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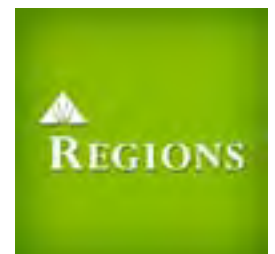
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22nd THURSDAY  
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MMSP / Parnell Library Theatre, 7:30pm

**FIRST DAY OF FALL**

23rd FRIDAY  
**MONTEVALLO HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL**  
vs Jemison High at JHS, 7pm

**THE BOXCAR CHILDREN**  
MMSP / Parnell Library Theatre, 7:30pm

24th SATURDAY  
**THE BOXCAR CHILDREN**  
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25th SUNDAY  
**THE BOXCAR CHILDREN**  
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Montevallo  
Historical  
Society...

Gala II  
2022

Everyone remembers what a great time that was experienced by the attendees of the Gala I in 2019 which honored the Mahler family. The food, fun and camaraderie was unmatched in every way and we all so looked forward to more fun the following year. Of course, the pandemic altered our plans for two years but now, Gala II, the primary fundraiser for the Montevallo Historical Society will happen October 1.

Chef Keith Hoffert, will be bringing the cuisine that he honed as executive chef of American Queen Steamboat Company, American Cruise Lines, and restaurants in the panhandle of Florida. Chef Hoffert earned a degree in Culinary Arts from Johnson and Wales in Charleston, S.C. and has since been creating meals for celebrities, athletes, governors and now those in attendance of Gala II at the Fox and Pheasant Inn at 540 Shelby Street. Dinner, drinks, music, Montevallo Trivia contest, and silent auction items will all be a part of the evening.



**Chef Keith Hoffert**

The Kroell family who were early settlers and entrepreneurs are this years honorees. When George Kroell completed his elaborate three story Victorian mansion in 1900, it was soon recognized throughout the region as a unique landmark on Montevallo's Main Street. A clever family member began calling the house, "Owl's Cove", because of a life-size decorative owl figurine mounted over a doorway leading into a compact "alcove" just off the foyer. The name stuck and has been used ever since.

Owl's Cove was sold and torn down in 1967, but the stories of the house and the family that lived there for 65 years have remained strong and fascinating for those who came after them. In recent years, the City of Montevallo even christened a landscaped section of the old lot where the Kroell house once stood as, "Owl's Cove Park".

Kroell descendants recently made a substantial and valuable donation to the Montevallo Historical Society, so in recognition of their philanthropy and place in the history of the town, we are gratified to name the legendary Kroell Family as the Honoree of the Montevallo Historical Society's Gala 2022.

To learn more about the MHS Gala and purchase tickets please call 205 567 9659 or look for the insert in this issue of the Chamber Chatter.



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# Untold Stories

## OF BLACK MONTEVALLO



*Everybody's stories matter. It's not just a matter of nostalgia, it powers us into the present and the future.* -- Barack Obama  
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### THE "LITTLE SCHOOL" ON ISLAND STREET

In towns all over the South, the schools in Black communities were a source of pride that inspired loyalty. -- Annette Gordon-Reed, *On Juneteenth*

A small wooden school house for negro children once stood at the corner of Island and Bloch Streets in a Black community then known as Jacksonville. This school, nearly forgotten today, taught some of Montevallo's most admired female teachers, among them Barbara Belisle, the first African American to teach at Montevallo HS, and Kathlyn Lathion, a retired special ed teacher, recently honored as a "Hometown Hero." The "little school," as it was affectionately known, set these little girls on a path where they would become outstanding lifelong educators.

Equally deserving of admiration is Onnie Dell Fluker, a "little school" student who would go on to teach and to write a history of early Black education in Shelby County. Her nephew, James Salter, remembers his Aunt Dell as "a very soft-spoken person and teacher who always found an opportunity to teach a lesson . . . whether it was at home, the school house, or the church house. It is why her hundreds of students loved her."



*Onnie Dell Fluker,  
a lifelong teacher,  
1918-2015*

This soft-spoken teacher exemplifies the fierce pride women of her generation took in their profession. After she retired in 1980, she wrote "Schools for Blacks in Shelby County," most likely because she feared this history might be forgotten. Remarkably, her account has been preserved in a folder of loose papers in the archives in Columbiana, two-and-a-half typewritten pages signed "Onnie Dell Fluker, a retired teacher." She saw to it that the story of Black schools did not go untold.

"Before and during the early twenties," she writes, "there were 'colored' schools dotted all over Shelby County. Most were held in churches. A few had school houses." Montevallo was one of the few. As early as 1924, our town was fortunate to have a two-room school house furnished with potbelly heaters and two salaried teachers paid by the county. (They made \$40-\$45 a month.) The facility was primitive, however. "None of the early schools had running water or indoor plumbing. There were no electric lights.

The building was in such bad shape that in 1932 the state board of education marked it for "immediate abandonment."

It would continue in use through 1939, however, when an elementary school in Almont opened. Until then children from all over Montevallo, even those "across the creek," walked to the school in Jacksonville. Kathlyn Lathion remembers vividly the horrible day in April 1939 when a tornado ripped through town, destroying Shiloh Missionary Baptist on Selma Road. There were so many powerlines down she had to be carried home on the back of her cousin Willie Bell. She still recalls the fear of being carried over the wooden bridge above Shoal Creek.



*A typical two-room wooden school house like the one on Island Street.*

After 1939, the little wooden school house fell into disuse. Long-time resident Patricia Walker, known to many today as "Miss Trish," remembers how as a curious child she played in the abandoned school house. She describes it as "fallen in," a "shanty," a tiny space with a stage at one end, benches (no desks), and a blackboard on the wall.

In the late 40s, Fluker's parents, O. C. and Mary Eliza Cunningham, were forced to sell their house on Main Street to make way for the FHA housing that opened in 1952. They bought the nearby school house property, added onto and fixed up the building, and turned it into the family dwelling. It seems fitting that for the rest of her life Fluker would make her home in the renovated school house.

The opening of the all-white Montevallo Elementary School across the street in 1964 created provocative ironies. She later reflected on her complicated feelings about integration:

*Several years ago, we purchased the 'Little School House' and remodeled it into a dwelling house, where we now live. In front, on a hill, sits a new formerly all-white school. I was often teased about teaching there where I could walk to school. When integration came to the county, I was invited by the Principal and the Supt. to teach there. I was also approached by several business people who suggested that I should be the one to "Cross over" there.*

But she would not be the one to "cross over": "I feel that I belong with my people. I understand them and their problems" ("Mini Revelations: A Short Autobiography").

In 2011, aged 93, Onnie Dell Fluker was presented the key to the City of Montevallo, and rightly so. This soft-spoken woman, a lifelong teacher, kept alive her pride in her people and her dedication to the history of their schooling.

*Photos courtesy of James Salter.*

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



Pictured: Don Simmer, Nancy Simmer, Dr. Kathryn King

**THE SHELBY COUNTY FREEDOM FUND BANQUET AND AWARD RECEPTION**

On Saturday, August 13th the Shelby County NAACP honored the Reverend Albert L. Jones for his lifetime of Civil Rights work and his foundational role in the founding of the Shelby County NAACP at their Freedom Fund Banquet. The guest speaker was Pastor Van C. Houser of the New Vision Christian Church in Helena.

Dr. Kathryn King was presented with the President's Award for her work on the Montevallo African American Heritage Trail. Other honorees included Nancy Simmer, Don Simmer, Sheila Truss and Kendralyn Houser.

Recognition was also given to the Shelby County Omegas and the AKAs for their work in supporting the Shelby County NAACP.



**MONTEVALLO HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL**

- AUG. 26..... SHELBY COUNTY (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
- SEPT. 2\*\* ..... HALE COUNTY (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
- SEPT. 9\* ..... Dallas County (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
- SEPT. 16..... at West Blocton (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
- SEPT. 23..... at Jemison High (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
- SEPT. 30..... at Sipsey Valley (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
- OCT. 7 ..... Bibb County (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
- OCT. 14 ..... at Holt High (\_\_\_)-(\_\_\_)
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## CITY OF MONTEVALLO NEWS

### Mayor's Message...

*Hello citizens* of the great City of Montevallo! I hope everyone is well. The end of this month means that Fall is almost here and cooler weather is on its way. We have had a very hot summer and I am glad to see the triple-digit heat is on its way out. Shelby County Schools (MES, MMS, and MHS) are back in session and it's great to see all our students getting in the swing of the new school year. I am excited to see that students at the University of Montevallo are back in town and exploring the city. The arrival of Fall also means that high school football season is here, and I am looking forward to an outstanding year for the Montevallo Bulldogs. Go Dawgs!!



**RUSTY NIX, MAYOR**

I am happy to report that there are two city projects that are in the finishing stages. The first project is the construction of additional restrooms at Stephens Park. The restrooms were much needed as the travel ball circuit has increased over the years and brings 1,000+ people to our ballpark on most weekends. When the park was built 26 years ago, we had no idea that its use would grow this large and that more facilities would be needed to accommodate a much larger group of players and spectators. The second project is Storm Shelter No. 2 behind Fire Station No. 1. This Storm Shelter gives us the capacity for another 96 persons in the event of a severe weather event. All that is left to the completion of this project is hooking up the plumbing for the two ADA compliant restrooms.

I would also like to report that we should soon see the turning of dirt on the sidewalk project from Lucky's Foodland to Pic 'n Sav. I will be glad to see this project underway. In addition, we will be reapplying for a grant for improvements at and around the Moores Crossroads intersection. The northern part of Montevallo is where much of the new residential growth is happening. This area is one of the gateways into our city and improvements are needed regarding safety and appearance.

The City of Montevallo is in the early stages of planning a community/recreation center. The city has hired Dewayne Moore Foundation LLC to help coordinate with this project. Dewayne and his team have many years of experience in developing similar facilities. His team will start with two Citizen's Feedback Surveys to guide project planning and gain Community buy-in. Dewayne was born and raised in Montevallo, and we are excited for his involvement with this project.

Fundraising for a memorial park bench honoring Dr. Earl Cunningham is still underway. Donations are being accepted at Regions Bank in Montevallo. There are also a few fundraising projects for the bench in the planning stages, so be on the lookout for the announcement of these events.

Friday Nights at Owl's Cove Park events are still going on with bands playing on September 9th and October 7th from 6:30-8:30. Food trucks will also be onsite. This event is sponsored by Montevallo Main Street. Please come out for

some family friendly entertainment. Do not forget your chair or blanket!

Tinglewood Festival will be held on September 10th, 2022. This event will be held in our beautiful Orr Park from 9 am-5 pm. This is one of our largest events in Montevallo and draws 7,000+ visitors to our city. The event will feature Cars by the Creek show, many forms of wood artist vendors, a chainsaw carving expo, children's activities, wooden boat race, food trucks, bands, and more.

The city received new bids for garbage services, and I am sorry to report that our fees will be increasing to \$30.00 per month. Two companies responded to the open bid request and Republic came in with the lower bid. The rise in fuel prices and dump fees are a factor in the elevated rates. I believe that this is the first price increase we have had for garbage service in 12 years.

On a bright note, we have paid off the fire truck! This keeps our ISO (Insurance Services Office) rating at 2 which is almost unheard of for a volunteer fire department. An excellent ISO rating helps ensure that your insurance premiums are lower and provides the fire protection we need in relation to the fire load that we have.

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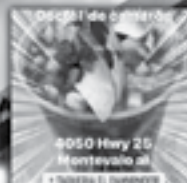
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Tuesdays at 10am, **Mini Music**

Wednesdays at 9:15am, **Storytime with Mr. Mac**

Sep. 1 – Sep. 30: **Parnell Memorial Library Diaper Drive**, benefitting Bundles of Hope. Drop off your donations at the library and receive a certificate good for Fine Forgiveness for Parnell Library-owned items in the month of September!

Saturday, Sep. 3 – Monday, Sep. 5: **Library CLOSED** for Labor Day weekend

Sep. 6: **Take Home Craft Kit:** Coffee Filter Butterflies. Available while supplies last!

Tuesday, Sep. 13: **Kid's Movie**, 3:30 pm. New release kid's movie on the big screen! Call library for title.

Tuesday, Sep. 20: **Sweets and Eats Take Home Kit:** Butterfly snacks. Available while supplies last

Tuesday, Sep. 20, from 3 – 6 pm: **Flu & Covid-19 vaccine clinic.** Sponsored by City of Montevallo and Montevallo Drug. No appointments required, walk-ins welcome!

Monday, Sep. 26 at 2:00 pm: **Classic Movie Monday.** Enjoy a movie from the '40s, '50s, '60s, & '70s in the Parnell Library Theatre. Call library for title.

Friday, Sep. 30 from 10am – 5pm: **Fall Plant Swap.** Bring your plants, cuttings, and seeds to swap with others, and discover your new favorite plant. Drop-by event.

**Parnell Memorial Library**  
**DIAPER DRIVE**  
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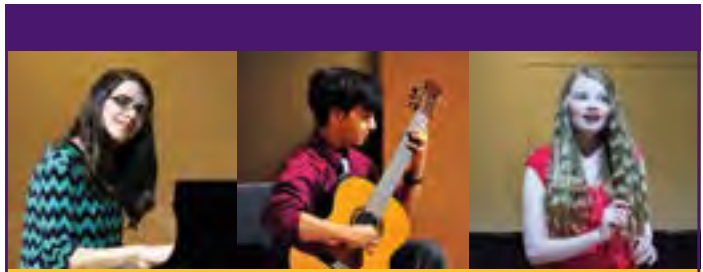
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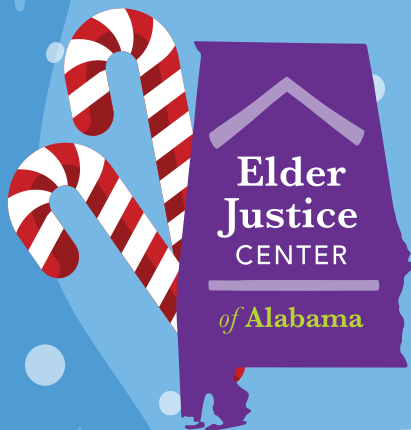
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- EVERY 2ND MONDAY**  
MDCD Montevallo Development Cooperative District  
1 p.m., Meets at City Hall
- EVERY 2ND TUESDAY**  
Historical Commission, 6:0 p.m., City Hall
- EVERY TUESDAY**  
Ladies Bible Study - Community Wide  
10:00-11:00 am, Montevallo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
- EVERY TUESDAY -**  
7-8:30 pm, Montevallo Community Chorale meets at Choir Room of Davis Hall on UM Campus.
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- 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.
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**Bicycle = Vehicle** (Ala. Code §§32-1-1.1(81); 32-5A-260): A person riding a bicycle has all the rights and duties of the driver of a vehicle. This includes the same penalties for driving while intoxicated or under the influence of controlled substances (Ala. Code §§32-5A-191; 22-27-90). As a cyclist, it’s important to follow the rules of the road, both for safety and to leave motorists with a positive impression of cyclists!

**Helmet Law For Minors** (Ala. Code §§32-5A-283; 32-5A-285): Whether you are the operator or passenger, a helmet is required for anyone under the age of 16 while riding in public. Thus, those over the age of 16 can make their own

decision as to whether they want to wear a helmet.

**Lights & Reflectors** (Ala. Code §§32-5A-265): While riding at night, a WHITE front-facing light visible for at least 500 feet and a RED rear-facing reflector visible between 100-600 feet when illuminated by a vehicle headlights are both required. A rear light is not required, but will further improve your safety.

**Where to ride** (Ala. Code §§32-5A-263): Wherever there is a usable path for bicycles adjacent to the roadway (such as a bike lane), a cyclist should use that path. When riding on the road, bicyclists should ride as far to the right as “practicable” – this means that while you should normally stay within 2 feet of the right side of the lane, if there are obstructions or issues with road quality, you can move further into the lane. Also, while some folks feel safer on the sidewalk, cycling on the sidewalk is prohibited under Alabama law (Ala. Code §§32-5A-52).

**3-Foot Passing Law** (Ala. Code §§32-5A-82) Alabama has a 3-foot law! Motorists shall give cyclists at least 3 feet of space while passing them given that they are no more than 2 feet from the shoulder of the road. The passing vehicle should give you more than half the lane in space to comply with this law, and ideally they will give you the whole lane as they pass.

While at times being on the roads seems scary for cyclists, following the rules and keeping alert around motorists will help you stay safe and minimize motorist-cyclist conflict! ValloCycle is Alabama’s oldest citywide bike share. For more information visit [vallocycle.com](http://vallocycle.com), contact [vallocycle@gmail.com](mailto:vallocycle@gmail.com), or find us on Facebook.



# Catch us at Home!



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Young Harris	Women’s Soccer	Sept. 5	1 p.m.
Full Moon Invite	M/W Golf	Sept. 12-13	TBA
Falcon Classic	M/W Cross Country	Sept. 16	TBA
Christian Brothers	Women’s Soccer	Sept. 16	5 p.m.
Mississippi College	Volleyball	Sept. 16	6 p.m.
Christian Brothers	Men’s Soccer	Sept. 16	7:30 p.m.
West Alabama	Volleyball	Sept. 17	2 p.m.
Union	Women’s Soccer	Sept. 18	1 p.m.
Union	Men’s Soccer	Sept. 18	3:30 p.m.
Shorter	Men’s Soccer	Sept. 23	6 p.m.
Alabama-Huntsville	Volleyball	Sept. 24	2 p.m.

# MILITARY MOMENT

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



**September is Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month,** and as such, we recognize the following observances:

- September 10: World Suicide Prevention Day
- September 4-10: National Suicide Prevention Week

Veterans die by suicide at a substantially higher rate than the general population. That is truer in Alabama, with a suicide rate for veterans that exceeds national figures. The first thing to know, if you are a Veteran and considering suicide, or are concerned that a loved one is considering suicide, you're urged to call: The Veterans Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255, and Press 1. There are trained counselors and resources immediately available.

With the state ranking second nationally in this terrible category, the Alabama Legislature and the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs have authorized a new study committee to examine the problem and make recommendations on what Alabama can do to help. Dr. John Campbell, Director of Mental Health at the Birmingham VA, says, "The veteran population experiences about 20 percent higher suicide rates than the civilian population just in general. And, the South and Alabama, in particular, have a higher veteran rate than even the rest of the country."

"Suicide is a significant public health issue. The entire month of September carries a simple, potentially life-saving message: suicide is preventable," said Devereux's Director of Clinical and Professional Affairs, Megan Russell. It's a growing problem, and the numbers tell a shocking story. Every 40 seconds, someone takes their own life according to the World Health Organization (WHO). That's about 800,000 people worldwide every year — although some estimates put that number closer to 1 million. Suicide is the leading cause of death for people ages 15 to 29, and for every suicide that results in death, there are as many as 40 attempted suicides.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, depression and other brain disorders are leading risk factors of suicide, followed by alcohol and drug addiction.

Here are a few warning signs of suicide:

- Increased alcohol and drug use
- Aggressive behavior
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- Dramatic mood swings
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Suicidal behaviors are a psychiatric emergency. They include:

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- Tying up loose ends, like organizing personal papers or paying off debts
- Saying goodbye to friends and family

Research has found that 46% of people who die by suicide had a known mental health condition. Several other things may put a person at risk of suicide, including:

- A family history of suicide
- Substance use. Drugs can create mental highs and lows that worsen suicidal thoughts.
- Intoxication. More than 1 in 3 people who die from suicide are under the influence of alcohol at the time of death.
- Access to firearms
- A serious or chronic medical illness
- Gender. Although more women than men attempt suicide, men are nearly 4x more likely to die by suicide.
- A history of trauma or abuse
- Prolonged stress
- A recent tragedy or loss

Veteran or not, all of us need someone's help at some point in our lives. Please do not be afraid to reach out for help, for yourself or for someone else, who is suffering. Worst case scenario, you're mistaken and they didn't need your help. Best case, you help save someone's life, perhaps, even your own.

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Alabama's premier, all-woodworking art festival will celebrate "Shavings, Smoke, and Sound" during its 4th year in Montevallo's Orr Park on September 10, 2022. This All Star Shelby County Tourism and Recreation Award winning event will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Enjoy a uniquely Montevallo event with live chainsaw wood carving, woodworking artist vendors, Tim Tingle's Whittling Contest, and a wooden boat race. Festival-goers will find everything from knives, wooden bowls, vases, jewelry, and toys, to handcrafted furniture, bird houses, ornaments, and more! There will also be a classic car show—the 20th Annual Cars by the Creek—a variety of children's activities, axe throwing, and food vendors on site.

Live music runs all day during the festival with a wide variety of styles. Musical acts include Montevallo High School Jazz Band, Chase Stewart, Mother May I, and 2BLU and The Lucky Stiffs!

The chainsaw carving exhibition will include a panel of well-known artists: Heather Bailey of Alabaster, Alabama; Justin Bailey of Alabaster, Alabama; Corey Lancaster of Princeton, North Carolina; Dave Marshalek of Shelbyville, Tennessee; and Justin Driver of Farmington, Kentucky. Artwork created during the festival will be available for purchase.

The 20th Annual Cars by the Creek car show welcomes all years, makes, and models of cars. Awards will be given to "Best of Decade," "Best of Show" for Cars and Trucks, and "Best 'Woodie.'" There will also be a 50/50 drawing and door prizes. Registration begins at 9 a.m.

Children's activities will include a "make and take" art project, the "Balloon Guy," Dr. Bob's Traveling Snake Show, inflatables courtesy of JAC's Rentals, Alabama Wildlife Center show, a Petting Zoo and more.

Candlewood Suites Alabaster is the official hotel for the 2022 Tinglewood Festival. Call 205-620-0188 to inquire about special rates.

Tinglewood Festival is inspired by a special section of Orr Park, where local artist Tim Tingle has carved faces and creatures into the dead parts of living cedar trees since a fateful ice storm in 1993. The festival is organized by the Montevallo Chamber of Commerce, Montevallo Main Street, and the Montevallo Arts Collaborative as a signature event for the City of Montevallo.

For more information, visit [tinglewoodfestival.com](http://tinglewoodfestival.com), or visit the "Tinglewood Festival" Facebook Page.

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## 8 REASONS TO CHOOSE A REAL ESTATE AGENT OVER “FOR SALE BY OWNER”

Submitted by Susan Lehman, Team Lehman

### Why it's worth getting a pro to sell your home

When you sell your home yourself—also known as “for sale by owner” (FSBO)—it may seem like a great way to save thousands of dollars. After all, the standard real estate agent’s commission is 5% to 6%—that’s \$12,500 to \$15,000 on a \$250,000 home. Given the size of this fee, you may think that acting as your own seller’s agent will surely be worth the savings. Here are eight reasons why you may want to reconsider.

#### 1. Realtors May Not Show a “For Sale By Owner” Home

In an FSBO deal, the buyer’s agent knows there won’t be a professional colleague on the other end of the transaction. Even if a client insists on seeing your home, the agent might discourage making an offer, citing the hassles and risks of trying to close the deal without a professional representing the seller—and without a guaranteed commission.

If you want to be taken seriously by sellers’ agents, get the best price, and make sure you don’t miss any key steps in the process—or risk a lawsuit—it’s better to use a real estate agent than to try to sell your home yourself.

#### 2. Agents Avoid Emotional Sales

Selling your home is typically an emotional process. Having an agent keeps you one step removed and makes you less likely to make stupid mistakes, such as overpricing your home, refusing to counter a low offer because you’re offended, or giving in too easily when you have a deadline for selling. A realtor can follow up without communicating a sense of eagerness or desperation; following up is their job.

If you forgo an agent, you’ll also have to deal directly with rejection every time a buyer’s agent tells you that the client isn’t interested and it may be hard to get buyers to give you constructive feedback.

#### 3. Real Estate Is a Full-Time Job

Can you rush home from work every time someone wants to see your home? Can you excuse yourself from a meeting every time your phone rings with a potential buyer? At the end of a long workday, do you have the energy to take advantage of every possible opportunity to market your home? Are you an expert in marketing homes?

Do you have any experience doing so? Your answer to all of these questions is probably “no.” A qualified agent’s answer to all of these questions is “yes.” In addition, by going through an agent, you’ll get a lockbox for your front door that allows agents to show your home even when you aren’t available.

#### 4. Agents Access Large Networks

Yes, you can list your home yourself on Zillow, Redfin, Craigslist, and even the multiple listing service (MLS) that agents use. But will that be enough? Even if you have a large personal or professional network, those people will likely have little interest in spreading the word that your house is for sale. You don’t have relationships with clients, other agents, or a real estate agency to bring the largest pool of potential buyers to your home. In addition, real estate agencies have access to additional sites you may be unaware of. For example, Keller Williams lists their properties on over 400 different sites. A smaller pool of potential buyers means less demand for your property, which can translate into waiting longer to sell your home and possibly not getting as much money as your house is worth.

#### 5. Weeding Out Unqualified Buyers

An agent can find out whether someone who wants to view your house is really a qualified buyer, just a dreamer or curious neighbor. It’s a lot of work and a major interruption every time you have to put your life on hold, make your house look perfect, and show your home. You want to limit those hassles to the showings most likely to result in a sale.

#### 6. Price Negotiations Take Skill

Even if you have sales experience, you don’t have specialized experience negotiating a home sale. The buyer’s agent does, so they are more likely to succeed in the negotiation, meaning less money in your pocket.

Furthermore qualified agents know the local customs for selling a home, such as whether the buyer or the seller typically pays fees such as transfer taxes and closing costs.

#### 7. You Ignore Your Home’s Flaws

Agents are experts in what makes homes sell. They can walk through your home with you and point out changes you need to make to attract buyers and get the best offers. They can see flaws you’re oblivious to because you see them every day—or because you simply don’t view them as flaws. They can also help you determine which feedback from potential buyers you should act on once you put your home on the market to improve its chances of selling.

#### 8. Exposure to Legal and Personal Risks

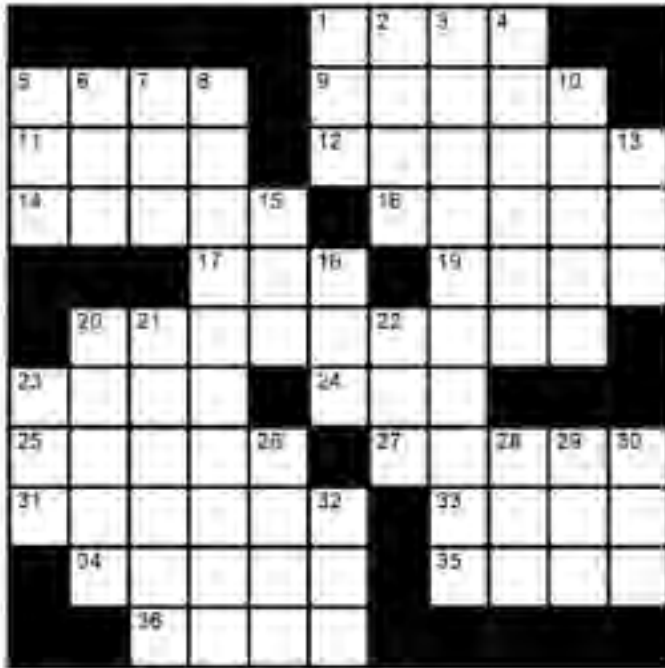
Opening your home up to strangers does put you at personal risk. It is much safer to use sellers’ agents since they would have gotten to know the person they are showing the houses to and have a variety of safeguards they use when showing homes. There are also legal risks. While Alabama is a “buyer beware” state, you do have an obligation to disclose health and safety issues and a realtor will help you make those determinations.

### THE BOTTOM LINE

It’s a tall task to learn how to sell your house without a realtor—and selling your home will likely be one of the biggest transactions of your life. You can try to do it alone to save money, but hiring an agent has many advantages. Agents can get broader exposure for your property, help you negotiate a better deal, dedicate more time to your sale, and prevent your emotions from sabotaging it. An agent brings expertise, which few FSBO sellers have, to a complex transaction with many potential financial and legal pitfalls.



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### Across

1. Fedora feature
5. Toffee-nose, e.g.
9. Recluse
11. It's active in Sicily
12. Consumer Reports employee
14. Not those, \_\_\_\_\_
16. Pet with no name
17. What you must do before you reap
19. Wander
20. Event for potential buyers
23. Slender cut
24. Sound of savoring
25. The Gem State
27. Romulus' brother
31. Mexican "sits"
33. \_\_\_ *Bridges* (late 90s cop show)
34. See 10-Down
35. Cafeteria carrier
36. What it often does in a tiny globe?

### Down

1. Diner order: Abbr.
2. Some deer
3. What 8-Down is
4. Greater Birmingham and Greater Atlanta, for example
5. Congeal
6. Degree in math?
7. "A Chorus Line" number
8. Member of the clarinet family
10. Plunder, like those from the 34-Across civilization
13. "The Catcher in the \_\_\_\_\_"
15. Many millennia
18. Childish question?
20. "In the \_\_\_ days..."
21. A Steinway and a Yamaha
22. Sharer's word
23. Family mem.
26. '-ish' phrase
28. Deface
29. College in Mobile, for short
30. Introverted
32. Put in stitches



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