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School cell phone policy cuts class interruptions

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

A new cell phone policy has succeeded in significantly reducing phone-related interruptions in class at both the high school and middle school.

That was the key information coming out of an update on the new policy during last week's meeting of the Pulaski County School Board.

School Superintendent Dr. Kevin Siers provided the board with an update on how the new policy is working out - a policy that has resulted in complaints from some parents.

While the new policy took effect this fall, discussion on cell phones has been ongoing for some time. School officials began studying the cell phone issue over a year ago at a board member's request.

Last October it was reported a survey of county teachers found they were dealing with student misuse of cell phones an average of 29 times per week.

And while some teachers allowed use of cell



phones for instructional purposes, a majority of teachers did not, and two-thirds of teachers said cell phones had a negative impact on the learning environment.

Later, Siers reported, a meeting was held between high school students, middle school students, teachers, administrators, and school board members regarding a proposed revision to the student code of conduct that would restrict cell phone use in schools.

Siers said while students were not in favor of restricting cell phone use, they did demonstrate an understanding of how it negatively impacted their classes and frequently caused their teachers to get

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Motor Mile Speedway-Dragway, Rusty Wallace Racing sign deal

Primes Venue for Future Growth and Boosts Racing and Entertainment Offerings

From Wallace Racing Group



In a strategic multi-year agreement, Motor Mile Speedway & Dragway and the Rusty Wallace Racing Experience (RWRE) have announced a deal that that will enhance existing race programs and expand entertainment offerings at the Radford motorsports venue.

Under the agreement, which includes a multi-year lease, RWRE will assume control of venue operations, with Motor Mile Speedway & Dragway becoming the home track of the Rusty Wallace Racing Experience and its companion companies, which includes the acclaimed Pure Speed Drag Racing Experience.

"Motor Mile Speedway & Dragway is one of the

finest grassroots motorsports facilities in the nation. We're excited to confirm a full schedule of racing and could not have picked a better home track for The Rusty Wallace Racing Experience and Pure Speed Drag Racing Experience," said Rusty Wallace. "The opportunity to call this amazing short

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Cell

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off task in order to deal with cell phone related behaviors.

Students also discussed the negative impact that cell phones played in the bullying and harassment of students during the school day.

In December of last year, the school board voted to approve a change to the student code of conduct that restricted student cell phone use during the instructional day. It was decided that the change would go into effect with the 2020-2021 school year since that is when all middle and high school students would receive a PCPS issued Chrome-

book which would allow students to have an electronic device that could be used for educational purposes and eliminate the need for using cell phones.

In June of this year, the school board approved the purchase of Yondr pouches for the 2020-2021 and the 2021-2022 school year for the middle and high school.

Yondr pouches are somewhat larger than a cell phone and have a magnetic button that locks when the pouch is closed. Phones are inserted into the pouches where they stay until the pouch is unlocked.

The cost of the pouches was based on an individual price of \$12.50 per student each year for a total of \$26,750 per year.

While some have criticized the cost of the pouches, Siers noted the estimated cost of lost instruc-

tional time to deal with student misuse of cell phones in class was equivalent to five full time teaching positions or approximately \$250,000 per year.

Students were introduced to the Yondr pouches when schools opened in September.

Since then, Siers reported, 97 percent of teachers said the use of Yondr pouches had been effective in preventing students from using their cell phones during class.

Over 94 percent of teachers said the new policy and use of Yondr pouches had been helpful to classroom instruction.

Teachers also reported the average number of interruptions to instruction in their classroom had dropped from 29 per week to just three.

Siers added that incidents of

social media bullying and harassment during school have been virtually non-existent so far this school year, which he said had freed up school administrators and School Resource Officers to work on other issues.

He added that incidents of students "sexting" during the school day had been virtually non-existent this year, meaning that students are not having to be investigated for being in possession of child pornography.

Siers said students are less able to communicate during class to coordinate behaviors such as vap-

ing, drug use and others.

"Schools are safer, more instruction is happening, students feel less pressure to communicate with their friends during school, students are learning to be more independent, we are helping students become better prepared for the workforce and less charges are being filed against students," Siers told the school board.

Siers said his recommendation to the board is the same as an overwhelming majority of secondary teachers, "In that we keep the policy and the Yondr program in place as the overall benefits are well worth the cost."

Racing

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track home for our more advanced programs has us primed for 2021 today. I can't wait to get up there in the Spring."

"This is an exciting time for the future of Motor Mile Speedway & Dragway," said David Hagan, owner of Motor Mile Speedway & Dragway. "The vision offered by RWRE ensures that the venue will continue to build on its rich past and remain a leading motorsports destination for years to come."

Mark Ebert, President and CEO of RWRE, added, "We want to thank David Hagan and the staff of Motor Mile Speedway & Dragway for welcoming us with open arms. From the traditional events already in place to the entertainment opportunities only RWRE can provide, we believe there is tremendous potential for growth here and we are ready for action this spring. We can't wait to combine the amazing facility at Motor Mile with a full slate of racing on the oval and dragstrip plus the interactive opportunities for the fans to get behind the wheel of a NASCAR style Late Model, rear engine dragster or into one of our racing go-karts. Motor Mile will truly be a one of a kind motorsports facility."

RWRE is the largest racing school in the country, offering NASCAR-style driving experiences at over 80 tracks in the United States and Canada. Founded in 2005, the North Carolina

based company boasts a diverse collection of driving schools.

Motor Mile Speedway will be celebrating its thirty-first anniversary as a NASCAR-sanctioned short track in 2020. In 31 seasons, Motor Mile Speedway has crowned 15 different NASCAR Late Model track champions, and has been the home track of two NASCAR Home Tracks national champions on six different occasions: Philip Morris (2006, '08,'09) and Lee Pulliam (2012, '13, '15).

Motor Mile Dragway has showcased high-speed drag racing action since 2004. In its brief history Motor Mile Dragway has spawned several successful careers, most notably that of 2011-14 NHRA Funny Car World Champion Matt Hagan. The 1/8 mile dragway hosts a variety of seasonal motorsports events, including its wildly popular "Friday Night Fury" program.

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Griffith expresses support for county lawman being sued in federal court

Patriot Staff Report

Pulaski County Commonwealth's Attorney Justin L. Griffith has issued a statement in support of a Pulaski County Sheriff's Office investigator who is facing a civil lawsuit in Federal Court.

The Roanoke Times reported Tuesday a story regarding a lawsuit against a drug investigator with the sheriff's office. The story prompted Griffith's statement.

The suit alleges the investigator, Sgt. David S. Cressell obtained a grand jury indictment against the wrong person, which lead to her arrest and temporary incarceration.

According to the Roanoke Times report, U.S. District Judge Thomas Cullen said preliminary evidence suggested the mix-up resulted in Cressell's failure to perform basic investigative tasks and give complete grand jury testimony.

According to the story, Linda Trail of North Carolina filed the suit and is requesting unspecified compensation from Cressell for the nearly nine days she spent incarcerated in 2017 before authorities discovered the error.

On Oct. 13, the court rejected Cressell's request to terminate the civil rights case against him, the report states. By rejecting Cressell's request, Trail and her attorney can prepare for the possibility of a trial in Roanoke federal court. She claims her rights against malicious prosecution were violated. Her suit was originally filed in 2019 and updated in April.

According to the Roanoke Times, Trail has the same last name as a woman against whom authorities had evidence, but her first name is different from the person identified by a police informant, Judge Cullen's ruling said.

In his statement, which was issued Wednesday to local media, Griffith said that when he was hired as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney for Pu-



Commonwealth's Attorney Justin L. Griffith

laski County, "it was made clear to me this office values loyalty and respect."

"When I received the appointment to be our Commonwealth's Attorney in July, 2020, I made a promise to myself to carry those values forward in a transparent way.

"On Tuesday, October 20, 2020, the Roanoke Times released a story regarding a lawsuit against a Pulaski County investigator.

"Everyone can be respectful of what happened to Linda Trail. We should also be respectful of the fact that everyone makes mistakes. In addition, I respect the outcome of the case is up to the Court. I have the utmost respect for David Cressell and the work he does. My opinion is not based on preliminary evidence. It is based on years of having the opportunity to walk beside him. David Cressell has given many years of selfless service to our county. He has played a vital role in the prosecution of numerous cases with detestable facts. His work has been pivotal in the pursuit of justice, time after time, in our county. I was not raised to pick and choose when to support those that deserve it and David Cressell has my support."

Celebrate Halloween safely at county's Drive-thru Trick or Treat

From Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce

The Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce hosts Pulaski's first ever Drive-Thru Trick or Treat Halloween on Oct. 31, 2020 from 3-7pm in Randolph Park. The event will include the annual pumpkin carving contest, local business and community group candy stops, music DJ'ed by WPSK's Curtis in the Morning and a spooky, fun family atmosphere. No entry fee is required, but \$10 donations for Coats for Kids are encouraged per car.

The event kicks off with the annual pumpkin carving contest, featuring 2019's champion Town of Dublin's Tye Kirkner. Smack talk and friendly competition has continued to heat up among this year's challengers. Pulaski invites guests to take part in crowning the 2020 champion by voting for their favorite pumpkin carving on the Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce's Facebook Page.

Pulaski's Halloween Drive-Thru Trick or Treat is more than just a candy pick-up – it's an experience! Each candy stop will be decked out in Halloween decor and fashion. In fact, visitors may experience a safe and spooky "car-wash" as they journey into their Halloween drive-thru adventure. Businesses

and booth sponsors will be bringing their best and most creative Halloween spirits, and the overall best candy stop will be awarded a trophy.

Special thanks to these candy booth stops, business donors and community donors: Alliance Express Urgent Care, Americare Plus, Building Bridges, Coats for Kids, Community Christian Church, Community Youth Center, Dublin Church of God, Duncan Suzuki, First Bank and Trust, First NRV Credit Union, Fontaine, James Hardie, Jubilee Christian Center, LewisGale Hospital, Luttrell Staffing, Martin's Pharmacy – Dublin, Northstar Church, New River Resource Authority, NRV Lube Plus, PCPC, Pulaski County, Pulaski County Board of Supervisors, Pulaski County Public Schools, Pulaski County Sheriff's Department, PSK, SERPRO Somic America, TG Howard, Thomas & Wendy Holsinger, Tom's Drive In, Truliant FCU, Women's Resource Center, Town of Dublin, Town of Dublin Police Department and Virginia Eagle.

Pulaski County invites you and your family to come and celebrate Halloween in a safe, outdoor setting. It's an event filled with thrilling treats and sugary sweets for everyone to enjoy!

Fire destroys mobile home in Pulaski

Patriot Staff Report

A mobile home was destroyed by fire Monday afternoon in Pulaski.

According to Pulaski Fire Chief Robbie Kiser, his department received the call for a structure fire at 255 Bentley Hollow Road, Lot 44 at 12:34 p.m.

Fire units arrived three minutes later and found heavy fire coming from the residence with all occupants already outside the structure.

Firefighters quickly extinguished the fire using 1000 gallons of water with an engine and 19 personnel from Pulaski Fire Department.

Draper Fire Department also assisted with an engine and four personnel. Newbern FD assisted with an air truck. A fire medic crew along with REMSI, Pulaski County Emergency Management and Pulaski Police Department also assisted with the fire. The Red Cross was called to assist the displaced subjects from the fire.

The Pulaski Fire Marshal's office

is investigating the cause of the fire.

The structure was deemed a total loss.

All units cleared the fire scene at 2:45 p.m.

"Pulaski Fire Department would like to thank all the other agencies for their help with this fire," said Kiser.

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Advisory Declaration Regarding 2020 Halloween in The Town of Dublin

Whereas, the present Covid-19 (coronavirus) pandemic has created an extremely serious threat to the safety, health, and well-being of every resident of the Town of Dublin, Virginia, as well as every human being worldwide; and

Whereas, multiple federal and state governmental and health authorities have issued various proclamations, declarations, and prohibitory, directives and advisories regarding interactions among individuals during this pandemic, in an effort to curtail the spread of this highly contagious disease; and

Whereas, the Charter of the Town of Dublin, Virginia (1) charges the Town with the duty of taking reasonable and appropriate governmental measures to protect the safety, health and wellbeing of its residents and its employees, and (2) charges the mayor of the Town, as its chief executive officer, with affecting those duties;

Therefore, I, Benny P. Skeens, mayor of the Town of Dublin, Virginia, strongly recommend to all residents, both youths and adults, of the Town of Dublin that they do not engage in Halloween activities this year which will or may result in contact with others who are not members of their household, including, but not limited to, door-to-door trick-or-treating and parties or similar social gatherings, wherever held. I encourage all who wish to engage in Halloween activities this year to limit such activities to patronizing the drive-through "treat trail" at Randolph Park on Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., which is sponsored by the Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce.

So declared this September 25, 2020

Benny P. Skeens, Mayor

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In Loving Memory



MADELIN ANITA STILWELL MARSHALL

Madelin Anita Stilwell Marshall, age 92 of Allisonia passed away Monday, October 19, 2020 at her home. Born March 2, 1928 in Draper, Virginia she was the daughter of the late Martin Lewis Stilwell and Dovie Opal Hylton Stilwell. Her son, Gary George Marshall, sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy "Dot" Stilwell (Sanford) Quesenberry also preceded her in death.

Mrs. Marshall owned and operated Marshall's Store in Allisonia for 63 years with her husband of 72 years. She enjoyed visits with friends and family and was a loving neighbor and caregiver to the community. She was a lifelong member of the Farris Mines Christian Church where she taught Sunday School. She also helped with Daily Bread and worked the election polls.

She is survived by her Husband of 72 years George Byis Marshall - Allisonia

Children
Larry M. (Connie) Marshall - Allisonia

Janice M. (Gene) Holt - Pulaski

Grandchildren
Michial (Wendy) Marshall, Jeff (Paige) Marshall, Karri Queen, Kyle (Summer) Scaggs, Kevin (Michelle) Marshall, Beth (Dewayne) Caldwell and Sara (Pip) Cornish

16 Great Grandchildren
7 Great, Great Grandchildren

Brother-in-law
Harley Thomas Marshall, Jr. - Charleston, SC

Sister-in-law
Erma Marshall - Pulaski

Numerous nieces and nephews
Graveside funeral services were held Thursday, October 22, 2020 at the Farris Mines Christian Church Cemetery, Allisonia with Dennis Trail officiating.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Farris Mines Christian Church or the Daily Bread in Pulaski or the charity of your choice.

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

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



JOSEPH CLIFTON MCLAWHORN

Joseph Clifton McLawhorn, 85, of Pulaski, VA was born in Pitt County, NC on September 5, 1935 and died on October 17, 2020. He was the son of the late Melton and Lyda Young McLawhorn and was also preceded in death by a sister, Lois Mitchell and a brother, Hugh McLawhorn.

Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Margaret Johnson McLawhorn; son, Joel McLawhorn (Brenda) of Rural Retreat; two granddaughters, Caitlin McLawhorn and Keelie McLawhorn of Knoxville, TN; Brenda's daughters, Joyce Watson, Fiona Slobidian, Marie Brady and their spouses, children and grandchildren; son, Barry McLawhorn of Atlanta, GA; and a brother, Edward (Gladys) McLawhorn of Hampton.

Clifton graduated from Newport News High School, Newport News, VA and Cincinnati Bible Seminary, Cincinnati, OH. He served as a Christian minister for over 50 years. He was minister, locally, at Community Christian Church, Newbern and Dublin Christian Church. He also served churches in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia. He was a volunteer firefighter in the Newbern and Dublin Fire Departments, a member of the Dublin Ruritan Club, and a member of the New River Valley Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol. He enjoyed photography and feeding/watching the birds.

A private service with close friends and family was held Thursday, October 22nd, from the Highland Memory Gardens Mausoleum Chapel, Dublin, VA with Rev. Richie Goad officiating. Memorial donations may be made to Dublin Christian Church, P.O. Box 1330, Dublin, VA 24084.

Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.

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OPAL LEE DOBBINS RATCLIFFE

Opal Lee Dobbins Ratcliffe, 84, of Radford, died Saturday, October 17, 2020 in her home surrounded by her family. She was born on July 28, 1936, to the late Andrew Lee and Maggie Kanode Dobbins. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her beloved husband, William Frazier Ratcliffe, Sr., son Franklin Frazier Ratcliffe, grandson Christopher Jon Ratcliffe and brother, Lawrence Eugene Dobbins.

Survivors include son and daughter-in law, Michael Lee and Mona Crowder Ratcliffe of Pulaski; son and daughter-in-law Rodney Graham and Nadene Ratcliffe of Rotonda West, FL; son, William Frazier Ratcliffe, Jr. of Radford and daughter and son-in-law, Amy Ratcliffe Lynch and John Charles Lynch of Galax. Also surviving are brothers, Andrew "Butch" Dobbins and Jimmy Dobbins and sister-in-law, Betty Dobbins.

Opal loved all things pertaining to her flowers and gardening, from heirloom seeds to nurturing the largest blooms and sweetest berries in the neighborhood. She was an avid listener to the Galax

First Baptist Church radio broadcast and enjoyed her extended church community from the airwaves. She attended Hadley School for the Blind, where she learned Braille and computer proficiency in her 70's. Her greatest achievement and lasting legacy are her adored grandchildren: Kenneth Michael Ratcliffe of Dublin, Weston Forsyth Lynch of Somerset, PA, Second Class Petty Officer Charles Alan Lynch and wife Narumi Kobayashi Lynch of Sasebo, Nagasaki, Japan, Elizabeth Lucille Lynch and husband David Frazier of Chesapeake, VA and Kathryn Diane Lynch Jesusa and husband Wilmer Jesusa of San Diego, CA.

According to Opal's wishes a private graveside service at Thorn Spring Cemetery, officiated by Rev. Teresa Tolbert was held by her immediate family on October 20, 2020. A remembrance celebration will be hosted in the home by the family on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at 3:00 pm for friends and family.

Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.

LewisGale to participate in 'Crush the Crisis' take-back

With the opioid crisis still raging throughout the nation, LewisGale Regional Health System facilities in Southwest Virginia will either host or join other area organizations in "Crush the Crisis," an opioid drug take-back day, which will allow the community to safely dispose of unused or expired opioid medications.

The drug take-back collection sites will be available on Saturday, October 24, at the following locations and times:

- LewisGale Medical Center Cave Spring ER
2706 Ogden Road, Roanoke, VA 24018
10 am - 2 pm
- LewisGale Hospital Montgomery
3700 South Main Street, Blacksburg, VA 24060
9 am - 12 noon

Employees at LewisGale Hospital Alleghany and LewisGale Hospital Pulaski are teaming up with other area businesses to offer collection sites at the following locations:

- Kroger / CVS
1618 Main Street, Clifton Forge, VA 24422
10 am - 2 pm
- Walmart
313 Thacker Ave, Covington, VA 24426
10 am - 2 pm
- Food City
1400 Bob White Blvd, Pulaski, VA 24301
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"Stress related to the COVID-19 pandemic may be exacerbating the opioid crisis by causing Americans to have feelings of anxiety, grief, social isolation, financial worry, and general uncertainty, all of which can affect those with substance use disorders and those at risk of developing one," said Dr. Cooper, chief medical officer of LewisGale Medical Center. "Now, more than ever, it's critically important to get unused pain

medications out of homes and to educate the community about the serious threat of opioid misuse and abuse."

Volunteers will be collecting tablets, capsules, and patches of Hydrocodone (Norco, Lortab, Vicodin), Oxycodone (Oxycontin, Percocet), Tramadol (Ultram), Codeine, Fentanyl (Duragesic), Morphine, Hydromorphone (Dilaudid), and Oxymorphone (Opana). Needles, syringes, lancets, or liquids will not be accepted. Law enforcement officers will be on site at each corresponding facility to assist with the collection and disposal of unused medications.

In 2018, nearly 15,000 people died from an overdose that included prescription opioids, and a recent study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association showed that visits for non-fatal opioid overdoses more than doubled from 2019 to 2020 in one emergency department in Virginia.

To further help combat the nation's opioid crisis, HCA Healthcare, the parent company of LewisGale Regional Health System which is also part of HCA Virginia hospitals, proudly partners with and provides clinical insight to

the National Academy of Medicine's (NAM) Action Collaborative on Countering the U.S. Opioid Epidemic. HCA Healthcare has committed \$500,000 to the Collaborative to support the development of safer pain management protocols and reversal of the opioid crisis.

As a learning health system, HCA Healthcare uses data from approximately 35 million annual patient encounters to help continuously improve care. The organization uses the science of "big data" to reduce opioid misuse and transform pain management, with initiatives in surgical, emergency and other care settings, including:

- Enhanced Surgical Recovery (ESR): a multi-modal approach to pain management using pre, intra and post-operative interventions to optimize outcomes.

- ALTERNATIVES TO OPIOIDS in the Emergency Room (ALTO in the ER): a multi-modal approach to acute pain management, which focuses on alternative medication to hit various pain receptors as a first line treatment for common painful conditions. Initial results of ALTO pilot programs demonstrate a 36 percent reduction in opioid administrations.

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Esther Thompson is not forgotten

By Davy Davis

Many of the first settlers in the wilderness of Southwest Virginia in the 1740's have been recalled by various local historians. During a time when immigration has become a debated issue it seems appropriate to remember the life of one Irish immigrant named Esther Thomson of SW VA. Her story is of particular interest for its uniqueness and the number of descendants she has today. She married first Samuel Crockett and after his death William Sayers, both of whom became early settlers of this area. Esther arrived in America in 1715 as a child about 5 years old with her parents. Her father Rev. John Thomson came to America from Northern Ireland and was a Presbyterian minister in his twenties who had attended the University of Glasgow before being ordained. On the same ship was Samuel Crockett, another Irish immigrant. A first cousin, Joseph Louis Crockett, Jr., is believed to have been on the ship as well. Samuel passed time on the voyage entertaining the minister's young daughter according to a long preserved family tradition. Upon reaching America, he asked the little girl's father if he could wait for her to grow up and marry her, to which the minister laughingly gave his consent. Years later in Pennsylvania where both had settled he did just that. They married in about 1734 even though he was approximately 20 years older. After moving with Samuel first to Maryland and finally to VA, she had given birth to 8 children in all by Crockett. Samuel and Esther had last taken up land from Col. James Patton in about 1748 in that part of Augusta Co. that long after their deaths became Wythe Co. and was a portion of a tract called the Peaked Mountain Survey of 1747, but not officially granted by King George II to settlers until 1753. The earliest settlers often "squatted" on land before they had legal title to it. The Crockett homestead was south of present I81 on Reed Creek Dr. near the Pulaski Co. line in far eastern Wythe. It was later the homesite of Williamson McGavock, a descendant of the Crocketts. Samuel wrote his will late the next year after arriving and it was probated by Spring 1750. Esther predictably had outlived her much older husband and was suddenly a 40 year old widow with 8 children all under 16 years old alone on the frontier. In his will, Samuel wrote that he was very sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory. He next expressed his Christian faith. "I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of God that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian-like and decent



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manner...nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God." He then leaves his "dearly beloved wife" Esther a fifth of his land and a third of his possessions after any debts are paid. The balance he divides among his children specifying his rifle and saddle go to son John and another saddle and feather beds to various daughters and the rest of his land to be divided equally among his 5 sons. The appraisal of the estate proves Samuel to be one of the wealthier settlers in the area in 1750 with many articles of furniture, household items, tools, horses, cattle, ...and 1 slave, a girl 10 years old. The will states Esther is to forfeit her part of the land to the children if she remarries. A young neighbor and bachelor named William Sayers was appointed to appraise the estate and 3 years later in 1753 he proposes marriage to Esther, who though 20 years older than him, accepts his timely, if unlikely proposal and soon moves with her children to his cabin not far from her own. Her original Crockett log cabin, photographed many times over the years, existed until about 1968 when it was dismantled. It last served as a church used by local black people and by then had been moved north nearly a quarter mile NW from its original location. Two rough but prized benches were made from one of its logs and kept as heirlooms by Crockett descendants. The William Sayers log home on Pine Run where Esther and her family went to live was enlarged into a two story log dwelling, was eventually weather boarded, and today is known as the old Oglesby place, the Oglesbys being later descendants. It was named "Locust Grove" by the family. In 1756 some excitement occurred there when Col. William Preston's Rangers of the Sandy Creek Expedition camped in the Sayers barn on their march to Ohio with Cherokee allies to "chastise" the Shawnee Indians in their far northern villages for attacks and murders they had committed in SW VA. Some of the Cherokees were offended and temporarily

deserted when a soldier was whipped for using profanity while there. After explanations and entreaties they were reenlisted at Col. John Buchanan's Anchor of Hope Plantation in present Max Meadows. Besides the old Sayers/Oglesby barn with its limestone foundation another nearby landmark is the Oglesby Cemetery as it is called today which is believed to be the oldest cemetery in the area still in use. This is where Esther and both her husbands are said to be buried. Although their tombstones have long since disappeared or become illegible, one descendant recorded that Samuel Crockett's headstone was once there and stated he died at 65 years of age. By Esther's second husband she had 3 more children, making 11 in all. At least 5 of her sons by both marriages fought in the American Revolution.

More about Esther and her children, as well as her close relative Joseph Louis Crockett, Jr. of Shawsville will be shared in Part 2 of this article.

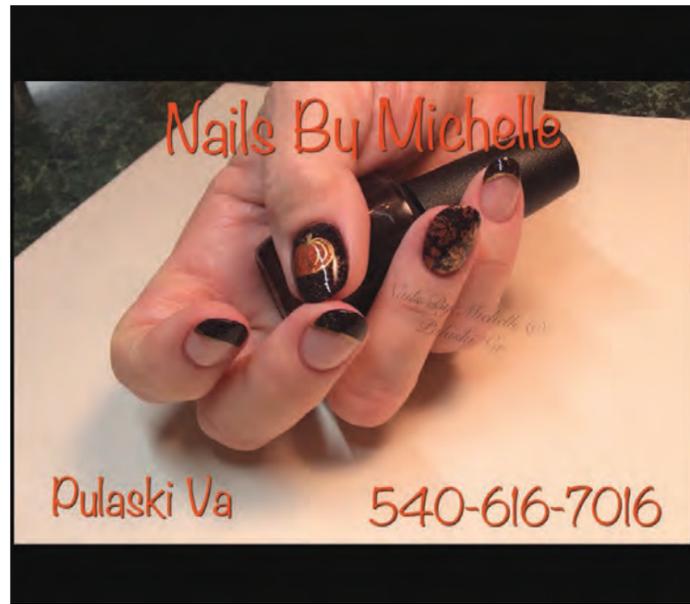
Editor's note: Davy Davis is a retired educator from Wythe County and tireless historian of local history. He is currently on the volunteer list with the Edith Bolling Wilson Birthplace Museum and always happy to share his extensive knowledge of the history of Southwest Virginia. Davy's roots deep in the Fabric of Old Fincastle.



Photos from Mary Kegley's "Early Adventures on the Western Waters," Volume II. Above, Esther's Cabin. Photo by F.B. Kegley



Sayers-Oglesby House. Photo by Mary Kegley



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Judges Should Judge – and Legislators Should Legislate

The process of advice and consent for a new Supreme Court Justice is currently under way in the United States Senate.

While I play no part in this constitutional process as a U.S. Representative, I am impressed by the legal ability of President Trump's nominee to the seat, Judge Amy Coney Barrett.

Senate Democrats, however, have chosen to wage a pre-emptive war on Judge Barrett. They are either trying to scare her away from any potential adverse ruling on Obamacare or they are attempting to scare the American public that her confirmation will eliminate health care in the United States.



Morgan Griffith
9th District Representative

They used their time at the hearing to write horror stories about what would happen to Americans if Obamacare was struck down as un-

constitutional, ignoring the great harm that the law has inflicted on many, including people I represent.

Judge Barrett has rightly declined to engage with her inquirers on Obamacare, noting that it would be inappropriate to comment on a case she may have to decide. In this unwillingness to pre-judge a case, she follows the precedent of the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who at her own confirmation hearing in 1993 said: "A judge sworn to decide impartially can offer no forecasts, no hints, for that would show not only disregard for the specifics of the particular case, it would display disdain for the entire judicial process."

She understands her role and the role of the courts more generally. They are not supposed to make laws but to interpret the laws written by Congress. This is the basic separation of powers devised by the Constitution's framers and taught in civics classes. In fact, I just recently went over this concept with my son as he learns about it in school.

However, Senate Democrats need to go back to class. They hide behind the judicial robes of the Supreme Court's justices instead of using the power given to them by the Constitution to fix a law, like Obamacare, that desperately needs fixing.

If you listen to Senate Democrats, you would think Congress lacks the power to fix an existing law or pass a new one. The Senate may lack the will, but it doesn't lack the power.

My frustrations with Obamacare have been articulated in this column frequently, so you are likely familiar with them. You may be familiar with them, too, because they are your frustrations.

I have heard from too many Ninth District constituents who were forced off their insurance plans, charged ever-increasing premiums, or deprived of health care choices because of Obamacare's unworkable and ill-conceived provisions. Residents of the Ninth District's 22 counties and seven independent cities have only one health insurer from which they can purchase coverage.

Just since June of this year, my office has received at least 54 separate complaints from constituents about Obamacare.

I am ready to do my job. No matter how the Supreme Court rules on Obamacare's constitutionality, Congress can act right now to improve health care in this country. I ask congressional Democrats to focus on working with Republicans to legislate rather than bullying Judge Barrett.

In the House Energy and Commerce Committee, we have advanced many health care bills on a bipartisan basis only to see them upended by Speaker Pelosi.

Take prescription drug reform. We unanimously passed a bill on this subject, only to see the Speaker put them together with measures related to Obamacare that would not pass the Senate or be signed by President Trump. Speaker Pelosi did this again when she pushed H.R. 3, which tossed aside our bipartisan committee work on prescription drugs in favor of a heavy-handed and possibly unconstitutional approach.

Republicans and Democrats also widely agree on protecting Americans with pre-existing health conditions. Republicans have introduced bills on this subject, yet Democrats would have you believe that the only possibly way to protect these individuals is to keep Obamacare in full.

I do not know how Judge Barrett will rule on Obamacare when she is confirmed to the Supreme Court. I believe she is a fair-minded jurist who would rule on the merits of the case and the law, not any agenda of her own. But as a Supreme Court justice, she should not do Congress' job, which is to write laws. Nor should any justice be deluded into thinking Congress does not have the power to write laws. That is the job I have, and I hope congressional Democrats will join me in performing it.

Who Is Responsible?

"[I]f the citizens neglect their Duty and place unprincipled men in office, the government will soon be corrupted; laws will be made, not for the public good so much as for selfish or local purposes; corrupt or incompetent men will be appointed to execute the Laws; the public revenues will be squandered on unworthy men; and the rights of the citizen will be violated or disregarded."

— Noah Webster

Noah Webster's words could not have been more prophetic! We are witnesses to this prophecy becoming a reality in our generation. Webster was a master of words. In fact, there were 70,000 words in his Webster's Dictionary published in 1828; but I am sure he would have some interesting new ones for many of our career politicians.

One cannot help but wonder how some career politicians become millionaires while serving in Congress on salaries ranging from \$174,000 to \$194,000. Obviously, they manage their money much better than they manage the national debt.

They elect periodic raises for themselves and enjoy a superior health care plan (no Obama Care for them!) and then expect the public to be happy with proposed socialized medicine. They enact laws that hinder the small business-

One Nation Under God

By Danielle Reid

person with unimaginable regulations, and attempt to pass new ones that will hamstring industries through the Green New Deal. They propose gun control measures while defunding the police, impose federal control over our children's education and increase taxes for their delirious spending. By their actions, these politicians are showing us how much they are hostile to our freedoms and our values.

So, who is responsible for our recalcitrant out-of-control government? "We the people" when we are reckless with our sacred vote. Often referred to as the Father of the American Revolution, Samuel Adams had this to say about voting: "Let each citizen remember at the moment he is offering his vote...he is executing one of the most solemn trusts in human society for which he is accountable to God and his country."

When Americans are ill-informed by

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Rich Lowery

Editor, National Review

Amy Coney Barrett for Health Care Czar?

Amy Coney Barrett has accomplished many things in her career. Becoming an authority or a policy maker on health care isn't one of them.

At Notre Dame, she was a professor at the law school, not at the Eck Institute for Global Health. She's written for the Cornell Law Review, not The New England Journal of Medicine. She's up to replace the late Ruth Bader Ginsburg at the Supreme Court, not Dr. Anthony Fauci at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

No one would have guessed it, though, from listening to Democratic senators on the first day of her much-anticipated confirmation hearings. They acted as if Barrett has been nominated to become the nation's health care czar, responsible for everything from the fate of Obamacare to the country's coronavirus response.

This tack underlined political themes that Democrats are hammering home in the final weeks of the election, but they have little or nothing to do with Amy Coney Barrett, a judge seeking to sit on the highest court in the land.

The proximate cause of the Democratic assault on health care is the imminent arrival of an anti-Obamacare lawsuit in the Supreme Court. The Democratic theory is that Barrett is being sent on a not-so-secret mission to destroy the health care law. Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois says that this is her "assignment." Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse of Rhode Island says that she is a "judicial torpedo" aimed at the Affordable Care Act.

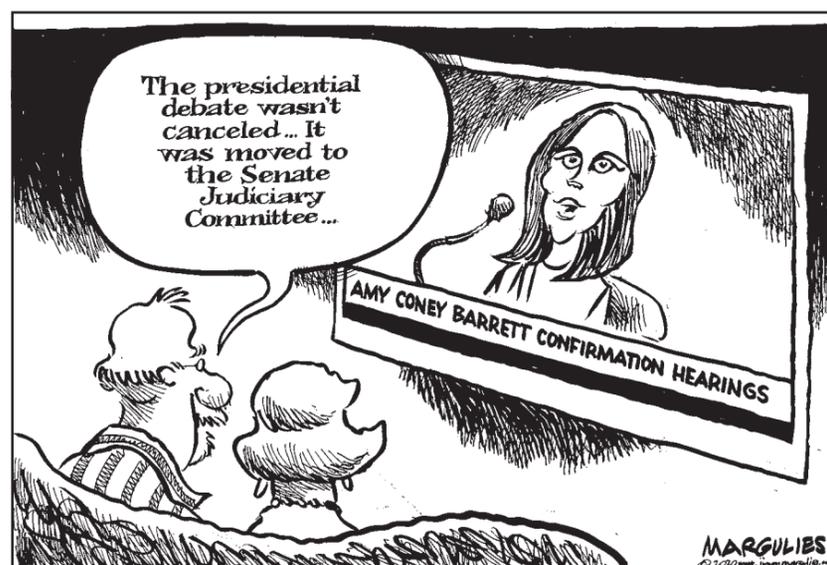
The lawsuit emanates from a prior Supreme Court ruling on Obamacare. To keep the law from being struck down over its individual mandate, Chief Justice John Roberts reinterpreted the penalty for not complying with the mandate as a tax. Subsequently, Congress zeroed out the tax. Now, Texas and other states are contending that this tax that no one pays cannot truly be considered a tax, and must be struck down -- as well as the rest of the law.

It's hard to see how the suit succeeds. One hurdle is standing. The plaintiff's need to demonstrate a harm, which isn't easy when the offending provision is a tax or penalty of zero. Even if the Court throws out the penalty, it would have to conclude that this unenforced provision is so central to the ACA that the rest of the law has to go, too. This would be a stretch.

If the Democratic case against Barrett isn't landing any blows, it is telling, nonetheless. As always, progressives don't view the Supreme Court as a neutral body devoted to interpreting the Constitution and the law as written, but as a supra legislature that should protect and advance their policy goals.

Barrett has a more modest and appropriate view of the Court's role. After getting lectures for hours about the benefits of the ACA, she rightly said in her opening statement: "The policy

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Can Joe Biden Be Trusted?

By Cal Thomas, Tribune Content Agency

Can Joe Biden be trusted?

It was President Richard Nixon who said in the midst of the enveloping Watergate scandal: "People have got to know whether or not their president is a crook. Well, I'm not a crook. I earned everything I've got."

That standard should be applied to Joe Biden before the election. He should be pressed to explain his son Hunter's financial dealings in Ukraine and Beijing.

In a rare moment when a reporter is able to ask Biden a substantive question, Bo Erickson of CBS News wanted to know the candidate's response to a New York Post story that alleges a Hunter Biden laptop discovered at a repair shop in Delaware contains damning evidence of the Biden family profiting from Hunter's relationship with the Ukraine gas company Burisma and sharing some of the money with his father, reportedly referred to in a Hunter Biden email as "the big guy."

Sounds preposterous? Then if the story is false, as Biden supporters claim, why, according to a story in the Washington Times, has the owner of the repair shop confirmed to a Senate committee that it was Hunter Biden, himself, who dropped off the laptop?

Joe Biden didn't deny the story, but claimed to Erickson, "it's another smear campaign, right up your alley, those are the questions you always ask."

Not exactly. The media have almost universally been in the tank for Biden and his running mate, the equally invisible and inaccessible, Sen. Kamala Harris. Over the weekend, Biden campaign surrogate Jenna Arnold repeatedly refused to deny the authenticity of the alleged Hunter Biden emails. When asked by Fox News' Leland Vittert if they were genuine, Arnold responded, "I don't think anybody is saying they

are inauthentic."

It was reported last January by the New York Post that Hunter Biden, his father, and other family members profited from Biden's positions in government. The story cited Peter Schweizer's investigative book "Profiles in Corruption: Abuse of Power by America's Progressive Elite": "...no less than five family members benefit(ed) from his largesse, favorable access and powerful position for commercial gain. In Biden's case, these deals include foreign partners and, in some cases, even U.S. taxpayer dollars."

As the political journalist Michael Kinsley observed in 1986, "In Washington, the scandal isn't what's illegal; the scandal is what's legal."

If true, Biden's influence and positions in government were used by himself and his family for profit. People who have not yet voted deserve to know whether a man who might be elected president is a crook, or not, or at a minimum if he traded his influence for cash, even if it was technically legal. There is, after all, the matter of propriety and setting a good example for others, two assertions by Biden as to why he is a better choice than President Trump.

Thursday's debate moderator, Kristen Welker of NBC News, has an obligation to press Biden on this question, as George Stephanopoulos failed to do in his ABC News town hall with Biden. The former vice president should not be allowed to get away with the claim that he is being smeared, especially when the smear appears to be coming from his own muddy hands.

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).

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Patriot's Post

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What a challenging time this has been for all of us, to say the least. Whether it is our business community grappling with openings and operations, our schools and childcare facilities managing the physical distancing requirements, or our general population adjusting to augmented working conditions, we are all feeling the collateral impacts of COVID-19.

This novel virus is dramatically affecting the world physically, financially, and what may be the hardest to quantify, mentally.

Consequentially, it has become more important than ever to ensure we are taking good care of our mental health and cognizant of the mental health and wellbeing of others in our community.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) and other health organizations have issued various warnings and guidance regarding the stresses, anxieties and fears stemming from COVID-19. The unprecedented environmental conditions resulting from COVID-19 is causing new mental health cases to materialize and is compounding many individual's pre-existing mental health issues.

Because everyone reacts differently to stress, and because there are so many exacerbating variables and factors, there really is no silver bullet to cope.

In times like these, it is critical for all of us to evaluate our own state of mental health and to pay close attention to the state of those around us.

The CDC as well as the VDH's New River Health District has a slew of resources to reference and access on their website that are specific to Coronavirus related mental health issues. I would encourage anyone needing these resources or know someone who does to seek appropriate help

Nation

Continued from Page A6 relying on one source of information, such as social media, rather than seeking accuracy and truth, they are easily deceived and easily misled. Thomas Jefferson believed that "Whenever the people are well informed they can be trusted with their own government; that whenever things get so far wrong as to attract their notice, they may be relied on to set them to rights."

If you believe, as millions of Americans do, that things have gotten so far wrong in our political arena, then it is time to set them right. In less than two weeks, the most important election in 150-years is taking place; giving American citizens the choice between restoring the values upon which this nation was founded or trending toward socialism.

The contrasts between the two political party platforms could not be more clear! There is one political party platform which upholds the Biblical values the Founders infused into our Declaration of Independence and Constitution; and promotes individual freedom and liberty. This party platform supports the sanctity of human life, religious freedoms, lowering the tax burden of the middle class, growing the economy by removing encumbering regulations and encouraging minority small business and industries.

This year the other major political party deleted references to God in their party platform, approves of abortion up to the moment of birth, views climate change as a global emergency requiring strict government regulation and supports universal government-run healthcare. These are typical values found in socialistic countries and not representative of America's historic values.

Lowry

Continued from Page A6 decisions and value judgments of government must be made by the political branches elected by and accountable to the People. The public should not expect courts to do so, and courts should not try."

In short, if she wanted to create health care policy, she would have gotten into a different line of work.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

immediately.

I want to encourage all our citizens to be empathetic and supportive of the needs of our neighbors now and in the future.

Remember, just because we are guided to distance physically, does not mean we are required to distance socially. This means we all need to find safe and meaningful ways to stay engaged with our loved ones.

I would also encourage folks who want to serve the greater community during the pandemic to reach out to our local faith-based community and ask if you can assist with making wellness calls or other communications to those in our County that are at greater physical or mental risk of either the virus or the collateral damage it has caused.

At the end of the day, just because we must distance and employ other health safety protocols, does not mean we have to shut ourselves out to our friends, our family or the world.

I encourage everyone to take the time, energy and effort to safely connect with others and share your kindness, compassion and love with them, as these deeds will be a healthy action for them, for you, and for our entire community.

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Modern examples of socialism can be found in governments similar to Cuba or Venezuela. It only took twenty years for Venezuela, formerly the richest nation in South America, to plunge from being a prosperous and free nation to a poverty-stricken nation once socialism took over. A humanitarian crisis arose in 2018 with lack of medication, and inflation rates reaching 2,880 percent according to the International Monetary Fund. Widespread starvation and fear now control the people. Is this the direction America needs to go?

I pray that during this election cycle everyone will consider the policies and platforms of the political parties and pray before casting their sacred vote.

Webster leaves us with another sage remark: "When a citizen gives his suffrage (vote) to a man of known immorality he abuses his trust; he sacrifices not only his own interest, but that of his neighbor; he betrays the interest of his country."

Speedwell man arrested, was wanted in Pulaski County

On Friday October 16, the Wythe County Sheriff's Office had several deputies patrolling the Speedwell area. While in the Speedwell area they were also looking for a wanted person that led them to the residence of 6618 Grayson Turnpike.

While at the residence several subjects ran from deputies. Deputies pursued the men and found the three men hiding in a field behind the residence.

Deputies identified James Walter Bailey II that had recently moved into the residence located at 6618 Grayson Turnpike in Speedwell.

He was wanted from Pulaski County for Distribution of Methamphetamine and a Probation Violation.

He was arrested and a search was conducted.

Deputies found James Walter Bailey II in possession of over \$500 in cash and 42 grams of methamphetamine. The narcotics had a street value of \$4,200.

Bailey, 43 has an address of 6618 Grayson Turnpike, Speedwell, Va.

He was charged with:

- Drug Distribution (Warrant Pulaski County)
- Probation Violation
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Five nominated for Most Valuable Cougar

Five Pulaski County High School seniors have been named as nominees for the school's Most Valuable Cougar Award.

The Most Valuable Cougar Award is the most prestigious title bestowed upon a member of the Pulaski County High School senior class.

The five include Noah McCarty, Molly Cox, Grace Bailey, Grayson Deu and Ashlyn Kirtner.

The nominees were chosen by their fellow classmates and each nominee is an outstanding representative of the Class of 2021. These students will serve as ambassadors for the student body during the 2020-2021 school year.

The following is the criteria presented to the senior class on which to select the nominee for this award.

The Most Valuable Cougar award is based on these qualifications:

- Values education and strives to reach his/her potential.
- Sets goals and works to accomplish them.
- Participates in activities and enhances them through his/her involvement.
- Maintains good school attendance.
- Exhibits strong character, integrity, and loyalty.
- Interacts with others in a warm and friendly manner.
- Turns setbacks into victories.
- Recognizes his/her teachers, peers, and family as valuable human beings.
- Takes risks and shares new experiences with others.
- Values friendship.
- Takes pride in his/her accomplishments and celebrates the accomplishments of others.
- Represents his/her school well at extra-curricular and community events.

Information on each of the five nominees follows:



Molly Cox and her family.



Ashlyn Kirtner and her family.



Noah McCarty and his family.



Grace Bailey and her family.



Grayson Deu and his family.

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Cougars

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Noah McCarty

- National Honor Society
- Red Cross Club
- International Thespian Society
- MACC
- Senior Editor of Yearbook
- Reporter for the Prowler, the school newspaper
- Class Historian since ninth grade
- Perfect Attendance for high school career
- PCHS player with roles in "The Other Room", "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream coat", just to name a few
- He volunteers by tutoring students, with GO Pulaski, and is a mentor at Pulaski County Youth Center
- Was selected to attend Boys State
- Received the I Dare You Youth Leadership Award
- Participated in Virginia Governor's School for the Arts at UVA Wise
- Member of Phi Theta Kappa honor society at NRCC
- Works at Food City
- Son of Dr Matthew and Pamela McCarty

Molly Cox

- National Honor Society
- Red Cross Club
- MACC
- Varsity Cross Country member for 2 years
- PC Volleyball four years
- Travel volleyball for seven years
- All Region Honorable Mention for Libero
- She volunteers at the Pulaski County Library, Pulaski Christmas Store, American Red Cross Blood drive, Relay for Life and with the Barter Theater
- Received the I Dare You Youth Leadership Award
- Works at Calfee Ballpark
- Daughter of Michael and Tasha Cox

Grace Bailey

- National Honor Society
- Class officer, three years including president and secretary
- Founder and President, American Red Cross Club
- Chair of This is 4 Us Initiative
- Superintendent's Advisory Committee
- Student Representative, PCPS Taskforce for Reopening Schools
- Member of PCHS Advanced Concert Choir and Theater
- American Red Cross Good Samaritan Hero Award
- NRCC President's List
- SWVGS Research Award
- Science and Technology Student Award
- She volunteers Medi Home-Health and Hospice, American Red Cross Blood Drives, Children's Theater Dept productions,

- and Barter Theater
- Student Intern at LewisGale Hospital Pulaski
- Youth representative, White Fragility Book Study at Dublin United Methodist Church
- She is currently leading a group study for youth at church regarding anti-racism
- Daughter of Dewayne and Christine Bailey

Grayson Deu

- National Honor Society
- SWVGS student
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Virginia Tech Pathways to Engineering scholar junior and senior years
- Football team all four years
- Basketball team for two years
- Member of track for two years
- Wrestling team member two years voted team captain junior year and state qualifier
- Attends Northstar Church
- Volunteers at Go PC and leads community outreach day
- Son of Jim and Kellie Deu

Ashlyn Kirtner

- National Honor Society
- Class officer since freshman year
- FCA Leader
- Co-Sponsored the Students vs Cancer club at PCHS
- Lettered in Indoor/Outdoor Track and Cross Country
- Sings on the Praise and Worship team at her church-Valley Harvest Ministries
- Leads praise and worship for church's youth group
- Organized and led the praise and worship for Fields of Faith for two years
- Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership winner
- She volunteered with the Humane Society in Dublin
- National Talent winner for piano two years
- Worked as camp counselor in summers and currently works at the Rock Club day care
- Has raised over \$3000 for kids with cancer by holding a yearly piano/vocal concert for 5 years
- Works at the Rock Club day care
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October 31

Family Worship Center plan outside event

A FREE, SAFE, Outdoor Event will be held October 31, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. at the Family Worship Center in Pulaski. Come visit our Noah's Ark, get your picture taken, and get a Treat Bag. The church is located at 955 Memorial Dr., Pulaski. For more information call 540-980-7287.

November 7

Fall Festival

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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.

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

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Senior of the Month

Pulaski County High School is pleased to announce that Grace Bailey has been named the October Senior of the Month. Grace is the daughter of Christine and Dwayne Bailey of Pulaski. Grace was nominated for this honor by three different individuals. All nominators stated that Grace radiates positivity daily. She consistently displays a happy and wonderfully pleasant attitude. Grace is also known to go above and beyond in everything she does. She shows limitless compassion and kindness. An example of her compassion for others was exhibited when she took it upon herself to organize a Red Cross Chapter at Pulaski County High School. Grace attends the Southwest Virginia Governor's School, is a member of the National Honor Society and has sat on the Superintendent's Student Advisory Board during her time at PCHS. Upon graduation Grace plans to get her BSN to become a Nurse Practitioner. During her free time, Grace likes to play with her dog, hike, read, spend time with family and go to the theater.



Leading the Pledge

Dublin Elementary School is proud to be represented by Ryleigh Dean. Ryleigh was nominated by her teacher and chosen to represent DES due to exhibiting the characteristics of good citizenship at school. Ryleigh is the daughter of Ryan and Brittaney Dean. DES is proud to have Ryleigh representing us!



Teacher of the Month

Dublin Elementary and Pulaski County Public Schools are proud to honor April Moore as the Teacher of the Month for October 2020. Mrs. Moore is a physical education teacher at Dublin Elementary. She has worked to provide programs, such as the Morning Mile, to students in order to increase their physical fitness and prepare them for learning. She has embraced the changes brought on by the need for COVID mitigation strategies in PE class with flexibility and a purpose to provide students with opportunities to have fun and move. During the school day, you will see Mrs. Moore dancing or doing other fun activities throughout the school. She has worked to modify the PE curriculum to better suit the current learning environment. She has done all of these things with a smile. DES is thankful to have teachers like Mrs. Moore working at our school. She is an example of what makes the Shamrock community so special!

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Lawrence leads midyear honors with mistake-free play

By AARON BEARD
AP Sports Writer

Trevor Lawrence has been at his best from the start for top-ranked Clemson.

The junior is again putting up big numbers but avoiding interceptions that plagued him early last season, which has the Tigers' offense humming at a pace difficult to match. That's why the Heisman Trophy candidate and potential No. 1 overall NFL draft pick was named the Atlantic Coast Conference's top offensive player through the season's first

half in voting by The Associated Press writers covering league teams.

Lawrence received seven of nine votes. Backfield teammate Travis Etienne – a two-time ACC player of the year and Heisman candidate himself – had two.

Most notably, Lawrence is playing nearly mistake-free football for the Bowl Subdivision's No. 3 scoring offense (48.4).

After a national-title run, Lawrence threw 14 touchdowns with eight interceptions through last season's first seven games. This year, he has thrown for 15 scores

with one interception for the Tigers (5-0, 4-0 ACC), ranking second in FBS in TD throws despite having just 37 second-half passes all year – 11 in the fourth quarter – in Clemson's lopsided victories.

"It's like a shooter (in basketball) or a hitter in baseball: you've got to let him work through those things," Clemson offensive coordinator Tony Elliott said. "But we're blessed right now that Trevor is taking care of the football."

As the league's coronavirus-altered schedule crosses the midway point, here are some of the ACC's best, worst and most nota-

ble developments so far in voting by AP writers:

TOP COACH

Justin Fuente has kept 19th-ranked Virginia Tech winning despite being shorthanded.

The Hokies (3-1, 3-1) started without 23 players and two full-time coaches amid a combination of coronavirus and injury issues against North Carolina State, including starting quarterback Hendon Hooker. That number has gradually declined, hitting 13 players last weekend against Boston College.

"With all the players they've

missed and all the coaches they have missed, and to be here 3-1 and playing at the level they are, that's a really good coaching job," Wake Forest coach Dave Clawson said.

TOP DEFENSIVE PLAYER

Pittsburgh defensive end Patrick Jones II has an FBS-best seven sacks, including three against both Louisville and Boston College. The two-time ACC defensive lineman of the week has helped the Panthers rank seventh nationally in total defense.

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Tech readies for Wake Forest



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Tailback Khalil Herbert, who leads the nation at 148 yards rushing per game, breaks lose on a 57-yard run on second-and-9 early in the second half, which head coach Justin Fuente called one of his favorite plays from the Boston College game.

Fuente not that happy with BC win

By Jimmy Robertson
For Hokiesports.com

BLACKSBURG – Virginia Tech coach Justin Fuente already has turned his attention to Wake Forest, the Hokies' opponent Saturday, but he spent part of his Monday morning answering questions related to the fallout from his team's convincing 40-14 victory over Boston College on Saturday night.

The Hokies' dominating perfor-

mance – they rushed for 350 yards and forced five turnovers among the highlights – moved them to 3-1 on the season and also propelled them four spots in The Associated Press national poll to No. 19.

But in a revelation that may come as a surprise to most of Hokie Nation, Fuente wasn't completely thrilled with what he saw Saturday night.

"I don't feel that we played all that well, to be honest with you," he said during his weekly video

news conference. "There's just a lot that we need to do. Yeah, I'm happy with the outcome, but the outcome shouldn't jade our evaluation of what actually occurred. We still have far too many mistakes being made out there. I think a little bit of that is due to guys haven't played together. There's a little bit of that that we've missed out on – as has everybody else. Don't get me wrong, I know we're no different than most people. But I think it's pretty clear when we watch the film as coaches that there's a lot of work to be done."

Maybe some of that is coach-speak, and maybe – understandably – Fuente wants to keep his team focused, as the schedule starts to get tougher. He also knows that other coaches will see what he sees when evaluating his team.

Yet certainly the outcome, going by scoring margin, was the best for Tech so far this season. The Hokies finally got the bulk of their main contributors back – the 15 who missed the game were the fewest to miss a game this season

– and not coincidentally, this veteran group won by more than three touchdowns.

The game felt almost as if the Hokies turned a corner. Fuente, though, shook his head when asked about that.

"I don't know," he said. "I'm hesitant to say anything. You see guys make comments, and the next thing you know, it bites them in the tail. I know we're doing everything in our power to adhere by the guidelines and do our best to control what we can in this situation. We were still down some guys, but it was nice to have our staff there. That was probably the most normal week we've had thus far."

That said, here are some more takeaways from Monday's video news conference:

- Clearly, Tech's offense has evolved into one with a powerful rushing attack led by tailback Khalil Herbert, who leads the nation at 148 yards rushing per game. Herbert certainly brings an array of skills to the position – Fuente not-

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INSIDE THE NUMBERS

Virginia Tech's Khalil Herbert (148 yards rushing per game) leads the nation and six ACC backs in the top 24. Notre Dame's Kyren Williams (121.5) and UNC's Michael Carter (119.5) are sixth and seventh respectively, followed by Louisville's Javian Hawkins (103.8, 15th), UNC's Javonte Williams (100.5, 19th) and Wake Forest's Kenneth Walker III (95.8, 24th).

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(274.7 yards).

TOP FRESHMAN

Georgia Tech true freshman Jahmyr Gibbs has provided steady production at running back. He missed the opener, but has run for a team-high 299 yards – including 105 against Syracuse – and has 605 all-purpose yards with five offensive touchdowns in four games.

MOST SURPRISING PLAYER

Kansas graduate transfer Khalil Herbert is averaging an

'Batte of Bridge' golf tourney to support ACCE

The legendary rivalry between Pulaski County and Radford City is moving to the golf course.

"The Battle of the Bridge" Golf Tournament hosted by the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech will be played on Saturday, October 24.

Teams will tee off at 1 p.m., with lunch served prior to tee time. Teams register to play for either side of the bridge, Pulaski County Cougars or the Radford Bobcats.

The tournament supports the Access to Community College Education (ACCE) program at New River Community College. The side with the most points gets bragging rights; but, both sides win, as tournament proceeds will support ACCE students from both Radford and Pulaski County.

Registration is now open for teams of four at \$320 per team. Players who do not have a full team can contact the golf course to be added to a team. For those who can't attend the event, sponsorship opportunities are also available starting at \$150. To register, contact play@petedyerivercourse.com or call (540)633-1807.

FBS-best 148 yards rushing for Virginia Tech. Herbert had a 291-yard performance in 2017, but had just three 100-yard outings in 35 career games with Kansas. He's already had four with the Hokies and had 357 all-purpose yards – most in FBS this year – at Duke.

MOST SURPRISING TEAM

N.C. State (4-1, 4-1) was picked to finish 11th in the 15-team league, but sits at No. 23 in the AP Top 25 after a start that includes road wins against then-ranked Pittsburgh and Virginia. And after Saturday's trip to 14th-ranked rival North Carolina, N.C. State closes with four of five at home.

MOST DISAPPOINTING TEAM

Louisville won eight games in Scott Satterfield's debut season and was picked fourth in the ACC, but the Cardinals (1-4, 0-4) have struggled with defensive and pass-blocking issues to sink to the bottom of the standings.

HOTTEST SEAT

Syracuse coach Dino Babers led the last ACC team to beat Clemson (in 2017) and won 10 games in 2018, securing him a contract extension. But the Orange (1-4, 1-3) have lost 11 of 17, while preseason AP All-American safety Andre Cisco recently opted out of the rest of the season after a freak pregame injury.

"I know there's better days to come," Babers said, "and hopefully I'm here to get to see all of it."

BIGGEST INJURY

Devin Leary's second-year development as N.C. State's starting quarterback helped fuel the Wolfpack's climb. But Leary had surgery Sunday for a broken left leg suffered against Duke. The projected recovery time is four to eight weeks, leading coach Dave Doeren to say Leary is "probably" out for the regular season.

It's unclear how well Bailey Hockman, who started the first two games, can replace Leary's downfield ability going forward.

Poaching Days Revisited

I was driving along a road last week with my wife and she suddenly asked, "Did you see that guy back there in a car sighting a gun across the road at some deer?" I was then going around a curve and could not see the man or the deer. I could not understand why someone in broad daylight would be trying to actually shoot a deer as gun season has not opened. Perhaps he was just practicing to sight his gun in and not get "buck fever" when the season was actually open. I wonder how he would have responded if a game warden had come along as it is illegal to shoot across a public road even in season.

This incident reminded of the days where people drove around at night and sometimes even during the day to shoot deer. At night they would use spotlights to get the eyes of the deer in focus and shoot them. During these days a lot of landowners lost their livestock as they were mistakenly taken for deer. Over the years, we lost a couple of nice steers on my parents' farm on Little Creek that had been shot and left there in the fields. The ones doing this were only out for the joy of killing something and not for the meat itself. I recall an incident of finding a deer in our field one morning and calling a game warden. I didn't want to be seen removing the deer and be turned in as having killed it.

A lot of people often drove



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around just to spotlight deer in the field with no guns in their possession. Once I got tired of some vehicle driving past our house on the Creek and not even turning their spotlights off and shined them right into our living room. I got my flashlight and went to the road as they were parked just past our house and checking the adjoining field. I told them we didn't appreciate the lights shining into our house and to move on. A guy spoke up that I could not make out at about two-hundred feet saying, "Go ahead and shoot, I know you." I didn't recognize his voice, didn't have a gun, and didn't know who he was.

I was glad to see not long after this that the spotlighting just to observe deer at night was outlawed. Game laws became so strict that if anyone killed a deer, it had to be checked in and properly tagged. If you were caught with a deer in your possession, you had to have poof that it was yours and killed legally. I knew of a person who had some deer

hides given to him by others. He had them in a freezer and was planning on tanning them in order to make some leather products. A game warden got wind of this and ended up impounding his gun and truck. He was only able to get them back after going to court and paying a pretty hefty fine.

The days of poaching and killing of deer and other game may not be as prevalent as it was years ago as there is an over abundance in their numbers. There are so many different ways to hunt them in weapons allowed and bag limits have increased. There are still these people that are looking to get the trophy head mounts or antlers just to adorn either inside or outside their homes and hunting camp quarters. I'm sure there are instances where the head or horns of deer are cut off for this purpose the rest of the deer left to the elements. The Hunter for the Hungry program is good where one can donate a deer or multiple deer to help people struggling with hunger.

If all hunters were true sportspersons and partook of the game or shared with others, they would be heeding advise of wise King Solomon as found in Proverbs 12:27KJV, "The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting; but the substance of a diligent man is precious."

Until next time

Jones lands iconic No. 43 with Richard Petty Motorsports

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Erik Jones will drive NASCAR's iconic No. 43 next season for Richard Petty Motorsports, a pairing of a driver and a team both in need of fresh starts.

Jones in August was dropped by megateam Joe Gibbs Racing after six seasons, while Bubba Wallace and RPM are splitting at the end of the year. Wallace's social activism this year became the defining characteristic of the storied Petty organization.

"They still have something to prove and I have something to prove," Jones told The Associated Press. "We are both motivated to write a new chapter. It's just a really clean slate, a chance to start from scratch and do something completely different."

Wallace, NASCAR's only full-time Black driver, this season has

been outspoken on racial inequality and injustice. He ran a Black Lives Matter paint scheme on the No. 43 and RPM adopted Wallace's "compassion, love, understanding" platform.

Wallace's recent prominence helped the driver sign millions of dollars in new sponsorship, but the funding will follow him next season when he moves to a new team formed by Michael Jordan and Denny Hamlin.

The loss of Wallace could have crippled RPM, the cash-strapped team co-owned by NASCAR Hall of Famer Richard Petty. Instead, a volatile free-agent market helped RPM land Jones, a 24-year-old considered among the top young talent in NASCAR.

RPM chairman Brian Moffitt said there was "no fear at all" the organization would not survive

splitting with Wallace.

"We've been here since it started in 1948 and we plan to be involved for many, many years," Moffitt told the AP. "It's a passion of the family and we want to keep things headed in the right direction. I think Erik gives us an opportunity to get back to our winning ways."

RPM will again field a Chevrolet next season in partnership with Richard Childress Racing. Jerry Baxter will return as crew chief of the No. 43.

Wallace applauded the hiring. "Great choice to keep the needle moving! Awesome people to be around at track and away!" Wallace tweeted.

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IMPACT PLAYER

North Carolina State linebacker Payton Wilson has a tough act to follow after recording a team-high 19 tackles and two of the Wolfpack's three interceptions in the win over Duke. The sophomore leads the ACC at 11 stops per game, which ranks sixth in the Bowl Subdivision, despite missing the Virginia Tech contest with an injury. Wilson led State in tackles last season despite starting one game.

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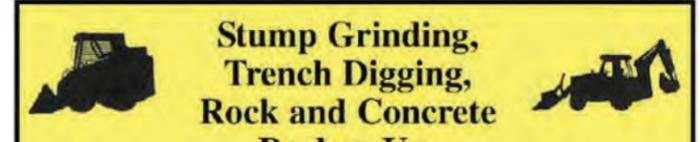
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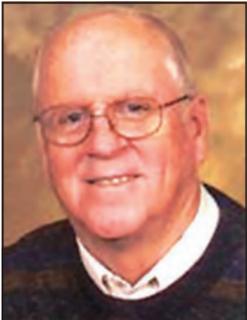


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NASCAR playoffs roll into Texas Motor Speedway

From NASCAR

Dust them Cowboy hats off in Victory Lane and fire-up that Big Hoss TV on the backstretch because the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs are headed to Texas Motor Speedway this Sunday, Oct. 25, for the Autotrader EchoPark Automotive 500 at 3:30 p.m. ET on NBCSN, PRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

The NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs began in 2004 and Texas Motor Speedway was added to the postseason in 2005, replacing Darlington Raceway. Texas Motor Speedway has hosted the eighth race in the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs since being added in 2005. Only two tracks have hosted the eighth race in the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs: Phoenix Raceway in the Playoff's inaugural season in 2004 and Texas Motor Speedway from 2005-Present.

Six different drivers have won the NASCAR Cup Series Playoff races at Texas Motor Speedway, led by Jimmie Johnson with five victories (2007, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015); followed by Carl Edwards (2005, 2008, 2016), Kevin Harvick (2017, 2018, 2019), Tony Stewart (2006, 2011), Denny Hamlin (2010) and Kurt Busch (2009). Seven different drivers have won the eighth race in the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs, the six winners at Texas Motor Speedway and Dale Earnhardt Jr. won at Phoenix Raceway in 2004.

Kevin Harvick has won the last three consecutive Texas Playoff races and can tie Jimmie Johnson's record of four consecutive with a victory this weekend.

Three times the winner of the eighth race in the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs has gone on to win the title later that same season – all three at Texas Motor Speedway:

In 2007, Jimmie Johnson won from the eighth starting position at Texas Motor Speedway and went on to win his second consecutive NASCAR Cup Series title later that season (2006, 2007). The Playoff win at Texas was his third of four consecutive victories in the 2007 Playoffs – the only driver to win four straight in the NASCAR Cup Series postseason (Martinsville, Atlanta, Texas, Phoenix).

In 2011, Tony Stewart won from the fifth starting position at Texas Motor Speedway and went on to win his third NASCAR Cup Series championship later that year. The Texas Playoff win was Stewart's fourth of his record setting five NASCAR Cup Series Playoff wins in a single postseason run in 2011 (Chicago, New Hampshire, Martinsville, Texas, Miami).

In 2013, Jimmie Johnson won

from the third starting position at Texas Motor Speedway and went on to win his sixth NASCAR Cup Series championship later that season. The Texas Playoff win was Johnson's second postseason victory (Dover, Texas) in 2013.

The worst finish in the eighth NASCAR Cup Series Playoff race by a driver that went on to win the title at Texas Motor Speedway was 38th by Jimmie Johnson in 2009 and at Phoenix Raceway it was 10th by Kurt Busch in 2004. The 2018 series champion, Joey Logano, finished third in the 2018 Texas Playoff race and last season's champion, Kyle Busch, finished seventh in the 2019 Texas Playoff race.

Team Penske's Joey Logano is first to lock into the Championship 4

In an impressive performance holding off nine-time 2020 win-

ner and Stewart-Haas Racing driver Kevin Harvick, Team Penske's Joey Logano grabbed the checkered flag at Kansas Speedway and jumped to the top of the NASCAR Cup Series Playoff standings becoming the first to lock himself into the Championship 4. The move has sent ripples through the postseason points as the 2018 series champion, Logano, entered Kansas seeded fifth in the Playoff standings, five markers back from the Championship 4 cutoff. Now, the 30-year-old from Middletown Connecticut, can hit the cruise control and start to prepare for the season finale championship race at Phoenix Raceway; which Logano just so happens to be the most recent winner at back in March.

Making the Championship 4 round is tough, only 10 drivers have accomplished the feat since the inception of the elimination-style format in 2014. Logano's win at Kansas last weekend has locked him into the Championship 4 round for the fourth time in his career (2014, 2016, 2018, 2020).

Playoff Contender Performances at Texas Motor Speedway

Looking ahead to this weekend at Texas Motor Speedway, there are nine former winners in the field and four of them are Playoff contenders (Kevin Harvick, Denny Hamlin, Joey Logano and Kurt Busch). The Autotrader EchoPark Automotive 500 at 3:30 p.m. ET on NBCSN, PRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio is one of just two races left for the Playoff drivers to secure their spots in the Championship 4 round. Below are insights into the eight drivers as they head to Texas Motor Speedway in order of the Playoff outlook:

NASCAR Cup Series, Etc.

Chase Briscoe to pilot No. 14 for Stewart-Haas Racing in 2021 - Stewart-Haas Racing announced this week they will promote Chase Briscoe from its NASCAR Xfinity Series program to the NASCAR Cup Series in 2021, whereupon the 11-time Xfinity Series race winner will drive the team's No. 14 Ford Mustang.

"Chase has to be one of the most humble and grateful guys in the sport and he has worked incredibly hard for this opportunity. We're extremely proud to be a part of his journey from Xfinity to Cup," said Mike Mendiburu, President and CEO of HighPoint.

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a) Public Hearing to consider comments regarding an utility easement request. A request by Appalachian Power Company for the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors to convey an utility easement/right of way, over and across property owned by the County of Pulaski, located at Tax Map #047-1-6, 047-1-2A, for the purpose of an electric power line and associated infrastructure.

Submission of comments in writing to the above address, fax (540-980-7717), or e-mail to bos@pulaskicounty.org are preferred. Information regarding the matter above is available for public inspection by phoning (540) 980-7705 or emailing bos@pulaskicounty.org.

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The hourly rate for the position is \$15.00 - \$25.00 per hour and is compensable upon education and experience. There are no benefits associated with this position.

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Applications and Wish Lists will be available:

- On website (www.pulaskicountychristmasstore.com)
- Pulaski County Library
- Pulaski County Department of Social Services

Note: If you received assistance from the Pulaski County Christmas Store last year (2019), you will only need to complete and submit a wish list form. You do not need to submit a new application.

Completed applications, wish lists, and copies of documentation must be submitted by October 31, 2020, by one of the following methods:

- Mail to Pulaski County Christmas Store, P. O. Box 2227, Pulaski, VA 24301
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Tech

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ed his 57-yard run on second-and-9 early in the second half as one of his favorite plays from the game – but he also remains the beneficiary of a big, athletic, and deep offensive line with 10 linemen who have started at least two games in their careers.

That group has paved the way for a rushing attack that averages 312 yards per game – second in the nation behind Air Force (369), which has played just one game so far.

“Well, I would say that’s the first thing – not to undervalue experience, having been there and done that,” Fuente said of why the offensive line is playing well. “I think Brock [Hoffman] has brought a level of confidence and leadership and toughness to that group – not that they didn’t have it beforehand, but I think he certainly brings that on a daily basis. And then we have some talented guys. We have some guys that aren’t just big, but are big athletes that have some talent in there and have a chance to be productive. I don’t know what the number of games played and all that stuff is, but it’s probably the most amount of guys that I’ve ever had that have played meaningful snaps in games that deserve to play and deserve those opportunities.”

• Tech’s staff continues to search for more contributors at the receiver positions, and the lack of depth at the spot was highlighted Saturday when Tré Turner left the game with an injury. Only three Tech receivers have caught passes this season – Turner, Tayvion Robinson, and Kaleb Smith. Fortunately, tight ends James Mitchell and Nick Gallo possess the skills to play outside or in the slot, and the staff relies heavily on them, but wants to find more depth among a contingent that includes graduate transfers Evan Fairs and Changa



Hokies Head Coach Justin Fuente celebrates with players inside the Tech locker room following their big win last Saturday over Boston College.

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Hodge and younger players such as Darryle Simmons and Elijah Bowick, who just returned to practice from an injury.

Fuente singled out Smith as one to watch after a three-catch performance against BC.

“Kaleb Smith is the first one that comes to mind that is contributing in ways that aren’t showing up in the box score,” he said. “We had a third-and-3, maybe a third-and-2, perimeter screen, and he made a guy miss and got the first down. He’s playing really well on special teams and blocking down the field, and those things are going to come.”

“Sometimes, the game goes in a certain direction, and some of that stuff is beyond your control, but I’ve been pleased with the group. We’re still trying to bring a couple of new guys along to help them. Hopefully, we’ll get a guy or two

back – Elijah Bowick is back practicing. I hope we’ll continue to get a little healthier in that room and continue to bring guys along.”

• Twice after BC scored touchdowns Saturday, Virginia Tech re-

sponded with a touchdown drive of its own – arguably the best part of the Hokies’ evening. The two scoring drives were the byproducts of a mature and confident team.

Fuente was asked about those

responses following the game, and he received another question about that Monday morning.

“I know it’s something we talk about a lot,” he said of regaining momentum. “You know, life’s not perfect, and football is not perfect. No matter who you’re playing or what game you’re in, there are going to be some ups and downs. There’s going to be bad things happen, and we’ve got to be able to respond. We try to articulate that to our kids during practice if one side is getting the better of the other side, like being able to focus and kind of bear down and flip the momentum.”

“I do believe that momentum is real. Getting it back is not just a boost for you, but can sometimes be deflating to the other team when you recapture some momentum. I was proud of the way we answered when Boston College seemed to gain some of the momentum.”

• One player having a rather quiet season is Rayshard Ashby, an All-ACC linebacker a season ago when he led the ACC in tackles. Through four games this season, though, Ashby had registered just 24 tackles, including 10 solo stops. He finished with just two assists against BC, though in fairness, the Eagles all but abandoned the running game in the second half after following behind by double digits.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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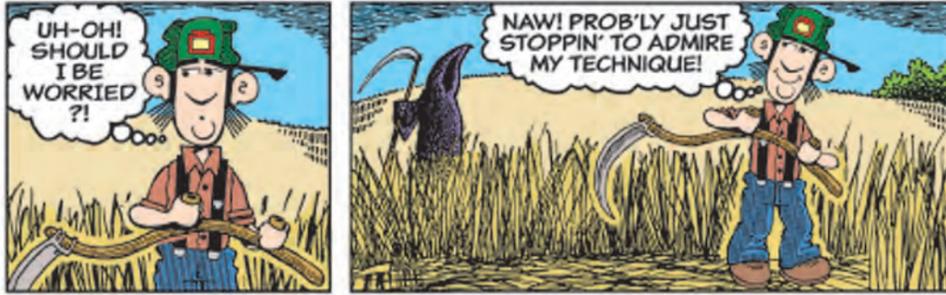
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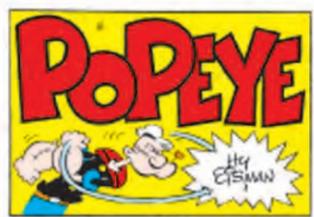
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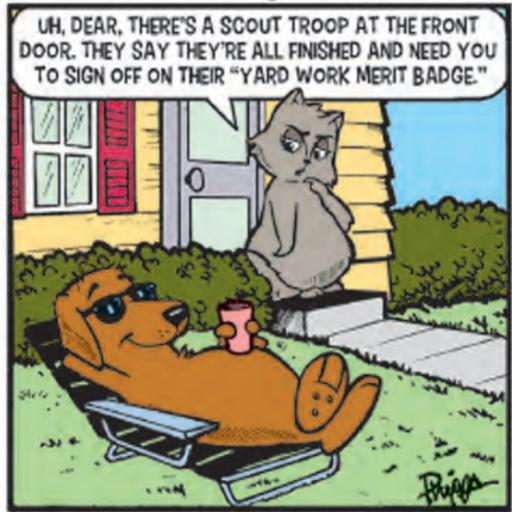
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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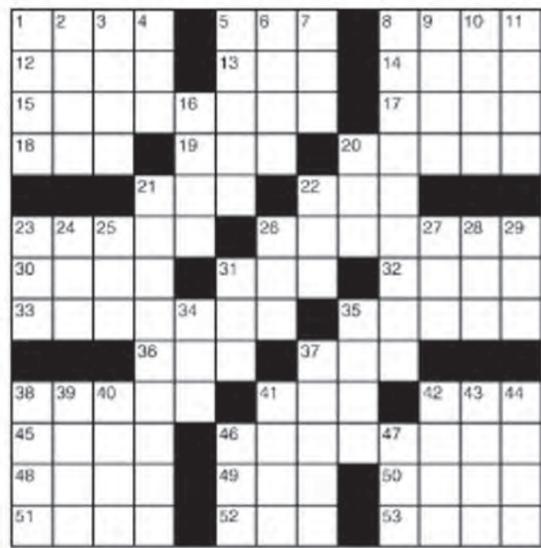
TODAY'S WORD

"Being a sure has it's perks."

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Manhandle
- 5 Kimono sash
- 8 Hollywood clashers
- 12 Otherwise
- 13 Paid athlete
- 14 Swindle
- 15 Glass made of lava
- 17 Small song-bird
- 18 Series of battles
- 19 Individual
- 20 Too thin
- 21 Prompt
- 22 Evergreen type
- 23 Happen
- 26 Andean vultures
- 30 Courts
- 31 Email alternative
- 32 Pedestal occupant
- 33 Panacea
- 35 Golfer's aid
- 36 Rowing need
- 37 Junior
- 38 Suspicious
- 41 Pal
- 42 Hot tub
- 45 Stereo hook-up
- 46 — bacon
- 48 Pod vegetable
- 49 Plant bristle



- 50 Fairy tale baddie
- 51 Lowly worker
- 52 Thickness
- 53 Chew like a chipmunk

- 7 Charged bit
- 8 Early era in England's 20th century
- 9 Mentor
- 10 File command
- 11 Transmitted
- 16 Gloomy
- 20 Card player's call
- 21 Janitor
- 22 Hounds' prey
- 23 Possess
- 24 Bill's partner
- 25 Trig ratio
- 26 Rotating part
- 27 Peculiar
- 28 Scepter
- 29 Like 22-Down
- 31 Bear hair
- 34 Shaft of light
- 35 Last few notes
- 37 Optimistic
- 38 Buy stuff
- 39 Woodsy walk
- 40 Frizzy 'do
- 41 Cry loudly
- 42 Portent
- 43 Law firm aide, for short
- 44 From the beginning
- 46 Upper limit
- 47 Mutt

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top ten Food Order TRENDS

1. Spicy chicken sandwich
2. Plant-based burger
3. Vanilla shake
4. Iced latte
5. Chili
6. Cinnamon roll
7. Chimichanga
8. Beef burrito
9. Potato taco
10. Taro milk tea

Source: Grubhub

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: What is Homer's favorite beer brand on "The Simpsons"?
2. MEASUREMENTS: How much does a gallon of water weigh?
3. GEOMETRY: How many sides does a triskaidecagon have?
4. MOVIES: Who is the voice of Buzz Lightyear in the "Toy Stories" movies?
5. LITERATURE: What are the names of "The Three Musketeers"?
6. HISTORY: What was the first car that was mass-produced?
7. FOOD & DRINK: Which region of Italy produces Marsala wine?
8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How do snakes smell?
9. SCIENCE: What is the study of sight and light called?
10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was Twitter's original character limit?

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY DOLEWOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Cloud is missing. 2. Artist has glasses. 3. Boy's necklace is different. 4. Bird has red leg. 5. Farming is different. 6. Artist's paint tray is gone.

- 10. 140
- 9. Optics
- 8. With their tongues
- 7. Scilly
- 6. Ford Model T
- 5. Athens, Portland and Aramis
- 4. Tim Allen
- 3. 13
- 2. 8.34 pounds
- 1. Duff



Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: X equals E

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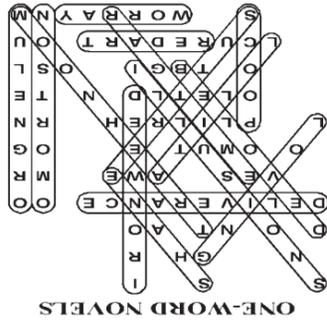
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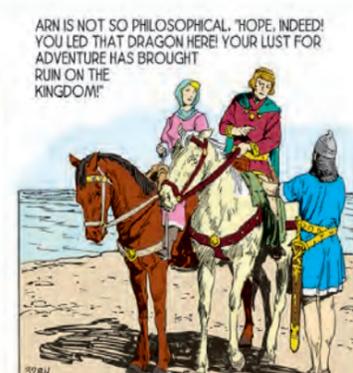
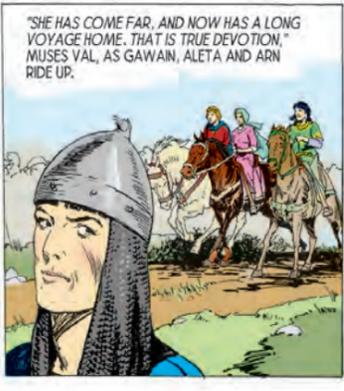
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Halloween Torch

In ancient times, the Celts dressed in strange costumes to scare the spirits that were killing the crops in the fall. That was a forerunner of Allhallows Eve, when people asked for food in exchange for prayers for a good year. Halloween was celebrated in the United States by the 19th century, brought by the Irish. They carved scary turnips, but learned that the pumpkin was easier to use. The Halloween parade didn't start until the 1900s. Allentown and Newtown, both in Pennsylvania, claim the first known parade. There were costumed people, bands and parade torches. Some of the metal torches were shaped like jack-o-lanterns and today those are rare Halloween collectibles. The vintage jack-o'-lanterns are made of papier-mache. Newer ones are plastic foam or hard plastic.

KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel



This tin 1910 Halloween parade torch sold for \$1,888 at a Hess Auction Group auction a few years ago. It is 27 inches high. Halloween memorabilia is fourth in popularity with collectors, behind Christmas, Fourth of July and Easter.

in good condition, sell online for about \$5 each.
CURRENT PRICES
 Doll, troll, orange hair, brown eyes, wearing black mask with orange-and-black cape, Halloween costume, stamped, Russ, 1980s, \$10.
 Cookie jar, Jack-o'-lantern, scalloped lid, leaf handle, cream and brown glaze, marked, Abington pottery, 1950s, 8 x 7 inches, \$350.



* "Use a permanent marker to put your initials on your charging cord. They all look the same, especially if they are white. This way you will know if someone -- say, your sister -- takes your cord!" -- V.V. in Georgia
 * "I use Milk of Magnesia on a cotton ball applied to my toes to ward off itchy feet from athlete's foot or whatever causes itching. I just apply it when I get out of the shower, and it dries before I put socks on. It really works!" -- E.L. in Kentucky
 * "An online grocery order mistake landed me with way too many bananas. In addition to banana muffins and breads, I sliced and froze a few bananas to use in smoothies, and mixed mashed bananas together with some other fruit pieces to make a sorbet of sorts." -- Y.D. in Arizona
 * When painting, most people know to place a roller in a plastic bag to keep it moist between paint sessions. An added layer of protection is to then stick the roller (in the bag) inside a Pringles chip can. It's the right size, and it can keep it safe until the next day.
 * "When my curly hair gets the frizz, I use a sheet of fabric softener to take the static electricity out of it. This works so well that in the winter, I keep several in my purse." -- P.M. in Michigan

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Celebrity Extra: Ozzy Osbourne

Q: With the recent death of Eddie Van Halen, it made me wonder how Ozzy Osbourne is doing. Didn't he have some health issues a few years ago? -- E.S.



Ozzy Osbourne Depositphotos

A: Singer and reality TV star Ozzy Osbourne has been on the mend since having spinal surgery earlier this year. In an interview with SiriusXM satellite radio, the 71-year-old stated he still has some discomfort but is off pain medication and hopes to tour again, even if it isn't in front of a live audience due to the pandemic.

In addition to his extensive surgery, Ozzy announced that he has Parkinson's disease. His family certainly has had their share of health battles: Wife Sharon overcame colon cancer, and his son Jack has multiple sclerosis.

The band Van Halen first opened for Ozzy's band Black Sabbath back in 1978. In a recent essay he wrote for "Rolling Stone" magazine, Osbourne stated, "I remember seeing Eddie do that finger-tapping thing, and that was the first time I'd ever seen anyone do that. Just when you think nobody can make guitar playing exciting, somebody like that comes out. ... He made it look easy." ***

Q: Whatever happened to actress Madolyn Smith, who was in the movie "Urban Cowboy" with John Travolta? My favorite role of hers was in a TV movie based on the Sidney Sheldon book "If Tomorrow Comes." I miss those TV movies. Those were the good old days. -- W.F.

A: You have a good memory! Madolyn Smith made her acting debut playing Debra Winger's rival

in "Urban Cowboy" in 1980, and about five years later she starred in the TV movie based on the best-seller "If Tomorrow Comes." Her biggest role was arguably opposite Chevy Chase in the comedy film "Funny Farm," but then she met hockey star Mark Osborne, settled down and had a family. Her last acting credit was in 1994. ***

Q: When is the Tom Selleck police show "Blue Bloods" coming back, and how will they film the family dinner scenes if the pandemic is still going on? -- Y.S.

A: The CBS drama series "Blue Bloods" recently resumed production for season 11, but an actual airdate for the premiere hasn't been announced. The previous season was cut short due to the pandemic and fans were left with the

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Teach Me Your Word O Lord

Terry McCraw

Jesus is Coming Again

We have not been given the day and time of His coming, thus, we need to be ready at all times. At every hour of every day. Jesus said, no man knows the day or the hour of His return. Any Numb Skull who is preaching that He is coming on a certain day at a specific time is a false teacher.

People who are being fooled into thinking they'll go out on a certain day and time to witness the coming of Christ will be disappointed, because as I said, no one knows the day or the hour. Only God knows that.

John 14: 1-3. "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto Myself, that where I am, there ye may be also."

Not only was Jesus going away to prepare a place for His followers, but He will come again to receive them to Himself and to take them all to Heaven with Him.

Not only was this message given by Jesus to these followers in the first century alone, but the message is also meant for all of those who by faith, are saved. Jesus went away to prepare not only a place for them, but also a place for us as well. "Oh won't it be wonderful there, having no burdens to bear? Joyously singing, with heart-bells all ringing, O, won't it be wonderful there?" James Rowe and Homer Franklin Morris.

Acts 1: 6-11. "And while they looked steadfastly toward Heaven as He went up, behold two men (Angels of God) stood by in white apparel. The two Angels said, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven. This same Jesus which is taken up from you into Heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into Heaven."

In like manner simply means, Jesus will come down from heaven in the same way he went up into heaven. He was lifted up without the aid or assistance of anything other than the power of God. And that's the way He will return. In the power of God. He is coming with the clouds.

1 Thes. 4:16. "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the trump of the archangel, and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words."

Gravity will lose its hold on us and we'll take a plain air ride up into the sky to meet our Lord Jesus in the air and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

There will actually be two more comings of the Lord. He'll come again at the Rapture, firstly to resurrect the righteous who have died in Christ, and secondly to catch away the living saints of God, and take us all to Heaven, where we'll dwell with Him eternally. Then He'll come back at the end of the tribulation period in great power and glory. Only those who are in Christ will

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Draper Valley Baptist Church

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

Grace Baptist Church

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

Open Door Baptist Church

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

Draper United Methodist Church

3080 Greenbriar Road
Draper, VA 24324
Pastor: Mark Asbury
Primary Service Times:
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Worship, 11 a.m.
Phone: 276-477-3835

Newbern Christian Church

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

Christ Episcopal Church

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

Jordan's Chapel UMC

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

Cecil's Chapel United Methodist Church

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

Newbern United Methodist Church

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

Valley Harvest Ministries

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

Mountain View United Methodist Church

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

Dublin Baptist Church

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

First United Methodist Church

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

Belspring Baptist Church

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

Memorial Baptist Church

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

River of Life Church

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

Delton Church of God of Prophecy

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

Heritage Church

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

Fairlawn Baptist

6758 Oxford Avenue
Fairlawn, VA 24141

First Missionary Baptist Church

7318 Manns Drive / P.O. Box 90
New River, Virginia 24129
(540) 639-5331
email: fmbc1872@verizon.net
Pastor: Rev. Richard A. Goodman, Sr.
Associate Minister:
Rev. Annette Cheek
Clerk: Mrs. Carlotta Lewis
Sundays:
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
The Lord's Supper - Each First Sunday
Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting &
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Dublin United Methodist Church

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

Freedom Fellowship Church

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

Draper's Valley Presbyterian (PCA)

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

Trinity Lutheran Church ELCA

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

Trinity United Methodist

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

Snowville Baptist Church

3238 Gum Log Road, Hiwassee
Pastor: Rev. Tony Hart
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Services: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service: 7 p.m.

Fairlawn United Methodist Church

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

Grace Ministries

Church of God of Prophecy

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

Faith Bible Church

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

Dublin Christian Church

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

First Presbyterian Church

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Showers of Blessing Church of God in Christ
305 Newbern Road, Dublin
Pastor Elder Stephen Muse
Come and Worship With Us!
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Night Bible Study: 7-8 p.m.

Randolph Avenue United Methodist Church
1607 Randolph Avenue
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Elston McLain
Worship Service: 11 a.m.
Phone: (540) 980-8775

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

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

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

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

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

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

Family Worship Center First Pentecostal Holiness
955 Memorial Drive, Pulaski
540-980-7287
Jeff Willhoite, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
KidsZone 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
www.fwcpulaski.church

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

Abundant Life Ministries
3050 Lee Highway
Pulaski, VA 24301 (540) 980-5506
(Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.)
Pastor Randall K. Lawrence Sr.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evenings 6 p.m. by announcement
Wednesday Evenings (Family Night) 6:30-7
pm children fed, 7:15 pm Bible Classes all ages
Adult Bible Class
THRIVE Teen Class
Children's Bible Class and
Special Activity Classes

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

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

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

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

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

Bob White Boulevard Baptist Church
3826 Bob White Boulevard
Pulaski, VA.
Pastor: Allen Harman
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Preaching: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service: 7:30 p.m.
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McCraw

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see Him when He comes for the Rapture of the saints, but when He comes at His second advent, every eye will see Him. At His next coming, He will appear in the air above the earth. His feet will not touch down upon the earth at this time. When He comes again at His second advent, He'll come in great power and glory, His feet will touch down on the Mount of Olives and it will cleave in two when His feet touches down.

In the Rapture, those who are saved, both alive and dead, will all rise together to meet the Lord in the air. And there'll be a glad reunion day. We'll join our departed loved ones who died in Christ and from that time onward, we'll be with both them and Christ forever and ever.

Jesus is saying to every born again, blood washed believer, death will not be the final curtain call for you or for your loved ones. When Jesus sets up His Kingdom, death, the last enemy of mankind, will be abolished.

From Matthew 24: Verse 43, the bible says, "Watch therefore for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Verse 44 says, "Therefore be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh."

We need to be spiritually prepared to meet Jesus when He comes back again. We need to already be saved and living our lives in accordance with the word of God. A lot of folks will be caught with their hands in the cookie jar of sin, and will miss out on the Rapture and be left in this world to suffer through the tribulation period. The Rapture will happen quickly and if we are not ready to meet Jesus, we'll not have time to get ready. So we must get ready and stay ready to meet Him 24-7. If we miss the Rapture we will have missed it all. The most important thing we can do in this life is to accept Jesus into our hearts and lives as our personal Savior and to allow Him to be the Lord of our lives.

Bible Trivia

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 1 Peter in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Matthew 13, what baking item did Jesus compare to the kingdom of heaven? Eggs, Milk, Salt, Yeast
3. In Genesis 6:3, how many years did God set as mankind's age limit? 120, 490, 612, 969
4. Where does one go to find balm, according to Jeremiah? Corinth, Joppa, Derbe, Gilead
5. Which of these women wore a nose ring? Esther, Mary Magdalene, Rebekah, Martha
6. Who tested the will of the Lord with a fleece? Jehu, Gideon, Amos, Ahaziah

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Yeast; 3) 120; 4) Gilead; 5) Rebekah (Gen 24:47); 6) Gideon

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It's tough to be a Christian in our world

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: There are times in my life, particularly when I am lonely, I feel close to making a decision to believe in Jesus Christ. Other times I feel that I should wait and see if life can get better without depending upon religion. Why do people tell me this is a dangerous way to live? - I.D.

A: People often have one of three reactions to the message of the Gospel. First, some people will deny the Gospel is true.

They laugh and scoff and say, "This talk about sin and resurrection is foolish and ridiculous."

Pride may prompt this scorn. Others fear what people would think, so they don't give credence to God's truth. Other fears also can keep us from committing our lives to Christ and following Him closely.

Some people delay. They say, "I'll think about it and maybe make a commitment to follow Jesus some other time." But it's dangerous to delay making a



My Answer

Billy Graham

decision, because you may never hear the Gospel again.

Another attitude toward God may be different. Some may not see another tomorrow. Others will make a decision for Christ,

even though they know that being a believer may place them in a minority.

It's tough to be a Christian in our world. But Jesus does not allow us to be neutral about Him. He demands that we decide about Him, and living for Him will cost us our pride. We just give up our sin, and He strengthens each person who comes to Him in repentance. We need to be willing to take on Jesus' unpopularity and the scorn that is often heaped on Him. What is your response to Jesus? Denial

or delay is a decision. Be bold and give yourself to Christ who gives the promise of eternity in Heaven. Today is the day of decision.

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

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Managers

Ah, to have the rewards of working without working! I guess that's what is called "retirement!" It's something many of us dream about and are waiting for, especially in this day and time. For those of us not quite there yet, let's talk about one of the toughest jobs out there. This job requires people to wear numerous hats all at the same time, while remaining cool and in charge despite chaos. This job requires the worker to put "self" aside and think in terms of the big picture, and it requires decorum at all times. All the while, the worker must remain as the buffer between the very top-level administrators and all of the employees.

Have you guessed what job we were referring to yet? If you said "a manager," you were at least partially correct. It is one of the toughest jobs out there. A Canadian management expert, Henry Mintzberg, divided management into three areas and ten sub-areas. Included in the three areas are interpersonal, informational, and decisional roles. Interpersonal roles are the relationships that a manager has to have with others. Within the interpersonal category, there are three roles also: figurehead, leader and liaison. The informational role is then subdivided to include monitors, disseminators, and spokespersons. The last area is decisional, with sub-areas of entrepreneurs, disturbance handlers, resource allocators, and negotiators. Yes, that just about sums up all the hats a manager has to wear.

Aspiring managers need to hear the following simple management rules. The number one rule is: If something bad happens, it is your fault! You can make excuses, dress it up, or dress it down, but, simply put, it is still your fault. The number two rule is if something good happens, it is to the credit of your superiors and the team because every good manager knows that it takes a



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team to make it happen.

Good managers are few and far between. They are silent heroes. That's a key difference between a good manager and a bad manager. Bad managers are all about themselves. They don't "get" the team concept. Good managers know that it takes a team working together, being on the same page, and having each other's back to make a project a success. Bad managers will run over anyone to get their pats on the back. The good news is that these managers usually don't last long. But, in the meantime, they can still do a lot of damage. So, if you are looking for a job that makes you a shining star, don't go into management. No one wants to see or read about a manager bashing people on Facebook or being disrespectful to employees.

Managers are a rare breed, especially good managers. Good managers motivate their personnel and take pride in people who can move ahead. Good managers with good leadership skills never disrespect the team members or humiliate them publicly. They accept responsibility for whatever goes wrong.

No one wants to be unpopular, but for those in management, it comes with the territory. Being an effective manager requires a unique, selfless, person. "Management is, above all, a practice where art, science, and craft meet" (Henry Mintzberg).

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

Take Dread Out Of Budgeting

Dear Dave,

I've been trying to get my sister and her husband on your plan, but they're hesitant to try living on a budget. They make good money, and both of them think doing a budget every month would be too difficult and take too much time. Do you have any suggestions I could pass along that might make them realize that making a budget isn't so hard or time consuming?

Kelsey

Dear Kelsey,

Believe me, I hear those excuses all the time. In most cases, the people who say these kinds of things don't really understand what a budget is, or how to efficiently put one together. If you've followed my advice, you learned first-hand that budgeting isn't scary once you get the hang of it. Household budgets don't need to be about hours of tedious math and complicated formulas. Like most things in life, simple is usually best.

A good way to simplify budgeting, especially for couples, is by making it a team effort. It's important to make sure your spouse is on board, and knows what's up with the budget, because you're just asking for problems when one spouse is doing all the planning and the other is doing all the spending.

Sit down together for a few minutes, once a month, and have a



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budget meeting where you look at your income, your outgo, and you both give every dollar a name and a job to do. It's really that simple. Share your ideas, your hopes, and your dreams for the future, as well as the fears you have. The important thing is that you're both in agreement and working together. That alone will make your lives, your budget, and your money easier to handle.

Also, make sure you have cut up all your credit cards and closed the accounts. No more credit cards means fewer bills to add to the budget, fewer complications, and zero worries about fees and interest rates. Stick to using a debit card

and cash. After all, they're both part of the plan!

Making a schedule for budget meetings and bill payments is a good idea, too. You can even make your budget meetings a fun time by including your favorite snacks. Set up auto drafts out of your checking account to pay bills, and buy your groceries on a set day every week or twice a month. When you know what to expect and when, it takes a lot of stress and potential pitfalls out of the budgeting picture.

There's always some work and discipline that goes along with gaining control of your money. But a budget doesn't need to be torture. A little planning, communication, and some basic math will go a long way—and it won't be nearly as time consuming, or as difficult, as you think!

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Celebrity

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cliffhanger story of a new family member named Joe, played by Will Hochman. I would keep checking the CBS.com website for updates on when new episodes will air, but hopefully you'll see some by the end of November.

If you're a fan of Amy Carlson, who played Linda on "Blue Bloods" until her character was tragically killed off three years ago, you can catch her on CBS's "FBI: Most Wanted" this fall, where she'll play a bounty hunter in a recurring role. The death of her character on "Blue Bloods" in a helicopter crash was one of the most shocking and saddest in recent memory.

Joining Carlson this season on "FBI: Most Wanted" is Terry O'Quinn, who is best known for

playing John Locke on the ABC hit series "Lost."

Send me your questions at New-CelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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PET OF THE WEEK

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



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

contacted and a time will be made available for you to do a meet and greet.

Pictured here we have Soot, Clawdia, and Lolly - just 3 of the many cats and kittens that we have awaiting adoption here at the shelter. They will all need to be spayed/neutered and brought current on vaccines. If you are interested, go onto our Facebook page and submit an application.

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