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can it cause accidents but it can cause deaths.

Those responsibilities are on me and many of our crews working throughout the county,

and there is no question that it has an impact on us to try to be as prepared as possible.

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The young preacher looked as if he were wearing a kilt. He went on to finish a fine sermon. The next morning Ronald went down to Chattanooga and purchased a new and larger pair of pants.

Not long after this episode of the splitting pants a man in our community died. As you know part of being a minister is being of comfort to those in a congregation that suffer a loss of a loved one. So, upon hearing of the death my dad called his new assistant Pastor, Ronald. Ronald agreed to meet Dad to go and visit the family. Ronald and Dad drove to the house and were met at the front door by the grieving widow and her sons. Dad and Ronald walked into the bedroom and the man was lying on the bed with his leg and arm hanging off the bed. Dad directed Ronald to turn the man's arm and leg over on the bed. In the meantime Dad would comfort Miss Polly.

Dad walked into the other room and was praying with the family when he heard a scream. Dad ran into the bedroom. Ronald had tried to turn over the dead man's arm and leg and thought he was successful. So, Ronald bent over to tie his shoe when the dead man's body tried to turn back to the original position the action of which caused the body to fall on top of Ronald's bent over body. Ronald and the dead man's body were entangled on the floor. Ronald is still afraid of dead people. But, he went on to become a Doctor of Theology and teaches at a large school in Kentucky. But, each time I hear Ronald preach my mind goes back to his split pants and the dead man.

If you were a nonagricultural vendor last year and wish to RSVP for 2015 you may register for a reserved

spot at the Farmers Market from March 16th until March 20th from 9 AM until 2 PM at the Farmers Market Office.

If you wish to reserve a spot for the 2015 year and have never been a reserved vendor before you may come to the Farmers Market Office from 9 AM until 2 PM March 23rd through March 27th or until our RSVP Spaces are depleted. So, if we run out of spaces on Monday, March 23rd, those names received afterward will be placed on a waiting list. The cost to reserve a spot for the 2015 year is \$209 and the registration form can be found on our website at UCFarmersMarket.com or you can email us at Farmersmarket@uniongov.com.

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information, please contact Tobie Chandler at (706) 745-5789 or tourism@blairsvillechamber.com.

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ability for how we live and act. The horror of such a morally neutral world is obvious. If, on the other hand, we hold, as it seems rational to do, that objective moral values and duties do exist, then we have good grounds for believing in the existence of God."

The story goes that a wealthy young man approached Jesus with a question. Jesus answered, "There is only One who is good." Without God to define good, the question of good without God cannot even be asked! So, the next time someone answers you, "I'm good," that could start an interesting conversation!

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these bills; neither threatened me anymore and my electric service was reinstated, even though I had not made a payment. Sen. Nunn's office was also instrumental in clarifying the problems with my VA checks. The point is that I can understand that people have problems from time to time which may cause them to have to ask the EMC to give them time to pay a bill and the EMC should understand and on occasions should grant them extra time to pay. The EMC went above and beyond this understanding with the current scandal and should be held accountable for any cover up that they may have partaken in.

I do believe that on some points the paper may be beating a dead horse and that on others they may not be covering enough.

I have served on several important boards here in Hawaii and I can attest to the fact that the Board is often the last ones to get clear and accurate information on some very important issues and that they rely on Executive officials and others for prompt and clear information. I do not believe that an accountant that reports on broad categories to the board would necessarily have information of individual account holders at his disposal. Nor is a contract Attorney who is asked to report on the legality of certain issues responsible for illegalities based on information which probably was not reported to him or even withheld from him. That also being said, I believe that both of these individuals should excuse themselves from the business of the EMC, not because I believe that they have done anything wrong, but because the wrongdoing of the EMC is beginning to tarnish their reputations. Their continued service to the EMC does not aid the EMC at this point and new people without any stigma

of past practices should be brought in to continue the necessary investigations.

To my biggest gripe: The board is overpaid, these positions are not their jobs, they are and should be considered volunteer positions which they fill because of their heartfelt desire to look out for their fellow members. They should at most receive a per diem reward for attending a meeting which should be in line with other boards in the area such as the boards of education. As members of the board they are not considered employees of the EMC and should by no means receive health insurance or any other benefits. They should receive these type of benefits from their work places like most everyone else.

I am also aware that the EMC may have black balled the *North Georgia News* and the *Towns County Herald* by not placing legal ads in these papers. These papers are the legal organs of their respective counties and if the EMC has legal ads they should continue to place these in all of the Legal Organs of their respective counties. I would suggest that the *North Georgia News* and the *Towns County Herald* obtain relevant ads by the EMC from other area papers-which the EMC is continuing to place ads in, and report these ads as public service announcements to the citizens and EMC members of Union and Towns counties.

I would also propose that the *North Georgia News* keep the EMC members informed as to when they can begin obtaining signatures to qualify as candidates for the next board election.

If I have offended anyone with this letter I apologize beforehand, I am on the outside looking in and am reporting this from that angle.

George Passmore
Aiea, Hawaii

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He posed for pictures, kissing me in each of them, as I blushed in front of both our relations. Then reality hit me. The woman behind the scenes, the one working the hardest to balance the sales, the questions, the inventory, etc., was Andrea's wife, Pietra. Wake up call. I didn't travel halfway around the world to play mistress to a Sicilian street vendor; I didn't care how talented he may be. As quickly as I tumbled for this handsome Romeo, I stopped the descent, pulled myself up and bid adio, with sweet memories left for my heart to bear and delicious cheeses to share with friends when I returned to the States.

Relationships are much like cheese. They can be made almost instantly, like fresh mozzarella, which can be produced in about 30 minutes in your kitchen. This was much like my 20-minute affair with Andrea, the charming cheese maker. Some cheeses take longer, many steps and processes, to get just the right shape, flavor and texture. Washed rind cheeses like Limburger are periodically cured in a solution of saltwater brine and/or mold-bearing agents that may include beer, wine, brandy and spices, making their surfaces amenable to a class of bacteria (the reddish-orange "smear bacteria") that impart pungent odors and distinctive flavors, and produce a firm, flavorful rind around the cheese. Any one who has celebrated more than three decades of wedded bliss are all too familiar with this labor intensive relationship process.

Then there is the cheese that is simple to make, but it takes years on the shelf to age

to perfection. Cheese ripening was not always the highly industrialized process it is today; in the past, cellars and caves were used to ripen cheeses instead of the current highly regulated process involving machinery and biochemistry. Some cheeses still are made using more historical methods, such as the blue cheese Roquefort, which is required to be ripened in designated caves in south-eastern France. In 2012, a Wisconsin cheese shop owner found in his refrigerator, Cheddar cheese wheels that were 28, 34 and 40 years old. The cheese was dubbed the "world's oldest cheese" and then sold for \$10 an ounce.

I had the pleasure of just such a find last month. My freshman year of college I made a friend, quite simply. We just hit it off. We galloped through four years of friendship and then, in 1977, on graduation day, we put the friendship on the shelf. Last fall, through the graces of Facebook, we had a virtual reunion. Then last week, we met in Florida for a few days, blessed to find that after 38 years on the shelf, our friendship had just aged to perfection.

With each journey you take this week, whether it is just to the grocery store or on an adventure you waited a lifetime to embark on, fall in love with the moment. It may still be memorable four decades from now.

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properly counseled and am calm again, I can see the error of my thinking more clearly. Space and time prevent a complete rebuttal of Ms Maloney's claims. But some are correct - with unmentioned conditions. Many of our uninsurable citizens are now insured against the costs of ill health, albeit by a government subsidized health insurance industry - if they can pay the monthly premiums, the annual deductibles and find a willing physician. With an upstanding organization like the IRS policing it, how can Obamacare possibly fail. And we truly are a country of diverse cultures. To augment our diversity our government has welcomed and now supports some 100,000 illegal, alien, minor Hispanic children - courtesy of Obama's pen and phone exercises.

As for Obama being the president of all Americans, now we have reached the folly of all follies - unless perhaps one has been recommended by Al Sharpton. Alas, at 80 years of age I probably won't live to see results of all these accomplishments that my worthy antagonist attributes to the Obama Administration. Was it Margaret Thatcher who said, "Socialism is wonderful so long as you can spend someone else's money!" Unless I have been completely misinformed and misled, today's national debt is some \$18 trillion. MSNBC, Oprah, *The New York Times* and the bridge deck are all questionable reference sources. I pity my progeny and yours!

Richard Y. Fiser

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worst foreign policy decision in the history of the U.S., invading Iraq and spending trillions on an unnecessary war that killed and disabled thousands of Americans and has turned the Middle East into a ferocious, bloody zoo?

I already have a list of issues I'm most concerned about, Doug. At the top of my list is climate change, a looming disaster that is ignored or denied by most Republicans in Congress. Second is the inept Republican majority in Congress, which can't get anything done, voted over fifty times to eliminate affordable health insurance for people with preexisting conditions, tried to cut off funds for Homeland Security, and applauded the president of Israel for attacking international treaty negotiations designed to stop development of nuclear weapons by Iran. Third is the Citizens United decision by the right wing majority in the Supreme Court (appointed by Reagan and the Bushes) which allows the super wealthy and big corporations to purchase whatever decisions they want from Congress.


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have it covered by your insurance agent. Now I think I have figured out why my insurance company didn't care to deliver me out of the horrific stress of 4 and 1/2 months: How would it be able to possibly pay for the "cute" television commercials? P.S. I really like my local insurance agents. But the company? You guess.

Dr. Ray Ashurst

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