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Cornerstone is pleased to announce plans for an Income-Based Tuition Program! This program will help provide affordable access to Christian Education for area children. In May, the board was able to move Cornerstone's tuition structure away from a standard one-price-fits-all model by using a third-party tuition assessment company. FACTS Tuition Management collects each family's data and provides us with an objective, unbiased look at each family's ability to pay.

Each application takes 7-10 business days for FACTS to process and report back to the school. Each family that's applied now has the opportunity for a private Christian education that they might otherwise have missed, and each student helps Cornerstone fulfill our mission to minister to our world, starting with our local community.

For more information, call 205-669-7777, or search for our school by zip code at <http://www.factstuitionaid.com>.

SHELBY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

"Pride of Shelby County" Band Camp will be held August 2-6, 8:00 a.m.-noon and 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

The Freshman Bonding Bash will be held in the Charles Dickinson Gymnasium on Tuesday, August 10, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Teachers will return to work on August 9. Five new faculty members are joining the SCHS family this fall: Kimberly Auer - math, Kalli Falkner - business technology, Melissa Hadder - counselor, Devin Murray - science, and Chris Perkins — science.

The first day of school for students is Thursday, August, 12. The day will begin with a school-wide assembly in the Charles Dickinson Gymnasium at 7:55 a.m.

Football season kicks off on Friday, August 27, with a home game against Pell City at 7:00 p.m.

Volleyball season begins on Thursday, August 19. This month's volleyball matches include:

- August 19, 4:30, Calera (Away)
- August 24, 5:00, Bibb County (Home)
- August 24, 7:00, Chelsea (Home)
- August 28, 12:00, Calera (Away)
- August 30, 5:00, Curry (Away)
- August 31, 5:00, Indian Springs (Away)

Yard of the Month for July:

The July yard of the month was Matt Jacob's home at 110 Creekwood Drive, Columbiana, AL 35051.

Get Control of Your Weeds and Help the Beautification Board!

In conjunction with the Columbiana Beautification Board, Kellis Vegetation Management, Inc. will be offering one-time professional herbicide applications through October to any business or residence in South Shelby County in exchange for a \$100 donation to the Columbiana Beautification Board. As part of this fundraising project, Kellis Vegetation will provide weed control for gravel or paved areas and will address kudzu or other brush issues for South Shelby County businesses and residents, up to 1/4 of an acre or 350 feet of fence line.

Weed control services for lawns or other ornamental areas are not being offered. For more information or to take advantage of this offer, please call Beautification Board member Brandi Kellis at 317-8769.

RECYCLING IN COLUMBIANA

DID YOU KNOW THAT THERE IS A RECYCLING BIN IN COLUMBIANA? IT IS LOCATED HWY 70 BESIDE THE RAY BUILDING. THE LARGE GREEN CONTAINER HAS COLLECTION BINS FOR PLASTICS, PAPER, CARD BOARD BOXES AND ALUMINUM CANS!

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Ways To Care for Caregivers

- Laugh about something everyday.
- Take care of yourself physically.
- Eat a well-balanced diet.
- Talk with someone every day.
- Let family and friends help. Give them printed material on memory disorders so they can better understand your relative. Give them a chance.
- Give yourself permission to have a good cry. Tears aren't a weakness - they reduce tension.
- Exercise. A brisk walk counts.
- Get adequate rest.
- Try a bowl of Cheerios and milk before bed to promote sleep.
- Avoid noisy and/or tension-filled movies at night.

The late news itself can add to stress. Skip it.

- Reduce daily caffeine intake.
- Get professional help if you feel your support system isn't adequate or if you feel overwhelmed.
- Take a break every day, even if it's only 10 minutes alone in the backyard.
- Explore community resources and connect yourself with them.
- Listen to music.
- Learn relaxation techniques.
- Give yourself a treat at least once a month: an ice cream cone – a new shirt or dress – a night out with friends – a flowering plant.

Columbiana Health and Rehabilitation is a 63-bed skilled nursing facility located on Highway 25 in Columbiana. The facility provides residents with access to extensively trained professionals in nursing care, physical, occupational and speech therapies. For more information, call Kay Sertell at (205) 669-1712.

AEROBICS

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday

5:15 pm – 6:15 pm

Columbiana United Methodist Church

For information call

Shea Williams @ 612-6012

ADVERTISE IN THE COLUMBIANA NEWSLETTER

Call Matthew Allen at the Shelby County Reporter

(205) 669-3131

DRUG FREE MESSAGE

The August 2010 message from the Shelby County Drug Free Coalition is:

The adolescent brain is not mature enough to avoid risk-taking and many youth do not think before they act. It's important to talk to your kids about the risks and consequences of using alcohol, tobacco and other drugs often throughout their development

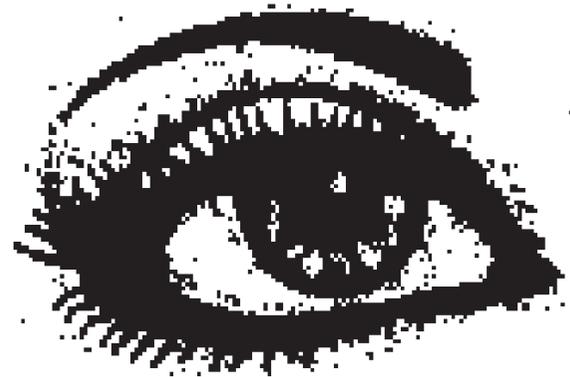
The Shelby County Drug Free Coalition provides the drug free message each month. The Coalition is a program of Family Connection made up of volunteers who are concerned about and want to reduce alcohol, tobacco and other drug use among our youth. Representatives from law enforcement, health agencies, businesses, church and civic groups and Shelby County Schools are part of the Coalition.

Join the Seniors

Columbiana Senior Center at the Rec. Building

Monday – Friday 9 AM until 1 PM

For More Information call Donna Higgins at (205) 669-3969



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SUPPORT OUR CITY

When the city first began this newsletter, it was mailed to each Columbiana home as a separate piece of mail. Then, we began to include it with the Shelby County Reporter's weekly paper. Now, due to the suggestions from several folks and the city's desire to decrease production costs, we are again sending your newsletter through the mail. We hope you enjoy it. By the way, we always encourage residents, churches, local schools and organizations to submit ideas and announcements for the newsletter. The best way is email: llively@cityofcolumbiana.com.

Our 25th Liberty Day Celebration is now in the books, and every comment I've heard has been very positive. Thank you, Liberty Day Committee for your hard work and sacrifice. Most folks don't know how tough it is to pull off one of these events, and I guess that's because you make it look easy. Now, we have to make sure that next year's Liberty Day is even better!

The other day, I, along with mayors from most of the other cities and towns in the county, were invited to a meeting to get updates on Census 2010, senior citizens programs, county-wide information technology opportunities and a few other interesting topics. I'm proud to say that Columbiana, and the county as a whole, surpassed projected percentages of people who responded to the census surveys. We won't have those final numbers for several more months, but I'll make sure we all know the final counts. Thank you, everyone, for providing census information either through surveys, phone calls or speaking with the door-to-door census workers. Your information will help us tremendously as we try to get our tax dollars returned home in the way of grants and public works projects.

Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging (M4A) made a presentation at yesterday's meeting regarding our seniors in the county. Of the five surrounding counties, Shelby County has the highest number of senior residents. Shelby County is also the only one of the five counties that adequately provides eligible homebound seniors daily meals through the Meals on Wheels program. Many of the volunteers for that program are Senior Volunteers and Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) citizens. Each of these people should be proud of the time he or she has given to "do unto others" in such a Christian way; and the rest of us should be thankful for them. I certainly am.

M4A also made us aware that the daily attempts of some human trash to deceive our seniors and take their money is growing in frequency. I'd love to see each one of those criminals removed from society forever. Even if that could be the penalty, it's hard to catch them. Take down the following phone number and share it with every senior you know. It's a number they can call to see if an offer is too good to be true. It's a number they can call anytime to get information, the answer to certain legal questions, assistance with financial management and other concerns. It's 1-800-AGE-LINE. Write it down. Give it to someone who needs it. Have a great day.

—Allan

COMMUNITY

LIBERTY DAY 2010 SPONSORS

The 25th annual Liberty Day was another rousing success in 2010. Thanks to all the volunteers and city employees for their tireless and professional efforts.

A special thank you to our sponsors for stepping forward in very difficult economic times to support this annual, community-wide event.

The 2010 Liberty Day sponsors were:

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Music On Main!

Friday Nights
Beginning at 6:00pm
Through August 14th
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or 669-9075

What is a SNIPE Sign?

The City of Columbiana Ordinance No. 04-02-02, Article 9, Sign Regulations defines a snipe sign as follows:

A sign of any material that is attached in any way to a utility pole, tree, fence, rock, or other similar object located on public or private property. (this would also include any signage attached to roadway signs). Snipe signs are prohibited per Ordinance No. 04-02-02. Any snipe signs posted within the City Limits of the City of Columbiana are subject to immediate removal.

Don't Get SCAMMED!

The newest scam circulating involves the 'donut hole' or the gap created with Medicare Part D and the new health care bill. Those that fall into this gap will be receiving a check in the mail for \$250.00. Even if you have your Social Security Check sent Direct Deposit to the bank, you will receive an actual PAPER CHECK. Should you receive a call or are contacted by someone stating that you need to provide your Social Security Number and banking information (account number & routing number) to receive your check, DO NOT give this information out! This is a scam and once you have given out your banking information and social security number, your identity can be easily stolen!

Some tips to remember to avoid getting scammed:

- Never give a caller your Social Security Number over the phone.
- Never give out your banking information (account number & bank routing number) to a caller.
- If it sounds too good to be true, it usually is!
- You can't win the lottery if you didn't play it!
- If you receive a letter stating that someone needs your help to receive funds and you will receive a portion of this money if you deposit a check then send a portion of the funds back to them, this is scam! You will be depositing a check that is stolen or fraudulent. The check will not clear the bank it is drawn on and you will be left owing the bank the entire sum of money.

If you have any questions regarding scams or need further information, please call the Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging at (205) 670-5770

Arts & Craft Show

Sponsored by the Novella Club of Columbiana
August 7th

For more information or to be a vendor, call 669-9075
or 669-9073



Jeff Falkner Memorial Golf Tournament

Sept 9th , Silent Auction & Gala
Sept 10th, Golf Tournament
Magnolia Meadows Golf Course
For more info, call the South Shelby Chamber of
Commerce at 669-9075



What's New At The Library

By Jane Bailey - Director

Another Summer Reading Program has come to an end! Columbiana Library had a very successful summer with "Make A Splash – Read!" Thank you to our many participants, our staff is so proud of all your hard work! It's great to know that even with all of today's technology, kids still LOVE to read books!

We had a great summer of magic, juggling, puppets, and McWane Center science. Our craft

classes were full every week and our mid-week movies were well attended. We are already looking forward and planning for next summer!

With school starting in just a few days, I hope that all you middle and high school students have your summer reading assignments finished.

For the last two Wednesdays we have shown movies that are on your assigned reading lists. So far, we have shown "To Kill A Mockingbird"

and "Speak". The movie for Wed. August 4th at 2 p.m. will be "The Old Man and the Sea". There are light refreshments served at these movies and we will also have any available copies of the books at the circulation desk for you to check out. Take advantage of this opportunity!

We sincerely hope that everyone has a fantastic school year and remember that the library is here to help in any way we can! Visit us soon!

Columbiana Friends of the Library

Wed. Aug. 11th – 10:30 a.m.

Mother/Daughter Tea Party with a visit from author Sheror Caton Moore. She will be reading from "Treasures in an Alabama Attic". Donation of \$5 per child (no cost for Mom) at the door. Reservations are required. Girls, wear your fancy dresses, hats, etc. and bring your favorite doll if you like. What a wonderful way to spend the last day of summer vacation! Call 669-5812 for your reservation!

Thurs. Aug. 12th – 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Quilting for Beginners! A class for people new to quilting. Learn the basics and make a quilt top! Two part class, the following class will be the next Thurs. Aug. 19th at the same time. Suggested donation to the FOL of \$15.

Sat. Aug. 14th – 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Come and work on your Downey Quilts for Kids. To find out more about this project, call 669-5812 and speak with Agnes Pool or Shelia Gallups.

Fridays at 9 a.m. – Come and play Bridge with Friends of the Library!

Adult Knitting Classes

Every Tuesday from 10 until noon

Are you interested in learning a centuries old craft that has never truly lost its popularity? How about refreshing those skills your grandmother taught you? Join the Loose Stitches on Tuesday mornings for a fun filled time of knitting and crochet! We'd love to have you!

Pre-school Storytimes with Ms. Jane

Join us every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

Aug. 3 – Dog Days

Aug. 10 – Teddy Bears

Aug. 17 – Off to School

Aug. 24 – Give Me Music

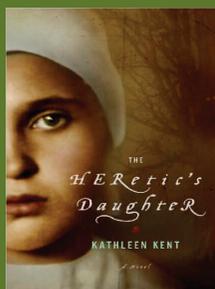
Aug. 31 – I Love to Work!

Back to School Movie

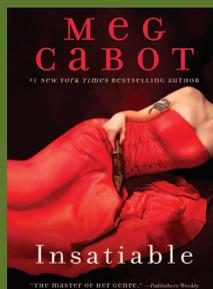
Wed. Aug. 4th – 2 p.m. "The Old Man and the Sea"

Monthly Recommended Reads

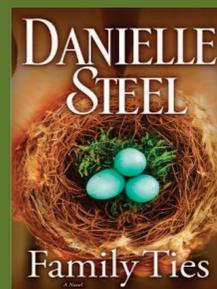
JANE
"The Heretic's Daughter" by
Kathleen Kent



Shelia
"Insatiable" by Meg Cabot



Barbara
"Family Ties" by Danielle Steel



Agnes
"Backseat Saints" by Joshilyn Jackson



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- Sales tax proceeds stay local, funding the sports programs, library, senior center program and parks.
- Most local merchants will do the best they can to accommodate your needs. If you need a product, service, etc that they currently do not offer, just ask!
- Purchasing large items outside of the city? Have them delivered into the city so that the sales tax stays local!
- Buying gasoline local helps fund projects for paving our streets.
- Compare prices! Purchasing within the city can have the same savings as the discount stores.
- Local merchants can also price match! Just ask!
- Buying tobacco products? The City Tobacco tax helps fund park and recreation!

COLUMBIANA IS ON FACE BOOK!

If you are on Face Book, look for Columbiana, AL!
Click on the Like button and join us!



Scrapbook All Weekend!

Friday, Aug. 27 ~ 6 pm - Midnight

Saturday, Aug. 28 ~ 10 am - 6 pm

Columbiana United Methodist Church

\$10.00 Weekend Admission Fee

(or \$5.00 if you only participate one day)



What to Bring: A snack to share, supplies and tools for your personal projects, and gently used supplies and tools that you may want to sell.

Invite a friend to join you!

All are WELCOME! Please contact one of the following people to let us know if you will be joining us on Friday only, Saturday only or for the entire weekend:

Sue Eddins ~ Agnes Pool ~ Kathy Corbitt ~ Jamie Barnes

670-6985 305-8375 919-6089 529-6916

Or email: KathyCorbitt@aol.com

CALLING ARTISTS!

It's time for the 2nd Annual Juried Art Show at the Shelby County Arts Council!

To apply or for more info, email Susan at susan@shelbycountyartscouncil.com

*Jury fees will apply. Juror: Arthur Price
Applicants must be over the age of 18.*

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