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DEAR RESIDENTS

It is an honor to bring you this magazine each month and this month, it is especially a thrill for us. It is Breast Cancer Awareness month and I am sure we all have a connection to that miserable affliction. In this issue, we are blessed to be able to highlight one of our own, Stacy Wolfe and her foundation's work. Please take a moment to read that article in here and then take a moment, if you can, to contribute to its cause.

Also, don't forget if you've got a story to tell or a recipe to share, email it to Mark (markwhite@bestversionmedia.com). This magazine is all about this community and those who live in it. Don't be shy. We all want to hear from you.

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CUSTOM FRAMING IS TOTALLY WORTH IT



by Tracie Spain

Whether you have school pictures and artwork or unique pieces of art, creating a beautiful display of framed art in your own home is easier than you'd think. The first step is getting out of the picture frame aisle of your local big box store.

Perhaps you'd like your art or photos to tell a story or be able to reflect your personality in your space.

Custom frame shops will have many more options for framing and finishing options to achieve a designer look.

PROTECT YOUR ART FROM THE ENVIRONMENT... AND YOURSELF!

DIY projects are fun, but novice framing methods can ruin your pieces. Professional picture framing experts use tools and materials that will protect your art from UV and harmful acids found in every day products. If you're

framing a one-of-a-kind piece of art or precious family photo, you want to make sure those memories last for as long as possible. Specialty glazing and quality materials from professionals ensure your art, photo or memorabilia is protected from light and other environmental factors.

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THE BRANDONS:

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

by **Mark White** | photos by **Fly Leaf Photography**

This month, David and Breanna celebrate 10 years of marriage. Before settling in Athens, David came from Huntsville and Breanna came from Tusculmbia.

"I moved to the area in 2012. I graduated from Colbert Heights High School and attended Northwest Shoals Community College before being accepted to nursing school at UAH. I commuted to UAH from Athens. I also met David in 2012 and we were married in 2013. We decided to live in Athens when we got married," said Breanna.

In addition to being the first in her family to go into the medical field, Breanna was a first-generation college graduate.

"I graduated in 2013 and worked two years in various areas of nursing before going back to get my master's degree in family nurse practitioner. I graduated in 2017 from the master's program and for the last six years, I've worked in urgent care. I've also done family practice and pediatrics and I opened the Hydration Lounge last year," said Breanna.

With the support of her husband, David, Breanna is able to balance work and family responsibilities.

"It's hard being the mother of three girls. It's an everyday balance, a juggling act, thinking about life outside of work. It's something that I constantly have to think about and plan ahead. It does help to have a supportive spouse and his job is very flexible. He can easily pick up the kids from school or if one of them gets sick, so that helps too," said Breanna.

David attended Covenant Christian Academy in Huntsville before going to UAH to study to be an accountant.

"I didn't know what I wanted to do those first two years. I probably ended up going to college a little longer than I should have, but I received my accounting degree and I was also a first-generation college graduate which was really something to be proud of. I was an athlete, a baseball player. I wasn't really an into the books kind of guy," said David.

For Breanna & David, community and love for their community is what has caused them to establish roots in Athens.

"It's a great area to raise a family. It really feels like a family community. Everyone cares about everybody. There are a lot of volunteer efforts that

have come out of our neighborhood. My wife's business is doing a lot of good preventative care for the community. I think many times that's forgotten, the preventative care part of healthcare and that's what she's trying to do. That's her passion, so I try to support that," said David.

The Brandons have high praise for Brookhill Elementary in the Athens City Schools system.

"I like that you get that small town feel in Athens. We've really been impressed with Brookhill and Athens City Schools. Communication with teachers has been really good. The transition from pre-school to elementary school has gone really well," said Breanna.

With three daughters, Breanna and David feel Athens is a great place to allow them to flourish socially and even athletically.

"We want each of them to find their purpose and their own way. I feel like this area is growing so much and the resources are becoming more available, too. The area is very kid friendly. There are activities like the Canebrake Witches Ride. They have Santa who comes around the neighborhood at Christmas time. They'll normally have something at Easter. There are always other kids in the neighborhood playing and this gives our girls and opportunity to socialize," said Breanna.

"Micky Wolfe with Canebrake does a great job with the kids with tennis lessons and golf lessons. I'm begging one of these girls to get into golf, but I haven't succeeded yet. I think my oldest is pretty athletic. I haven't gotten her on the field yet, but she seems pretty athletic like I was," said David.



David likes what he sees at the high school level and the latest advances of Athens High School.

"With the new high school, it's really nice. They are doing a lot of dual enrollments now and I feel confident with the school system that we have and the opportunity that they will have to excel, said David.

With 10 years of marriage under their belt, David has witnessed his wife's character and hope his girls can be much like their mother.

"I want my daughters to be driven and motivated like their mother. I'm really proud of Breanna and what she has accomplished. I think it's obvious that I try to represent her and her company. She embodies everything that I ever wanted when I got married. The loving, nurturing, caring, that's part of her profession. It just comes naturally. I'm just proud to be in the Athens area and accomplish what we've been able to accomplish so far," said David.



CRAFTING YOUR DREAM HOME:

A COLLEGE FOOTBALL FAN'S GUIDE TO HOME BUILDING

by PJ Talley



Are you a dedicated college football fan, with your heart firmly attached to your favorite team? Whether you cheer for the Crimson Tide, Auburn Tigers, or UNA Lions, we've got the game plan for you in this edition of the Home Builder's Corner.



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2. A DREAM HOME TOUCHDOWN

When your favorite football team scores a touchdown, there's nothing quite like the exhilaration. Building your dream home is akin to executing the perfect touchdown drive. Start by envisioning your ideal living space – from the number of bedrooms to the kitchen layout. Like a well-executed play, this vision sets the stage for success.

3. THE RIGHT TEAM: BUILDERS AND REALTORS

Much like your favorite team relies on a talented roster, assembling the right team of builders and realtors is crucial to your success. You'll want a builder who is as dependable as a star quarterback and a realtor who's as dedicated as an offensive line.

4. SCOUTING THE PERFECT LOCATION

Just like your team scouts for the best talent, scout the perfect location for your dream home. Consider factors like neighborhood, schools, and accessibility to amenities. It's like recruiting the top players for your home team.

5. CRAFTING THE BLUEPRINTS

Drafting blueprints is just like creating the perfect game plan. Work closely with architects and designers to ensure your vision translates into a feasible and functional home. Remember, every detail counts, much like every yard gained on the football field.

6. BUDGETING AND FINANCING

Even in college football, there's a budget to manage. Secure financing and set a budget for your dream home project. It's your playbook for ensuring you don't go overboard and are able to still send some money to your team for some more NIL deals.

7. CONSTRUCTION KICKOFF

Once the foundation is laid, it's time for the construction kickoff – similar to the kickoff of a thrilling college football game. Watch as your dream home takes shape, just as your favorite team takes the

field. But don't forget the journey takes time and requires great endurance watching your home come together.

8. CHAMPIONSHIP CELEBRATION: MOVING IN

The moment has arrived! Moving into your new home is like celebrating a championship win. Unpack your belongings, revel in the comfort of your new space, and get ready to make countless unforgettable memories watching your team win.

Building your dream home is an endeavor that requires strategy, teamwork, and the passion of a dedicated football fan. With the right approach, you can tackle this project head-on and ultimately achieve homeownership glory.

So, loyal football fans, take the field of home buying with the same enthusiasm and determination as your favorite team. Victory awaits as you craft your dream home, one touchdown at a time!



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STACY WOLFE

BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION

by Mark White

In spite of her own battle with breast cancer, Stacy Wolfe is doing what she can to help others who are in the battle through the Stacy Wolfe Breast Cancer Foundation.

“The foundation effort began about four or five months into my breast cancer journey after I started my first round of chemo in 2020. I had been sitting in the chair at the cancer center and I saw people who were alone, who didn’t have a caregiver with them. I saw a look of such sadness, almost hopelessness on some. At that time, I felt like the Lord put it in my heart to do something just to remind people that they’re not alone, that there is hope and to provide some encouragement in their lives. It was not until two years later that it came to life, but it started then, wanting to do more and keep the focus on the good,” said Wolfe.

Since the beginning of the foundation effort, Stacy has seen tremendous growth.

“I think I’m most impressed with the number of supporters and donors and those who want to walk alongside us. We’ve seen incredible growth in just a year in a half. Early last month, we received two checks totaling \$18,000 to go toward our goal of supporting and encouraging and meeting the immediate needs of families,” said Wolfe.

Stacy has seen support for the foundation from her own children and their peers.

“My prayer from the beginning is that this effort will remind my own kids of the impact that they can make, big or small. For younger people, I want to show them the impact they can make packing a bag, writing a note, or just

any type of encouragement that can be sent to someone going through cancer,” said Wolfe.

All of the care packages that the foundation packs are different.

“On the regular, we send out chemo bags for men and women. In those packages, they will have items I used during my own treatment like a chemo blanket, a cup, a devotional, and gift cards. We also send out Chemo Care Packages with gas cards and different other goodies that are helpful like Mentos and lemon drops.”

During this month, Stacy and her team are focusing on special packages and fundraising efforts as well.



“We send out what we call Sunshine Boxes and those go out to women with breast cancer. We have also teamed up with Kendra Scott with a get one, give one offer. When you purchase an item from Kendra Scott, a cancer patient will also receive the item you purchased. We take those and add them to our Sunshine Boxes. We have a request form that people fill out and that allows us to send them all over the country and beyond. We have sent boxes to Niagara Falls, Washington State, Texas, and Florida. We’ve reached every part of the country,” said Wolfe.

The month of October is also a busy month for the Stacy Wolfe Breast Cancer Foundation as they prepare for a special night in November.

“On Tuesday, November 14th, we will be having a Christmas gathering where we recognize and honor cancer patients and survivors. We work from October to that big event in November

just to recognize ladies who have gone through their own cancer journeys or who have survived their journey,” said Wolfe.

This year, the foundation was supported by the Athens Fire and Rescue with a t-shirt and sweatshirt fundraiser.

“Firefighter Ben Clark contacted me and said that he would love to support our effort. It was very humbling. I’m very thankful that the guys who would risk their lives to protect us and do things within our own community would think of our foundation. That’s an honor,” said Wolfe.

When it comes to the longevity of the foundation, Stacy Wolfe has high hopes.

“My prayer is that it will always be something that will outlive me. I pray my family will want to continue, but no matter, I am trying to put things in place where it will always continue. We’re looking into a store front or some sort of building to have our products stored and maybe even have Bible studies with cancer patients in the future so that we can be a support group for them in some way,” said Wolfe. “My goal more than anything is that it will grow in a way that lets people know that they are not alone.”

There’s a Biblical message that Stacy Wolfe wants to continue throughout her own treatment and the treatment of others in the future.

“‘They do not fear bad news; they constantly trust the Lord to care for them.’ That is the verse I want to continue among all people who hear about the foundation,” said Wolfe. I’m in the middle of chemo and lots of yucky days, but this foundation allows me to look for the good and that’s what I need in life right now for myself, but I want that to be what continues for the life of the foundation which is hopefully forever.”

You can get more information and contribute to the foundation by visiting its website, www.swbcfoundation.com



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ALL-INCLUSIVE RESORTS:

THE ULTIMATE VACATION EXPERIENCE

by Angel Waite—Journey Planner



Imagine a vacation where your only worry is whether to lounge by the pool or soak up the sun on the beach. No fretting about meal planning, transportation, or unexpected expenses. This dreamy escape is the reality of choosing an all-inclusive resort for your next vacation. Let's explore why all-inclusive resorts are a fantastic option for travelers seeking relaxation, convenience, and value.

1. SIMPLIFIED PLANNING

One of the most significant advantages of all-inclusive resorts is the simplicity they offer in vacation planning. Instead of painstakingly researching restaurants and budgeting for meals, all-inclusive packages cover your food and beverages. This means you can indulge in

gourmet cuisine, tropical cocktails, and international dishes without worrying about the bill. With your dining expenses taken care of upfront, you can focus on what truly matters: enjoying your vacation.

2. VALUE FOR MONEY

All-inclusive resorts are often perceived as costly, but they can provide excellent value for your money. When you consider the costs of dining out, entertainment, and activities separately, all-inclusive packages frequently come out as more budget-friendly. Plus, knowing the total cost of your trip in advance allows you to plan and save accordingly, avoiding unexpected expenses during your getaway.

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3. VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES

All-inclusive resorts are a haven for travelers seeking a mix of relaxation and adventure. Most of these resorts offer a wide range of complimentary activities, from snorkeling and kayaking to yoga classes and nightly entertainment shows. Whether you're an adrenaline junkie or a beach bum, you'll find plenty of options to keep you entertained throughout your stay.

4. SAFETY AND SECURITY

In an all-inclusive resort, safety and security are top priorities. Many resorts are gated, with 24/7 security personnel, providing peace of mind for guests. Additionally, the organized and controlled environment of these resorts ensures a safe and comfortable experience, making them an excellent choice for families and solo travelers alike.

5. STRESS-FREE DINING

Eating out while traveling can sometimes be a stressful experience. Language barriers, unfamiliar cuisine, and fluctuating prices can all add to the anxiety. At all-inclusive resorts, you can dine at on-site restaurants that cater to various tastes and dietary preferences. Whether you crave sushi, steak, or vegetarian dishes, you'll find a culinary delight to satisfy your palate.

6. LUXURY AMENITIES

All-inclusive resorts are known for their luxurious amenities. From lavish spa treatments to private beaches and infinity pools, these resorts offer a taste of opulence that can elevate your vacation experience to a whole new level. Indulge in massages, facials, and other wellness treatments without leaving the premises.

7. FAMILY-FRIENDLY OPTIONS

Traveling with children? Many all-inclusive resorts have family-friendly facilities and activities, including kids' clubs, water parks, and babysitting services. This ensures that everyone in the family has a fantastic time, and parents can enjoy some well-deserved relaxation.

8. SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

All-inclusive resorts often host social events and activities that allow guests to mingle and make new friends. Whether it's a themed beach party, a cooking class, or a group excursion, these resorts provide ample opportunities to connect with fellow travelers and create lasting memories.

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COST: FREE

TIME: 5:30pm

LOCATION: Merchants Alley, Alley on Jefferson Street

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

ART WALK ON THE SQUARE: VISIONS OF MUSIC

Hosted by Athens Arts League and High Cotton Arts. Please stop by HCA to get your brochure and follow the map on the back. Participating businesses will have refreshments and/or presentations/demonstrations for your enjoyment.

COST: FREE

TIME: 10:00am - 1:00pm

LOCATION: 103 W. Washington Street

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COST: \$15 to walk, \$30 for Carriage Ride, buy tickets at VisitAthensAL.com

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FEATURING HOUSTON RIDGE BLUEGRASS BAND

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COST: FREE

TIME: 5:30pm

LOCATION: Merchants Alley, Alley on Jefferson Street

FRIDAY THE 13TH, \$31 TATTOO FLASH

United Ink Tattoos & Body Piercings hosts a spooky celebration of Friday the 13th with a \$31 tattoo offering. Restrictions apply, more information on their Facebook page.

COST: \$31

TIME: All-Day

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LOCATION: Merchants Alley, Alley on Jefferson Street

ATHENS ACTIVITY CENTER GAME NIGHT

Join the Athens Activity Center for a Game Night for ages 50 and up. This month will feature dominoes, pool and corn hole and more.

COST: FREE

TIME: 3:00pm - 7:00pm

LOCATION: Athens Activity Center, 912 W Pryor Street

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

NIGHT OF THE BANDS

The 2023 Marching Bands of Limestone County present Night of the Bands, featuring Ardmore, Athens, Clements, East Limestone, Elmont, Tanner and West Limestone High School bands.

COST: \$5

TIME: 6:00pm

LOCATION: East Limestone High School, 15641 E Limestone Rd

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MERCHANTS ALLEY HAPPY HOUR MUSIC SERIES
FEATURING TBA

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