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-Chamber News



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JULY MONTEVALLO CHAMBER LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

"The Slice Story"

Speaker: Jason Bajalieh, Co-founder of Slice Stone

Pizza & Brewhouse / Parnell Library with networking at 11:30am and lunch at noon (\$12. ea.) RSVP by Mon., July 17 to 205-665-1519 or montevallochamber@gmail.com

Luncheon Sponsor and Caterer - Slice Stone Pizza & Brewhouse

WELCOME NEW CHAMBER MEMBER -

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4th MONDAY Happy 4th of July !!

INDEPENDENCE DAY 1776 celebration at American Village. Food...Fun...Fireworks!

Gates open at 11 a.m., and celebration of America's Birthday ends with fireworks at twilight's last gleaming. \$5.00 Admission. Veterans, active military & children ages 4 & under are free.

(Canceled due to holiday) MONTEVALLO FARMERS' **MARKET**

3-6pm, Behind Montevallo First Baptist Church

9th SATURDAY

ANNUAL SENIOR BBQ & BINGO

11am / Montevallo Senior Center / Sponsored by Montevallo Park and Recreation

11th MONDAY

MONTEVALLO FARMERS' MARKET

3-6pm, Behind Montevallo First Baptist Church

11th MONDAY & 12th TUESDAY **MES KINDERGARTEN CAMP**

15th FRIDAY - 17th SUNDAY **BACK TO SCHOOL SALES TAX HOLIDAY**

18th MONDAY

MONTEVALLO FARMERS' MARKET

3-6pm, Behind Montevallo First Baptist Church

20th WEDNESDAY

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FREE MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC

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23rd SATURDAY

ALABAMA PET PANTRY

2-3pm / Distribution of Dog & Cat Food Shelby Emergency Assistance parking lot 25th MONDAY

MONTEVALLO FARMERS' MARKET

3-6pm, Behind Montevallo First Baptist Church

26th Tuesday

MONTEVALLO MIDDLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION 9am to 3pm

29th FRIDAY

FRIDAY NIGHTS AT THE COVE

Twelve / 6:30pm - 8:30pm / Owl's Cove Park / Downeast Lobster Co. / M&M Lemonade / Sponsored by APT, PBS Kids

MONTEVALLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

MES is open Mon-Fri 8-11am & 1-3pm to bring paperwork. To register go to S.C.O.R.E. on the Shelby County Board of Education website

MONTEVALLO HIGH SCHOOL

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MONTEVALLO GAINS A MODERN SHOPPING CENTER IN 1964

By Marshel R. Cunningham (GoneToAlabama@aol.com)

Walk behind Montevallo First Baptist Church to the parking lot. Look across the street and you will see the side of CVS Pharmacy.

But if it were 1964, you would see what is in the photograph. You would be looking at the new Whaley Shopping Center.

Do you remember the Moss Food Center? When I was a child, my mother would wait in our Ford 1962 Galaxy 500 while I would go in to get a few things she needed. I could not spell the five or six items, so I would draw pictures for my shopping list. I could draw a bag of Red Diamond coffee or jar of Bama apple jelly with no problem.

The Shopping Center opened in several stages. The first occupants in 1961 were the Moss Food Center and the Alabama Power Company store.

For the shopping center to expand, Mr. Whaley had to purchase and tear down the large Victorian Reynolds home (see photo) and several other buildings. By April of 1964, the shopping center was complete and occupied and a "grand opening" was held.

We encourage you – our members, and anyone else with a need for specific historical information, to contact us at the society's email address (montevallo1817@gmail.com). We will do our best to put together whatever information, clippings, or photos we can find to help you learn more about your area of interest or concern.





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- Sparklers are 1/4 of emergency room fireworks injuries

July is the peak month for grill fires

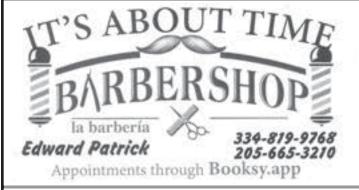
- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors
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- Never leave grill unattended

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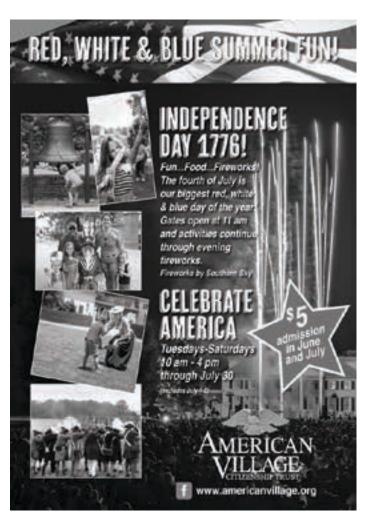
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WOMEN'S MINISTRY GROUP CELEBRATE 60 YEARS

The Spring Creek Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry group celebrated a milestone anniversary of 60 years in April. Their group was first organized in March of 1962 and had their first meeting in April at the home of Ann Goad. The group began with 11 members. The present group consists of 13-16 members, with two of the original members still participating.

They meet once a month for prayer, devotion and a business session, followed by a bring-a-dish lunch. They work during the year making crafts and different decorating items to sell at their Annual Christmas and Holiday Bazaar. The funds from that event go to support charities such as Shelby Emergency Assistance, Save-A-Life Shelby, Safe House Shelby, Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Mission, along with individual and community needs. Through this event and other fundraising events in the last 9 years they have been able to distribute over \$25,000 to these mission projects.

Most everyone is knowledgeable of their Annual Bazaar. Many of the ladies are crafters of different mediums. Their bazaar is more than crafts. They also rely on those who supply baked goods and candy for the event. Also, their men who not only help them with logistics — also make birdhouses, pies and cakes. Some donations of crafts and baked goods come from families of their church members. They feel blest to be supported by many people.





The second part of the bazaar is the chili/soup lunch. People stop by to shop for gifts – but also enjoy a hot lunch. This is a time that they are ambassadors for "Sharing The Good News". People have commented over the years that they enjoy the time to sit down and just be with others in a comforting setting. While Covid put a damper on the last two bazaars, they hope to be back in full force come November 19th of this year.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MONTEVALLO 12U ALLSTARS TEAM FOR YOUR REGIONAL ALLSTAR CHAMPIONSHIP WIN!!



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IT JUST WASN'T RIGHT: REV. ALBERT L. JONES IN HIS OWN WORDS

A little told story of civil rights activism in Montevallo can be pieced together from an oral history interview of Rev. Albert L. Jones (1938-2022) recorded in 2019. His own words reveal a man energized by love of God's word and commitment to doing the right thing. "I knew what we were going through. It just wasn't right." "I just thought that all peoples ought to be treated right." Pride, dignity, decency, and a powerful sense of justice propelled him to the front of the civil rights struggle in our town in the 1960s and 1970s.

He was one of the co-founders of the local Suburban League, a "step down," as he put it, from the better-known National Urban League. Their mission was specific: to work for equal employment opportunities in our area. Other members included Leon Harris (Sr), E. E. Vassar, George Craig, and Rodger Smitherman. Three of the leaders -- Vassar, Craig, and Jones -- were preachers. Rodger Smitherman, the only member still living, is now a state senator.

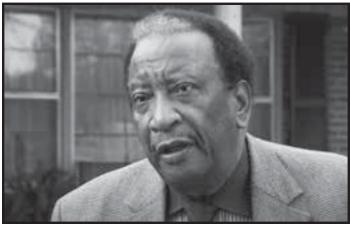
An early effort was to move beyond the menial jobs assigned to African Americans in grocery stores. "Black folks wasn't doing nothing but cleaning up, sweeping up, mopping, stacking groceries. Why can't they be on the cash register?" The threat of a boycott was enough to convince one grocery store owner to let Black citizens work the registers. Amazing. Black folks calculating sums, handling money, and working directly with customers of all races. A small change, perhaps, but with huge implications.

A campaign addressing discrimination in the school system produced an episode of racial intimidation not uncommon in the Jim Crow South: a front-yard cross-burning.

The trouble began when Jones and others went to the principal to protest unequal treatment at Montevallo HS. A federal decree had ended segregation but "there wasn't a black principal nowhere. There wasn't a black assistant principal nowhere. They took all the coaches, all of them white. They took all the cheerleaders, they had to be white. The majorettes were white." Black students complained: "That's not right." Jones agreed. But it was the plight of an aggrieved lunchroom lady that spurred confrontation with the principal. For years she had been lunchroom supervisor at the "Negro" Prentice HS. Now she was stuck with wiping up dirty dishes. "Integration" turned a supervisor into a dish washer. That wasn't right either.

And you know at this time I didn't really care what my life been no more, I mean, things that wasn't right, I mean you got to really feel it, the things that was going on, the injustice was going on. So we go over . . . and said, look here, black folk been pushed into the corner, and now you all gonna make this girl wash dishes.

The principal declined to take action, so the group walked out. "That night they burnt a cross in my yard. Right there in my yard, right there." His wife and children were terrified. "They see that big ole cross a-burning out there, and all the



REV. ALBERT JONES

barking, all the dogs barking and everything." Jones got out his gun.

He was told the cross was the work of the local police. His mother-in-law up the street, outside at 2 AM to use the outhouse, recalled seeing "a police car coming down here, and they had lights on in the inside and they was laughing, coming on down driving slow and laughing." Jones took up the matter with the mayor and police chief, and that brought an end to cross burnings. Some police came and cleaned up the charred remains and promised it would not happen again. It didn't.

The League was effective in other ways. A biracial grievance committee was formed at the HS to address conflicts. The school agreed to include Black students in the cheerleading and majorette squads and came up with a plan to introduce Black students into the student government. It took work, a lot of work, but integration started to penetrate more deeply into the experience of students and faculty at Montevallo HS.

Eventually the practice of hiring Blacks to work grocery cash registers spread throughout the county. Bank tellers were next. The League helped place a man who became our first Black mail carrier, according to Leon Harris Jr. Its leaders worked with Mayor Ralph Sears to get roads paved in our African American communities and to name streets with "mostly black names," especially "some of the forefounders."

The work of the Suburban League went on for years. It was a struggle, but a nonviolent and necessary one inspired by Martin Luther King:

There wasn't nobody really stepping in front trying to get change. There's got to be somebody up front trying to get it changed if you're going to get it changed. So we knew a lot of things wasn't right, you know So we wanted to do it peaceful and keep God in front . . . because with God with us we could get things done.

Rev Jones answered the call to step in front for change. "I just wanted things to be fair, now, for my children, my children's children."

Sources: We relied on an oral history interview recorded in Feb. and Dec. 2019 at Rev. Jones's home and preserved in UM's Milner Archives and Special Collections. Thanks are due to Carey Heatherly, Archivist, for his assistance.

Submitted by Kathy King & Anitka Stewart Sims. Contact us at Movaltrail@gmail.com. We want to hear your stories and welcome correction of any errors of fact or interpretation.

MONTEVALLO MAIN STREET RECEIVES 2022 MAIN STREET AMERICA ACCREDITATION



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Montevallo Main Street has been designated as an Accredited Main Street America™ program for meeting rigorous performance standards. Each year, Main Street America and its partners announce the list of Accredited programs to recognize their exceptional commitment to preservation-based economic development and community revitalization through the Main Street Approach™.

"We are extremely proud to recognize this year's 863 nationally Accredited Main Street America programs that have worked tirelessly to advance economic vitality and quality of life in their downtowns and commercial districts," said Patrice Frey, President & CEO of Main Street America.

Montevallo Main Street's performance is annually evaluated by Main Street Alabama, which works in partnership with Main Street America to identify the local programs that meet rigorous national performance standards. Evaluation criteria determines the communities that are building meaningful and sustainable revitalization programs and include standards such as, fostering strong public-private partnerships, supporting small and locally owned businesses, and actively preserving historic places, spaces, and cultural assets.



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THURSDAY NIGHTS from 5 to 9 pm All Domestic Beer, American or Mexican \$2.25 EACH

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CITY OF MONTEVALLO NEWS

Mayor's Message...

Hello, Citizens of Montevallo! I hope everyone is well. If you like it HOT, HOT, HOT... welcome to summertime in Montevallo, Alabama. With temperatures in the triple digits, please remember to stay hydrated and please keep a check on family, friends, and neighbors.



RUSTY NIX, MAYOR

I am pleased to report that phase one of the creek bank restoration at Orr Park has been completed. The cost of this project was over \$18,000, so please, please, please do not remove or reposition the rocks in the park. In mid-June our city was hit with over 5 inches of rain in just a few hours. The sudden accumulation of water caused flooding in Orr Park and damage to the footbridge at the lower end of the park. Thanks to the swift work of City work crews, the park was back standing tall just in time for Montevallo Arts Fest. This event is one of the top two events held in Orr Park each year.

The construction of new restrooms at Stephens Park are in full swing and progressing weekly. This project was much needed as our ballpark use has grown with bookings of travel baseball and softball tournaments. The existing facilities were not capable of handling the large crowds brought in by ball tournament events. I will keep you updated as this project moves forward.

Completion of Storm Shelter #2 located behind Fire Station #1 is in its final stages. Remaining tasks are to install the plumbing and pass inspection. This process should be finalized in a couple of weeks. Upon its completion, Montevallo will have two operational storm shelters.

The Hwy 25 sidewalk project made possible by the ALDOT TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program) grant should begin by late September. The sidewalk will run from Lucky's Foodland to Pic 'n Sav . This will make it safer for pedestrian traffic in that area.

After a 2-year layoff, because of Covid 19, I'm proud to announce that the American Village will present Independence Day 1776 for the July 4th celebration with Fun, Food, and Fireworks! Please make plans to attend and support this event.

Friday Nights at the Cove is in full swing at Owl's Cove Park. Please come out on the last Friday night of the month and enjoy some fantastic music sponsored by the Montevallo Main Street Program. Food trucks will be on site or you can bring your own food. Don't forget your blanket or lawn chairs!

Montevallo Parks and Recreation will be hosting the Senior Bingo and BBQ on Saturday, July 9th at the Montevallo Senior Center starting at 11am. Everybody leaves a winner. BBQ will be served at 11am with Bingo starting at 11:30am Come on down and enjoy some good clean Fun!

Montevallo Farmers' Market, a community project of the Montevallo Chamber, City of Montevallo and the Montevallo First Baptist Church, began its 12th season on the first Monday in June. The market is located behind Montevallo First Baptist Church (660 Main Street) and is open every Monday until August 15th from 3pm – 6pm. Please come out and support our local growers and business owners.

I'm excited to report that Slice Pizza is on schedule to open later this month. Montevallo is long overdue for a sit-down pizza restaurant! I know everyone has been looking forward to the business opening and welcoming them to our community. Y'all save me a seat!

This month, as we celebrate our independence and freedoms, let us remember that many made the ultimate sacrifice. Freedom isn't free. Please pray for our City, our State, our Country and active military personnel and their families.

Please remember to shop local. The City's ability to make improvements and explore new projects depend on revenue created by local spending.

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve as Mayor of Montevallo.





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MONDAY, JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY 1776!

Submitted by Melanie Poole

The fourth of July means red, white and blue fun, food and fireworks at the American Village. Enjoy more than 40 patriotic activities throughout the day – music and dance, games, encounters with patriots of the past - including George and Martha Washington, John and Abigail Adams, Alexander and Eliza Hamilton, Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, and Samuel Adams - the battle at Concord Bridge, and FIREWORKS at twilight's last gleaming! Handson activities for children include cornhole toss, hula hoops, Jenga, sidewalk chalk art, and a farm animal petting area. This year we are also including an American artisan area with hand-made products for sale

Food trucks will be onsite with all your favorites.

Gates open at 11:00 a.m. - programming is offered from 11:30 through evening fireworks.

\$5 admission. Veterans, active military and children ages 4 and under are free.





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Here's what's happening at the Library in July:

Thursday, July 14 @ 6:30 pm

DRUM the Program: an interactive musical event for the whole family!

Thursdays, July 21 & 28, at 6:30 pm:

College & Career Counseling with HICA

Learn about your future after graduation with help from the Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama. In Spanish only.

Mondays: **teen take home craft kits**, available while supplies last

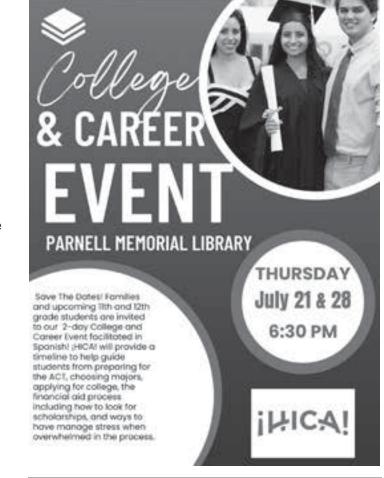
Tuesdays at 10: Mini Music

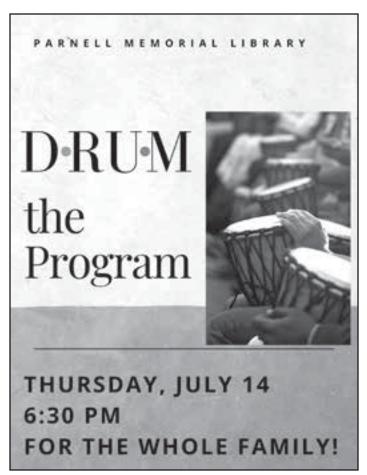
Tuesdays: **kid's take home craft kits**, available while supplies last

Wednesdays at 9:15: Storytime with Mr. Mac

Thursdays at 2:00 pm: Movie Day in the Theater

Last day of Summer Reading Program: July 15



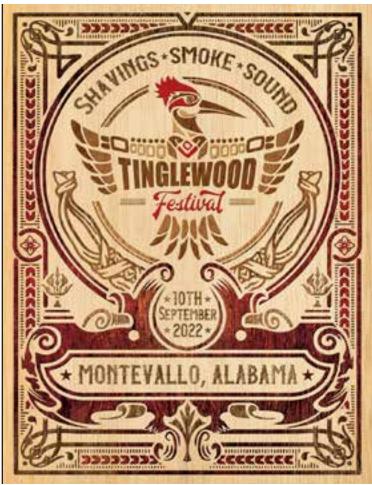




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Submitted by Team Lehman

If you've been listening to the news at all lately, you know interest rates are in flux. Rates have gone up 2-3 percent this year already, which means the monthly payment on a \$300,000 loan has risen from \$1,265 in December to \$1,800 today. No one knows what the Feds will do to the interest rates in the months to come.

What remains clear for industry observers is that higher mortgage rates will cool down the housing market. "This means that affordability will deteriorate further and dampen some of the demand," said Selma Hepp, deputy chief economist for CoreLogic, adding the higher rate will bring more inventory into the housing market. However, the higher rates are slowing sales: Existing home sales dropped 2.4% in April from March to 5.61 million, according to Realtor.com. A total of 591,000 new homes were sold in April, falling 16.6% from March, which was the lowest level in two years.

Christian Dicker, senior loan officer at Motto Mortgage, said he expects fewer people to qualify for a mortgage in the rising interest rate environment. After revisiting one of his client's pre-approvals from last year, he had to call to scale down the \$300,000 mortgage to about \$260,000.

"It's about the payment. If the interest rates go up, and the payment gets too high, then they don't qualify anymore."

All of this will have an effect on you if you're in the market

for a house, and, luckily, your best source of advice is from your local Realtor.

Since you always buy local when you buy a. home, it just makes sense to "Borrow Local," too. At Team Lehman, we work closely with local lenders to find the right loan for you. Unlike the "big box" style loan stores, your local lenders will be responsive to your particular needs and situation, and they are motivated to keep your money in the local community. The lenders we work with can even give you more than 100% of your home's sale price so you can pay moving and closing costs when you're getting into your new house! As local financial experts, they're always available to answer your questions, figure out your needs and abilities, and guide you through the (sometimes complicated) process of getting you the financing you need to buy the house of your dreams.









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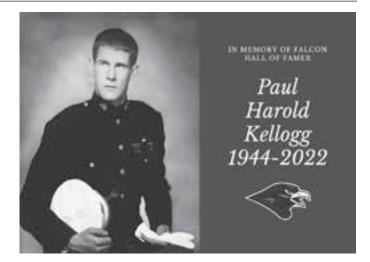
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City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m., City Hall, 5:30 p.m. Work Session

EVERY 2ND MONDAY

MDCD Montevallo Development Cooperative District

1 p.m., Meets at City Hall

EVERY 1ST TUESDAY

Historical Commission, 6:30 p.m., Conference Room at Parnell Library.

EVERY TUESDAY

Ladies Bible Study - Community Wide 10:00-11:00 am, Montevallo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

EVERY TUESDAY -

7-8:30 pm, Montevallo Community Chorale meets at Choir Room of Davis Hall on UM Campus.

EVERY WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY

Aldrich Coal Mine Museum and Farrington Hall is OPEN from 10 a.m. until 4 pm

EVERY THURSDAY

Rotary Meeting, noon, City Hall

EVERY 3RD THURSDAY

Planning & Zoning Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall

EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY

Montevallo Water & Sewer Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

EVERY 3RD SATURDAY MORNING

Clothes Giveaway, St. Andrews Episcopal Parish Hall 925 Plowman Street, Montevallo, 8 am-noon



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The University of Montevallo has been named to the elite 2022-2023 Colleges of Distinction list for the 11th year in a row.

In addition to again earning the overall Colleges of Distinction designation, UM received program-specific recognition for the Michael E. Stephens College of Business and the University of Montevallo College of Education and Human Development. Montevallo was also awarded for its efforts to prepare students for their careers after graduation and for supporting its military-related students and employees. Read more at https://bit.ly/3NEPNFI





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LOCK YOUR BIKE: BREAKING THE THEFT TRIANGLE

There wouldn't be any thievery in this world - if everyone maintained a locked bicycle. Fact: locking your bike is one of the best ways to keep your bike. Tom Cuthbertson (author of Anybody's Bike Book: An Original Manual of Bicycle Repairs) said, "The best lock is the human eye." Taking your bike with you may be the best deterrent but seriously, how do you lock your bike and what type of lock is right for you?

There are two basic types of bike locks, U-Locks and cable/ chain locks.

- U-locks are shaped like the name implies and are like a giant padlock with a bar to close in the U-shape. They are great for securing your frame and one wheel but are heavy to carry.
- Chains/Cables big chains are touch and cables can help secure your bike. They are great for looping around and securing various bike parts but are only as tough as their weakest point (possibly the lock).

For most trips in Montevallo, having some type of lock will be enough to break the theft triangle (The Theft Triangle Justification/Opportunity/Need). A lock reduces the opportunity to steal. If you are stopping for a quick trip, all you may need is a cable/chain lock. If you are leaving your bike for a longer period, Momentum Magazine gives these tips/strategies for outsmarting the bicycle thief:

- 1. Pay attention to where you lock your bike look for areas with high pedestrian traffic, where you (or someone) can see it, and with lots of light (at night). Avoid desolate/ dark areas or hiding your bike out of sight.
- 2. Lock wheels and seat quick release wheels and seat clamps are easy to remove. The wheels are one of the most expensive parts of your bike. Consider using locking wheel skewers, locking your seat to the frame and replacing your seat post quick release with a bolt adjustment.
- 3. Lock frame to something secure choose something that is at least as tough as your lock. A solid bike rack, street sign (that you can't lift the bike over), lamp post, or public railings are good choices. Avoid locking to trees and another bike – a small tree and another bike can easily be cut to gain access to your bike. Lock your bike frame and one wheel to your secure object with a U-lock. You can add an additional cable through the U-lock to secure the other wheel.
- 4. Take your stuff with you any accessories you would like to keep should be removed from the bike and taken with you (lights, bells, water bottle, and helmet).

You should also register your bike with one of the national

bicycle registries such as The Bike Index (https://bikeindex. org/). University of Montevallo students can register their bikes with the UM Police Department (visit UM Department of Public Safety webpage for details). If you steal bikes, please stop. Stealing a bike from someone who depends on it daily is one of the lowest things you can do. Remember to lock your bike.

Help grow the Montevallo biking community and Alabama's oldest citywide bike share. Join us on our next Glow Ride (July 20, 2022) - We welcome riders of all experience levels. For more information visit vallocycle.org or contact vallocycle@gmail.com.





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MILITARY MOMENT

Submitted by Traci Crenshaw, Director, UM Office of Veteran & Military Affairs



This month, we celebrate and honor Independence Day on the 4th and Korean War Veteran Armistice Day on the 27th.

The Fourth of July – also known as Independence Day or July 4th – has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution. On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues.

National Korean War Veteran Armistice Day is observed each year on July 27th. It is a time to remember as many as 50,000 American troops who died in the conflict (official sources vary on the actual number), and over 100,000 wounded, and thousands of prisoners of war. Each year, the President of the United States issues a proclamation announcing July 27th as a day of national observance in honor of Korean War veterans and their families. There are observances of this day on military bases, at military cemeteries such as Arlington National Cemetery, and more informal observances held in America, South Korea, and elsewhere (military benefits.info).

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ELDER JUSTICE CENTER OPENS

The Elder Justice Center of Alabama officially opened its doors on June 15, 2022, in Montevallo. The center is under the direction of the Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging's (M4A) nonprofit organization, 4 ALL. The Elder Justice Center will provide direct support to senior Alabamians who are victims of abuse, neglect, and exploitation and those who are at the greatest risk of adult mistreatment. Family caregivers also can receive support.

The mission of the center is to mobilize communities to prevent and properly respond to mistreatment of senior adults so they can live with dignity, security, and independence as they age. The center serves seniors from all areas of the state. Several local and state partners have joined forces to make this new center a reality for Alabama.

During the ribbon cutting ceremony, Alzheimer's of Central Alabama, a non-profit organization, and resource center serving Alzheimer's patients, caregivers, and professionals across much of Alabama, presented a \$25,000 check to support the new Adult Day Health Center, which is one of the many services offered at the center. "Alzheimer's of Central Alabama has been, for several years, a strong partner of Alabama's aging network and has worked alongside several other partners to create and open the new center", said Miller Piggott, Executive Director. "We know when family caregivers can take a short-term break from their caregiving duties and engage their loved one in social activities offered at the center, they decrease their



stress, renew their energy, and find balance to continue to provide care", Miller Piggott said.

The center will serve as Alabama's Elder Justice Resource Center and official Elder Justice Training Center for professionals and the public, and it will provide supportive services for victims and family caregivers. It also will serve as an Adult Day Health Center, and eventually will also open a Temporary Emergency Elder Shelter.

For more information on the Elder Justice Center of Alabama, contact Robyn James, at 205-490-8448 or visit the website at www.elderjusticeal.org. For more information on the Alzheimer's of Central Alabama, contact them at 205-871-7970 or visit their website at www.alzca. org.

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UNIVERSITY OF MONTEVALLO ADDS COLLEGIATE WRESTLING PROGRAM

Shelby County Reporter

One of the fastest-growing and most popular sports in the country continued to take strides on a state and local level on Friday, May 27, when the University of Montevallo announced it would add men's wrestling as an intercollegiate sport within the school's athletic department.

With the announcement from UM President John W. Stewart III, Montevallo will become the second four-year school in the state to offer men's wrestling within the athletic department.

"We're excited about the continued growth within our athletic department," said Montevallo Athletic Director Mark Richard. "We're proud to offer the opportunity for talented student-athletes to continue their wrestling careers at the collegiate level. We look forward to adding to our high-achieving student-athlete population on campus."

The inaugural season for the program will take place in the winter of 2023 as the school works to build a program from scratch.

The addition of men's wrestling to the school will increase the number of intercollegiate sports at Montevallo to 22.

The announcement marks the addition of the 11th new intercollegiate sport added at Montevallo within the past 10 years.

A head coach for the new program is expected to be selected this summer, and the team will compete at Trustmark Arena, inside the Robert M. McChesney Student Activity Center.

In addition to being the second school in the state to offer the program, Huntingdon being the other, Montevallo is the first NCAA Division II institution to add men's wrestling as an intercollegiate sport.

Montevallo will become the 68th NCAA Division II institution to add wrestling and will be the only school in the Gulf South Conference school to add the sport.

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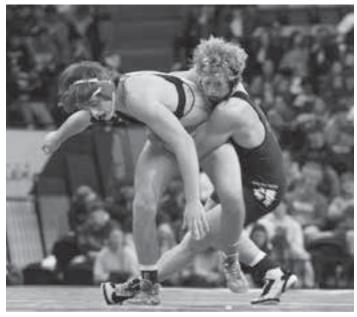


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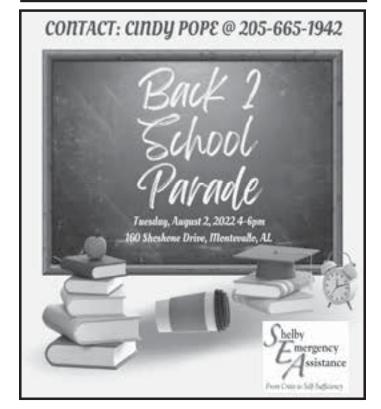
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- Popular berry for smoothies
- 14. No one
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- 17. Rainbows
- Bygone information source, watched in theaters
- 21. Damage
- 24. Greek equivalent of "Huzzah!"
- Important historical period
- Cloudy with a chance of clouds
- 29. Yeardley Smith
- 30. Dan Castellneta
- 34. Less slack
- 37. Hellmann's, for short
- 38. Appearing on the web
- 39. Nancy Cartwright
- 40. Mary ___ Lincoln
- Capt. Hook's sidekick

Down

- 1. Modern poetry reading
- 2. Prefix for cola or leaf
- 3. Stuff for a Petri dish
- 4. Period of rule
- 5. Provide with weapons
- 6. Poddweller?
- Enigma Variations composer
- 8. A Ph.D. is one
- More kind
- 12. Musk's company car
- One time affirmative action agency: Abbr.
- 19. 1935 jobs program: Abbr.
- Miss America wears one
- Allegro (very fast in music)
- 22. Bird-related
- End state
- 27. 4:1, e.g.
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