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Council Oks community wellness resolution

By **MIKE WILLIAMS**
The Patriot

Pulaski Town Council on Tuesday unanimously approved a resolution to show its support for a Community Wellness Commitment, unveiled last week by the New River Valley Public Health Task Force.

The task force includes a range of local health, public safety, education and government agencies in the New River Valley area. It strives to proactively provide local residents and communities with accurate, up-to-date, and effective guidance about COVID-19 and other infectious diseases in order to reduce local impact and facilitate community recovery.

The Community Wellness Commitment encourages community members to care for the health and well-being of others.

The commitment was developed in time for the arrival of a new school year at the Valley's three colleges and universities along with local school divisions.

"If our community is to successfully manage

this pandemic, we must shift our focus from where we have been to what each of us does day in and day out," Noelle Bissell, director of the New River Health District and co-chair of the task force, stated in a press release from Virginia Tech.

"If each of us commits to following basic hygiene practices outlined in the Community Wellness Commitment, we can emerge from this pandemic united and well."

The Community Wellness Commitment calls on area residents to do ten things, including:

- To affirm a commitment to the safety, health, and well-being of school campuses and local communities.
- To affirm support for the mental well-being of all community members.
- To wear face coverings/masks in public areas.
- To practice physical distancing by maintaining at least 6 feet of distance from others.
- To practice good hygiene, including frequent handwashing and covering coughs or sneezes.
- Staying home and avoiding public spaces when



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Sleep in Heavenly Peace provides beds to children

By **DANIELLE REID**
The Patriot

The twentieth century actress and singer, Doris Day, made these lyrics famous:

*"Sweet dreams till sunbeams find you
Sweet dreams that leave all worries behind you
But in your dreams whatever they be
Dream a little dream of me."*

Songwriters: Fabian Andre / Gus Kahn / Wilbur Schwandt

There are two children in Pulaski County who undoubtedly will be having sweeter dreams because of the volunteers of Sleep in Heavenly Peace in Pulaski. About 40 community volunteers hand crafted and delivered beds to the children last week so they no longer have to sleep on the floor.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP), a 501C3 organization started by Luke and Heidi Mickelson from Twin Falls, Idaho has a unique goal. Their motto is: "No Kid Sleeps on the Floor in Our Town – and we want our town to become everyone's town."

The organization provides beds for children ages 3 to 17 who have no bed of their own. Mickelson started making bunk beds in 2012 with a dream to help children in his church and community who may be sleeping on a couch or the floor. Volun-

teers from his church showed up in his garage to help build, sand, construct and deliver the beds. There are now 200 SHP chapters nationwide and in Bermuda.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace in Pulaski's core member, Melissa Swanson, was one of the volunteers who was on hand this week to construct and then deliver the beds to the Pulaski family. She and her husband, Doug, heard about SHP while visiting family in Florida.

"SHP provides a great sense of community and unity and purpose to serve the Kingdom. The amazing part of a Build Day is that we bring all the tools; and all the volunteers need to do is show up."

"This was my first experience delivering beds for children. It is humbling to be the hands and feet of God and to see tears of joy in their eyes when you leave," she said.

Swanson explains, "There is no advertising – only word of mouth, and we can't build the beds fast enough. You'd be surprised at how many kids sleep on the floor or the couch."

Every SHP bed gets stamped with their logo and there is a segment featuring Mike Rowe –

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Max Meadows Ruritan - Working hard for the community

By KRYSTAL WHITT
The Patriot

When Donny Dean, President and Bingo Manager of Max Meadows Ruritan, is asked what the Ruritan is about, he says, “It’s simply about helping the community.”

In fact, since the first Ruritan Club was chartered in Holland, Va. in 1928, growing to 1,200 clubs and 30,000 members, that is exactly what the Ruritan is coined as, “America’s Leading Community Service Organization.”

Ruritan National explains their work as “finding needs in the community and helping to meet those needs, mainly through fundraising.”

Dean and the members of Max Meadows Ruritan are working hard to continue helping their community after facing a setback due to COVID 19 restrictions.

From the second week of March 2020 until the first week of July, the club was unable to



have their regular community Bingo night.

“Having to stop Bingo, which is our main fundraiser, hurt our money flow and the ability to help those we regularly support such as food banks, the women’s shelter, the rescue squad, and supporting local schools with scholarships. Now that

Bingo is back up and running, the donations have been able to go out again. This is an example of why Ruritan Clubs are so important to the community,” Dean shared.

When describing Max Meadows’ Ruritan Club, Dean stated, “We are a very small club, yet we’re one of the most productive

in our area.”

Last year, Max Meadows’ Ruritan Club was one of the major sponsors for the Chautauqua Festival in Wytheville, and recently they made a large donation to the Brock Hughes Free Health Clinic.

Dean stressed, “This is not a one-person show. Our members

as a group make all of this possible.”

Dean invites everyone to participate in Bingo every Saturday night at 1151 Fort Chiswell Rd., Fort Chiswell. Doors open at 4 p.m., paper sales start at 4:30 p.m., and the first number is called at 6 p.m.

Currently, due to complying with COVID 19 restrictions, Bingo is set up according to social distancing recommendations and masks are also recommended.

Because the Ruritan Club takes participation by the community to help the community Dean encourages people to consider becoming a member.

Reflecting on his journey from volunteer to now President, he shared how he was a member of the local rescue squad and was impressed when he saw how the Ruritan Club made such a positive impact in the community. He and his wife enjoy being members, and invite potential members to come by for a visit.

Council

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not feeling well.

- To contact a health care provider or an urgent care facility if you believe you are sick or have been exposed to the coronavirus.

- To support, but avoid contact with those who are sick.

- To follow public health guidelines and medical recommendations to be tested and self-isolate as necessary.

- To make a list of all others with whom you have had close

contact, if necessary, to aid in contact-tracing efforts.

The resolution approved by council Tuesday expresses support for the work of the task force and asks residents and businesses in the town to consider joining in with the Community Wellness Commitment “and to remain vigilant when it comes to the health and safety of yourself and others.”

Pulaski County Tourism has launched a newly themed and updated website: visitpulaskiva.org. The website includes tabs such as, eat and stay, outdoor adventure, entertainment, rich history, lifestyle and an events calendar. The updates were launched to help support and promote Pulaski County Tourism and their current tourism campaign, “Pulaski County is... Your Staycation Destination.”

Visitpulaskiva.org also includes a landing page for the

staycation campaign. With COVID-19, the tourism and travel industries are constantly changing. Pulaski County Tourism has embraced adaptability and creativity in these times of uncertainty and has encouraged safe and sociallydistanced travel for local residents. Pulaski County is a secluded environment for those who want to social distance and enjoy a small town feel with big city things to do. Customize your perfect staycation with themed itineraries available via visitpulaskiva.org.

Your Staycation Destination campaign has utilized communication and media outlets, such as local news, radio, print media, social media and website development. Listen to the campaign’s radio ads on 107.1 WPSK. Watch WDBJ 7 to see Pulaski County Tourism commercials. Pick up local papers to see print ads, and check out

@pulaskicountyis on Facebook, Instagram and

Twitter for local tourism updates and posts.

Pulaski County is the perfect summer getaway - no long trip necessary! From website updates to innovative campaigns, Pulaski County Tourism loves to support local businesses, foster community and invite visitors and residents to come and see all that Pulaski County has to offer.

To learn more, visit @pulaskicountyis on Facebook to sign-up for the Pulaski County Tourism E-newsletter. Stay safe, stay local and staycation in Pulaski!



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Virginia becomes first to roll out virus app from Apple, Google

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Virginia has rolled out a smartphone app to automatically notify people if they might have been exposed to the coronavirus, becoming the first U.S. state to use new pandemic technology created by Apple and Google.

But hopes for a nationwide app that can work seamlessly across state borders remain unrealized, and there are no known federal plans to create one. State officials say their new app won't work as well outside Virginia, at least until a group of coordinating public health agencies gets a national server up and running and other states join in.

Virginia's free Covidwise app is available in Apple and Android app stores as of Wednesday. State officials, who repeatedly emphasized its privacy-protection features, announced the launch of a statewide public information campaign encouraging people to download and use it.

"Now, I want you all to listen to this very closely. I want to be clear, this app, Covidwise, does not — I will repeat that — does not track or store your personal information. It does not track you at all," Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam said at a news conference.

The technology arrives nearly four months after Apple and Google partnered to create the software for public health agencies trying to contain the spread of the pandemic. Canada and a number of countries in Europe and elsewhere have already rolled out apps using the tech companies' framework.

The app, developed by SpringML, based in Pleasanton, California, relies on Bluetooth wireless technology to detect when someone who downloaded the app has spent time near another app user who later tests positive for the virus. Those who test positive can anonymously notify others to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Instead of recording someone's geographic location, the app tracks proximity — by keeping an encrypted record of when two phones send short-range signals to one other.

"It doesn't know where you are. It just knows the distance, it just knows how strong the proximity was," said Suresh Soundararajan, the Virginia health department's chief information technology officer.

The department will verify positive test results and issue app users who want to report them a pin number tied to their lab records in order to prevent malicious actors from sharing false positives.

People who receive a warning of possible exposure can seek advice from the health department or their doctor.

Information on Virginia's public health department website says the app measures close contact as within 6 feet of someone for at least 15 minutes, using guidelines from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The signal strength would diminish if a wall separates two phones, though it's still possible someone would get alerted if a neighbor in an adjacent apartment or dorm room were infected.

A number of states have expressed interest in the Apple-Google technology, including Alabama — which has begun pilot testing — South Carolina, North Dakota and Pennsylvania. Google said that as of Friday there were 20 states and territories exploring an app using the framework. Such apps have already launched in 16 countries and regions across Africa, Asia, Europe, North America and South America, the company said.

"Everyone is trying so hard and there's limited time, limited capacity," said Sameer Halia, who is working to launch an app in Arizona using the Google and Apple software. "Every state will look

at what their needs are and what their population cares about and make a decision."

Several states have introduced apps using other approaches, such as satellite-based GPS location tracking, but there's little evidence they have been successful. Unlike the Apple-Google model, many of these apps make data available to public health officials so they can use it to trace the contacts of infected patients.

One of the first to launch, in Utah, has since disabled location-tracking features. Rhode Island's app uses GPS and has been downloaded by nearly 70,000 people, about 7% of the population, but health officials don't know how often it has led to someone being notified of an exposure. Instead of an automatic notification, it is meant to jog someone's memory by showing them — or health workers — where they have been for the past two weeks.

"While we know that it has been very helpful in many cases, we can't say exactly how many," said Rhode Island health department spokesman Joseph Wendelken.

Privacy advocates have largely favored the approach taken by Apple and Google, but app developers have struggled to explain to privacy-wary citizens why they should trust a model endorsed by giant corporations known for tracking people in other ways. Concern arose in June when both companies made phone setting updates that make the pandemic apps possible, even though phones won't log people's encounters unless they choose to download an app.

The Apple-Google model has also drawn criticism from some health experts who have questioned its effectiveness, especially if there are too many false alarms and if local health agencies don't have the capacity to test enough people.

State Police identify victims of crash on I-81 Wednesday

At 5:16 p.m. Wednesday (Aug. 5), Virginia State Police responded to a multi-vehicle crash on Interstate 81 in Pulaski County. Seven vehicles, including four tractor-trailers and three passenger vehicles collided in a chain reaction crash in the left lane of the northbound side of I-81 near the 87.5 mile marker.

The driver of a 2020 GMC Yukon, David Swartz, 53, of Keller, TX., died at the scene and two passengers from the same vehicle were transported for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

A driver of one of the tractor-trailers, Jatinder Saini, 31, of Centreville, Va., also died at the scene.

The Virginia State Police Wytheville Division Crash Reconstruction Team and Motor Carrier Safety Team responded to the scene to assist with the ongoing crash investigation. Charges are pending. This is all the information we have at this time.

Riddle wins first place for her 4-H shooting education presentation

Submitted by Chris Lichty, Pulaski County 4-H Extension Agent

Lindsey Riddle, one of our very own Pulaski County 4-H'ers, received 1st Place in her Presentation – Shooting Education, in the 2020 Virginia 4-H State Congress Competition on Wednesday, July 30.

Lindsey, who is a member of the Pulaski County 4-H Shooting Education Club ~ Sharp Shooters, has been shooting competitively for the past six years, first with BB, then Archery, having now settled in with Air Rifle.

Competitively, Lindsey ranks in the top 20 in the State of Virginia in her age class and has her sights set on making the State 4-H Air Rifle Team to attend Nationals with future goals of competing in college then the Olympics.

Lindsey keeps "Making Her Best Better" through Pulaski County 4-H and practices at minimum two hours per day.

Lindsey is also very active



Lindsey Riddle
as the President of the Pulaski County 4-H Shooting Education Club and 4-H Teens In Action! She evens find times to participate in 4-H Camp as a 4-H Teen Counselor in addition to all the other 4-H leadership events she enjoys.
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CHARLES A. ROATENBERRY

Charles A. Roatenberry, age 72, of Dublin, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, July 30.

Charles was retired from Virginia Tech and was a proud Hokie fan. In his younger days, he was a good athlete himself, having received a scholarship to play football at Lees McRae College. Charles was a kind person, with a big heart, and was well liked by all that knew him.

Charles was the second son to David "Rudolph" Roatenberry and Boneda "Bonnie" Roatenberry, who preceded him in death. He is survived by his older brother, David "Lynn" Roatenberry of Newport News, VA; his younger brother, Timothy "Tim" Roatenberry (Marla) of High Point, NC; his niece, Tara Forrest and family; and his nephew, Zachary Roatenberry, all of NC. Other survivors include his ex-wife, Sue Roatenberry and her family; Gregg Ratcliff and his sons; Josh Ratcliff, Joe Ratcliff and their families of Dublin, VA. Charles is also survived by his aunts; Shirley Wheeler and Janet Wheeler, many cousins, and several special friends who called him "Charlie".

To honor Charles' wishes, and due to COVID-19, there will not be a memorial service at this time. We welcome you to share a memory of Charles by sending an online message to his family through Bower Funeral Home. You can also make a donation in his memory to a charity of your choice. Rest in peace, Charles, knowing that many loved you and will miss you.

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

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



THOMAS H. PIFER SR.

Thomas H. Pifer Sr., 90, passed away peacefully Friday morning, July 31, 2020. Born March 27, 1930 in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, he was the son of the late D.O. (Dolphus Odell) Pifer and Doris Williams Pifer. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Thelma Simpson Pifer, his brother Herman (Nubby) Pifer, and his daughter-in-law Elizabeth Pifer.

He is survived by his sons, Thomas H. Pifer Jr. (T.H.), and wife Trina Pifer, and son William S. Pifer; grandchildren, Carrie Ingle and husband Russell, Christopher Pifer, Jessica Pifer, Benjamin Pifer and wife Leah, and Ava Pifer; four great grandchildren; brother in law, Bill Simpson; sisters-in-law, Carolyn Simpson and Loretta Pifer; several nephews; cousins, Barbara Lynch Hoffman of Lewisburg, W.Va. and Shirley Morrison of Eire, Penn.

Tom's father, Dolph, was recruited as a welder to work in the construction of the Radford Arsenal and the Pifer family moved to Dublin. Tom started school at Dublin High School and worked in the newly formed Pifer Motor Company in downtown Dublin. He served in the Army during the Korean war in Europe in the Finance Corps. He served in Heidelberg Germany and Fountainblue France at NATO Headquarters. After the military he managed Simpson Trucking Company for his father-in-law, Ray C. Simpson and was involved in large projects hauling aggregates from the New River Valley to the construction of the beltway surrounding Washington D. C. He attended accounting school at Bluefield and worked at the airport in Princeton, W.Va. for his Aunt Daisy Pifer Lynch and Uncle George Lynch. George owned a flight school and trained many WWII pilots and trained Tom to fly and obtain a pilot's license. He worked 30 years as an accountant and Industrial Engineer at the Radford Army Ammu-

munition plant. He won the Army's top Energy award as the Plant's Energy Coordinator. While working at the Arsenal he partnered with Jones Brothers Construction into house construction and developed several subdivisions in the Dublin and Christiansburg areas. He possessed a very determined and hard-working spirit and disciplined work ethic, and he built and managed his own rental properties. He also owned a grading and paving company led by a great foreman operator and special friend, Jack Black. He used his accounting skills in all his endeavors and could calculate large numbers in his head faster than many could on a calculator.

Thomas Pifer was a Mason and Shriner. He loved history and often talked about his family's history. He honored his parents and stayed in touch with his mother every day. He liked to travel and drove his parents with their special cousins all the way to Alaska. He talked often of his faith in God and was a firm believer in the Bible and prayed often and for salvation. He was a member of New Dublin Presbyterian Church and served as an Elder and helped fund and provided maintenance services.

Visitation and funeral service were held Tuesday, August 4th at the Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford with Pastor Timothy Hight officiating. Interment followed in Highland Memory Gardens in Dublin.

It is encouraged that in place of flowers, donations may be made to the Children's Home of the Highlands, Inc., P.O. Box 545, Wytheville, VA 24382.

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



CURTISS DWAYNE MANUEL

Curtiss Dwayne Manuel, age 47 of Pulaski passed away Thursday, July 30, 2020 at the VCU Medical Center in Richmond, Virginia. Born January 11, 1973 in Pulaski he was the son of the late Mary Ellen Manuel. His brother, Tony Manuel also preceded him in death.

He is survived by his Wife

Rose Manuel – Pulaski

Children

Miguel Gomez – MX

Ryan Mitchell (Brittany) Manuel – Pulaski

Carley Higgins

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Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski. Interment followed at the Highland Memory Gardens, Dublin.

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



MARY SULLIVAN KRAYER

Mary Sullivan Krayer died peacefully on August 2, 2020 at Carrington Place in Rural Retreat, VA at the age of 96.

Mary is survived by her children Maryann (Susan) of Washington, DC, Kate of Durham, NC, Kevin of Silver Spring, MD, Colin (Doris) of High Point, NC, Paul (Tina) of Radford, VA, and Barbara Clay (Gary) of Radford, VA, eight grandchildren (Star, Sam, Patrick, Adelina, Sean, Hanna, Jack, and Clare), and five great-grandchildren (Logan, Reagan, Caroline, Henry, and Norah). She is also survived by her sister Sheila Stangel (John) of Old Saybrook, CT, and many nieces, nephews, grand-nephews, and grand-nieces. She is preceded in death by her parents Thomas and Ellen (nee Foley) Sullivan, of New York, husband John "Jack" Krayer of Myrtle Beach, SC, and siblings Tom Sullivan (Cathy) of Easton, MD, Joan Kosnick (Joseph) of Harrisonburg, VA, and Frances who died as a child.

Mary was born on April 24, 1924 in Manhattan NY. She graduated from Flushing High School in 1943 and started nursing studies at Adelphi University in Garden City, NY, during the height of World War II. In 1944 she joined the Cadet Nurse Corps, which provided scholarships for women in nursing school who committed to serve in the nursing profession for the duration of the war. Mary graduated from Adelphi in 1947 as a Registered Nurse, and immediately started working at Flushing Hospital. It was there she met her future husband, Jack—a World War II veteran pursuing a career in furniture sales—whose mother was a patient of hers. They married on October 7, 1950 and began their family in 1951 in Flushing. In 1954, they settled in Stamford, CT where their family grew to include six children. In 1968 the family moved to Radford, VA following Jack's acquisition of a furniture manufacturing company in the area. Over decades in Radford, Mary made many dear friends, finished raising her children, welcomed her first grandchild, sang in the choir at St. Jude's Catholic Church with her dear friend Susie Goodykontz, and started her career as a hospice nurse.

When she and Jack divorced in 1983, Mary moved to Myrtle Beach, SC. There, she built a

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PULASKI COUNTY Pulse

August 8

VFW Auxiliary Post 1184 to sell hot dogs

VFW Aux. Post 1184 will be selling hot dogs with homemade chili and slaw on Saturday, August 8, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Donations only. Drinks and chips will also be available for purchase. The Aux. will be having a bake sale as well. The Post home is located on the corner of Dora Highway and Washington Ave., in Pulaski. Everyone is welcome!!

On going:

Alcohol Anonymous meet Mondays 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 is 540-440-0066. Note: At present time masks are required and social distancing observed.

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. Note: At present time masks are required and social distancing is observed.

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new life by the ocean, worked as a hospice nurse, and joined the Unity Church of the Grand Strand, playing the organ most Sundays. In 1990, she and Jack reunited and remarried in a joyful ceremony witnessed by all their children, children's spouses, and grandchildren at the time.

Mary joined Jack and their son Kevin in St. Mary's County, MD where she volunteered at a local hospice until she and Jack moved back to Myrtle Beach, where they lived until he died in 1995. A few years later Mary returned to Radford to be closer to her family. In those years she attended Unity of Roanoke Valley and Unity Christian Church in Radford, worked as a docent at a local historic site, and faithfully attended a meditation group. She was an avid tennis player and enjoyed playing doubles into her 80s. Her lifelong love of bridge continued through her years at Showalter Center at Warm Hearth Village in Blacksburg, VA.

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, a memorial service will be scheduled for a later date in Radford VA. Interment will take place at Arlington National Cemetery in the future. If you wish to make donation in Mary's honor, please consider a hospice of your choice.

ROGER DALE CRESSELL

Roger Dale Cressell, age 69 of Pulaski passed away, Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at the Lewis-Gale Hospital, Pulaski. Born August 25, 1950 on a farm in Pulaski he was the son of the late Arnold Cressell and Mary Rigney Cressell Worley.

He is survived by his Daughters
Mary Beth Garland & Joe – Shawsville
Lynn Jones – Pulaski
Lori Cressell – Pulaski
Candy (Bo) Muncy – Pulaski
Stepsons
Chris Arnold
Jimmy Wiley
4 Grandchildren
3 Step Grandchildren
3 Great Grandchildren
Brothers
Donald (Jennena) Cressell – Pulaski
Eddie (Rhonda) Cressell – Pulaski
Special Nephew
Eddie Cressell
Brother-in-law
Mike Quesenberry – who was always there when Roger needed anything. (Thanks Mike)
Several great nieces, nephews and a great great niece and nephew
A private family service will

be held later.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations in Roger's memory be sent to the Pulaski County Animal Shelter @ (80 Dublin Park Rd, Dublin, VA 24084) 540-674-8359.

To send your online condolences, please visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com

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

DOROTHY STUMP JOHNSON PROFFITT

Dorothy Stump Johnson Proffitt, 73, of Leesburg, Va went to be with the Lord on August 3, 2020 after a battle with diabetes.

She spent most of her life in the New River Valley. She loved visiting the Blue Ridge Parkway to view the fall foliage. She was a devoted grandmother of two granddaughters. She spent her days volunteering to help those in need. In her lifetime, she helped adults to achieve their GEDs, actively participated in church groups, and took great pleasure in singing in the church and local choirs. For those that had the opportunity to hear her sing, her voice will be truly missed.

Dorothy is survived by her son, James Johnson and wife Francesca; her grandchildren Angie and Gabbie. She is preceded in death by her mother, Angie Hess Stump; and father, Carl Henry Stump.

Dorothy will be laid to rest beside her mother. The funeral service will be held at the New Dublin Presbyterian Church Cemetery on Friday, August 7 at 2 p.m.

Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.

PAULINE MELVIN TAYLOR

Pauline Melvin Taylor, 80, passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 2, 2020 at Highland Ridge Rehab Center in Dublin, VA.

Pauline was born on September 26, 1939, in Bland County Virginia. She was the daughter of the late Frank Melvin and Lottie Hardy Melvin. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Larry Melvin.

Pauline graduated from Bland High School. She worked at Dublin Garment, Radford Arsenal and she retired from Volvo in 2008. She was an avid walker and a gifted seamstress. She loved every child she met.

She is survived by her son Dennis Taylor, of Dublin, and her daughter Drema Taylor Slenker (Don) of High Point, NC. She is also survived by three granddaughters that she loved dearly. Sierra Taylor, of Durham, NC, Jamie Taylor, of Laurel Fork, VA and Hannah Taylor of Fort Worth, TX. She is survived by one step-grandson, Joshua Slenker, of NC. She was blessed to be survived by one great-granddaughter, Lydia Bond and one great step-granddaughter, Cecilia Slenker.

She is survived by two brothers and three sisters, Straley Melvin (Doris), of Auburndale, FL., Marvin Melvin (Susie) of Dublin, Sylvia Duncan (Jerry) of Pembroke, Bonnie Gusler (Dennis) of Dublin, and Joyce Gardner (Mike) of Mocksville, NC.

She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and one great-nephew.

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SHIRLEY ANN WILLIAMS

Shirley Ann Williams, 85 of Pulaski, died Saturday, August 1, 2020 in the Pulaski Health & Rehab Center. She was born in Giles Co., VA on December 16, 1934 and was the daughter of the late E.H. Williams and Lelia Smith Williams. She was also preceded in death by brothers, Jennings, Leonard, Bobby, Theodore and James Williams, and by sisters, Ruby Dalton, Bonnie Martin and Phyllis Williams.

Shirley was a retired employee of Pulaski Furniture Corp. and a member of the Bob White Boulevard Baptist Church, Pulaski.

Surviving are:
Sister – Betty Williams
Nieces and Nephews

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 5th from the Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Allen Harman officiating. Burial followed in the Hoge's Chapel Church Cemetery, Pembroke, VA.

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Rothe receives Master's Degree from Frostburg State University

FROSTBURG, MD -- Jessica Rothe, of Belspring, Va., recently received a Master of Science degree in Recreation, Parks and Sport Management from Frostburg State University in Frostburg, Md., one of more than 650 degrees awarded for the spring semester.

"I offer my heartfelt congratulations on your achievement," said FSU President Ronald Nowaczyk in a video message to graduates. "You have worked many years for this milestone, and the events of the past few months have not lessened the magnitude of your achievement. If anything, they have heightened it."

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

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Titus is a 16 year old Dalmatian mix. He was surrendered to the shelter along with his brother, Baby T. He's a sweet pup that just wants a couch to curl up on in a home of his own.

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Recent Advances in Space

The urge to explore new frontiers is a natural human characteristic. Governments have long recognized this fact and supported exploration in order to gain the benefits of knowledge, resources, and skills uncovered in the quest to go where no one has gone before.

In the twentieth century, this quest took its most notable form in the Space Race as the United States and the Soviet Union competed, seeking to outdo each other with ever more impressive feats. July 20 was the 51st anniversary of the greatest feat yet, the first manned landing on the Moon.

Unlike the quest to sail around the globe or reach the North and South Poles, the Space Race goes on.

It is no longer between the Soviet Union and the United States. More countries have entered it, and at the same time, more cooperation between countries has taken place. The infinity of space provides an ongoing source of boundaries to surpass and achieve-



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

ments to reach.

On July 30, the Mars Perseverance rover was launched toward the Red Planet atop an Atlas V rocket. I had the

chance to participate in a virtual briefing for Members of Congress earlier that week with National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Administrator James Bridenstine.

In its explorations, Perseverance will collect data on the environment of Mars, search for signs of past conditions that may have made it habitable, and study important questions for any future manned landing attempt.

Perseverance will improve the scientific understanding of Mars and contribute to the long-term goal of a human expedition there.

Another step toward the goal of landing on Mars occurred earlier this year with the resumption of manned spaceflight from our country.

After the Space Shuttle program ended under the Obama Administration in 2011, any American astronauts that went to space did so by hitching a ride on Russian rockets. But on May 30, NASA astronauts Bob Behnken and Doug Hurley lifted off from the Kennedy Space Center in a rocket designed by SpaceX. They successfully docked with the International Space Station and returned to Earth on August 2.

NASA's partnership with SpaceX characterizes this next phase of human space exploration, in which many low-Earth orbit activities are performed by commercial operators. Meanwhile, the agency focuses on returning humans to the Moon, establishing a long-term presence there, and ultimately going beyond it to Mars.

When I was at the White House on Independence Day, a ceremony reminded me of another recent development in our space presence. When an honor guard consisting of members of the various branches of the U.S. Armed Forces appeared, a representative of the newest branch, established on December 20, 2019, was included for the first time at the White House's Fourth of July celebrations: the Space Force.

National defense must extend into space because our capabilities in space are important to life on Earth. Consider the satellite networks that enable an array of functions, including navigation systems, communications, and weather forecasting.

The plaque left on the Moon by the Apollo 11 astronauts reads, "We came in peace for all mankind." Other actors may not share the same noble intent. Opponents including Russia and China are developing tools such as anti-satellite missiles that could cripple important defenses and services upon which we depend.

President Trump championed the Space Force to ensure that as humans continue to make advances in space, space will not serve as a platform to weaken our national security. A strong national defense deters our enemies on sea, land, and air; it must do so in space as well.

The creation of the Space Force is necessary to deter threats against our interests in space. A strong U.S. presence in space will also allow for the development of space in line with our values, not those of Russia or China.

In space, humanity finds an outlet to satisfy our longing to explore the unknown as well as a platform for technology that improves our life on Earth. A beneficial national space policy will protect and advance these twin uses.

Neil Armstrong famously said upon stepping foot on the Moon, "One small step for [a] man, one giant leap for mankind." There are many more steps and leaps to take.

If you have questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to contact my office. You can call my Abingdon office at 276-525-1405 or my Christiansburg office at 540-381-5671. To reach my office via email, please visit my website at www.morgan-griffith.house.gov. Also on my website is the latest material from my office, including information on votes recently taken on the floor of the House of Representatives.



Trouble with Biden's Vice President Choices

By Cal Thomas, Tribune Content Agency

Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden appears to have painted himself into a corner with his promise to select a woman -- and apparently from the candidates on his short list, an African-American woman -- to be his running mate. While it is just the latest example of his party's tribalism in which externals, such as race and gender are preferred over actual ideas, in the end it will make no difference because the Democratic Party looks to have been taken over by hardcore leftists. Whoever he selects must appeal to and appease the Bernie Sanders crowd.

If press reports are to be believed, Rep. Karen Bass (D-CA), who chairs the Congressional Black Caucus, appears to be among the leading candidates. Unlike Biden, she presents well on TV with her appealing smile and soothing voice.

While all of Biden's potential running mates have baggage, Bass has been trying to unpack hers when it comes to Cuba. Bass had visited Cuba multiple times in the 1970s when she and Hollywood celebrities were also praising the "literacy" and health care programs of the communist dictatorship.

In an interview with Chris Wallace on "Fox News Sunday," Bass was reminded of her statement on the death in 2016 of Cuban dictator Fidel Castro in which she said: "the passing of the Comandante en Jefe is a great loss to the people of Cuba."

Bass said that her perspective on Cuba "developed over time" and that she now understands the Castro government "was a brutal regime." Bass said she spoke with colleagues from Florida (which has a large Cuban and anti-Castro population in Miami). She said they raised concerns about her comments and that she "would not do that again, for sure." She professes not to be a socialist or a communist.

Is Bass unaware of the history of communism, especially in the former Soviet Union and China where human rights are practiced as human wrongs and people

are jailed or executed for speaking ill of, or resisting, the regime? Why did it take her so long to become "educated" about Cuba when information about the cruel and corrupt dictatorship was available to anyone with open eyes? Did she think communism was of a different brand when practiced in Havana than in Moscow or Beijing?

On other issues, Bass also seems consistently in line with the party's Sanders wing. According to justfacts.votesmart.org, Bass voted for the euphemistically named George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2020. The bill would prohibit police officers from, among other things, "intentionally pointing of a firearm at an individual." What about the intentional pointing of a firearm by a criminal at a police officer? The bill has nothing to say about that. Criminals will love it.

Bass is also in line with Democrats who want to make the District of Columbia the 51st state, something that would require a liberal Supreme Court to deny specific language in the Constitution preserving the District as a federal city. That could be overcome if Democrats win back all three branches of government and attempt to pack the Court with more liberal judges, as Franklin Roosevelt tried, but failed to do. Granting DC (and possibly Puerto Rico) statehood would guarantee Democratic Party dominance of government, possibly for decades to come, which is their intent.

If there are any real journalists left, at least one of them should ask Bass about these subjects. Unfortunately, modern journalism has mostly become another arm of the Democratic Party and part of the anti-Trump juggernaut, I am not optimistic any will even make the attempt.

(Readers may email Cal Thomas at tcaeditors@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).



Rich Lowery

Editor, National Review

In defense of Liz Cheney

In this summer of Republican discontent, a handful of GOP House members have identified what's ailing the party: Liz Cheney.

The two-term Wyoming congresswoman, chair of the House GOP Conference and daughter of former Vice President Dick Cheney was called out at a conference meeting for myriad alleged sins, including insufficient loyalty to President Donald Trump.

This episode is much more telling about Cheney's internal GOP critics than Cheney.

She rightly refuses to play by the dumb rule insisted on by MAGA and Never-Trump Republicans from their respective parts of the spectrum, that the only two options are to submit to the president totally or to oppose him totally, with no honorable space in between.

Cheney is a member of Republican leadership, which imposes its obligations, but she hasn't checked her mind or conscience at the door. She has deeply held views on foreign policy and doesn't hide them, even when they depart from those of the president.

She has also been a consistent voice for taking the pandemic seriously and wearing masks, and has defended Dr. Anthony Fauci. Can anyone doubt that if Trump had taken her tack, he'd be in a stronger position today?

But some of Cheney's colleagues are upset with her rather than the president. Her occasional dissents supposedly endanger the project of taking back the House, an absurd notion.

This is a variant of the odd political accounting of the most fervent Trump supporters. By their lights, if, say, the president stumbles his way through a "Fox News Sunday" interview, that's not the problem. No, the problem is only if someone who is right-of-center points it out.

This logic has put an accent on whispered conversations in the GOP -- even the most vociferous defenders of the president will often admit in private that they are disquieted or even outraged by something Trump has said or done, but won't dare say it openly.

It is also a way to deflect any responsibility from the president, when, obviously, if the worst comes in November, it will be because of what he did in office, not because Rep. Liz Cheney said it's a bad idea to pull U.S. troops out of Germany.

Whatever you think of Cheney, she inarguably has a well-thought-out worldview that she defends resolutely and thoughtfully.

The Cheney episode shows how loyalty, or purported loyalty, to Trump is used as a political bludgeon in internal GOP fights.

According to Sen. Rand Paul, who took shots at her in the press after the GOP meeting, "She tries to sabotage everything he tries to do in foreign policy, so I don't know whether she's a good advocate for the president."

But it's not as though when Paul strongly disagrees with Trump, the senator salutes smartly and marches in lockstep.

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Beds

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the “Dirty Jobs” guy – searing the logo onto a bed honoring the SHP founder during the filming of his other TV show, “Returning the Favor.” That episode can be seen at: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2020109721593621>

SHP New River Valley Chapter President Paul Mele explains how the construction works during a typical Build Day.

“We don’t make the beds, but enable community minded individuals, organizations and churches to take care of people in their community in need. We come in with the tools and method to help and teach community minded individuals how to make the beds. A Build Partner organization or church hosts the workday. On this particular Build Day, Dublin United Methodist Church Mission Committee put up the money to buy wood for the beds. It costs \$175 per bed and that includes a mattress, fitted sheets, comforter or blanket and pillows.”

An organization or church can also hold a Bedding Drive in which people donate twin bed size items such as pillows, fitted sheets, blankets and comforters.

Mele says, “We need Build Partners and organizations to provide the money and volunteers to build beds. We require one volunteer plus \$175 donation per bed.”

Mele is going into retirement after serving 30 years in the U.S. Army and with ROTC at Virginia Tech and Radford University.

“I’ve been so rewarded in life and had 30 wonderful years serving others in uniform. Now I’m looking forward to serving others in our local community through SHP.”

Some ways the community can support the SHP NRV Chapter is: Go to the SHP NRV facebook page and click on “donate here.” <https://www.shpbeds.org/chapter/va-new-river-valley>

Additionally, Mele says they need to have adequate space as their SHP Chapter is expanding. Some other immediate needs are 4,000 square foot storage space; a 16-foot trailer for storing tools and machinery; and an 8-foot trailer for delivering the beds to the childrens’ homes.

Any individual needing a bed for a child ages 3 to 17 can go to the SHP website and request a bed.

<https://www.shpbeds.org/contact-us> or call 844.432.BEDS (2337)

Let’s make their dreams come true.

Note: Sleep in Heavenly Peace is holding a National Build Day on Saturday, September 26th and are looking for businesses, churches and organizations who want to volunteer to host a Build Day. They can contact the NRV Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace for information. <https://www.shpbeds.org/chapter/va-new-river-valley>

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The backdrop to the Cheney conflict is a broader fight over foreign policy. At the moment, that takes the form of a struggle to influence Trump’s policy decisions. If the president loses, it will be one of a host of ideological conflicts over the direction of a post-Trump party.

Whichever way it goes, Cheney is going to be a



The above photo is from a Bed Build event at Dublin United Methodist Church which provided the location to construct twenty beds for use by children ages 3 - 17. Two of the beds were delivered to children in Pulaski County so they would no longer have to sleep on the floor.



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formidable voice, and her willingness to speak her mind, even at time when it is discouraged, redounds to her credit.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Radford City Republicans open party HQ in Fairlawn

The Radford City Republican Party headquarters opened Saturday with a large turnout.

Congressman Morgan Griffith delivered remarks on the state of the Congress and the nation to an enthusiastic crowd. He then took questions and was roundly cheered.

Later in the afternoon, State Senator Amanda Chase, the only announced Republican candidate for governor next year, appeared and also addressed the group. She was also very well received and enthusiastically applauded.

The headquarters is located at 7353 Peppers Ferry Blvd. in Fairlawn at the Fair Oaks Shopping Center and will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 2:30 PM to 5:30 PM to pick up campaign materials, buy party merchandise, or just chat about the state of our country.



Clockwise from top left, Ninth District Rep. Morgan Griffith; Republican gubernatorial candidate Amanda Chase with Radford's Chip Craig; Mick Turk and John Dalton, and (above) Sheriff Mark Armentrout and his wife Karen (center), Forrest Hite and his wife, Tatiana and (far left) Hite's parents, Kevin and Elzeline Hite.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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The mostly overlooked story of Rachel Findlay

By APRIL MARTIN

Our mountains hold many stories and echoes from the past. Several of those stories are remembered annually, such as the Mary Draper Ingles Weekend each July. Others are remembered on anniversary dates or to coincide with larger context history such as the events in 2019 to commemorate 1619. And then there are stories that for one reason or the other are not as well known, but are equally inspiring and deserving.

One of those overlooked stories that make up the Fabric of Old Fincastle is that of Rachel Findlay and her family.

Hopefully you remember the earlier “Endangered Artifact” that Wilderness Road Regional Museum rediscovered, which listed the Free People of Color of Pulaski County, 1851-1864. While continuing to do research on the names included in that artifact, a connection was made to a lawsuit by an enslaved person named Rachel Findlay (Finley) (Findley) from Wythe County who won her freedom by suing Virginia twice.

After confirming with historian Mary Kegley, it appears that Charlotte Findley and her family listed in the Pulaski register were free because of the bravery and determination of grandmother Rachel.

The story is a long one, but worth it.

In 1712 it appears that a Virginian named Henry Clay (The Great- Grandfather of the

statesman Henry Clay) illegally enslaved a lady named Chance, who was either from the Catawba or Choctaw nation.

She was brought into Virginia from the Carolinas and held in forced servitude. She had children and grandchildren who also remained enslaved.

One of those grandchildren was Rachel, born in 1753 or 54. Rachel was allowed to bring suit in Virginia and claimed freedom since it was illegal to hold Native Americans as slaves. Rachel and two brothers won the case in Williamsburg in 1773. But before she was allowed to legally see that freedom, the Clays brought her and her young daughter Juda into the Backcountry of Virginia. Into the New River Valley to be exact, where she and her daughter are sold or traded to John Draper near Ingles Ferry. He probably was unaware of the court case, and Rachel and Juda and their growing family remained enslaved.

The American Revolution would very soon be occurring. With independence of the colonies and more western expansion, the new County of Wythe was formed in 1790, and once again Rachel had hope in the legal justice system and filed suit for freedom in 1813. After delays and court cases being moved to counties in eastern Virginia and older witnesses giving at times contradictory evidence, Rachel is finally given legal freedom again on May 13, 1820, forty-seven years after



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first winning her case.

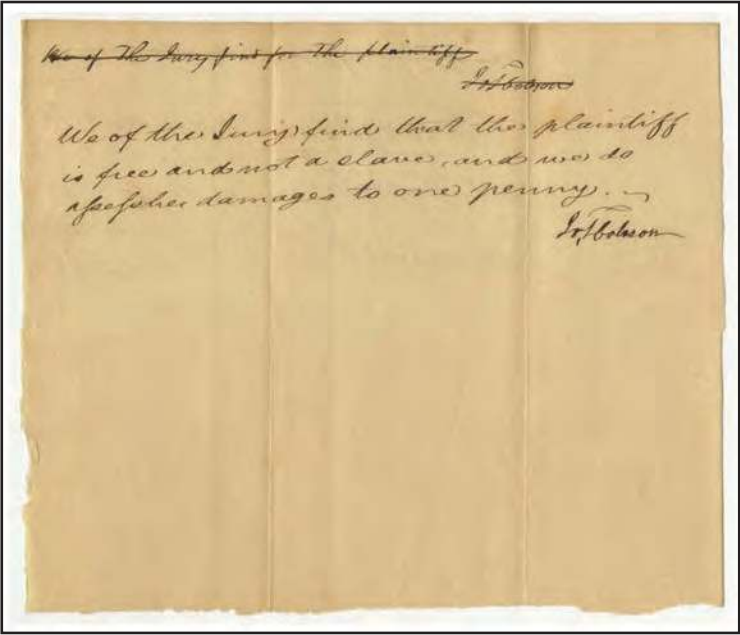
In addition to Rachel, all of her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, also seek freedom. John Draper states

that at least 44 of Rachel's extended family became free as a result of the trial. According to the Pulaski register, Rachel was granted freedom by suit in

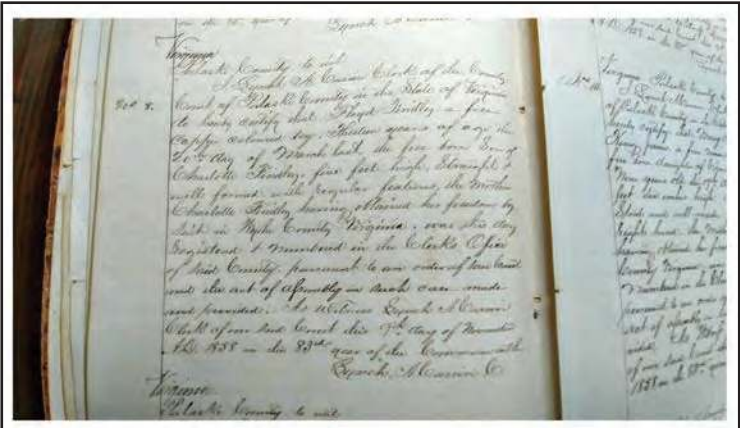
Wythe County. Her freedom is also confirmed in the register by listing all of her descendants as “born free.”

The names of more of Rachel's family are now part of that amazing story of determination and a Mother's love for her family.

Mary Kegley's research has brought this story to the forefront before in recent years and in 2014, Rachel was listed by the Library of Virginia as one of the Outstanding Women of the Commonwealth. Kegley also published a fictional account called “Free in Chains,” using Rachel's story as the inspiration. Some of the names of Rachel's descendants listed in the register in Pulaski County are as Follows: Charlotte, James, Jane, Ellen, Elizabeth, Floyd, Mary Eliza, Mary Findlay James, Tippet James, and Thomas James.



The second verdict declared Rachel Findlay free again May 13, 1820. (Courtesy of The Library of Virginia)



Rachel Findlay's descendants included in the Pulaski County Register of Free People of Color. (Courtesy of Wilderness Road Regional Museum)

HVAC program and courses offered this fall at NRCC

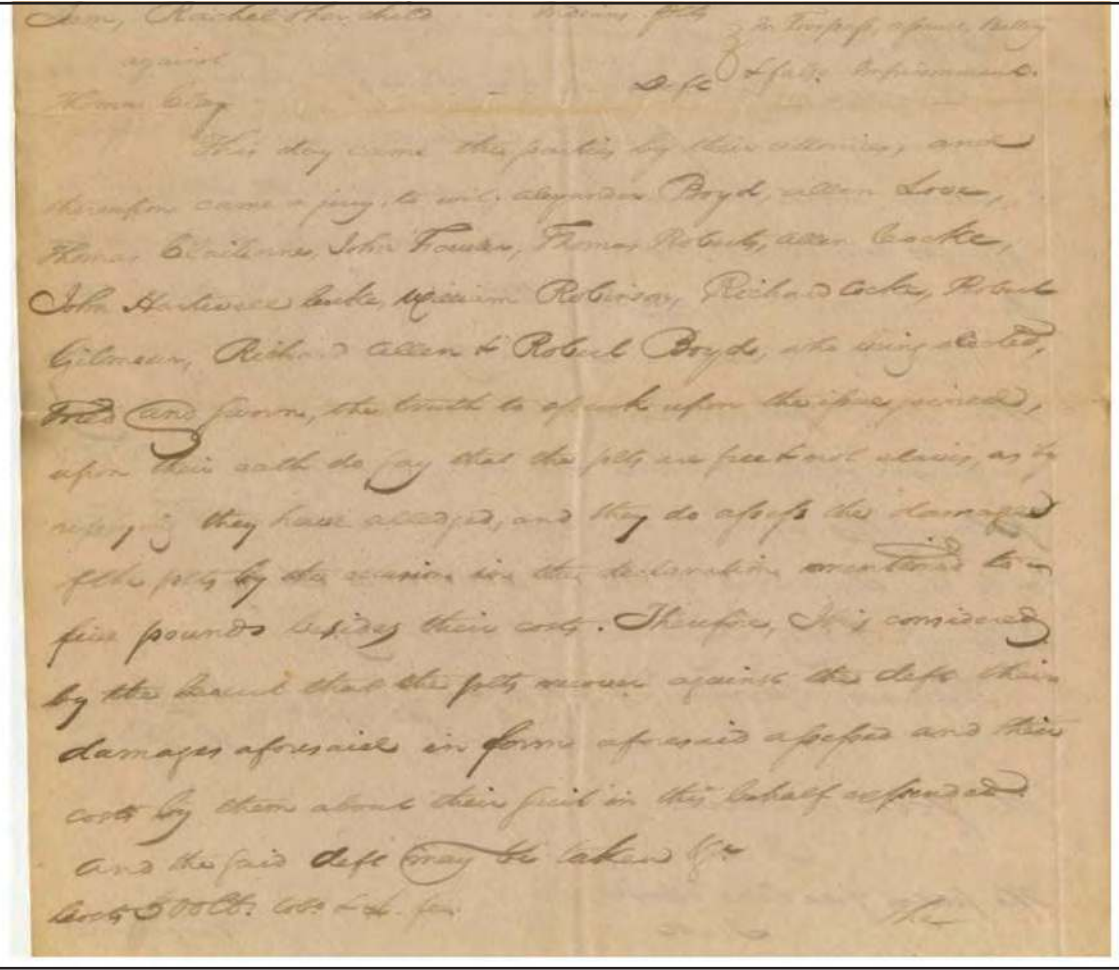
New River Community College is offering courses this fall for those interested in earning a career studies certificate in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning, typically referred to as HVAC.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the median annual wage for heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers was \$48,730 in May 2019, and employment of heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers is projected to grow 13 percent from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations.



John Jordan, program instructor, says the career studies certificate is geared toward those working in the field or who want to work with contractors in HVAC to get formal education and a credential toward licensing.

One of the HVAC courses being offered this fall is Air Conditioning and Refrigeration I (AIR 121). According to Jordan, AIR 121 is an entry-level class that will cover principles of air conditioning and refrigeration equipment. Jordan will focus on troubleshooting problems to make equipment repairs. He says the course would be ideal for service technicians whose job includes repairing equipment in industry.


More information about the Refrigeration and Air Conditioning program is located in the NRCC catalog at <http://bit.ly/NRCC HVAC2021>. Registration is currently underway, and classes begin August 24. Current NRCC students may register for classes online by visiting their student accounts. New students may visit www.nr.edu register for enrollment information or contact the Admissions Office at (540)674-3603 or admissions@nr.edu.



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Pulaski County 4-H welcomes new 4-H All Star, Judie Willis

Submitted by Chris Lichty,
Pulaski County
4-H Extension Agent

Pulaski County 4-H welcomed Judie Willis as the newest Virginia and Pulaski County 4-H All Star on Wednesday, June 24, 2020. Judie has been part of the Virginia 4-H family for 50 years, from Hanover, to Henrico, to Pulaski, and bleeds 4-H green. 4-H All Stars is the highest recognition that a Virginia 4-H'er can achieve.

Judie strives to "Make the Best Better" for everyone in Pulaski County 4-H, being especially active with 4-H Teens In Action!, 4-H Shooting Club and 4-H Cloverbud Club, where she serves as a Club Leader. Judie is recognized by the Extension Office and 4-H community as 4-H Adult Leader Extraordinaire. She is also very supportive of our 4-H Livestock Club and any/all of our 4-H After-School Clubs if she can make it work with her schedule and her children's schedules.

Judie is also active outside local 4-H Clubs assisting 4-H Extension Staff with 4-H County Dramatic Reading Contests, and 4-H County Share the Fun Contests, serving as Judge as well as helping with setup, takedown and anything else that needs done at the events. She has also been involved with our 4-H Community Garden and 4-H Adopt-A-Spot where she has served as our point of contact for 4-H'ers and 4-H Parents. Judie loves and enjoys any role where she can help make a difference in a child's life, teaching them leadership and life-skills.

Judie doesn't limit herself to just 4-H programming at the Club and Unit level. Judie thoroughly enjoys helping with 4-H Area Contest and 4-H Camp. With 4-H Area Contest she willingly shows up an hour before everyone else is expected to help 4-H Extension Staff put everything in order for 4-H'ers, Judges and Room Chairs, and then is usually the last to leave ensuring everything is put back in order and cleaner than we found. Judie doesn't shy away from any role at 4-H Camp either. From serving as Lodge Dean, to teaching Sewing to teaching Cake Decorating, to offering Arts & Crafts during Free Recreation, she never slows down. She can also be found at the pool if needed serving as a Pool Spotter along with Chaperone at evening programs.

Judie has been a 4-H Adult Chaperone for 4-H Capitol Day on numerous occasions as she values the opportunities it presents our local youth in learning about our Virginia government system. From meeting with Del-



Judie Willis

egates and Senators, to sitting in on House and Senate Sessions, Judie wants our local youth to become active citizens now so they can begin and help make changes when they return to Pulaski especially when they turn 18 and are eligible to vote. Judie is also a strong supporter of teen 4-H'ers attending for 4-H State Congress especially her own children who have attended before.

Judie relates very well to our 4-H'ers as she, herself, was a 4-H'er in Hanover and Henrico County in her youth and younger days. This lends to Judie being able to encourage our 4-H'ers to participate in a variety of 4-H programs to diversify themselves, all while growing their 4-H portfolio with hopes for them to become a Virginia 4-H All Star.

Judie is considered a 4-H Leader Extraordinaire simply because she will help in any way she can, from 4-H Teens In Action!, to 4-H Shooting Club, to 4-H Cloverbud Club, to 4-H Camp, to

name some of her favorites. She bleeds 4-H green and knows the Power of the Clover, tooting our 4-H horn wherever and whenever she can. From helping to secure community funding to encouraging others adults to become involved, Judie has Pulaski 4-H's best interest at heart. Her dedication and leadership have inspired others (4-Her's, parents and leaders) to invest themselves in Pulaski County 4-H, taking full advantage of our life-skills and leadership opportunities, helping them prepare for their futures.

"I applaud Judie for these efforts and everyone knows that they can count on her," says Chris Lichty, Pulaski County 4-H Extension Agent. "At 4-H Camp and around many a 4-H program, many a teen and 4-H'er have come to call her Momma Judie, from providing them with a band-aid, having a spare toothbrush or giving them a coloring book to help ease their minds. Thank you, Judie."

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Rent, mortgage relief funding now available

NRCA has received Rent and Mortgage Relief Program funds from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development targeted to individuals and families facing eviction or foreclosure due to the pandemic. The Virginia Rent and Mortgage Relief Program (RMRP) is designed to support and ensure housing stability across the Commonwealth during the coronavirus pandemic. New River Community Action has been designated as the local program administrator for the New River Valley.

Depending on the availability of funds and household need, the RMRP may provide financial assistance for rent or mortgage payments for eligible households. Financial assistance is a one-time payment for Rent/Mortgage arrears beginning April 1, 2020. Opportunity for renewal is based on the availability of funding, household need, and continued eligibility.

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Written by Naomi Davidson,
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Well being of student-athletes top priority

Tech AD Whit Babcock and Dr. Mark Rogers talked about the department's protocols and testing procedures Wednesday, as the fall sports teams ready for the resumption of practices

By **JIMMY ROBERTSON**
For **Hokiesports.com**

BLACKSBURG — How confident is Whit Babcock in Virginia Tech's testing procedures

and protocols, as the Virginia Tech football team gets ready to kick off August practices in the COVID-19 pandemic era?

The Virginia Tech Director of Athletics would have no concerns if his oldest son were on the team.

"I'm also a parent of a Division I student-athlete [a football player at William & Mary] whom I love more than anything in the world, and I would put him in our protocol any day of the week and sleep very soundly," Babcock said.

That message and many others came out during an hourlong Zoom conference between Bab-

cock, Dr. Mark Rogers (Tech's Chief Medical Officer) and members of the media Wednesday afternoon.

The bulk of the questions centered around COVID-19 and Virginia Tech's efforts to protect its student-athletes. This came into the spotlight Monday when football standout Caleb Farley wrote in an NBC Sports article that part of his reasoning for opting out of the 2020 season was concern over Tech's procedures and protocols.

Virginia Tech head coach Justin Fuente talked with Farley on Monday afternoon before releasing a statement, supporting

Farley as a player and individual, while also supporting the efforts of Tech's sports medicine staff. Rogers also released a statement Monday about Tech's protocols.

Then Wednesday, Rogers and Babcock rigorously defended the athletics department's efforts.

To start, Virginia Tech tests each student-athlete once he or she comes back to campus to resume workouts and then conducts a follow-up test two weeks later. A percentage of the school's student-athletes then get tested randomly along the way.

And that's just during the pre-season.

"The ACC and NCAA have

recommendations, and we're following all of those — and even actually a little bit more," Rogers said. "Once we get into the season, the NCAA and ACC have risk stratified all these sports into high risk, intermediate risk, and low risk. The high risk sports would get weekly testing three days before the competition, and that includes anyone that would be essential personnel [coaches, support staff, etc.]."

"Preseason and out of season we're testing more than what the ACC is recommending right now."

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Signs ominous and hopeful as college sports hangs in balance

By **RALPH D. RUSSO**
Associated Press

The announcements came within 40 minutes of each other Wednesday morning, one bleak, the other providing a glimmer of hope for a college football season that is looking iffy at best right now.

First, Connecticut canceled what was supposed to be its first season as a major college football independent because it could not endure the strains of the coronavirus pandemic.

Then the Big Ten unveiled the conference-only schedule it devised to withstand COVID-19 disruptions, with football games slated to kick off in a month.

Those two decisions epitomized the current state of college sports and help explain why the NCAA Board of Governors on Wednesday directed each division of the association to decide independently by Aug. 21 whether it will be able to safely conduct championship events in fall sports such as soccer and lower-division football.

NCAA President Mark Emmert told The Associated Press that whether college sports, and more specifically major college football, can play through the pandemic is likely to be determined not by the association or even conferences.

"It's actually going to have to be each institution," Emmert said. "You have to look at the huge variability around the country. When you look at what are the facts on the ground in Syracuse, New York, versus Miami, Florida, they're very, very different. And those schools are going to have to operate consistent with their local municipal policies, their state policies, fed-

eral policies, and then also whatever they decide collectively in the conference.

"So it really isn't the time where you can say we're going to have one rule to govern all of football or all of any sport in that sense."

Instead of making a broad decision across three divisions, the Board of Governors set parameters for each to make its own call.

Within hours of the board's announcement, presidents councils from both Division II and III canceled fall sports championships and determined they will not be made up in the spring.

According to the board's decision, at least 50% of teams competing in a fall sport in any division must conduct a regular season this fall for a championship to be held.

The board emphasized that all fall sports activity, whether it be preseason practices, regular-season games or postseason national championship tournaments, must follow the NCAA's return-to-sport guidelines.

"What we did today with the board is we said, look, you have to meet these kinds of standards and you have to provide these kinds of opportunities and this kind of information to students to even move forward on this," Emmert said.

The NCAA has little, if any, control over the highest tier of Division I football, where the Big Ten competes with the other Power Five conferences, the Big 12, Atlantic Coast Conference, Southeastern Conference and Pac-12.

Those leagues along with the five other FBS conferences have methodically put plans in place to play a season that will be worth billions in revenue — most of it landing in the Power Five.

The commissioners of those conferences talked

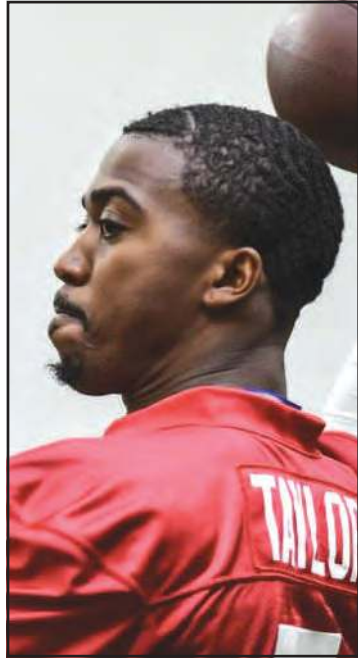
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Chargers: Tech's Taylor to get chance to be QB

COSTA MESA, Calif. (AP) — Anthony Lynn is trying his best to quiet any doubts that Tyrod Taylor will be the Los Angeles Chargers quarterback to start the season.

Lynn again gave Taylor plenty of endorsements on Wednesday as he discussed how things are progressing during the early stages of training camp.

"He hasn't started in a couple years, and he's going to get that opportunity this year. I think he's gonna be just fine," Lynn said about Taylor.



Tyrod Taylor

Lynn knows what Taylor can do from the two years they were together in Buffalo, including in 2016 when Lynn was promoted to offensive coordinator two weeks into the season. Taylor was signed by Los Angeles last year and became the presumptive starter when Philip Rivers signed with Indianapolis.

Lynn slightly lamented that he hasn't had an offseason to work closely with Taylor, but that the 10-year veteran knows what Lynn is expecting.

"He throws one of best deep balls in the game but now he's got a tight end threat with Hunter Henry inside. So now we'll have to throw the ball between the hash marks a little bit," Lynn said. "He takes care of the football. That's the thing I like about him the most."

With rookies reporting before veterans, Justin Herbert got on the field a couple of days before Taylor. Herbert,

who was the sixth overall pick in April's draft, is starting to get up to speed on the offense during walkthroughs, but how much progress he is making won't be known for another couple of weeks until practices truly ramp up.

What has pleased Lynn the most so far is that none of his players haven't had to be placed on the COVID-19/reserve list and no one has indicated they are planning to opt out of the upcoming season.

"We review the protocols all the time. Guys get bored with the protocols but we're just trying to be as careful as we can," he said.



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Hooks, Lines & Sinkers

Falling for something “hook, line and sinker,” is an old pre-verbal expression meaning to be outsmarted or taken in all the way. The ability to outwit and catch the elusive fish is most likely where this originated. The ancient cave man tried to catch fish to eat and survive. Over the years, the art of fishing has evolved from not just for survival, but an enjoyable sport as well. From my days growing up, I’ve enjoying fishing to catch edible ones for the family, myself, and the sporting aspect of it as well. I thought it would be something to share some of the history in the primary fishing tackle, i.e. hooks, lines and sinkers. I have seen the great strides that have been made in the ways to catch fish using these.

It is said that “necessity is the mother of invention.” The first hooks were made by ancient mankind in what he had access to and the environment that he dwelt in. Most notable was sea shells, if near the seacoast where one could rather easily fashion them into a “J” shape. Other materials used were bone and horn from animals, bird beaks and stone fitted with wooden shanks. The art of metallurgy came about when ores such as copper and tin were combined, and the “Bronze Age” came into being. Iron and then steel really revolutionized

the art of fishhooks and their many designs. They were mass produced in England in the fifteenth century. Originally, blacksmiths made them from square material. Many improvements were added over the years in their many shapes and sizes.

The best all around fishhooks that I came into contact with as a lad were the “Eagle Claw” design. In the late 1929’s, Drew McGill and Stan Wright, two fishermen from Colorado formed the Wright & McGill Co. The company later became known as Eagle Claw. The hook has a short leader attached to it and with its barbs and hooked tip almost always insured a landed fish. I fish with them today and always keep a pack of them in my tackle box or fishing vest.

Hooks can be described in three ways i.e. for bait to hold dead various types of artificial, processed, dead or live baits, ones used for lures and those for fly fishing. Some of these hook types employ both double and triple hooks.

No one knows exactly the first fishing lines were made of as they would not survive the centuries. Perhaps they were vines. We do know that braided horse hair was used, but would soon succumb to breakage. The Chinese used braided silk but it could be overcome by the elements of mold and rot. Braided lines of cotton and other fibers



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were the norm up until the time of the WWII and DuPont and its invention of synthetic fiber known as nylon. The monofilament line that came from this process is one that has stood the test of time as it is the one still used on most spinning tackle today. I recall on Little Creek when I was fishing with my boyhood friend Jim. We had a cheap rod and reel loaded with mono and really pulled in the fish – a great improvement over visible lines we had been using. There have been many additional fishing lines that have come on the market today and to name them along with the many floating fly lines along with their pros and cons will need another column.

VHSL reclassification approved, but won't affect Pulaski County

By LUCAS GOAD
The Patriot

The Virginia High School League Alignment Committee made a unanimous last week decision to reclassify certain schools, but nothing will change for Pulaski County.

The VHSL classifies schools into six different groups, from one to six, based on numbers reported to the Virginia Department of Education. Schools that have an enrollment of 457 or less students are put into the smallest classification, which is one, and the other members of the schools in the league are divided equally in to fifths, with schools that have the largest enrollment are put into class six.

There were schools that were moved up in classification due to being in the five percent threshold in their current classification. There was no vote taken on this item.

According to Tom Dolan of the VHSL, there won't be any chang-

We can surmise that the ancient people would most likely fall backwards in the water if they were to observe a person equipped with the equipment we have today. Whether we are fishing using a baited hook, casting with a lure or using a fly line that uses the weight of the line to cast the fly, (will have to give some more information on the history of sinkers in a later column) we have come a long way.

Signs of the times are reflected today as found in the Bible where knowledge is increasing at rapid pace. Daniel 12:4(KJV) states: “But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.”

There are many today running to and fro especially with this ongoing pandemic. My prayer is that those of the right background knowledge can develop a vaccine and many people will come to trust in the Great Physician as well.

es to the classification of schools in Pulaski County High School's district, the River Ridge District.

“It's something that is done at a four-year cycle, nobody in our district was affected” said Scott Vest, the Athletic Director of Pulaski County High School.

PCHS will stay in its current class, which is class four, with an enrollment of 1279 students, according to VHSL.org.

Other schools that will stay in class four and that are also in the River Ridge District are Salem and Blacksburg, while Christiansburg, Cave Spring and Hidden Valley will remain in class three. Patrick Henry will be the lone class five school.

Giles County High School made an attempt to move down in classification from two to one, but were denied by a 15-7 vote. GCHS also made an attempt to move from the Three Rivers District to the Mountain Empire District.

The reason Giles was denied was because they were two students over the 475 minimum, according to the Average Daily Membership numbers.

Bland County wanted to change districts to the Hogohegee District, but was also denied by a 20-2 vote.

One question that may come into peoples' minds is how this will affect high school sports.

“When sporting events start in the 2021- 2023 seasons, it will mean that teams will compete at the advancing level, both region and state” said Dolan.

According to the VHSL press release that was released on July 30, adjustments that were made for class five caused an imbalance in the region.

When the 2021 sports season starts next year, perhaps the imbalance and changes will be felt.

Akers named to All-ODAC Academic Team

EMORY, VA -- Emory & Henry College and the Old Dominion Athletic Conference are pleased to announce that 132 E&H student-athletes from the College's 20 NCAA Division III sports have earned ODAC All-Academic Team honors for the 2019-20 academic year.

Emory & Henry students making the list include Derek Akers of Hiwassee. Akers was a member of the men's soccer team.

Eligibility for the ODAC All-Academic Team is open to any student-athlete that competes in an E&H varsity sport, regardless of academic class. He or she must achieve at least a 3.25 grade point average for the year to be considered.

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a lot about collaboration, but in the end each league did what was in its best interest.

The NCAA's main role has been to provide guidelines for how to attempt to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 as athletes return to campus, practice and ultimately competition.

The NCAA cannot stop regular-season competition. When the board considered pulling the plug on fall championships last month, conference leaders throughout all of Division I pushed back. There was even discussion among the most powerful conferences that they could stage their own championship events without the NCAA.

The pandemic has exposed college sports' lack of clearly defined, top-down leadership, though Emmert said the current problems wouldn't be easier to solve with a different structure.

“We're at a place where all of the answers to all of the questions are complicated because they are very complicated questions,” Emmert said. “And so I guess I understand people that say, ‘You know, somebody make a decision.’ And I would hope that those same people would recognize that I and my board are more than willing to make decisions. We did it in March (canceling the NCAA basketball tournament).”

“This isn't about any one person or any one group not wanting to take leadership. It's about trying to find the right answer for our student-athletes and it's complicated. And anybody that doesn't recognize that is not paying attention.”

Around the same time the NCAA made its announcement Wednesday regarding fall championships and other issues related to COVID-19's impact on college sports, a second players' rights movement announced its formation.

#BigTenUnited joined the “WeAreUnited” group of Pac-12 players in making an organized call for more transparency, oversight and monitoring of COVID-19 testing and standards.

The Big Ten players focused solely on COVID-19 protocols and targeted the NCAA more than their conference.

The NCAA's directive addressed some of the issues raised by both groups, including retention of scholarships and eligibility if an athlete opts out of the coming season because of COVID-19 concerns.

The NCAA is also setting up an email address and phone hot line to allow athletes, parents and others associated with college athletic departments to report “alleged failures” of COVID-19 protocols and guidelines.

“When we as players are united, our voices will be heard. These are important victories but players still don't have any uniform, enforceable COVID standards to keep players safe,” Washington State defensive lineman Dallas Hobbs said in a statement released by #WeAreUnited.

Emmert said the burgeoning player movements were not discussed by the board and neither group has communicated with the NCAA.

“But that's not to say that this wasn't the result of a lot of conversations with students,” Emmert said.

Later in the day, the College Football Playoff put another piece to this jigsaw puzzle of season in place by announcing that the selection of the four teams to compete for the national title would be delayed two weeks to Dec. 20.

It was another sign of hope — coming not long after Louisville announced it had suspended team activities in men's and women's soccer, field hockey and volleyball after 29 athletes tested positive for COVID-19.

“There is no guarantee,” Big Ten Commissioner Kevin Warren said on Big Ten Network, “that we'll have fall sports or a football season.”

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Also, the sports medicine staff has been executing an aggressive education plan on the disease. Doctors and trainers have sent out videos and held multiple Zoom conferences with athletes and coaches. Signage exists throughout the athletics facilities reminding athletes to wear masks, wash their hands, and distance themselves. The staff even walks through locker rooms and calls out athletes who aren't adhering to protocols.

"It's a consistent message that they've been getting since they came on campus, and a lot of that even began before they came back to campus," Rogers said.

In addition, Tech's sports staff continue to conduct workouts outside or within the Beamer-Lawson Indoor Practice Facility – strong air circulation helps prevent the spread of the virus. The indoor facility has six large garage-like doors that open to allow access to the outdoor practice field, and more importantly, allow air to circulate within the building.

Farley had questioned having 100-plus players gather in the space for workouts and walkthroughs – but Tech Athletics had received prior approval from health officials to do this before the players returned to campus.

"The health department and campus approved it," Rogers said.

Rogers, Babcock, and the sports medicine staff are gearing up for potential risks, as more than 30,000 students get ready to return to campus in the next two weeks to resume classes. Obviously, the additional people bring added risk, particularly those who come from areas where the disease has been prevalent.

Tech's student-athletes will continue to be reminded to avoid highly populated areas, especially any parties or the overall downtown scene.

"That's a part of college life, but it doesn't have to be," Rogers said. "That's a physical choice that they're going to have to make. If they're conscientious about their goals, then obviously, they want to go to class, and if they want to play a sport, then those are the two highest priorities to keep themselves safe and the community safe. That's going to have to be a priority of the student-athletes – what they want

their focus to be."

ACC presidents have cleared member schools to begin fall sports starting in early September. They approved a 11-game football schedule that includes 10 conference games and one nonconference game.

Of course, everything is subject to change in today's world, but Rogers thinks that the Tech sports medicine staff has created the safest possible environment for sports – with flexibility to do even more if health officials ask.

"I think we're doing as much as we can to keep it as safe as we can and operating under the assumption that our student-athletes want to perform," he said. "It's our job as a sports medicine team to make it as safe as we can, so that they can perform. We've talked that, on the sports field and certainly outside the sports field, there is a risk for COVID. I think we just need to be smart and take as many precautions as we can and leave it to the experts to kind of move forward."

Babcock has been focused on doing his part to help his staff create the safest environment possible for the student-athletes. He also faces the added challenge of trying to make sure that the department remains secure from a financial perspective.

Schools around the nation have been cutting sports, while furloughing employees and eliminating positions – all to save money. Virginia Tech Athletics hasn't gotten to that point, but Babcock knows there will be a negative impact.

"It is deeply concerning," he said. "We have nearly a \$100 million budget. I believe that impact will be better known later in the year when campus gets up and running. Can we have games? The ticket component will take a hit. Will television [take a hit]? Will advertising? There is a big financial component. Not to trump health, but the financial component is big. We're trying to make it work to where we can provide opportunities for all these student-athletes. Outside of football, too. So there is a lot of pressure on the health side and a lot of pressure financially."

Babcock hopes that the coming days provide a little more certainty. For sure, in that respect, he's like everyone else in college athletics these days.

VT's 2020 football schedule includes six games at Lane Stadium

Clemson, Miami, UVA headline home slate for Hokies, Tech opens with NC State

From Hokiesports.com

BLACKSBURG – The Atlantic Coast Conference released revised schedules for its member schools on Thursday. Virginia Tech and other ACC schools will play 10 conference games in 2020, along with one non-conference foe.

Tech's ACC home opponents include Boston College, Clemson, Miami, NC State and Virginia. The Hokies will travel to Duke, Louisville, North Carolina, Pitt and Wake Forest. The Hokies will open the 2020 campaign at home against NC State on Sept. 12. It will mark the Wolfpack's first visit to Lane Stadium since the Hokies registered a 28-13 home victory in 2015.

The Hokies will retain their non-conference matchup with Liberty. That will now be played at Lane Stadium on November 7. The Hokies and Flames have met just once before, the first game of the Justin Fuente era at Virginia Tech in 2016, a 36-13 victory for the Hokies.

The Hokies' slate features the other three ACC teams to register five wins in conference in 2019, including national runner-up Clemson and eight foes who made bowl game appearances.

The 2020 season will feature:

- Clemson's first trip to Lane Stadium since 2017, which was also the last time the Tigers faced the Hokies.
- Just the eighth-ever meeting with Louisville and the first as members of the ACC. Tech last faced the Cardinals in 2006 in a 35-24 Gator Bowl victory.
- The 102nd meeting all-time with Virginia in a series that the Hokies have dominated, winning 19 of the past 21 meetings, including 10 consecutive games at Lane Stadium.
- The 2020 season will mark the first

time the Commonwealth Clash game against UVA hasn't been played on Thanksgiving weekend since 2005. It will mark the first time the in-state foes will meet in the month of September since Frank Beamer's inaugural season when the two teams played on Sept. 19, 1987.

- Tech's first trip to Wake Forest under Justin Fuente.

As previously announced, the league will operate in a 10+1 format with each school playing 10 conference games and playing host to one non-conference affair.

Notably, Notre Dame is included in the format and will be included in the single division of ACC football in 2020 and will be eligible for the Conference Championship Game which is slated for either Dec. 12 or Dec. 19 at Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte.

VIRGINIA TECH 2020 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

September 12	NC STATE
September 19	VIRGINIA
September 26	Open
October 3	at Duke
October 10	at North Carolina
October 17	BOSTON COLLEGE
October 24	at Wake Forest
October 31	at Louisville
November 7	LIBERTY
November 14	MIAMI
November 21	at Pitt
November 28	Open
December 5	CLEMSON
December 12/19	ACC Championship Game – Charlotte, NC

Schedule as of Aug. 6, 2020 and subject to change

A decision regarding the capacity of Lane Stadium for this season has not yet been determined.

Town of Pulaski Public Hearing

TAKE NOTICE, that the Town Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a public hearing and vote on Tuesday, August 18th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 42 First Street, N.W. to consider amending the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

The proposed amended budget is listed below.

All persons desiring to speak for or against the proposed budget amendment should appear at the aforementioned time and place or submit their comments in writing to the Town Manager prior to the public hearing.

A copy of the proposed budget amendments and amended budget is available for public review in the Town Manager's Office from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Proposed Amended General Fund Budget FY 2020-2021

General Fund Revenues	
Property Taxes	\$ 2,677,500.00
Local Taxes	3,169,500.00
Permits	23,100.00
Fines and Forfeitures	26,500.00
Recreational Charges	19,000.00
State Non-Categorical Aid	12,500.00
State Categorical Aid	2,373,424.00
Federal Aid	25,000.00
Misc. Revenue	169,632.00
Rental of Property	10,488.50
Transfer from Other Fund	94,998.00
Recovered Cost	45,500.00
Other Financing Sources	26,000.00
General Fund Revenues	\$ 8,673,142.50

General Fund Expenditures	
Town Council	\$ 45,903.20
Clerk of Council	76,181.12
Mayor's Office	7,309.00
Town Manager's Office	360,618.11
Community Development	137,615.92
Finance	487,714.99
Administrative Services	322,698.00
General Engineering	257,680.29
Contributions	472,106.00
IT Department	157,000.00
Police Department	2,575,706.52
Fire Department	830,949.18
Building Inspection	173,865.56
Highways, Streets, Bridges-Ineligible	223,992.12
Highways, Streets, Bridges-Eligible	1,478,326.58
Refuse Disposal	2,600.00
General Property Maintenance	170,675.86
Cemeteries	19,671.00
Gatewood Park	17,500.00
Senior Center	88,484.73
Motor Vehicle Maintenance	73,451.95
Debt Service	289,626.00
Train Station	12,850.00
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On deck in NASCAR: Michigan double-header

From NASCAR

This weekend Michigan International Speedway will become just the second track in NASCAR Cup Series history to run a doubleheader at the same facility in consecutive days, joining Pocono Raceway (June 27-28, 2020). First up, is Saturday's Firekeepers Casino 400 at 4 p.m. ET on NBCSN, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio, followed by Sunday's Consumer Energy 400 at 4:30 p.m. ET on NBCSN, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

The two Cup events this weekend at Michigan International Speedway will be mirror images of each other. Both races are 156 laps each (312 miles / 400 kilometers) and each race is broken up into three stages. The first stage for both races is 40 laps, the second stage is 45 laps and the final stage is 71 laps.

Michigan International Speedway has hosted 101 NASCAR Cup Series races dating back to inaugural event held on June 15, 1969. The first Cup event at Michigan was won by NASCAR Hall of Famer Cale Yarborough driving the famous Wood Brothers Racing No. 21 (Mercury).

In total the 101 NASCAR Cup Series races at Michigan International Speedway have produced 50 different poles winners and 38 different race winners. NASCAR Hall of Famer David Pearson holds the record for the most poles at Michigan International

Speedway with 10 poles (1969, 1974 sweep, 1975, 1976, 1977 sweep, 1978 sweep and 1979). Joey Logano, the defending pole winner of the June Michigan race last season, leads all active drivers in poles at Michigan with four (2013, 2016 sweep and 2019); followed by Kurt Busch (2010, 2011 and 2018) with three.

NASCAR Hall of Famer David Pearson leads the series in wins at Michigan as well with nine victories (1969, 1972 sweep, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976 sweep, 1978). Kurt Busch (2003, 2007, 2015), Matt Kenseth (2002, 2006, 2015), Joey Logano (2013, 2016, 2019) and Kevin Harvick (2010, 2018, 2019) lead all active series drivers in wins at Michigan with three victories each. Only two drivers in series history have recorded their first NASCAR Cup Series career win at Michigan International Speedway - NASCAR Hall of Famer Dale Jarrett (August 18, 1991) and Kyle Larson (August 28, 2016).

A total of 21 different organizations have won in the NASCAR Cup Series at Michigan; eight of the 21 are active this weekend.

Roush Fenway Racing leads the series in wins at Michigan with 13 victories: Mark Martin (four), Greg Biffle (four), Carl Edwards (two), Matt Kenseth (two) and Kurt Busch (one). The Wood Brothers Racing organization has the second-most series wins at Michigan with 11 victories, including the inaugural race in 1969 - David Pearson (eight



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Brad Keselowski, driver of the #2 Western Star/Alliance Parts Ford, celebrates with the American flag after winning the NASCAR Cup Series Foxwoods Resort Casino 301 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway on August 02, 2020 in Loudon, New Hampshire.

wins), Cale Yarborough (two) and Dale Jarrett (one).

The first starting position in the NASCAR Cup Series races at Michigan is the most proficient starting position in the field, producing more winners (22) than any other starting position at

Michigan International Speedway - 21 from the pole and one from the first starting position due to qualifying being cancelled - 1985 (Bill Elliott). The most recent win from the pole at Michigan was June 2019 (Joey Logano). The deepest in the field

that a race winner has started at Michigan is 32nd, by NASCAR Hall of Famer Mark Martin in the spring of 2009. The deepest in the field that an active race winner has started at Michigan is 24th, by Kurt Busch in the June of 2015.

Six playoff spots left with six races to go

From NASCAR

Time is dwindling for the NASCAR Cup Series competitors not locked into the Playoffs. Just six races remain in the regular season and with 10 winners this year, six spots are left to make the postseason.

New Hampshire was good to Stewart-Haas Racing's Aric Almirola, who extended his points lead over the Playoff cutline by 11 markers, and is now 145 up, heading into the doubleheader weekend at Michigan. Almirola is the highest ranked driver without a win this season but has put up five top fives and 12 top 10s. This weekend could be an uphill battle for the Tampa, Florida native, Almirola has struggled at Michigan in the NASCAR Cup Series only posting one top-10 finish in 15 starts. He finished 17th in the June race and the 33rd in the August race last season.

Two drivers looking to rebound after losing ground in the points at New Hampshire are brothers Kyle and Kurt Busch. Joe Gibbs Racing's Kyle Busch crashed early at New Hampshire, and that relegated him to a last-place finish - his third DNF of the season. As a result, he dropped a spot in driver standings and is now 94 points up on the Playoff cutoff. Chip Ganassi Racing's Kurt Busch also finished outside the top 10 last week at New Hampshire (17th) and his points cushion shrank by eight points, now 112 up on the postseason cutline. Both Busch brothers will be eager to get to Michigan this weekend as both are former winners at the 2-mile speedway. Kyle has made 30 series starts at Michigan posting one win (2011), seven top fives and 12 top 10s; including a streak of top 10s in the last six consecutive races at the track. And if you think that is impressive, Kurt has made 38 series starts at Michigan collecting three wins (2003, 2007, 2015), seven top fives and 14 top 10s. He finished runner up in the June Michigan race last season.

Stewart-Haas Racing's Clint Bowyer increased his points cushion over 17th place Tyler Reddick by one point at New Hampshire and is now 43 points above the cutline. Bowyer's 2020 season has produced two top fives and five top 10s. Heading into this weekend, Bowyer is probably cautiously optimistic. The Kansas native won at Michigan in 2018 and in 28 starts has 12 top-10 finishes, but last season was caught in multi-car incidents in both races resulting in back-to-back DNFs on the 2-mile track.

Wood Brothers Racing's Matt DiBenedetto collected himself fol-

lowing his first DNF of the season at Kansas two weeks ago, to rally to his sixth top-10 finish of the season last weekend at New Hampshire. The Californian continues to hold the 15th spot in the Playoff outlook, but the solid result at New Hampshire added five points to his points cushion total (+40) over the Playoff cutoff with six races remaining in the regular season. Looking to the 2-mile track nestled in the Irish Hills, DiBenedetto has made 10 series starts at Michigan posting his career-best finish at the track (20th) last August.

And for the second straight week, Hendrick Motorsport's driver William Byron has clung to the 16th position in the NASCAR Cup Series Playoff outlook - the final Playoff transfer spot on points. Byron's six top 10s this year have him up 15 points on 17th place Tyler Reddick, but a winning driver over these next six races from outside the postseason cutline would bounce Byron out of the Playoffs. The young talent from North Carolina, Byron, has made four series starts at Michigan posting a track-best eighth last August.

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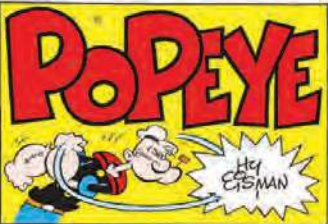
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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Hungary?
- 2. MOVIES: What is the name of the necklace given to Rose in the movie "Titanic"?
- 3. TELEVISION: Which TV comedy led to a spinoff series called "The Andy Griffith Show"?
- 4. HISTORY: The Motion Picture Association of America established modern movie ratings in which year?
- 5. ADVERTISING: What is the name of the rooster in the Kellogg's Cornflakes advertisements?
- 6. MEASUREMENTS: How many gills are in a pint?
- 7. FOOD & DRINK: What is spumoni?
- 8. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century poet once wrote, "August rain: the best of the summer gone, and the new fall not yet born. The odd uneven time"?
- 9. BIBLE: How many times did Noah send a dove from the Ark to seek land?
- 10. ANATOMY: What is a common name for the clavicle?

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Golf club is missing. 2. Swim trunks are different. 3. Cloud has moved. 4. Boy's hair is different. 5. Shrub is gone. 6. Hat is different.

- 10. Collar bone
- 9. Three
- 8. Sylvia Plath
- 7. A layered Italian ice-cream dessert
- 6. Four
- 5. Cornelius
- 4. 1968
- 3. "The Danny Thomas Show"
- 2. The Heart of the Ocean
- 1. Budapest

Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

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

Clue: T equals G

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QYX ZBQZID DENBPD QZAEBI:

"HYP QPZANRT XM HYP TANR."

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3. Shake; 4. Fiend

1. Beyond 2. Twinge

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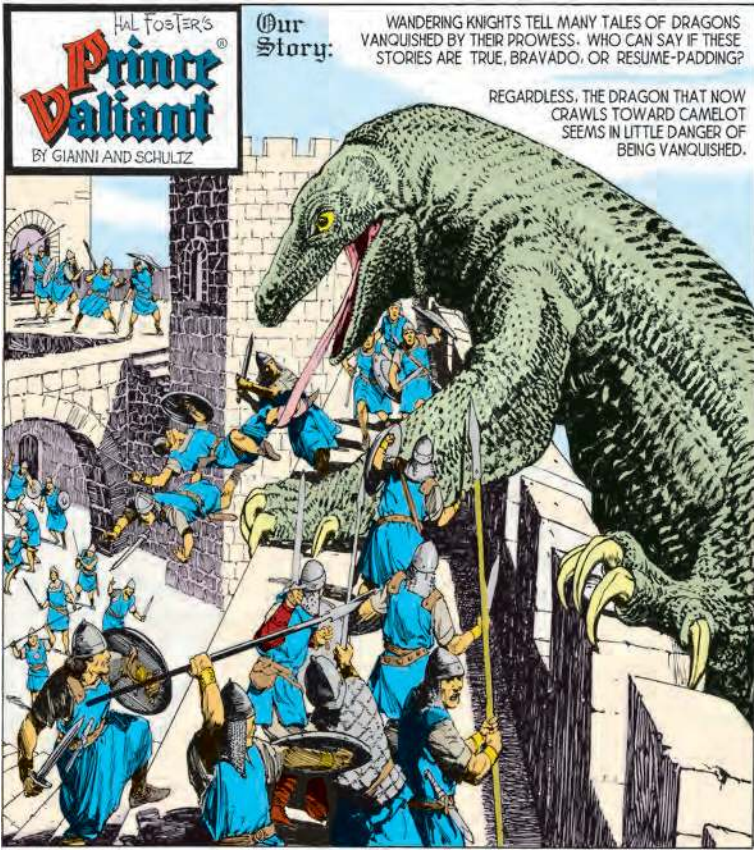
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Sometimes it is difficult to understand antique furniture that has outlived its usefulness, like a linen press or a Hoosier cabinet. People younger than 50 years old probably wouldn't recognize a telephone stand, an ice box or a milk chute. Even more confusing is a round table that was called a wine tasting table in the 1960s, but was probably never used when tasting wine. The table has a round or oval top with a hinge mechanism underneath that can be released to tilt the top to a screen position. There are circular depressions carved in the top to "keep the wine bottle secure," according to an old dictionary. But the depressions are two or three times the size of a wine bottle's base.

Now, the tilt-top table with depressions is known to be a breakfast, supper, tea or dessert table that held plates, cups, saucers and food for a meal. People ate alone then, not at a family breakfast table. The top was 1 to 5 feet in diameter. A 19th-century George III-style table with recessed sections was auctioned recently at New Orleans Auction Gallery. It was 3 feet in diameter and had nine recessed circles. Listed as a tripod table (three-part leg) with a floriform top, it was estimated at \$1,200 to \$1,800.

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Cloisonne teapot, cobalt blue, flowers, vases, teacups, potted tree, hexagonal, bail handle, 8 1/2 inches, \$260.

Sampler, verse, "Lord of the lower world," leaves, butterflies, Adam, Eve, 20 1/2 inches, \$420.

TIP: Don't put a decorative runner or vase on your wooden table if it is in sunlight. Eventually the finish will fade around the ornaments and leave a shadow of the items on the wood.

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By Terry and Kim Kovel



Names of antiques change as their original use is forgotten. This table used to be called a wine-tasting table, but today we know it was a small table used to serve breakfast or tea. It is worth about \$1,500.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: SCATTERED ON THE FLOOR

Brush	Combs	Philosophy	Television
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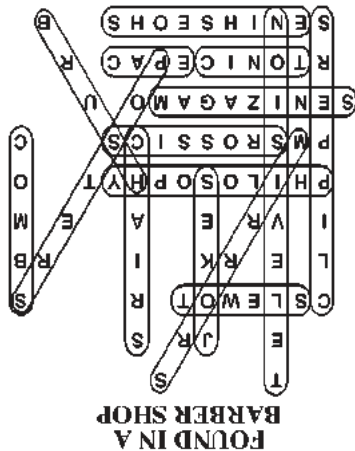
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Jesus opens blinded eyes

Jesus was a divine healer, like no other. He could make the lame to walk, the blind to see, the dumb to talk and the deaf to hear. He could heal diseases that were incurable such as leprosy. There is no sickness or infirmity that Christ can't heal and He has provided divine healing for us in the Atonement. "By His stripes we are healed." When we need healing for our bodies, we can call upon our blessed Lord in faith believing, and receive our healing.

Jesus is immutable. Unchanging. If He has done it before, which we know He has from numerous accounts in the bible, rest assured, He will do it again as the gospel song says.

"And He'll do it again, He'll do it again,

If you'll just take a look, At where you are now,
And where you've been;
Well hasn't He always come through, for you,
He's the same now as then,
You may not know how, You may not know when,
But He'll do it again." Shirley Caesar.

The same God who saved you is ready, willing and able to work another miracle in your life. Our being saved is a miracle from God. And if God can work one miracle in our lives, He can and will do another one, when and if we need another one. He'll do it again. Praise God. He'll do it again.

The townspeople brought a blind man to Jesus to be healed. And I admire those who brought Him to Jesus. When we bring someone, anyone, to Jesus, we have done a good thing, because Jesus can and will change them for the better.

"And He took the blind man, and led him out of the town, and when He had spit on his eyes, and put His hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought? And he looked up, and said, "I see men as trees walking." After that, Jesus touched his eyes again and this time, his eyesight was completely restored. He saw every man clearly.

Perhaps Jesus took this blind man to a private place to get away from the critics and the doubters. We need to keep our distance from the critics and the doubters. Because their doubts could hinder our faith.

Now you may wonder why Jesus spit on the blind man's eyes. It could very well have been, as Adam Clarke suggests, because as in the case of some who are blind, their eyes lids are all gummed up and Jesus could have done it to get the eyelids of the man open.

It wasn't the spit that healed the blind man. It was included in the application of the healing, but really, it was the touch of the Master's hand that brought the healing.

The man wasn't completely healed at first. This is the only case in the earthly ministry of Jesus, where a person He touched with a healing touch and didn't get healed completely. This is a good case of progressive healing.

At first when the man opened his eyes, he said, "I see men like trees walking." He was partially healed. He could see, but not clearly. He couldn't tell the difference between a man and a tree. I imagine his eyesight was bleary at first after having been blind for so long.

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My Answer

Billy Graham

Our calling is to be His light in a dark world

Q: I do love God but loving others is difficult for me, particularly when so many openly reject God’s truth. Why is it important to demonstrate love to people who behave this way? - F.M.

A: To say we love God and care nothing for our fellow man is to deny God’s own word. Personal faith in Jesus Christ is what makes us able to reach out to others. It’s by His power that we become a testimony for Him. A cartoon once depicted a man rowing a boat toward a golden shore labeled “Heaven.” All around him were people struggling in vain to reach the shore to safety, but he was heedless of their peril. He was singing, “I am bound for Heaven, hallelujah!”

This is not an adequate picture of the Christian life. When we have the Lord in our hearts He gives us peace with Him and peace with our fellow man. We will have a desire to proclaim His truth to them. This is our calling, to be His light in a dark world.

Visualize a triangle. At the highest point write “God.” At the two lower points write “You” and “Others.” In geometric form you have a visual diagram of our relationship with God and man. Our lives before accepting Christ as Savior is represented by a single dot of self-centeredness, but in salvation we now make contact with two worlds. Truth flows from God to the believer and out to others who cross our paths. We become obedient channels of His truth, His light, and His love.

“Everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him” (1 John 4:7-9).

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



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Then Jesus laid his hands on the man the second time, and the man could see clearly. He was completely healed.

This is a good place to think about progressive healing. Sometimes God heals instantly and sometimes the healing comes progressively. So if you are praying for your healing and it all doesn’t come completely, and immediately, hang in there. Give it time. God heals people in different ways. Sometimes He does it instantly and sometimes we have to wait upon the Lord. Sometimes God wants us to show Him that we are putting all of our trust in Him. Perhaps we are not in the spiritual condition that we should be in, when we ask for healing, and in time, we can draw closer to God, and our faith can grow strong enough to receive our healing. Sometimes our healing

may be a process. A time when we show God that although He hasn’t healed us completely yet, we are sure and certain that our complete healing is on the way.

Here Jesus used both natural means and spiritual means to heal the blind man. The natural means used here was the spit, and the spiritual means was the laying on of hands and the power to Jesus to heal.

I like what David Guzik says about it. He says, “It is one example of the variety of healing methods Jesus used.”

Jesus could have chosen this method at this time as an illustration to His disciples, showing them then that their spiritual blindness - shown in a previous passages - will be healed, but gradually.

Whatever it was, the man was completely healed before leaving the presence of Jesus. What

we need to do when we are seeking healing from God, is to accept it any way it comes. If it comes through a miracle from God, we can rejoice over it. If it comes with the help of a doctor, a hospital or medicine, all is well and good. Doctors will tell you if they are being honest that they don’t have the power to heal. All they can do is treat the symptoms and take good care of us, and hopefully, over time, we’ll get better.

Jesus’ healing of the blind man was progressive, just like the opening up of the Disciples spiritual eyes, was progressive. You know there is such a thing as spiritual blindness. The Pharisees never got over their spiritual blindness. But the Disciples did and they went out and turned the world upside down for Christ.

Pulaski County has the best places for vacation

From our guest writer,
The Blue Ridge Fudge Lady:

Hi Y'all! Blue Ridge Fudge Lady here to talk to you about a Pulaski County Staycation! I am a huge traveler and have always had the motto work hard, play hard! I travel for my day job and for personal recreation.

Exploring new places is definitely my thing. In April I had a trip scheduled for camping in Minnesota, but I was not allowed to go because of COVID circumstances. My daughter, Abbi, and I were super excited to be camping again so we thought let's camp in our backyard. We are in Pulaski County!

Pulaski County has some of the best places for vacation. People come from all over to be in our neck of the woods for exercise, family time, rest and relaxation, or whatever your fancy. My first camping trip during this crazy season was at Gatewood Park. How is it I've lived here for so long and never camped at Gatewood? Gatewood is beautiful. It is by far my favorite place to camp right now. Abbi and I had decided to give it a try so we loaded up the Jeep, and drove 14 miles to our new vacation destination right here in Pulaski County. We were met by extremely friendly hosts at the camp. We set up our tent, right on the water. The water at Gatewood is so peaceful. It looks like glass!

Of course, I forgot a ton of stuff, but that was ok because they have a fully stocked store with lots of supplies. A little secret, they have the best ice cream there too. We cooked our first meal on the fire, and I'm not trying to brag (well maybe a little), but Abbi says my food is way better when cooked on the fire. Perhaps it's the smell of the fire that makes it better.

The very next day we spent on the trails and walked for hours. The trails are strategically marked and some even contain levels for you (easy or hard) so that you can make the best decision for your family. It was



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so hot that day, but on the trails, we were met with lots of shade and a cool breeze to keep us feeling perfect. For the second half of the day we rented kayaks and let me tell you, kayaking at Gatewood is so much fun! It's so beautiful. We spent a lot of our time on the water trying to spot the secret primitive camp sites that you can stay if you are really adventurous! I like my bath houses though so we stayed close to them. Speaking of bath houses, the water is warm, they are clean, and you have plenty of room to move around in them.

Waking up the next morning to the crisp air with the birds chirping, I realized I did not want to go home at all. I inquired about living there forever, but that wasn't available at the time so we did go ahead and extend for a few days. We now alternate camping trips about every other week between Gatewood and Claytor Lake State Park.

During the week we go back and rent paddle boards and kayaks from Mountain 2 Island at least once a week. We like food so we alternate between Rock House Marina where we eat first (the most amazing cauliflower crust pizza I've ever had) and then kayak, or at the Claytor Lake State Park where we paddle board and then have dinner at the newest restaurant in Pulaski County, TJ's. TJ's is right outside the Claytor Lake State Park entrance. Do yourself a favor and order an appetizer of sautéed mushrooms with that amazing pizza he makes... Don't forget to tell everyone the Fudge Lady sent you. #pulaskicounty-issstaycation

XOXO, Fudge Lady
(Robin Burdette)

This lady's getting it done

Dear Dave,

I'm single, and I'll be a pilot in the military for the next 10 years. I'm also debt-free, have a fully funded emergency fund, and I'm saving 15% of my income for retirement. After my military days are over, I plan to work as a commercial pilot. I've done the math, and I have about \$20,000 a year to give, have fun with and build wealth. My question is about wealth building. When it comes to rental properties, I know you don't like the idea of being a long-distance landlord. Since I'm in the military, there's a good chance I'll move around a bit. What should I do?

Dear Rachel,

First, thank you for your service to our country. And, wow! You're in a tremendous position financially and career-wise. You've got a great future ahead of you as a pilot in the military and after, plus you've followed my plan item by item. You've

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got so many options, and you can make a difference in your community and in the lives around you right now by giving.

When it comes to wealth building, I hope you've already taken advantage of the TSP, or Thrift Savings Plan, which is kind of the military version of the 401(k). For wealth building

beyond that, I'd get with a good investment pro—one with the heart of a teacher—and dive into some growth stock mutual funds. You could have a lot of money piled up just by the end of your military career. Who knows? You may even be able to buy a nice home with cash when you leave the service. Beyond that, you may be able to settle into some real estate and pay cash for those investments.


You are one cool, smart lady, Rachel. Congratulations on setting yourself up for a wonderful life—one where you can live and give like no one else!

—Dave

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