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Restorative practices results mixed in schools

By MIKE WILLIAMS
 The Patriot

This school year Pulaski County Schools has implemented restorative practices to deal with discipline in county schools. And according to a mid-year report on its success, presented by School Superintendent Dr. Kevin Siers, the results have been mixed.

Just what is restorative practices?

“To sum it up in layman’s terms, restorative practices is adding the teaching component to discipline,” Siers said during the school board’s meeting Tuesday.

“It’s not really that you don’t discipline students, it’s what we were missing previously.”

Siers used the example of a student who in the past misbehaved and they were suspended for five days. Following the suspension, they went back into the class, but, as Siers explained, no one took the time to have a conversation with the student about how they would respond the next time they were confronted with a situation the likes of which they were suspended for originally.

“Instead of lashing out with profanity or whatever may have occurred, how can you do it differently,” Siers said. “How do you think other people were impacted by your behavior, and what can you do to repair that relationship.”

“All the teaching was missing,” Siers stated. “We were basically suspending kids and putting them back in the same situation without instruction, and our job is to teach. This adds the teaching component to discipline we were already doing.”

Superintendent gives school board first semester report on new discipline program

Siers explained the school system in previous years had a “concerning disparity” in the percentage of referrals for discipline and suspensions for African American students and for Students with a Disability.



Dr. Kevin Siers

Siers said the school system received a letter last year from the Virginia Department of Education citing concerns about the school system’s suspension rates for students with a disability.

“A review of our data led us to conclude that our practice of continually suspending students for infractions was not effective, based on the sheer number of repeat offenses that administrators encountered,” Siers said.

Thus, restorative practices – a philosophical “framework” for school culture based on the belief that everyone is connected, and that each person has worth – was adopted.

Siers told the board restorative practices incor-

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Schools

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porates relationship building, increasing trust and encouraging better communication between school personnel, students and families.

“When applied to school discipline, restorative practices involve assigning consequences while teaching students about personal accountability and the importance of repairing any harm caused by their behavior,”

Siers explained.

Siers said all instructional personnel and counseling staff were presented with an overview of restorative practices, and expectations were established that “community building” activities occur in class – activities that allow students to communicate with each other and teachers so they feel a sense of trust within the community. The activities were designed to make students feel more comfortable communicating with teachers about their problems.

Each classroom was to have one community building activity per week during the first nine weeks and every other week thereafter.

Siers said restorative practices conferences were implemented for Tier 1 incidents of disruption, defiance and disrespect. Siers said the conferences involved teachers having a sidebar conversation with the student about how their behavior may have impacted others. That might also lead to discussions with parents and students together – all in an effort to

give students a chance to repair their situation.

Professional development sessions were held during the year for instructional personnel around the ideals of restorative practices.

Also, Siers said “restorative academies” were established at each of the county’s secondary schools to be used as an alternative to short term suspensions.

Siers said in the past a student might be suspended for five days.

“Now, they might be suspended for one day and spend the other four in a restorative academy where they are served by a highly qualified teacher, they work on their assignments and get the assistance they need, and they also work on a restorative component. ‘How will I handle the situation differently the next time.’ Hopefully it will help them make better choices next time,” he reasoned.

Siers said there have been victories this year.

“We have an ample number of classrooms at each school where restorative practices are being implemented with success,” he said. Also, he stated the academies are helping to reduce the number of out of school suspensions and ensuring students are able to continue getting instruction.

“And we are seeing a reduction in the number of repeat offenders, which is ultimately our goal,” Siers said.

But problem areas still exist, Siers said. He said implementation was somewhat rushed and goals were too broad; professional development was not sufficient for increasing the comfort level of all teachers, and misinformation and incorrect assumptions drove the narrative in the community.

“I think some of the negatives got out and drove people’s feelings about it [restorative practices] before we could even access the data to see if it made any difference or not. But we are taking some steps to correct that,” Siers said.

Siers explained that data from the first semester shows a significant reduction in discipline referrals at the elementary level for students with a disability, but

a significant increase in the number of suspensions.

He blamed that rise on elementary schools having to deal with “a number of behaviors that you don’t typically see in kindergarten students. That seems to be throughout the county this year and throughout the area.”

At the middle school level, Siers said data shows a significant reduction in suspensions across the board and in the number of repeat offenders.

However, at Pulaski County High School, Siers said data “looks too good to be true.”

He said the data doesn’t correlate with the feedback received from teachers about the effectiveness of restorative practices. The feedback, he said, “suggests that teachers were discouraged from making referrals for discipline and that many behaviors went unreported and unaddressed.”

“I think the high school data is unreliable at best and will require more research to find out why everything is dropping across the board,” he said.

“There is no program or philosophy in the world that would get you those results. If that was happening and it was working, we would not have received the overwhelming negative feedback we’ve received about the program,” Siers said.

Next steps in the process, Siers said, involve a February meeting of the school system’s Restorative Practices Advisory Team to further develop a framework that will work best for county schools.

Siers said a parent / community information night will be held in March or April to discuss where the county is in the restorative practices process and get feedback for next year.

“The whole idea was not to stop suspensions, but rather to teach students to do what they need to do so they wouldn’t be suspended again,” Siers said.

Editor’s Note: Critzer Assistant Principal Angela Clevinger has submitted a column offering more information about restorative practices. Her column can be found in this week’s edition on page A7.



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D'marea Bolden, 12 honored by town council as a hero

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Twelve-year-old D'marea Bolden was paying attention.

During those fire prevention programs in school back in October, presented by Pulaski Fire Marshall Todd Garwood, Bolden was learning what to do in case of a fire.

What he learned came in

Kirby selected as DAR Good Citizen at PCHS

Aaron Blake Kirby, a senior at Pulaski County High School, has been selected as the DAR Good Citizen for this school year sponsored by the County Pulaski Chapter of The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.



He is the son of Julia Hodge of Pulaski. Alex has been an exceptional student and has participated in many extracurricular activities both at school and in his community. He exemplifies the qualities which the Good Citizen Program recognizes. He plans to attend Radford University to major in Criminal Justice. While getting his education he plans to work in law enforcement or corrections field

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handy on Dec. 22 of last year.

That evening, Bolden was walking home when he saw smoke coming from his neighbor's house at 215 Henry Avenue.

Bolden ran to his home across the street and told his grandmother that their neighbor's home was on fire. He promptly called 911 to report the blaze, then ran across the street to the burning house and proceeded to pound on the front door to alert his neighbor of the fire.

His neighbor, who was asleep at the time, was awakened by Bolden's beating on the door. When he awoke, he found the house full of smoke and fled the structure in time to prevent serious injury or death.

In talking with a Sheriff's Deputy following his heroics, Bolden told the deputy that he used the knowledge he learned from the Fire Prevention Program that was given in county schools during October's Fire Prevention Week.

In a conversation with Garwood, Bolden said he remembered the fire program's slogans of "Stop, Drop and Roll," and its emphasis on calling 911 for any type of emergency.

He told Garwood, "See, I was listening when you were talking."

Tuesday evening, Bolden was recognized by Pulaski Town Council with a resolution honoring the youth.

Council's resolution commended Bolden "for his courage and bravery in alerting First Responders and risking his own personal safety to alert the resident of a burning house, which resulted in the probable saving of a life."

Garwood followed up the resolution by presenting Bolden with a Certificate of Honor from the Pulaski Fire Department for his heroics.



Pulaski Mayor David Clark (left) and Fire Marshal Todd Garwood make presentations to D'marea Bolden as the 12-year-old's family looks on.

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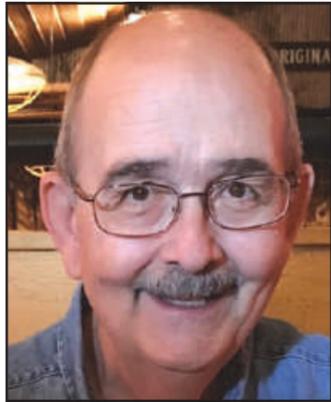


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CHARLES FRANKLIN HARRIS

Charles Franklin Harris, 62, of Pulaski, passed away Saturday, January 18, 2020. He was preceded in death by his parents, D. W. and Faye Bond Earles Harris; brother, Robert Ace Harris; half-brother, Alvin Cecil Earles; and special uncle, Gene Bond.

Survivors include his wife of 15 years, Susan K. Harris; children, Steven W. (Sandra) Erickson and Richard T. (Chasidy) Erickson; sister, Sherry (Rick) Wolfe; brother, Donald Wayne Harris; half-brother, Steve (Kitty) Earles; 5 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; special aunt, Wanda Bond; special stepdaughter, Caitlin McClure; and many other relatives and friends.

The family received friends Monday, January 20, 2020 at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. Burial followed in the Osborne Family Cemetery in Galax. Per Charlie's request there was no funeral.

In lieu of flowers, Charlie requested that donations be made to Fairlawn Grace Brethren Church, 6893 Mills Avenue, Radford, VA 24141. He and Susan have been members there for several years.

The Harris family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford. www.mullinsfuneralhome.com



RUBIN O'NEAL LINEBERRY, JR.

Rubin O'Neal Lineberry, Jr. age 58 of Dublin passed away Thursday, January 16, 2020 at Lewis Gale Hospital- Salem.

Born November 15, 1961 in Wythe County, Virginia, he was the son of the late Rubin O'Neal Lineberry, Sr. and Rosena Jane Neal Coffey. He was also preceded in death by his step-father, Carl Coffey, Sr. and his sister, Robin Lovern.

He was employed by Volvo for 32 years and was a member of the fire brigade. He was a life-time member of the Dublin Volunteer Fire Department having joined in 1981. Rubin was a big motorcycle enthusiast who enjoyed riding in his free time. He was a devoted family man who was always around to lend a helping hand to anyone who asked.

He is survived by Daughter and Son-in-law- Megan Lineberry Williams and Robert-Dublin

Step-Son- Joey Prescott-Dublin

Grandchildren- Jaylynn, Piper and one on the way Sister and Brother-in-law- Joyce "Georgie" Gallimore and Lonnie- Pulaski

Brother and Sister-in-law Carl "Buck" Coffey and Sabrina- Radford

Nieces- Allie Coffey and Harper Coffey

Nephew- Josh Lovern and Cindy

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 21, 2020 in the Bower Funeral Home Chapel, Pulaski with Rev. Dan Lawson officiating. Interment followed at Thornsprng Cemetery, Pulaski

To sign the online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com

Bower Funeral Home, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.



MARTHA LOUISE RICE-SHELTON

Martha Louise Rice-Shelton, passed away suddenly on Saturday, January 11, 2020 at the age of 74. She was born on October 19, 1945 in Radford, VA, to Raymond Randall Rice and Virginia Dare (Wallner) Rice.

Martha is survived by her daughter, Regan Virginia Shelton of Pulaski, VA, her sisters Suzanne (Suzi) Mott and Roberta (Bobbi) and brother-in-law John Sullivan, brother Raymond (Crunch) R. Rice, Jr., as well as her nephews Sean (Laura) Sullivan, Thomas Allen Mott, and niece Molly (Michael) Reeves. She is also survived by her cherished animals, some of whom are highly irritating.

Martha grew up in Pulaski, graduated from Pulaski High School in 1964 and married her high school sweetheart Stephen R. "Johnny" Shelton in 1968. Though their marriage didn't last, it did result in a human child who has more or less successfully accepted her canine and feline siblings.

Martha graduated from Radford University and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She worked as an English teacher and educator in Wythe and Pulaski Counties, at New River Community College, and retired from Fairfax County (VA) School System in 2003.

She loved the English language and was particularly fluent in profanity. Her sense of humor was dry, a little wicked, and she liked to laugh, especially about herself. She loved nature, working in her yard, and casually destroying lawn equipment. Sometimes she accomplished all three at once.

Martha was a sweet, smart, irreverent, and well-loved woman and a gathering in celebration of her life was held Saturday, January 18th at Christ Episcopal Church Parish Hall. The family will have a private memorial ceremony at a future date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to the Humane Society of Pulaski County, 80 Dublin Park Road, (540) 674-0089.



THOMAS GUY POWERS

Thomas Guy Powers, 94, of Pulaski passed away Wednesday, January 15, 2020. He was born in Rural Retreat, VA on June 12, 1925 and was the son of the late Emory Cooper Powers and Alma Vaughn Powers – one of thirteen children. Tom was a proud veteran enlisting in the United States Army at the age of 17 and served in WWII and the Korean Conflict. Tom was also preceded in death by his "Dahlin" wife of 71 years, Anna Tramonte Powers.

Survived by his son, Ron Powers and daughter, Terri Powers, both of Pulaski; his brother and best friend Allen Powers and his wife, Opal, of Pulaski; his beloved baby sister, Ermma Jean Marshall, of Pulaski; special friends, Barry Tuttle, Phil and Lisa Wade.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 21, 2020 from the First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Melissa McNair-King officiating. Burial followed in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, Dublin.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Pulaski Daily Bread, P. O. Bo 824, Pulaski, VA 24301 or to the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, 5550 Bagging Plant Rd., Dublin, VA 24080.

Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.



HOMER RONALD "RONNIE" COAKE

Homer Ronald "Ronnie" Coake, age 75 of Draper, left this world to be with his Heavenly Father on Wednesday January 22, 2020. He was born on September 27, 1944 in Wythe County, and was the son of the late Nellie Fowler Coake and Homer Lawrence Coake. Ronnie graduated from Fort Chiswell High School in 1962. In 1970 he received a degree in Civil Engineering from Virginia Tech. Upon graduation, he went to work in Charlottesville, VA for (EPA) Environmental Protection Agency. He later returned to Southwest Virginia to become the engineer for the town of Pulaski, and later became the Town Manager. After many years with the town, Ronnie worked for Pulaski County as a civil engineer and retired in 2011. Ronnie attended Max Creek Baptist Church. Ronnie's greatest gift in life, was the unconditional love he had for his children, grandchildren and great-grandson, also his extended family. His grandchildren called him "Poppy". In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother; Ricky Lynn Coake, and a granddaughter, Abigail Lynn Coake. He is survived by his wife; Sally Ann Bond Coake of Draper; a daughter, Tonya C. (Steve) Crigger of Dublin; a son, Ronald Todd (Cindy) Coake of Kingsport, TN; a sister, Sandra Breeding of Johnson City, TN; grandchildren, Ethan Cole (Morgan) Akers, Caleb Todd (fiancé, Makayla Munsey), Chloe Elizabeth Coake, Addie Grace Crigger, Holden Gage Crigger, and a special great-grandson, Eli Cole Akers; Special sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law; Myrna Bond, Sandra Burton, Jackie and Lois Bond, Frankie and Wanda Wright, Landis and Cindy Stoots, and Butch and Brenda Childers; a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, cousins and friends. Funeral services will be held Monday, January 27, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Max Creek Baptist Church with Pastor Mike Coleman officiating. Interment will follow in Bethany Cemetery in Austinville. The family will receive friends on Sunday, January 26, 2020 at Max Creek Baptist Church from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Flowers will be

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Death Notices

KATHLEEN MARGARET PYLE

Kathleen Margaret Pyle peacefully passed away in her 77th year with family at her side in Dublin, Va.

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Hurst re-elected School Board Chairman

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Tim Hurst was re-elected Tuesday night by his fellow board members to another term as chairman of the Pulaski County School Board.

Massie District representative Beckie Cox was selected as Vice Chairman.

Tuesday's meeting was the first for new Ingles District rep, Penny Golden.

In Tuesday's re-organizational meeting, the board set the second Tuesday of each month as the day for its regular monthly meeting. Open session begins at 6 p.m.

Grim Petition

Pulaski County High School student Jaelyn Szerokman presented a petition to the school board with 1,019 students' signatures asking that former PCHS Principal Mike Grim be allowed to graduate the Class of 2020.

She asked that Grim be allowed to shake hands with graduating seniors on the stage at this May's commencement exercises, as well as attend the annual Awards Ceremony held prior to graduation to honor award-winning seniors.

Szerokman said the petition should not be viewed as disrespectful to the interim principal - Richard Thomas - or any other member of the administration.

Grim was transferred by the school board to an "itinerate administrative position" in mid-December, with Thomas named as interim principal at PCHS for the remainder of the school year.

The move upset many students at the high school, prompting many to walk out of school in protest of the move for a short time the next day.

School board members did not respond to Szerokman's presentation.

School Calendar

Work is underway to establish a school calendar for next school year, and it could be very different than in recent years.

Mary Rash, Director of Administration and Instruction, presented a draft calendar to the school board.

The proposed calendar would have schools opening on Tuesday, Sept. 8 - the day after Labor Day. The last day of school would be Thursday, June 17.

Rash said comments will be gathered from board members, students, parents and faculty with a final calendar proposal presented to the school board next month.

School Budget

Assistant School Superintendent Chris Stafford provided board members with a first look at issues surrounding the upcoming work on a 2020-2021 budget.

Currently the only budget numbers at school officials' disposal come from the governor's budget proposal.

In that proposal there is both good and bad news for Pulaski County Schools.

The best news right now is that the governor's budget would provide \$1.7 million more in state school funds than the county is receiving this year.

However, much work is ahead in Richmond by the General Assembly before school officials will have firm numbers on which to build next school year's budget.

School officials likely won't know final state funding figures until at least March 7 when the legislature completes its work for the session.

Burchams named to Bob Jones President's List

GREENVILLE, SC -- The following students are among approximately 670 Bob Jones University students named to the President's List for high academic achievement during the Fall 2019 semester.

To qualify for the President's List, students must earn a 3.75 or higher grade point average for the semester.

Rose Burcham, a Freshman Nursing major from Pulaski, was named to the President's List.

Ruth Burcham, a Junior Interior Architecture and Design major from Pulaski, was named to the President's List.

Deaths

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appreciated, but if you prefer, donations can be made to the Max Creek Baptist Church 3000 Old Route 100 Road Draper, VA 24324 or to the Draper Community Park 60 Third Street, N.W. Pulaski, Virginia 24301 in care of Carol Smith. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski.

GEORGE MARVIN VIERS

George Marvin Viers, age 68 of Pulaski passed away Thursday, January 16, 2020 at his home.

Born June 15, 1951 in Pulaski County, he was the son of the late Graham Crockett Viers and Maudie Alice Peak Viers. He was also preceded in death by two brothers Richard Lee Viers and Albert Joseph Viers and two sisters, Nancy Ellen Viers and Mary Jane Viers.

He was retired from Pulaski Furniture with over 30 years of service.

Surviving are
Two Children-
Linda Pearl Viers-Colonial Heights, VA

George Marvin Viers, Jr.- Pulaski

Three Grandchildren-

Noah Christian Jarrells

Airanna Dawn Viers

Tatum Rose Jarrells

Brothers-

Graham Ray "Pete" Viers-Pulaski

Jerry Wayne and Brenda Viers- Pulaski

Special Friend- Ada Elizabeth Dalton

Special Niece and Nephew-

Evelyn "Pippie" Frances Viers

William "Ray" Viers

Funeral services were held Monday, January 20, 2020 in the Bower Funeral Home Chapel, Pulaski with Rev. Dale Akers officiating. Interment followed at Hubbard Cemetery, Wythe county.

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Bower Funeral Home, Pulaski is handling arrangements for the family.

- Dependability (truthfulness, honest, punctuality, etc.)
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- Patriotism (unselfish loyalty to American ideals).

Aaron will be recognized by County Pulaski Chapter in April and will be presented with a pin, a certificate and other gifts. He will be recognized at the Pulaski County High School Awards Assembly at the end of the school year.

Kirby

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and will also be joining the Army Reserves.

The DAR Good Citizen program recognizes outstanding young people who exhibit the qualities of good citizenship in their homes, school and communities and is intended to encourage and reward these students. This program is open to all high school seniors enrolled in public or private schools accredited by their state board of education.

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Oct 17	Carolina Balloon Fest / Statesville NC	70
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Oct 26	Harrah's Casino / Cherokee NC	45
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Nov 13	Southern Christmas Show / Charlotte NC	70
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Dec 11-13	Nashville / Country Christmas / Opryland	1150
Dec 12	The Polar Express	95
Dec 12	Biltmore House & Gardens / Christmas	105
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Marijuana and Opioids

The Controlled Substances Act (CSA) governs much of federal drug policy. It was passed in 1970 by a Democrat-controlled Congress and signed into law by President Richard Nixon. Although the CSA has been amended, it nevertheless has failed to keep up with circumstances in the country.

This column will look at specific areas of concern related to the CSA, namely marijuana and opioids.

While I support the legitimate use of medicinal marijuana, I have never supported recreational marijuana.

But whether you support or oppose its various uses, cannabis policy nationwide is a mess. States have implemented a wide array of policies regarding medicinal and recreational use, but it is still illegal under federal law.



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

Perhaps most concerning, federal law actually impedes research into cannabis. We need research data to inform decisions as states and the Federal Government consider more permissive laws, but such information is tough to find because of federal policy.

The reason is that marijuana is classified as a Schedule I substance under the CSA. Schedule I substances are defined as having no currently accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse.

Under the CSA, the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) tightly controls how research can be done on Schedule I substances. Further, the only supply licensed for research comes from the University of Mississippi, and that supply is of limited value when it differs from other strains under development or in use.

To correct this issue, I have introduced the Legitimate Use of Medicinal Marijuana Act (LUMMA), which would reclassify marijuana as a Schedule II drug and prohibit federal interference with medicinal marijuana in states where it is legal.

Along with Republican colleagues on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, I also requested a hearing on legislation to improve federally-sanctioned research.

The Subcommittee on Health held that hearing on January 15, and LUMMA was one of the bills up for discussion. Witnesses from the DEA, Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and National Institutes of Health (NIH), all of which have jurisdiction over cannabis policy, offered their testimony.

The witnesses offered a valuable perspective regarding the drawbacks of current federal law.

Dr. Nora Volkow, Director of the NIH's National Institute on Drug Abuse, presented testimony on the current science as well as its limitations. Both the risks and potential benefits of cannabis are not fully understood, but researchers cannot access products being marketed in states that have legalized it, nor can they conduct the clinical trials needed for medical purposes.

Dr. Volkow raised significant concerns about the risks of recreational marijuana use, but she also noted that we just don't have enough research to make definitive statements.

My own position is in favor of medicinal marijuana and opposed to recreational use, but for all uses, we need more data. This hearing was a step forward.

At that hearing, I noted one aspect of current federal law regarding cannabis that I find inexplicable. While cannabis remains a Schedule I drug, opioids and barbiturates are classified as Schedule II substances, which are considered less dangerous. While our country continues to grapple with the opioid crisis, which has its origins in over-prescription and accounted for 47,600 overdose deaths in 2017, we cannot even conduct research into cannabis because it is deemed too dangerous.

The effects of opioids were fresh in my mind because of a hearing held the previous day in the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations on state responses to the opioid crisis.

Significant federal action has taken place in recent years to stem the epidemic. The landmark SUPPORT Act, much of which resulted from work in the Energy and Commerce Committee, became law in October 2018. States, however, remain on the front lines of the crisis, and it was helpful to hear about the various approaches some of them have taken.

We continue to work on better treatment and prevention to make sure we do a better job in the future. Understanding how the crisis occurred in the first place remains important in this effort.

To that end, a group of Republican committee members, including myself, sent letters to the opioid manufacturers Insys Therapeutics, Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, and Purdue Pharma in search of more information. Breakdowns and bad actors in the drug supply chain contributed to the crisis, and we sent the letters to manufacturers to learn more about their role in these events.

I hope that the results of all of these efforts will result in more information to guide federal policy toward controlled substances, whether marijuana or opioids.

If you have questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to contact my office. You can call my Christiansburg office at 540-381-5671. To reach my office via email, please visit my website at www.morgangriffith.house.gov.

Week 2 of the Legislature

As the 2020 General Assembly session ended its first full week of business, Virginia's Capitol had been surrounded by 6-foot-high chain-link fencing. We have not had such restrictions imposed at the Capitol in anyone's memory, but the new Democrat majority is imposing new restrictions on the general public, General Assembly staff, the media, and even legislators.

The barriers that surround Capitol Square were being put in place as part of the preparations for a rally planned for this year's "lobby day," which, I know many of you attended.

This year, gun control has become the major issue being considered during the session. As such, groups for and against Governor Northam's gun control agenda have made plans for their supporters to be in Richmond on that day. Those favoring Second Amendment rights have been planning a rally for Capitol Square, promising to bring many of the thousands of Virginians who have attended meetings of their local governments on this issue over the last two months.

Last Friday, with only a half-day's notice of the meeting and no indication of what would be considered, the Joint Rules Committee banned the possession of guns in the Capitol and the Pocahontas Building on a party-line vote. By Tuesday, the 6-foot-high chain-link fencing arrived, but was not put in place. On Wednesday, the Governor declared a state of emergency for the area around the Capitol, banning the possession of weapons. On Thursday, the temporary fencing was put in place, making the Capitol look like a prison camp or some type of construction zone.

With each successive action, the Governor and the Democrats have been increasing their accompanying rhetoric. Although hundreds of gun rights supporters visited the Capitol last Monday without incident, and meetings of local governments dealing with this issue also have been without incident, the implication coming from the Northam Administration has been that a gathering of Second Amendment supporters is inherently dangerous.

Taking precautions to ensure the safety of the public — particularly when they are exercising their First Amendment rights — is a core responsibility of government. Thousands visit the General Assembly each year to visit their representatives and witness Virginia's gov-



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ernment in action.

Expect this year to have a record number of bills filed in both chambers, as of Thursday House members had already surpassed the number of bills filed in previous years and the Senate was well on its way.

The Senate has already begun hearing bills in committees and subcommittees, and even passing legislation on the Senate Floor. This session I am carrying several pieces of legislation. I have had one bill, SB 233, pass the senate and have several others that could pass the Senate as early as Monday.

Warmer temperatures brought many visitors to the Pocahontas Building this week. The guests to our office included Pulaski County Superintendent and members of the School Board, representatives from local hospitals and many others. One of the greatest parts of session is seeing the many friendly faces from home.

There's plenty of time between now and March 7 to see the Virginia General Assembly in action. If you're planning a visit, please remember to stop by our offices in Room E514 of the Pocahontas Building. If you want to weigh in on something we're considering at the Capitol, please send us an email at district38@senate.virginia.gov or call our office here at 804.698.7538.

With legislation beginning to make its way through the legislative process, I'll have more news from Virginia's Capitol next week. Until then, have a great week.

The 38th Senatorial District includes all of Bland, Buchanan, Dickenson, Pulaski, Russell, and Tazewell Counties, the Cities of Norton and Radford, and portions of Montgomery, Smyth, and Wise Counties.

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'America's expiration date'

I love definitions because they help focus the mind. For decades, we are said to have been in a culture war. As in any war, it helps to know one's enemy.

One online dictionary defines culture this way: "the quality in a person or society that arises from a concern for what is regarded as excellent in arts, letters, manners, scholarly pursuits, etc."

One secondary definition is under the sub-heading anthropology: "the sum total of ways of living built up by a group of human beings and transmitted from one generation to another." I especially like that second definition.

So culture is a sum total. It is also about ways of living by more than a few humans, with all of that being willed to succeeding generations.

Those of a certain age remember what their parents or grandparents transmitted to them following the Great Depression and World War II. It was the sum total of values and beliefs they shared, the values held by those Tom Brokaw correctly labeled the greatest generation.

Yes, they were imperfect, just as we are, sinners incapable of saving themselves apart from God's mercy and grace. But they saved a nation -- several nations -- because they embodied the things that mattered most in life: duty, honor, and country. They not only wanted to restore such things to Europe and preserve them for America but also sought to pass these down to their children and grandchildren. They had learned them from their parents. It is why they went to war, and although thousands did not come back, their values remained, at least until the self-indulgent 1960s and the generation that followed (as critiqued in my 1994 book, *The Things That Matter Most*).

Today that clash of their culture with ours is stark. My grandmother once admonished me for using words she said nice young men don't say in public. The words that offended her were toilet paper. Imagine what this woman, born in 1888, would think of the words heard on TV, in movies, and on the streets today.

Return to the definition given earlier and particularly notice the words built up. This suggests to me that the way to change a culture is not from the top down but from the bottom up, not through Washington but through the human heart and individual choices.

It might be too late for that, but it is not too



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late to make choices for ourselves and for our families, especially where we send our young children to school. It amazes me that so many parents -- conservative and Christian parents -- see no problem in sending their children to state schools, where they learn they evolved from slime and the reason they like bananas on their cereal is that their nearest relative is at the zoo.

Okay, I exaggerate, but not by much. If your child is a soldier, would you be okay if he or she were trained in a country that was the enemy of the United States? Doesn't the question answer itself? Why, then, would you knowingly and willingly send your child to a school -- and then a university -- that undermines the values, beliefs, and faith you have tried to teach them?

Don't answer that you want them to be ambassadors for God. I have met many ambassadors, and none are eight-year-olds. Children, like soldiers, must be trained and indoctrinated with the knowledge and principles of the nation (or kingdom) they are expected to serve. Look up two words in a concordance. They are teach and learn. The verses in Scripture that include these words instruct godly parents in what God expects when it comes to children on loan to us for a brief time.

Legions of young men and women taught such things will build up a culture and ultimately a nation. It is the only way to win a culture war.

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Neither Neocon nor Isolationist

Donald Trump isn't George W. Bush.

That should be obvious to everyone by now, but his critics and even some of his supporters immediately acted as if it were 2003 on the cusp of the Iraq War when Trump took out Iranian commander Qassem Soleimani.

Suddenly, the neocons had cachet again (Vox warned that "the Iraq War hawks are back"), and we were about to launch yet another endless war. Trump's decision to kill Soleimani, New York Times columnist Michelle Goldberg wrote, repeating a common refrain, "has brought the United States to the brink of a devastating new conflict in the Middle East."

There's no doubt that the operation against Soleimani carried risks, but it didn't transform Trump into a conventional interventionist. In fact, taking out Soleimani was wholly consistent with the president's approach to the world that can't be plotted on a simple hawk/dove or neocon/isolationist axis. As a Jacksonian, Trump is none of the above, combining a willingness to whack our enemies with a distaste for ambitious foreign interventions.

The Jacksonian label is the famous construction of foreign-policy analyst Walter Russell Mead, who traces the tradition back to Andrew Jackson and the cultural influence of the American backwoods. Jacksonians are content to let the world sort itself out, except if they perceive a threat, in which case they react with great ferocity.

Trump's victory overturned the reigning Republican foreign-policy consensus, but it didn't herald a lurch to isolationism pure and simple.

Even when Trump sounded most hostile to U.S. commitments and alliances abroad in 2016, he promised, in one of his most Jacksonian sentiments, to "bomb the s---" out of ISIS. No matter how much Trump disdained being in the Middle East, it wouldn't be possible to follow through on this threat without military assets, an intelligence network and allies on the ground. Once elected, Trump did, sure enough, bomb the s--- out of ISIS.

Killing Soleimani is keeping with this general orientation rather than a departure from it. In fact, the whole thing is shot through with Jacksonian attitudes.

Trump's red line to Iran didn't have to do with our values or shipping lanes. It reflected the most basic imperative of a nation protecting its own: Don't harm Americans.

When a rocket attack by an Iranian-supported militia killed an American contractor and injured other Americans at a base in Iraq, Trump's response was also characteristically Jacksonian: a stunning, bolt-out-of-the-blue droning of an enemy commander who was thought to be safely out of bounds, designed to create the maximum deterrent bang for the buck.

For his most loyal backers, the killing of Soleimani is likelier to add to the legend of Donald Trump instead of give them pause. In their view, here is President Trump once again doing what no other president would do, taking an inordinate

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Restorative Justice

A philosophy that tries to meet the needs of all involved

The word discipline comes from the root word disciple — which means to teach. Discipline has long been a debated issue in education. How to deal with disruption, disrespect, and defiance has long been a concern since schooling began. Hundreds of books have been written about discipline and hundreds more are sure to come; however, after 20+ years of teaching I have found there are many common goals that teachers and parents have for their children when it comes to building character:

1. Take personal responsibility for your choices/actions. As educators we endeavor to help our students to stop playing the blame game. This means excuses such as, “He/She was doing it too,” impedes the work on self, which makes one reflect on one’s own choices and actions; ultimately this is all anyone can control.
2. Become a contributing member of the community/society. This requires empathy. As educators we have to equip students to see the needs that must be met around them and give them the problem solving skills to do something to make the wrong they see better. As human we are fallible and we all make mistakes. Making mistakes doesn’t make us bad humans and when we make those mistakes we need to admit them and help heal the harm we have caused. This kind of accountability improves the self and benefits the community as a whole.
3. Be self-sufficient. As much as we love our children there comes a time when we want them/need them to be able to take care of themselves. We want them to have gainful employment. We want them to be able to go to work and have the skills to maintain a job. Jobs, however, are not only about having skills; it’s also about relationships. If you can’t cultivate relationships and get along with others, it won’t matter how intelligent you are about the subject—you will have difficulty maintaining a job. Self-sufficiency comes back to personal responsibility. You have to be able to complete tasks without being reminded over and over. You have to take initiative and be self-motivated. The jobs of the future will require you to be great problem solvers and have the ability to collaborate.
4. Be happy. All parents want this for their child. One of the greatest happiness killers is troublesome relationships. We see it in many places — divorce, family discourse, job dissatisfaction, crime; at the heart of each of these are failed, unhappy relationships.

In the field of education we do a fantastic job of meeting the needs of diverse learners. We differentiate instruction to meet students where they are academically and then we move them towards the goal. We plan ways to match academic weaknesses with the learning resources needed to help students achieve. Now this model of matching needs with resources has made its way into the realm of behavioral expectations. When students come to us not knowing academic skills we get to the business of catching them up. We provide tutoring, remediation, and strategies to the student to ensure student academic success. When students come to us not knowing how to behave, we now approach this issue in the same way — we teach. We teach acceptable behaviors for the setting, the school way of doing things. We attempt to have students be honest about their actions, self-reflect on their choices, and come up with solutions to heal the harm caused to themselves/others. It’s true we are moving away from the old equation: Child does wrong = punishment in a punitive way. I know for most of us, that’s how it was done and it worked; but it was coupled with talks that got down to the issue of why the action was wrong in the first place; it was coupled with advice on how to avoid similar trouble in the future, and it also focused on how you could make the situation you created better. The “pain” part of discipline is not what deterred the behavior from happening again, but rather the relationships between parents and children. A child who loves a parent doesn’t want to disappoint him/her. A parent who loves a child wants what’s best



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for their child and knows they have the responsibility to teach their child right from wrong, so he/she can have a better life.

Pulaski County Public Schools isn’t doing something new with discipline and Restorative Justice isn’t a new discipline program. It isn’t easy on rule breaking and it doesn’t make suspension obsolete. It is a philosophy. At its core it gives voice to the one harmed by another person’s wrong choice. It tries to meet the needs of all involved. It teaches empathy with real life examples — it places the responsibility for the wrong action squarely on the shoulders of the one who made the choice. It asks the one harmed what they need to make this wrong right — this wronged individual faces the one who hurt them and says how the actions hurt them and what needs to be done to make it better. The person who did the wrong action has a chance to redeem themselves and help those he/she hurt.

The best representation of Restorative Justice is the Andy Griffith episode where Opie shoots a momma bird with his sling shot and Opie as a punishment has to listen to the baby birds chirp for their momma. Opie takes care of the birds as a mother bird would — he goes to great lengths to right the wrong of his actions. Do his actions bring back the mother bird? No, and Opie will undoubtedly feel some guilt over what he did for a long while. Opie does learn a valuable lesson and this transgression will not be repeated.

Restorative Justice attempts to teach the right way to handle bad choices once they’ve been made and learn from them so they don’t keep being made. It doesn’t work in all situations and it does not replace suspensions and punishments. It’s true that suspension is not being used at the first option when dealing with unruly behavior; mainly because there is not research that suspension works. Research shows that students who are suspended are more likely not to graduate from high school. Suspension is an act of banishment and in many cultures this is done to deprive the offender the comfort and protection of his/her tribe or group. Belonging is an essential human need. Humans are social beings and this socialization and belonging drives learning — academic learning as well as learning about relationship building and societal norms.

Restorative Justice without a name would be what we as educators have tried to do since the beginning of the teacher-student relationship: Shape children into well-adjusted adults who make meaningful contributions to society and enjoy happy lives. Please remember, when it comes to doing what’s best for children, we’re all in this together.

Lowry

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amount of criticism for it, often from a perpetually hysterical press corps, and having it work out (so far).

The Jacksonian impulse alone is not enough to solve the complex foreign-policy problem presented by Iran. But it can be useful in a contest of intimidation and escalation. The killing of Soleimani isn’t a deep-state or neocon project, rather an unmistakable expression of Trump’s distinctive worldview.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



Mike Williams/PC Patriot

Board of Supervisors Chairman Joe Guthrie (right) makes a presentation to Patton Logistics Steve Patton (center) and Thierry Lindor.

Patton Logistics to invest \$12 million in new facility at Commerce Park

Governor Ralph Northam Tuesday announced that The Patton Logistics Group will invest \$12 million to establish a new logistics and warehousing operation in the New River Valley Commerce Park in Pulaski County.

Tuesday morning’s announcement of Patton’s expansion into Pulaski County and the New River Valley was held at New River Community College.

Patton officials were joined in announcing the news by Pulaski County Board of Supervisors Chairman Joe Guthrie, Ninth District Congressman Morgan Griffith and officials from Virginia’s First Regional Industrial Facility Authority (Commerce Park) Board.

Patton provides integrated supply chain solutions for clients throughout the United States and Canada. The facility will also serve as a hub for motor carrier freight services to reach major clients in Eastern United States markets. Virginia successfully competed with North Carolina for the project, which will create 33 new jobs.

“The Patton Logistics Group is a significant addition to Pulaski County’s New River Valley Commerce Park,” said Governor Northam. “This project will bring 33 new jobs and strengthen Virginia’s supply chain management sector. We are confident that the region’s top-notch workforce and access to expanding markets along I-81 and I-77 will help the company serve its growing client list.”

The Patton Logistics Group is comprised of three separate organizations employing 560 peo-

ple throughout the United States. Watsontown Trucking Company is a family-owned and -operated asset-based motor carrier founded in 1941. They operate a fleet of 400 trucks and 1,150 trailers with a workforce of 475. Patton Logistics, LLC was organized in 2013 as an affiliated entity of Watsontown Trucking Company to provide transportation brokerage and third-party logistics services for its expanding customer base. Patton Warehousing, LLC was formed in 2015 and currently manages 1.6 million square feet of warehouse space in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and New Jersey. The Patton Logistics Group management team has over 150 years of combined transportation and logistics knowledge and can provide integrated supply chain solutions ranging from motor carrier transportation, warehousing, distribution services, logistics, and brokerage sourcing. Watsontown Trucking Company has received numerous service and safety awards from clients and business partners.

“Virginia’s unparalleled transportation infrastructure and access to domestic and global markets continue to attract high-caliber retail supply chain companies like The Patton Logistics Group,” said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Brian Ball. “With interstate access and a cross-dock terminal located nearby, Pulaski County’s proximity to population clusters and easily navigable logistics options played a role in the company’s decision to expand its operations in Virginia.

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NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION



The Funky Goat

This week Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce would like to introduce new member, The Funky Goat. The Funky Goat offers handmade soaps, lotions and body care products made from goat’s milk from their farm. Their products can be purchased online and in many local stores.

Learn more about what the Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce can do for you. Subscribe to our e-newsletter by emailing: Communication@pulaskichamber.info. Our weekly featured member is sponsored by The Patriot.





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Teach Me Your Word O Lord

Terry McCraw

Christ's Church

The Church is not just a building, a sanctuary or a denomination. The Church is a dedicated group of believers in Christ Jesus who band together in unity to worship God, fellowship with one another, and to immerse ourselves in praise and worship, bible study, bible teaching and bible preaching in order to be equipped to reach the lost for Jesus Christ. It is the body of Christ. Jesus Christ is the head of the Church and we who are saved by grace through faith are members of His body.

How long will the Church be here on the earth? The bible teaches us that it will be here until Jesus comes and raptures the Church, or catches it away to be with Him in Heaven.

Jesus said upon this rock, (speaking of Peter's confession of faith that Jesus is the Christ, the son of the Living God,) I will build My Church and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it. So no matter how hard the devil tries to destroy the Church, he will never prevail because it is under God's divine protection.

The gates of Hell are considered by many to be various places on the surface of the earth, said to be entrances to the underworld. One preacher said, neither the plots, stratagems, nor strength of Satan and his demonic hoard, should ever so far prevail as to destroy the sacred truths in the confession of faith that Jesus is the Lord and Savior. Though Hell should open her gates, and vomit out her devil and all his angels to fight against Christ and his saints, they will utterly be defeated by the strong arm of the Lord God Almighty. "When the enemy comes in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." Isaiah 59:19.

Ephesians 2: 19-22. "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God. And are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone; In Whom all the building fitly framed together growth unto a holy temple of the Lord: In Whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit." Here the Apostle Paul says that we in the Church are no longer strangers or foreigners. Prior to our being saved, all of us were strangers and foreigners to God and His household. But through the free gift of salvation we have become citizens of the Kingdom of God with full access to all of the rights of those in the household of God. Our citizenship is now in Heaven.

Paul elaborates on the mystical building of the Church. Jesus is the cornerstone of the Church and we who have been born again are lively stones making up the Church. The corner stone of a building was a massive stone to which the walls were connected. The corner stone was not the only stone in the building but it was the chief stone, and Jesus is the chief corner stone of the Church and the one Who is holding it all together.

The church has many functions. First of all, the Church meets together to worship God in Spirit and in truth. God is more than worthy of all the praise and worship that we can

First Baptist Church
325 Randolph Avenue
Pulaski, Va. 24301
Pastor: Dr. Henry Fiske Jr.
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Service - 11 a.m.
Fellowship Wednesday - 5:45 to 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study - 6:30 to 7:15
Telephone: 980-6565

Draper Valley Baptist Church
3200 Lee Highway
Draper, Va. 24324
Pastor: Alan Pearce
Service Times:
Bible Study Sunday, 5 p.m.
Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.
Prayer Service, Wed. 6:30 p.m.
Phone: 980-1028
www.drapervalleybaptist.org

Grace Baptist Church
552 E. Main Street
Dublin, Va. 24084
Pastor: Doug Testerman
674-1762
Primary Services:
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Sunday worship
Sunday Night Power Hour, 6 to 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 to 8 p.m.
Grace Kids and Teens Bible Study

Open Door Baptist Church
4576 Miller Lane
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Rev. N.K. Howlett
Primary Services:
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Worship, 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.
Phone: 980-2046

Draper United Methodist Church
3080 Greenbriar Road
Draper, VA 24324
Pastor: Ruth Anne Henley
Primary Service Times:
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Worship, 11 a.m.
Phone: 540-392-8016

**Newbern Christian Church
Disciples of Christ**
5183 Wilderness Road, Newbern
Rev. Denise and Ken Walker
540-440-8733

Christ Episcopal Church
144 North Washington Ave., Pulaski
Service: 10 a.m. every Sunday
Phone: 980-2413
Email: christ24301@gmail.com
www.christpulaski.dioswva.org

Jordan's Chapel UMC
Pastor: Rev. Becky Wheeler
Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Cecil's Chapel United Methodist Church
5801 Cecil's Chapel Road,
Hiwassee, VA 24347
Pastor RuthAnne Henley
Worship service is 8:45am-9:45am
Sunday School is 10 - 10:45am
Ricky Dishon, 540 239 6360, www.facebook.com/cecilschapel.umd

Newbern United Methodist Church
5155 Wilderness Road
Exit 98 off I-81 Newbern
Rev. Paige Wimberly
674-6111
Worship Services: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School: 11 a.m.

Valley Harvest Ministries
1 Harvest Place
P.O. Box 458
Dublin, VA 24084
Senior Pastor Steve Willis
Associate Pastors:
Perry Slaughter, Elaine Wood, Derick Burton
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Wednesday School 7 p.m.
www.vhmdublin.org
540-674-4729

Randolph Ave. United Methodist Church
1607 Randolph Avenue
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Karen Black
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Phone: 540-980-8775

Mountain View United Methodist Church
6648 Wilderness Road
Dublin, VA 24084
Phone: 540-674-6111
mountainviewumc.yolasite.com/
Pastor: Paige Wimberly
Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Morning Worship with Children's Church at 11 a.m.

Dublin Baptist Church
100 Hawkins Street
Dublin, VA 24084
540-674-6061
secretary@dublinbaptistva.org
Website: dublinbaptistva.org
Pastor: Dennis Jones
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Children's Church and Nursery
Evening Service: 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.
Wednesday, Adult Bible Study 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
301 N. Jefferson Ave. - Pulaski
(physical address)
135 Fourth St., NW - Pulaski
(mailing address)
Pastor's Name: Will Shelton
Associate Pastor:
Sebastian Ruiz, Hispanic Pastor
Sunday Services
9:00 AM - Hispanic Worship
9:00AM - Contemporary Worship
10:00AM - Sunday School
11:00AM - Traditional Worship
Contact Info.
Phone: 540.980.3331
e-mail: office@fumcpulask.org
website: www.fumcpulask.org

Belspring Baptist Church
6887 Depot Street
Belspring, VA 24058
Pastor Darrell Linkous
Service Times:
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday worship: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study and
Youth Group: 7 p.m.
Darrell Linkous: 353-0081
belspringbaptistchurch@gmail.com

Memorial Baptist Church
995 Peppers Ferry Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Michael S. Jones
Sunday
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship
Wednesday
6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting
(540) 980-4731
Email: dfarley3@verizon.net

River of Life Church
5311 Black Hollow Road, Dublin, Va. 24084
Shawn Burchett, Pastor
Sunday School 9:15 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Wednesday Evening Life
Building Service 7:00 PM
www.rolcdublin.com 540-674-4500

**Delton Church of God
of Prophecy**
4570 Boyd Road, Draper, VA 24324
Pastor Vickie Lee Viars
deltoncogop@gmail.com (276) 620-3191
Service Times
Sunday school - 10 am - 11 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 11 am - 12 pm
Sunday Evenings - Devoted to
Evangelistic Outreach
Wednesday - 6 pm
2nd Wed Each Month - Free Community
Dinner - 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm
2nd Wed Each Month - Missions service
6:45 pm - 7:30 pm

Heritage Church
6195 Cleburne Boulevard, Dublin
Pastor Mike Pierce
Service Times:
Wednesdays, 7 p.m.;
Sundays, 10 a.m.
(540) 674-9220
Website: www.heritagechurch.net
Facebook.com/
HeritageChurchDublinVA

Fairlawn Baptist
6758 Oxford Avenue
Fairlawn, VA 24141

Pulaski Seventh Day Adventist Church
Corner 4th St. and Henry Ave.
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Don Elswick
Services: Sabbath School, 9:30-10:45 a.m.
Worship: Saturday, 11 a.m. -Noon
540-980-3576 pastorelswick@live.com

First Missionary Baptist Church
7318 Manns Drive / P.O. Box 90
New River, Virginia 24129
(540) 639-5331
email: fmbcl872@verizon.net
Pastor: Rev. Richard A. Goodman, Sr.
Associate Minister:
Rev. Annette Cheek
Clerk: Mrs. Carlotta Lewis
Sundays:
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
The Lord's Supper - Each First Sunday
Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting &
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Dublin United Methodist
424 East Main Street, Dublin
Pastor Don Hanshaw
(540) 674-5128
dublinumc@verizon.net
www.dublinumc.com
First Service, 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Second Service, 10:55 a.m.

Freedom Fellowship Church
1730 West Street
Radford, VA 24141
Sr. Pastor: Jerry W. Collins
540-577-5780
jcollinsfreedomfellowship@yahoo.com
Sunday Service: 10 a.m.
11 a.m. Children's Church
Wednesday - 7 p.m. Service
7 p.m. Youth Service

New River Valley Biker Church
Located in: United Steel Workers Union Hall,
Fairlawn
7322 Peppers Ferry Blvd.
Radford, VA 24241
Email: nrvbikerchurch@gmail.com
Pastor Joe Walker
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.

Draper's Valley Presbyterian (PCA)
2755 Old Baltimore Road, Draper, VA 24324
Mailing address: Same as above
Pastor's Name: Rev. Robert E. Davis
Associate Pastor: Rev. Roland Mathews
Primary Service Times:
Sunday Morning Worship Service
8:30 and 11:00
Sunday Evening Worship Service 6:15 p.m.
Wednesday Evening (5:45 Supper in the
Fellowship Hall (Sept thru May) - Youth Groups
and Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.)
Contact Info:
Phone - 540-994-9015
e-mail - drapers.valley@dvpca.org
website - www.dvpca.org

**Trinity Lutheran
Church ELCA**
2 Fifth Street, N.W., Pulaski
540-980-3624
The Rev. Terrie Sternberg
trinitypulaski@gmail.com
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
(Sept. - May)
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
(June - Aug.)
Bible Study: Wednesday, 12:30
www.trinitypulaski.org

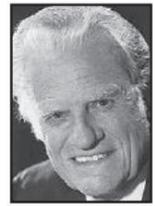
Trinity United Methodist
Pastor: Judy Yonce
Sunday Worship - 9:45 a.m.
Bible Study - Wednesday, 7 p.m.
528 5th Street, S.E.
Pulaski, Va.
Phone - 980-0820

Dublin Church of God of Prophecy
100 South Main St., Dublin
Services:
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday night, 6 p.m.
Pastor Rickey Freeman and wife Rose invites
everyone to attend.
Phone 750-6533

Snowville Baptist Church
3238 Gum Log Road, Hiwassee
639-6254
Pastor: Neil Wood
Associate: Matthew Wood
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Services: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service: 7 p.m.

Fairlawn United Methodist Church
7584 Brandon Road, Fairlawn, Va. 24141
Pastor Mark A. Miller
markmiller.psalml@gmail.com
Cell) 540-320-2431
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship (with children's message):
11 a.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday: 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry
Facebook.com/Fairlawn-United-Method-
ist-Church

**Grace Ministries
Church of God of Prophecy**
1021 Macgill Street
Pulaski, VA 24301
Church: 540-980-2118
Cell: 276-233-8083
Bus Ministry: 540-385-9972
www.pulaskigracemin.com
Email: pulaskigracemin@hotmail.com
Pastor Mike Williams
Children's Ministry
Aaron & Becky Sampson
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Children's Free Breakfast 10:30 a.m.
Ages 5-12
Men's & Women's Ministry Wed. 6:30



My Answer

Billy Graham

Store up treasures in Heaven

Q: Why doesn't God bless all Christians with wealth and health? Aren't we more effective as Christians if we are successful in our businesses and enjoy good health? It seems that people would find it easier to believe in the faith we exhibit. -- F.C.

A: In Heaven there will be many believers who never received any acknowledgment while on earth, yet they faithfully prayed and humbly served Christ. Their crowns may sparkle with more jewels than the philanthropist who endowed the church and whose name is engraved on the plaque in the narthex. Paul warned the wealthy not to be haughty, not to seek men's approval, but God's (Galatians 1:10).

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ever offer up to Him. He is greatly to be praised.

A second function of the Church is to have spiritual discipline. Let's call this function, Discipleship. Got Questions.org says that "Christian Discipleship is the process by which Disciples grow in the Lord Jesus Christ and are equipped by the Holy Spirit, who resides in our hearts, to overcome the pressures and trials of this present life and become more and more like Christ." By working together for Christ, we help one another grow in the faith. Discipleship is often a mutual process, one member helping another. God has placed ministry gifts in the Church, some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers. The Church needs good leadership to be all that we can be for the Lord.

Another function of the Church is Fellowship. Fellowship means a lot more than talking to each other about first one thing and then another. It means sharing lives, bearing one another's burdens, encouraging one another and helping the poor and needy among us.

Another function of the Church is Service. We love and serve God first of all, but we are obligated by God to love and serve others as well. Some in the Church have needs. And we need to find out what their needs are and figure out ways to help them meet their needs. Galatians 6:10 says, "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

Another function of the Church is Evangelism. The mission of the Church is share the gospel with others and to win the lost at any cost. To fulfill the great commission. Every local Church congregation should have an outreach ministry that is fully and effectively functioning. The chief function of the Church is Ministry. Ministry is necessary for the communities in which we live. To do Ministry for Christ Jesus is to share the gospel with all of those who are living in a lost and dying world. To save souls from perishing. To throw out the lifeline to those drowning in a sea of sin. To lead others to Christ so they too can be saved.

The Church is the greatest source of good that is in the entire world. Though often maligned, it is the good influence of the Church that is keeping the world from turning completely rotten. When the Church is taken out of this world, the whole world will become even more wicked and ungodly than it is today and after this, the judgment.

Faith Bible Church
110 LaGrange Street, Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Jim Linkous
Associate Pastor: T.J. Cox
540-980-5433
www.facebook.com/faithbiblechurch
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Sunday Children's Church: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.
Children's Meal: 6:30 p.m.
Children's and Youth's Group Classes: 7 p.m.

Dublin Christian Church
5605 Dunlap Road
P.O. Box 1330
Dublin, VA 24084
(540) 674-8434
www.dublinchristianchurch.com
Richard R. Goad, Jr.
Senior Minister
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship and Youth Meeting, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study and Children's Bible Classes, 7 p.m.

Anderson Memorial Presbyterian Church
319 Franklin Avenue, Pulaski
(540) 980-2277
Bruce Ford, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church
408 N. Jefferson Avenue, Pulaski
Pastor Melissa McNair-King
(540) 980-2132
firstprespulaskiva@gmail.com
www.firstpresbyterianpulaski.org
Sunday Services:
Sept.-May: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.,
Service 11 a.m.
June-Labor Day: Service 10 a.m.
Wednesday Family Night, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Thornspring United Methodist Church
5670 Thornspring Church Rd.
Dublin, VA 24084
Pastor: Rev. Teresa Tolbert
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship Service: 11 a.m.
Phone: (540) 980-2927

First Baptist Church
5473 Baskerville Street
Dublin, VA 24084
Pastor Wallis Brown
540-674-2677
Service: 11 a.m.

New River Valley Baptist Church
1973 Snider Lane
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: W. Jeff Aikens
Phone: 980-8628
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening: 7 p.m.

New Dublin Presbyterian Church
5331 New Dublin Church Road
Dublin, VA 24084
Pastor: Sara Jane Nixon
Website: newdublinpres.org
540-674-6147
Services 11:00 AM Sundays

Community Christian Church
Jason Allmon, Pastor
5382 Grace Street
Dublin VA, 24084
540-674-4308

Dora Highway Baptist Church
1643 Dora Highway, Pulaski
Pastor Harry L. Gunter
320-0738
Assoc. Pastor
Rev. Herman Sarver
980-2827
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.
Service times: Sunday at 10:45 a.m.
Sunday night at 6:00 and Wednesday at 7:00

First Dublin Presbyterian Church (ECO)
409 Church Street, Dublin, Va. 24084
P.O. Box 2027, Dublin, Va. 24084
first-dublin-presbyterian-church-eco.com
Minister:
The Rev. Dr. Olin Marsh Whitener, Jr.

Max Creek Baptist Church
3000 Old Route 100 Road, Draper, Va. 24324
www.maxcreek.org
www.facebook.com/maxcreekbaptist
Senior Pastor: Mike Coleman
Youth Minister: Charlie Prince
Director of Visitation: Ersel Alderman
Sunday Services
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Teen Social and Class: 5 p.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Classes: 7 p.m.

Pulaski Church of God
1621 Bob White Boulevard
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Donald Jones
540-980-8880
www.pulaskicog.church
Sunday Services
Sunday Life Groups: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays Midweek Connect: 7 p.m.

Pulaski Christian Church, Inc.
4531 Brookmont Road, Pulaski, VA 24301
www.pulaskichristianchurch.com/
Rev. Kathy Warden, Pastor,
(540) 250-2974
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Worship 7 p.m.
Monday Bible Study
7 to 9 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study
7 p.m.

Dora Highway Baptist Church
1643 Dora Highway, Pulaski
Pastor Harry L. Gunter
320-0738
Assoc. Pastor
Rev. Herman Sarver
980-2827
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study
7 p.m.

Aldersgate United Methodist
1946 Medallion Drive
Pulaski, VA 24301
(540) 980-1349
Pastor Becky Wheeler
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

First Baptist Church
First Baptist Church
220 Magazine Street
Pulaski, VA 24301
540-980-3336
Email: firstbaptist220@gmail.com
Pastor: Rev. Douglas Patterson
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Monday's Child Youth Group, Monday
Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Pulaski Presbyterian Church (PCA)
975 Memorial Drive
Pulaski, VA 24301
Office Phone: 980-2631
Email: pastor@pulaskipca.org
Website: www.pulaskipca.org
Stated Supply: Rev. John Gess
Sunday School: 10:00am
Worship Service: 11:00am

Warriors For Christ II
Pastor Sherman Buckner
600 Skyline Circle
Pulaski, VA
Phone: 540-315-2317
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Thursday: 7 p.m. Service

Sure Foundation Christian Fellowship
6598 Annie Akers Road
Radford, VA 24141
(540) 639-3443
Pastor Steve Phillips
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 am
Sunday Night Prayer: 5:30 pm
Wednesday Night
Prophetic Teaching: 6:30 pm

New Hope Chapel
1555 Case Knife Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Darrell Gray
(276) 733-6080
Pastor Gray and congregation invite you to
New Hope Chapel.
Service Times:
10 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Sunday Service

St. Edward's Catholic Church
Corner of N. Washington Avenue and 7th
Street N.W., Pulaski
Phone: 980-6511
Fax: 980-6511
Priest: Fr. Bernie Ramirez
Mass: 11 a.m. Sunday, 5:30 p.m. Thursday

Pulaski First Church of the Brethren
1749 Newbern Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Frank Peters
Sunday School: 9:45
Worship: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
980-3798

Abundant Life Ministries
3050 Lee Highway
Pulaski, VA 24301 (540) 980-5506
(Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.)
Pastor Randall K. Lawrence Sr.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evenings 6 p.m. by announcement
Wednesday Evenings (Family Night) 6:30-7
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Jefferson Mills Demolition Begins

Demolition has begun on portions of the old Jefferson Mills Plant facing Commerce St. in Pulaski. Known in its closing days as Jefferson Yarns, the operation shut down in 2017 and at that time owners were looking for a buyer. The plant operated in one form or another for some 80 years in Pulaski. The property was reportedly auctioned off recently to SHAH Development.

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Patton

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The New River Valley location will enable Patton Logistics to serve major nearby clients and grow its presence in Eastern United States markets, and we thank Patton for its significant investment.”

“Over the past several years we have developed a motor carrier transportation and logistics presence in Southwest Virginia and throughout the Southeastern United States,” said Steve Patton, President of Watson Trucking Company and Patton Warehousing and Logistics, LLC. “We chose to further expand in Dublin, Virginia, for several reasons: first, this location provides access to a superior workforce that is dedicated to help us develop a reliable logistics system for our clients. Also, the close proximity to the interstate highway system gives us the ability to provide daily service to population centers in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Tennessee. Finally, Southwest Virginia is home to two of our largest clients and having a location near them will only enhance our ability to serve their logistics needs in the future.”

The Virginia Economic Development Partnership worked with Pulaski County, Virginia’s First Regional Industrial Facility Authority (VFRIFA), and Onward New River Valley to secure this project for Virginia. Governor Northam approved a \$150,000 grant from the Commonwealth’s Opportunity Fund to assist Pulaski County with the project. Patton Logistics is eligible to receive state benefits from the Virginia Enterprise Zone Program, administered by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

“Our economic development team worked hard to compete for and secure Patton Logistics’ site

location decision, and we are delighted to welcome them as the newest member of our business community,” said Guthrie. “This announcement is a great way to begin 2020 as it continues the success the county has had recently in economic development, bringing Pulaski County’s new capital investment totals to nearly \$475 million and more than 1,460 new jobs created in the past three years.”

Guthrie told Patton his company had chosen wisely when it selected Pulaski County for their expansion.

“You’ve found a prime location in a unique industrial park with the space your company needs to grow. A park with an energetic dynamic problem-solving director and a board that is proactive in bringing top-flight businesses to the park,” Guthrie said.

“You found a county, and an entire region in fact, with a willing and able workforce that values our traditions including a strong work ethic and pride in a quality job well done at whatever we do. I know Morgan will agree with me on those being attributes of our people here in Southwest Virginia.

“You have found a County and a region that is literally open for business with a business-friendly attitude that recognizes the importance and value that our community’s business partners provide, with an appreciation for the jobs you bring to our people, and with elected officials and staff who want to help our local businesses grow, expand, and prosper, bringing more jobs and higher pay for our people with them.

“You found a place, almost unique in rural America with two large state universities and a community college, that provide a diverse, well-educated, high-

ly-trained and skilled work-ready population.

“You found a place with close and easy access to 2 interstate highways that put nearly 200 million Americans within a day’s drive, and a rail line that bisects the county on its way to one of the world’s busiest ports in Norfolk. It’s a place with a freight airport with a 6000-foot runway, literally at your company’s front door, and a leading high quality regional commercial airport only a short drive away in Roanoke.

“So, you have chosen this location wisely. And we are forever delighted and grateful that you have,” Guthrie said.

“VFRIFA is excited to welcome Patton Logistics Group as the latest business to locate in the 1,000-acre NRV Commerce Park,” said VFRIFA Board Chair Mary Biggs. “This amazing project would not have been possible without the support from the 11 localities that make up VFRIFA: the counties of Bland, Craig, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, and Roanoke; cities of Radford and Roanoke; and the towns of Dublin, Pearisburg, and Pulaski. In addition, financial assistance from the Virginia Small Business Financing Authority and an ARC Grant administered by Virginia DHCD helped make this project a reality.”

“It’s good to see Pulaski County beginning a new decade with a continued growing economy,” said Delegate Nick Rush. “The addition of Patton Logistics will provide a double benefit to the New River Valley with expanded commerce and capital. We look forward to welcoming the Group to Southwest Virginia with our strong support and best wishes for success.”

Graham

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Moses gave up all earthly glory and possessions to identify with God’s people. He was the adopted child of an Egyptian princess, but he gave up the kingdom and crown of Egypt to be a child of God. He was educated in the finest schools, but he gave up the prestige to learn the wisdom of God. Moses gave up the royal scepter to be rich in God’s law. The prophet was known as a shepherd, a leader, a deliverer, a lawgiver, and a judge. But Moses said, “O my Lord, I am... Your servant” (Exodus 4:10); and when he died, God spoke of him as, “Moses My servant” (Joshua 1:2).

When we reach Heaven, there will be no opportunity to brag of our exploits, our ambitions, or the joys of our pleasure; but we will have eternity to rejoice in how the Lord blessed our lives in the midst of hardship and blessing. We will fully understand that it was Christ who lived in us and glorified Himself in our weaknesses.

It may take a lifetime to accumulate wealth, but it can vanish in the blink of an eye. While the Bible teaches us to store up treasures in Heaven, the greatest treasure is in knowing that we will be rewarded by His very presence -- forevermore.

(This column is based on the words and writings of the late Rev. Billy Graham.)

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Cougar girls whip Salem by 20

By DAN CALLAHAN
The Patriot

It was as frigid a shooting night as Pulaski County got enough shots to fall and pulled away in the second half for a, 54-34 victory over Salem. The Cougar girls are now 10-4 on the season and undefeated in the River District play. Salem fell to 7-7 on the season.

"Good win tonight! It was sloppy early, a lot of that was them and some of that was us! But we will take it," said head coach Bradley Sutphin.

"Our kids played hard and did a great job in the 2nd half. I thought we did a great job of controlling the offensive and defensive glass. Any win is a great win so we will take it and get ready for C-burg on Friday!"

Both teams had turnover issues at times, both finishing with 18, but this was a night determined by which team was going to get the ball to fall through the basket the most. Pulaski Co. certainly did not have one of its best shooting games, but compared to Salem, the Cougar girls were on fire. Finishing just 20 of 66 from the field, 34% is certainly nothing to brag about, but the Spartans couldn't have thrown a rock in a pond, and hit just 12 of 64 shots, 18.5% for the game. In the first half the two teams combined to hit just 14 of 69 shots. At times shots would touch every inch of the rim, rattle inside the basket and pop out, but just did not fall.

Salem had three 0-10 stretches in the game. The Cougar girls were only four of 20 the first quarter for a 9-8 lead. But midway in the second quarter PCHS got a small cushion behind the play of Keslyn Secrist and Maddie Ratcliff. The two combined for 14 second quarter points and that was big time on this night. The Cougars were up eight, 25-17 at the half.

But Pulaski Co. took control in the third quarter as the Spartans



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Keslyn Secrist goes up for two of her 15 points on the evening for the Cougars.

started the second half with another 0 for 10. Keslyn Secrist came up big with back baskets, one a three, and Ratcliff hit from behind the arc and the Cougars led 41-21 going into the fourth quarter and coasted home from there after Salem could only score four third quarter points, and topped the night for futility, hitting two of 18 shots.

Down the stretch in the fourth quarter a lot of Cougars saw action and pulled away steadily for the final 54-34 tally. Salem could not make a three-point shot in the game, but Keslyn Secrist hit three, and Ratcliff two for the Cougars.

Ratcliff led Pulaski Co. with 16 points, Secrist finished with 15 and were the two double figure scorers in the game. Salem did not have a player hit double digits. Erin Russell and Taryn Blankenship both scored six for the Cougars, Ally Fleenor finished with five, Paige Huff four, and Courtney Cregger got two.

Kennedy Scales scored eight for Salem, and Moriah Hill and Madison Hall both got six.

Cougar Stats:

Going into Tuesday evening's game Ratcliff was leading the team in scoring with an 11.6 per game average, but Fleenor was

a close to her as you could get with an 11.5 average, Huff was scoring at a 9.2 clip and Secrist 8.6. Fleenor is leading the team in rebounding with a 7.1 average per game, and Huff has made 25, three-point shots on the season, and Secrist 15.

English gets 36 in Salem win over Pulaski County

Patriot Staff Report

The Pulaski County boys basketball team fell to Salem on the road Tuesday evening, 67-59. The main culprit in the loss was Spartan Ethan English who scored 36 points on the night. Owyn Dawyot added 11 for Salem who upped its record to 9-4 on the season, 3-2 in the River Ridge District. Pulaski Co. falls to 6-8 on the season, 1-4 in RR.

The Cougars led at the half, 32-29, but an 18-6 third quarter run by the Spartans pretty much decided the issue. Pulaski Co. was led by guard Hayden Gray with 24 points. Peyton Blackburn and A.J. McCloud both scored nine. Pulaski Co. was able to stay in the game as long as the three-point shots were dropping. Gray hit four and Blackburn three.

Pulaski County hosts Christiansburg Friday.

Hokies beat Tar Heels in OT, 79-77

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BLACKSBURG — Tyrece Radford's layup with less than a second remaining in the second overtime propelled Virginia Tech to a 79-77 victory in an ACC game played Wednesday night at Carilion Clinic Court.

With the win, Tech moved to 14-5 overall, 5-3 in the ACC. North Carolina lost its fifth in a row and fell to 8-10 overall, 1-6 in league action. The injury-plagued Tar Heels also lost their sixth consecutive ACC game — a first in school history.

Tech trailed the entire second half and trailed 49-37 with less than 14 minutes remaining. But the Hokies gradually climbed back in the game, and they tied things at 60 on P.J. Horne's two free throws with 13.7 seconds left. The Tar Heels had a chance to win the game in regulation, but Garrison Brooks' 14-foot jumper was a little too strong,

and the game went into overtime.

In the first overtime, Tech again trailed in the waning moments, but Landers Nolley II scored with 27 seconds left to tie the game at 67. North Carolina again had a chance to win the game, but Leaky Black misfired on a 3-point, sending the game into a second overtime.

In the second overtime, Nolley gave the Hokies a 77-73 lead with a layup with 23 seconds remaining. North Carolina answered when Brooks scored with 9 seconds to go, but the Hokies got the last shot and made it count when Radford drove to the middle of the court and made a tough shot over Jeremiah Francis with under a second to go to win the game.

The two points were the only ones of the game for Radford.

Nolley paced the Hokies with 22 points, though he made just 5 of 17 from the floor on an eve-

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Tyrece Radford shoots for two against North Carolina Wednesday night. Radford scored only two points in the game - the most important two that gave the Hokies the double-overtime win.



Locker Room

Dan Callahan

Ugly hoops and baseball will be fine

Basketball is very unpredictable this season. It was bound to happen. There are reasons. The one and done stuff is hurting the overall quality of college hoops. The shocking number of transfers is hurting the quality of the sport, football too. Players are now allowed to transfer with basically little or no reason with immediate eligibility. You must have a tighter hold. You must have that in this opinion.

And you now have the obvious lack of concern about academics in the sport. "Student athlete?" You don't hear that term as frequently as you used to, even from the office of the NCAA. Plain and simple. When you do not have student-athletes playing the game, and you have the "best" players with no concern for academics or graduation at all, the character of the game will suffer. The NBA could help by not taking one semester players, but fat chance of that. That league isn't concerned about education either. I wonder why the academic elites at places like Duke don't speak up.

The problem evident in Kansas last night. The brawl at the end of a lopsided game was ugly. When you do not have academic integrity and athletes that are "students" in terminology only, a lack of character too frequently surfaces. It certainly did in Lawrence Tuesday night.

Standing over a fallen opponent to demonstrate your physical superiority should have been flagged in basketball years ago. I get competition. But I also know what disrespect is when I see it.

Silvio Sousa, who has been under NCAA investigation almost from the time Kansas recruited him, picked up a chair. That's criminal. He wanted to use it as a weapon. I'll give Kansas coach Bill Self credit for saying he was embarrassed by the action of his team. I discredit K-State coach Bruce Webber for trying to soft soap the ugly event.

When you have people playing college sport that have no intentions of ever graduating from college, and have no desire to attain a higher education, then do you actually have competition between "real" college students. Last night a college basketball game turned into something that looked like "thuggery." And it probably looked like it because that may have in fact been what it was.

There should be severe penalties handed down by the NCAA, and law enforcement should be involved with what happened in Kansas last night. Silvio should never play another game of college basketball. His actions were uncivilized. In fact, severe penalties should be handed down to numerous players and both programs. If not, then once again, college athletics is exposed as being a place for non-students. Baseball Is Not Dead:

Some of these talk shows on television and radio have commentators that are paid to be controversial so you have to take overreaction with a grain of salt. They have airtime to feel and if you get everybody upset the time goes by faster.

In a nutshell the Astros were caught cheating. Dadgum it! Ain't that something. I remember when they used to catch old Junior Johnson cheating in NASCAR. It irritated people from time to time, especially if you owned the car he beat. But man that #12 would run. Junior's job

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The Dick & Doc Show - A Trout Fishing Tale

Last Thursday (January 16th), Dick a fishing friend, had persuaded me the day before to go fishing with him. I asked him, "What's the weather going to be?" He replied, "Cold and windy." I said, "There is no doubt a cold front is coming through and we ain't going to catch anything as another friend, Jim who I grew up with and now an avid trout and fly fisherman told me once how he had gone fishing at the Cascades (Little Stony Creek in Giles County) when a front had come in and he didn't even get a bite." He kept insisting that we would be "OK" and I finally agreed to go along but I checked my almanac calendar that night to see what the fishing forecast was to be for the next day and low and behold it was a solid white fish sign which meant a poor fishing day. I've never put much stock in fish predictions for a whole year but have used the signs of moon phases for planting and harvesting in my gardening and the moon phases effect the rivers and ocean tides which in turn effect the fishing these waters - you may not buy this. I even threw this at Dick Thursday morning as to my looking at the almanac predictions (even though as I stated I didn't really believe in them), but he insisted we go and we got on our way.

We got to the stocked waters on "The Creek" but had a late start and arrived there at 11 AM. He parked in front of a pick up at a pull-off spot and saw another truck about 500 feet ahead across a bridge over the Creek. When I looked at the well-worn path down to the waters, I figured this hole is most likely been fished out, but before we got our spinning rods and gear together, low and behold, two guys came up from the Creek with several fish. We got almost to the water's edge and two other guys came along and both caught some trout (big ones at that - 12 to 15 inches). I could



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not believe it as the water was up and very swift and the wind nearly cut us in two as we got our lines in the water. Another guy, whose name was Mike we learned from later talking to him, caught a good-sized trout right beside us using "power bait." This was our "SHOW" for that day or in reality was "A NO SHOW" as we never got a bite. Mike must have felt sorry for us as he gave the good-sized trout to Dick and to me a can of power bait as I had left mine in Dick's Suburban. I had left my lunch and coffee thermos packed by my wife in my truck at our rendezvous, but fortunately Dick had packed sandwiches, hot soup and 2 coffee thermoses and we had a hot picnic on the cold waters of "The Creek." We fished about another hour with no strikes and started to pack it in and Dick got back to the vehicle first. I got another free fish from a fisherman and another guy came along and caught one and gave me this fourteen-inch trout, giving us a total of three fish to take home thanks to the generosity of these fellow fishermen. NOTE: As for "The Creek" -- DGIF can give you names of stockings.

Dick did not want any of the fish and suggested giving them to a friend for catfish bait. I told him, "No way Hosea" that I would clean and filet them. Yesterday, I with my wife, Linda, the world's greatest cook, enjoyed pan-fried trout using a recipe of oil, butter, minced garlic and parsley (salt & pepper to taste) with her fried hush puppies on the side as well.

I have stated in the past that I

am a M.D. (Mtn. Doctor-Granny Clampett type) and as Arthur, "Ole Man Ritis's boy is hard on some of my body joints, I use garlic in my diet since garlic is good for arthritis.

A joke for today-Q: Why did Noah not do much fishing on the Ark? A. He only had two worms.

I spoke of signs at the beginning of this column. The Pharisees also with the Sadducees asked Jesus for a sign in Matthew (KJV) 16: 1,2,3 - Verses 2,3 "He answered and said unto

them, when it is evening, ye say, it will be fair weather; for the sky is red. And in the morning, it will be foul weather today: for the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?" This sign is as true today as the days of Biblical times as "red skies at night, sailors delight; red sails in morning, sailors take warning." I have many Christian friends who believe as I do that, we are living in the end times and the "Lord's coming" is at hand. You read in the Old

Testament in Daniel 12:4(KJV) But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." I believe with all this racing back and forth by people of the world and all the tremendous increase in knowledge, is now the time for us Christians and you sinner friends as well to realize that as God has promised to "unseal the book." If you do not know the Lord Jesus as your Savior, make today the day of your salvation. Until next time

Hokies

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ning when Tech shot just 36.9%. Nolley did connect on 10 of 11 from the free-throw line.

Jalen Cone added 18 points for the Hokies, hitting six 3-pointers and Nahiem Alleyne finished with 11.

Brooks led the Tar Heels with 28 points and 13 rebounds. Justin Pierce added 15.

QUOTES TO NOTE

Virginia Tech head coach Mike Young (On Radford's big play)

"Tyrece typically plays 30 [minutes], but only played 20 tonight. But when his number was called, he went in for a defensive possession. When he number was called, he was ready. He hadn't checked out mentally. Physically, he was ready to play and got that ball to the basket."

(On whether his team has been growing up playing these close games)

"I hope they're growing up. Their coach is growing older by the game. They're driving me crazy in a great way. They're awesome. They're great to coach. We can say it, and some of it is true. We're 14-5. We've played a lot of ball now. We're not new to this. Jalen Cone, Nahiem, those guys have played a lot of college basketball, and we've seen a number of plays. We will have an opportunity to go back and look at some of this and improve on some things, but not much because we've got Boston College in less than 72 hours. I do think our team is growing in a number of areas, to be frank."

(On his team's ability to come back in games)

"I was really worried about it early on. A sign of a young team is that you get down. You get bat across the kneecaps, and you want to withdraw instead of fighting and hanging in there. But they're coming into their own. That's a great sign of growth, physically and mentally, to the next play. The next

play is the only play that matters. NBA - "Next Best Action." Soft teams, weak teams, don't respond that way. Tough teams do. So yes, I'm really, really proud of that. I do Wabissa [Bede] and P.J. Horne have a lot to do with that response, and their ability to pull people with them in timeouts and on the floor. Look one another in the eye, and "hang in there."

GAME NOTES

- The Hokies have beaten the Tar Heels in back-to-back games for the first since time since beating them in 1917 and 1919.

- The Hokies tied a school record with 37 3-point attempts.

- Tech hit 14 3-pointers, marking the 11th time this season in which it has hit at least 10.

- Tech has committed less than 10 turnovers in four consecutive games and in 11 of 19 games this season.

- Nolley has scored at least 20 points in eight games this season, including three of the past four.

- Nolley's 10 free throws and 11 attempts were career highs.

- Wabissa Bede finished with eight assists and one turnover in 44 minutes. He has handed out at least five assists in 16 of the Hokies' 19 games this season.

- Cone has scored in double figures in five consecutive games and is averaging 15.2 points per game in that span.

- Cone's six 3-pointers were a career high. He's now shooting 56% from beyond the 3-point arc.

UP NEXT

The Hokies now begin arguably their toughest stretch, with road games at Boston College and Miami - their longest road trips of the season. Tech plays the Eagles on Saturday at 2 p.m. before returning home and then traveling to Miami on Monday for a Tuesday evening game against the 'Canes that tips off at 8 p.m.

Callahan

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(and may that racing legend rest in peace), was to win races.

The Astros were caught stealing some signs. I'd be upset if I owned a team and my manager wasn't trying to steal signs. When I played little league baseball at age 11 and 12, we tried to steal signs. It's part of baseball. If I'm the manager of a baseball team when I go to the park I'm there to win the game. If I have to do something a bit shady, I'll apologize later, take the win and have a cold beer.

I remember the hullabaloo a few years ago about somebody watching some other team's practice and giving information to Bill Belichick and the Patriots. Tell me how many of you if you were a football coach and you could put a scout at your opponent's practice, you wouldn't. I would. I go to the football stadium to win. If I have an edge I will gladly accept it.

But all this is just sport. It's about getting an edge. Nobody hurt anybody, nobody broke the law. It's about trying to win a game. Is it wrong? Well yes it is, and no it isn't. What baseball is saying is stealing the other teams signs is fine just like it has been for a hundred years, but you just can't do it using technology. Fixing the problem should be simple. Take the technology out of the dugout. As far as I'm concern you can throw the technology out of the ballpark. It took me about two weeks to get sick of hearing about analytics.

How about this? I want my leading off man to get on base, take a walk, hit single, and run the bases well. I want my number two hitter to be able to hit behind the base runner, sacrifice, bunt, have decent speed, and be able to keep the game moving. My three hitter is my very best hitter, for average, total bases, probably runs batted in, and maybe home runs. He also needs to run well. My cleanup guy is the next best thing I have to my three hitter. My five guy is a power hitter that if he connects can clean all those other guys off the base, but he's usually not a high average hitter. The six guy in the lineup should be a lot like the number two hitter, the seven hole is my next best power hitter, the eight guy is usually the catcher because he can't run very well, and you know who hits 9th. In the American League you add the DH and how you use that depends on who is the best hitter you have not in the starting lineup.

That's it. You can talk all the analytics you want and think of a million statistics, most of which are meaningless, but what made a good baseball batting order in 1950 is exactly what makes a good batting order today. If you put your overall best hitter or your best power hitter in the two spot, then I will not be impressed with you as a manager, but some people mistakenly believe that's the right way today. Analytics!

But there have been numerous scandals in baseball history.

It's just that there is more media that will keep this alive as long as they need something to talk about. The Astros got fined, lost draft picks, and have suffered a substantial penalty. But the game has not died. The fans have not been cheated. The game does not need to be ashamed. You don't need to take silly polls that ESPN says indicate that 53% of the baseball fans think the Astro players need to be penalized. Wonder how many of those are Astro fans. I don't buy the legitimacy of that poll at all. Besides, the players union would never allow that.

Just a short review. Every heard of the Black Sox Scandal? How about the 1957 All Star game when a local Cincinnati paper made up extra copies of the all star ballot and distributed them to fans and the Reds had seven of the nine players in the NL starting lineup. How about the corked bats. Remember when a hitters bat would break and the ball boy would rush on the field as fast as his legs would carry him and pick up the splinters from the hollowed out lumber. Then there was the owners collusion scandal which I never understood. If I owned a team I would not hesitate to enter into an agreement with the other owners to keep salaries down. It's business. How about the performance enhancing drug scandal? Now the sign scandal. They should call it the technology scandal. Sign stealing will continue. And the Astros got caught. Were they the only team? Don't be naïve.

The point is the game is not tainted. Baseball will live on, and whatever team wins the World Series this year will not give a hoot about the sign stealing scandal. By the way, Phil Niekro and Gaylord Perry are both in the baseball Hall of Fame. They cheated almost every time they threw a pitch. They were two of the most well liked players in the game. The game of baseball is fine.

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Bombs away! Cave 84, Cougars 54

By DAN CALLAHAN
The Patriot

Cave Spring came to Pulaski County last Friday night undefeated and left the same way and everybody in attendance went home with a good understanding why the Knights haven't lost, and might not.

Pulaski Co. suffered an 84-54 shellacking dropping its record to 6-7. Sometimes you're just over-matched. The Knights brought a dozen players to town and 10 of them scored. And shot the lights out. They wouldn't have broken a chandelier. Cave hit 33 of 48 shots, 10 of them from behind the 3-point arc, shooting 69%. The Knights shot 50% the first quarter, not bad, but for the remainder of the game hit 26 of 34, 76.4%!

Cougar mentor Tyler Cannoy would have liked his team to have played better, but he gave credit where it was due. "Cave is the best team I've seen in awhile. If they are going to shoot like that, it's going to be a huge problem for a lot of people. That team is a real threat to win the Class 3 state title. When you play a team of that caliber and they have a great night, all you can do is the best you can. Our kids played hard. We didn't have Luke tonight (Russell, injured ankle) and we needed all hands on deck, but Cave played great. They are undefeated for a reason. I do wish we had executed a bit better, but that team has really good size. We had trouble getting a shot, and they played an excellent floor game, lots of weapons. You just have to give them credit, and we just need to keep working and try to get better," said Cannoy.

Cave led 18-14 after the first quarter, and that was a close as it got. The Knights hit 11 of 15 shots and scored 27 points in the

second quarter for a 45-30 half-time lead. Hayden Gray hit two, 3-pointers and Josh Bourne one late in the half as the Cougars tried to maintain some sort of contact.

But Cave was relentless again in the third quarter, hitting 10 of 13 shots and scored 28. The Cougars couldn't keep pace. It was 73-37 going into the fourth quarter. The margin moved to 40 early in the fourth, but the Knights cleared the bench with over five minutes left in the game. The Cougars outscored the Knights 17-11 the final eight minutes. Chris Hay had his biggest game of the year, scoring seven points for PCHS.

The Cougars were certainly outgunned, but it wasn't a horrible shooting night. The team hit 21 of 51 shots, 43.4%. Cave was even hotter from the free throw line, hitting eight of nine. Pulaski Co. was five of nine. But the floor game did hurt Pulaski Co. The Knights were guilty of just six turnovers and three of those came late in the game from the end of the bench. The Cougars turned the ball over 18 times.

Reed Pendleton led the Knights with 19 points, but did not play in the final 10 minutes. Adnan Jasarevic scored 17 and did not play in the fourth quarter. Parker Huffman also hit double figures for the Knights with 10 points. Jalen Buster got nine, Lucas Duncan and Charlie Urgo seven each, and Jacob Tozier six.

A.J. McCloud led Pulaski Co. with 15 points with 13 coming in the first half, but the second half was slim pickings for the Cougars. Gray finished with nine, Bourne and Hay got seven each, and Peyton Blackburn finished with six.



Brian Bishop/PC Patriot
AJ McCloud goes up for two of his team-high 15 points Friday night against Cave Spring.

Lady Cougars beat Cave on road by 16

Patriot Staff Report

The Pulaski County girls basketball team moved to 9-4 on the season and an undefeated 5-0 in the River Ridge District with a convincing 64-48 victory on the road at Cave Spring last Friday.

The team got off to a good start when Alaina Akers connected on two big 3-point shots in the first quarter. The Cougars would hit seven threes for the game and Akers and Paige Huff would both connect three times from long range. Cave dropped to 8-5 on the season.

It was a consistent and balanced effort by Pulaski County. Akers led the way with a season high 13 points and Huff finished with 10. Ally Fleenor and Keshlyn Secrist both scored nine. The Cougar girls also won the JV game, 48-11.

"It was a good team effort," said coach Brad Sutphin. "We got 22 points off the bench, and we got to rotate a lot of players. It keeps us fresh, and when it's your time step up and when it's somebody else's time, they need to step up. We did tonight. It's nice when a lot of the kids contribute," said Sutphin.

PCHS Sports Schedule

Monday 01/27/20
Girls Basketball: Pulaski Co. @ Floyd Co. JV @ 5:30, Varsity to Follow

Friday 01/31/20
Boys Varsity Basketball: Pulaski Co. v Patrick Henry @ Salem HS (Adam Ward Classic) 7:30 pm
Girls Basketball: Patrick Henry @ Pulaski Co. JV @ 5:30, Varsity to Follow

Saturday 02/01/20
Wrestling: @ Covington 9 am
Indoor Track: @ Blacksburg 10 am

Hokies' 2020 football slate announced

Hokiesports.com

BLACKSBURG – The Virginia Tech Athletics Department and the Atlantic Coast Conference announced the Hokies' 2020 football schedule on Wednesday.

For the third consecutive season, the Hokies will have seven home games at Lane Stadium, including three contests in September and a Thursday night conference game against Boston College on Oct. 22. Big Ten opponent Penn State makes its first appearance in Blacksburg on Sept. 12 in the initial meeting between the Hokies and the Nittany Lions.

"We're excited about playing seven games at Lane Stadium once again," head coach Justin Fuente said. "The squad is back on campus for the new semester and is beginning our winter conditioning program, as we continue our preparations for the 2020 season. We appreciate the support and encouragement of our

fans wherever we play. We'll look forward to seeing our fans out in force once again in 2020."

Fans who had season tickets in 2019 can renew their season tickets by clicking here and logging into their online account. Fans who did not have season tickets last year may place a new order by clicking here. The 2020 season will include an entire reseating of Lane Stadium, as announced during the 2017 reseating process. Seats will be selected in the spring of 2020 based on priority points and provided each individual contributes at the per-seat minimum amount for the area they select. To participate in the seat selection process, all season ticket orders and Hokie Scholarship Fund donations must be completed by the March 31 priority deadline.

The Hokies' September slate begins with an in-state, non-conference tilt vs. Liberty on Sept. 5, followed by a highly anticipated meeting with Penn State on Sept.

12 and concluding with a home contest vs. North Alabama on Sept. 26.

Tech begins ACC play on Saturday, Oct. 3 at home against Georgia Tech before traveling to North Carolina on Saturday, Oct. 10. Following an open date on Saturday, Oct. 17, the Hokies will play host to Boston College on Oct. 22, as Tech resumes its tradition of playing on Thursday nights. The contest will mark the first time the Hokies and Eagles have met on a Thursday night since 2007.

The Hokies will travel to Louisville for the first time since 1992 and will meet for the initial time as ACC foes when Tech meets the Cardinals on Saturday, Oct. 31. A trip to Heinz Field and a contest at Pittsburgh will follow on Friday, Nov. 6 before the Hokies return home to face Miami on Saturday, Nov. 14.

Virginia Tech rounds out ACC play at Duke on Saturday, Nov. 21 followed by the Common-

wealth Clash vs. Virginia at Lane Stadium on Saturday, Nov. 28.

Tech enters the 2020 season seeking to extend the nation's longest active bowl streak, which currently stands at 27 consecutive seasons and ranks as third-longest bowl streak in college football history. Fuente has amassed a 33-20 record in Blacksburg – a record that includes a 2016 ACC Coastal Division crown and four consecutive bowl appearances. Tech is 20-12 against ACC foes under Fuente.

2020 Virginia Tech Football Schedule
Sept. 5 Liberty
Sept. 12 Penn State
Sept. 19 at Middle Tennessee St.
Sept. 26 North Alabama
Oct. 3 Georgia Tech
Oct. 10 at North Carolina
Oct. 17 OPEN
Oct. 22 Boston College (Thurs.)
Oct. 31 at Louisville
Nov. 6 at Pitt (Fri.)
Nov. 14 Miami
Nov. 21 at Duke
Nov. 28 Virginia

Highlanders fall to Winthrop, 61-56

Radford Athletics

RADFORD, Va. – The Radford men's basketball team fell to Winthrop, 61-56, on Monday night in a defensive battle between two Big South titans.

The Highlander defense showed how tough they can be to score against after holding the Eagles to just 61 points. Prior to Monday's game Winthrop averaged 82.7 points per game for the season and scored 94.4 points per game in league play.

The Highlanders shot 20.7 percent from 3-point range – the lowest 3-point percentage they've tallied all season. The Eagles were held to their third-lowest field goal percentage of the year at 38.6 from

the floor. Radford was previously 8-0 when holding teams to less than 40 percent shooting this season.

UP NEXT

After a quick trip home, Radford hit the road for its third road game in a week's time. The Highlanders traveled to UNC Asheville for a Thursday night matchup. See results of the game at www.pcpatriot.com

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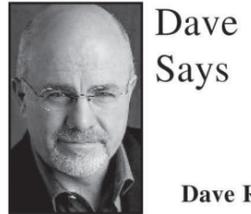
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Andrew

Dear Andrew,
It's probably not going to throw you off too much in terms of getting out of debt if you budget \$20 or so, just to have some cash in your wallet. I wouldn't recommend much more than that, though. The idea of having \$50, \$100, or \$200 in walking around money is pretty self-defeating when you're supposedly saving, budgeting, and working hard to get out of debt.

What really matters is the amount of pocket money you allow yourself to have.

Think of it as a safety valve. Sometimes things come up in the course of day-to-day life that are just necessary, unexpected expenses—but not emergencies. Just designate a small amount of cash for it as part of your regular, monthly budget, and stick to that amount!

—Dave

Dear Dave,
Do you think I should stop making contributions to my 401(k) for a year, so I can save up an emergency fund? I'm 28, and debt-free, but I don't have anything saved for emergencies.

Bryan

Dear Bryan,
If you're debt-free and making decent money at your job, it shouldn't take a whole year to set aside an emergency fund. Just make it a priority in your monthly budget. And yes, my advice to you is temporarily stop making contributions to your 401(k) until you have a fully-funded emergency fund of three to six months of expenses.

I recommend people stop investing, or wait to start investing, until they are debt-free except for

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Dublin Lions Club donates \$4,000 to backpack programs

Last week the Dublin Lions Club once again donated \$4,000 to local backpack programs. Lions Club President Judy Alford said stamping out hunger is a mission of the Lions Club and they have a desire to help children. Alford presented four \$1,000 checks to representatives from four backpack programs - Jordan's Chapel United Methodist Church, Dublin United Methodist Church, Snowville Elementary and Riverlawn Elementary.

Mike Williams/PC Patriot



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Free GED preparation classes offered through New River Community College Office of Transitional Programs begin Monday, January 27, in Montgomery, Floyd, Giles and Pulaski Counties and the city of Radford. The classes run until May 14. The classes help adults increase their skills to pass the GED exam and prepare for college or a career. Students will

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On average, I would bet that most employers have grossly underestimated the POWER of good or bad customer service, forgetting that old rule that says that when you have a bad experience you tell ten people about that experience and then they tell ten more, and so on and so on... However, in today's instant world of messaging, word gets around



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even more quickly. In my opinion, customer service is the single most important element in any successful organization in today's business world. It's what sets you apart from your competitor. When you hire people to work for you, you're entrusting them with your most precious commodity ... your customers. It's up to your employees to represent the values and principles of the organization and provide the best service they can. What can sometimes happen with poor employees and is what you don't expect is for them to take liberties by injecting their own agenda or lack of values into the equation. That type of toxic behavior deteriorates relationships internally and externally and will eventually destroy a business. Smart organizations and businesses understand this and deal with toxic situations before they completely

erode the trust and reputation of an organization. It's more important than ever in today's economic climate that organizations, companies, and government ensure that employees are providing not just good, but great, customer experiences. Otherwise, the employer will have to live with the outcome. At the end of the day, owners and managers set the pace for what is acceptable and unacceptable customer service for their organizations.

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." - Martin Luther King, Jr.

Work hard, be productive, and, above all else, stay positive.

Ramsey

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their home and have a fully-funded emergency fund in place. In some cases, depending on how much debt they have, it can take two or three years to do all this. I know that seems like a long time, but in the grand scheme of things it's really not.

If you don't have an emergency fund, but you're contributing to a 401(k), there's a good chance you'll end up cashing out your 401(k) if a large, unexpected expense comes along. Then, when you cash out a 401(k) early, you get hit with a penalty plus your tax rate. That's not a wise plan!

—Dave
 * Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 16 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

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An estimated 22,000 gun rights advocates crowded the Capitol to protest proposed gun legislation. All streets surrounding the Capitol were close to traffic and filled with law enforcement. No firearms were allowed on the grounds. Photo by Jeffrey Knight.

Gun rights advocates take Second Amendment stand

BY CHIP LAUTERBACH
Capital News Service

RICHMOND, Va. -- Chants of "We will not comply," and "USA, USA," sounded through the blanket of security as thousands of armed Second Amendment supporters converged on Richmond to protest proposed gun control measures.

The rally, organized by the gun rights group Virginia Citizens Defense League, raised se-

curity concerns in the days leading up to it. Gov. Ralph Northam declared a state of emergency and banned firearms from the Capitol grounds from Jan. 17 to Jan. 21.

Over the weekend, Capitol Police erected a fence around the grounds and created one main security checkpoint into the area where speakers would be located. Capitol Police estimated around 22,000 people attended, with 6,000 entering the secured area where weapons were not allowed.

Despite the governor's ban, many gun rights advocates came armed and opted to stay outside of the State Capitol grounds, flooding streets around the Capitol and legislative offices in the Pocahontas Building.

Capitol Police reported that one arrest was made. A Richmond woman was charged for wearing a mask in public -- a felony in Virginia. The armed protesters didn't attempt to breach the security fence put up around Capitol Square. A red smoke grenade was set off, but no other disturbances were reported. After the event, Northam expressed

gratitude that the event wasn't violent.

"Thousands of people came to Richmond to make their voices heard," he said in a statement. "Today showed that when people disagree, they can do so peacefully."

Days before the rally, the FBI arrested seven members of a white nationalist group called The Base. At least three were reportedly planning to attend the rally and create a violent disturbance. Northam stated that such intel prompted him to declare a state of emergency. Some businesses near the Capitol decided to close during the rally, though many remained open.

Philip Van Cleave, VCDL president, tried to dispel fears of violence by releasing social media statement urging attendees to stay peaceful and to focus on supporting the Second Amendment.

"The issue is not race; it's not politics or politicians," said Willis Madden, a member of National African American Gun Association from King and Queen

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Public Service Announcement

Pulaski High School Class of 1970 plans reunion

Please help spread the word over the holidays to friends and relatives that the Pulaski High School Class of '70 is planning on hosting their 50th reunion during the Memorial Day weekend of May 22-23 at Al's on First. For more information please contact Cathy Weddle Coble at 540-230-1519.

NRV Master Gardener Training program seeking applicants for training class

The New River Valley Master Gardener Program is seeking applicants for the 2020 Master Gardener Training class. The class runs from late February through early May. Contact the Montgomery County Extension Office at 540-382-5790 for more information.

January 27

Free Beekeeping classes offered

Free Beekeeping Classes - The Appalachian Beekeeping Collective is offering free beekeeping classes at the Pulaski Community Youth Center! Everyone is welcome to learn about honey bees and to potentially sign up to be a part of our program as a beekeeper. Classes will be held each Monday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. starting January 27, 2020. The first center is located at 6671 Riverlawn Court, Fairlawn, VA. There will be five classes, each focusing on a different topic to educate the future beekeeper. The classes will be taught by Parry Keitzman, PhD of entomology. To sign up please contact Dr. Keitzman at: pkeitzman@appheadwaters.org or call the Youth Center at 540-505-4973.

February 1

Chalk Talk to benefit Back Pack Program Ministry

First Dublin Presbyterian Church will host Chalk Talk with Dwight Haynes, Feb. 1 at noon. Lunch will be provided. This is a service suitable for children and adults. Please bring a can of soup to donate to the Back Pack Ministry. The church is located at 409 Church Street in Dublin. For information call 540-674-8660 or email first-dublin-presbyterian-church-eco.com

American, Legion, H-H-C Post 30 to meet

The American Legion, Harvey-Howe-Carper Post 30 will meet on Thursday, February 6, 7 p.m. at the VFW Post Home on 102 Watts St. in Radford. If

Radford City Schools are closed on Thursday or Friday this week due to weather, the meeting will be cancelled. For further information, please call 250-2283 or 239-9864.

February 14

Celebrate Valentine's Day at St. Jude Church

Celebrate Valentine's Day at St. Jude Church located at 1740 Tyler Ave., Christiansburg. The church will host a dinner and dance on Friday, February 14, 2020 with DJ Zach from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. The menu will be barbeque spare ribs, baked beans, coleslaw, and cornbread and homemade desserts. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 13 and under. Please purchase tickets through the office by calling 540-639-5341.

On-going community based activities and needs:

WOTM (Women of the Moose) host monthly bingo

Monthly WOTM Bingo is held the second Saturday of every month at the Pulaski Moose Lodge, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. There are awesome door prizes, FREE coffee, WOTM donation updates, pull tabs, raffles and much more. Come out and play some quarter Bingo with your Women of the Moose. \$10 Buy-in: You play unlimited amount of cards.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meet Monday at 8 p.m. (closed meeting); Wednesday (noon); and Thursday at 8 p.m. (open meetings) at Pulaski Presbyterian Church of America located at 975 Memorial Drive. Contact number 540-440-0066.

Al-Anon - Pulaski

Pulaski Al-Anon Family Group (a support group for friends and families of alcoholics) meet every Monday night at 8 p.m. at the Pulaski Presbyterian Church of America located at 975 Memorial Drive. Contact number 540-818-0621.

Volunteers needed at the Ratcliffe

Ratcliffe Transportation Museum is in need of volunteers. Please call Ernie or Ron at 540-980-2307 for more information, please leave a message if no one answers.

Group sets aside day each month to pray for County

A group of citizens of Pulaski County has set aside the 15th of each month to fast and pray for the county. The group asks that citizens who are of a like mind please join them in this effort.

Feeding America

Distribution of fresh produce and baked goods at New Life Church of the Nazarene each Saturday from 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (no charge) on a first-come-first-served basis. The church is located 45 S. Jefferson Ave., Pulaski.

Adult Day Care and Fall Prevention Center hosts monthly BINGO

Adult Day Service and Fall Prevention Center hosts BINGO on the 4th Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Rurison building on 4th and Jefferson St in Pulaski. The building is located near Seagles Funeral Home. Everyone welcome!

Pulaski Old Time Jamboree

A Bluegrass Jam session for players of all ages is held every Thursday evening 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Historic Pulaski Train Depot. Join the jam by playing an instrument or singing or just come by and enjoy the music. Call Dee Dean at 540-392-3555 for more information. The center is located across the street from the post office.

Cowboy Church ministry offers food bags to the elderly and shut-in

On the third and fourth week of each month Cowboy Church offers food bags to the elderly and shut-in. On these weeks, interested participants may come by the church at 12 noon for pick up if able. Delivery is available if necessary. Call Mike and Pat Thompson at 540-577-4923. Cowboy Church is located at 520 E. Main St., Pulaski (across from Downtown Exxon).

Pulaski Daily Bread in need of volunteers

Daily Bread is in need of servers on several different days, so if you can spare a few hours a week you may contact Debbi

Harrell (Director) at 980-2131 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Celebrate Recovery Support group at VHM

Valley Harvest Ministries in Dublin is now sponsoring a support group for people who are working through hurts, habits and hang-ups. The group meets each Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed at 7 p.m. with a large group meeting and then everyone will divide into smaller groups at 8 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous

The NA group HOW meets each Sunday 6 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church located at 144 Washington Ave., in Pulaski. The meeting is open to everyone.

N.A. Principles before Personalities

N.A. Principles before Personalities meets Thursday at 7 p.m.; Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church Annex located at 4th and Jefferson St., Pulaski, Va. For more information, go to www.newrivervalleyva.org

If you would like to publicize community activities (FREE of charge) please contact us by email: news@pcpatriot.com or drop by The Patriot newspaper office at 138 N. Jefferson Ave., Pulaski or call 540-808-3949.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

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Pulaski County area well-represented at Second Amendment rally in Richmond

It was a bitterly cold and windy day in Virginia on Monday, but that didn't stop thousands of Second Amendment supporters from making the trip to Richmond to protest against proposed gun control measures being considered in the General Assembly.

Included in the estimated 22,000 attending the rally were several from Pulaski County and the surrounding area who drove or rode buses to the event.

One bus making the trip to the Capitol was organized by Don Holt of New River Sports in Draper.

While it was Holt's first trip to Richmond, you could say he wasn't a total stranger to many in the city. Just the day before, Holt had been quoted on the front page of the Richmond Times-Dispatch newspaper in their preview coverage leading up to Monday's rally.

The group leaving from New River Sports boarded a Sunshine Tours bus and hit the road early - arriving in Richmond shortly after 9 a.m.

Once the bus parked in one of the designated parking areas, a Richmond City Police Officer boarded and politely welcomed everyone to the city and read a short statement setting the ground rules for the rally.

The streets around the Capitol were clogged with thousands of gun rights supporters. So much so, it took an hour to walk just three blocks to the Capitol Grounds area to hear the day's speakers.

As noted, the rally was peaceful with only one arrest and many in attendance actually picked up trash to help leave Richmond clean following the rally.

Where this reporter was standing, the event ended with the crowd joining together to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

-Mike Williams, The Patriot



Mike Williams/PC Patriot

Thousands clogged the streets of Richmond near the Capitol Grounds.



Mike Williams/PC Patriot

Virginia State Police and Capitol Police kept a close watch on the crowd from the ground as well as the air using helicopters and drones.



Forrest and Shyanne Hamilton, along with their children, come in support of Second Amendment rights during Lobby Day at the Capitol. Photo by Jeffrey Knight



Mike Williams/PC Patriot

Most of the day, gun rights activists spent their time chatting with friends or sometimes strangers just happy to be at the event.



Mike Williams/PC Patriot

There was no shortage of signs used by attendees to express their opinion of gun control measures and the governor.



In several locations people representing a range of causes and organizations addressed whoever in the crowd would listen about a variety of issues.

Mike Williams/PC Patriot

Rally

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County. "It's not about who is in the White House or who just got elected, the issue is the Second Amendment."

Many gun rights advocates expressed concern over SB 16, introduced by Sen. Dick Saslaw, D-Fairfax, which would have prohibited the sale and transport of assault firearms and certain types of firearm magazines.

Saslaw pulled the bill last week, but Del. Mark H. Levine, D-Alexandria, introduced a similar bill in the House, HB 961. Levine's bill would prohibit the sale and transport of assault firearms, certain fire-

arm magazines, silencers, and trigger activators, as well as outlines penalties.

Amy Parker of Westmoreland County said gun control legislation doesn't make her feel safe.

"Everything they are trying to ban is going to get rid of most guns that people use for self defense," said Parker. "It's my right to not be a victim."

Other gun bills in the General Assembly include SB 70, which requires a universal background check when people sell firearms; SB 69, which limits handgun purchases to one a month; SB 35, which allows

localities to ban firearms in a public space during a permitted event; and SB 240, which would create a process for attorneys and law enforcement to file emergency orders prohibiting a person from purchasing, possessing or transferring a firearm if they pose "a substantial risk of injury to himself or others." The first three were passed in the Senate last week and SB 240 awaits a vote.

Van Cleave spoke against the measures endorsed primarily by Northam and Democratic lawmakers. Van Cleave was joined on stage by several Republican legislators, among them Del.

Nick Freitas, R-Culpeper, Del. John McGuire, R-Henrico and Sen. Amanda Chase, R-Chesterfield.

"Every other freedom that we have as Americans is based on that Second Amendment," said Chase, repeating a phrase that she used earlier while addressing advocates waiting in line to lobby lawmakers.

Chase, who previously wore a pistol on the Senate floor during the 2019 General Assembly session, said in a Capital News Service interview that she was "so encouraged" by the rally turnout. Chase said she will continue to work with gun

rights advocates to overturn the proposed legislation: "We're gonna make it happen."

Attendees expressed happiness that the massive event was not marred by any major disruptions or violence.

"I've been following the bills and listening to all of the news surrounding today, and I wanted to see for myself that those of us in Richmond could come out here and be peaceful," said Ryan Query, a psychology student at Virginia Commonwealth University. "Most people say they are surprised that it turned out so peaceful, but this is exactly what I expected."

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Venomous viper
- 4 Incense
- 8 Pop
- 12 Ball-bearing item
- 13 Beelzebub's doings
- 14 From square one
- 15 Supreme Court Justice Thurgood —
- 17 Calm before the storm
- 18 Comedian Rivers
- 19 Refuge
- 20 Downright
- 22 Road's shoulder
- 24 Hard to find
- 25 Almond confection
- 29 "— Got a Secret"
- 30 Left-hand page
- 31 Ostrich's cousin
- 32 Union
- 34 Valhalla VIP
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- 36 Loses traction
- 37 Drive away
- 40 "Wozzeck" composer
- 41 Summertime treats
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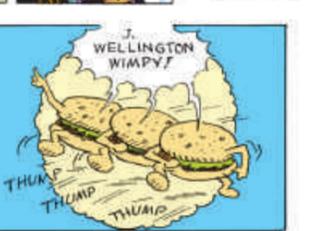
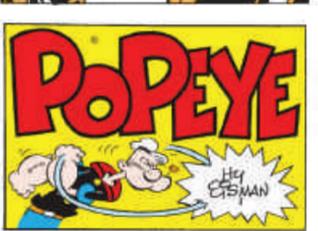
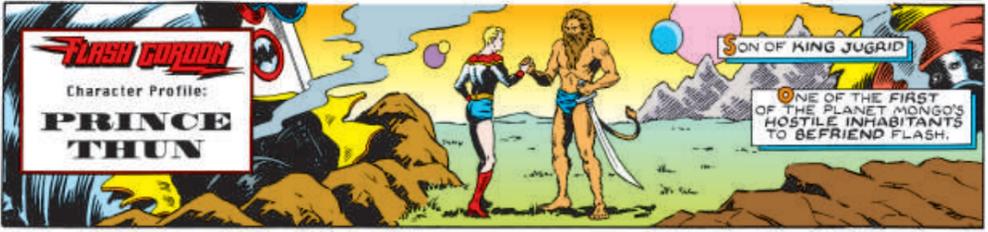
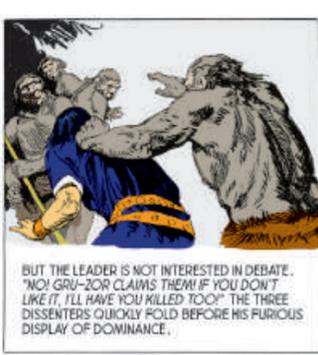
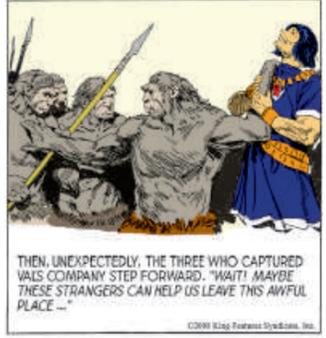
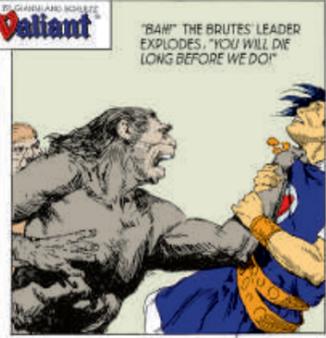
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- 11 Piercing tools
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- 20 — and proper
- 21 Volcanic spillage
- 22 Cleopatra's boat
- 23 Gaelic
- 25 Vegan's no-no
- 26 Distinguished ancestry
- 27 In the thick of
- 28 Sisters
- 30 Test tube
- 33 Variety of macaque
- 34 Gumbo base
- 36 Music transition
- 37 Ceremony
- 38 Canyon phenomenon
- 39 Lowly worker
- 40 Author Stoker
- 42 Encountered
- 43 "— was saying ..."
- 44 Mess up
- 45 Bill

DOWN

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- 2 Vast expense
- 3 Storyteller in court
- 4 Detox center
- 5 Terrible guy?

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Top Ten

Trending Nicknames as First Names*

1. Izzy
2. Ricky
3. Leo
4. Randy
5. Mickey
6. Kit
7. Ted
8. Theo
9. Joe
10. Ronnie

* boy babies Source: babycenter.com

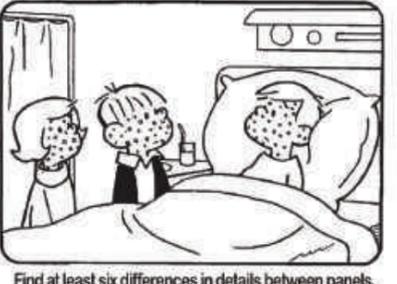
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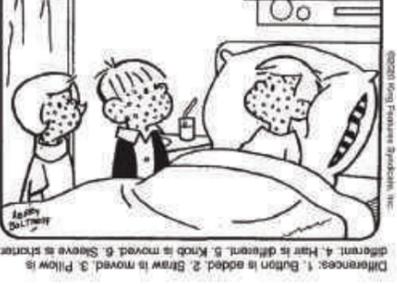
1. U.S. STATES: Which two states share no borders with any other U.S. state?
2. TELEVISION: What is Richie's last name in the 1970-80s series "Happy Days"?
3. FOOD & DRINK: What is why?
4. GAMES: What are "bedposts" in bowling?
5. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of creature is an ocellot?
6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: By how many Senate votes was President Andrew Johnson spared removal from office after he was impeached by the House?
7. LITERATURE: What is the end of the nursery rhyme that starts: "Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall/ Humpty Dumpty had a great fall ..."
8. ASTRONOMY: Which is the largest planet in our solar system?
9. BIBLE: Who was John the Baptist's father?
10. MUSIC: How many Top 10 songs were released on Michael Jackson's "Thriller" album?

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HOCUS-FOCUS



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Button is added. 2. Straw is moved. 3. Pillow is different. 4. Hair is different. 5. Knob is moved. 6. Sleeve is shorter.

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"I've been rubbing this thing for two hours! Where have you been?"



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Mislead: DUELED

Fit: BONGLE

Vision: IMAGER

Warden: RUGAD

TODAY'S WORD

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: K equals P.

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SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word
 solution
 1. Delude; 2. Belong; 3. Mirage; 4. Guard

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Solution time: 27 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

Americanisms

"Computers are like Old Testament gods; lots of rules and no mercy."
 — Joseph Campbell

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If our washing machine stopped functioning, I imagine we'd hire a spin doctor.

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LOCAL Flavor

With David Hoover

It is time to note, that the sun is showing itself more and more. I had mentioned about the pork prices, so last week, my wife Jan, purchased some country pork ribs. The price is down is most super-markets.

Some of you may have kept the recipes from two years ago, but this week, we are re-running them in time for grilling, which isn't that far away.

With pork you need to cook it all the way through. In the past depending on size, sometimes you can fully cook it on the grill. At other times, I cook pork in several ways. The way I cook pork country ribs or pork loin, and other larger pieces of pork on the grill is low and slow. To pick up speed, I use water, apple juice, several types of pop, use root beer types or lemon-lime types. In most cooking of pork, I use apple juice. You can cook larger pieces of pork in apple juice, but cut them first. You can cook You can cook in the kitchen by boiling in a large pot with 1 quart of apple juice before placing on the grill.

If you use pop make sure it is diet pop.

- Place pork pieces in large pot
- Heat to a boil, the cut heat down.
- Country ribs and pork loin takes about 35-40 mins.
- Remove pork, place in 350 degree oven on a sheet pan.
- Let pork cook about 10 ins.
- Brush on BBQ sauce to your taste and serve.

You can cook a pork loin in an hour this way. Let is cook in a 350

Martin recognized at JMU

HARRISONBURG, - James Madison University was pleased to celebrate approximately 1,000 graduates during the December Commencement ceremonies.

Leslie Martin of Dublin received a Bachelor of Science in Communication Studies.

The top three undergraduate majors were nursing, health sciences and hospitality management. Of the students in graduate programs, 149 received master's degrees and 16 received doctoral degrees.



degree oven or cook on grill add sauce, cut and serve.

The larger pork pieces can be cut to handle. Cook faster ad shorter times, in a large smoker, say a Boston Butt will take 12 to 16 hours to cook, slow and low.

If you ever roast a whole hog you need to have a butcher cut and dress the hog. A whole hog should dress down to 120-140 lbs. of meat. It takes 12-25 lbs. of briquettes and 20-24 hours to serve. Instead of boiling the meat, coat the hog every 10 mins. with apple juice using a large brush or two. It will take 4-6 gals. of apple juice.

Most people don't dress out a whole hog, it is better to purchase the pork meat, such as loin and ribs.

Good Eats.

Please mail your recipes to The Patriot P.O. Box 2416, Pulaski, Va. 24301.

Thanks Dave!

Weekly SUDOKU

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Guy Span photo
Fire personnel eye storefront at 73 W Main St. as they clean up fallen brickwork.

Brickwork breaks off building in downtown

On Saturday, January 18th, after bits of the brickwork broke off the front of 73 West Main St., Police and Fire Officials briefly closed the street for a cleanup and safety assessment.

The afternoon was cold and the wind blew down a plastic tarp and some loosened terra cotta tile work near the roof. Pieces landed on the sidewalk and in the street.

After completing the safety assessment, a notice to tenants was posted stating that the building was unsafe to occupy after January 21, 2020.

It should be noted that the safety declaration is a serious assessment of deficiencies.

There will be some hardship involved, as there appear to have been more than two active electrical meters for apartments on the final day of legal occupancy.

-Guy Span

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