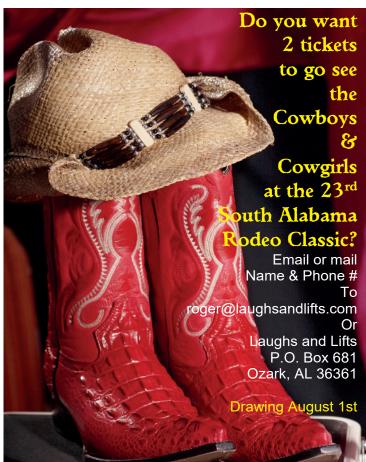
I took the twenty cents she handed me, proud of my staggering genius, and smugly drove off without my food.

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Five miles farther on, there was another sign: "Ice 5 miles."

The next one was, "Ice 1/2 mile."

They practically crept that half-mile.

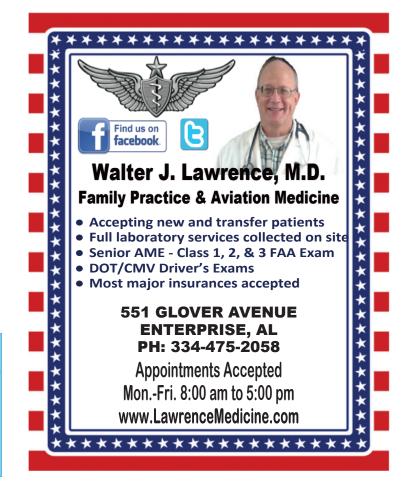
When they came to the last sign it was outside a small grocery, and it read, "Ice 75 cents."

#### SPEAK

In such a way that others love to listen to you.

#### LISTEN

In such a way that others love to speak to you.







#### PENNE GORGONZOLA WITH CHICKEN

#### Ingredients

- 1 package (16 ounces) penne pasta
- 1 pound boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2inch pieces
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 large garlic clove, minced
- 1/4 cup white wine
- 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1/4 cup chicken broth
- 2 cups (8 ounces) crumbled Gorgonzola cheese
- 6 to 8 fresh sage leaves, thinly sliced
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese and minced fresh parsley

#### **Directions**

- 1. Cook pasta according to package directions.
   Meanwhile, in a large skillet over medium heat,
   brown chicken in oil on all sides. Add garlic; cook 1
   minute longer. Add wine, stirring to loosen
   browned bits from pan.
- 2. Add cream and broth; cook until sauce is slightly thickened and chicken is no longer pink.
   Stir in the Gorgonzola cheese, sage, salt and pepper; cook just until cheese is melted.
- 3. Drain pasta; toss with sauce. Sprinkle with Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese and parsley. Yield: 8 servings.

#### CHICKEN PASTA

#### Ingredients

- 1-1/4 cups uncooked bow tie pasta
- 1/2 cup boiling water





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- 1/4 cup chopped sun-dried tomatoes (not packed in oil)
- 1 teaspoon chopped shallot
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1/4 cup white wine or reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons sliced ripe olives
- 1 tablespoon prepared pesto
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1-1/2 teaspoons all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup fat-free half-and-half
- 1 package (6 ounces) ready-to-use grilled chicken breast strips
- 1 tablespoon shredded Parmesan cheese
- 2 teaspoons pine nuts, toasted

#### Directions

- 1. Cook pasta according to package directions. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine water and sun-dried tomatoes; cover and let stand for 5 minutes.
- 2. In a large skillet over medium heat, cook and stir shallot and garlic in oil for 2 minutes. Stir in the wine or broth, olives, pesto and pepper; cook 1 minute longer.
- 3. Combine flour and half-and-half until smooth; stir into the pan. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 1-2 minutes or until thickened.
- 4. Drain pasta and tomatoes; add to shallot mixture. Stir in chicken; heat through. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and pine nuts. Yield: 2 servings.



# CHICKEN PASTA

#### **OVEN CHICKEN LINGUINI**

#### Ingredients

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 tablespoons dried basil
- 1 tablespoon red pepper flakes
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 3 pounds chicken thighs
- 1 pound linguine pasta
- 2 (10 ounce) packages frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry
- 1 cup grated Parmesan cheese

#### **Directions**

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Place butter into a 9x13-inch baking dish and set in oven while it preheats until butter is melted, about 5 minutes.

Stir onion, basil, red pepper flakes, salt, and black pepper into melted butter. Add chicken, turning to coat with onion mixture and ending skin-side up.

Bake in the preheated oven until no longer pink at the bone and the juices run clear, about 1 hour. An instant-read thermometer inserted near the bone should read 165 degrees F (74 degrees C). Remove chicken from dish.

Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Cook linguine at a boil until tender yet firm to the bite, about 11 minutes; drain.

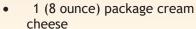
Mix spinach into onion-butter sauce until thoroughly mixed; add linguine and Parmesan cheese, tossing to combine. Place chicken on top of pasta.

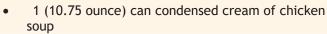


#### SLOW COOKER CHICKEN STROGANOFF

#### Ingredients

- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves cubed
- 1/8 cup margarine
- 1 (.7 ounce) package dry Italian-style salad dressing mix





#### **Directions**

Put chicken, margarine and dressing mix in slow cooker; mix together and cook on low for 5 to 6 hours

Add cream cheese and soup, mix together and cook on high for another 1/2 hour or until heated through and warm.

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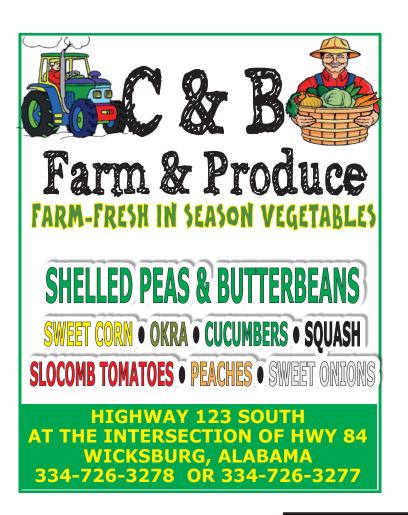
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# Did Your Lawyer Give You Bad Advice?

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"What's the matter?" he asked of his friend, "Did your lawyer give you bad advice?"
"No, it's worse than that," replied the friend between sobs, "he sold it to me!"

ote left on the windshield says "All these people that saw me hit your car think that I'm leaving my personal information in this note, but I'm not."

#### The Three Enemies

These are the three enemies of personal peace....

- 1. Regret over yesterday's mistakes.
  - 2. Anxiety over tomorrow's problems.
  - 3. And ingratitude for today's blessings.

#### Seniors' Special

We went to breakfast at a restaurant where the "seniors' special" was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$1.99.

"Sounds good," my wife said.
"But I don't want the eggs."
"Then I'll have to charge you two dollars and forty-nine cents because you're ordering a la carte," the waitress warned her.

"You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?" My wife asked incredulously. "I'll take the special."

"How do you want your eggs?"
"Raw and in the shell," my
wife replied.

She took the two eggs home. The moral of the story: Don't mess with seniors!

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I don't know my credit score but I'm pretty sure I'm losing.

Jim sat down in the restaurant and ordered a bowl of soup.

The waiter brought the soup. As he turned to return to the kitchen, Jim stopped him.

"Yes sir, is there something wrong?"

"The soup. Taste it," replied Jim.

"I beg your pardon, Sir?"

"Taste it."

But, Sir, I can assure you that the soup is excellent."

"Taste it," Jim persisted.

"Sir, the soup was made this morning of the finest ingredients."

"Taste it!"

The exasperated waiter finally relented. "All right, sir, I'll taste it." Then after a pause the waiter said, "Where is the spoon?"

To which Jim replied triumphantly, "Ah ha!"



If you don't know what to do at a 4-way stop, just stay home. Life only gets harder from there!!





he mistakes that we've made in the past are not to be forgotten, as many would prefer. Rather they should be remembered like the captain of a ship remembers where the water is shallow.

I have a friend that is really smart. Not Jeopardy smart, more like Wheel of Fortune smart."

Ugghh, I just dropped \$2.00 somewhere under the passenger seat in my car.....well I guess I have a savings account now!!

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A lawyer runs a stop sign and gets pulled over by a sheriff's deputy.

He thinks that he is smarter than the deputy because he is sure that he has a better education. He decides to prove this to himself and have some fun at the deputy's expense...

Deputy says, "License and registration, please."
Lawyer says, "What for?"
Deputy says, "You didn't come to a complete stop at the stop sign."

Lawyer says, "I slowed down, and no one was coming."
Deputy says, "You still didn't come to a complete stop.
License and registration, please."CONTINUED pg.19



# **Chiropractic First For Low Back Pain**

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Chiropractors have been promoting this lifestyle for decades but more recently have seen agreement in the medical community. David Herd D.C. President of the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) stated, "As the nation struggles to overcome the opioid crisis, research supporting non-drug treatments for pain should give patients and health care providers confidence that there are options that help avoid the risks and dependency associated with prescription medications."

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Some folks probably know the difference between right and wrong, but you'd never know it.

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Lawyer says, "What's the difference?"

Deputy says, "The difference is, you have to come to a complete stop, that's the law. License and registration, please!"

Lawyer says, "If you can show me the legal difference between slow down and stop, I'll give you my license and registration and you give me the ticket, if not you let me go and no ticket."

Deputy says, "Exit your vehicle, sir."

At this point, the deputy takes out his nightstick and starts beating the ever-loving crap out of the lawyer and says,

"Do you want me to stop or just slow down?"

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- 2. Fearing change
- 3. Living in the past
- 4. Putting yourself down.
- 5. Over thinking.



One morning the husband returns after several hours of fishing and decides to take a nap.

Although not familiar with the lake, the wife decides to take

the boat out. She motors out a short distance, anchors, and reads her book. Along comes a game warden in his boat. He pulls up alongside the woman and says, "Good morning Ma'am. What are you doing?"

"Reading a book," she replies, (thinking, "Isn't that obvious?" "You're in a restricted fishing area," he informs her.

"I'm sorry officer, but I'm not fishing, I'm reading."
"Yes, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment. I'll have to take you in and write you up."

"If you do that, I'll have to charge you with sexual assault," says the woman.

"But I haven't even touched you," says the game warden.

"That's true, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment."

"Have a nice day ma'am," and he left.

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#### Cooling System Refresh\*

\$89<sup>95</sup>

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Check for proper operation of radiator and pump. Inspect hoses, clamps and belts. Pressure test system. Plus tax, if applicable. Not valid with other offers. Present offer at time of service.

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\$79<sup>95</sup>

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#### Pike County Fair October 3rd thru Oct 7th

#### Presale of armbands and plenty of fun ahead

The Troy Shrine Club again is sponsoring the Pike County Fair with the dates being October 3rd thru October 7th of this year. This year we have the same promoter, "Modern Midway" who was a great hit with every one last year with a larger midway and some new bigger and better rides, also this year again the Troy Shrine Club is sponsoring a Demolition Derby the opening night of our Fair. The ticket price to get in to see this Demolition Derby is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 6 thru 11and can be used to enjoy our Fair after the Derby. Working with our local 4H and FFA clubs we are having a fantastic poultry display on Tuesday night and on Thursday we having the showing and judging of the Pigs, which the members of these two clubs have been working on most of this year. You who have been to our Fair know that we sell armbands for \$20 which allows whoever buys one to ride any or all of the rides all night. This year, with the help of our fair promoter, we are able to presale these armbands at a tremendous savings.

The presale price for an armband is \$15.00 which is good for one night, all night of the Fair; this is a \$5.00 savings. These presale armband coupons are available starting September 16<sup>th</sup> ending October 2nd at:

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Our fair promoter is again offering a 2 for 1 armband ticket which will be good only for Wednesday night's show October 5th. These tickets will be available from the same businesses as above.

In addition, this is a County Fair and with that is something for everyone. We have displays of crafts, paintings, baked, canned goods, etc.

For anyone planning on entering items for judging in the Creative Living Section of our Fair should have their items delivered to the Pike County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 30th, 2015 from 1 to 5 pm and Sunday, October 1st, 2015 from 1 to 5 pm. **No Entries will be accepted after these hours.** Judging will take place October 2nd.

We have a great Cattle barn and each year we look forward to having a great selection of Animals, i.e.; Cattle, Horses, Mules, Pigs, Rabbits Poultry, etc. The rules for this section are the same as the rules for Creative Living section

We have some great entertainment in our pavilion:

**Tuesday Night:** Benton Brothers

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Thursday Night: She Bang Cloggers and the LightHouse String Ensemble Friday Night: Again Johnny Barron and the Waterfall Children Band.

Saturday Night: Perfection and Grace, a big-time band with music for all ages.

All of this entertainment is included in the entry fee of \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6 to 11 with gates opening each night at 6 p.m.

I'm asking you all to put these dates of October 3rd thru October 7th on your calendar and come out and join us at the Pike County Fair. A good time to be had for all ages.

Homer Homann, President, Troy Shrine Club





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#### **DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE**

Wallace Kennedy, Jr.

July 2, 1776 will always be remembered and celebrated in America. The Declaration of Independence was approved on July 4, 1776. Certainly we all can enjoy this political freedom hat came as a sacrifice of wars, conflicts, and the many that



fought and paid the ultimate price for our freedom with their lives. LIBERTY HAS ALWAYS EXACTED A PRICE. That's what the 4th of July is all about; remembering. God bless America!

While many enjoy being physically free in our great nation, there are those that remain imprisoned in their mindset. There is a spiritual prison that houses: unforgiveness, resentment, hate and lack of self-esteem, uncertainties, and insecurities, void and without purpose. Jesus is the answer for human inadequacies!

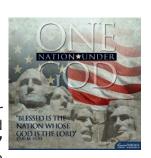
Jesus alone paid the ultimate sacrifice on the cross, so that you and I can be free from sin and death.

John 10:10 lets us know that Jesus came that we may have life (eternal) and live life to the fullest while we remain here on earth.

Although political freedom is a great thing, if we were captured tomorrow and forced to live the rest of our days as slaves we could still know the reality of spiritual freedom in Christ. **John 8:36** says so, if the Son shall set you free, you will be free indeed. It reads in **Galatians 5:1** Stand fast therefore in liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. By the authority of Jesus Christ, I decree a new day of celebration: Declaration of Dependence Day. The spirit of independence that we celebrate was not meant to exclude God! Our nation is steadily moving away from the Lord as is evidenced in recent years. "We are still a nation under God."

Declaration of Dependence, but not in the world, but a dependence on God!
Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord – **Psalm 33:12**You can depend on God as your true source of liberty, courage and spiritual power. **Jeremiah 17:7** says, "But blessed are those who

So, today I am calling for a



trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope and confidence.

So I leave this with today, celebrate the freedom of America, but don't forget to celebrate the freedom that you have as citizen of the kingdom. You are liberated in Christ.

God bless America! God Bless you! Happy 4th of July!



#### BAMBOOZABLE.

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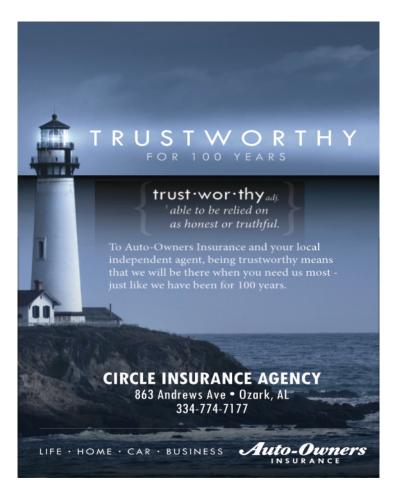


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but many times in the Word of God. He says in John 18; 37... "In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth." He proclaims that he has come to serve as and give evidence of the truth. We hear so much these days about fake news, lies, and deception. Deception takes place because of lack of TRUTH!! As Christians we can be comforted in knowing that we know the Truth. Truth should be capitalized because Truth is a name. Jesus said in John 8; 31-32... "If you continue in My word, you are truly My disciples. 32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." So many times we have tried to free ourselves from the chains that bind us but only the Truth can do that. Sometimes we have tried to put ourselves in a lower category than others and state why we are failing or not as successful than someone else, but truly we were all created equal. We all have the same God given status in Jesus which is declared in Romans 8; 16....The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 17And if we are children, then we are heirs: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ - if indeed we suffer with Him, so that we may also be glorified with Him. This independence day lets declare our dependence on JESUS and hold on to the TRUTH.



Formally known as Dale County Rescue Mission, We are now doing business by the name of Mission Point. The vision remains the same just under new leadership.

Pastor Haley Enfinger is now the new Executive Director/Visionary for the organization. The Dale County Rescue Mission has



been a vital part of the overall ministry in the Dale County area, and we want to remain that way.

We reach out to the hungry, the homeless and those less fortunate to let them know there are caring people willing to help them overcome their suffering. All this we do in the name of Christ. His love brings real hope and light in the midst of darkness. Below is a list of services offered at Mission Point.

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- 2. Families traveling through the area experiencing a mechanical breakdown
- 3. Individual/family has been evicted from a home for various reasons
- (\*These are emergencies and will be resolved in the most efficient way possible).
  - 1. Food Pantry
  - 2. Daily Meals 3 hot meals a day
  - 3. Clothing pantry for needy or burn out
  - 4. Household items for burn out/emergencies only
  - 5. Bus tickets/Auto Fuel for emergencies only
  - 6. Referral programs
  - 7. Thanksgiving/Christmas food boxes

If we can be of service to you, or if you have any questions, please call our office at (334) 774-6553, Monday – Friday or you can reach Pastor Haley Enfinger at 334-790-2726. Mission Point/DCRM does not receive financial assistance from the city, state or federal governments. Mission Point/DCRM is a 501(c)3 Non Profit organization. To Make your donation to Mission point You can donate by Check, Credit Card, Cash or drop off thrift items that can be sold in our three store locations.

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With our steamy July weather now in front of us, here are a few tips to keep your garden happy:

- Keep a light mulch like pine straw, leaves or composted bark chips over your shrubs, plants or veggies to help retain moisture but not so much that air is blocked. Very important: do
- NOT let the mulch cover the trunks of the plants. They need to breathe!
- Windy days dry out plants in pots much faster than plants in the ground. Check for moisture about an inch or so below the surface of the pot. Water if dry. Water in the early morning hours so plants have a chance to dry off during the day.
- Some of the sun-loving plants will appreciate some shade during the hottest hours of the day.
- If you plan to be away for several days, ask a neighbor to trade watering chores and do theirs in return. Or, move your potted plants under the shade of a tree or building.
- Both flowering and non-flowering plants will need a light fertilizer every couple of weeks to keep them healthy. If you keep a compost pile, put a spadeful of well-aged compost in a mesh bag or old sock and soak it in your watering can for a few hours.

  Spray it on the leaves or drench the root area with the compost tea. Your plants will flourish!



1 Use aerated compost tea quickly, preferably within 4 to 6 hours of removing it from the brewer, because it contains living organisms. Once they have consumed all of the food and air available to them in the tea, the organisms will start to die off rapidly, making the tea much less beneficial.

- The next Lunch and Learn class at the Dale County Extension Office will be on July 12, 2017 at 12 noon. Mike Porterfield will discuss "Water Wise with Lawn and Landscape Irrigation".
- •The next Master Gardener class for the Wiregrass area will start on Wed. Aug. 23 at the Extension office in New Brockton. Call (334) 894-5596 for more information.

The Claybank Master Gardners meet every third Thursday at Hoppergrass Restaurant at 11:00. The July meeting will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> and we welcome newcomers! Check us out on our blog at <a href="http:/claybankmastergardeners@blogspot.com">http:/claybankmastergardeners@blogspot.com</a>, or at <a href="Facebook.com/ClaybankMasterGardners">Facebook.com/ClaybankMasterGardners</a> for updates on meetings, classes, workshops, etc. Or, call the Dale County Extension











# CONGRATULATIONS John Stein

of Ozark, Al John Has Won \$100

John found the hidden items in May's edition of Laughs and Lifts and has until June 20th to claim his prize by calling and coming by Laughs and Lifts,
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The items were in:
Flag: Oakview Manor
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Thanks to everyone who entered, and thanks for reading Laughs and Lifts.



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#### GOD SATD NO.

I asked God to take away my pride, And God said, "No."

He said it was not for Him to take

But for me to give up.

I asked God to make my handicapped child whole.

And God said. "No."

He said her spirit is whole.

Her body is only temporary.

I asked God to grant me patience,

And God said, "No."

He said patience is a by-product of tribulation.

It isn't granted, it is earned.

I asked God to give me happiness,

And God said, "No."

He said He gives blessings,

Happiness is up to me.

I asked God to spare me pain,

And God said, "No."

He said, "Suffering draws you apart

Worldly cares and brings you closer to

I asked God to make my spirit grow,

And God said. "No."

He said I must grow on my own,

But he will prune me to make it fruitful.

I asked God if He loved me.

And God said, "Yes."

He gave me His only son, who died for

And I will be in Heaven someday

Because... I believe.

I asked God to help me love others

As much as He loves me.

And God said.

"Ah finally, you have the idea."





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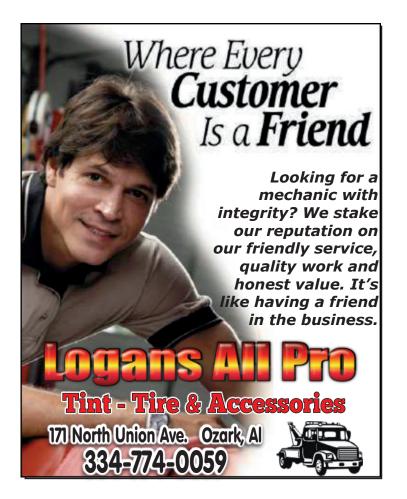
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### Bamboozable Answers

- 1. Low Back Pain
- 2. Shaking All Over
- 3. Short End of the Stick
- 4. Head Over Heels in Love
- 5. Count Down
- 6. Apple Turnover

- 1. He's bigger than life
- 2. Little did I no
- 3. Count your blessings
- 4. I'm in trouble
- 5. Don't bet on it
- 6. Hand it over





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