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**She "Ain't Doin' It!"**

SHEFFIELD – The Helen Keller Hospital Foundation is bringing a familiar face from Facebook and YouTube to the Marriott Shoals Conference Center on Saturday, May 5. **Heather Land**, known for her "I Ain't Doin' It" series of videos, is bringing her comedy and music show to Florence as a fundraiser for the Foundation.

The show will begin at 7:30pm. Tickets are on sale and may be obtained by calling 256-386-4747. Ticket levels are Bronze Level \$30; Silver Priority Seating \$40; Gold VIP Level \$100. The Gold VIP Level includes cocktail tickets, hors d'oeuvres, a meet and greet with Heather Land, and a group photo.

The proceeds from this event will benefit the Pediatric Unit at Helen Keller Hospital. For more information, call 256-386-4747.



**Land**

**Bible Bill to Senate Floor**

MONTGOMERY – A senate bill authorizing public schools to offer an elective examining the Bible and its influence on history, government, law, literature, and culture was approved by the Senate Education and Youth Affairs committee last week.

The legislation was sponsored by Senator **Tim Melson** and would also allow schools to display artifacts, monuments, symbols, and texts related to the course. "The Bible has had an

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than Tuscumbia or Iuka, MS – at least 15 miles away. This weighed heavily on Tracy Wix, the longtime owner and pharmacist at People's Drugs in Cherokee.

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**New Location in Killen**

KILLEN – Officials and board members from Listerhill Credit Union, the Shoals Chamber of Commerce, and other honored guests came together recently for a grand opening ceremony at the site of Listerhill's new branch in Killen.

The credit union opened their new 4,000 square foot financial center on January 8 at the intersection of US 43 and US 72. The renovation of this location completed the process of Listerhill's transfer from their former location just east of there. "The expectations of what a branch is are changing," said Brad Green, President & CEO of Listerhill. "Of utmost concern to



Courtesy Photo

Employees and friends celebrate the recent Grand Opening.

us is the value, the convenience, and the experience that we provide our members. We have made every effort to try to establish the perfect balance between the technology that is offered in this location with the

personal touch." "This office is the culmination of many years of work," said Kristen Mashburn, Chief of Staff-Retail with Listerhill. "This

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**One of Five APT Heroes**

CHEROKEE – Alabama Public Television recognizes five young people from across the state each year with the APT Young Heroes Award. This award is given to students who have excelled in school and their community while overcoming great hardship.

The award includes a \$5,000 scholarship to

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**Benjamin**



**Barker**

**Both Barker and White on Foundation Team**

MUSCLE SHOALS - Former Alabama quarterback, Jay Barker, and former Auburn quarterback, Stan White, will be in the Shoals on April 5 speaking on behalf of the Muscle Shoals Education

Foundation. Harold Bugg from 93.9 The Score's *Boomo Bugg Show* will be sitting down with the two standout quarterbacks. They will share stories from their college days

playing for legendary coaches Pat Dye and Gene Stallings.

Barker led the Crimson Tide to a national championship in 1992.

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**White**

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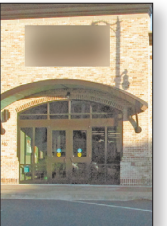
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## Shorts...

### Bible Bill to Senate Floor

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immense impact on every aspect of our culture," Melson said. "It has informed our laws, our literature, and guided many of this nation's greatest leaders. I look forward to Alabama students having the opportunity to examine this transformative book whose impact is realized across the world."

According to the text of Senate Bill 391, the elective course would familiarize students with the contents, history, literary style, and structure of the Bible. It would also teach students about Biblical characters, poetry, and narratives that are useful for understanding history, contemporary society and culture, art, music, social mores, oration, and public policy.

"There is no denying the beneficial impact that the Bible has had on our culture," said Senate Majority Leader **Greg Reed** (R-Jasper). "It is right and good that Alabama students be given the opportunity to study its place in our society's history and way of life."

The bill now heads to the Senate floor for consideration.

### Isbell's Red River Rumble

SHEFFIELD—Registration is underway for the Red Warrior River Rumble on Pickwick Lake on April 14 out of Riverfront Park in Sheffield. The annual bass tournament takes place in memory of Evan Isbell, a member of the Muscle Shoals Trojan Bass Fishing Team.

The tournament features a cash payout and divisions for student anglers, boat captains, and adult anglers. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the **Evan Isbell Scholarship Fund**.

Anglers will fish from 6:30am-2pm. There is a three-bass limit for the student and adult angler divisions and one-fish limit for boat captains.

Rules and entry forms are available online at [FishPickwickLake.com](http://FishPickwickLake.com) or at the Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau office at 719 U.S. Hwy. 72, Tuscumbia. For more details, call the tourism bureau at 256-383-0783.

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To list your sale, fill out the form on page 6.

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**Luncheon at Cloverdale Community Center** Tuesday, March 27 at 11:30am. Program to follow.

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Wednesday, March 28, 2-8pm, Firestone, 393 Denton Circle, Tusculumbia  
Thursday, March 29, 11am - 6pm, Foodland, 994 Cox Creek Parkway, Florence

Friday, March 30, Noon - 7pm, Walmart, 13675 Hwy 43, Russellville

Saturday, March 31, 11am - 7pm, Texas Roadhouse, 307 Cox Creek Parkway, Florence

**Gospel Singing** Friday, March 30 at 7pm at the Cloverdale Community Center. Heavenly Blessed, Jimmy Cox and many others. Come and enjoy good singing, food and fellowship.

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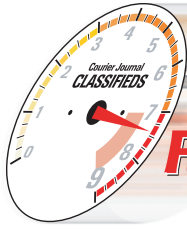
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Denver was diagnosed with lupus when she was in the eighth grade. Lupus is a systemic autoimmune disease that causes a body's immune system to attack its own tissues and organs. Inflammation caused by lupus can affect many different body systems—including joints, kidneys, blood cells, the brain, the heart, and the lungs. In spite of this diagnosis, Denver remained actively involved at her school and excelled in academics, athletics, cheerleading, and multiple extracurricular activities.

In January of her sophomore year, Denver experienced something uncommon for people her age—a stroke. It was a huge setback for such an active young woman. The stroke left her with brain damage that made it look as if she would be unable to resume her previously active interests. She was in the hospital for two weeks and then spent most of the remainder of the school year as a homebound student. Denver had to relearn many abilities and tasks that are often taken for granted like

walking, talking, brushing your teeth, and feeding and bathing yourself. Loss of her short-term memory, loss of her ability to read and retain new information, and the loss of her athletic abilities were new hurdles to overcome.

Denver was determined to overcome the effects of the stroke. As soon as she was able, she began working hard in therapy and carefully following the instructions of her doctors. Slowly, progress was made. By the end of the school year, Denver was able to return to school for a couple of hours each day. She worked hard through the summer and returned to school full-time in the fall.

Back on course, Denver was again playing volleyball, basketball and softball, and cheerleading. She is now a senior at Cherokee High School where she was the captain of the cheerleading squad and the varsity volleyball and softball teams. She is president of the Student Council and of her school's chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Academically Denver is ranked 6th in her senior class of fifty students.

In her nomination of Denver, Cherokee High School guidance counselor Julia Gray wrote, "When I think of Denver, I think of a young person who overcomes. She is someone with a new outlook on life and a new reason to live. She explores her options for the future and takes the necessary steps to reach her goals. Things are still not easy for Denver and probably never will be. However, she will be a success and a productive member of society because she cares enough to give her best."

Denver plans to attend college and to pursue a career as a neonatal nurse.

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White played at Auburn from 1990-1993. He was named team captain on Auburn's undefeated '93 team that went 11-0 and was also named to the Auburn's Team of the Decade for the 1990s. White was signed by NFL's New York Giants as an undrafted free-agent in 1994 and remained with the team until 1997. He returned home to Birmingham in 1998 and currently owns a State Farm Insurance Agency. He serves as the color analyst for the Tiger's football games and co-hosts a daily radio show with Eli Gold on 107.5 The Ticket.

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## Piggly Wiggly...

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"We learned a new term with this event when we became labeled a Food Desert," Wix said. "This just means that our community did not have access to fresh foods."

That inconvenience will soon be a distant memory.

"After much prayer, I contacted the former (Piggly Wiggly) owner to make an offer on his store, Wix added. "Once I met with the people of the Piggly Wiggly company, I felt this was something I needed to do. They have been amazingly helpful through every step of this process."

Wix has purchased and with a lot of help has spent the last couple of months cleaning up and renovated the property and stocking the store. The new Peoples Piggly Wiggly grocery and hardware opens March 28. Their opening ad is in this issue.

Store hours are 7am-8pm Monday-Saturday and 10am-6pm on Sunday. The store will be open every day except Easter and Christmas. However, this year because it has just opened, the store will be open 10am-6pm Easter Sunday.

People's Piggly Wiggly in Cherokee joins the extensive list of regular grocery advertisers in the *Courier Journal*. Those include Foodland and Foodland Plus stores, Wilson's Food Center, Central Piggly Wiggly, Hometown Market, Food Outlet, and Big Star stores. Aldi and Publix also advertise in the *Courier Journal* weekly with free standing inserts.

## Killen...

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is an example of what we can do when we strive to exceed expectations."

Mashburn said that the branch introduces a new concept of Listerhill's enhanced retail model. This includes an open floor plan and employees able to assist members with any of their financial needs. The branch also includes a tubeless drive-thru area with new ATMs that allow members to make deposits, payments, or withdrawals anytime even without an ATM card.

Members can even grab a cup of freshly-ground coffee while children have access to iPads in the member waiting area of the branch, which also features a community wall that allows members to see the local impact of Listerhill's footprint.

"We've already seen a positive shift in our members' adoption of the Killen branch and its resources," added Mashburn. "There's true excitement here that will help serve as a springboard for our future growth."

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If you are wondering why that particular date, this year's tax-filing deadline is April 17th. So make sure your file your 2017 tax return or extension on or prior to then as well.

An IRA is designed to enable employees and the self-employed to save for retirement. Most taxpayers who work are eligible to start a traditional or Roth IRA or add money to an existing account.

Contributions to a traditional IRA are often tax deductible, but the distributions are generally taxable. Contributions to a Roth IRA are not deductible, but the qualified distributions are tax-free. To count for a 2017 tax return, contributions must be made by April 17, 2018. In addition, low- and moderate-income taxpayers making these contributions may also qualify for the Retirement Savings Contribution Credit a/k/a "Saver's Credit". You're eligible for the credit if you're:

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You or your tax preparer will need to use IRS Form 8880 to take the "Saver's Credit". The amount of the credit is 50%, 20% or 10% of your retirement plan or IRA contributions up to \$2,000 (\$4,000 if married filing jointly), depending on your adjusted gross income. The Saver's Credit is often available to IRA contributors whose adjusted gross income falls below certain levels. Eligible taxpayers get the credit even if they qualify for other retirement-related tax benefits. Like other tax credits, the Saver's Credit can increase a taxpayer's refund or reduce the taxes they owe. The amount of the credit is based on several factors, including the amount contributed to either a Roth or traditional IRA and other qualifying retirement programs.

Generally, eligible taxpayers can contribute up to \$5,500 to an IRA. For someone who was 50 years of age or older at the end of 2017, the limit is increased to \$6,500. The same general contribution limit applies to both Roth and traditional IRAs. However, a Roth IRA contribution might be limited based on filing status and income. An individual can't make regular contributions to a traditional IRA in the year they reach 70½ and older. However, they can still contribute to a Roth IRA and make rollover contributions to a Roth or traditional IRA regardless of age.

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**Dreams For the Cook-Off**

TUSCUMBIA—The Alabama Wildlife Federation (AWF) Quad Cities Wild Game Cook-Off was on fire with thirty-one cook teams and over 400 members and guests in attendance at the Longhorn Arena in Tuscumbia.  
**Best Overall:** Dream Catchers captured the top prize with their delicious You Turkey. The team consisted of Anita Cummings, Mandy Borden, Kris Raley and Beth Raley. They will take part in the state finals cookoff this summer held at Lanark in Millbrook to compete for the title of AWF 2018 Wild Game Cook-Off State Champion.  
**Fish Division:** First Place – Bama Girls consisting of Amber Wynn cooking Crabby Mushrooms; Second Place – Lumbee Smokers consisting of Bracy Cummings Jr., Bracy Cummings Sr., Tim Borden and Derrick Cummings cooking Chief's Shrimp and Grits; Third Place – Dream Catchers consisting of Anita Cummings, Mandy Borden, Kris Raley and Beth Raley cooking White Fish and Rum.  
**Fowl Division:** First Place – Dream Catchers consisting of Anita Cummings, Mandy Borden, Kris Raley and Beth Raley cooking You Turkey  
Second Place – Happy Hollow Smokers consisting of Randle Austin and Jeff Talbot cooking Quail;

Third Place – Big River consisting of Jon Phillips, Jeff Talbot, Cheryl Thompson and Johnny Grissom cooking Snow Goose.

**Game Division:** First Place – Hog Heaven consisting of Jody Wynn cooking Deer Roll-Ups; Second Place – Hobo Jungle consisting of Lori Peden, Terry Pace and Gerald Aker cooking Stuffed Backstrap; Third Place – Suttons Deer Processing consisting of Jimmy Sutton, Deborah Sutton, Tiffany Sutton, Kimberly Sutton, Janice Sutton, James Haley and Beth Haley cooking Deer Drops.

**Youth Division:** First Place – Kbeeqe Jr. consisting of Michelle Merchant, Kinuud Merchant, Wendy and Debbie cooking Deer Pizza I'm Bored;

Second Place – Jr. Rib Ticklers consisting of Murrell Frazier, Arianna Frazier, Coral Frazier and Shelby Frazier cooking Mummy Tasty Salmon; Third Place – Barrier Brothers Sausages consisting of Jeremy Barrier, Will Barrier and Evan Barrier cooking Wild Log Sausage.

**Pot Luck Division:** First Place – Two Deer Heads cooking Elk Taco Soup; Second Place – Momma Hog cooking St Paddy's Deer Ol Cabbage.

The Best Presentation went to Big River.

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2003 Chevrolet TrailBlazer	1GNET16S036184800	33BP195	White	Hwy. 43
2003 Ford Focus	3FAFP373X3R192206		Gray	Wilson Dam Rd.
2002 Lincoln Town Car	1LNHM81W02Y616483	41DP573	Black	Muscle Shoals Police Dept.
2002 Nissan Sentra	3N1AB51D12L702642	5179AH9	Red	T & K Auto
2008 Ford F150 Pickup	1FTPW12V48FB06696	V6551C	Gray	T & K Auto
2008 Honda Civic	2HGFP15598H513189	8119ATO	White	Hillcrest Motel
2002 Ford Mustang	1FAFP40492F1933447	TN M28-96Y	White	Ashe Blvd.
Coachman 5th Wheel Camper			White	Avalon Ave.
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2008 Volvo S40	YV1MS382282377572	HON005	Red	T & K Auto
2006 Nissan Altima	1N4AL11D16C263615	BMB500	Gray	T & K Auto
1997 Geo Metro	2C1MR2297V6743359	9649AY3	Red	17th & 18th
1999 Chrysler Sebring	3C3EL45H7XT610532	BB37548	Red	Pepi Dr.
2004 KIA Spectra	KNAFE121345039551	42AW535	Blue	22790 Hwy. 157
2002 Nissan Sentra	3N1AB51DX2L705233	8942AV7	Black	Cox. Blvd.
2006 Ford Explorer	1FMEU63E46UA59926	20AB905	Red	T & K Auto
2004 Jeep Liberty	1J4GL48K74W275767	41B21R1	Blue	Woodward Ave.

**The Blame Game**

We live in a world where many folks do not want to take responsibility for their actions. Often they want to pin their misdoings on someone or something else. Here is a little story that makes this point well.

A minor league baseball coach was busy working with his team during spring training when he received a message from the head office. That day a new player would be arriving who was going to be a superstar and they wanted him to get a lot of playing time. The team was playing a practice game the next day, so the coach put him in the lineup to play left field.

In the first inning the opposing team had runners on base with two outs. The next batter hit a lazy fly ball to left field that should have been easily caught for the third out. Instead, the new prospect missed it! The ball hit him on the head and went past him allowing the runners to score. When the inning was over the coach tried to encourage the young player by saying, "That alright son, a mistake like that could have happened to anybody."

The next inning brought the same scenario - runners on base with two outs. Then an easily catchable ball was hit to left field. Once again the ball was missed by the new prospect, hitting him on the head and two more runs scored. When he returned to the dugout the coach said, "That's alright son. It could have happened to anybody. However, I am going to play left field next inning. You watch me and I will show you how it is done."

As you might guess, the next inning the opposing team had runners on base with two outs. The next batter hits a soft fly ball to the coach. He missed it! The ball hit him on the head and went past allowing all the runners to score. When he returned to the dugout he told the young player, "Boy, you've got left field so messed up, can't anybody play it!"

It seems to have been human nature from the beginning to blame our mistakes on someone else (cf. Genesis 3:11f). However, human nature is not always a Godly trait. God holds us accountable for our own actions (Ezekiel 18:20). It is only when we come clean and "confess our faults" that God is willing to "cleanse" us of our wrongdoings (cf. 1 John 1:9).

So, do you take responsibility for your own actions? Or do you tend to blame someone or something else? Be advised, those that play the "Blame Game," never win!

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**Commentary**

# Emphasis Varies for Our Easters

**E**aster Sunday can mean different things to each of us. It is the unofficial and welcome advent of Spring, an occasion to pet cute bunny rabbits, take part in an egg hunt, or to reflect on the Christ the Savior more deeply than at other times of the year.

A fifteen-second television commercial that I saw recently for Burlington featured the James family gathered together like they were taking a family photo...

The dialog starts like this:

Mother: "Easter is our favorite time of year. We get dressed-up: . . ." Then the Middle child chimes in with an enthusiastic, "We go to church."

Mother, smiling: "Where do we get our clothes?" and the entire family blurts out, "Burlington!"

It was somewhat surprising to hear the reference to church, because we don't routinely hear religious references on national commercials any more. It was sobering because many of us need that reminder that a special day is coming up which deserves our consideration.

Although the enthusiastic remark by the child is part of a marketing script and a fictional family, it is chilling to realize the accuracy of his portrayal. Many of the adults who now make a special effort to attend Easter services with their

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**In A Few Words**



**TOM MAGAZZU**  
Editor

# Courier Journal

# in the Shoals

March 28, 2018

# THIS WEEK

## Crappie into Cash

Fishing Out of Riverfront Park Saturday

**SHEFFIELD**—Local anglers can turn their ability to catch crappie from Pickwick and Wilson lakes into cash and prizes this weekend.

A Crappie USA fishing tournament on the lakes Saturday, March 31 is open to local anglers. Crappie anglers from throughout the South

and Midwest will compete. Weigh-in for the tournament sponsored by Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau begins at 3pm at Riverfront Park on Alabama Avenue in Sheffield.



March 31



**See CRAPPIE... on Page 33**

## LeBlanc at the Shoals

**FLORENCE**— The Shoals Theatre in downtown Florence welcomes James Leblanc to the stage on Friday, March 30!

Leblanc's extensive history of song-writing credits for

major artists exceeds 25 million units sold. The list includes Randy

**See LEBLANC... on Page 36**

## Egg Hunt Fun Day with Crossroads

**FLORENCE**— Crossroads Community Outreach will host its Annual Egg Hunt Fun Day on Saturday, March 31 from 2-5pm. The event will take place at Lewis Field in Florence. Scheduled activities include an Egg hunt, bounce houses, games, food and prizes. This event is open to children of all ages.

For more information about

the event or to volunteer at Crossroads Community Outreach, call Kimberly Jackson at 256-284-2218, visit [crossroadsco.org](http://crossroadsco.org) or Facebook at Crossroads Community Outreach.

March 31

Crossroads Community Outreach is a 501(c) 3 non-profit

organization with a ten-member board. The organization will create and direct services as needed with regard to advocacy, mentoring, case management, and emergency non-traditional services.



**Happening THIS WEEK**

**THE 5TH ANNUAL CAR & TRUCK SHOW** at Washington Park Baptist Church takes place March 31 at 201 N.E. Broadway Avenue in Muscle Shoals behind Bragwell's Tire Alignment on 2nd Street. Registration is 8am-noon, \$20 donation. Dash plaques for the first 100 entries. There will be door prizes, cash prizes, swap meet, fellowship, hamburgers & hot dogs, food, and lots of fun. For more information, please call Terry Bacon 256-702-0154, Ronnie James 256-381-3536, Larry Ticer 256-762-4906, or Shane Burney 256-762-1092. All proceeds go to the Guatemala Missions fund at Washington Park.

**THE FLORENCE ROAD RUNNERS YOUTH RUNNING CLUB**—Florence Parks and Recreation Department is taking Registration for Florence Road Runners a running program that trains ages 8-13 to run a 5k. The program begins April 2 and meets for six weeks on Monday and Wednesday, 4-5pm. The session ends with a 5K run on May 12. Registration is \$35. If pre-registered by April 1, the additional \$20 for the 5K registration will be waived. For Information, Call Broadway Rec Center at 256-760-6418.

**THE SPRING GOSPEL MEETING** at Valdosta Church of Christ takes place April 1-5. Sunday services include 9:30am Bible Class, 10:30am Worship, and 5pm Worship. Monday-Thursday services are at 7pm nightly. The speaker is Mel Futrell from Birmingham, Alabama. The 26th Annual Gospel Singing at Valdosta will also take place Sunday, April 1 at 2pm. Everyone is welcome at each service. Valdosta is located at 1119 Old Lee Hwy in Tuscumbia. [www.valdostaccoc.com](http://www.valdostaccoc.com). 256-381-0331

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## Science and Religion

Editor:

There have been letters to the editor recently that have addressed the issues surrounding gender, transgender, and the law of God and of nature, as in "trying to change the gender is against the law of God and the law of nature."

It seems axiomatic that a God that can create a universe filled with billions upon billions of worlds is a God that cannot be defined by one book or one religion. A little humility is called for when making statements about what laws God has designed for our vast universe.

Science addresses the world of matter through theory and experimentation. Religion addresses spiritual reality beyond this world of matter. Confounding the two is always a mistake. Whether we are concerned with an issue of gender, or one of climate change, or any of the other apparently hot button issues of the culture wars, it is useful to keep the distinction in mind. Religion cannot replace science as

a way to understand the physical world. Science cannot replace religion as a way of understanding the ultimate spiritual issues confronting humanity.

Anyone interested in investigating good science on the issue of gender should read, *The Gene* by Siddhartha Mukherjee, the Pulitzer Prize-winning, bestselling author of *The Emperor of All Maladies*—a magnificent history of the gene and a response to the defining question of the future: What becomes of being human when we learn to read and write our own genetic information?

Jacqueline Osborne  
Florence

## The Pay is Appropriate

Editor:

The letter in the Courier Journal, March 7, "A Look at Teacher Pay," by James W. Anderson, does not look at the full picture.

**See LETTERS... on Page 29**

Jessie Owens was an Olympic runner who won four gold medals in the 1936 Olympics. The Jessie Owens Museum is less than 50 miles away.





# April 2018

## Helen Keller Hospital

**Sunday**

**1**



**Thurs. & Fri. 5 & 6**

**ACLS Provider Classes**

Call **256-386-4030** for class information or to register.

**Friday**

**6**

**Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar Screenings**

**8-11:30am • Main Lobby**

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**Monday**

**9**

**Childbirth Classes**

**6-9pm in the Education Dept. - Basement of the Hospital**

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Other classes on April 10 & 19

**Wednesday**

**11**

**Diabetes Self Management Education**

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**Thursday**

**19**

**ACLS Renewal Education**

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**Thursday**

**19**

**Breastfeeding and Baby Basics Class**

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**Friday**

**20**

**American Heart Association BLS/CPR for Healthcare Providers**

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**Saturday**

**21**

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**Saturday**

**21**

**Sibling Class**

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**Tuesday**

**24**

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# Taking Care of the Roots

I heard a story recently about a large oak tree out in a field. Under that tree was a hog. He was eating the acorns that had fallen from the tree. The hog was rooting and digging as he was devouring those acorns. Because he was being so rough, the roots of the tree were being torn from the ground. A crow landed on the limb of the tree and shouted down to the hog, "Hey Mr. Hog, you are killing this oak tree". To which the hog exclaimed, "I don't care about oak trees, I only care about acorns".

Not all taking or giving. Roots and fruits are both important. There is a need to stop and measure our efforts. Look for balance. How long could a person live if they only breathed in or only breathed out? Just as we must inhale and exhale to survive, we must have some give and take in our lives.



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The key to a happy/healthy tree is for us to take care to protect the roots so that we might always enjoy the fruits. Look at your

life's tree. Does it need some attention? Think of every part of that tree - family, friends, faith, work, leisure, the list can and does go on. Give attention to every part. To neglect one part is to do harm to your tree's roots.

Life is too short to leave out the good parts. It is not too late to give attention to the roots. Slow down your acorn chomping and notice the tree.

Isn't that a foolish position to hold? You and I both know that unless we protect the roots of the tree, we will never enjoy the fruits of the tree. However, how many times in life have we looked up to realize that we were so busy going after the acorns of life that we hurt the roots? Have you ever been so absorbed in work, a hobby or a pursuit that you neglected something or someone important? Has your attention ever been so fully focused on something that you lost sight of what was most deserving of your attention?

We thought the hog's statement was foolish but, have we been just as guilty? Life lived to its fullest is about balance. Not all work or play.

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Hayes started 54 consecutive games at tight end for Bobby Wallace's Lions and was a part of UNA's three consecutive NCAA Division II National Championships in 1993-94-95. He was drafted by the Arizona Cardinals in the NFL and played for the Cardinals from 1996-1998. Hayes was inducted into the UNA Athletics Hall of Fame in 2007. In 2008, Hayes was inducted into the Colbert County Sports Hall of Fame.

Andy Martin graduated from Muscle Shoals in 1980 and was considered one of the top 25 quarterbacks in the country and one of Alabama's top 10 most wanted high school players. Martin was one of the most versatile athletes in the school's history. He was

named first team All-State quarterback and second team All-State linebacker.

He led the Trojans to the school's first 9-win season with a 9-1 record. He was selected to play in the AHSAA All-Star game. He was recruited to play for the legendary Bear Bryant at Alabama but had his career cut short by a shoulder injury. He later transferred to UNA and received his B.S. degree in marketing.

Derrick Peters graduated from Muscle Shoals in 1989 and became one of the school's most celebrated basketball stars. He led the Trojans to the Final Four as a player and because of his leadership abilities was dubbed a "coach" on the floor. Peters received All-State honors and was named honorable mention on the McDonald's All-American team.

Peters signed to play for William and Mary where he was a four-year letterman and two-time Colonial Athletic Association Defensive Player of the Year. He averaged 18.2 points per game for William and Mary.

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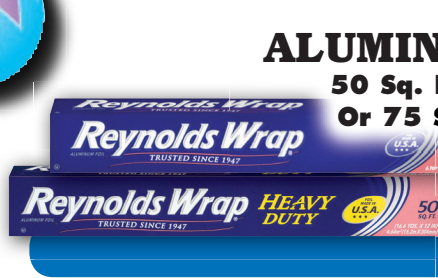
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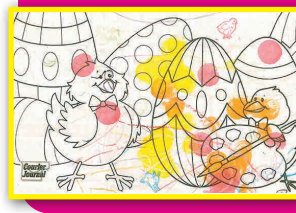
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# Medicare Minute

## "Mail, Calls and Door Knocking 2"

Last week we began discussing ways that agents and companies market Medicare plans to people turning 65. We discussed the phone calls you may receive and the possibility of someone showing up unannounced at your door. This week we will look at online marketing and direct mail.

**Direct mail** - This is the most common way companies market their plans. When you are within 6 months of turning 65 a company will purchase a mailing list with your name and address on it. Most companies will start sending mail 6 months prior to the month you turn 65. This is because you are eligible to purchase a Medicare supplement any time during that 6 month period. In most cases direct mail is designed to initiate a response on your part. That response is to call a toll free number. You may be calling to get information but usually are connected to a sales person. If you do respond to direct mail, our advice is to never give the agent on the line your social security number until you are ready to buy. This should protect you against unknowingly signing up for a plan.

**Online marketing** - Occasionally we will have someone stop by our office that has gone online to research Medicare plans. Most online marketing companies will ask you to provide your phone number and/or email address to get pricing information. Once you enter this information you will immediately begin getting phone calls. This is because when you hit "send" that information goes out to 10 or more agents who have bought that lead. All the agents will begin reaching out to you within minutes.

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Exhausted Daughter

Dear Exhausted,

Choosing a good memory care residential unit for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease is a very important decision that requires careful evaluation and some homework.

Most memory care units, sometimes called special care units, are housed within assisted living or nursing home facilities. At their best, they offer staff extensively trained in caring for people with dementia, individualized care that minimizes the use of dangerous psychotropic drugs, a home-like environment and activities that improve residents quality of life. But at their worst, they can offer little more than a locked door. Here are some steps that can help you find a good facility and avoid a bad one.

**Make a list:** To identify some good memory care residential units in your area ask your mom's doctor for a referral, and use the Alzheimer's Association online tool at [CommunityResourceFinder.org](http://CommunityResourceFinder.org). Make sure the facilities on your list are close to family members and friends who can visit often, because residents with frequent visitors usually get better care.

**Research your options:** Once you've made a list, contact your local long-term care ombudsman (see [LTCombudsmen.org](http://LTCombudsmen.org)). This is a government official who investigates assisted living and nursing home complaints and can tell you which facilities have had problems in the past.

If you're looking at a memory care unit within a nursing home facility, use Medicare's nursing home compare tool ([Medicare.gov/nursinghomecompare](http://Medicare.gov/nursinghomecompare)), which provides a 5-star rating system.

**Call the facilities:** Once you've identified a few facilities, call them to find out if they have any vacancies, if they provide the types of services your mother needs, what they charge and if they accept Medicaid.

**Tour your top choices:** During your tour, notice the cleanliness and smell of the facility. Is it homey and inviting? Does the staff seem responsive and kind to its residents? Also be sure to taste the food, and talk to the current resident's family members, if available.

Also, find out about staff screening and training procedures, their turnover rate, and the staff-to-resident ratio. They should have at least one staff member for every five residents.

Make sure the facility offers quality activities that can keep your mom engaged, even at night when she may be awake. Ask how they respond to residents who may wander or become aggressive. If the answer is locked doors and antipsychotic drugs, that's a red flag.

Because transitions can be unsettling for dementia suffers, make sure that your mom will be able to remain at the facility for the foreseeable future. And find out what, if any, health conditions might require your mom to leave the facility or move to a higher and more expensive level of care.

It's also a good idea to make multiple visits to the facility including an unscheduled visit at night or on weekends when the staff is more likely to be stretched thin.

To help you evaluate your visit, the Alzheimer's Association offers a checklist that you can access at [ALZ.org/residentialfacilities](http://ALZ.org/residentialfacilities).

**Paying for care:** The national average costs for memory care within an assisted living facility is over \$5,000 per month, and over \$7,500/month for nursing home care, but costs can vary widely depending on your location. Since Medicare does not cover long-term care, most residents pay for care from either personal savings, a long-term care insurance policy, or through Medicaid (if available) once their savings are depleted.

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**Answers On Page 38**

**CONNECT THE DOTS** and find out what soft-drink prizefighters like best!

**LINK-UPS!** Here's a list of 12 small words that are divided into two columns. Turn them into six longer words by linking them together. To do this, draw a line from a word in the left column to a word in the right column.

1. ACRE	PING
2. CAR	ALLY
3. BROW	DISH
4. DELI	AGE
5. GLOB	VERY
6. BRAN	SING

**Weather Report!**  
Below are 12 words you might use year-round when talking about the weather. Use these words to complete the puzzle grid above. Use the trial-and-error method; erasers are optional.

4-letter words	5-letter words
ARID	FROST
BLEW	FROZE
BURN	MOIST
GALE	RAINS
MIST	SHADE
	SWEAT
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# Community Notes...

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**Florence Kiwanis Club Meets** Fridays noon at Marriott Shoals Conference Center, 10 Hightower Place, Florence  
March Speakers

March 30 - Matt Pezzata, Manager, Publix Grocery Store - Discussion on changes in the Grocery Industry.

**Florence Parks & Recreation - The Club (Florence Senior Center) would like wish everyone a happy new year!**

Joint in Motion, M,W, F 8:45am, Games 9:30-5pm each day, Social Dance Tuesday nights 6:30-9pm, Square Dance Friday 6:30-9pm, Knitting, Crochet, Games, Art Classes, BINGO. Hours Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. You are welcomed to come join us.

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**A grief support group entitled, "Getting Well Together"** will meet at Shoney's in Muscle Shoals at 10am on the second Thursday of each month. This free support group is for anyone who would like to attend. This event is provided by Kindred Hospice of Florence. For more information, call 256-764-0873.

**Hospice is looking for Volunteers** and donations for Hospice Promise Foundation. Contact Barbie Johnson, Volunteer Coordinator, 256-314-1204.

**Actors ages 16 and up are invited to audition for "Spamalot"**, a musical retelling of Monty Pythons Quest for the Holy Grail. Spamalot will be performed at The Z on June 23-24 and 28-30. Martin Dean will be directing. Auditions will take place at The Z, 416 N. Court St., Florence on March 29 at 6pm, and March 31 at 10am.

Actors will be expected to do a cold read, and have 1 minute of a Broadway song prepared. Music can be on CD or on your phone. There will be a simple dance step taught, as well. Please wear comfortable clothes and be prepared to move and interact with other actors.

Please have a head shot or other photograph available to be attached to your audition sheet.

For additional information, please visit the event page at <https://goo.gl/hxYPEL>. Please direct any questions to The Z at 256-768-5586.

**Line Dance Lessons**-Florence Parks and Recreation Department is taking registration for Beginner Line Dance Class. Fun and easy to learn dances! Class starts April 5th and meets on Thursday, 6:30-7:30pm for 5 weeks at Broadway Recreation Center. Fee is \$25 by March 30. Late Registration is \$35. For information, call Broadway Rec Center-256-760-6418 or Jan Ownby-256-627-0052.

**Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church History Committee is currently selling their 200th Anniversary History Publication.** Please contact a History Committee member (Faye Abramson, Allison Delbert, Patricia Haddock, Melinda Hargett, Joe Riddle, Milly Wright and Doris Whisenant) or call the church office 256-767-0017. Publications are \$10. All proceeds will benefit the activities and complication of our church history.

**Women's Work Mission Program. INSIDE yard sale.** Large variety of items. Saturday, March 31, 7am until 1pm. First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 2422 Darby Drive, Florence

**5th Annual Car & Truck Show** - March 31 at 201 N.E. Broadway Ave., Muscle Shoals (behind Bragwell's Tire Alignment on 2nd Street). Registration 8am-Noon, \$20 donation. Dash plaques for the first 100 entries. Door prizes, cash prizes, swap meet, fellowship, hamburgers & hot dogs, food and fun.

For more information, please call Terry Bacon 256-702-0154, Ronnie James 256-381-3536, Larry Ticer 256-762-4906, or Shane Burney 256-762-1092.

Rain date - April 21. All proceeds go to our Guatemala Missions! Washington Park Baptist Church.

**Shoals area youths have an opportunity to fish for trophies and other prizes** along with a chance to win a college scholarship.

A Crappie Kids Fishing Rodeo for children 12 and younger is from 9-11am Saturday, March 31 at Riverfront Park in Sheffield. Registration will begin at 8am. There is no charge to enter. The children can use live bait and fish for all species of fish. Children must be accompanied by an adult and have their own fishing tackle. The fishing rodeo is sponsored by Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau, The City of Sheffield and Sheffield Parks and Recreation Department. For more details call Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau at 256-383-0783.

**Omega Psi Phi Scholarship event** that was scheduled for March 10 has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 28th at the Guillot Center at 7pm.

**Valley Grove Baptist Church Easter Celebration** March 31 from 10am-noon. 3040 Old Highway 20 in Tuscumbia

**Crossroads Community Outreach will host its Annual Egg Hunt Fun Day** on Saturday, March 31 from 2-5pm at Lewis Field in Florence. Scheduled activities include: an Egg hunt, bounce houses, games, food, and prizes. This event is open to children of all ages.

For more information, about the event, to volunteer or Crossroads Community Outreach, call Kimberly Jackson at 256-284-2218, visit [crossroadsco.org](http://crossroadsco.org) or Facebook at Crossroads Community Outreach.

Crossroad Community Outreach is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization that's provides the community with advocacy, mentoring, case management, and emergency non-traditional services.

**Fairview Freewill Baptist Church at 1015 Fairview Church Rd in Iron City, TN will be selling Pork Plates and Sandwiches** to raise money for the Fairview Youth Group, March 31, starting at 11am. \$9 each. Plates include: Pork, baked beans, potato salad,slaw,rolls or buns,dessert and drink. Plates and Sandwiches will be available for carry out or eat in. ALSO: Egg hunt starts at 2pm for children.

For more information, contact Robert Dixon 931-724-9323 or Nancy Johnson 256-367-4159

**Easter Play - Meet Jesus at the Crossroads Church**, 7210 Co. Rd. 7, Florence, March 31 at 5pm.

**5th Saturday Night Singing** at 2nd Baptist Church Sheffield, Corner of 5th and Frankfort, on Saturday, March 31, 6pm. Featuring The Christianaire Trio.

Roger Lovelady, Pastor. Everyone welcome.

**Spring Gospel Meeting** at Valdosta Church of Christ, April 1-5. Sunday 9:30am Bible Class, Sunday Worship 10:30am & 5pm, Sunday 26th Annual Gospel Singing at 2pm, Monday-Thursday 7pm Nightly. The speaker is Mel Futrell from Birmingham, AL

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**Through a partnership with the Colbert County Juvenile Court and the Colbert County Children's Policy Council**, the Character in Action (CIA) program was introduced at the beginning of this school year. Participation, nominations, and support for the first semester awards were overwhelming. Deadline for second semester nominations is April 20. The second semester awards ceremony will be May 2 at 4pm in Judge Coker's Court Room at the Colbert County Court House.

CIA was established to encourage students in grades 1-12 to practice good character. Those who excel will deservedly be recognized by the Juvenile Court and the Criminal Justice System. Teachers and school staff are urged to nominate students who exhibit good character. Every student who is nominated will receive a Character In Action certificate. Three students from each of the four public school systems in Colbert County will be selected to represent all of those nominated for displaying good character. For more information, email [colbertcpc@gmail.com](mailto:colbertcpc@gmail.com).

**Spring Revival at Leighton Baptist Church**, 2630 College St., Leighton, April 1-4. Bro. Bob Pitman will be our guest speaker. Sunday Morning at 10am, Sunday evening at 6pm, and Monday-Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm. Bro. Mark Mayfield, Pastor.

**Florence Road Runners Youth Running Club-Florence Parks and Recreation Department is taking Registration for Florence Road Runners** a running program that trains ages 8-13 to run a 5k. The program begins April 2 and meets for 6 weeks on Monday and Wednesday, 4-5pm. The session ends with a 5K run on May 12. Registration is \$35. If pre-registered by April 1 the additional \$20 for the 5K registration will be waived. For Information Call Broadway Recreation Center 256-760-6418.

**The "Hi Neighbors of the Shoals" meeting** will be Tuesday, April 3 at 10am at the Florence Public Library.

This group welcomes all newcomers to the Shoals area. Contact Janice Hilborn, 256-415-8512 for further information.

# DAVE Says

by DAVE RAMSEY

## TWO EXTREMES

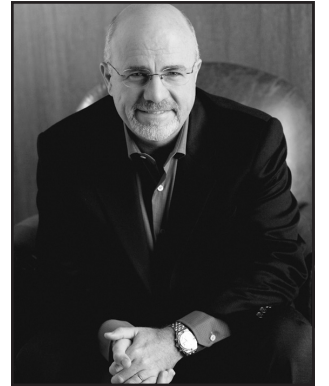
Dear Dave,  
I'm about to graduate from college, and while I've been in school my mom has been handling most of my finances. Recently, I discovered she's been taking my student loan money and spending it on herself. So far, it looks like she's taken around \$12,000, and I have a total of \$25,000 in student loan debt. Since I realized this was happening, I've been reading your books and learning how to manage my own money. I don't know how to deal with this situation with her, though. She admits she did wrong, but says she can't pay it back. Can you help?

Alan

Dear Alan,  
I hate hearing this. There's no easy way to deal with these kinds of situations.

The first thing you need to do is take over complete and total control of all your finances. Shut down any accounts that have her name on them, and anything else financially-related that she can access. I know this sounds harsh, but she has proven she's just not trustworthy. It's a hard thing to hear about a parent, but at this point you've got to take steps to protect yourself. What she has been doing is theft, and financial child abuse.

One extreme is to press criminal charges. The other extreme is to just forget it, and pay it. In between is a promise from her to repay everything she has taken, but she's already out of control. That's a promise that wouldn't be kept. The problem with prosecuting



someone criminally for this type of action — other than the emotional toll, because she's your mom — is the money's already gone. It's doesn't make them magically have the money to repay you. On top of all this, you'd have a really hard time legally getting the student loans removed from your name due to theft.

Honestly, under the circumstances I think you're probably going to end up eating this. But sit down, and try to have a calm, clear discussion about what has happened, and why it happened. Let her know first, without a doubt, that you will criminally prosecute her if she ever uses your name to put money into her own pocket again. Second, tell her you're prepared to forgive her and forget about it — and she pays you back at some point, if she can — if she agrees to get some financial and emotional counseling.

Try to get her some help, and get her under control, Alan. If you don't, I'm afraid things are only going downhill from here.

—Dave

\* Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including *The Total Money Makeover*. *The Dave Ramsey Show* is heard by more than 13 million listeners each week on 585 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at [daveramsey.com](http://daveramsey.com) and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

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Typical peers will be determined through a drawing process. The drawing will be held the first week of May, 2018. Names not drawn will be placed on a waiting list. Three-year-olds will go two days per week (Tuesdays and Thursdays), and Four-year-olds will go three days per week (Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays). **Applications will be available at [www.lcschools.org](http://www.lcschools.org).** All typically developing peers must go through the application process to attend the TOPS Preschool Program.

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# Letters...

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Cost of living justifies what each state pays its teachers. Alabama has a lower cost of living and \$49,120 is a good salary. New York teachers are paid \$77,300, but New York has a very high cost of living. Alabama has great and wonderful teachers. I don't think that they will move to New York.

**Buddy Mauldin**  
Muscle Shoals

## Phenomenal BH Programs

Editor:

Leaders take charge and move forward with ease.

The local 2018 Black History Programs were phenomenal. Outstanding leaders throughout Lauderdale, Colbert, and Franklin counties helped organize, participated in, and encouraged others to gather historical facts concerning Black History. The U. S. Government officially acknowledged Black History Month in 1976. However, Carter G. Woodson, a writer and historian, began Negro History Week in 1926.

The month of February is used to remember contributions and achievements of African Americans. Jessie Owens was an Olympic runner who won four gold medals in the 1936 Olympics. The Jessie Owens Museum is less than fifty miles away. Many of us participate in the W. C. Handy Festival activities. W. C. Handy is known for his Jazz music. Last year we saw the movie, Hidden Figures, that told the story of black women leading the way at NASA. This year we can be entertained by the movie Black Panther. Young black children will now seek to study science, technology,

engineering, and math as they enter college.

The Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast, hosted by the men of Alpha Phi Alpha, Nu Lambda Chapter, continues to lead the way.

Retired Col. Arthur Graves addressed a group of churchgoers and gave them the history of where the black church had its beginning in Tuscumbia. He spoke about the cotton gin and African Americans prayed and sang as they gathered to worship on Sunday. I was so blessed to attend a stage play at the Colbert County High School that recognized Blacks and their accomplishments. "That was Then...This is Now" was written by Mrs. Juanica Baugh.

The students were eager to portray characters such as Roberta Flack, Nina Simone, Isaiah Thomas, and Countee Cullen to name a few. The next scene after intermission was, "Visit the Essence of History: Past, Present, and Future." The students presented poetry, danced, and did a step team performance to make our history come alive. One of my speeches was, "We Have Come this far by Faith." I never knew I would be selected to do some Black History speaking. My late husband, Rev. C. D. Hamilton, was a pastor, teacher, and historian. He attended Selma University in Selma, Alabama. While in Selma he walked with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and was in the midst of the civil rights struggle. After returning home from Selma, Rev. Hamilton attended Florence State Teachers College and graduated with a degree in Political Science in 1972. I learned to love history from him and was honored to present some historical facts.

In carrying his legacy forward, I have established the Rev. C. Hamilton Memorial Scholarship. This year's recipients are Alissa Young, UNA; Ashlee Davidson, NWSCC; Nathaniel Franklin,

NWSCC; and Ronald Ezekiel Thompson, UAH.

"I believe there is still hope for a brighter tomorrow." These were among the words spoken by Dr. Martin Luther King. A question he asked the people of his time is still relevant today, "What are you doing for others?"

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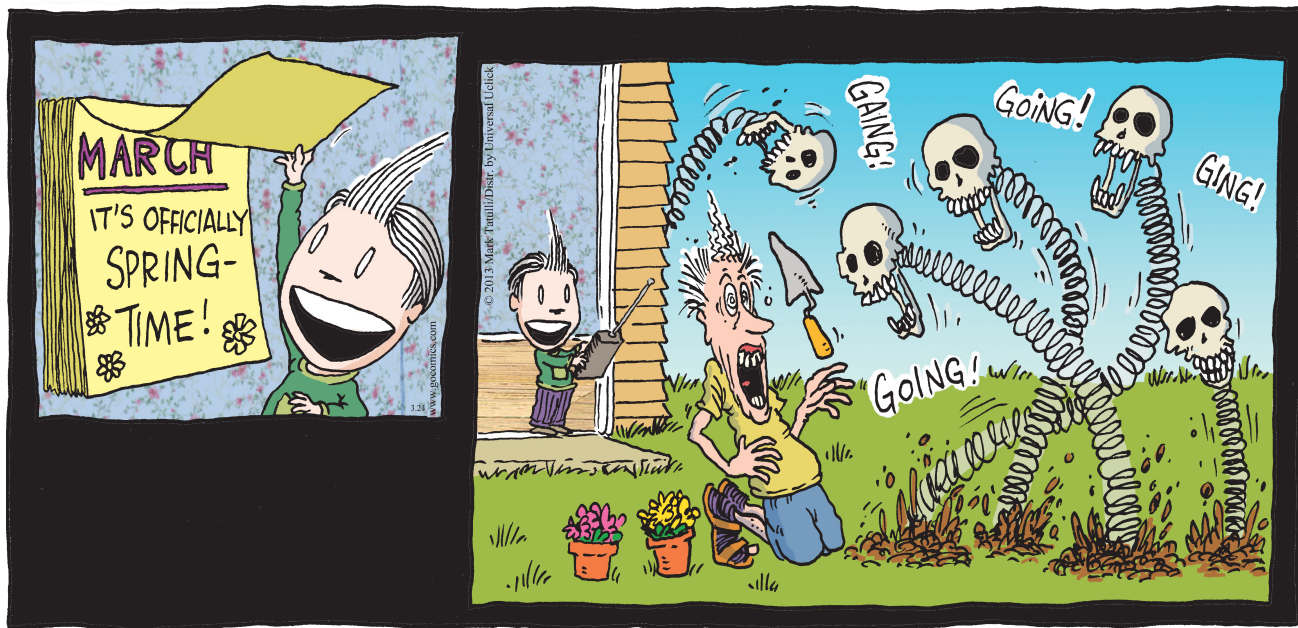
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# Crappie...

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According to Susann Hamlin, president and CEO of Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau, in addition to opportunities for Shoals anglers to win cash and prizes, the tournament will provide a boost to the local economy.

"The anglers and their families will be staying in our hotels, eating at our restaurants, buying fuel and fishing tackle and

shopping," she said. "We are excited to be hosting America's premier national crappie fishing tournament organization on two of our nation's premier crappie fishing lakes. There will also be a fishing rodeo for children."

A Crappie Kids Fishing Rodeo, presented by Colbert County Tourism and Sheffield Parks



and Recreation, will be 9am-11am on March 31 at Riverfront Park. Registration begins at 8am. The fishing rodeo is free for youths 12 and younger who are accompanied by an adult. Lunch will be provided. In addition to competing for trophies and other prizes for the top youth anglers, all participants will be eligible for one of six \$1,000 Crappie USA college scholarships that will be awarded at the 2018 Crappie USA Classic in October. For more details, call 256-383-0783.

Entry fee for the adult tournament is \$125 per team in the Amateur Division and \$250 per team in the Professional Division. Teams may consist of one angler or two. A third angler is allowed on a team if one is 15 years old or younger. All participants must be a member of the American Crappie Association. Membership is \$30 for adults and \$15 for spouse or youth members. More details are available at [www.crappieusa.com](http://www.crappieusa.com) or by calling 502-384-5924.

A pre-tournament seminar will be at 7pm on Friday, March 30 at the Alabama Music Hall of Fame in Tuscumbia.

Sheffield Mayor, Ian Sanford, is also excited about the tournament.

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It should be a **surprise** to prospective buyers that you have a dog or a cat. They should be able to walk through your home and not know by the odor that you have an inside pet. If the house has a pet odor, it is critical to get that taken care of, even if it means replacing the pad and the carpet. You must get rid of the pet odor. It is incredibly important. An unpleasant odor will send buyers running, especially if they or family members have allergies. People with allergies often walk into a home, and the odor alone will make them turn around and walk out the door. Also, be very careful about pet hair. While your home is on the market, vacuum the floor frequently, vacuum any furniture on which the pet spends time, and check curtains and rugs often. There should not be any visible pet hair in the house.

The same thing goes for smoking. If you're a smoker and you smoke inside your home, you should immediately begin smoking outdoors only. Your home will have a really strong smoke odor, and you must get rid of it. You may not notice an odor because you've become accustomed to it. I have shown property that was priced effectively and an otherwise nice home in a nice location, but the buyers didn't even give it a chance because of the odor alone. They just turned around and walked right out the door.

It's critical to address pet and smoke odors. However, you cannot mask them with room deodorizers. Your home will just smell like smoky flowers, or pet urine with a top note of berries.

Get an honest opinion from someone who can tell you the truth about any bad odor in your home and who does not have to worry about hurting your feelings or causing you to become defensive or offended. Do what it takes even if this means making some temporary arrangements that may be a little inconvenient. It will definitely pay off. -mr

Please feel free to send your questions. Rest assured I will only use your first name when I answer your questions. Email to: questions@mikerandallhomes.com or mail to:

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### Morris' Premier Designation

FLORENCE—Wells Fargo Advisors has designated Paul D. Morris, Associate Vice President Investment



Morris

Officer, as a member of the firm's Premier Advisor Program. The Premier Advisor designation is held by a select group of Financial Advisors within Wells Fargo Advisors as measured by business production, completion of educational components, and professionalism.

"It's an honor to receive this designation" Morris said. "Each day I show up with one goal in mind—helping my clients succeed financially."

Morris has been with Wells Fargo Advisors for seven years and has ten years of experience in the financial services industry. Paul holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration from UNA and resides in Florence.

### Gunn Band at Sound Studio

SHEFFIELD --The Bishop Gunn band will carve out a spot in rock and roll history on Saturday, April 7 when they release the first completed recording from the newly renovated Muscle Shoals Sound Studio.

Muscle Shoals Sound Studio produced hundreds of hit records from 1969-1978 from the Rolling Stones, Paul Simon, Bob Seger, Leon Russell, the Staple Singers, and scores of other artists.

To celebrate the milestone, Bishop Gunn will be at the studio to perform the high-energy, soulful production, Shine. Shine was recorded at the studio in July of 2017.

Big River Broadcasting will be live from Muscle Shoals Sound Studio and will give the record an on-the-air test drive on KIX 96.1 FM. A panel discussion about the creation of Shine will begin at 4:30pm and will include Swamper David Hood and Bishop Gunn band members.

The panel discussion and performance is free and open to the public. Copies of the limited-edition single will be available for purchase at the studio.

After being dormant for years the studio was reborn after the documentary, Muscle Shoals, was viewed by Dr. Dre of Beats Electronics. The studio is open for tours during the day and for recording sessions in the evenings.

Dan Auerbach was the first artist to record in the studio in March of 2017 followed by actor/musician Keifer Sutherland's band in May.

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**LeBlanc...**

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Travis, Jason Aldean, Rascal Flatts, Martina McBride, Kenny Chesney, Jo Dee Messina, Tim McGraw, Faith Hill, and scores of others.

LeBlanc recently decided to release an album full of songs that mean the most to him. Dreamlined Entertainment released Nature of the Beast in the fall of 2017. This release drew the attention of Rolling Stone Magazine which named LeBlanc a "Top 10 New Country Artist to Watch."

LeBlanc will share the stage with talented songwriter and musician, Angela Hacker. Hacker has an impressive record herself. A former Warner Brothers Recording Artist, Hacker already has two albums under her belt. Hacker is foremost a songwriter with credits on albums by Candi Staton, Kristen Kelly, and Sarah Lou Richards. Her powerhouse vocals have been featured on albums by Montgomery Gentry, Cowboy Troy, Ugli Stick, Rebecca Lynn Howard, Dylan Leblanc, James Leblanc, and more.

Opening for LeBlanc is up and coming Nashville artist and country star, Brendan Young, with Shoals native Ben Parker on lead guitar. Young was featured in the Texaco Country showdown and recently finished up a residency on the Showboat Branson Belle in Branson, MO. Young is currently recording his first full length album after releasing two EPs. Young will be joined on stage by his full band with special guest Ben Parker of the Ben Parker Project. Parker trained on guitar under the watchful eye of Muscle Shoals guitar legend, Travis Womack.

This is the second show in a series that benefits upgrades to sound, projection, and lighting at the Shoals Community

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Commentary

Easter...

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families were the youngsters in families that made it a point to acknowledge Christ's death, burial, and resurrection every Sunday. Some people used to attend on occasion with their families and now they don't attend at all. That was as little as a generation ago.

Church attendance and involvement is impacted by ever-tightening schedules and a reprioritizing the events in our lives and the lives of our children and grandchildren. It's generally not something we have done purposefully. Sometimes it is convenient to just put on a back burner. The decline in regular church attendance reflects our collectively-increasing spiritual ambivalence. Our week is tighter and attention spans are shorter. As a result, it is easy for secularism to increase in popularity - a growing religion of its own, if you will.

Our sensitivities have become dulled. Blood, gore, death, sex, and gratuitous profanity proliferate on screen. We don't blush like we used to. Mass murder is no longer shocking. Out-of-wedlock births are accepted and politically-encouraged, and the traditional family unit has disintegrated and is often mocked. We read things into laws that simply do not exist. Yet, we often ignore what is right there. We easily justify inaction on so many important fronts. We place more emphasis on a perceived fairness than achievement, more on feelings than fact. We search for instant gratification and eschew sacrifice. We blame others more often and take less responsibility for our own situations, and so on.

Our society has never been perfect. There have always been elements that we could improve upon as a nation and as individuals. However, the metastasizing me-first attitudes are deadly spiritual and economic dividers. We have veered away from the basic philosophies that permeated the generations before us and made our society solid.

Our acquiescence to these popular, seemingly-harmless trends is at the heart of our deteriorating societal fabric. It will take a lot of intelligent thought and common sense to see what waits on the horizon if we continue in that direction.

Whatever we choose to do this Easter, it should include a prayer for our nation, our neighbors, our families, and ourselves.

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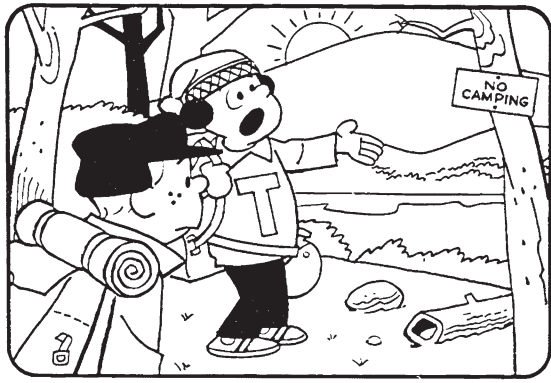
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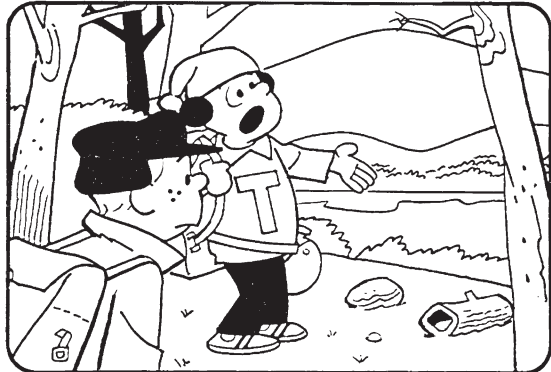
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Sadly, at this time all will have time for God. At this time, we are no longer in our own hands, but find ourselves in the hands of Almighty God. Some day in eternity you may remember this little article that told you of upcoming judgment and you ignored it. And now along with other billions of souls, you must face the fiery lake for eternity. What a sad epitaph, "I knew better, but I just didn't care". Sadly many in my own family chose to ignore the warnings of Almighty God. You don't have to be a casualty in the war over your soul. Our youth is over in seconds, life is over in minutes, and soon we die and go to our long home. See **Ecclesiastes 12:5**. Are you ready to face God alone with your sin? You just need Jesus now, not tomorrow. You, like me are going to die, soon. See **Hebrews 9:27 & Romans 10:13**.

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## Community Notes...

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**In honor of National Poetry Month in April**, the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library will be hosting a poetry reading with UNA professor Jason McCall on Wednesday, April 4, 6pm.

McCall is a poet and UNA Assistant Professor of English. He will perform a reading and discussion his new poetry collection Two-Face God.

The hard truth of Jason McCall's Two-Face God is this: there is no space in this world without duality, without the glossy surface and the hidden darkness, that always pushes through and must be reckoned with. From love, to history, to memory, to race, these poems probe this duality.

For more information, call 256-764-6564, ext. 128.

**The LaGrange Living Historical Association will meet** at 7pm Thursday, April 5 at the LaGrange College Site Park, 1491 LaGrange College Road, Leighton. (near White Oak) in Colbert County. This will be the final meeting prior to the Recall LaGrange Event, scheduled for May 4-6. Volunteers are encouraged to attend and support the activities at the College Site, forerunner of UNA.

**The University of North Alabama Theatre will present Eurydice**, April 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14, at 7:30pm, and April 8 and 15, at 2pm in the George S. Lindsey Theatre.

A 2003 play by Sarah Ruhl, Eurydice retells the myth of Orpheus from the perspective of his wife, Eurydice. The story focuses on Eurydice's choice to return to earth with Orpheus or to stay in the underworld with her father. Eurydice is presented by special arrangement with Samuel French Inc.

Tickets are \$10 for the public or \$5 UNA students, faculty, staff or alumni.

For more information: [www.una.edu/theatre/productions](http://www.una.edu/theatre/productions)

**Underwood-Petersville Community Center Breakfast** -- please join us for our First Saturday Breakfast, April 7, from 6-9am.

Menu: scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits, pancakes, grits, wonderful chocolate gravy, sausage and regular gravy, orange juice, regular and decaf coffee. Adult plates are \$6 and children 8 and under is \$3. Proceeds go toward the center expenses.

**Belle Mont Mansion will hold a spring clean-up day**, on Saturday, April 7, beginning at 9am, at the museum, 1569 Cook Lane, Tuscumbia. Belle Mont Beautification Day is part of a National Park Day initiative by the Civil War Trust, designed to aid and draw attention to parks and historic sites. Volunteers willing to do light interior cleaning or small grounds maintenance, such as clearing underbrush and picking up trash and sticks are invited to participate.

Documentation of service hours will be provided for student groups. Teens under the age of 18 should provide written permission from their parent or guardian or have accompanying adult supervision. Participants are encouraged to dress appropriately in long pants and sturdy shoes and to bring their own tools and gloves. Free Park Day tee-shirts will be provided on a first-come basis. Snacks and water will be provided. Bring your own sack lunch if desired.

Belle Mont is a historic house museum owned by the Alabama Historical Commission and operated by the Colbert County Historical Landmarks Foundation. For more information or to volunteer: 256-381-5052 or [cait@bellemontmansion.org](mailto:cait@bellemontmansion.org)

**The 11th Annual Shoals Earth Day Fest for 2018** takes place on Saturday, April 7, from 11am-6pm in downtown Tuscumbia. Family-friendly activities are highlighted, including a children's activity tent, eco-entertainer Steve Trash, all-day live music, art and crafts vendors, food, juggling, recycling drop off, pet adoption, and earth-friendly booths with information on solar energy, organic gardening, and much more!

Rain location is the Roundhouse in Tuscumbia.

For more information to participate or sponsor, please call 256-767-2909 or visit [www.ShoalsEarthMonth.com](http://www.ShoalsEarthMonth.com) for continuing updates.

**Free Family Fun Time** Thursday, April 12, 3-6pm at Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum, 702 Veterans Drive, Florence. Free food, activities, games and more. Fun for the family. Play, learn and grow together.

Hosted by the Colbert and Lauderdale County Children's Policy Councils in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

**Whole Hog Chicken Fundraiser for NAMI Shoals** - Cost is \$12 for half of a chicken, potato salad, baked beans, roll, drink, and dessert. Saturday, April 14 from 5-6pm.

To place an order please contact a NAMI Board member or Don Rohling 256-710-7059. Deadline to order is Tuesday, April 10. \*Pick up: 749 Thompson St. Florence on April 14.

**Northwest Alabama Reading Aides Presents The Margaret Green 2018 Community Spelling Bee** The Spelling Bee is one of the organization's major fund raisers. The funds raised in this event will be used to increase the numbers served in the adult literacy program. The entry fee is \$250 per three person team or team sponsorship of \$250 and we will form a team. (12 Team Limit) Teams compete for fun and trophies.

The bee is Thursday April 12, 7pm at First United Methodist - McDowell Hall. Please call 256-766-5709 for more information.

**Bradshaw Alumni Meeting** - April 13 at 11am in the Memorabilia Room at Burrell Slater Gym at 610 College St. in Florence. Enter parking lot from College St. For more info text: 256-483-4253

**Registration is underway for the Red Warrior River Rumble on Pickwick Lake** on April 14 out of Riverfront Park in Sheffield. The annual bass tournament takes place in memory on Evan Isbell, a member of the Muscle Shoals Trojan Bass Fishing Team.

The tournament features a cash payout and divisions for student anglers, boat captains and adult anglers. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the Evan Isbell Scholarship Fund.

Anglers will fish from 6:30am-2pm. There is a three-bass limit for the student and adult angler divisions and one-fish limit for boat captains.

Rules and entry forms are available online at [FishPickwickLake.com](http://FishPickwickLake.com) or at the Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau office, 719 U.S. Hwy. 72, Tuscumbia. For more details, call the tourism bureau at 256-383-0783.

**The 2018 W.C. Handy Music Festival Poster design competition is open for entries.** Deadline is 5pm CST April 13. The winner of the Design Competition will be notified by April 27.

Entries will be judged on merit, suitability as a visual image, originality, and how well the design reflects the spirit of the Festival. The final decision will be made by the MPS Board of Directors.

\$500 will be paid to the winner upon receipt of camera-ready art in digital format and contract executed by entrant(s). Format: Finished size of the art must be 18" x 24" (maximum image area) in portrait (vertical) orientation on poster board. PMS color swatches may be included.

Color: The poster may be printed using up to 4 standard PMS colors. Printing process will be on a four-color printing press. Submit only 100% specific PMS colors with no screen tints or mixing in vector format. Electronic art must be furnished in CMYK format.

The following must be included in the design:

- Festival Name: W.C. Handy Music Festival
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  - Sponsor: The Music Preservation Society, Inc., Florence
- For more information, rules, or an entry form, call Music Preservation Society, Inc. 256-766-7642 or the Festival Chair at 256-394-8674.

**Homecoming and Decoration** at Cloverdale Church of Christ will be April 15. More information will be coming!

Donations to the cemetery fund can be mailed to: 13000, Hwy 157 Florence, AL 35633. Checks payable to: Cloverdale Church of Christ cemetery fund.



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Answer: "Craft."

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Answers:  
1. Acreage  
2. Carping  
3. Browsing  
4. Delivery  
5. Globally  
6. Brandish

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# Soap Opera Preview

**THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL** Hope worried about Liam being alone with his father, but Liam was able to find an important piece of evidence. Thorne and Steffy visited Ridge, and the three discussed potential suspects. Thorne was a bit taken aback at Ridge's strong defense of Quinn. Brooke accused Bill of using Ridge to settle a score. Hope helped Liam figure out his next move. Steffy defended herself against Hope when she implied that Bill's shooting was a result of her infidelity. *Wait to See: Bill finds himself in a terrible dilemma.*

**DAYS OF OUR LIVES** Kate hired Paul to dig up dirt on Vivian. Brady and Sonny almost came to blows over Titan. Will asked Adrienne for a job at "The Spectator." Steve suffered a major setback. Eve tried to get out of having to work with Brady. Chloe and Lucas were caught off guard when they found out who sent Chloe the flowers. Tripp fought with Ciara about the New Face of Bella contest. *Wait to See: Chad questions if "Abigail" is telling the truth.*

**GENERAL HOSPITAL** Drew reached out to Oscar. Franco wondered where he stood. Carly bonded with Josslyn. Peter struggled with his guilt. Anna and Jason were at odds. Ava counseled Griffin. Lulu worried about Maxie. Sonny did the best he could for Mike. Jason and Elizabeth put their differences aside. Bobbie gave Maxie a pep talk. Ned crossed paths with Alexis. *Wait to See: Lulu gets the encouragement she needs.*

**THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS** Sharon was offended that Nick excluded her from the meeting about Rainbow Gardens and ordered him to move out. Jill had a run-in with someone from her past and had to confess some of her former sins to Billy. Later, Jill met with Nikki and demanded to know what she had in store for Chancellor Park. Cane and Lily prevented Hilary from making her doctor's appointment. Raul and Brittany visited old friends. Traci noticed J.T.'s strange behavior. *Wait to See: Abby meets a handsome stranger.*

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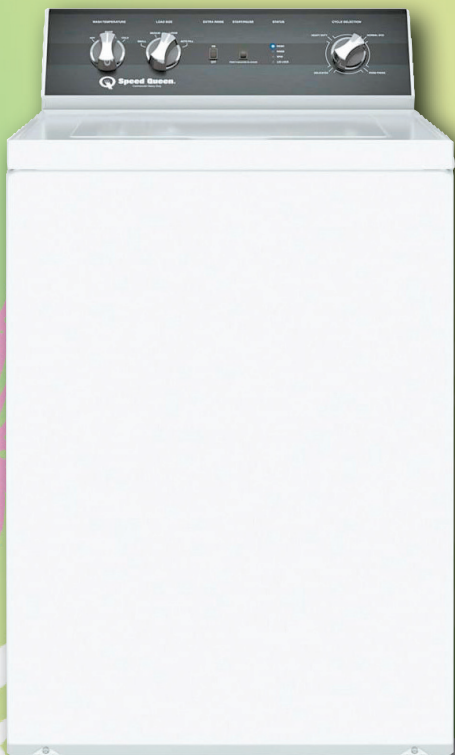
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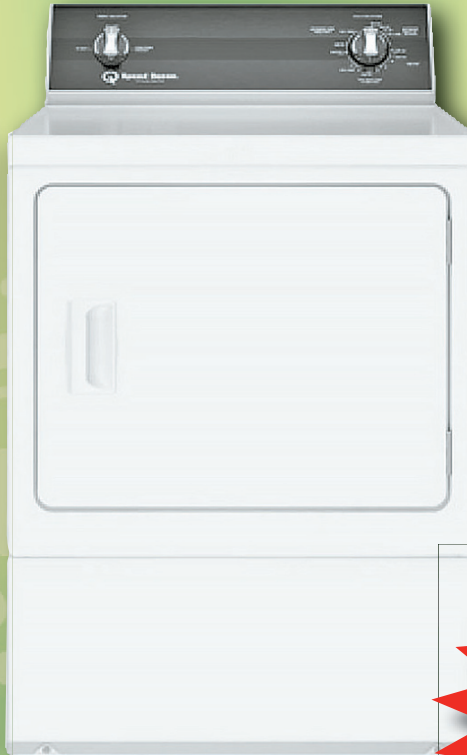
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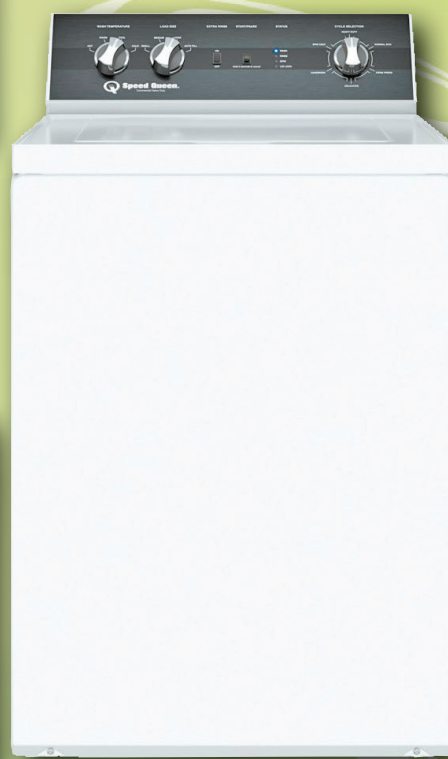
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