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Sunday: Local Day of Prayer, 'Julius Long Day'

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

This Sunday (March 29) will have special meaning locally for at least a couple of reasons. It has been declared as both a Local Day of Prayer in Pulaski County, and as "Julius Long Day."

A resolution declaring the Day of Prayer was approved Monday night by the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors. Back on March 9, during a work session on next year's county budget, the supervisors approved a resolution proclaiming the day as "Julius Long Day."

The Day of Prayer declaration comes on the heels of the board's ratifying an earlier Declaration of Local Emergency by County Administrator Jonathan Sweet due to the outbreak of COVID-19.

The resolution approved Monday – which appears in its entirety today on page A6 – states that more than 150 years ago "one of our greatest leaders, President Abraham Lincoln, felt led by God to call this great nation and all who resided herein to seek the Lord in a day of prayer, fasting and humiliation."

"Subsequent presidents of the United States and governors from around this country have honored that call and have made similar calls to prayer in times of great need and circumstance," the resolution continues.

"We as a county have found ourselves in unprecedented times and now face unknown challenges and various threats to our health, economy and way of

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Smith named new principal for Pulaski County Middle School

Patriot Staff Report

The Pulaski County School Board on Tuesday named a new principal for Pulaski County Middle School.



Rebecah Smith

System.

Mike Price will move up to interim principal at Pulaski Elementary on April 1.

Rebecah Smith, currently principal at Pulaski Elementary School, will on April 1 assume the duties of principal at Pulaski Middle School and Pulaski County Middle.

Smith takes over the positions being vacated by Adam Joyce who announced recently he has accepted a new position in the Galax City School

School budget approved, seeks no additional county funding

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

The Pulaski County School Board, meeting Tuesday at the high school, approved a school budget for the 2020-21 school year that seeks no additional local funding from Pulaski County.

"This is the best budget I've ever had the pleasure working on," commented Chris Stafford, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Business Operations.

The \$49.2 million budget funds the School Board's top four priorities including raises for teachers and staff, reduced health insurance premiums and increases the school bus replacement cycle from two to five buses per year.

While the spending plan does not seek an increase in the county's \$15.5 million appropriation

for education, it does include just over \$2 million in increased state funding due primarily to an increased average daily membership (ADM) next school year.

The original state ADM projection was 3,792 students, but the revised ADM figure on which the amount of state basic aid is figured is 3,860, which results in more state funding.

State funding is projected at \$28.5 million for next school year.

The four priorities covered by the additional \$2 million in state funds – along with about \$247,000 in budget savings due to personnel changes and retirements – include:

- \$1.3 million for new teacher salary scale with salary adjustments and step increase
- \$216,013 for two percent salary increase for all

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Sunday

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life, due to potential permeation and spread of COVID-19 within our community, throughout the Commonwealth, the country and the world,” the declaration states.

The declaration goes on to call on Pulaski County citizens to “collectively, in one accord, seek God’s mercies, favor and grace upon our community in this time of monumental crisis.”

The declaration closes by saying the Board of Supervisors encourages all Pulaski Countians to “voluntarily honor this county Day of Prayer and fervently pray for our health, our economy, our county, this nation, our leaders and all those affected by COVID-19 and our swift recovery.”

The declaration of “Julius Long Day” appropriately falls on the National Vietnam Veteran’s Day, which is set aside each year in honor and memory of the country’s Vietnam veterans.

Long, a Pulaski County na-

tive, was taken captive in 1968 after his Special Forces Camp was overrun by the North Vietnamese. His capture came after he had eluded his captors for three days. He was only 19 at the time.

Long spent five years as a Prisoner of War. His time in a POW camp in Hanoi was deemed as “a time when hell was in session.”

During his time as a prisoner, he was forced to endure a walk of 600 miles to his Hanoi prison camp.

He was eventually released in 1973.

The resolution – which appears today on page A6 – calls on the county’s citizens to “observe this day in honor and memory of all of our Vietnam Veterans from Pulaski County that valiantly served our country in this war.”

The idea of declaring the day in honor of Long was presented to the county by Dallas Cox, himself a Vietnam veteran.

Budget

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support staff

- \$205,884 for reduced employee (family) health insurance premiums

- \$292,261 to increase school bus replacement cycle from 2 to 5 buses per year

Also included is \$206,465 for increased employer VRS contribution rates.

Stafford noted the teacher salary scale and adjustments will match Radford City School’s scale for teachers with a bachelor’s degree, and will actually top Radford in years 6 – 10 on the scale.

Matching Radford’s teacher pay has been a desire of the school board for a while, as area school divisions increase compe-

tition to hire teachers.

Stafford said the ability to reduce health insurance premiums – especially for family coverage – will be a “real difference maker” in competing for teachers and will put Pulaski County near the top in the area when comparing family coverage rates.

He added the move will also put school employees’ family coverage rates closer to those of county employees.

Stafford and School Superintendent Dr. Kevin Siers both believe the school board’s 5th and 6th top priorities – the addition of a career counselor at the high school’s Career and Technical Education center and an additional school counselor at Pulas-

ki Elementary – are still within reach next school year.

“We believe these can still be done through more restructuring and further attrition through the end of the school year,” Stafford said.

Siers told the board adjustments to the budget may yet be needed due to the current state of affairs with the coronavirus.

“In all the teleconferences (with state officials) we’re having they’re telling us over and over again to keep an eye out on sales tax revenue what with all the business closings and employees out of work,” Siers said.

He added that if the county grants level funding the adjustments won’t have to be very big.

PUBLIC NOTICE Town of Pulaski Town Council Meeting

The Town Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a formal Council work session, in lieu of a budget work session, on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Town Municipal Building at 42 First Street, N.W.

Due to the current emergency the Council Chambers will be set up to allow for social distancing and current restrictions on gatherings of ten persons which will greatly restrict the available seating.

Given the restrictions on seating and to lessen the danger of exposure, citizens are encouraged to view the meeting on the Town’s Facebook page where the work session will be live streamed. A recording of the meeting will be posted to the Town’s website at a later date.

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Schools may be closed, but the work continues

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

During the coronavirus shutdown of schools – a shutdown that the Governor says will last the rest of the school year – Pulaski County Schools are still working.

At Tuesday’s school board meeting at Pulaski County High School, which was livestreamed over YouTube for the public’s benefit, the board learned that school officials are concentrating on four initiatives during the shutdown.

Superintendent Dr. Kevin Siers said those four initiatives include food services, continuing educational opportunities, preparing to become childcare centers and eventually returning to normalcy

Siers said that as of 3 p.m. Tuesday, the school system had

served over 10,000 meals to school students and their families.

However, he announced that because a case of the COVID-19 virus had been confirmed in the area adjustments to the school system’s efforts to provide meals were being made.

Siers said door-to-door deliveries of meals were being eliminated because such deliveries expose too many people to potentially contracting the virus.

Siers continued that school food service workers would now be working in staggered shifts, with eight to 10 people working at a time – again to lessen the opportunity to being exposed to the virus.

Food pickup times and sites have been restructured to reduce the number of buses needed for distribution (see schedule, page A3), and volunteer help on the buses is now being declined.

“We appreciate so many people who jumped in to help with that, but in order to reduce the number of people who are exposed or possibly exposed we’re declining any further volunteer assistance,” Siers said.

Also, food distribution has been changed from a three-day schedule to a two-day with four meals (two breakfasts and two lunches) being provided on Mondays and six on Wednesdays (three breakfasts and three lunches).

Regarding continuation of learning opportunities, Siers said there is an expectation that teachers will try and provide a small amount of new instruction for the remainder of the school year so students don’t come back next year with a five-month gap in educational opportunities.

He said teachers will continue to send out lessons either via the internet or the mail.

Siers said more slots will be made available for summer en-

richment programs, and the extended school year program for those students with IEPs who need additional support will be extended.

Siers told the board he is in talks with the YMCA on a partnership to provide childcare for children of those deemed as essential employees.

Siers said the state gives a broad definition of who are “essential,” and it includes health care providers, essential government employees, criminal justice personnel, firefighters, military members, those who operate shelters, employees who insure continuity of basic services such as gas, internet, water, plumbing, garbage collection, essential transportation, essential food service workers, pharmaceutical workers and more.

“We would provide the facilities for their children, ages 3 to 18,” Siers said.

He added that in preliminary talks, two sites for such childcare facilities have been discussed – Pulaski Elementary and Riverlawn Elementary.

He said children would be cared for groups of 10, and if there are enough children more sites may be established.

And while Siers said such events as prom and graduation aren’t priority in the shutdown, they are still important.

He said thoughts are that if the coronavirus crisis has abated in time, school officials are looking at possibly holding prom on June 6 and graduation on June 12.

Discussion resulted in other ideas, such as a “virtual graduation,” an Eighth Grade Dance and even an open house event where students can return journals and instructional packets to teachers – giving teachers and students an opportunity to say “goodbye” for the year – something they were cheated out of by the virus.

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Road plan, rezonings for businesses approved

By **MIKE WILLIAMS**
The Patriot

The Pulaski County Board of Supervisors on Monday night approved the county's new Six Year Road Improvement Plan, approved re-zoning for two local businesses and agreed to temporarily pay the convenience fees of taxpayers who use credit / debit cards to pay their tax bills over the phone or online.

Monday's meeting was held in the County Administration Building following "social distancing" rules with chairs for the audience spaced far apart.

Following a public hearing on the Six Year Road Plan in which

no citizens spoke, the board voted to establish seven road projects on the plan.

Topping the list is Boyd Road in the Delton section of Draper. Work to hard surface the unpaved portion of Boyd will begin this spring, according to VDOT Resident Engineer David Clarke.

The project is estimated to cost \$142,656 of the \$327,447 available to the county this year for road construction.

No. 2 on the list is an access management project on Route 114 about a half-mile west of New River Bridge where a turn lane will be constructed. That project is estimated to cost a total of \$150,000 with \$84,791 coming



Pulaski County photo

This property at the intersection of Hickman Cemetery Road and Route 11 in Fairlawn will soon be the new home of Pycone Creamery.

from this year's budget.

The rest of this year's budget allocation – \$100,000 – will be used to pay the balance of the already completed Church Hill Lane project.

No. 3 on the list is a curve widening project in Hiwassee on Route 693 at Hoover Color.

Nos. 4 -7 on the lists are all projects to hard surface the unpaved portions of Burleigh Horton Road, Davis Hollow Road, Sayers Road and High Road.

Projects on the Six Year Road Plan are begun as funding be-

comes available. The Board of Supervisors updates the plan on an annual basis with input from VDOT and citizens.

Also Monday night the supervisors approved re-zoning for two businesses – PACC Rescue and Pycone Creamery. No citizens spoke in favor or in opposition to the requests.

PACC Rescue – or Pulaski Animal Care and Control – was formed three years ago by a small group of people who saw a need to help homeless animals in the community.

They will establish a new facility at 3430 Lee Highway in Draper on the south side of Draper Mountain in the former location of John's Small Engine Repair.

Kenneth Dolinger began Pycone Creamery in 2017 and the creamery's ice cream is currently made in Blacksburg. The new location will be at 7195 Lee Highway off Route 11 in Fairlawn at the Hickman Cemetery Road intersection.

Ice cream will be made in

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To request an absentee ballot by mail, registered voters may apply online at www.elections.virginia.gov/absentee or they may request an application by calling the Registrar's office.

Please call the Registrar's Office if you need more information, have questions or concerns about voting by mail.

Mail Absentee Voting

Tuesday, April 28, 2020: Last day to request an absentee ballot by mail. Applications must be received in the Pulaski County Voter Registration Office by 5 p.m.

Tuesday, May 5, 2020: Election Day ALL Absentee voted ballots must be returned to the Pulaski County Voter Registration Office by 7 p.m. to be counted.

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GLORY FAYE HARDIN

Glory Faye Hardin, age 48 of Pulaski passed away Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at her home. Born June 7, 1971 in Radford she was the daughter of the late Carlos Moore and Betty Hinkley Moore.

Her stepson, Ernest Allen Hardin also preceded her in death.

She is survived by her Husband
Fred Allen Hardin – Pulaski
Children

Amanda Williams Ashley Hardin

Nickolas Hardin Emily Hardin

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Madison Chandler, Lena Hardin, Kinleigh Hardin and Kaithon Hardin

Sister

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Memorial services will be held at a later date. Check our website for updates on her service.

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

JANET LOUISE STANLEY RATCLIFF

Janet Louise Stanley Ratcliff, 63 of Pearisburg, VA departed this life, surrounded by family and in the care of Lewis Gale Medical Center-Salem on Sunday Evening, March 15, 2020. Born December 12, 1956, in Giles County VA, she was the daughter of the late Oscar and Myrtle Whittaker Stanley. She professed her Christian faith in attending Faith Temple Pentecostal Holiness Church in Pearisburg.

Janet is preceded in death by her parents; and a sister, Joyce Dalton.

Left to cherish her memory is a son, Dale Ratcliff of Pulaski, VA; a daughter, Heather Williams of Pulaski, VA; grandchildren, Cheyanne Ratcliff, Clara Williams, and Dawn Williams; 6 great-grandchildren; a brother, Lee Dalton of Pulaski; and a sister, Edith Lineberry of Dublin.

In light of events and at a family request, there was a graveside service for Janet on Friday, March 20, 2020 in the Lawson Cemetery with Pastor Diane Hutton officiating. The Kendall Funeral Home in Pembroke is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be sent by visiting, kendallfuneralhome.com.



JERRY WAYNE DUNCAN

Jerry Wayne Duncan, age 71 of Shiloh passed away Monday, March 23, 2020 at the Lewis-Gale Hospital, Pulaski. Born November 6, 1948 in Draper he was the son of the late George Anderson Duncan and Margaret Snavley Duncan. His brothers, Jimmy Anderson Duncan, George Duncan, JR., Richard Duncan, Henry Duncan, Artie Lee Duncan and sisters, Geneva Summers and Mary Ruth Dunigan also preceded him in death. Jerry was a supervisor at Magnox with over 34 years of service.

He is survived by his Wife of 52 years

Patricia Diane Gallimore Duncan – Shiloh

Daughters

Lisa Gail (Timothy Edward) Chrisley – Dublin

Julie Ann (John) Foster – Pulaski

Priscilla Diane (John William) Stephens – Shiloh

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STEVE D. WATSON

Steve D. Watson died peacefully at Highland Ridge Nursing and Rehab on March 19, 2020 in Dublin, VA at the age of 69. Steve is survived by his children Malloory Watson, Gregory Watson and Gregory's wife Jenny Watson; and his brother Tom Watson and Tom's wife Susan. He is preceded in death by his mother Betty, his father Virgil and his brother Jerry. Steve was born on August 9, 1950 in Mansfield, OH to Virgil and Betty. He graduated from Concord University in 1976 with a degree in psychology and then received his Masters Degree in psychology from Radford University in 1980. After moving to Radford, Steve began working for New River Valley Community Services as a clinical psychologist. His children remember him as a passionate father who encouraged them to pursue their goals. Steve was accomplished at fishing and playing guitar and played publicly with The Fisherman Four during his years in high school in Springfield, OH. He also would proudly tell of his many fishing expeditions and near catches of fish “this big”. The family would like to thank Highland Ridge Nursing and Rehab and Carilion New River Valley Medical Center for their efforts, care and loving kindness. In lieu of flowers, please remember Steve fondly in your thoughts. Funeral services will be private. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski.

DEATH NOTICES

BEATRICE “DEEDEE” KATHLEEN BUCKNER DISHON

Beatrice “DeeDee” Kathleen Buckner Dishon, 93, of Dublin, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, March 23, 2020.

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

ANN MARIE LILLY KING
Ann Marie Lilly King, 62, of Parrott, passed away Tuesday, March 24, 2020.

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



MARYLOU HAYWOOD COPENHAVER

MaryLou Haywood Copenhaver of Pulaski, VA died March 19, 2020. She was born in Marion, VA on August 11, 1937 and was the daughter of the late Lantz Pugh Haywood and Mary Louise Cecil Haywood.

Surviving are:

Husband: Donald (Don) Edward Copenhaver

Children: Mark Anthony Copenhaver

Lisa Michele Copenhaver Yarhouse

Son-In-Law: Douglas Yarhouse

Grandchildren: Amanda Copenhaver Moale (Ryan Moale)

Jenna Copenhaver

Nathaniel, Ella and Ben Yarhouse

Brother: Lantz Cecil Haywood

MaryLou grew up in Marion, VA where she graduated from Marion High School. She also attended James Madison College.

She and her husband, Don, eventually settled in Pulaski, VA. for the last 45 years. MaryLou served on the Pulaski Town Council for eight years and gave high priority to her family and church life.

MaryLou and family joined the First United Methodist Church in Pulaski, VA in 1975.

A Celebration of Life for MaryLou will be held at a later date and time.

Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.



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On March 19, Ira Shelton “Pete” Crawford’s kind and generous soul transitioned from this earthly world to begin a new life with his God and with his loved ones who passed on before him. Just three days before his 83rd birthday and five days before his 59th wedding anniversary, Pete’s body finally surrendered, and he peacefully died with his loving wife, Betty Lou, holding his hand.

Pete was born in Roanoke, VA on March 22, 1937 to A.L. Crawford Sr and Courean Crawford. He built an incredible life in Pulaski County, VA through dedicated hard work, devotion to his family and friends, and faithful service to his community.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his fellow western movie-loving brother, A.L. Crawford Jr, his beloved sister Candace Brogdan, his nephew Scott Crawford, his brother-in-law and faithful friend Phil Rife, and his nephew Neil Rife.

He is survived by his faithful wife of 59 years, Betty Lou Crawford; daughter Paige Crawford and granddaughter Emily from Chicago, IL; son Shannon Crawford (Corinna) and granddaughter Megan and grandson Sam of Highpoint, NC; brother Gary Crawford (Betty) and nephews Chance Crawford (Danielle) and Chris Crawford (Paula Quesenberry) from Salem and Pulaski County, VA; brother Tom Crawford (Chris) and nephew Craig Crawford (Nicole) and niece Michelle Robach (Eric) of Georgia; adopted brother Jim Brogdan of Roanoke, VA; niece Tammy

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The supervisors will hold a public hearing at their April meeting to consider an ordinance or an amendment to an ordinance to reset the rate for penalties to \$0 and interest to 0% for three-months on real estate taxes due on June 5, 2020, in response to COVID-19.

Also on Monday night, the supervisors agreed – again in response to COVID-19 – to pay the convenience fees for taxpayers paying tax bills with credit / debit cards over the phone or online through June 30 as an incentive for them not coming to the treasurer's office to pay.

Pulaski County Treasurer Melinda Worrell said any time a tax-

payer comes into the office to pay a bill using a credit / debit card no fee is charged, but it is charged on phone or online payments.

Worrell estimated the cost to the county at around \$3,500.

Also Monday, Bill Thompson was introduced as the county's new ACCE program coordinator.

In closing Monday's meeting, Chairman Joe Guthrie remembered Ira "Pete" Crawford, a former member of the Board of Supervisors, who passed away last week.

Also, Guthrie asked that, in this time of crisis, for everyone to remain calm, remember kindness toward others and checking on neighbors, practice patience during these stressful conditions, keep perspective – focusing on doing the important things now – and to consider a time of reflection as called for in the Day of Prayer declaration.

Absentee voting encouraged

The Virginia Department of Elections and the Pulaski County Registrar's Office encourages voters to protect their health during COVID-19 outbreak. Voting absentee in the coming local May elections is strongly encouraged.

Voters may choose reason "2A My disability or illness" for Absentee voting in the May 2020 elections due to COVID-19. Voters who choose the absentee option should do so as soon as possible so they can get their ballots in time to return them by mail so they are received by Election Day.

To request an absentee ballot by mail, registered voters may apply online at www.elections.virginia.gov/absentee or they may request an application by calling the Registrar's office.

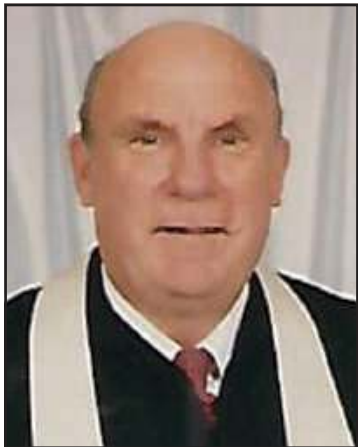
Absentee voting began Friday, March 20th. The deadline to request a ballot be mailed is April 28th.

Please call the Registrar's Office at 540-980-2111 if you need more information or have questions. The Registrar's Office is located at 87 Commerce Street, Pulaski.

OBITUARIES

REV. EARNEST HOWARD CHINAULT

Rev. Earnest Howard Chinault, 86, of Draper, passed away Tuesday, March 24, 2020. He was born in Draper, on January 29, 1934 to the late Howard Chinault and Margaret Dolly Rupe Chinault. Earnest graduated from the Divinity School at Duke University in 1970. He also received an Associate Degree from New River Community College in Pre-teacher curriculum in 1975. Earnest retired from the United Methodist Church after 31 years of faithful service, and remained a dedicated member of Draper United Methodist Church. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife of 39 years, Joyce Covey Chinault. He is survived by his three sons: Stephen Howard (Terry) Chinault of Wytheville, Gary Lee (Angela) Chinault of Castle Rock, CO and Brian Earnest (Lisa) Chinault of Draper; three brothers; Johnny Chinault of Pulaski, Clyde Chinault of Dublin, and Billy Chinault of King, NC; one sister; Nancy Chinault Palmer of Draper; three grand-



children; Isaak Chinault, Chloe Chinault, and Sophia Chinault, all of Castle Rock, CO. The family will have a private graveside service in Thornsprng Cemetery.

A public memorial service will be held at a later announced time. In lieu of flowers, memorials are requested to the Draper United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 93 Draper, Virginia 24324. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com

Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski.

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Rucker (Susan) of Chicago, IL; sister-in-law Sandy Rife (Phil, deceased) and deceased nephew Neil of Vinton, VA; Sister-in-law Kathy Cox (Toby) of Vinton, VA; nephew Alex Kirkland of Springfield, VA; and many special friends and neighbors who loved him beyond measure.

Pete was a man of few words, but when he spoke, people listened. He saved most of his passionate yelling words for Virginia Tech football games. He very rarely had bad words to say about anyone. He never forced words of advice, but he generously offered his words of wisdom to anyone who asked for his assistance or help. He showered his family and friends with words of pride, love, and gratitude...especially in his later years.

Pete was a planner and a protector. He took care of the people he loved, and if we were to try and list out the number of people who received help from him when in need, the list would be endless. He served on town counsel, bank and hospital boards, and many other committees devoted to helping his community thrive.

In addition to being a devoted family man, invaluable community leader, and faithful friend, here are a few of his favorite things: anything regarding

his alma mater Virginia Tech; tending his rose garden, being surrounded by his children and grandchildren (including the furry-four footed ones), traveling which included a year-long boat trip (The Great Loop), explorations around the world, and a month-long adventure with his brothers out west; being on Claytor Lake; golfing and fishing with his friends; reading on the back porch and watching the golfers; going to gun and coin shows, filling the fridge with everyone's favorite drinks, walking the family dog; eating peanuts; watching westerns, good movies, and just about any sport on TV; buying cars; having a special stash of cookies in his own car; and making sure that he was always responsibly "on time" for everything (which meant a minimum of 30 minutes early).

Due to the current health crisis in our world, a celebration of Pete's life will take place once it is safe for everyone to gather together.

In lieu of flowers, the Crawford family would ask that you make a donation to their charity of choice: St. Jude Research hospital in Memphis, TN.

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



Pulaski County photo

The new location in Draper of the Pulaski Animal Care Control (PACC) at 3430 Lee Highway.

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF DUBLIN

The election for Dublin town mayor and three members of the Dublin town council will still be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020. Although voting in person at the usual polling place - Dublin Lions Club, from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., is still expected to be available, given the health concerns and directives regarding COVID-19 (coronavirus), voting by absentee ballot is now available to all registered voters.

If you wish to vote in the election by absentee ballot, then you may request an absentee ballot from the Pulaski County Registrar's Office by mail to 87 Commerce Street, Pulaski, VA 24301; by telephone at 540 980 2111; by facsimile at 540 994 5883; or by e-mail to kwebb@pulaskicounty.org; or you may apply online at www.elections.virginia.gov/absentee. The deadline for requesting an absentee ballot by mail is April 28, 2020, in person is May 2, 2020. You may choose reason 2A, "My disability or illness" on the absentee ballot request form. Or, you may vote in person in advance of May 5 by contacting the Pulaski County Registrar's Office in advance to arrange for voting at that office. The deadline for new or updated voter registration is April 13, 2020.

All residents of the Town of Dublin who are registered voters are encourage to participate in the election.



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My Soldier Brother

To the editor,

The following poem was written by Byron Cadell McPeak to honor his brother, Jerry Lee McPeak when he was buried on the 11th of November 1982. I think it is appropriate for the Vietnam soldier on the 29th of March (National Vietnam War Veterans Day).

My Soldier Brother

We walked together, this old soldier and me
 into the forest to fall a cedar tree.
 And talked as brothers do of things long over
 and what it is like to be free.

We looked upon the crystal lake below the cliffs
 of white and wondered what we had done for fellow
 man that stands for good and right.

He spoke of battlefields on far away hills,
 of fire and pain and chill
 of how it hurts to spare a life
 and to learn to kill.

There was a silence for a while beneath the cedar tree.
 Then the old soldier said to look and see.
 His outward battle wounds were closed and healed
 which broke and bled to keep us free.

But what of inwardly?

Nature and time can heal the bark of most any tree.
 But only God can see the broken heart,
 the bleeding mind,
 the soldiers' true casualty.

And then, with reasons unknown to him,
 God sets in motion the miracle that is to be.
 He heals forever with His love
 and sets the bonded spirit free.

The caissons have stopped.
 The guns are downed.
 The battlefields for him
 grow still.

The golden leaves of many years sweep down
 the sloping hill.
 They come to rest this autumn hour
 without a violent sound
 upon my brother soldiers mound.

Like when the gentle rain
 speaks of sorrow, loss and pain
 and the wind answers today
 to whisper say...

Old soldiers never die
 nor do they fade away
 As long as the star-spangled banners fly
 for yet another day
 Over this land that God has blessed
 in such a marvelous way.

Now is a good time for Americans to reflect on the blessings God has given us.

Dallas Cox,
 Dublin

Crying out in the wilderness of quarantine

To the editor,

I come to you today as a voice crying out in the wilderness of quarantine. It seems that there are few voices speaking out about the power grabs that are occurring at an almost daily basis and in the interest of my progeny, I want to document publicly my dissent.

The most recent encroachment on our liberty from the Governor of Virginia is a mandate that there will be no gatherings of 10 or more people anywhere, including churches. As a Christian, but also as a liberty-loving American, I find this order to be abhorrent. When did the voters confer this kind of power on one person? If he can do this, what else can he do?

We all know where he THINKS he gets this power, right? The media has so successfully convinced everyone in the country to be in a full-blown panic over the Chinese coronavirus that our powers of reasoning and common sense have been over-ridden. Before you start saying that social distancing is the best way to fight this and how dare you say anything to the contrary, just calm down and listen to me.

I, just like most of you, have voluntarily practiced social distancing for the past two weeks and don't intend to change my habits anytime soon. My problem is that the governor has now ORDERED me, you and everyone else to do what he says. He has taken it upon himself to order private businesses all over the state to close their doors even if there are no cases of the viruses in their area. These small businesses are not giant corporations with millions of dollars lying around to sustain a shutdown that makes them unable to earn the money to pay rents, electricity bills, water bills, etc. during a shutdown and will most likely be out of business when the order lifts. This is not a small thing. In order to reopen they would have to ac-



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A lesson from the virus

If anything good can come from the coronavirus pandemic, it is the revelation of America's overreliance on China, especially when it comes to drugs.

Interviewed by NBC News, retired Brigadier General John Adams said, "Basically, we've outsourced our entire industry to China. That is a strategic vulnerability."

Adams spent his 30-year military career as an intelli-

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Community Action revises procedures

The New River Community Action (NRCA) Emergency Assistance Program has revised operating procedures in response to the coronavirus pandemic. To help protect employees, volunteers and clients, NRCA Emergency Assistance staff will respond to requests for services and conduct intake interviews over the phone.

Temporary regulations prevent the disconnection of utilities, so utility assistance is suspended until further notice. Staff or volunteers will distribute food, diapers and formula outside on office porches or in

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historic bailout of the banks and the Federal Reserve undertook an unprecedented program to pump liquidity into the economy.

The outlines of a similar response to the coronavirus are already evident. The move from relative normality to large parts of the country being shut down was remarkably swift -- it happened in the space of about a week. Testing has been slow to come online, but is ramping up now. If hospitals are overwhelmed, we will see the rapid retrofitting of additional space. The Federal Reserve and the federal government are embarking on major stimulus and relief programs.

Such is our robust, multi-layered society and system of government that much of this doesn't depend on the president, let alone a dictator.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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cumulate enough capital to start all over again. Many of them will not see the point in it because at any time the government can once again come in and shut them down again. They will have lost everything that they have worked for, most of them for the bulk of their lives.

This should not be happening in the United States of America and certainly not in the birthplace of so many of our Founding Fathers. We have experienced the freest country on the face of the earth for over 200 years and we are letting it slip away because of a pandemic from China of all places. My father, and many of your fathers and grandfathers, served in WWII to prevent this kind of tyranny to be able to come here. I don't know about you, but I will not sit down and be quiet when I see this happen to the country that my grandchildren will grow up in and who will one day raise children of their own in. I will do everything possible to wake people up to the danger that we are in from a government that seeks to dictate every aspect of our lives.

Just because we have always been free doesn't mean that we always will be. Freedom is worth defending at any cost. Panic is our enemy. Common Sense and clear eyes are our friends.

*Sic Semper Tyrannis
 Live Free or Die*

"Those who would give up essential Liberty, to purchase a little temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety."

— Benjamin Franklin

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Sacrifice: Is the country ready to step up?

By **MICHAEL TACKETT**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — For most Americans alive today, the idea of shared national sacrifice is a collective abstraction, a memory handed down from a grandparent or passed on through a book or movie.

Not since World War II, when people carried ration books with stamps that allowed them to purchase meat, sugar, butter, cooking oil and gasoline, when buying cars, firewood and nylon was restricted, when factories converted from making automobiles to making tanks, Jeeps and torpedos, when men were drafted and women volunteered in the war effort, has the entire nation been asked to sacrifice for a greater good.

The civil rights era, Vietnam, the Gulf wars, 9/11 and the financial crisis all involved suffering, even death, but no call for universal sacrifice. President George W. Bush encouraged people to buy things after the terrorist attacks to help the economy — "patriots at the mall," some called it — before the full war effort was under-

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gence officer, a military attache in South Korea and deputy U.S. military representative to NATO. He told the network he thinks China knows "exactly what they're doing and they're incredibly good strategists. ... They select their industries for the future, and they've got a plan."

China has threatened to restrict drug exports to the U.S. following President Trump's accusation that the regime withheld news of the virus, which surfaced in Wuhan last December.

The New York Times reports, "Chinese pharmaceutical companies have supplied more than 90 percent of U.S. antibiotics, vitamin C, ibuprofen and hydrocortisone, as well as 70 percent of acetaminophen and 40 to 45 percent of heparin in recent years, according to Yanzhong Huang, a senior fellow for global health at the Council on Foreign Relations."

That's called leverage and Beijing could use it anytime they choose. It has recently threatened to do so.

I once tried "buying American," focusing on items made only in this country. I gave up after a few days. It was nearly impossible to find anything not stamped "made in China."

For too long U.S. businesses have outsourced to China, exploiting their cheap labor to maximize profits. While supply chains are more diversified than ever, it would be a patriotic exercise and in our best interests if we could slowly transition many goods and services back to America.

Nightly Business Report reported last summer what should become a trend: "The pace of companies moving production out of China is accelerating as more than 50 multinationals from Apple to Nintendo to Dell are rushing to escape the punitive tariffs placed by the U.S., according to the Nikkei Asian review."

If President Trump could promise to bring back jobs from overseas, as he did and has, why couldn't he do the same with drugs and other essentials made in China? It could not happen all at once, any more than the outsourcing occurred overnight, but we could begin the process and this virus that has infected and affected the world gives our leaders an opportunity to start.

Many of the profits earned by China from U.S. businesses have gone to support its vast military and expand its reach in other parts of the world.

In a story about China's growing presence in Latin America, Business Insider noted: "In early December, El Salvador's president announced that China had agreed to 'gigantic, nonrefundable cooperation' with his country, investing an undisclosed amount in projects, including a stadium, water-treatment plant, and tourist development."

"Less than two weeks later, Argentina's new government said it was ready to join the Belt and

way. People lost jobs and homes in the financial crisis, but there was no summons for community response.

Now, with the coronavirus, it's as though a natural disaster has taken place in multiple places at once. Millions will likely lose their jobs. Businesses will shutter. Schools have closed. Thousands will die. Leaders are ordering citizens into isolation to stop the virus' march.

Suddenly, in the course of a few weeks, John F. Kennedy's "ask what you can do for your country" injunction has come to life. Will Americans step up?

"This is a new moment," said Jon Meacham, a historian and author of "The Soul of America."

"Prolonged sacrifice isn't something we've been asked to do, really, since World War II," Meacham said. "There was a kind of perpetual vigilance in the Cold War — what President Kennedy called 'the long twilight struggle' — but living with the fear of nuclear war is quite abstract compared to living with the fear of a virus and of a possible economic depression."

The second world war involved

a common enemy and common purpose, with clear sides drawn across the globe. While President Donald Trump has at times tried to summon that feeling about attacking the coronavirus, he has abruptly changed course, suggesting Monday that restrictions he has sought on American life may be as short-lived as his slogan about "15 days to slow the spread," even as others are warning that most of the country is about to be hit by a crush of new cases.

In Congress, some talk of coming together while others excoriate their partisan opposites. On Monday, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) laid the early blame for lack of congressional action entirely at the feet of Democrats.

"A request to do anything becomes a point of attack, and we are always 10 steps back from where we should be on big legislative agreements," said Julian Zelizer, a professor of history at Princeton. "So intense polarization in a moment of crisis — with a president who is not interested in time-tested forms of governance and the job of uniting — make this much more difficult."

That has not been universal. Gov. Mike DeWine (R-Ohio), moved swiftly to shut down most activity in his state and he implored Ohioans to help.

"We have not faced an enemy like we are facing today in 102 years," DeWine said recently. "You have to go back to the 1918 influenza epidemic. We are certainly at war. ... In the time of war, we must make sacrifices, and I thank all of our Ohio citizens for what they are doing and what they aren't doing. You are making a huge difference, and this difference will save lives."

As a nation, Americans are ac-

customed to seeing swaths of the country destroyed by hurricanes, floods, wildfires and blizzards. But there is then a season of rebuilding and renewal. The coronavirus, with its rapid spread, is giving Americans a public-health Katrina that knows few borders or boundaries, even though some parts of the country are suffering far more than others.

To date, for many, the sacrifices have been mere inconveniences. No restaurants or movie theaters. Maybe the need to buy exercise equipment because the gym has closed. Or to leave the cardboard box from Amazon outside for 24 hours to make sure the virus doesn't somehow enter the home.

A week of being told to work from home can resemble a working vacation. A week of not being able to work at all is frustrating but, potentially, eventually reversible.

But when a week bleeds into a month, or longer, how will we react?

"We used to tax in times of crisis. Now we don't," Zelizer said. "We asked people to ration in times of crisis. Now we don't. We asked people to serve in times of crisis. Now we don't. So this is a sea change. The thing is, Americans might not have a choice."

For many, the choices are personal and painful. Rep. Abigail Spanberger (D-Va.) cannot see her parents or her in-laws for the foreseeable future because she may have been exposed to the virus. But she is also seeing the impact of the virus in many other ways that are far more harmful.

"I think we are at the beginning stages of people understanding

what the sacrifice is," Spanberger said. "People with loved ones in nursing homes are told they can't go visit their loved ones. That brings it home. For people who have kids, trying to explain why they can't go to school, can't have playdates, can't see friends, can't see family members."

"It is this element of everyone needs to disrupt their lives so that other people won't die," she said. "It's different than eating less meat because of war or working in a factory because a husband is overseas. But you also can't engage with the community, so it makes it harder. You can't lean on your social circle, church, or school. All of those things are taken from us trying to keep people safe."

With people being asked to sacrifice their jobs, their children's education, their ability to commune with family and friends, Spanberger said, "the depth of empathy that that should be available and the strength of concerns over these decisions needs to be unparalleled and we do not see that, at least not from the administration."

What the nation's leaders do or don't do will shape the course of the pandemic and its lethality. But it will be Americans' willingness to sacrifice that may well matter more.

"In the end, this presents a great and compelling test of our national sense of ourselves as exceptional, generous and resilient," Meacham said. "Perhaps we are all of those things. One thing's for sure: We're about to find out."

Michael Tackett is deputy Washington bureau chief for The Associated Press.

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BIGGEST TOURNEY UPSETS?

'Pack's '83 title run hard to top

By **AARON BEARD**
AP Basketball Writer

There are still moments, even after nearly four decades, when Ernie Myers has trouble believing it all really happened for his North Carolina State team.

The series of tense upsets.

The airball-turned-buzzer-beating dunk to stun top-ranked Houston and Phi Slama Jama. And the 1983 national championship that came with it, capping a run unlike anything college basketball has seen before or since.

"We kind of said we put the madness in March, as in what you see today," Myers said in an interview with The Associated Press. "That's why people watch the tournament, because they want to see the upsets."

Fans won't get that chance this year with the NCAA Tournament canceled because of the coronavirus pandemic. Still, the sixth-seeded Wolfpack's win is oft-replayed lore every March and CBS was showing the game Saturday as part of a weekend of March Madness classics broadcast to fill the void on what would have been the first weekend of the tournament.

There's Lorenzo Charles stuffing home Dereck Whittenburg's missed 30-footer for the 54-52 win against a team with future NBA greats Hakeem Olajuwon and Clyde Drexler. There's the late coach Jim Valvano running around searching for someone to hug after just the latest tournament nail-biter for the "Cardiac Pack," who also edged No. 1 seed Virginia in a regional final to end 7-foot-4 center Ralph Sampson's college career.

"You're talking about it gives the fans hope – man, it gives us hope every day that if you don't give up, anything can happen," said Cozell McQueen, who had 12 rebounds against Houston then celebrated by climbing to stand atop one of the rims.

"Anything I get involved in ... like I tell everybody: let's just stay the course, let's just stay focused and let's see the end result."

Retired BYU coach Dave Rose, a captain on that high-flying Houston team, said the pain faded but only weeks later. Memories of missed free throws and a blown second-half lead remain today.

He also noted the game's added significance: Valvano's inspirational story ultimately aided the creation of the V Foundation for Cancer Research before his death from the

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The world of sport is presently in limbo, held hostage by a virus. It is hard to imagine the total financial impact this is having on our great nation. I often use phrases frequently spoken by coaches. You can listen to a bunch of people debate, criticize, or whatever, but what we as Americans have to do is be disciplined. It's that simple. Just like a good defensive coach would tell a linebacker. Be where you're supposed to be, doing what you are supposed to do, and make the tackle. That's easily said, and difficult to do because many of us are not all that disciplined. But to tackle this virus, we must be disciplined.

But we fear what's ahead. Some think it's an exaggeration. I truly hope that's the case. If that is the error our government is making, I'll take that mistake with a big smile. But the time for second guessing is over. It's time to be disciplined. We must do what we are supposed to do. Do not be where you are not supposed to be.

The fear of the future will stay as long as this virus is the threat it is today. I've been asked numerous times what happens if there is no football season? In many ways, it would virtually collapse sport at every level. In short, everybody runs out of money. Great university athletic programs would likely bankrupt or face shocking cuts if just one year of football is taken away. The magnitude is hard to imagine, and with the loss of football revenue, many programs would have no revenue at all.

Did a little poking around. What is college football worth? What would be lost? We have talked about recruiting. The "blue blood" programs are that because they have the most talent. That too is very simple. What else do you need besides the best talent? Money! The numbers I'm sure will surprise some of you, however, realize that in college, most all, if not all of that money is spent, reinvested, and or used to fund many other programs schools must provide.

I researched the numbers for the 65 teams that make up the Power Five Conferences. With four or five exceptions, those are the teams that dominate major college football and should. But the numbers in some cases are stunning. I would ask any fan of West Virginia if they think it's reasonable to expect the Mountaineers to compete year in, year out with Clemson, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Alabama. No, it's not, it's not a realistic expectation at all. It might even be a ridiculous expectation.

You can show up on Saturday and cheer like crazy for the Blue and Gold, but the opportunity to win is slim because those other guys have better talent. You are likely putting players on the field they didn't even bother to recruit. That's just one of the many reasons why I feel college fans, and that includes Virginia Tech, should be more reasonable as far as their expectations are concerned.

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DOJ: Don't treat trans athletes as girls

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The U.S. Justice Department is getting involved in a federal civil rights lawsuit that seeks to block transgender athletes in Connecticut from competing as girls in interscholastic sports.

Attorney General William Barr signed what is known as a statement of interest Tuesday, arguing against the policy of the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference, the board that oversees the state's high school athletic competitions.

The conference allows athletes to compete as the gender with which they identify, arguing

ing it is following a state law that requires high school students be treated according to their gender identity. It also argues the policy is in accordance with Title IX, the federal law that allows girls equal educational opportunities, including in athletics.

The Justice Department, in its filing, disagrees.

"Under CIAC's interpretation of Title IX, however, schools may not account for the real physiological differences between men and women. Instead, schools must have certain biological males — namely, those

who publicly identify as female — compete against biological females," Barr and the other department officials write. "In so doing, CIAC deprives those women of the single-sex athletic competitions that are one of the marquee accomplishments of Title IX."

The lawsuit was filed in February by runners Selina Soule, a senior at Glastonbury High School; Chelsea Mitchell, a senior at Canton High School; and Alanna Smith, a sophomore at Danbury High School, against the conference and several local boards of education.

They argue they have been deprived of wins, state titles and athletic opportunities by being forced to compete against transgender athletes.

"Males will always have inherent physical advantages over comparably talented and trained girls — that's the reason we have girls sports in the first place," their attorney, Christina Holcomb said Wednesday. "And a male's belief about his gender doesn't eliminate those advantages."

CIAC Executive Director Glenn Lungarini said the orga-

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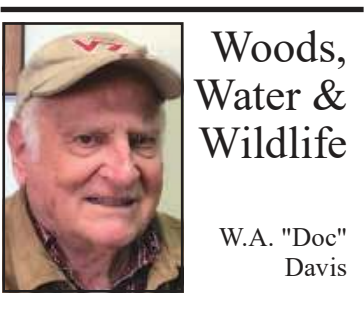
Finding Indian relics

Their lives encompassed the woods, water and wildlife. They were the Native Americans whose livelihood revolved around all of these. They never embraced the wheel and not until later with the advancement of white settlers did they know of gun powder or the use of firearms.

They made do with what was found in nature for shelter, food, tools weapons etc. We read about the Indian heritage and where most are found today such as on reservations. There are other evidences that I found growing up on Little Walker Creek and that was searching for and finding Indian relics.

I was raised on a hillside farm in a three-room board and batten house with a path. Horses and mules were used for gardening and farming the soil. My buddies and I often found arrowheads and such in gardens and plowed fields. We would walk planted corn rows for example and find these relics year after year. We often speculated what the different arrows and spear points were used for, i.e. instance hunting, pleasure or warfare with other tribes since they were located in fields of several acres.

I have hunted for Indian relics occasionally over the years and in other states, as well. When I worked at Radford Arsenal, I helped another engineer by staying for a second shift on New



River to test a prototype incinerator and during break time I found a couple arrowheads and some broken pottery pieces.

With all the warnings to avoid crowds on account of the COVID-19 virus, I have looked for arrowheads points around the country. A few sod planted corn fields have bare spots here and there where I can enjoy the outdoors looking for evidence of the former American Indian presence. Will Rogers remarked once when others told him that their ancestors come over on the Mayflower, he, being part Indian replied, "My ancestors met the boat."

America and citizens are being called upon to make sacrifices, during this crisis. If we can do this and also heed the words of Jeremiah 33:3 KJV, "Call upon me, and I will answer thee and shew thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not" we can persevere.

Until next time.



Some Indian relics found by the writer. Top to bottom, war club, piece of pottery, four arrowheads and spear point.

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Upsets

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disease in April 1993. Charles died in June 2011 in a bus crash.

"It's been with me," said Rose, who noted he is often identified as a Phi Slama Jama team member. "For me – this sounds crazy, it's probably easier for me to say now that I've retired – it's way better to have played in that game and lost than not to have had the opportunity to play."

UMBC (2018)

It's still stunning to rewatch UMBC blowing out top overall seed Virginia in the only 16-over-1 upset in tournament history.

Forward Joe Sherburne said he watched YouTube highlights that "gave me goosebumps" for months and still enjoys discovering things from that night like fan video from the arena. But it's not his first choice of everyday conversation, either.

"If there's an event or something I do that ends up being cooler than that, that would be great," said Sherburne, who had 14 points against Virginia. "But I doubt that's going to happen. I'm all for it being discussed for years down the line."

GEORGE MASON (2006)

George Mason was such a questionable tournament choice that then-coach Jim Larranaga joked his team was an "at-extra-large" entry. There was no second guessing the bid once the 11th-seeded Patriots went to the Final Four after an 86-84 overtime win against top-seeded Connecticut.

The Huskies had spent five weeks at No. 1 in the Top 25 and never dropped below fourth. Yet George Mason overcame disadvantages in size and athleticism to secure a trip to Indianapolis as the party crasher among the big-conference teams.

RICHMOND (1991)

Before UMBC, the biggest round-of-64 upsets had come with eight No. 15 seeds beating No. 2 seeds. It wasn't until Richmond beat Syracuse 73-69 that fans believed it could happen.

Syracuse had spent all but one

week ranked in the top 10 under Jim Boeheim and was led by first-team AP All-American Billy Owens. Team member Mike Hopkins, now Washington's head coach, remembers feeling "devastated" but it didn't linger.

"You got reminded of it – we were the first 15 to lose to a 2 – but you never felt it," Hopkins said. "We always just won. Coach Boeheim never used it as motivation the following year. It was just one of those things — on to the next one."

VILLANOVA (1985)

Villanova remains the lowest seed to win it all at No. 8. To do it, the Wildcats had to play the perfect game against AP national player of the year Patrick Ewing and defending national champion Georgetown.

The Hoyas were 35-2, including two regular-season wins against Villanova, and had been ranked No. 1 or No. 2 all year. But the 10-loss Wildcats shot a record 78.6% (22 of 28) behind Final Four most outstanding player Ed Pinckney in the 66-64 win.

TEXAS WESTERN (1966)

Texas Western (now UTEP) changed college basketball with its win against top-ranked Kentucky for the national championship.

The Miners became the first team to start five black players in the final against the all-white Wildcats featuring Pat Riley and coached by four-time national champion Adolph Rupp. Coach Don Haskins, who died in September 2008, had said he was simply starting his best players instead of trying to make a social statement, though the 72-65 victory eventually expanded recruiting opportunities nationally for black players.

More AP college basketball: <https://apnews.com/MarchMadness> and <https://apnews.com/Collegebasketball>

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DOJ

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nization's transgender policy was formed with federal and state guidance and that multiple courts and federal agencies, including the Justice Department have acknowledged that the term "sex" in Title IX is ambiguous.

It's historical usage "has not kept pace with contemporary science, advances in medical knowledge and societal norms," he said.

The American Civil Liberties Union, whose attorneys represent the two transgender athletes who run track in Connecticut, said it was deeply troubled that the U.S. government would weigh in to "make clear that it does not believe girls who are trans enjoy protections under federal law."

"Our clients are two high school seniors who are just trying to enjoy their final track season of

high school and who now have to contend with the federal government arguing against their right to equal educational opportunities," said Chase Strangio, deputy director for Trans Justice at the ACLU's LGBT & HIV Project. "History will look back on these anti-trans attacks with deep regret and shame. In the meantime we will continue to fight for the rights of all girls to participate in the sports they love."

The spring track season is on hold because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but conference officials have put off a decision on whether to cancel it.

Holcomb has said because the lawsuit also asks for changes to the state record book, the lawsuit will go forward even if it is not resolved before the seniors graduate.

Callahan

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But after the talent comes the money. Buckets of it. WVU has actually done well vs. Texas in recent seasons, but it shouldn't really be that way. The school that makes the most money in college football is Texas, a shocking \$156.1 million. The 65th Power Five Conference team, and the one that makes the least money on football is West Virginia, \$24.7 million. The Mountaineers make a stunning \$131.4 million a year less on the average that Texas. So, is it reasonable to expect WVU to be competitive? It's really not. Any win over Texas in any season by WVU should be considered an upset, and any coach who is not successful at Texas should be fired. The final numbers from 2018 were used and it's very likely little if anything has changed.

But how many millions of dollars will be lost if there is no college football, and keep in mind, this is just one level of football. No football at Pulaski County High School and the loss of just one season would put the athletic budget in total limbo. But just digest these numbers from college football alone and realize how much would be lost with the loss of just one season.

Texas leads the nation as mentioned above in gross football revenue. Georgia is 2nd, \$123.1 million, Michigan 3rd, \$122.3, 4th Notre Dame, \$115.5, 5th is Ohio State, \$115.1, Penn State is 6th at \$100.1, then comes Auburn at 7 with \$95.2, Oklahoma is 8th at \$94.8, Alabama 9th at \$94.6, and Nebraska 10th at \$94.3.

Other interesting aspects are Clemson at just 27th with \$61.4 million, but that's after paying for the most expensive football facilities complex in the country. That number is a bit deceiving. Virginia Tech is 30th, and makes \$56.2 million a year on football, Duke is 51, Carolina 52, Virginia is 59th at \$33.7 million a year.

So yes, financially speaking Hokie fans should expect to beat UVa. And WVU somehow remains competitive, but takes in less money than all other Power Five Conference teams. From a conference standpoint the Big 10 makes the most money, the SEC is a strong second, and both far out-distance the other three.

How About Ol' Bronco:

What does Bronco Mendenhall, the head football coach at Virginia, do on a day when the virus has wiped out spring football practice across the country? He has simplified his day as all of us should and repeats it day after day. As mentioned above, Bronco is disciplined.

As far as spring practice is concerned Mendenhall doesn't think that's all that terrible, but the one issue that concerns him is Bryce Perkins is gone, and the upcoming spring was very important to the new quarterback Brennan Armstrong. You'll know the effects of that when the season starts.

But that's back to if there will be a season. Mendenhall certainly hopes there is, but says if cutbacks have to be made, he would prefer that all ACC games be played, and all out-of-conference games be cancelled if cutbacks are necessary. That makes sense to me but let's hope it doesn't come to that.

Mendenhall is very regimented. Coaches tend to be that way. He reports to work in his office at home at 8 am, and he's there until noon. He has all the technical equipment at home just like he does in his UVa office. Then from noon to 2 pm, he eats lunch and works out. From 2 to 3 pm he meets with his coaching staff, and from 3 to 5 pm he works on recruiting. No doubt, that means a lot of telephone calls and research. At 5 he heads

home to Ivy where he has 30 acres of land, and plenty of room to house his horses. He has three sons and all love rodeo. As soon as Mendenhall gets home, he changes into his cowboy clothes and they all go horseback riding. He likes for his evenings to be quiet and relaxed with his family, and says the next day, he repeats it all over again. Sounds like a full day to me. I rode a horse once on my grandfather's farm as a kid. Fell off and have never gotten back on.

Couple of Interesting Items:

ESPN has not been a money maker for some time, and parent company Disney is not happy about that. Disney movies have made up the gap, but with no live sports programming how devastating has this been to ESPN? As of today, the network had already lost \$481 million in just basketball marketing. With no spring sports, no racing, and then if there is no football, it's mindboggling to think of the impact on ESPN and what would be the total damage pertaining to its future.

And one other item. Most are continuing on and making decisions just like everything is going to be on schedule and I hope they are right. For instance, never wanting to miss making some extra money, the day after Tampa Bay signed a contract with Tom Brady, all unsold season tickets to Buccaneers games went up 15%. Anybody surprised? Take care. Be safe.



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Bridging the gap

Dear Dave,

In light of recent events in our country, do you have suggestions for things people should think about and plan for if they get laid off from their jobs?

Sam

Dear Sam,

It’s no secret that things are shutting down all across the world. If your workplace has closed its doors and isn’t offering pay, then it’s time to regroup and get some things in order. The thought of being without a paycheck can be overwhelming, but a little thought and planning can help you get though times like these.

Start living on a budget, if you aren’t doing so already. Making a monthly budget will show you exactly where your money is going. Without it, you can’t use every dollar to its fullest potential, because you don’t even know how much money you have to work with. Plus, your budget will show places where you can cut back and save money.

If you don’t have any income right now, make a budget based on the amount of money on hand. If you have \$600 left to your name, budget out exactly where each of those dollars will go. It’s time to squeeze every last penny out of what you’ve got. If you still have cash coming in from a spouse’s job or some other source, then adjust your budget to reflect that. Maybe the two of you usually bring in a combined \$5,000 a month. Adjust your budget to live off that one income for the time being.

When the going gets tough, you need to focus on the things you really need to survive—food, utilities, shelter, and transportation. I call these the Four Walls. If there’s any money left over after you take care of the Four Walls, make a list of what else you need to pay, and tackle those in order of importance. Reach out to anyone you can’t pay, and explain the situation. They might be able to work something out, but they can’t help if they don’t know. Be up front with them, and pray for the best.

When you’re just trying to make it to another day, you don’t need to pay extra on debt. Instead, focus on piling up cash. Once life gets back to normal and everything is okay, you can pick up where you left off with your debt snowball. If it’s within your budget to keep making minimum payments on your debt, go for it. But the Four Walls come first. This is also the time to sell anything and everything you don’t need to make some extra cash.

With so much being shut down right now, there might not be as many traditional ways to make extra money. So, look into driving for Amazon, delivering takeout food, or dropping off grocery orders. Even if one of those doesn’t work out, you can still take up odd jobs around your neighborhood. Be on the lookout

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Seven United Ways launch COVID-19 regional Relief Fund

Seven United Way organizations announced Tuesday the launch of a regional taskforce of local United Ways coming together to support efforts of the COVID-19 global pandemic with the launch of the Northeast Tennessee Southwest Virginia Relief Fund.

The regional taskforce includes United Way of Bristol TN/VA, United Way of Elizabethton/Carter County, United Way of Greater Kingsport, United Way of Greene County, United Way of Hawkins County, United Way of Southwest Virginia, and United Way of Washington County, TN.

Together, the United Ways announced a goal of \$1.9 million and collectively contributed \$87,000 from emergency contingency funds from the combined organizations. Lisa Cofer, Executive Director of United Way of Bristol TN/VA said, "Our board has acted quickly, along with the other regional boards, to supply these emergency funds to our community partners who are on the front lines of this global crisis."

Collectively, the United Ways are striving to raise 19% of the \$1.9 million COVID-19 Relief Fund in the first 19 days. "Time is of the

essence in helping meet the immediate needs due to the impacts of the pandemic," said President and CEO of United Way of Washington County, TN, Kristan Spear.

An online electronic fundraising campaign allows people to donate to the relief efforts for the pandemic. Givers can text NETNSWVARELIEF to 41444. Givers can also make donations at www.NETNSWVARELIEF.org, or by mailing their gift to United Way, Regional COVID-19 Response Fund, P.O. Box 644, Abingdon, VA 24212. If a check is being mailed, please be sure to write in the memo section if the donation is designated to the regional effort.

Both immediate and long-term, the relief efforts will focus response efforts on vulnerable populations, including children, families, and the ALICE population. ALICE, an acronym coined by United Way that stands for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed, represents men, women, and families who work hard and earn more than the official Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living. Danelle Glasscock, President and CEO of United Way of Greater Kingsport said, "We are committed to helping our communities with long-term recovery efforts in the days to come following this global crisis."

Along with the regional taskforce, a regional advisory council comprised of donors to the fund, business and nonprofit organizations, and health and human service agencies will combine efforts to develop the response strategy of the deployment of these resources. United Ways of Northeast Tennessee and Southwest Virginia will form strategic public-private partnerships with community organizations to meet the needs of individuals affected.

Travis Staton, President and CEO of United Way of Southwest

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Down To Business

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Gamblers

We are experiencing times that have no precedent whether in business or government. The death of Kenny Rogers has had me listening to the song, "The Gambler," a song about life that especially applies to entrepreneurs. Most of the entrepreneurs that I know are already gamblers. They are inclined to take chances and risks. I would venture to say that there is not one successful entrepreneur that takes on a new endeavor that doesn't realize there are no guarantees of success. They hedge their bets, though, by making themselves as knowledgeable as possible by understanding their competition and current market trends.

Entrepreneurs don't see each win or loss as final. They realize every idea, every quest, has the potential to succeed or to fail. Successful entrepreneurs understand that losing is just as important as winning. Losing teaches you more than winning. They don't waste time on negative emotions like shame, guilt, or failure. They find ways to make it work by reeducating themselves, studying the competition, and looking at the markets. They show up for the next game more prepared because there will always be another opportunity.

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

Dave

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for opportunities that will add a few extra bucks to your pocket. Don't forget to cut back on unnecessary expenses, either. Stop or pause your subscriptions. Call your cable, internet, and cellular providers to see if there's anything they'll do to work with you.

Finally, in times of real need, don't be too proud to ask for a helping hand. Many churches and community groups in your area exist for situations just like this.

God bless you all!

—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.

Town of Pulaski establishes Finance Department Annex

From Town of Pulaski

In response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic, a portion of the Town of Pulaski's Finance Department has relocated to 1000 East Main Street (the former Wells Fargo building), which we are henceforth referring to as the Finance Department Annex. The Annex is currently accepting payments for utilities and taxes via the drive-through window, and Town residents may also purchase Town decals there. Hours of operation for the Finance Department Annex will be 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. For citizens requiring other finance-related services, you may contact our Finance Department at 540-994-8640.

The due date for Town decals has been extended from April 1st to May 1st for motor vehicles. Citizens have the option to mail their information to the Finance Department to receive a Town decal by mail. If electing to utilize this method, we ask that citizens provide a self-addressed envelope including payment along with their vehicle details and contact information. Please send Town decal requests to P.O. Box 660, Pulaski, VA 24301.

The Town of Pulaski does not fall under SCC guidelines: however, we will be postponing utili-

ty disconnections for this month. We will re-evaluate this position each billing cycle during this crisis. Penalties have been waived for late payments on utility bills this month as well. Customers are encouraged to continue to make payments on their bills because the bills themselves are not being waived.

This new, temporary location has been established in order to protect our residents and staff more adequately while still offering essential finance-related services to the Town of Pulaski. When possible, we encourage our citizens to make payments on utilities or taxes via online payments, via the drop-box located at the Municipal Building or the Finance Department Annex, via mail with a check or money order, or with official payments via phone. Put into effect on Monday, March 23rd, the Town Manager has temporarily agreed to reimburse the fee customers pay to utilize the services of official payments for utility bills. Customer accounts will be accredited accordingly as they are received.

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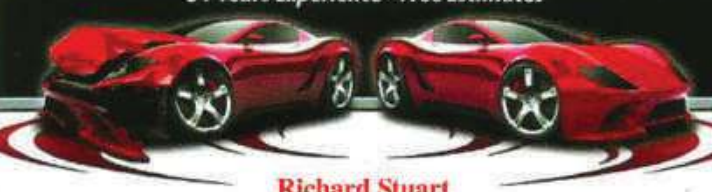
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March 28

Thornsprng UMC cemetery to be cleaned – Families asked to help

The cemetery at Thornsprng United Methodist Church will be cleaned Saturday, March 28 in preparation for the upcoming mowing season. We respectfully request each family to inspect their plots and remove any wreaths, flowers, vases, etc. that you would like to keep or reuse at another time. If you have any questions, call 540-320-5348.

April 10

Draper Valley PH Church to hold Good Friday Communion Service

Draper Valley Pentecostal Holiness Church will hold Good Friday Communion Service on Friday, April 10, at 7 p.m. The church is located at 5662 East Lee Highway Max Meadows, Va (Exit 86 Interstate 8).

April 15

Fraternal Order of Police New River Valley Lodge #21 to hold Tax Day raffle

The Fraternal Order of Police New River Valley Lodge #21 in holding a Tax Day Raffle on April 15. The prize is a new 2016 model – 250cc 4 stroke single cylinder SSR Motor-sports Snake Eyes Motorcycle. The bike is new and still under

warranty. Tickets for the prize are \$5.00 each or \$20.00 for five tickets. Tickets are available from FOP members, at Go Race Inc., or Call (540)639-5080. The proceeds from the raffle will be used for charities the local FOP lodge supports. The motorcycle was donated to the lodge by Go Race Inc., 1265 Moose Drive, Christiansburg, Virginia (540) 392-0696. The bike can be seen at Go Race Inc.

On-going:

Barren Springs Church offers ride to church.

Barren Springs Holiness Church in Wythe County will be sending a bus to Pulaski each Wednesday to pick up anyone who would like to attend services at the church. Please be ready by 6:30 p.m. sharp in order to make it to the church by 7 p.m. service time. Riders will be taken back to the same location where they were picked up. For a ride and more information call 276-730-4140. Chuck Neal, Pastor.

American Legion Post 7 Auxiliary to host BINGO every third Saturday

American Legion Post #7 Aux. will host BINGO every third Saturday of the month, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Everyone welcome. Refreshments will be served. The Post is located at 338 Washington Ave., Pulaski, Va.

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 Ruritan building on 4th and Jefferson St in Pulaski. The building is located near Seagle Funeral Home. Everyone wel-

come!

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.

WOTM (Women of the Moose) host monthly quarter 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.

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.

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.

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.

Narcotics Anonymous

The NA group H.W. meets each Thursday 6 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church located at 144 Washington Ave., in Pulaski.

Fund

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Virginia stated, "As an organization dedicated to fighting for the health, education and financial stability of every person in our region, we recognize the impact this virus is making on our communities, but we also recognize the toll it will take on the financial and economic well-being of every person in Northeast Tennessee and Southwest Virginia."

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Selling at the farmer's market

Pulaski County Extension Office

It's right around the corner for our Farmers Market to open for the season! If you are one of those folks readily preparing to set up your table or space with the fruits of your labor, maybe for the first time, then you may be wondering about the legal do's and don'ts of selling specific items! This article will not go into a lot of details about the who's, what and how, to sell at the market, but rather where to go to find those answers.

One of the first resources you need to know about is the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS). VDACS has a tremendous amount of information, specifically about farmers markets, on their website at <https://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/dairy-farmers-market-vendors.shtml>. Here you will find that: all Virginia "food establishments, including farmers' markets, that manufacture, process, pack or hold food for sale, are subject to the Virginia Food Laws and related regulations." The links to these regulations can be found on the VDACS site, along with the link to Virginia Techs Food Innovations Program. <https://ext.vt.edu/food-health/food-innovations.html>

VDACS goes on to say that "Enforcement of these requirements includes regular periodic inspections of food establishments, including farmers' markets. VDACS' Food Safety Specialists, also known as inspectors, ensure that any food or beverage manufactured, produced, processed, packed, exposed, offered, possessed or

held for sale is safe for human consumption, and in compliance with the Virginia Food Laws and related regulations. Inspectors look for evidence of unsanitary conditions, mislabeling and the mishandling of food products that can lead to unsafe foods. Manufacturers are subject to unannounced inspections and sampling. Vendors and market managers are encouraged to contact the VDACS Food Safety Program office with questions concerning safe food handling practices." <https://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/dairy-farmers-market-vendors.shtml>

If you are a food service vendor at a Farmers Market, that is if you prepare and serve food for sale on site, then you are required to have a permit from the Virginia Department of Health. VDACS is generally not the regulatory body for food service vendors.

If you are interested in a specific food item to sell at the market then you will find many resources on the Virginia Tech site here: https://www.pubs.ext.vt.edu/tags/resource.html/pubs_ext_vt_edu:food-business. This link will take you to a series of publications titled: "What do I need to know to sell _____ at the farmers market?" Shell eggs, honey, maple syrup and pet food or pet treats, as well as what you need to know about labeling your items, are some of those specific titles found in this series of publications. "Going to Market – a guide to selling raw, processed and prepared food products from your home, at Farmers' Markets, stores and roadside stands," is one of my favorites that summarizes the

requirements of several of the things listed above and many more.

If you are not an internet person and would like to get your hands on any of the publications described above, you may visit or call your local Virginia Cooperative Extension office to find out how to get a copy.

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Bravery of Queen Esther

The story of Esther in the Bible is a phenomenal account of courageous woman who saved the Jews from total annihilation.

While the Jews were in captivity in Babylon, Babylon was conquered by the Medio Persian Empire. Ahasuerus, a Persian King, was seeking a wife. He had booted his former wife to the curb because of her vanity. There were women candidates vying for the Queenly position from 127 provinces. Each virgin in turn went in to the King and spent the night with him. In the end, he chose Esther, a beautiful woman, inside and outside, and made her his Queen.

There was a vile, wicked man in the Kingdom by the name of Haman. Haman was a proud peacock of a man who had been given a position of power and authority in the Kingdom. When he passed by riding in his chariot, he expected, and in fact demanded, that everyone bow down before him.

Esther 3:5. When Haman saw that Mortdecai the Jew bowed not, Haman flipped his lid. "Haman had a God complex and wanted to be worshipped. Mortdecai was no fool. He knew that God and God alone was to be worshipped.

Haman hated the Jews and most of all, Mortdecai. He lied like the devil to the King and told the King that the Jews were a threat to his Kingdom and bribed the King into issuing a decree that every Jew in the Kingdom be executed. The decree was issued that in 11 months every Jew would be put to death. Haman paid Ten Thousand Talents of Silver into the King's treasury as payment to issue the decree.

Upon hearing of this murderous decree, Mortdecai mourned, rent his garments and put on ashes and sackcloth. He asked Esther to go to the King and ask him to reverse his decree to kill the Jews.

If anyone entered into the King's presence without being summoned, they could be put to death unless the King held out his golden scepter to them.

Esther told her Mortdecai, are you crazy? I haven't been called into the King's presence for thirty days and I could lose my life if I come to him uninvited. Mortdecai answered her saying, they are going to kill you right along with the rest of us Jews. If you refuse to ask the King to show mercy on us, then God will deliver us from another source. "Who knows but what you have come to the Kingdom for such a time as this?"

Esther replied to Mortdecai, "Go gather all of the Jews together and fast for me. I and my maidens will also fast. "I'll go in to the King unannounced, and if I perish, I perish." She laid down her own life for her people.

Greater love has no one that this. Than to lay down their lives for their friends. Jesus did that very thing, showing his great love for humanity. He laid down His life of Calvary to redeem us from our sins. He could have called ten thousand angels to take him down from the cross and to destroy the world, but He didn't. He showed his great love for us when He willingly submitted himself to his death on the cross.

When Esther came into the King's presence, lo and behold,

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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.umc

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
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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.roledublin.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
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Fairlawn Baptist

6758 Oxford Avenue
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First Missionary Baptist Church

7318 Manns Drive / P.O. Box 90
New River, Virginia 24129
(540) 639-5331
email: fmbc1872@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 Church

P.O. Box 577
424 East Main Street
Pastors Don Hanshew & Don Shelor
(540) 674-5128
office@dublinumc.com
Early Worship - 8:45 am
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Praise & Worship Small Group - 10:00 am
Worship - 10:55 am

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

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

Snowville Baptist Church

3238 Gum Log Road, Hiwassee
Pastor: Rev. Tony Hart
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-Methodist-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
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Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Children's Free Breakfast 10:30 a.m.
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Men's & Women's Ministry Wed. 6:30

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110 LaGrange Street, Pulaski, VA 24301
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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
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(540) 674-8434
www.dublinchristianchurch.com
Richard R. Goad, Jr.
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Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship and
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Wednesday Bible Study and Children's Bible
Classes, 7 p.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 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

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
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Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays Midweek Connect: 7 p.m.

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Rev. Kathy Warden, Pastor,
(540) 250-2974
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Worship 11 a.m.
Worship 7 p.m.
Monday Bible Study
7 to 9 p.m.
Wednesday 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
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.
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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

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
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Pastor Darrell Gray
(276) 733-6080
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Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
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Evening Worship 6 p.m.
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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
pm children fed, 7:15 pm Bible Classes all ages
Adult Bible Class
THRIVE Teen Class
Children's Bible Class and
Special Activitiy Classes

New Life Church of the Nazarene
45 S. Jefferson Avenue
Pulaski, VA 24301
540-980-2001
www.newlifepulaski.com
email: pastorjuls@verizon.net
Pastor: Julie Armbrister
Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 6 p.m.

Trinity Baptist Church
4008 Robinson Tract Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Telephone: 980-8186
Pastor Johnny Howlett
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At the banquet Esther told the King that she herself was a Jew and that it was wicked Haman who had deliberately arranged for her and all of her people to be executed. And the King answered, who and where is the man who could do such a despicable thing? He exploded with rage and left the banquet room in a huff.

Haman saw that he was in deep trouble and came unto Esther making a desperate attempt to save his own life. Esther was reclining on a couch, and he fell down upon her, begging for his life. When the King returned it looked like Haman was trying to force himself upon the Queen and he ordered that Haman be hanged. Ironically, Haman was hanged on the same gallows he had recently built for Mortdecai. The King gave all of Haman's property to Esther. She told him

that Mortdecai was her cousin who had been like a father to her. The King gave Mortdecai his royal ring that was taken from Haman, granting him the same position of power and authority previously given to Haman.

According to the law of the Medes and the Persians, the King's decree could not be changed. So he said to Mortdecai, write to the Jews, in my name, and seal it with my ring: and no man may reverse it. Let the Jews arm themselves to protect their lives. And many of their enemies backed off, for the fear of the Jews fell upon them, and the Jews prevailed.

Esther put her own life on the line to do what was right. We as Christians should do likewise. If we refuse, God will call someone else to accomplish His purposes and they will receive our reward.



My
Answer

Billy Graham

Salvation is found only in Jesus Christ

Q: I spent years in the military and served in many wars, but the hostility that is happening right under our feet in the good old US of A sometimes seems more violent to me. What's the solution? -- P.C.

A: People don't have to be on the battlefields of the world to experience strife and conflict. Today, hour by hour, the headlines scream with bad news. We need only to open our hearts to those next door to notice those with grieving hearts. The safety of home no longer exists as it did just one generation ago. Too often, precious children are violated and abused by their own parents; others are deserted. Far too many young men and women coming of age today have no spiritual or emotional roots. They have been deprived of values by an agnostic and contemporary culture.

Morality has fallen to the lowest level in the history of this nation. Society makes heroes and idols of celebrities whose immorality is widely publicized. Where is the moral compass that once guided us? Where is the faith that built our country and gave people meaning to life?

It is right where it has always been, from the pages of the Bible. Personal worries engulf our lives, and daily burdens grow larger than most of us are able to manage. Jesus gives us this warning: "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with ... the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap" (Luke 21:34, NIV).

The only solution to the problems that mankind encounters from generation to generation is salvation found only in Jesus Christ. He stands ready to save those who repent and turn to Him in obedience. It's high time to put the focus on the Savior of the world.

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

Church takes services outdoors during crisis

Pastor Dale Akers welcomes everyone to Peak Creek Mission of Prayer at 3361 Case Knife Road in Pulaski for 6 p.m. service Thursday and Sunday nights.

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, Akers will deliver the message from the church's front porch and those attending can listen from their cars or bring a lounge chair and sit outside.

The church is located 2.5 miles up Case Knife Road.

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the King held out his golden scepter to her, accepting her presence.

The King loved her better than a chicken loves corn and wanted to grant her any request. But Esther told him the throne room was too public a place, but to come to a banquet that she would prepare for him and then she would make her desire known.

Haman didn't know was that Mortdecai had performed a great service to the King earlier by foiling an assassination attempt on the King's life. The King commanded Haman to come to the banquet. This must have been a bitter pill for Haman to swallow. The man he literally hated was going to be honored by the King.



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Food, other items needed for NRCA Food Pantries in New River Valley

Due to impact from the COVID – 19 pandemic, New River Community Actions Emergency Assistance Program Food Pantries are in urgent need of food, infant formula and disposable diapers. Numbers of families requesting and receiving assistance from the NRCA Food Pantries has increased by 30% so far in March 2020 as compared to March 2019.

NRCA Food Pantries need the following non-perishable foods: peanut butter, potato mixes (mashed, scalloped, etc.), canned tuna, canned chicken, soups/stews, breakfast cereal, canned fruit, bread mixes (cornbread, biscuits, etc.), spaghetti and sauce.

Food Pantries also need donations of infant formula and disposable diapers (especially sizes 4, 5 and 6) and Pull-Ups.

Donations may be taken to the following locations:

- 120 Epperly Mill Road, Floyd 540-745-2102
- 928 West Main Street,

Radford 540-320-7460

- 516 Wenonah Avenue, Pearisburg 540-921-2146
- 110 Roanoke Street, Christiansburg 540-382-6186 or 540-381-1561
- 412 North Jefferson Street, Pulaski 540-980-5525
- 706 Harding Avenue, Blacksburg 540-951-8134

Donors are requested to call in advance for hours of operation. Donations may be dropped off without entering the Food Pantry buildings.

— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

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PET OF THE WEEK



In order to protect both the citizens of Pulaski County and our personnel, we will be closed to the public until further notice.

We will alter our adoption process during this time. If you are interested in an animal here at the shelter, please submit your application with you may access on our Face Book page: Pulaski County, VA Animal Control

Once your application is approved, you will be contacted and a time will be made available for you to do a meet and greet.

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