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An Officer Down Remembered

Dicker's family seeks to keep his killer in prison

By **KRYSTAL WHITT**
The Patriot

Christopher Shawn Wheeler, who gunned down Wythe County Deputy Cliff Dicker in 1994, is scheduled for a parole hearing next Wednesday (July 15). The prospect of Wheeler winning his freedom has spurred Dicker's family into action to try and see to it the killer remains in prison.

Karla Dicker Turman, Deputy Dicker's daughter, and the rest of his family are asking Wheeler's parole be denied being that he has only served 25 of his 43-year sentence. Currently, the family is seeking letters of support to be sent speaking out against Wheeler's potential parole through the Officers Down Memorial Page, odmp.org.

In addition to sharing the Officers Down Memorial Page, Turman and her family have organized a peaceful vigil to be held from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on July 15th. The vigil will take place on a piece of property adjacent to Green Rock Correctional



Deputy Clifford Dicker and his wife, Sue.

weapon and shot him in the head, which killed him. Wheeler was arrested a short time later and tried as an adult. He plead no contest to Deputy Dicker's murder and was sentenced to 43 years in prison.

Deputy Dicker had served with the Wythe County Sheriff's Office for 14 years. Turman recalls her father's service to the community and to his country as he was also a U.S. Air Force veteran. Above all, she boasts of his service and devotion to his family, tearfully stating that if her father were alive today, he would have 15 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

The community of Barren Springs shares in honoring Deputy Dicker as their longtime neighbor and friend. His beloved wife, Sue Dicker, still resides there and joins family and friends in commemorative causes and events. A memorial highway sign stands in honor of Deputy Dicker on Route 100 between Pulaski County and Car-

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Pulaski Council holds first meeting of its new fiscal year

By **MIKE WILLIAMS**
The Patriot

Tuesday evening Pulaski Town Council selected a new vice-mayor, heard from its newly elected mayor and interim town manager, and recognized a former member of council.

During the first meeting of the town's new fiscal year, council also heard a presentation on retail development – a subject that has been on the minds of council for some time.

Brooks Dawson, mid-way through his first four-term as a councilman, was unanimously elected as vice-mayor. His name was placed in nomination by former vice-mayor, Greg East.

Shannon Collins presided over his first meeting as mayor.

"I'd like to thank all the citizens of Pulaski for giving me this opportunity to be your mayor. It's something I have wanted for a while ... thought about. I really feel our town can be so much better, and that

we can bring a lot back of what we have had," Collins said.

"I will do my best and all in my power to make this town where you want to live, where you want to work and where you want to raise your family."

Council approved a resolution commemorating the life and service of Mary Lou Copenhaver. The former councilwoman died March 19 of this year.

Serving on council from 1984 to 1992, Copenhaver was only the third woman to serve on town council and won her seat with the largest number of votes ever received by a woman candidate for council with 1,351.

According to the resolution, Copenhaver involved herself in the life of the community as a long-time faithful member of First United Methodist Church, serving her church for 45 years in various capacities.

Framed copies of the resolution were presented to her husband, Don and their son and daughter.

"Thank you all very much," Don Copenhaver said.

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Council

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“I was telling my son (Mark) that Mary Lou was one scared little girl when she first ran. But by the time she got through she was no longer that little girl after having gone through eight years of the type things that you all do.”

Council also recognized Skyline Bank’s assistance to the town.

During the current pandemic, Skyline allowed the town to temporarily locate a portion of its Finance Department at the former Wells Fargo Bank site on East Main Street.

Utilizing the drive-thru facility at the building allowed Finance Department staff and customers to conduct business with only minimal possible exposure to the COVID-19 virus.

Mike Solomon, Pulaski County’s Economic Development Director, and summer intern Lydia Gilmer spoke to council on strategies for retail development.

Solomon told council that several years ago his office had prepared a flyer to be used by the town in its efforts to recruit retail business.

He said Gilmer had prepared a new flyer with updated information on population, income and potential retail sales based on 2019 figures.

Solomon said the flyer can go to retailers and show them where people in the Pulaski area go to spend their money and on what. Pulaski, he said, is one of three retail trade areas in the county.

Following their presentation, Solomon and Gilmer discussed retail recruitment with council – something that has been on council’s radar for some time.

Councilman Lane Penn reported on an expected spike in costs related to Peppers Ferry Wastewater Treatment Authority.

Penn said there was record rainfall in May and June, “unfortunately, that’s costly to us because of I&I (inflow and infiltration).”

He said Peppers Ferry reported it measured 120 million gallons of sewage in May, and another 175 million gallons in June. The elevated sewage figures were due to May rainfall of nearly 9 inches, nearly 11 inches in June.

“That’s good for farmers, but not for the town because we have to pay for that,” said Penn. “We



Don Copenhaver (center) with son, Mark (right) accept framed copies of a resolution honoring Mary Lou Copenhaver during Tuesday’s meeting of Pulaski Town Council. Mayor Shannon Collins (left) made the presentation.

Photo by Mike Williams, The Patriot

don’t know the cost yet, but there will be a spike.”

Interim Town Manager Mrs. Darlene Burcham was introduced to the public.

“Just like to say it’s been a very fast-paced four days,” Burcham said. “It has been an interesting time, but I will tell you I am very impressed with your town, I think it has a lot of potential. It obviously has its challenges, but I think that with guidance of council and your staff we can make things get on the right track. I’m looking forward to serving you all in this interim capacity.”

Following the resignation of former Town Manager Shawn Utt, Pulaski Town Council chose to contract with The Berkley Group to provide interim Town Manager assistance.

At the time of her appointment as Interim Town Manager, Burcham was serving as Town Manager for Clifton Forge. In joining The Berkley Group as a member of its Executive Management Team, which provides proven management services for localities that have an executive vacancy or require organizational assistance, she was available to Pulaski.

Her professional career can be traced back well before her tenure as the City of Norfolk’s Deputy City Manager in 1995, where she remained until 1999. After leaving Norfolk, she served as the City Manager for Roanoke City from 2000 until 2010.

Following a decade of success in Roanoke, she then accepted a position as Town Manager for the Town of Clifton Forge, where she worked from 2010 to 2020.

Burcham recapped her first four

days on the job since becoming interim town manager on July 1.

Calling herself an avid reader, Burcham said he had just about “read out” reading 12 documents to learn about the challenges facing the town. She also met with each councilmember to get their perspectives and ideas on what they might accomplish over the next 3 or 4 months.

“You can’t do everything in that time, you can’t do everything in 3 or 4 years. My hope is during the time I’m here I can help – with your help – to develop some plans that demonstrate your priorities and then have us actually working on priorities that can be accomplished,” she said.

Burcham wants to use some future work sessions to discuss individual issues, beginning with economic development.

“At the next meeting – the work session at 5 p.m. on July 21 – I’d like to devote almost exclusively that entire meeting to the subject of economic development and talk about what do you want to do next. I have found in my own experience you may have too many things going at the same time and you can’t get them all done well. I think it’s important for everybody’s sake that you maybe pick two or three, work hard on those accomplishments and then go to the next set,” she said.

Burcham said she had met with staff, made some changes with how the staff meets, and how they produce reports.

“You’ll see my first version of a weekly report this Friday, and I’m hoping you’ll be able to see what is going on day in and day out with your staff. They’re doing lots of things that you may not be aware of and I think it’s important that you and the public understand what those challenges are,” Burcham said.

“I’ve had very serious conversation with your finance director

on the budget - current budget and what transpired in the past,” Burcham told council. She said the finance department staff is in the process of trying to implement some significant changes in the way the town accounts for and controls budget expenditures that would be done in advance of the expenditure rather than after the fact.

“I do hope to have as early as your work session a tentative year-end report as to where we stand,” she said.

Burcham said she wants to investigate some possible uses for the CARES Act money – the federal money - that is coming to the town through the county to address COVID-19 related issues, particularly the recovery.

She said after reading meeting minutes concerning Skyline Bank and the drive-thru window, she is looking at reinstituting use of the drive-thru at the town’s municipal building.

“Some citizens have stopped by to see me and I want citizens to know that if there’s time on my schedule I’m always willing to sit down with citizens and talk. That’s how I learn about the community,” she said.

Burcham noted she had taken a “field trip” Tuesday to tour some of the problem areas of the town.

She also noted she is in the process of evaluating the vacant staff positions with an eye toward giving council “a couple recommendations as to what I think are critical needs that we have. Not filling every position, but some that we have got to get the right people in and do the kind of follow-up that is necessary.”

“I’m working hard to see what is here that needs to be done and am very pleased to see there is a good foundation, we just need to work a little harder and maybe a little differently.”

PET OF THE WEEK



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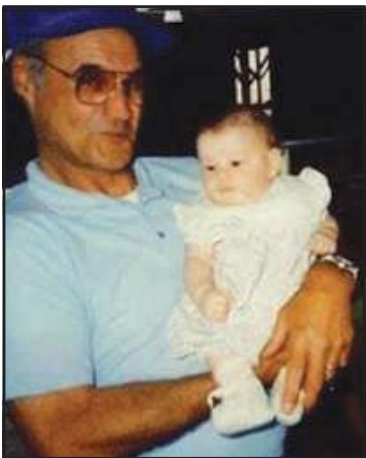
Turman emphasizes that recalling her father’s murder is more than a tragic memory for the family, but it has turned into an ongoing cause in hopes to help others. Virginian Concerns Of Police Survivors, Inc. (Virginia COPS) is one of several groups Turman is an active member of. For Turman, serving as president for Virginia COPS is a calling that has remained immutable over the last 25 years.

Reaching out to local and state-level groups, Turman works diligently, calling for awareness in the current parole eligibility laws. “Changing the law, such as not abolishing the 1995 No Parole Law, will not change what happened to my father 25 years ago, but it could help others,” stated Turman in reference to a letter she has sent multiple times in hopes to be heard by those who can make a difference.

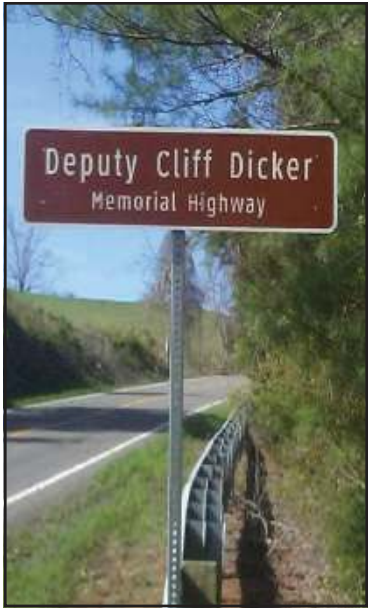
Turman asks for anyone who wants further information about the upcoming vigil or any of the groups she is a part of to contact her at karlaturman@yahoo.com



Karla Dicker Turman



Family of Karla Dicker Turman: From L to R back row: Karla's daughter Amber, husband Barry, Karla, son-in-law Dillon. L to R front row: granddaughter Bella, daughter Grace holding grandson Daniel, and grandson Joey.



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Clockwise above: Clifford Dicker as an officer in the Air Force, his granddaughter and great-grandson next to a portrait of Dicker, one of the Deputy Cliff Dicker Memorial Highway signs along Route 100 in the Barren Springs area, and Dicker holding his first grandchild.

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Dr. Lingineni has moved to Virginia to be closer to family and he's happy to announce that he and his wife have a new baby boy – Mithra! In his downtime, Dr. Lingineni enjoys playing tennis, badminton, and cricket, spending time with family and friends and reading.

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W. DAVID HOOVER

W. David Hoover, age 77 of Dublin passed away Sunday, July 5, 2020 at his home, born in sin and saved by the blood of the lamb.

Born September 26, 1942 in Maplewood, New Jersey he was the son of the late Charles E. Hoover, Jr. and Jesse H. Hoover Michaels. He was also preceded in death step- father, John. L. Michaels & mother-in-law, Florence V. Killen; brother, Charles E. Hoover, III; grandchild, Robin M. Cox, and furbabies, Buttons, Ace and Kaytee.

He was raised up in northern New Jersey until, at the age of seventeen years old, after High School went on for 15 years at the trade of Mariner. First in the Merchant

Marine, then in the U.S. Coast Guard (13 years). Because of family obligations, he left the Coast Guard and settled in Southwestern Virginia. My brother and I were in business together for over twenty years but as life moves on, so do we.

When I first came to Southwest Virginia, the call of God upon my heart became greater and greater. In a hospital room, around 2 p.m. on April 2, 1976, I renewed my life in Jesus Christ. My plan was to be a "good" church member. God's plan was to use me. For several years I fought the call off but God won. I started into ministry, preaching and teaching, attending college and serving God. I traveled all over Virginia, W.V. and N.C. bringing the word of the Lord. At 52 years old, I left the business world and went into full time ministry. The best part of my life has been serving God. There were problems and potholes in the highway of life but I made it. God has been so good to me, in those times of darkness, he was my light and he brought me to the sunnyside, as always. I have been blessed beyond measure. God supplied me a wonderful woman and wife Jan Hoover who has been my "Buddy" for life. I have been blessed, I look toward heaven waiting for family, friends and brothers & sisters in the Lord.

He is survived by his
Wife of 30 years-
Jan Killen Hoover -Dublin

Sons and Daughters-in-law-
Paul and Jessie Hoover-Dublin
Steve and Beth Cox- Max Meadows
Grandchildren-
Kristy and Shane Dalton-Draper

Destiny Nester-Dublin
Stephen Hoover & Jaxon Hoover- Texas
Great Grandchildren
Austyn P. Dalton, Bayley P. Dalton- Draper

Retsen A. Nixon- Dublin
"Dont grieve for me, I have left the land of the dying and go to the land of the living."

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 13, 2020 in the Bower Funeral Home Chapel, Pulaski with Chaplain Phillip Madison officiating. Burial will follow in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, Dublin.

Visitation will be Monday from 1:00 p.m. until time of service at the funeral home.

The family suggests donation may be sent to St. Jude's Children Hospital or charity they wish.

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

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



MARY ALICE BLACK

Mary Alice Black, age 55 of Dublin passed away Sunday, July 5, 2020 at her home surrounded by her family. Born January 2, 1965 in Frederick, MD she was the daughter of the late Cletta Duncan Metz.

She is survived by her
Husband
Harvey N. Black, Jr. - Dublin
Sons
Harvey Metz, Jr. - Draper
Akeem Metz - Dublin
Gamayal Black - Pulaski
13 Grandchildren
Sister
Vickie Metz - Dublin
Brothers
Mark Metz - Dublin
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Funeral services were held Thursday, July 9, 2020 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski with Rev. Douglas Patterson officiating. Interment followed at the Highland Memory Gardens, Dublin. To sign the online guestbook, please visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com



GARLAND WAYNE LEESON

Garland Wayne Leeson, age 70 of Pulaski, left this earthly life on Monday, July 6, 2020, comfortably from his residence. He was born in Pulaski on Thursday, February 2, 1950 and was the son of the late Annie Lollie Leonard Leeson and Garnett Jefferson Leeson. Garland went to Pulaski High School, and afterward spent three years in the United States Navy. Upon returning to his home-town, he joined his father and family in their family business on Robinson Tract Road, named the Virginia Wilbert Vault Company. His business helped in the final disposition of thousands of people in Pulaski County. Garland ran the company for many years and the company retired when Garland retired. Garland yearned to be a part of and cherish his family's American native heritage. After retirement, he rearranged his entire life, following the footsteps of his ancestors. He became, "Humble Bear", and lived and breathed his ancestral lineage. Humble Bear witnessed many of his family leave this life to be with "Grandfather" in Heaven, including his son Garland Wayne Leeson, II or better known as "G", his brother Garnett Jefferson "Jeff" Leeson, Jr. and his brother Samuel Thomas Leeson. Garland is survived by his daughter; Wendy Dawn Leeson of Pulaski: his son; Tecumseh Vance Leeson of Montgomery County: His sisters: Margaret Atherton of NC, Wanda Sweet Zell of Draper, Velma LaRoche Miller of TN, Linda Kay Beverly, Janet Thompson of Pulaski, and Pamela Leeson Slaughter of Pulaski. He is also survived by three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

A private family gathering will be held at a later-date to celebrate his life. Garland wishes to thank all who supported him and his family while walking this earth!



SHIRLEY NOVELLA PAGAN HODGE

Shirley Novella Pagan Hodge, age 88 of Pulaski passed away Sunday, July 5, 2020 at the Highland Ridge Rehab Center, Dublin. Born September 28, 1931 in Pulaski she was the daughter of the late Gilbert Vincent Pagan & Mary Viola Andrews Pagan. Her husband, Conley Homer Hodge in 1992, a daughter, Shirley Delores Hodge, one sister and two brothers also preceded her in death.

She is survived by her
Children
Bradley Duane (Darlene Ann) Hodge - Draper
Deborah Hodge Anderson -

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Dublin
Glenda Gay Hodge – Whitegate
Connie (John) McGuire – Radford
Donna Hodge Surber – Dublin
Jonathan Hodge – Shiloh
Grandchildren
Aiesha Anderson, Shannon Whited, Chassidy Bales, Travis Akers, Brandi Jennings, Forrest Surber, Zachary Surber, Hollie Smith, Jacob Hodge, Madison Surber, Celeste Hodge, Great Grandchildren
Saige Pope, Sarah Pope, Kalob Bales, Jayden Hodge, Zachary Surber, Brantley Shouse, Kaya Harriman
Great Great Grandson Coalson Pope
Brother Ambrose Pagan – Youngstown, OH
Sister Betty Jo Hollarn – Youngstown, OH
A graveside funeral service was held Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at the Hodge Family Cemetery, (5341 Robinson Tract Road, Pulaski) with Owen McKinnie officiating.
To sign the online guestbook, please visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com
Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.

ELIZABETH SCOTT “BETSY” BANE

Elizabeth Scott “Betsy” Bane, 93, formerly of Pulaski, VA died Thursday, April 9, 2020.
Betsy’s memorial service will be held Friday, July 17, 2020 at 3:00 PM from the Stevens Funeral Home Chapel, Pulaski, VA. A private family burial will follow the service.
In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church, 135 Fourth St., NW, Pulaski, VA 24301.
Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.

MARGARET MARTIN YOUNG

Margaret Martin Young, age 84 of Dublin, known by many as Grandmamma or Mama Young, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, July 5, 2020 surrounded by family and loved ones. She was preceded in death by her father and mother, Holbert and Ruth Martin and her daughter, Susan Young.
Surviving are:
Loving husband of 68 years – Lewis “Grady” Young
Sons & Daughter-In-Law – Jerry Young
Richard and Diane Young
Daughter & Son-In-Law – Kathy and David Queen
Ten Grandchildren
Sixteen Great-Grandchildren
Two Great-Great-Grandchildren
Brothers & Sisters-In-Law – Gilbert Martin
Robert and Carol Martin
Alvis and Ella Martin
Sister & Brother-In-Law –

Gladys and Basil Burton

Many other surviving family members and close friends
Margaret Young was a faithful Christian who devoted her life to family and caring for others. She spent many years caring for young children, along with her many grandchildren. She is known best for her cooking and her sweet tea.
The family would like to give special thanks to Candice Draper, Samantha Dalton, Kathy Queen and Jennifer Sherrick for providing care to allow Mama Young to spend her last three months at home.
Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 8th, from the Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Don Sizemore officiating. A private graveside burial followed the service.
Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.

PRISCILLA HUBBARD SPENCER

Priscilla Hubbard Spencer age 68, of Barren Springs, V.A., passed away Thursday, July 2, 2020 in Roanoke VA. She was born May 16, 1952 in Pulaski VA, the daughter of the late Bill and O’Donna Nester Hubbard. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by two sisters Susann Hubbard and Louise Bolton. She is survived by her loving husband of 50 years Howard Douglas Spencer. Son Bruce Spencer of Iowa City, I.A.; sister and brother-in-law Jannie and Ronnie Smythers of Barren Springs; brother Joseph Brooks of Austin, T.X.; nephew Anthony Bolton and wife Jennifer of Savannah. G.A.; niece Emily and husband James Richardson of Pulaski, V.A.; niece Kelly Mims of Barren Springs; niece Anna Stitt and husband Josh of Barren Springs; and five special grandchildren, Keegan Mims, Tyler Mims, Caroline Mims, Ryland Stitt and Lilly Stitt. Priscilla loved her family and some of her happiest times were spent with family around the dining table. A memorial service will be announced & held at

a later date at the Glenwood United Methodist Church in Barren Springs VA.
Online condolences can be made to the family at www.highlandfuneralservice.com.

In Lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society.

The Reese Funeral Home in Austinville VA is serving the Spencer family.

WANDA JOYCE PUGH RORRER

Wanda Joyce Pugh Rorrer, 79, of Dublin, VA died Saturday morning, June 20, 2020 in Roanoke Memorial Hospital. She was born in Pulaski Co., VA on June 28, 1940 and was the daughter of Lawrence Melvin Pugh and Martha Bell Bentley Pugh. She was preceded in death by a wonderful husband of 62 years, James Daly Rorrer, SR., and son, Randall Duane Rorrer, and brother, Jerry Duane Pugh. Mrs. Rorrer was a retired pastor and evangelist with the Church of God of Prophecy. She worked in the ministry in many positions for

some 50 years. She was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother of six grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Surviving are:
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Grandchildren, Gregory W. Rupe
James P Rupe and Andrea Aaron J Rupe
Zachary C Rupe and Lauren Heather D Rivera
Cody J Rorrer
Great-Grandchildren Katie L Rupe
Levi D Rupe
Carter E Rupe
McKenna B Rupe
Sister-In-Law, Freda Edwards Pugh

A private family time was held at the graveside, Tuesday, June 23 and a Memorial Service will be held from the Steven Funeral Home chapel in Pulaski, VA with Rev. Doug Patterson officiating on Saturday, July 11th at 2:00 PM.
Arrangements by Steven Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA

TAMMY DAWN GALLIMORE JACKSON

Tammy Dawn Gallimore Jackson, age 59 of Pulaski passed away Saturday, June 6, 2020 at her home.
Born January 20, 1961 in Pulaski she was the daughter of Claris Dawn Edwards Gallimore and the late Walter Carner Gallimore. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Eddie Jackson.

She is survived by her Mother
Claris Dawn Edwards Gallimore-Dublin
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Walter Stephen (Lisa) Gallimore – Pulaski
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Trena Kay (Steve) Justus – Pulaski
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Memorial services will be held at 2:00 PM – Saturday, July 11, 2020 at the Peak Creek Mission of Prayer (Case Knife Road, Pulaski) with Rev. Dale Akers officiating.

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

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

ELIZABETH ANN PIFER

Elizabeth Ann Pifer (49) passed away June 28th following a four year fight against metastatic breast cancer. She is survived by her husband William Simpson Pifer of Dublin, their young daughter, Susanna E. (Simpson) Pifer. Also surviving are Elizabeth’s daughter Caitlin and son Josh Ferrell of Tucson, Az.

Elizabeth was an avid hiker and aspired to thru hike the AT with Will (ATY2K NOBO).

She was a compassionate person. She transcribed for a leading Lyme disease physician and other top clinics for many years. She was a former transcription manager at Fairfax INOVA.

She completed academic requirements to become a RN. She studied literature extensively, always carrying a stack of books.

She was a talented chef, baker and coffee roaster with business plans.

She wore Scarlet Begonias and loved NOLA.

OSCAR HILAND MEADOWS

Oscar Hiland Meadows, 89, of Dublin, passed away at his home on Thursday, July 2, 2020.

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

ALMA SUE THOMPSON HUBBLE

Alma Sue Thompson Hubble, 73, passed away at her home in Dublin on Friday, July 3, 2020.

The Hubble family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory in Radford, www.mullinsfuneralhome.com

RICHARD TYRONE STIGGER

Richard Tyrone Stigger, 61, passed away Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at his home in New River.

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

VIVIAN LEE VARNER SMITH

Vivian Lee Varner Smith, 85, of Dublin, passed away Wednesday, July 8, 2020.

The Smith family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory in Radford, www.mullinsfuneralhome.com

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Jefferson, Adams and July 4th

July 4 is an important date in our country's history. It was also an important date in the lives of two notable Founding Fathers who were friends and rivals. On July 4, 1776, both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams were in Philadelphia as the Second Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence. The Massachusetts lawyer Adams had been an outspoken advocate for independence from Britain, but when an author for the declaration was required, he encouraged Jefferson the Virginian to take the lead. Jefferson accepted the task and took up his pen. He drafted what he considered "an expression of the American mind."



Adams and Benjamin Franklin, also on the committee charged with writing the declaration, offered their comments on the draft, and then Congress began debating it on July 1. Jefferson resented that the body continued to change his work, but his ideals and language still shone through in the final draft approved on July 4. The words of the Declaration became famous, and so did its date of final adoption (although Adams had expected July 2, when Congress actually agreed to declare independence, to become the national holiday). The paths of Adams and Jefferson later crossed again in Europe. Both represented our young nation in France for a time in the 1780s. Adams, his wife Abigail, and Jefferson enjoyed each other's company as they dined and talked together in Paris.

When Adams went to Great Britain to serve as the American minister, Jefferson maintained a correspondence with John and Abigail and eventually visited them. After Adams introduced Jefferson to King George III, who treated the Virginian rudely, they toured the gardens of England and stole a sliver of wood from a chair at William Shakespeare's birthplace. After the ratification of the Constitution back home, Adams and Jefferson each assumed high office under the new government. Adams won election as the first vice president, and Jefferson was appointed secretary of state by President George Washington. Political differences pulled them apart in the 1790s. Adams aligned with the Federalists and Jefferson with the Democratic-Republicans. They faced each other in the election of 1796 after Washington chose to retire. Adams gained the most electoral votes and became president; under the rules of the time, since Jefferson earned the second-most votes, he became vice president. They disagreed profoundly over the direction of the country, including the possibility of war with France and the Alien and Sedition Acts. Adams did not consult Jefferson on his decisions, and Jefferson stoked opposition to Adams' administration. In 1800, the pair faced off again for the presidency. It was a nasty campaign, with the characters, back-grounds, and agendas of each savaged. Jefferson won this time. Early in the morning of Inauguration Day, Adams left Washington, D.C. for home, not wanting to participate in the ceremonies marking the transfer of power. While Jefferson served two terms as president, Adams brooded on his Massachusetts farm. But passions cooled, and their mutual friend Benjamin Rush encouraged the two to exchange letters. Adams finally wrote his old friend on New Year's Day 1812, and Jefferson quickly responded. As Adams wrote, "You and I ought not to die before we have explained ourselves to each other." Over the ensuing years, the former presidents exchanged 158 letters, ranging from discussions of day-to-day habits to great philosophical questions. Jefferson comforted Adams on the death of Abigail in 1818. Despite their political disagreements, politics remained up for debate in the letters. The disagreements remained, but any acrimony had faded. Their example still shines for us today. Americans may hold differing opinions, but we can hold them while still respecting each other, carrying on friendships, and exchanging our views without rancor. If Adams and Jefferson could do so after contending with each other for the highest office in the land, so can we in our daily lives. On Independence Day, when we celebrated the country we share, I hope we remembered their example. After all, they were deeply involved in the events of July 4, 1776 when, as Jefferson wrote Adams, "We acted in perfect harmony through a long and perilous contest for our liberty and our independence." And they would share one more notable July 4. On the 50th anniversary of the Declaration, July 4, 1826, Thomas Jefferson died at Monticello. His last words were said to be a question: "Is it the Fourth?" On the same day on his farm in Massachusetts, John Adams died. His last words: "Thomas Jefferson survives."

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In this now commonly referred term of "unprecedented times," we find ourselves with so many questions, concerns and uncertainties. Many of us are glued to whatever media source we trust to keep us informed and up to date on what's going on with COVID-19, social unrest, the economy, politics, etc. We have heard so many predictions, opinions, and prognostications, that basically the only thing we can be certain of is that no one really knows much about what is going on, where everything is headed, or how to best mitigate it all. Because of my position with the County, a lot of our fine citizens and business leaders have asked me what I think about everything that is taking place. The most consistent and common question I have received in the past three months has been, "what can we do to help?" It is actually one of my favorite questions to hear and typically one of my favorite to answer. Lately; however, I have had a hard time answering this question with confidence because of this most unusual, chaotic, and 'unprecedented' time. Therefore, I have thought long and hard about my response to this question, and think it may be time to share with you all my answer. Before I share, let me say it is a two-part answer because the challenges we face as a society and right here in our own community are just too comprehensive to address with only one



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Jonathan Sweet
Pulaski Co. Administrator

silver bullet. So here is the answer that so many of you have been waiting for. The first part, we all need to heed the commandment to love each other (our neighbors) as we love ourselves. It simply is not good enough for us to just love God, but it is commanded of us all to love each other also. If we all would truly do this, most of the problems we face on so many different levels would resolve themselves. The second, we need to support local. Amazon doesn't need any more of our business and they are more than two weeks behind on shipping your orders anyway. If you can find it local - buy it local. Directly support the businesses that pay taxes to Pulaski County. This action helps employ our citizens and is what funds our education system, local services, community programming and so much more. (Note: To help ensure you are supporting our local businesses and our community, please check with the Commissioner of Revenue at (540) 980-7750 to see if the Businesses you contract or transact with have a Pulaski County or town business license.) I know what you are thinking, this answer is either too simplistic to work or perhaps too difficult to oblige. Either way, I encourage us all to love our neighbors, each and every one of them, and to support our local businesses here in this place we proudly call home. Pulaski County is ... Supporting Local



Rich Lowery

Editor, National Review

The Coming 2020 Train Wreck

President Donald Trump and former Vice President Joe Biden agree on one thing -- the other side is trying to steal the election. Trump told a gathering of students in Phoenix that this "will be, in my opinion, the most corrupt election in the history of our country." The president of the United States actively undermining faith in the electoral process is gross and unprecedented, but he's not alone.

Asked by Trevor Noah of "The Daily Show" whether he worried the election would be rendered "moot" by his supporters being prevented from voting, Biden replied: "It's my greatest concern. My single greatest concern. This president is going to try to steal this election."

This wasn't an isolated comment. "Mark my words," he warned in May, "I think he is going to try to kick back the election somehow, come up with some rationale why it can't be held."

Yes, if there is one thing everyone can now agree on, it's our inability to pull off a free and fair election.

Perhaps a handy victory by Biden or, much less likely, Trump will take the edge off the postgame acrimony, but it is going to be ugly regardless. If the election is close, the aftermath will be a norm-busting extravaganza of conspiracy theories, lawsuits and, at the very least, threats to take it to the streets.

If Trump loses, there's unlikely to be a concession phone call -- one of the little grace notes of our democracy -- and he will argue that he was undone by Democratic cheating. Heck, he won in 2016 and still maintained he'd been cheated.

The transition would surely be unlike any we've ever seen, with the incumbent routinely insulting his soon-to-be successor. Trump would be likelier to live-tweet Biden's inauguration than to attend.

And if he wins, it could be even even worse.

There were protests in the streets after Trump won in 2016. In the supercharged atmosphere of 2020, we shouldn't be surprised by riots. After once again believing he'd inevitably lose and facing another intolerable four years of President Trump, the left's shock and despair would be unlike anything either side in our politics has experienced in memory.

One of the ironies of the 2016 election is that Democrats rightly scolded Trump for preparing the ground not to accept the election result. Then, when he won, they resisted accepting the result themselves, preferring to believe that the election had been stolen by Russia.

A close result will obviously magnify feelings on both sides. The Florida vote controversy of 2000 was the height of recent domestic contention over a presidential election. Looking back, though, it was remarkably tame.

With control of the presidency hanging by a thread in Florida, there were no large-scale demonstrations, let alone

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Letters To The Editor

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Who's 'divisive'?

As near as I can tell it began in 1995, when Republicans won control of the House of Representatives for the first time in 40 years and captured a Senate majority.

By "it" I mean the accusation that Republicans and especially conservatives (not always the same) are "divisive." One reads and hears this from every media outlet and Democrats in Congress. President Trump is dividing America. Talk radio is divisive. The right wing is undermining our "unity."

What is really meant by the divisive slur is that conservatives decided not to take it anymore. They are pushing back and the biggest push-backer of all is the president.

Only the latest example: The president last Saturday gave what was mostly a July 4 patriotic speech in South Dakota. He reminded us of what used to be widely accepted as traditional American principles. Predictable media reaction was summarized by a Wall Street Journal editorial. The president was accused of "stok(ing) a culture war" (Los Angeles Times) delivering a "divisive culture war message" (The New York Times), "push(ing) racial division" (Associated Press), and delivering a "dark speech" (The Washington Post).

Do none call this a conspiracy, or is it just the latest example of groupthink in a media industry that constantly promotes "diversity," but not ideological diversity? On his radio program Monday, Rush Limbaugh asked how it is divisive when one tells the truth? Ah, but therein lies the problem. We live in an era when truth is subjective, if it exists at all. There is no truth, except the "truth" of the left.

Where is it written that the left gets to control the political and cultural agenda and conservatives must bow to its ideology when, in fact, it is liberalism that has brought the nation to near cultural ruin? Which ideology is responsible for 60 million abortions, the welfare state and entitlement mentality, the promotion of any human relationship that can be conjured up in the most twisted of minds, family breakup, drugs, the teaching of a false American history, failing inner city public schools and much more?



Cal Thomas

Tribune Content Agency

When revisionists oppose these cultural revisionists, they are called divisive. Conservatives have little to defend. They should be holding the left accountable for the destruction caused by their ideology.

On a related topic, why do "reporters" never ask demonstrators where they come from? Do they hold jobs? Who made their signs? Are they being paid to be there, and if so, by whom? If they are from out of town and staying overnight to demonstrate and pull down statues the next day, who is paying for their hotel and food?

Democrats tolerated Republicans when they mostly surrendered to their legislative demands and judicial rulings. When Republicans began to realize they no longer had to take it lying down, that's when allegations of "divisiveness" began.

Karl Marx wrote: "Revolution in general - the overthrow of the existing power and dissolution of previous relations - is a political act. Socialism cannot be realized without a revolution. But when its organizing activity begins...its soul comes forward, then socialism casts aside its political cloak."

We are experiencing the result of a new American revolution, one that seeks to impose socialism - and worse -- on the nation. It is not divisive to push back against those who would "fundamentally transform America" into their political and social image, as Joe Biden has promised to do if he becomes president.

Pushing back against this toxic tide was once known as patriotism.

(Readers may email Cal Thomas at tcaditors@tribpub.com. Look for Cal Thomas' new book "America's Expiration Date: The Fall of Empires and Superpowers and the Future of the United States" (HarperCollins/Zondervan).





Pulaski County GOP photo

Trump 4th of July Boat Parade

The Pulaski County Republican Party organized a Trump Boat Parade on Claytor Lake last weekend on July 4th. The event was deemed a success as the party said over 80 boats participated. It was one of several such events across the nation.

Pulaski man arrested after motor vehicle accident on Mt. Olivet Rd.

On July 7, 2020 at 9:15 p.m. The Town of Pulaski Police Department responded to the 600 Block of Mount Olivet Road in reference to a motor vehicle crash with a report of injuries.

While investigating the crash Officers determined that one of the drivers involved, Walter Vance Erps Jr. 31 of Pulaski was potentially intoxicated. Further investigation resulted in Erps being arrested and charged with Driving Under the Influence and Refusal. He was transported to the New River Valley Regional Jail where he was held on a secured bond.

The other party in the crash was transported to the Emergency Room at Lewis Gale Hospital – Pulaski for non-life threatening injuries. Erps was not injured during the crash.

If you have any information about this incident you are encouraged to call and speak with the investigating Officer L. Wilson at (540) 994-8680.

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violence. The legal briefs flew fast and furious and both former President George W. Bush and former Vice President Al Gore wanted to win and distrusted the legal and electoral maneuvers of the other side.

Yet there were things that neither of them would say in public and both of them were willing, if it came to that, to concede with grace. Both men were shaped by the post-World War II consensus in American politics. They had absorbed its standards and reflexively honored its guardrails.

That was 20 years, and an eon ago.

Sherwin Williams Paint Store in Pulaski closing this Friday

Patriot Staff Report

After over 40 years in business, the Sherwin Williams Paint Store on Jefferson Avenue in Pulaski is closing.

The store will close Friday, according to a store employee.

The closing effects three employees.

The store sells Sherwin-Williams brand interior and exterior paint, painting equipment, stains, and wallpaper.

Currently the company’s website lists other store locations in this region as being located in Radford at 717 W. Main Street, Christiansburg, Marion, Mt. Airy and Bluefield.





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Open Forum

Masking & Social Distancing – Where Does One 'Right' End and Another Begin?

To The Editor,

Almost from the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, face masks and social distancing have been strongly recommended by every medical organization in the United States to help prevent the spread of the virus. The Centers for Disease Control clearly explains on their web-site that, “. . . face coverings are recommended as a simple barrier to help prevent respiratory droplets from traveling into the air and onto other people when the person wearing the cloth face covering coughs, sneezes, talks, or raises their voice. This is called source control. This recommendation is based on what we know about the role respiratory droplets play in the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19, paired with emerging evidence from clinical and laboratory studies that shows cloth face coverings reduce the spray of droplets when worn over the nose and mouth. COVID-19 spreads mainly among people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet), so the use of cloth face coverings is particularly important in settings where people are close to each other or where social distancing is difficult to maintain.”¹ In other words, when a person wears a face mask and attempts to maintain a minimum of 6 feet distance between others, (s)he is making every effort to protect others in the event that the person wearing the mask may be a carrier of the disease, even without knowing it.

None of this is news. We hear it every single night and day on and in every media source imaginable. So what is the problem?

Recently I visited a popular gas station/market/deli in our county, during lunch on a week day. In the length of time I was there, I would estimate that approximately 30 people came in and out of the establishment – plus the 4 staff members that I could see. Of that total, I was 1 of 2 people wearing a mask and attempting (though miserably failing) to maintain social distancing! (I won't be returning there until we have no more COVID!)

I would imagine that if the customers and staff had been polled regarding why they were not wearing face masks or trying to maintain 6 feet of distance between others, some of the answers would have included: “too hot”; “I don't believe all that stuff”; “it's not required anymore”; or even, “I have the right to choose not to wear a mask or stand 6 feet away from other people!”


To this last “reason,” I would agree that everyone certainly has the right to choose whether or not to follow the recommendations. Then listen – really listen – to the reports of the increasing spread of the COVID virus. Doesn't that other person whom we meet during the course of our day have the right not to be exposed to the virus from someone not wearing a mask and standing too close, and potentially become extremely sick or die??

Think about it the next time you choose to enjoy your right not to follow COVID precautionary measures. Please.

Terri Stuart
Pulaski, Virginia

¹The Centers for Disease Control at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cloth-face-cover-guidance.html>

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County woman dies in Giles crash

Virginia State Police is investigating a two-vehicle fatal crash in Giles County. The crash occurred July 6, 2020 at 11:55 a.m. on Route 100, less than a mile north of Animal Sanctuary Road.

A 2017 Dodge Caravan was traveling north on Route 100 when it crossed the centerline and struck head-on a 2019 Toyota Corolla.

The driver of the Toyota, Taylor D. Quesenberry, 27, of Pulaski, Va. She died at the scene. She was

wearing a seat belt.

The driver of the Dodge, Lawrence E. Bowman, 77, of Christiansburg, Va., was flown to Roanoke Memorial Hospital for treatment of serious injuries. He was wearing a seat belt.

The Virginia State Police Wytheville Division Crash Reconstruction Team is assisting with the ongoing crash investigation.

Two arrested for robbery, abduction

The Town of Pulaski Police Department responded at 10:34 a.m. Tuesday morning to Washington Square Apartments in reference to suspicious persons possibly holding someone at gunpoint.

Officers arrived and identified Eric Garrard Cherry, 63 of Whitsett, N.C. and Chrisley Ann Adkins-Davis, 40 of Greensboro, N.C. as suspects in an alleged robbery and abduction.

The initial investigation revealed that the robbery and abductions stemmed from an illegal narcotics transaction.

Cherry was charged with robbery and two counts of abduction. Adkins-Davis was charged with robbery, two counts of abduction, assault and battery, and false identification to police.

Both are being held without bond at the New River Valley Regional Jail.

The incident is still under investigation and more charges are pending. If you have any information about this incident you are encouraged to call and speak with the investigating officer, D. Jones at 540-994-8680.

Deputies arrest man after shooting incident

On Friday July 3, 2020 at approximately 8:00 p.m. Deputies from Pulaski County Sheriff's

Office were called to respond to the 1500 block of Julia Simpkins Road in reference to an intoxicated male subject making threats while discharging a firearm.

When Deputies arrived on scene they observed the suspect, James Theodore “Teddy” Allison driving away from the scene and were able to stop Allison in a field close by.

Deputies immediately observed that Allison was intoxicated and located the firearm in his vehicle.

Allison was arrested and warrants were obtained for Driving Under the Influence, Reckless Handling of a Firearm and Hunting While Intoxicated.

Allison is being held without bond at the New River Valley Regional Jail.

Sons of Confederate Veterans to meet in Christiansburg

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp #1784 will meet on Tuesday, July 14, 7 pm at Aly's Family Italian Restaurant at 3204 Riner Road, Christiansburg.

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I was back at our pad, the one I share with Anna Marie, who is a Brittany Spaniel and one great grouse hunting dog. I shared with you readers how she helped my man, Jim Brown an avid bird hunter and pretty good all-around outdoorsman in a hunt last fall. This was the time Anna Marie, being smaller than me, was able to go onto the high-walls of some old mined out strip mines and jump some grouse for Jim and his wife, Margo. Margo is a Creole of French descent and helps keep Anna Marie in check. I am Luke, a Golden Retriever, and have learned a great deal of French words from Anna Marie who was taught by Margot. Jim met Margo, in the French Quarter of New Orleans after he took a job out of college. They got hitched up and eventually got this large spread that we all enjoy back here in Virginia

They have fixed us a good run with a couple of good houses that have central air conditioning for Anna Marie and me to enjoy. I went on a fishing trip with my man Jim and his good wife, Margo. It had been some scorching hot days and Anna Marie elected not to leave the confines of our cool quarters. She is always playing tricks on me such as I have to look for an occasionally

hidden water bowl. I had hoped to pay her back with a joke or prank from this fishing trip.

The fishing spot was a large pond and entailed a drive of about an hour and a half. The rains had been swelling a lot of our streams near our abode and we opted for this at a place Jim and Margot had hunted grouse and doves. This was at G.W. Scott's large farm that had been in the family since the late seventeen-hundreds. When we approached the place, you could tell as old iron-wheeled farm machinery looked like they never took them to trade for newer machinery. The same was true for old trucks and automobiles that lined the lane past the large fish-pond. We met G.W. coming out of his shop and storage facility.

"Hey Folks, good to see you. There are some good Bass, Bream and Rockfish (Redeyes) in the pond. There's a Granddaddy of a large-mouth bass that my boy, Dave and I have tried to hook." Jim and Margot got all their equipment out and were soon hooking into a number of fish with their spinning tackle. I was getting stretched out to observe under a nice shade tree, I heard G.W. mutter something to Jim and Margo as he was going back into the shed to the effect,



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"Watch out for the Edsel."

"I soon found out what that meant," I related to Anna Marie. Margo and Jim were catching and releasing their catches of the ones named by G.W. as they had put some on ice but no trophy-size ones. Jim was about to call it a day, but decided to try his favorite fly rod with a popper fly. It got its name as it was a surface cork-type fly that was make to jump or pop along the surface as one occasionally jerked the line. He soon hooked into one that was no doubt the one that G.W. described or one like him. The big fish broke water once and then made a run toward the far end of the pond and my Jim was walking the bank trying to turn the fish that was at least two feet in length. I got up and followed along behind. It was then that I spotted a shadow in water that was where something had

been pushed into the water that appeared to be an old car and the bass was not to be turned by Jim and was heading for it. The line was taut for a few seconds then went slack. Jim turned around in disgust and said to me, "Luke, lets load your Cherokee, I'll tell you and Margo on the way home what happened." Jim said, "It seems when G.W. said lookout for the Edsel, he evidently had been taken in by with the failed endeavor by Ford Motor Company by that name that had all this "pushbutton gadgetry." He hadn't just parked the car along with the other Junkers, but tried to rid himself of the sight of it by pushing it into the deep end of the pond.

Anna Marie was all alert now as her ears were perked up and asked, "What happened to Jim and the big "Granddaddy Fish" that was there at the car?" "Oh, Anna Marie, il a roule la fonetre, (he rolled up the window)."

Roll is used as a verb above but is also a noun in the old familiar hymn by the title; "When the Roll is Called up Yonder." I plan on being there. You can get on that roll too if you are not already.

Until next time

MLB 2020 schedule: Yanks-Nats, S.F.-L.A. open July 23

NEW YORK (AP) — Mookie Betts, Gerrit Cole and a pair of high-profile matchups are set for opening day as Major League Baseball begins its shortened 60-game season on July 23 in ballparks without fans amid the coronavirus pandemic.

MLB released the schedule Monday, and it starts with two games. Cole and the New York Yankees visit the World Series champion Washington Nationals at 7:08 p.m. EDT, then Betts and his new Los Angeles Dodgers teammates host the San Francisco Giants at 10:08 p.m.

There are 14 games on July 24, including the first matchup at new Globe Life Field in Texas when the Rangers take on Colorado. The same day, Anthony Rendon and the Los Angeles Angels visit Oakland and the Cincinnati Reds host Detroit.

"Seeing the schedule makes it a little more real," Reds manager David Bell said. "We can all start to plan a little better, have an idea what our life is going to be like and where we're going to be the next several months."

"It will make it more realistic: Hey, this is about to happen in just over two weeks now."

The season ends on Sept. 27, with all 30 teams starting their games at 3 p.m. EDT to possibly make for a final-day playoff scramble. Most games this season, however, are at night.

Teams will play 40 games against their division opponents. The other 20 will be interleague games, including six against a natural opponent taking on clubs in their corresponding geographic region — East vs. East, for example.

Games planned for London, Mexico City and Puerto Rico already have been canceled.

Among the schedule highlights:

— The St. Louis Cardinals take on the Chicago White Sox next to the "Field of Dreams" cornfield outside Dyersville, Iowa, on Aug. 13.

— Jackie Robinson Day, usually celebrated on April 15, will be held Aug. 28 — that's the date the Rev. Martin Luther King led the March on Washington in 1963, and also the date Brooklyn Dodgers owner

Kentucky up next on NASCAR schedule

Up next on the NASCAR Cup Series schedule is the Quaker State 400 presented by Walmart this Sunday, July 12, at 4 p.m. ET on FS1, PRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

This weekend's event will mark the 10th time the NASCAR Cup Series has competed at Kentucky Speedway, dating back to the inaugural race on July 9, 2011 — the race was won by Joe Gibbs Racing's Kyle Busch.

The nine previous series races at Kentucky have produced six

different pole winners — Kyle Busch, Dale Earnhardt Jr., Jimmie Johnson, Brad Keselowski, Martin Truex Jr. and Daniel Suarez — and five different race winners led by Brad Keselowski with three wins (2012, 2014, 2016); followed by Kyle Busch with two (2011, 2015), Martin Truex Jr. with two (2017, 2018), Matt Kenseth (2013) and Kurt Busch (2019) each have one.

Daniel Suarez became the youngest series pole winner at Kentucky Speedway last sea-

son (07/13/2019) at the age of- 27 years, 6 months, 6 days. Dale Earnhardt Jr. is oldest series pole winner at Kentucky (06/30/2013 - 38 years, 8 months, 20 days).

With Kyle Busch's win in the inaugural series event at Kentucky (07/09/2011), he became the youngest series driver to win at Kentucky at the age of 26 years, 2 months, 7 days. Matt Kenseth holds the record for the oldest driver to win at Kentucky with his 2013 victory at the age of 41 years, 3 months, 20 days.

In total four different organizations have visited Victory Lane at Kentucky Speedway in the NASCAR Cup Series; led by Team Penske and Joe Gibbs Racing, who are tied for the series-most wins at Kentucky Speedway with three each. Furniture Row Racing also has two wins and Chip Ganassi Racing got their first win last season at Kentucky with driver Kurt Busch.

Happy Harvick is running away from the competition
Stewart-Haas Racing's Kevin

Harvick is off to strong start in 2020. Not only does the veteran lead the NASCAR Cup Series driver standings by 85 points over second place Chase Elliott, but he also is now tied with Denny Hamlin for the series-most wins this year with four victories each. Harvick has held the top spot in the points since Phoenix back in March.

Harvick's four wins this season are just the tip of his dominance this year, he also has collected 22 Playoff points, put up two stage wins and the series-most top fives (nine) and top 10s (13). Plus, he has led the series-most laps this season (640 laps led, 14.81% of his laps completed).

Kentucky Speedway and the Charlotte ROVAL are the only two tracks on the active schedule Harvick has yet to win at. In nine starts at Kentucky he has posted one top five, six top 10s and an average finish of 10.8. He finished 22nd in this event last season.

Hamlin on the rebound after Indy

Joe Gibbs Racing's Denny Hamlin is looking to rebound this weekend at Kentucky Speedway, after leading late in the race last

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AND

OMAR ROMERO

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

On December 20, 2019, the Commonwealth of Virginia, acting through the Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney of Pulaski County filed an Information seeking the forfeiture of the above referenced property. Service of such Information was completed upon one of the Respondents; however, the Commonwealth has filed an affidavit, stating under oath, that Respondent:

Omar Romero

cannot be found and that diligence has been used without effect to ascertain the location of the respondent to be served. The last known mailing address of Respondent Romero is:

1723 Stradford Street
Galax, Virginia 24333

Upon consideration, this Order of Publication is GRANTED, and it is hereby ORDERED that the above-named Respondent shall appear in the Circuit Court of Pulaski County on or before **July 20, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.**, after proper publication of this Order, to protect his or her interest in this cause.

ENTERED this 19th day of May, 2020.

TESTE: MAETTA H. CREWE

By *Debra L. Allet*
 Deputy Clerk

Prepared by:

C. Ryan Hupp

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 VSB #86825
 Volunteer Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney
 For Pulaski County, Virginia
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Free physicals offered at PCHS Wednesday

Pulaski County High School, in conjunction with Lewis Gale Hospital Pulaski, will again be providing sports physicals to Pulaski County Public School students who will be enrolled in the 6th through 12th grades during the 2020-2021 school year. The physicals will take place at PCHS in the Career and Technical Education Building on Wednesday, July 15 beginning at 2:00 pm and concluding at 6:00 pm. The cost will be \$10 dollars and students should arrive with their Virginia High School League physical form completed and signed by both student AND parent/guardian. (Parents and Students should complete all of pages 1, 2 and 4 of the VHSL physical form. Physicians will complete page 3 the day of physicals). Physical forms are available in the front offices of Pulaski County High School, Pulaski Middle School, and Dublin Middle School, or can be printed at vhs.org.

In an attempt to expedite this process and follow CDC guidelines for social distancing, we will ask students to arrive/attend physicals with their respective sports teams at the below assigned times. Current middle school students should arrive no earlier than 4:30 pm to prevent overcrowding and congestion.

2:00 pm: Football, Golf, Volleyball

3:00 pm: Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Baseball, Softball,

3:30 pm: Wrestling, Swim, Sideline Cheer, Competition Cheer, Boys Tennis, Girls Tennis

4:00 pm: Track (XC-Indoor-Outdoor), Girls Soccer, Boys Soccer

4:30 pm: Middle School Student Athletes

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- Participants will be grouped and/or seen by team, staggered blocks, or limited entrance of 10-15 based on provider participation.

- Hand Gel and Sanitizing Wipes for disinfection after each examination.

NASCAR

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Sunday at Indianapolis Motor Speedway only to lose the lead with late-race tire trouble that sent his No. 11 Toyota into the Turn 1 wall.

Hamlin is now fifth in the NASCAR Cup Series driver standings, 109 point behind Harvick in the standings lead despite being tied with him for the series-most wins this season with four each.

This season, Hamlin and crew

chief Chris Gabehart have been clicking on all cylinders, in 16 starts they have produced four wins, four stage wins, nine top fives and 10 top 10s. His average finish this season is 10.2 and leads the series in Playoff points with 23.

Kentucky has been pretty good to Hamlin in the past. He has made nine series starts at the 1.5-mile facility, posting four top fives and an average finish of 14.9.

Baseball

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Branch Rickey talked to Robinson in 1945 about a future in the majors.

— Roberto Clemente Day will be held Sept. 9.

— The 100th anniversary of the Negro Leagues will be celebrated on Aug. 16.

— Oakland pitcher Mike Fiers will get his first look at his former Houston teammates on Aug. 7 at the empty Coliseum. Fiers blew the whistle on the Astros' sign-stealing scam, which dominated baseball talk throughout the winter before the virus shut down the sport.

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PSA Capital Fund

Revenues:

Transfer from Capital Reserves	\$	1,782,059.00
Total Revenues	\$	1,782,059.00

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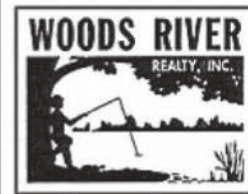


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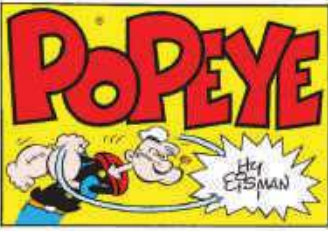
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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

NO WORK, TOLD TO STAY AT HOME WITH NOTHING TO DO BUT BINGE-WATCH ON THE SOFA. I NEED TO REMIND MY HUSBAND THIS PANDEMIC IS A BAD THING.

LAFF-A-DAY



"Your Honor, do you think the jury will take your advice or just use common sense?"

SCRAMBLERS

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

Crushed
KNOBER

Loath
RESAVE

Gentle
COILED

Induct
CURRITE

TODAY'S WORD



"Will you marry me? We both the same things."

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Actor Carrey

4 Weapon of mouse destruction

8 Zits

12 Man-mouse link

13 Midwestern state

14 Addition sign

15 The national pastime

17 Node

18 — pro quo

19 British patrolman

20 First lady before Michelle

22 Old MacDonald's place

24 Twistable cookie

25 Fort Dix, for one

29 Sea (Fr.)

30 Gray matter

31 Snapshot

32 You might run on one to get home

34 "The lady — protest too much"

35 Drench

36 Cow catcher

37 Underground chamber

40 Close

41 Villainous look

DOWN

1 Task

2 401(k) alternative

3 Costume party guests (Var.)

4 Leg bone

5 Street

6 Piercing tool

7 Crony

8 Poise

9 Organization

10 Unfeeling

11 Catch sight of

16 Continental coin

19 — Mawr College

20 Bausch's partner

21 Vicinity

22 Candid

23 Grenoble girlfriend

25 La Scala showstopper

26 Renunciation of a faith

27 Perches

28 Reverberate

30 Rorschach sample

33 — de corps

34 Smear

36 Tibet's capital

37 Dressed

38 Nevada city

39 Bigfoot's cousin

40 Goblet feature

42 Medic

43 Big bother

44 Seek damages

45 Em halves

top ten

Beach Trash Items*

1. Cigarette butts
2. Food wrappers
3. Plastic bottle caps
4. Plastic drink bottles
5. Beverage cans
6. Straws, stirrers
7. Glass bottles
8. Plastic bags
9. Metal bottle caps
10. Plastic/foam packaging

* International Coastal Cleanup

Source: Nature Conservancy

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which U.S. highway is known by the nickname "the Mother Road"?
2. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of cocktail contains ginger beer, lime juice and vodka?
3. SCIENCE: What kind of cloud produces thunderstorms?
4. MUSIC: How many musicians play in a quartet?
5. GEOGRAPHY: Which of the seven continents is the driest?
6. MOVIES: What word is on Austin Powers' license plate in "Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery"?
7. HISTORY: What was the ancient Sumerian form of writing called?
8. TELEVISION: What is the name of Bert's roommate on the children's show "Sesame Street"?
9. ANATOMY: How many lobes is the human brain divided into?
10. MEASUREMENTS: How much liquid does a standard jigger hold?

Answers

1. Route 66
2. Moscow Mule
3. Cumulonimbus
4. Four
5. Antarctica
6. Swinger
7. Cuneiform
8. Emile
9. Four
10. 1.5 ounces

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLITOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Answers

King Crossword

Americanisms

Solution time: 27 mins.

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: R equals D

D DMFDKOR KGO PVJEM KV GOTX JO

QBO KGO SUVPCU COSEQBO D

RDRM'K PEMK KV TOFOU ETVMO.

CryptoQuip

answer

I invited the woman to help me

didn't want to leave alone.

— Andy Stanley

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R P W A U V L E I N O S M L P
J O I N R R E P A R C S Y K S
T S A M N I A M G K E D B A Y
X M W U T S G Q P O N L K J H

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: WORLD'S TALLEST MOUNTAIN

Antenna	Manute Bol	Pyramid	Stilts
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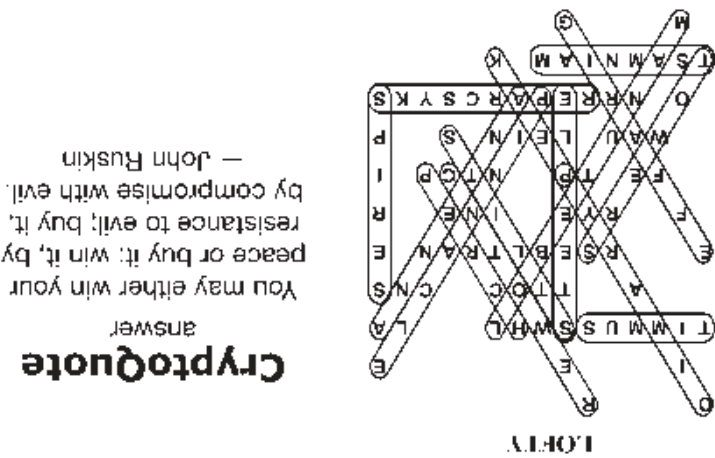
CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's. **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

BND PHB YKGFYI TKL BNDI
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— MNFL IDXCKL

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You may either win your peace or buy it; win it, by resistance to evil; buy it, by compromise with evil.
— John Ruskin

CryptoQuote
answer

ALFORD

Eye Chart

There doesn't seem to be any type of antique that isn't sold at auctions, flea markets or shops. We were surprised years ago at a flea market when a dealer was offering a wooden artificial leg. It was sold an hour after we saw it. He said it went to a woman who wanted to make a statue, and she had wondered if he had any more. We have seen many sets of false eyes sold, samples of what surgeons would use to replace a missing eye. And bottles of cures too strange to describe.

This is a 19th-century optician's eye test chart made of black painted wood from Andrew Spindler Antiques & Design, a shop in Essex, Massachusetts. It has a metal lamp visor and a linen scroll with letters of different sizes. It was purchased at an antiques show in New York City about 18 years ago for about \$1,800. It has since been rewired and the scroll restored, and it was priced at \$2,200. Keep your eyes open at antiques shops and you may find another eye test chart. It will certainly be a rare antique. Wonder what the prescribed glasses looked like? Lots of collectors can show you their favorite odd antique. Sometimes those are the most fun.

Q: Do you know who made the first commercial ice cream scoop or dipper, and what it looked like? Any other interesting information about serving ice cream in a soda shop would help me with a school paper.

A: We are told George Washington liked ice cream made from ice cut from a frozen river. Without refrigeration, ice was a luxury,

KOVELS
Antiques & Collecting
By Terry and Kim Kovel



This 1880s optician's eye test chart was made by Globe Optical Co. of Boston and was for sale in a Massachusetts antiques shop for \$2,200. It's painted wood with a metal lamp visor and has a linen scroll with rows of letters in graduated sizes.

so ice cream was for the very rich. The first U.S. ice cream factory was started in Philadelphia in 1851. The first ice cream scoop was made in Pennsylvania in 1876 by George William Clewell. It was shaped like a tin cone with an attached handle.

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Automobilia, tractor seat, cast iron, American Harrow Co., c. 1880, 14 x 15 1/2 inches, \$145.

Loetz, crete pampas, green iridescent, squat base, baluster mouth, signed, 1899, 8 1/2 inches, \$415.

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* Consumer advocacy experts say that it's best to communicate your service issues with a company by email. This way, there is a ready paper trail that you can refer to. If you have to call a customer service line, ask for an email address that you can correspond with.

* If your scallions are growing like crazy, you should know that you can freeze them to use later. Snip into smaller portions and freeze in a single layer for a couple of hours. Transfer to a container and store in freezer. When a recipe calls for scallions, just take what you need and use immediately.

* Save energy and heat by using an electric kettle to make hot water for tea. It uses less energy than a stovetop kettle, and it won't heat up your kitchen.

* Stuff a musty cooler with crumpled up newspaper and seal. Remove and replace daily until the musty smell goes away.

* When making cookie dough, make extra and freeze it in balls or slices. You'll have an easy source of ready-to-bake fresh cookies!

* "You can use dishwasher detergent to clean your bathtub. I moved into a place with a very stained and dirty bathtub. I filled the tub with very hot water, put a

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cup of detergent into the water (the kind you put in a dishwasher, not soap) and stirred it to dissolve the powder. After letting it sit until it was just warm, I used a scrub brush to lightly lift away the soapy grime. It lifted stains out, too." -- G.G. in South Carolina

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Christ the Healer

Mark 5:25-29. "And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years. And has suffered many things of many Physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse. When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched His garment. For she said, if I may touch but His clothes, I shall be whole. And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of the plague."

Blood is the life of the body. Without it the body will die. This poor woman had been hemorrhaging for 12 long years. Her body was weak from the loss of blood. Due to the kind of disease she had, she had become an outcast of society. She was considered unclean.

When she touched Jesus it didn't make Jesus unclean. Rather, Jesus made her clean.

The physicians had tried various cures on her, but none worked. Now she had no more money for further treatment. She needed a touch from the Master. Something wonderful happens in our lives when we receive a touch from Him.

No sick person ever came to Jesus and left still sick. But this poor woman's problem was getting to Jesus so she could be healed.

She believed in her heart of hearts that if she could only push through the crowd and get to Jesus, she would be made whole.

The crowd that followed Jesus from place to place was so large, it was difficult to get to Jesus. But she was desperate so she had to try. Desperate times call for desperate measures.

No one else could help this poor woman. But Jesus could and did. There's an old adage that says, "Man's extremities are God's opportunities."

She exercised her faith. Faith is like a muscle. It must be exercised to strengthen and grow. So in faith, she pushed her way through the crowd, to get to the miracle worker. She knew what we all should know. There is no sickness that Jesus can't heal; there is no sinner that Jesus can't save; and there is no miracle that Jesus can't perform.

Jesus is a healer. And when and where Jesus sees faith in action, it moves Him to action.

This poor sick woman didn't call for the elders to pray for her for she would have been turned away due to her condition. So she went to Jesus. Jesus is the source of all divine healing. "By His stripes, we are healed."

Please don't ever let anyone convince you that healing was only for the days when Jesus was ministering on the earth; or only for the early church; or only for the apostolic days. Healing is provided for in the atonement. If God worked miracles of healing back then, He will still do it today. Why? Because God is immutable. He never changes. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. The gifts of Healings is one of the nine gifts of the Holy Spirit that God has placed in the Church. The working of miracles is another gift of the Spirit. You will never find in the bible where God took back these gifts that He placed in the Church. God still heals today and still works miracles today.

If a person doesn't believe in divine healing and miracles, it is sure and certain that they will never experience a healing or a miracle of any kind.

See MCCRAW, page B7

Draper Valley Baptist Church

3200 Lee Highway
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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

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552 E. Main Street
Dublin, Va. 24084
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674-1762
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Wednesday Night 7 to 8 p.m.
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3080 Greenbriar Road
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Primary Service Times:
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Worship, 11 a.m.
Phone: 276-477-3835

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Disciples of Christ
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Rev. Denise and Ken Walker
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Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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Pastor Mark Asbury
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Sunday School is 10 - 10:45am
Ricky Dishon, 540 239 6360, www.facebook.com/cecilschapel.umc

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5155 Wilderness Road
Exit 98 off I-81 Newbern
Rev. Paige Wimberly
674-6111
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Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
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Evening Service: 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.
Wednesday, Adult Bible Study 7 p.m.

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301 N. Jefferson Ave. - Pulaski
(physical address)
135 Fourth St., NW - Pulaski
(mailing address)
Pastor's Name: Will Shelton
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Sunday Services
9:00 AM - Hispanic Worship
9:00AM - Contemporary Worship
10:00AM - Sunday School
11:00AM - Traditional Worship
Contact Info.
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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
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Memorial Baptist Church

995 Peppers Ferry Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Michael S. Jones
Sunday
9:45 am - Sunday School
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Sunday school - 10 am - 11 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 11 am - 12 pm
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Wednesday- 6 pm
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Dinner - 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm
2nd Wed Each Month - Missions service
6:45 pm - 7:30 pm

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Rev. Annette Cheek
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Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting &
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School - 9:45 am
Praise & Worship Small Group - 10:00 am
Worship - 10:55 am

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jcollinsfreedomfellowship@yahoo.com
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11 a.m. Children's Church
Wednesday - 7 p.m. Service
7 p.m. Youth Service

Draper's Valley Presbyterian (PCA)

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Mailing address: Same as above
Pastor's Name: Rev. Robert E. Davis
Associate Pastor: Rev. Roland Mathews
Primary Service Times:
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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
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website - www.dvpca.org

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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
(June - Aug.)
Bible Study: Wednesday, 12:30
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Trinity United Methodist

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Sunday Worship - 9:45 a.m.
Bible Study - Wednesday, 7 p.m.
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Pulaski, Va.
Phone - 980-0820

Snowville Baptist Church

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Sunday Services: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service: 7 p.m.

Fairlawn United Methodist Church

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Sunday Worship (with children's message):
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Bible Study, Wednesday: 7 p.m.
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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.
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Children's and Youth's Group Classes: 7 p.m.

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Wednesday Bible Study and Children's Bible
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Service 11 a.m.
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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
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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
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First Dublin Presbyterian Church (ECO)
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P.O. Box 2027, Dublin, Va. 24084
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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.

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Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Donald Jones
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McCraw

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She managed to touch the hem of His garment but it wasn’t the clothing that Jesus wore that brought healing to this poor sick woman. It was her faith in Jesus.

She was healed immediately, when she believed and acted on her faith. Faith must be put into action or it will not bring a miracle of healing from God. She believed that she would be healed and her faith brought her healing.

When she touched the hem of His garment, suddenly Jesus stopped and said, “Someone touched me.” The Disciples said back to Jesus, “We’re surrounded by a multitude of people. There are many who are touching You.” But Jesus said, “Oh, but this touch was different. I felt healing virtue go out of me.”

Seeing that she had been discovered she came forward and admitted that she was the one who touched Jesus. Jesus had the pow-

er of discernment and He could have discerned who it was that touched Him, but He wanted to give this woman the opportunity to testify to the healing power of God in her life.

When God works a miracle in our lives, He expects us to share it with others. And when we do, it helps to build up their faith. What God has done for others, He will do for you and me.

If you need healing; if you need a miracle from God, only believe, only believe, all things are possible if you’ll only believe. So name your miracle and claim your miracle in the mighty name of Jesus, and then expect your miracle to come. It will come if you’ll get down to business with God and claim it, in faith believing.

A woman came to an evangelist one evening saying “I’ve been praying for my husband to get saved and it hasn’t happened.”

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Pastor Becky Wheeler
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

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540-980-3336
Email: firstbaptist220@gmail.com
Pastor: Rev, Douglas Patterson
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Monday's Child Youth Group, Monday
Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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

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6598 Annie Akers Road
Radford, VA 24141
(540) 639-3443
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Wednesday Night
Prophetic Teaching: 6:30 pm

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1555 Case Knife Road
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Pastor Darrell Gray
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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.
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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.
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Wednesday Bible Study: 6 p.m.

Trinity Baptist Church
4008 Robinson Tract Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Telephone: 980-8186
Pastor Johnny Howlett
Minister of Education Rev. Steve Taylor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Adult Bible Study and Youth
Group - 7 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church
2640 Max Creek Road
P.O. Box 326
Hiwassee, VA 24347
Pastor: Jason N. Aker
Phone: 276-699-3176
pastorjasonaker@gmail.com
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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Billy Graham

*God is only
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us only*

Q: I have been treated for several disorders and my mother who I believe loves me cannot understand why I can't "snap" out of my deep-seated troubles. It keeps both of us frustrated. Why can't she understand that my problems are things that cannot be seen, only felt? - F.C.

A: Years ago science devised a remarkable machine called the body scanner that can detect disorders in the body which evade even the X-ray. Sometimes we have hurts too deep and sensitive for others to see or help.

God Himself is the only one who can understand us fully. The psalmist wrote: "O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off" (Psalm 139:1-2).

Who but God Himself can scan the invisible person - the heart, the soul, and the spirit? Only God can answer. Only He can diagnose our problem accurately. There are hurts in our personalities too deep and too complicated for even the most sophisticated modern techniques to diagnose or to solve.

And He doesn't just leave us alone to suffer the diagnosis. He shows us how to solve it; and when there is no human solution, He will give us grace to live with it and bring us peace. This is hard for people to accept when they have refused making Jesus Master of their lives.

When we submit ourselves completely to the Lord, He comes alongside and guides us every step of the way. He gives us His very presence that comforts. He gives us His power for endurance that makes us strong. He reveals His purpose so that we might gain insight into our situation. And He can produce within us valuable qualities that will strengthen and mold our lives. May we let the Holy Spirit of God make Jesus Lord in our lives (1 Corinthians 12:3).

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

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This kid's a planner!

Dear Dave,
What would be your advice for someone who is renting an apartment but has never rented before? I'm 16, and I'm trying to create a plan for when I get out on my own in a couple of years. I've never had any debt, and don't have a credit score. Is it going to be hard to find a place to live?

Riley

Dear Riley,
I get where you're coming from. A lot of people believe it's hard to get an apartment without a credit score, and that's just not the case. In most cases, if you've got money for a deposit and proof of employment, you can find a little apartment somewhere.

Anytime you're renting it should be because you're in a stage of your life where you're not going to be in the area long, you're saving money to buy a home, or you're working your way out from under a lot of debt. Think of it as "rent patience." Renting should be a temporary stop along the road, not a way of life. You're parked and you're on hold until you're ready for a house or you get your finances in order.

I don't hate apartments, and renting isn't evil. But renting for a decade or two is not a smart move. How much do you want to pay for patience? The least amount possible. You want some-



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thing clean and safe, but nothing too fancy. You don't need a racquetball court, skylight or hot tub.

I love that you're a planner, Riley. Keep looking ahead and thinking toward the future!

—Dave

Dear Dave,

Could you explain why buying a new car at 0% interest isn't a good idea?

Raina

Dear Raina,

The only way you have a chance of getting 0% interest on a new car is if you have perfect credit and pay full MSRP (manufacturer's suggested retail price). But, if you walk onto a car lot

with cash, and haggle with the salesperson a little bit, they'll knock a bunch off the sticker price. If you can buy the car for less than the 0% interest gimmick, how is that 0%? See what I'm saying? The cash buyer pays less.

Besides, you shouldn't even consider buying a brand new car, unless you're debt-free and have \$1 million or more in the bank. You lose a ton in value the second you drive a new car off the lot. How is that 0%? A new car also loses about 60% of its value in the first four years after you buy it. How is that 0%?

The whole 0% interest gimmick tricks a lot of unsuspecting folks into buying something they don't need and can't afford!

—Dave

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

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July 11

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

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