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- **Let your customers or friends know.** Especially if hackers post something to your account or send out messages to your followers, it's important that you notify your customers or family/friends connected with you on social media and keep them updated as you work to resolve the issue.

Here's BBB's tips on how to best secure your social media accounts:

- **Keep a close eye on your account.** You should proactively watch for signs of any compromise to your company's social media accounts or your personal ones. This includes unfamiliar posts that you didn't authorize for your business or messages from clients or friends saying they received a strange message or email from you. In either case, that's a red flag that your account has been compromised. Keep in mind that if your data has been compromised in a data breach or malware attack, or if a device with stored login information was stolen, hacking becomes more likely.
- **Use strong passwords.** Avoid easy passwords. Use long passwords with numbers, letters (upper and lower case), and symbols. Never use the same password twice. And if that sounds like a lot to manage, consider using a password manager.
- **Set up two-factor authentication.** Multifactor authentication (MFA) makes it harder for cybercriminals to access your account, even if they've gotten a hold of your password. Setting this up for your business accounts is a must and highly recommended for personal accounts as well.
- **Keep antivirus software up to date.** Protect your computers and mobile devices from malware attacks by installing antivirus software and running regular scans.
- **Check your accounts regularly for suspicious activity.** Keep an eye on your social media accounts. Check in daily, if possible, to ensure your account hasn't been compromised.
- **Be careful with third-party apps.** Instagram warns users that they can gain complete access to their account if they give their login information to a third-party app by handing over their password and username or even a login token. The same is true for any social media network. If you use a third-party app, like a social media scheduler, ensure it's from a reputable source.

You can stay informed about the latest cybersecurity threats and best practices by checking out the BBB business news feed today. You can also read more about recovering hacked online accounts with the Federal Trade Commission.

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Taking Care!

Plan Ahead To Beat The Heat... How To Enjoy Outdoor Events With An Older Relative!

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The long, warm days of summer bring many opportunities for being outside, not only on your balcony, porch or deck, but also at organized events. The latter may include outdoor weddings, family reunions and other types of celebrations, as well as sporting events, concerts and festivals held in various types of open air venues.



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As enjoyable as these may be, it's important to exercise caution and plan ahead, because summer sun, heat and smog can be harmful to older adults, especially those whose health is already compromised. If you are a caregiver, you must therefore be extra vigilant as temperatures soar.

The following tips will help you protect your relative's health and maximize their comfort during outdoor events.

Before You Go:

- Call ahead to find out if the venue has shaded areas. Also inquire if buildings on the premises are air conditioned and accessible. While you're at it, ask about handicapped parking spaces, paved walkways and accessible washroom facilities.
- If your relative has trouble walking long distances, check if the venue has wheelchairs available. If not, rent a folding wheelchair.
- If you'll be traveling out of town, have your car – including the air conditioning – checked and serviced beforehand.
- For events that span a whole day, such as outdoor festivals: plan to attend in the morning, before the heat reaches its peak; or, in the evening when the temperature is cooling down.

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- Set realistic expectations about time frames, since the heat may sap your relative's energy. It simply may not be feasible to attend an entire event. For example, you may decide to attend only the ceremony or reception portion of a wedding, rather than both.
- Clothing should be lightweight and loose-fitting. Stick to natural fibers like cotton. (Safety tip: shoes should be sturdy and fit well.) Don't forget a cardigan in case of a sudden weather change or chilly indoor environment (if you'll be in an air conditioned space at some point).

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What To Bring:

- A wide-brimmed hat, sunglasses and a large umbrella.
- A cooler containing beverages. Water is best, but if your relative isn't a water drinker, try vegetable juice or diluted fruit juice.
- A battery-operated personal fan and spare batteries.
- Sufficient prescription and over-the-counter medications to cover the time you'll be away.
- Sunscreen, insect repellent and antihistamine.
- Any necessary medical equipment and supplies, such as a walking aid, food supplements, incontinence pads and diabetic supplies.
- A cushion or two for comfortably positioning your relative in the car, if you're driving a considerable distance.
- Disabled parking permit.

While You're Out:

- Try to find a parking spot in the shade, or use sun shades on your vehicle's windshield.
- If you must be outdoors in the middle of the day, get out of the sun regularly. Take shelter in the shade or an air conditioned indoor space, if available.
- Eating lightly is advisable. That means going easy on protein, avoiding spicy and high-fat foods, and selecting plenty of fruits and vegetables with a high water content.
- Discourage your relative from drinking alcohol, or limit consumption to one drink. They should also avoid caffeinated beverages, such as coffee and cola.
- Before heading home, open your vehicle's windows or doors to let heat escape before your relative gets in.

Final Thoughts

- Don't forget to protect yourself from the adverse effects of summer sun and heat, too. You are just as important as the person you care for.
- Be flexible about plans and expectations and give yourself an out. You may need to forego an event if a heat alert or air quality advisory is issued, especially if your relative has respiratory problems.

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Celebrate This July!

By Carolyn Brenneman, Columnist

COVER: Replica of The Liberty Bell!

This July, the United States celebrates its Semiquincentennial – the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. It is a remarkable milestone that commemorates 250 years of American history, independence, and the founding principles of liberty and self-government.

The nation’s capital, Washington, D.C., will serve as the centerpiece of the national observance. Major events throughout July will include cultural festivals, museum exhibits, community celebrations, and large-scale activities on the National Mall. A spectacular July 4th celebration, complete with fireworks and nation-wide participation, is expected to draw visitors from across the country.



Celebration of our 250th!



From the Georgia Historical Society!

Communities throughout Georgia are also embracing this opportunity to celebrate not only the nation’s past but also the values of community, and hope that continues to unite Americans. As the nation marks this historic anniversary, local governments, historical organizations, museums, and civic groups across the Peach State are planning family-friendly events that honor America’s history, achievements, and future.

In Atlanta, museums and community organizations are preparing exhibits. Programs will focus not only on America’s founding but also on the people, movements, and innovations that have shaped the country throughout its history. Highlights include patriotic concerts by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, family activities at the Jimmy Carter Library, special Coca-Cola commemorative packaging and events, dazzling displays of lights at Stone Mountain Park, and, of course, fireworks celebrations across the metropolitan area.

In Marietta, organizers are highlighting the city’s rich heritage through patriotic concerts and community gatherings centered around Historic Marietta Square. These events will provide

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Founding fathers gather at the Chamber!

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opportunities for residents of all ages to learn more about the nation’s founding while honoring the generations who helped shape both Georgia and the United States.

Nearby Roswell is joining communities across the nation in commemorating this historic milestone through America250 and its “Tapestry of Generations,” a year-long celebration honoring Roswell’s place in the American story. Family activities will emphasize the experiences of early settlers and the role Georgia communities played in the growth of the nation.

Along Georgia’s coast, Savannah, famous for its historic squares, will offer a celebration that combines history, education, music, culture, and community pride. There will be Savannah’s Independence Day festivities on July 4th. Along the historic waterfront, visitors can enjoy live music on multiple stages at locations including Plant Riverside District, Rousakis Riverfront Plaza, and Eastern Wharf. Patriotic activities, food, and a spectacular fireworks display over the Savannah River will make the celebration memorable for families and visitors alike.

With so much excitement surrounding these events, it is worthwhile to reflect on the era that inspired them. The photographs accompanying this article offer a glimpse into that pivotal period in American history.

One photograph features an exact replica of the historic room, the Declaration Chamber, where the United States was born. It was here that the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. The room also evokes the spirit of the Constitutional Convention, which later produced the United States Constitution, signed on September 17, 1787.

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George Washington with Betsy Ross discussing the design of the American Flag!

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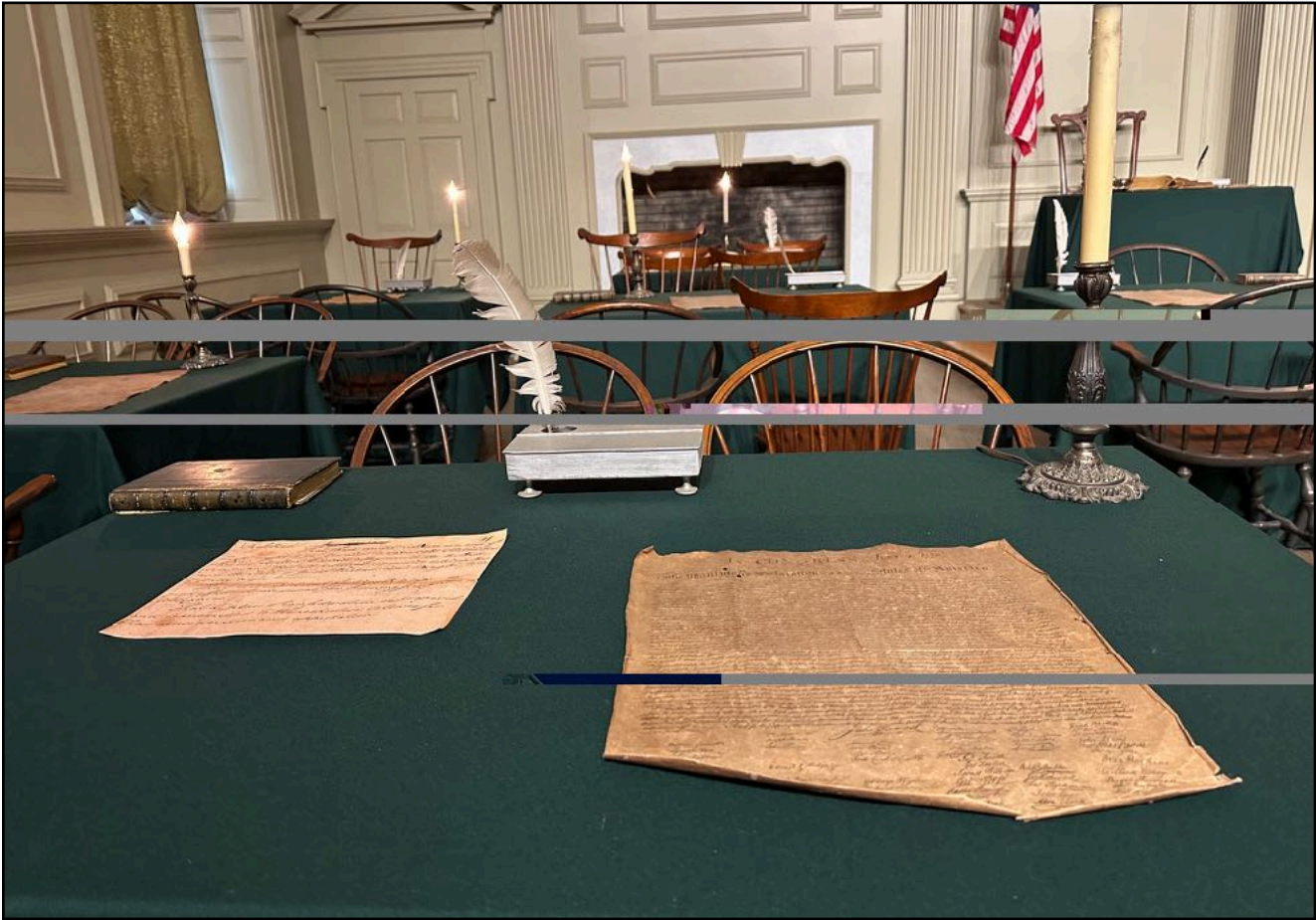
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The first American Flag!



Close-up view of the table in the Chamber!



Declaration Chamber!

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Another photograph depicts General George Washington with Betsy Ross, who operated an upholstery shop in Philadelphia. According to tradition, Ross created the first American flag with thirteen alternating red and white stripes and a blue field containing a circle of thirteen five-pointed stars. Congress officially adopted the flag on June 14, 1777.

A third photograph shows an exact replica of the Liberty Bell, complete with its famous crack. The bell was rung on July 8, 1776, to summon citizens for the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence. Inscribed on the bell are the words from Scripture: “Proclaim Liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.”

An additional photograph includes a close-up view of one of the tables where those historic discussions took place.

For many families, this 250th anniversary will be an opportunity to gather, learn, and create lasting memories while honoring a story that continues to unfold. As we celebrate this historic milestone, we should remember our nation’s enduring promise – the continual pursuit of “life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.” This July is the time to honor and celebrate our life in America.

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Opinion

Supreme Court Actions

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There are two periods of time surrounding the Supreme Court of the United State when the corporate electorate makes noise. Those are when "they are spoken of; and, when they sound off!"

The High Bench has just come forth with opinions for 2026, which either "makes or breaks" the spirit of Americans. The nine members may not always be right; but, "it is what it is!"

I will only mention the top two decisions making waves... those being "Birthright Citizenship" and the "Mixing of Genders in Sports." You can, individually, judge the rights and wrongs of each; but, let me briefly comment on each as to what, and what does not, make sense.

All matters pertaining to Immigration in this direction will be debated untill the end of time! This current decision, which defends the essential ideology that "all those born here are to be considered Citizens," will define the rules... temporarily at least. One can expect subsequent change as politics crosses the course; as money changes hands; and, as the sun shines again in June. Two Hundred and Fifty Years... and pushing the envelope... and we decide what rings the bell! What say you?

As for the "gender bender and sports," the sizzle rests upon what guru chooses the "Lulu of Riddle!" Surely, the majority will ratify the difference between male and female! If in doubt, ask "Bubba!" He knows!

In the meantime, you might want to consider the veracity, and capacity, of the venue! The "spelling and compelling" will determine the balance!

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BBB Tip: Beware of AI-Powered Utility Scams!

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Utility scams are nothing new, but scammers are now using artificial intelligence (AI) to make their schemes more believable than ever. From cloned voices and realistic text messages to fake customer service agents and spoofed phone calls, criminals are using new technology to pressure consumers into sending money or revealing sensitive information. The Better Business Bureau (BBB) warns consumers to stay alert as scammers increasingly impersonate electric, gas, water, cable, and internet providers using AI-enhanced tactics designed to create panic and urgency.

How the scam works

In many cases, consumers receive a phone call, text message, or email claiming there is a problem with their utility account. The scammer may say:

- Your power will be disconnected within the hour
- Your payment information failed
- Your account is overdue
- A technician is being dispatched
- You are owed a refund or credit
- Your smart meter needs immediate verification

What makes these scams more dangerous today is how realistic they can sound. AI tools allow scammers to:

- Clone customer service voices
- Create realistic automated phone systems
- Generate convincing emails and text messages
- Mimic company logos and branding
- Spoof caller ID numbers
- Produce human-like chatbot conversations

Some victims report hearing what sounds like a legitimate utility company phone tree before being transferred to a fake “representative.”

Why utility scams are effective

Utility services are essential. Most people do not want to risk losing electricity, water, or internet access, especially during extreme weather or emergencies. Scammers know this and use fear, urgency, and confusion to pressure consumers into acting quickly.

These scams often target:

- Older adults
- Small businesses
- New homeowners
- Renters
- Consumers during storms or disasters
- Non-English-speaking households

Business owners can be especially vulnerable because scammers may call during busy work hours, demanding immediate payment to avoid service interruption.

Common red flags

BBB recommends being cautious if:

- The caller demands immediate payment
- Payment is requested through gift cards, cryptocurrency, wire transfers, or payment apps
- The caller threatens immediate shutoff
- You are pressured not to hang up
- The caller refuses to let you verify the account independently
- You receive links asking you to “confirm” payment information
- The message contains unusual grammar or awkward phrasing
- The caller asks for remote access to your phone or computer

Legitimate utility companies typically provide multiple notices before disconnecting service and offer formal billing processes.

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AI is making scams harder to detect

Artificial intelligence allows scammers to personalize messages using publicly available information from social media, data breaches, or online records. Some fake messages may even include: your real address, partial account numbers, nearby outage information, real utility company logos, and local phone numbers

AI-generated voices can sound calm, professional, and highly convincing, making it harder for consumers to recognize fraud.

BBB tips to protect yourself

- Slow down and verify – If you receive a threatening call or message, do not panic. Hang up and contact your utility company directly using the phone number listed on your bill or the company’s official website.
- Never pay using unusual methods – Utility companies generally do not demand payment through gift cards, cryptocurrency, peer-to-peer payment apps, or prepaid debit cards.
- Watch for spoofed caller ID – Even if the phone number looks legitimate, caller ID can be faked. Never trust caller ID alone.
- Protect your online accounts – Use strong passwords and enable multi-factor authentication on utility accounts whenever possible.
- Be cautious after storms or emergencies - Scammers often increase activity following severe weather events when consumers may already be dealing with outages and confusion.
- Talk with family members – Older adults are frequently targeted in utility scams. Discuss common tactics with family members and encourage them to verify suspicious calls independently.
- Research scams and report fraud – Consumers can report scams and learn about emerging fraud trends through BBB Scam Tracker: <https://www.bbb.org/scamtracker>.

The bottom line

AI technology is helping scammers create more sophisticated and convincing utility company impersonation scams. While the tactics may evolve, the best defense remains the same: slow down, verify independently, and never let fear or urgency pressure you into making quick financial decisions.

If someone contacts you demanding immediate payment to keep your utilities on, treat it as a warning sign and verify before you act.

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BBB Offers Tips in Recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness!

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In recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness, Better Business Bureau (BBB) and many other organizations have come together to help provide resources, raise awareness, and prevent elder abuse throughout the year. Business owners can also partner by ensuring that employees are trained on the signs of abuse and how to report any suspected mistreatment.

The most common types of abuse are physical, emotional, financial, and verbal. The [National Council on Aging](#) says up to five million older Americans are abused yearly, and the annual loss by victims of financial abuse is estimated to be at least \$28.3 billion. Given such large numbers, it's almost guaranteed that business owners and employees will encounter someone who is experiencing a form of elder abuse.

Employees who interact with people regularly can help by watching for signs of someone being targeted by financial scams, well as other types of signs of abuse. The National Council on Aging provides [helpful details on their site to assist in identifying these signs](#).

This is also a perfect time to identify the signs that your loved one may be an ongoing victim of fraud. A much younger demographic – our 18-24-year-old population – is now deemed the most targeted by scams due to the growth in online shopping scams. However, there are still many types of schemes and approaches being used to trick older Americans into sharing their information and money.

Here are some warning signs that fraud is occurring:

- **Frequent junk mail and spam calls.** Incoming junk mail (illegitimate sweepstakes offers, etc.) or frequent calls from people offering valuable rewards or asking for charitable donations are signs that fraud has occurred or at least could easily occur.
- **Unfamiliar payments are being made.** Checks written or payments made to unfamiliar or out-of-state companies or individuals should be considered a red flag.
- **Acting secretly about phone calls or messages.** When someone hides or acts secretly about phone calls and messages, it could signify that they have been engaged by a scammer.
- **Sudden problems paying bills or buying food and other necessities.** A sudden lack of funds could mean an individual's money is being drained in some form of scam activity. The cause should be investigated. It could be a sign of fraud or financial exploitation by a caregiver or family member.

BBB offers the following tips to help your loved one avoid fraud:

- **Become familiar with [common scams targeting older adults](#).** Knowing the most common tactics used to target older adults can help you more quickly identify when scams occur. Encourage older Americans to let calls go to voicemail if they don't recognize the caller. Answering a phone significantly increases the likelihood that they'll fall for a scam. At a minimum, answering a phone makes it likely that a scammer will sell their name and number.
- **Emphasize the criminal nature of [telemarketing and email fraud](#).** Help your loved one learn how to identify it and help them understand that these tactics are illegal. Some could even pull them into unknowingly engaging in criminal activity themselves.
- Encourage the person to ignore phone calls and messages that appear suspicious. They should never reply to or click links within emails or text messages from senders they're unfamiliar with.
- **Have a calm discussion about securing accounts and monitoring finances.** Helping older adults monitor their finances can be a great way to help them prevent scam activity and also to identify if it they have been a victim of fraud.
- **Help the person change their phone number.** If constant calls continue, changing the person's phone number may be worth doing.

Here are a few of the top types of fraud that continue to target our older population:

- **Grandparents scam.** Thanks to AI, these schemes in which someone falsely claims to be a grandchild with an emergency situation sound all the more realistic. We've seen people lose \$5,000 or more after they were convinced that an emergency existed and transferred money to the person posing as their family member.
- **Bogus sweepstakes/lottery scam.** These are coming by email, phone, and even text messages. The sender claims to be a contest organizer who is informing the senior that they've won a prize but needs money up front to release the funds. No matter if someone claims you have to pay taxes, shipping, or handling fees up front, you should never be required to send money if you've won money. While you would likely owe taxes on your winnings, you'll pay those to the IRS as part of an annual tax return.
- **Tech support scam.** Seniors are the biggest target of this scheme, which comes either by a phone call or a pop-up alert on their computer screen. In either case, someone claiming to be with tech support from a well-known software company will say that there's an issue with your computer that needs to be fixed. They'll offer to do it for you immediately if you provide them remote access to the alleged infected computer.
 - If access is granted, they may pretend to run a "scan" and then claim the computer is infected with viruses, all the while copying your information or adding spyware to let them gather your information and steal your identity.
 - But it doesn't stop there; they will usually scare a senior into paying a hefty fee to fix the problem and add on additional costs if the senior is willing to purchase anti-virus software from them.

Report suspected fraud to:

- Your bank or credit card company. Depending on the fraud, they may be able to reverse charges for purchases made months or more before.
- Government agencies. The Department of Justice's Elder Justice Initiative website (justice.gov/elderjustice) features an Elder Abuse Resource Roadmap to help quickly find the right reporting agency, financial topics, and helpful resources (justice.gov/elderjustice/financial-exploitation).

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July Brown Bag History Lecture at the Augusta Museum of History!

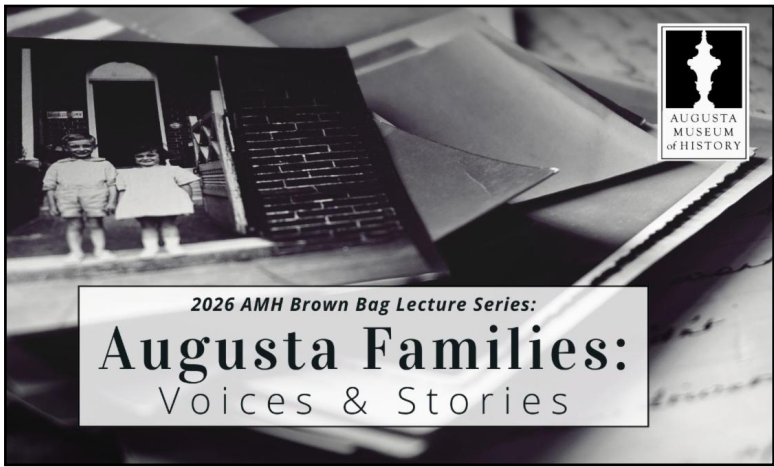
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2026 AMH Brown Bag Lecture Series – Augusta Families

The Jacobs Family and Their Musical Legacy!

Wednesday, July 8, 2026, 12:30 p.m. – Guest Speaker: Jimmy Jacobs

The Augusta Museum of History welcomes Mr. Jimmy Jacobs as the Brown Bag speaker on Wednesday, July 8th at 12:30pm to share the musical history and legacy of his family in the CSRA. The Jacobs family is known for their involvement with the Augusta Symphony but their influence in Augusta's cultural scene is considerably more. Mr. Jacobs will share stories about his mom and dad, the different organizations they were a part of and the effect they had on the musical heritage in Augusta.



The Brown Bag History Lecture Series is presented monthly by the Augusta Museum of History and is an ideal lunchtime break for downtown professionals, retirees, and students. The lectures are free to Museum members and \$5 for non-members, currently no registration required.

Participants may bring a lunch to enjoy in the Museum Rotunda from 11:30am to 12:30pm and the AMH will provide water, hot coffee and a dessert. The lecture takes place in the History Theater at 12:30pm with a Q&A following. The recorded sessions are available on the AMH YouTube channel and shared on social media.

2026 Brown Bag History Lecture Series

Augusta Families: Voices & Stories

In 2026 there are more family stories being shared! The oral histories from families in the CSRA was well received in 2025 and these recordings are a great addition to the AMH permanent collection. In 2026 the Museum will host speakers who's families have shaped the CSRA's history, culture, and businesses. ***Please Note*** Lectures in red below are linked to the listed lecture on the Augusta Museum of History's YouTube channel.

~ 2026 Series Schedule ~

July 8 – Jimmy Jacobs
“The Jacobs Family & the Formation of the Augusta Symphony”

October 14 – Penelope Ballas
“Luigi’s Is All About Family”

September 9– Christine Mangelly
“A Musical Family in Augusta”

November 18 – Alena Rensch, AMH Registrar
“Augusta Families in the AMH Collection”

About Augusta Museum of History and the 1797 Ezekiel Harris House



Augusta Museum of History, the only Museum in the CSRA accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, was established in 1937 for the purpose of preserving and sharing the material history of Augusta and the region. From a 10,000 year-old projectile point to a 1914 locomotive, to James Brown memorabilia the collections chronicle a rich and fascinating past. The museum is located at 560 Reynolds Street in downtown Augusta. Please call (706) 722-8454 for more information or visit www.augustamuseum.org

Hours: Thursday - Saturday, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Sunday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm; Closed Monday-Wednesday
Admission: Adult: \$7 * Senior: \$6 * Child (6-18): \$5 * Child (6 & under): Free
Group tours (10 and up) available all week; must book in advance. Register here: https://bit.ly/AMH_FieldTripReg

The 1797 Ezekiel Harris House, said to be "the finest eighteenth-century house surviving in Georgia", is located at 1822 Broad Street and is an excellent example of early Federal architecture. Fully restored in 1964 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the Ezekiel Harris House is a reminder of the days when tobacco was the primary cash crop of Georgia. For more information, call (706) 722-8454 or visit www.augustamuseum.org.

Hours: Guided tours by appointment Tuesday - Friday, with the last tour beginning at 4:00 pm; Open every other Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, with the last tour beginning at 4:00 pm; Closed Sunday & Monday. To schedule tours call (706) 722-8454.
Admission: Adult: \$7 * Senior: \$6 * Child (6-18): \$5 * Child (5 & under): Free

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