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## Pulaski Council hears mostly good report on latest audit

By MIKE WILLIAMS  
 The Patriot

Pulaski Town Council heard generally good news from the auditor Tuesday night, even though some of the financial numbers reviewed weren't where council would like them to be.

Also, council approved documents related to the James Hardie project and praised town employees for snow removal efforts from last weekend's winter storm.

Emily Viers, a Certified Public Accountant with Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates of Blacksburg, reported to council on the recently completed audit of the town's finances.

Viers said the town had received a "clean unmodified opinion," which is the audit opinion desired, meaning the auditor believes the town's financial statements are materially correct as presented.

Viers reminded council that last year the town did have a finding related to material audit adjustments.

"I'm happy to report that we don't have that kind of finding again in the current year," Viers stated.

One concerning issue reviewed by Viers had to do with the town's Unassigned Fund Balance or "reserves."

Viers said it is desired that a town government have enough revenue in reserve for two months of expenditures – or roughly a figure equal to 17 percent of the town's budget.

She said currently Pulaski's reserve is at 6 percent.

"That's lower than we'd like to see," Viers said.

Viers reviewed with council how the town's reserves had declined from a high of \$1.6 million in 2016 to \$412,000 in the current year.

Viers explained the town had received between 2016-18 large amounts of revenue from the sell of cell tower leases and from transfers from the water fund. Reserved funds have dropped off the last couple years because those revenue increases hadn't

occurred.

"The important thing is what's being done to address this downward trend," Viers said, noting that Town Manager Darlene Burcham and Finance Director Rebecca Leeper are taking steps to turn the situation around. Steps Viers said should "help pretty significantly."

Council approved documents pertaining to three grants received by the town for the upcoming multi-year James Hardie Project.

Burcham reported the town had received a \$500,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), a \$700,000 grant from the state Department of Housing and Community Development and \$1.2 million from the EPA to fund the project. James Hardie will also be participating.

The project involves treating wastewater from the Hardie plant closer to where it is transferred to the Peppers Ferry Regional

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## State funds may be coming for bonuses or pay raises

By MIKE WILLIAMS  
 The Patriot

The Pulaski County School Board held its first budget work session Tuesday, hearing requests from principals and about proposed amendments to the state budget for the 2021-22 school year.

According to Assistant School Superintendent Chris Stafford, the state is in the second year of its biennial budget approved during last year's session. So, during the current short session of the legislature, only amendments to the budget will be considered.

Stafford outlined amendments proposed by Gov. Ralph Northam that pertain to schools.

One of Northam's proposals is for the state to fund its share of a one-time bonus payment of 2

percent for funded Standards of Quality (SOQ) instructional and support positions – clerical, maintenance, custodial, food service, office assistants, etc.

He said the funding will be provided to school divisions that certify to the State Department of Education that a 2 percent bonus or "equivalent action" – a 2 percent base salary increase – will be given to those in SOQ instructional and support positions.

If approved by the legislature, the state's portion of the bonus/raise payment will be \$310,413.

Stafford said the cost for a 2 percent bonus for all Pulaski County instructional and support staff would be \$564,740 – with the local share of the cost being \$254,327.

A 2 percent raise would cost \$649,225, leaving the local share

at \$338,812 – and that would be a recurring expense, Stafford reminded.

A second proposal from the governor involves guidance counselors.

Stafford said Northam's proposal is to reduce staffing ratios in all schools to 325 students to one counselor.

Currently the ratios are 455-to-1 in elementary schools, 370-to-1 in middle schools and 325-to-1 in high schools.

A third proposal would restore unallotted funds for Early Childhood Initiatives.

Stafford explained this action would increase the funded Virginia Preschool Initiative full-day per pupil amount from \$6,326 to \$7,655. Pulaski County would realize an increase of \$79,550.

See **FUNDS**, page A2

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# Audit

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 Wastewater Treatment plant.  
 Finally, several councilmembers praised Public Works Department employees for the good job they did clearing town streets and sidewalks of snow following last weekend's winter storm.  
 "Public Works employees were out Saturday night, went home for a couple hours and were heard back out working at 3 a.m.," said Burcham.  
 "Considering the equipment they have and the size of the staff, they did an incredible job. I went out Sunday afternoon and was very pleased. There's always going to be a street or an alley, but we've gotten many compliments about their work," she said.

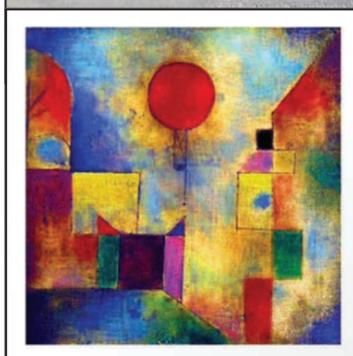
# Second Saturday Art Cafe offerings for Feb.

The Fine Arts Center for the New River Valley, located at 21 W. Main Street in Pulaski is pleased to offer art kits and classes in February as part of our monthly "Second Saturday Art Cafe" art education series.  
 For children, we are featuring a watercolor project called "Hearts A'Fire," where they will be invited to paint a bold heart with other colors around it, imitating a style of art made famous by Paul Klee, a Swiss-born German artist. His artwork reflects a blend of expressionism, cubism, and surrealism.  
 The children will receive in their kits a set of watercolor paints, brushes, paper, and instructions.  
 The Fine Arts Center partners with the Pulaski YMCA to provide more than 120 students who attend their pre-school program as well as their after-school programs at five elementary schools in the Pulaski County School System as well as Mayflower Christian Academy's students.

We also invite anyone in the New River Valley region to sign up for free monthly Art Cafe kits for their children or grandchildren. Information for this can be found on the Fine Arts Center's website ([www.facnrv.org](http://www.facnrv.org)). Free kits are available to anyone who drops by the Center from 10am - Noon on February 13 while supplies last.  
 Introduction to Watercolor is on tap for February; this monthly adult class is held live via Zoom from 2:00 - 4:00 pm on Saturday, February 13. This class will intro-



Toni Bowman watercolor (above)



Paul Klee art (at left)

## Funds

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 Finally, Stafford said the school system stands to gain \$211,647 in No Loss funding, which helps supplement local school divisions for loss of funding due to enrollment losses because of COVID-19.  
 Stafford told board members the projected average daily membership (ADM) on which the 2021-2022 budget will be based is 3,807 students. That is 54 fewer than the current school year.  
 The decline, Stafford said, represents a "more manageable" decrease as far as budget impact is concerned compared to recent years.  
 The short session of the legislature is due to end February 11, however, Stafford noted 30-day short sessions are normally extended by 15 days. So far, he said, that extension has not occurred.

duce the beginning student to watercolor painting. We will go over the basic properties of watercolor paints and papers. We will also cover color blending in watercolor. We are thankful for the contribution of our board member, Ms. Toni Bowman, who will be teaching this class. You can see some of Ms. Bowman's artwork on the Center's website. This class is appropriate for learners age 10 and up. Registration fee is \$20 for the class and supplies are available if needed for a slight fee. To register, go to [www.facnrv.org](http://www.facnrv.org)/classes.  
 For more information, contact Terrie Sternberg at [info@facnrv.org](mailto:info@facnrv.org).

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**TOWN OF PULASKI ARTS FUNDING**  
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In order to protect both the citizens of Pulaski County and our personnel, we will be closed to the public until further notice. We will alter our adoption process during this time. If you are interested in an animal here at the shelter, please submit your application with you may access on our Face Book page: Pulaski County, VA Animal Control, Once your application is approved, you will be contacted and a time will be made available for you to do a meet and greet.

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# Schools announce closings for 2nd COVID vaccinations

PCPS will be closed on the following dates for employees to receive the 2nd Covid 19 vaccination:

**Thursday, February 18th** - Asynchronous Instructional Day (Students independently work on assignments & contact their teachers with any questions that arise.)

**Friday, February 19th** - Asynchronous Instructional Day (Students independently work on assignments & contact their teachers with any questions that arise.)

**Thursday, February 25th** - Synchronous Instructional Day (Students log on and participate in real time lessons with their teachers)

The second vaccinations are being scheduled in a way that allows everyone a recovery day as many recipients experience mild to moderate symptoms following the second injection. We apologize for any problems that this change in schedule may cause for our families but are excited to complete this next crucial step to ensure that we will be able to have a safe and successful second semester.

## Burcham on Dean's List at Bob Jones Univ.

GREENVILLE, SC -- Ruth Burcham, a Senior Interior Architecture and Design major from Pulaski, was among approximately 900 Bob Jones University students named to the Fall 2020 Dean's List.

The Dean's List recognizes students who earn a 3.00-3.74 grade point average during the semester. Located in Greenville, South Carolina, Bob Jones University provides an outstanding regionally accredited Christian liberal arts education purposely designed to inspire a lifelong pursuit of learning, loving and leading.

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# Pulaski County meetings, schedules for February

- Tuesday, February 9, 2021, Pulaski County Public Service Authority Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room, Pulaski County Administration Building, 143 Third Street N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, 9:00 a.m. (Contact: Natasha Grubb, Clerk to the Board, 143 Third Street, N.W., Suite 1, Pulaski, VA, 24301, 540-980-7710, ngrubb@pulaskicounty.org) This Board is responsible for the operation of water, sewer, garbage and streetlight service in Pulaski County.

- Tuesday, February 9, 2021, Pulaski County Planning Commission Meeting, Board Room, Pulaski County Administration Building, 143 Third Street N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, 7:00 p.m. (Contact: Markie Quesenberry, Clerk, 143 Third Street N.W., Suite 1, Pulaski, VA, 24301, 540-980-7710, mquesenberry@pulaskicounty.org). This Commission oversees land – use, zoning and subdivision issues related to Pulaski County properties.

- Monday, February 15, 2021, Pulaski County Offices will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day. The Pulaski County Public Service Authority billing office and the three convenience centers (Bagging Plant Road, Dublin; Dora Highway, Pulaski; and Mason Street, Fairlawn) will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2021, in observance of Presidents Day. Garbage collection will remain on regular schedule.

- Tuesday, February 16, 2021, Economic Development Authority Board of Directors Meeting, Basement Central Conference Room, Pulaski County Administration Building, 143 Third Street N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, 10:00 a.m. (Contact: Megan Bird, Clerk to the Board, 143 Third Street N.W., Suite 1, Pulaski, VA, 24301, 540-980-7705, mwbird@pulaskicounty.org). The Economic Development Authority serves as the economic development arm of Pulaski County working with local industries and providing building spaces to local employers.

- Monday, February 22, 2021, Pulaski County Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting, Board Room, Pulaski County Administration Building, 143 Third Street N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia; Executive Session, 5:30 p.m., Open Meeting, 7 p.m. (Contact: Ashley Edmonds, Executive Secretary and Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, 143 Third Street N.W., Suite 1, Pulaski, VA, 24301, 540-980-7705, aedmonds@pulaskicounty.org). The Board of Supervisors is the governing body for Pulaski County and is responsible for the budget and concerns of its citizens.

- Tuesday, February 23, 2021, Pulaski County Sewerage Authority Board of Directors Meeting, Conference Room, Peppers Ferry Regional Wastewater Treatment Authority Administration Building, 7797 Mason Street, Fairlawn, Virginia, 6 p.m. (Contact: Fairlawn Tax and Bookkeeping, 7436 Peppers Ferry Boulevard, Fairlawn, Virginia, 24141, 540-639-6926). This Board manages daily operations for the sewer infrastructure in the immediate Fairlawn area.

# Dobyns earns Doctor of Education degree

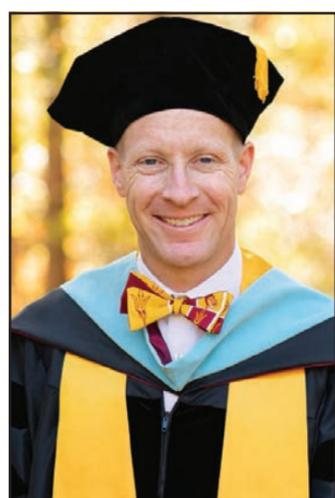
Paul Thomas Dobyns, son of Walter and Emily Dobyns, recently graduated from Arizona State University with his Doctor of Education degree in Leadership and Innovation in December 2020.

Dr. Dobyns grew up in Dublin and was a 2000 graduate of Pulaski County High School. Following his high school graduation, he went on to study the world of athletic training at Appalachian State University.

After completing his undergraduate degree at Appalachian State, Paul was assigned to a graduate athletic training program at the University of South Carolina, and made the move to Columbia, South Carolina. He was an inaugural member of the new Masters of Athletic Training program at USC and was able to work with the Gamecock football program during his graduate school experience.

Paul graduated from USC in 2006, and decided to stay in Columbia to begin his high school teaching and athletic training career. He taught sports medicine and health science for one year at Richland Northeast High School in Richland School District Two before moving to his current school, Spring Valley High School.

After 10 years of classroom



teaching and athletic training, serving thousands of student athletes. Paul moved on to the world of educational administration and began a second master's degree program at the University of South Carolina, graduating in 2017. He was able to stay at Spring Valley High School and move into the role of Assistant Administrator, a position he held for two years.

Paul was promoted to the Assistant Principal of Technology and Communication and maintains this position today. In his current role, Paul has many responsibilities, the largest of which is being the Testing Coordinator for Spring Valley, serving over 2000 students in grades 9-12.

Dr. Dobyns met his wife Stacey in 2007 and were married in 2009. They have two beautiful children: a seven year old daughter named Emma and a two year old son named Jack.



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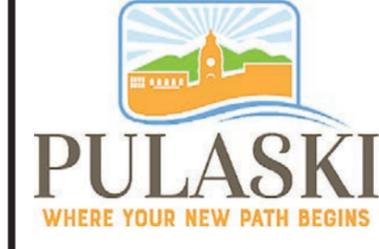
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## Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity Partially within a 100-Year Floodplain

To: All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Town of Pulaski under Part 58 has determined that the following proposed action in the Calfee Training School Adaptive Reuse Project is located in the 100-year floodplain, and the Town will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the floodplain and the potential impacts on the floodplain from the proposed action, as required by Executive Order 11988, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. This Adaptive Reuse Project will utilize funds available through the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Development Block Grant Program, Appalachian Regional Commission's Area Development - Construction Program, and other sources.



Within the 100-year floodplain, project activities include interior improvements to the former Calfee Training Center to create a childcare program, cultural museum, community kitchen, event and office spaces, and a computer lab. Exterior improvements include construction of an addition to the main structure and improvements to exterior gathering and play spaces. Approximately 1.5 acres or 56% of the 2.66-acre project area is within the 100-year flood plain. The proposed project area is located at 1 Corbin-Harmon Drive (formerly 1 Magnox Drive) and bounded by Corbin-Harmon Drive on the South, Tract Fork on the West, and the property line on the East in the Town of Pulaski, Pulaski County, Virginia.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in the floodplain and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplain can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Town of Pulaski at the following address on or before February 22, 2021: The Town of Pulaski, 42 1st St. NW, Pulaski, VA 24301 and (540) 994-8601, Attention: Darlene Burcham, Town Manager. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday in the Town Engineer's Office at the same address, online at [www.pulaskitown.org](http://www.pulaskitown.org), or at the Pulaski County Library, 60 3rd Street NW, Pulaski, VA, 24301. Comments may also be submitted by email to [dburcham@pulaskitown.org](mailto:dburcham@pulaskitown.org).



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**In-Person Absentee Voting**  
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**Saturday, March 13, 2021 - 8:30 am to 4:30 pm and**  
**Saturday, March 20, 2021 - 8:30 am to 5:00 pm**

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**Saturday, March 20, 2021:** Last day to vote an in-person absentee ballot at the Pulaski County Voter Registration Office.

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**Absentee Voting by Mail**  
**Friday, March 12, 2021:** Last day to request an absentee ballot by mail. Applications must be received in the Pulaski County Voter Registration Office by 5 pm

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**LILLIE JOAN SPENCE LAMBERT**

Lillie Joan Spence Lambert, 75, of Dublin died Sunday, January 31, 2021 at her home surrounded by her family. She was born in Pulaski on June 4, 1945 and was the daughter of the late James Arnold Spence, Sr. and Evelyn Irene Quesenberry Spence. She was also preceded in death by siblings Joyce Nelson, James Spence, Jr. (Buddy), William Spence (Rabbit), Robert Spence (Tittle), Roy Spence (Poochie), and Lena Spence Southington (Button), and by many nieces and nephews.

Survived by sons- Leonard Dunford (Bo) and Samuel Nixon III; daughters- Jann Dunford, Tina Nixon, and Samantha Travis; grandson- David Dunford; granddaughter- Kimberly Horst; Grandchildren-in-law- Tallis Horst and Lakean Nixon.

Great grandchildren - Kayla Dunford, Xitlali Gomez, Gwyn Burkett, Christian Travis, Gideon Burkett, Nicholas Travis, Andon Burkett, Aiden Burkett, Abbi Perez, and Bently Travis

and special great grandchildren- Deborah, Hanna and Raylan Dameon; Great grandson-in-law- Edwin Cruz; great great grandson-Jesus Andres Cruz.

Many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Her special friend - Karen Barger

And her kitty - Oliver.

Lillie loved to dance, do puzzles, play Bingo and Mario Bros. She dedicated her life to the Lord and her family.

A Memorial Service was held at the Dublin Baptist Church on Wednesday February 3rd.

Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.



**HAROLD DEAN ALLISON**

Harold Dean Allison, age 82 of Allisonia passed away Monday, February 1, 2021 at the Lewis-Gale Hospital, Pulaski. Born December 18, 1938 in Allisonia, he was the son of the late Thornton & Macie Gunter Allison. His brother, Carl Allison and son Jeffrey Dean Allison also preceded him in death.

He retired from the RAAP with 32 years of service.

He is survived by his  
Wife - Jean Hodge Allison  
Sons - Randall (Kathy) Allison

Tony (Betsy) Hodge  
Teddy Allison  
Tony Allison

Daughter - Mechelle Allison (Lee) Dalton

8 Grandchildren  
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Brothers - Gilmer (Shirly) Allison & Donnie (Dot) Allison  
Sisters - Martha Ann (Jimmy) Quesenberry, Mildred (Junior) Turman

Sister-in-law - Sonia Allison  
Memorial services will be held at a later date and will be posted on the Bower Funeral Home website. To sign Harold's online guestbook, please visit [www.bowerfuneralhome.com](http://www.bowerfuneralhome.com)

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to the Hiwassee Fire Dept.

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



**CAROL ANN OHALLA (RIVEROS)**

Carol Ann Ohalla (Riveros) born in Chicago, Ill., died in Dublin, Va. 76 years later.

The Ohalla-Riveros family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford. [www.mullinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.mullinsfuneralhome.com)



**DEMETRIA NICOLE HAZEL**

Demetria Nicole Hazel, age 23 of Pulaski passed away Saturday, January 23, 2021 at her home. Born March 17, 1997 in Radford she was the daughter of George Lee Hazel and Fannie Mae Primm. Her maternal grandfather, Lewis Thomas Prim and great grandmother, Margaret Prim preceded her in death.

She is survived by her  
Son - Tray'Veon Fields - Pulaski

Father - George Hazel - Pulaski  
Mother - Fannie Mae Primm - Pulaski  
Sister - Shanice De' Shell Hazel - Pulaski

Brother - Brandon Hazel - Pulaski  
Maternal Grandmother - Mary Louise Primm - Hickory, NC  
Paternal Grandparents - George & Nellie Hazel - Pulaski

Great Grandmother - Louise Johnson - Christiansburg  
Aunts-Tammy Jones, Pearlene Peoples, Sabeana Prim, Sallie Sawyers, Kay Prim, Carolyn Prim, Barbara Johnson, Margaret Prim, Marie Prim, Cheryl Pearson, & Melissa Prim.

Uncles  
Walter Johnson and Clyde Johnson

Funeral services were Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2021 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski with Rev. Douglas Patterson officiating. Interment followed at the Shucks Family Cemetery, Hiwassee.

To sign Demetria's online guestbook, please visit [www.bowerfuneralhome.com](http://www.bowerfuneralhome.com)

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

**ALTA FRANCES KING WEISS**

Alta Frances King Weiss, 86, of Fairlawn, passed away Saturday, January 30, 2021.

The Weiss family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home in Radford.

**PHYLLIS ANNE DEITZ HAYES**

Phyllis Anne Deitz Hayes, 87, of Claytor Lake, passed peacefully on February 1, 2021 surrounded and supported by her family and caregivers in the final days of her life.

The Hayes family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.



**BELVA MAE GOAD LYONS**

Belva Mae Goad Lyons, age 87 of Dublin passed away Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at the Highland Ridge Rehab Facility, Dublin. Born May 30, 1933 in Dugspur, she was the daughter of the late Harry Albert Goad & Hassie Opal Horton Goad. Her husband, Ward Henderson Lyons, Jr., son, Gary Lee Lyons and granddaughter, Christa Sherry also preceded her in death.

She is survived by  
Children

Anita D. Lyons - Pulaski  
Gerald L. (Vicki) Lyons - Pulaski (Shiloh Community)

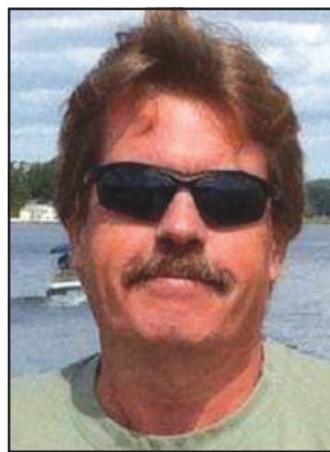
Rita D. Lyons - Shawsville  
Three Grandchildren  
Jennifer Morris, Gerald M. Lyons, Kassondra Lyons

Six Great Grandchildren  
Brothers  
Emmanuel Goad - Galax  
Elmer Goad - Dugspur

Several nieces and nephews  
Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski. Interment followed at the Walter Goad Cemetery, Dugspur (Silver Leaf Road, Carroll County).

To sign Belva's online guestbook, please visit [www.bowerfuneralhome.com](http://www.bowerfuneralhome.com)

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



**GARY LEE KING**

Gary Lee King, age 60 of Christiansburg, passed away Wednesday, January 20, 2021. Born February 6, 1960 in Richmond, Virginia he was the son of Sylvia Jane Lawson King and the late Wallace Jay King. His brother, Bob Washabaugh King also preceded him in death.

A huge fan of Star Trek, Gary was also a member of the "Book Club" in Roanoke he was currently employed at Motion Industries where he had been the past 5 years and had 20 years of service with Kollmorgan. Gary was a giving person and would help anyone.

He is survived by his  
Wife - Deborah Jean Lyford King - Christiansburg

Mother - Sylvia Jane Lawson King - Maryland  
Children - Brent & Felicia Bentancourt - Maryland

Kiersten Paolillo - Delaware  
Chad Mercier - Delaware  
Jeremy King - California

3 Grandchildren  
Sisters - Melody & Andrew Storms - Maryland

Angela Adamson - Maryland  
Tara Hearn - Maryland  
Brother - Jeff King - Maryland

Tim & Stephanie Lemke - Maryland

Best Friends - Gary & Betty Whiteman - Dublin  
Daddy's Baby - Onyx

Many nieces and nephews  
A celebration of life will be held at a later date. To sign Gary's online guestbook, please visit [www.bowerfuneralhome.com](http://www.bowerfuneralhome.com)

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**February 9**  
**Sons of Confederate Vets, Stuart Horse Aux. Camp to meet**  
 The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Tuesday, February 9, 7 p.m. at Aly's Family Italian Restaurant on 3204 Riner Rd. Camp Commander Will Reed will present a talk on the "History of the 4th Virginia Infantry Regiment." Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to attend. In the event of heavy snow or ice that day, the meeting is cancelled. For further information, please call 320-4315 or 239-9864.

**On going:**  
**Alcohol Anonymous** meet Mondays at 8 p.m. (closed meeting); Wednesday (noon) and Thursday at 8 p.m. (open meetings) at Pulaski Presbyterian Church of America located at 975 Memorial Drive. Contact number is 540-440-0066. At present time masks are required and social distancing observed.

The **Radford Clothing Bank** is open by appointment only. To qualify for free clothing, you must receive Medicaid or SNAP (Food Stamps). Call the Clothing Bank at 633-5050, Monday – Saturday, from 10 a.m. – 12 a.m. to make an appointment.

**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.



## Employee of the Month

Pulaski County High School and Pulaski County Public Schools are proud to announce Jerry King as their Employee of the Month for the 2020-2021 school year. Mr. King works as Cougar Security at PCHS, however, his job encompasses so much more. At any moment, Mr. King can be found straightening things in and around the building. His care and concern for this campus supersedes anyone else. If you

need Mr. King somewhere, his first response is always "What time?" He is a calming presence to all who are near him. Students seek him out to speak to him and he has formed bonds with children in the child-care program to Seniors. Mr. King always sees the big picture and works to support every aspect of our school being successful.

Pulaski County Schools photo

## Slaves labored for state during Revolution

By Jim Mullins

Our American liberty was won in part, using leaden bullets mined by men and women who were themselves denied freedom.

One of the regrettable ironies of our fight for Independence from Britain is that approximately 33 enslaved men and women labored at Chiswell's lead mines in southwest Virginia (located in modern Austinville Virginia, near Wytheville) during the Revolutionary war. The mines had been a private commercial concern, but in wartime were administered by the State of Virginia due to their strategic importance.

The labor of these slaves was generally voluntarily "hired" by their masters for a term of eight years; however in one case a runaway named Bristol who had been caught attempting to join "Lord Dunmore's fleet when at Gwynn's island" was sent to the mines as a prisoner. Bristol's lost wages were petitioned for by his former owner, William Mountague of Lancaster County, Virginia in 1779. Bristol again attempted to gain his freedom in 1785 and a runaway ad for him was published in the Virginia Gazette.

Virginia Gazette or American Advertiser (Hayes), Richmond, May 14, 1785.

*TWENTY POUNDS REWARD WILL be given, for apprehending and delivering to me, two negro men, CAESAR and BRISTOL, alias BRISTER, or Ten Pounds for each of them. Caesar is about 5 feet 7 inches high, of a square athletic make, and supposed to be near 30 years of age; he had on, a blue regimental coat, faced with white, and I believe, a white cloth waistcoat and breeches. He was purchased by the State, of William Robinson, Esq; of Princess Anne, the agent of John Hancock, and has for some years past been employed at the lead mine. BRISTOL, or BRISTER, is about 5 feet 9 inches high; of a spare make, and about the age of CAESAR. He*



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*was formerly the property of Mr. William Mountague of Lancaster, and has been employed for some years at the lead mine. He wore at the time he ran away, an old brown cloth coat, and an old pair of leather breeches. He carried with him, a new blue coat faced with white or red, a new white cloth waistcoat and breeches, and a new blanket.*  
 THOMAS MERIWETHER. Richmond, May 10, 1785.

Jacob  
 Frank  
 Peter  
 Tar  
 Aberdeen  
 Tom  
 James

The names of the enslaved workforce were recorded in a manuscript now held in the Library of Virginia and are included below in hopes that they will be properly remembered for their contribution to our Nation as an integral part of the forging of our Republic, even while being denied freedom and the fruits of their labor themselves.

#### A List of the Negroes at the Lead Mines

Will  
 Bob  
 Cesar  
 Ned  
 David  
 Fielding  
 Juba  
 Bristol  
 Lewis  
 Roger

Phebe  
 Sue  
 These are able & fit for Labor when well }  
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## Editorial Cause for concern, pride, appreciation

A discussion at the end of a school budget work session held earlier this week offered both a cause for alarm, but also feelings of pride and appreciation for our school system.

Robinson District School Board Representative Dr. Paige Cash noted principals making their budget requests during the meeting had stressed the need for more counselors for students.

Cash said she would again request during budget work this year that Snowville Elementary have a full-time counselor all its own and Pulaski Elementary have two, given that PES is "bursting at the seams."

She quizzed School Superintendent Dr. Kevin Siers on whether future counselors are graduating from college and would they be available for hire in the spring?

Siers said he did not know the answer to that question but did say that "nobody expects there will be enough graduates available this year to fill all the retirements that are coming."

Siers said many people in education – in the county and across the state – are calling this their final year after they have gotten through all that has been required of them due to COVID-19.

Cash asked if there would be enough art, music and physical education teachers. Siers said he doubts it.

He said the school division has gotten a head start by building an applicant pool, but other divisions had done the same. "Instead of competing in April to fill positions, we'll be competing in February," he said.

"We need to produce more teachers," Cash responded. "It's a wonderful profession."

The shortage of good, qualified teachers and counselors is a big problem that appears to be getting bigger each year. There are many reasons for this, and not all of them are about money.

We need to do all we can – and soon – to address this problem by responding to the issues that are keeping people from seeking a career in education. Our children's education depends on it.

On a good note, however, Pulaski Countians have much to be proud of in their school division.

Comments during the session prompted Siers to look back on the past few years and how far Pulaski County Schools has come in technological advancements.

Siers said 2 1/2 years ago, only a handful of teachers had laptops. No student had any type of device to use for educational purposes.

"In 2 1/2 years we have replaced 50 percent of our Smart Boards with Promethean Boards" – a more advanced brand of interactive whiteboard that allows teachers to project an image from a laptop or a computer, as well as interact with the board through touch or specialized pens.

"Every student and every teacher have a device, anyone who wants to can pull into a school parking lot and access wi-fi.

"It's just phenomenal what our technology department has brought into the school division," Siers said.

"We have gone from being at the tail-end of most school divisions in Virginia in technology to now being at a point where we're ahead of Montgomery County, Roanoke and many others in what we are able to offer," he said.

Siers said the advances made are a "testament to the board, our technology and finance departments – all who set this as a priority to make happen. We are in a good place now and will be in a great place next school year."

School Board Chairman Tim Hurst said he couldn't agree more and expanded on Siers' comments.

"Just getting us up and running this year was an incredible accomplishment in itself."

Hurst noted the work of Jess Shull (Operations Director), Jana Beckner (Human Resources Director) and Chris Stafford (Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Business Operations) and the "great job they're doing with all the COVID questions that are coming in daily."

"I can't imagine how busy they have been," Hurst continued, adding praise for each school principal for "keeping schools up and running and moving kids forward to the best of your ability right now."

"Every day we see things in the news and hear things that are pretty negative about education, but Pulaski County – under the leadership of Dr. Siers – has done as much as any school division this side of the state by far – by far!"

And not to leave anyone out, Hurst noted that Nutrition Director Ethelene Sadler and her staff "have fed every kid in this county I believe."

"It's really an honor to be in this meeting with this group right here. Just tremendous people."

We are proud of what all these folks have done during this trying time, and for the technological advances we have made.

No, we are not perfect and there is more to do.

But in the future when people start comparing school divisions, we believe Pulaski County will fare very well.

## Leading Oversight Efforts on Energy and Commerce

Throughout my time in the U.S. House of Representatives, I have been honored to serve on the Energy and Commerce Committee. It is the oldest standing legislative committee in the House with broad jurisdiction over domestic policy issues including health, energy, environment, telecommunications, and more.

Many of these issues have a direct impact on the lives of constituents in Virginia's Ninth Congressional District. My position on Energy and Commerce allows me to advocate for our region's priorities and needs.

For the new Congress, I have been named Republican Leader of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations by Energy and Commerce Committee Republican Leader Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA). I am grateful for this opportunity to serve in a leading role.

The Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations is charged with conducting oversight over areas within the committee's jurisdiction. We investigate problems, ensure that the laws we pass are being carried out, and supervise agencies.

Although it is not tasked with writing legislation, the subcommittee carries out an essential legislative function. Its activities may lead to new laws, highlight problems with those already on the books, or prod the executive branch



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

to better fulfill the responsibilities our laws assign them.

Throughout my time on the subcommittee, we have often acted in a bipartisan manner. Investigations such as those into the origins of the opioid crisis or into mismanagement in the federal bureaucracy impact constituents of Republican and Democrat districts.

As I work with subcommittee Chair Diana DeGette (D-CO), I am confident we can maintain this outlook going forward. We certainly won't always agree, but many of our priorities have little to do with party affiliation. In the past, we have worked together productively on issues including compounding pharmacies and opioids. Further, we both disapprove of government bureaucrats who do not follow the law.

Our first hearing of this Congress will be on the rollout of COVID-19 vaccines. State health officials from across the country will testify on their efforts

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Rich Lowery

Editor, National Review

## 'Free speech for me, not for thee'

Long a stalwart defender of the First Amendment, the American media is now having second thoughts.

For decades, it was a commonplace sentiment among journalists that freedom of the press was one of the glories of our system. It helped to make the government accountable and to air diverse points of view -- even unpopular ones -- to be tested in the marketplace of ideas.

Media organizations were at the forefront of the fight to vindicate First Amendment rights, with The New York Times involved in two landmark Supreme Court decisions (New York Times Co. v. Sullivan and the Pentagon Papers case) and tended to rise as one against any perceived threat to their prerogatives and freedoms.

This advocacy has been sincere, although, if nothing else, journalists should be First Amendment purists out of a sense of self-interest. In a 2018 essay in The Atlantic representing the bygone conventional wisdom, titled "Why a Free Press Matters," the longtime newscaster Dan Rather noted, "As a working journalist, I know I have a stake in this concept."

One would think so. Yet, now journalists have lured from finding a threat to freedom of the press in every criticism of reporters and news outlets by former President Donald Trump to themselves calling for unwelcome media organizations to be shut down.

They've become the thing they profess to hate -- closed-minded censors who want to stifle free expression, First Amendment be damned.

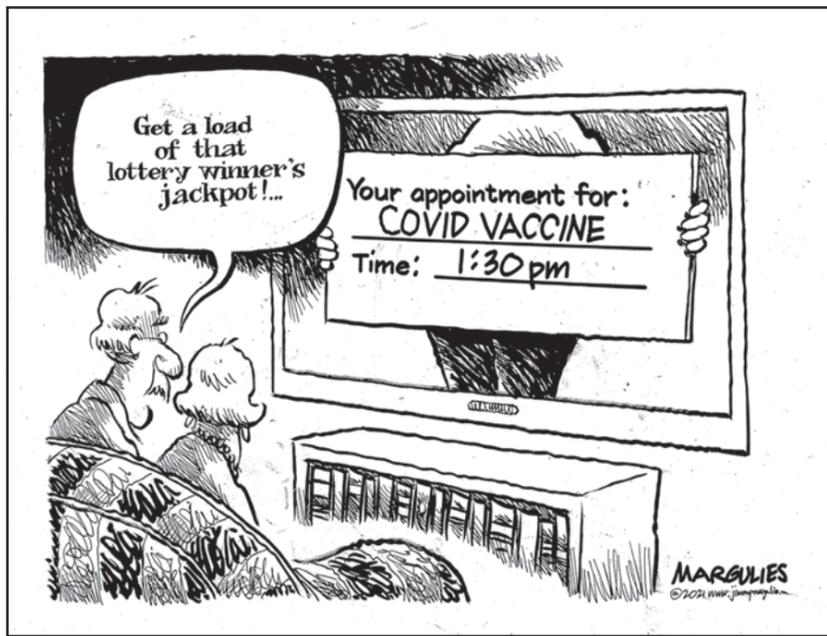
Perversely, the TV program and email newsletter of the top media analyst at CNN, Brian Stelter, has been a clearinghouse for such advocacy, whether it is demands to get right-wingers removed from social media or -- more astonishingly -- to keep conservative cable networks off the airwaves.

Stelter's colleague, media reporter Oliver Darcy, tweeted about his effort to get cable companies to answer why they carry pro-Trump channels like Newsmax and One America News Network. "Do they have any second thoughts about distributing these channels given their election denialism content?" he asked on Twitter. "They won't say."

In the same vein, Washington Post columnist Max Boot drew a direct line between how we deal with foreign terror groups and how we should treat right-wing media organizations. "We need," he wrote, "to shut down the influencers who radicalize people and set them on the path toward violence and sedition."

Boot noted, approvingly, that the U.K. doesn't have the

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## Power to the people 2.0

By Cal Thomas, Tribune Content Agency

During the rebellious '60s, the slogan "power to the people" became a mantra for the young to protest what they saw as oppression from their elders. Now comes a moment when significant numbers of Americans can exercise real power in ways that will improve the country.

Most people will never attain a level of influence comparable to a president, a member of Congress, a Supreme Court justice, a newspaper editor, or a TV network anchor/reporter, but ultimate power does not reside in any of these institutions or professions. It resides in "the people."

The pandemic has given especially parents of young children an opportunity to seize power they already possessed but have never fully exercised. With teachers unions dictating when, or if, public schools will open again, parents are discovering the power of educating their children at home where they cannot only teach the real history of the country (as opposed to the revisionist version taught in too many schools), but add a moral foundation that secular public schools no longer provide.

According to admissionsly.com, "a go-to site for students for reliable and unbiased information and statistics about education," in the spring of 2019 (the last period for which figures are available), "grade K-12 students constituted 2.5 million children who opted for homeschooling. If we observe the trend in the last few years, there is an annual homeschooling growth rate by 2 percent to 8 percent."

That may not sound like much when one considers that 48.6 million K-12 students attend public schools, according to the Census Bureau, but it suggests momentum. The cost of a public-school education increased 3.4 percent from 2017. Given demands from teachers' unions it is likely to continue climbing. A public-school education now costs, on average, more than \$12,000 per student per year.

The Wall Street Journal has taken note

of this under-the-radar transfer of power, which is still at an early stage, but appears to be advancing rapidly. It cites three states out of many experiencing increases in home schooling: "In North Carolina, the state's home-school monitoring website crashed on the first day of enrollment, and more than 18,800 families filed to operate a home school from July 1 to Jan 22 -- more than double the school-year before. ... In Connecticut, the number of students who left public schools to be home-schooled jumped five-fold this school year to 3,500. In Nebraska, the number of home-schooled students jumped 56 percent to 13,426..."

Combine this with the 5.7 million students attending private schools and one might call it a movement.

Home schooling one's children is far easier today. Not only are there substantial online resources, many parents are combining their skills and backgrounds with other parents, so that if one is deficient in history or math, another parent with knowledge of these subjects can contribute.

Many of these subjects have been tainted by political correctness and in the case of history, revisionism. It is why the Biden administration has nixed former President Trump's 1776 Commission, which sought to restore accurate teaching of U.S. history rather than a contemporary version seen only through the lens of slavery and America as a bad nation. Trump called it "patriotic education."

Conservatives who want to preserve America from what they regard as incremental socialism should embrace home schooling as a way to rescue the next generation and preserve the country.

I have quoted her before, but sometimes repetition is needed for it to sink in. The late Barbara Bush said: "Your success as a family ... our success as a nation ... depends not on what happens inside the White House, but on what happens inside your house."

She understood where real power comes from. Now, if more people will only seize that power and use it.

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# Cooking is key to family health

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Our daily news is filled with promises of a quick fix to your dieting dilemmas – a pill to lose weight, a shake to drop pounds, or a diet plan that works miracles! However, one of the most important things you can do to improve your health is so simple – just cook! Knowledge and practice of basic cooking skills are the first step to a lifelong journey of health. These things are especially impactful if you have young children in the home, as it could improve their food choices for a lifetime to come.

The American Institute for Cancer Research points to ten

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to distribute the vaccines and the challenges they face.

Since the Food and Drug Administration authorized two vaccines in December, states have been receiving doses. In keeping with our federalist system of government, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have issued guidance, but states ultimately decide how to administer their doses and who to prioritize in vaccinating.

They have performed with varying degrees of success. For example, West Virginia has led the country in administering its allocation of doses. As an unfortunate contrast, Virginia has long been near the bottom of the rankings.

It will be important to learn from these states to understand what has been done rightly or wrongly in the vaccination process so we can improve the rollout going forward.

Moving onward, I expect the subcommittee will continue its work on the opioid crisis. Earlier investigations conducted by the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations helped uncover how some small-town pharmacies, including a few in West Virginia not far from the Virginia border, ordered enormous quantities of pain pills without attracting adequate scrutiny from distributors or the Drug Enforcement Agency. As overdose deaths appear to have risen during the pandemic, examining this scourge should remain a priority.

important reasons for cooking with young children:

- Creates opportunity to discuss the senses (taste, sight, smell, touch)
- Boosts self-esteem by accomplishing tasks that contribute to the whole family
- Teaches children life skills and food safety practices
- Uses basic math skills
- Allows scientific observation when foods change forms
- Promotes practicing how to follow directions
- Provides opportunity to discuss how healthy foods create a healthy body
- Encourages creativity
- Can improve cultural awareness
- Bonding experience

Other issue areas, including cybersecurity and prescription drug costs, also hold out the promise of bipartisan cooperation.

One area I intend to pursue with rigor is oversight over the Biden Administration within our jurisdiction.

When I served on the subcommittee during the Obama Administration, I saw too often executive branch officials and agencies overstep their bounds or flout the will of Congress in pursuit of a wrongheaded and harmful agenda. Considering that President Biden has signaled the same approach on many issues and even filled his administration with many of the same people, I anticipate that the subcommittee will have plenty to do. This may not be as bipartisan as other topics, but it is no less essential.

I am honored to take on this leadership role on the Energy and Commerce Committee. It will be a meaningful platform to further advance the priorities of the Ninth District in the House of Representatives.

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

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## Senior Of The Month

Pulaski County Public Schools and Pulaski County High School are pleased to announce our Senior of the Month for January Andrew Conner Davis. Andrew is the son of Steven and Adrian Davis of Dublin. Andrew excels at every project he attempts. Currently, he is developing a remote controlled zero turn lawn mower. He aspires to study physics in hopes of becoming an astronomer or astrophysicist. Aside from his academic success, Andrew has maintained a near full-time employment as a grocery clerk at nearby stores since 10th grade. Andrew's capacity for empathy, understanding, kindness, and patience exceeds any of his peers. He is an accomplished and hard-working student and his nominating teacher stated that it has been a privilege to work with him since he began his studies. Andrew is very committed to his studies. When he is not working on his school work or working at Walmart in Fairlawn, he does enjoy playing guitar and studying astronomy. Upon graduation, Andrew plans to attend Radford University studying software engineering.

Pulaski County School photos

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equivalent of Fox News because regulators won't allow it. The U.K. also doesn't have a First Amendment, a small detail that might be worth considering if the point is to protect our freedoms rather than destroy them in a fit of ideological vengeance.

A writer at the progressive publication Mother Jones argued for an advertiser boycott instead of regulatory action in a post called, charmingly, "It's Time to Crush Fox News."

A boycott wouldn't violate the First Amendment like a direct crackdown on Fox and others. Still, it would be private action undertaken in the service of a profoundly illiberal goal, running counter to the country's culture of free speech.

All of this would be bad enough if it weren't people who write and comment on TV for a living advocating it. But journalists have been moving in this direction for a while now, as Armin

Rosen catalogues in a disturbing report for Tablet magazine.

The author, Steve Coll, who is no less than the dean of the Graduate School of Journalism at Columbia University, said last December, "Those of us in journalism have to come to terms with the fact that free speech, a principle that we hold sacred, is being weaponized against the principles of journalism." The former managing editor of Time

magazine, Richard Stengel, has written: "All speech is not equal. And where truth cannot drive out lies, we must add new guardrails."

And so its erstwhile champions are ready to retreat from strict adherence to the First Amendment to a new rule of "free speech for me, but not for thee."

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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He also noted he is in the process of completing work on a retail location on Randolph Avenue in Pulaski.

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## Fabric

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Charles  
 Luke [i]  
 Luke [ii]  
 James  
 Kitt  
 Aaron  
 George  
 Sam [i]  
 Sam [ii]  
 Jacob  
 Peter  
 Dick Run away  
 Clothing and bedding was issued to the enslaved workers from the Virginia Public Store (excerpts from Colonial Williamsburg MS) Virginia Public Store Daybook June 1, 1778-Nov. 13, 1778 M-1016.1  
 Williamsburg 6th Nov. 1778  
 Lead Mines per Order Governor Dr  
 To Sundry Clothing for 33 Negroes employed in that work del Colo. Charles Lunch Viz  
 To 264 Yds Tartaine  
 231 do Linen  
 33 pr Stockings  
 allowing [illeg] shirts [per] man...

33 pr Breeches  
 26l Yds Osnabrigs for 66 Shirts & Linings  
 for 20 pr Breeches  
 7 yds Negroe Cloth  
 40 yds do do  
 Pr Harry Terrece [?]  
 Unlike Bristol, who was carried to the mines as a prisoner after attempting to join the British forces with Lord Dunmore at Gwynne's Island; an enslaved man named Aberdeen left his master (a Loyalist named John Goodridge, possibly the infamous privateer John Goodrich) when Goodridge sought to join the British at Norfolk in 1776. Aberdeen presented himself to one James Hopper and was subsequently sent by Colonel Lynch to the mines where he "labored Honestly" until 1783, at which time he successfully petitioned for his freedom (thanks to both April Martin Danner and Sarah Nucci for bringing Aberdeen's story to light). In addition to Aberdeen, the slaves who had served in the army were then legally emancipated.

tal or state establishment, and hath been received as a substitute All slaves so enlisted, by appointment of their masters, and serving their term, emancipated.

Colonel Charles Lynch, who managed the lead mine during the Revolution, became an advocate of manumission in his later years. A 1792 document signed by Lynch read:

"All men who are by nature free and agreeable to the command of our Lord and Savior Christ believe it is our duty to do unto all men as we would have them do unto us."

For further information on the lead mines, I encourage you to have a look at my upcoming article "Chiswell's Lead Mines" which will appear in the March/April issue of Muzzleloader magazine.

My sincere thanks to April Martin Danner, Sarah Nucci, Michael Gillman, Spenser D. Slough and Joel Anderson for their generosity in sharing primary source information on this often overlooked topic.

**Jim Mullins is a cultural historian who regularly shares through his Blog site, "Of Sorts for Provincials" focusing on information on 18th century American firearms, the Virginia backcountry and related material. He is likewise part of the living history group that routinely participates at Wilderness Road Regional Museum.**

<http://ofsortsforprovincials.blogspot.com/>

CHAP. III. [Chapter CXC in original.] An act directing the emancipation of certain slaves who have served as soldiers in this state, and for the emancipation of the slave Aberdeen.

Chan. Rev. p. 210. I. WHEREAS it hath been represented to the present general assembly, that during the course of the war, many persons in this state had caused their slaves to enlist in certain regiments or corps raised within the same, having tendered such slaves to the officers appointed to recruit forces within the state, as substitutes for free persons, whose lot or duty it was to serve in such regiments or corps, at the same time representing to such recruiting officers that the slaves so enlisted by their direction or concurrence were freemen; and it appearing further to this assembly, that on expiration of the term of enlistment of such slaves that the former owners have attempted again to force them to return to a state of servitude, contrary to the principles of justice, and to their own solemn promise. Preamble reciting that many slaves, during the war, were enlisted into the army, as substitutes, being tendered as free men. II. And whereas it appears just and reasonable that all persons enlisted as aforesaid, who have faithfully served agreeable to the terms of their enlistment, and have thereby of course contributed towards the establishment of American liberty and independence, should enjoy the blessings of freedom as a reward for their toils and labours; Be it therefore enacted, That each and every slave, who by the appointment and direction of his owner, hath enlisted in any regiment or corps raised within this state, either on continen-

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 Lead Mines Ord Board of Trade  
 Sundr furnished Negroe Dick belonging to the Mines Vizt.  
 1 Coat  
 1 pr Breeches  
 1 Waistcoat  
 1 Shirt  
 3 1/2 Yd Linen 1pr Stockings  
 1 Cap 1 pr Shoes  
 1 Baize Blanket  
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 Daybook Williamsburg Public Store  
 July 1, 1779-July 12,1780  
 [Nov. 3 1779]  
 "...Publick Lead Mines and B. of Trade  
 Sundr. for Clothing the Negroes at the Mines: Viz.  
 195 Yds 5/8 Coarse Cloth @ 25/... 243..15-  
 32 1/2 do. Green baize @ 10/... 16..5-  
 35 Pair Stockings @ 15/ 26...5-  
 30 hunting shirts @ 12/6 18..15..-  
 4 Baize blankets @ 90/ 18..  
 8 Small dutch do. @ 9L... 72...-...-  
 23 better do.  
 2lb Sewing thread  
 8 doz Pewter butts  
 30 ditto vest  
 Pr Christopher Irvine

Richmond 28th November 1780 p138  
 M-1169.5 Richmond  
 Public Lead Mines pr Ord Governor

For Sundry Clothing furnished for the use of Thirty Three Negroes belonging to the Public [illeg] works at the Mines-Vizt

10 Sailor's Jackets  
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 33 Sailors under Jackets



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Pictured from left: Alison Weston, New River Community College; James Pennix, formerly Ferrum College; Rebekah LaPlante, Radford University. Photo was taken at the conference in November 2019.

## Local college/university staff receive national award

Alison Weston, New River Community College enrollment management and transfer services coordinator, along with James Pennix (The National Research Center for College & University Admissions, Inc., formerly with Ferrum College) and Rebekah LaPlante (Radford University) have been selected as national winners of the 2020 Rising Star Award presented by the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC).

The Rising Star Award honors individuals and programs that exemplify excellence and dedication to serving the needs of students in the transition from high school to college. The trio was recognized virtually as the Rising Star Award

winners in May 2020 by the Potomac and Chesapeake Association for College Admission Counseling, a Virginia branch of NACAC.

This regional win placed them in the running for the national award. Weston, Pennix and LaPlante's project was the creation and implementation of a conference called Rural/Small Town Special Interest Group (SIG) Conference & College Fair.

The conference's goal was to provide an access point to high school counselors and career coaching staff in rural Southwest Virginia to connect with resources to better serve their students and broaden their horizons of the opportunities that colleges can provide.

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## Big 4th quarter lifts PC girls

By BRIAN BISHOP  
The Patriot

On a cold Wednesday night in Hillsville against the Carroll County Cavaliers, the Lady Cougars pulled it out in the fourth quarter, winning 44-39.

The Cougars trailed most of the game in this defensive struggle.

Both teams struggled shooting the ball. The Cougars were 13 of 61 from the field for 21 percent shooting. Carroll was also 21 percent, hitting on 10 of 47 shots.

Every shot was contested by both teams and no one had fast break opportunities to score easy points.

The Cougars got down early in the first quarter and fought their way to the lead at 14-13 with 3:24 left in the half after a pair of Taryn Blankenship free throws.

The lead was short lived, however.

In the last seconds of the first half, Jaclyn Hagee made a free throw for the Cavaliers and the Cougars found themselves down 21-16 at the half.

Ally Fleanor hit a 3-pointer in the third quarter to tie the game at 26. Fleanor scored 6 of the Cougars' 13 third quarter points.

Late in the third quarter Alyssa Ervin hit a 3-point shot for the Cavaliers to give them a 32-29 lead going into the fourth quarter.

Keslyn Secret hit a 3 after a time out with 4:33 left in the game to tie the score at 34. On the next Pulaski County possession Blankenship powered her way to the basket to give the Cougars a 36-35 lead. Fleanor added two more points inside and the Cougars were now up 38-35 with 2:58 to play.

Kaylee Easter for the Cavaliers hit a 3-pointer with 25 seconds to play and cut the lead to 40-39.

They then fouled Fleanor who knocked down both free throws to give the Cougars a 3-point lead with 19 seconds to play.

Jayden Lawson rebounded a Carroll miss and then got fouled. She then drained both free throws to secure the win for Pulaski County.

Leading scorers for Pulaski County were Ally Fleanor with 16 and Taryn Blankenship with 10. For Carroll, Alyssa Ervin



Brian Bishop/The Patriot

See COUGARS, page B3 Ally Fleanor scores the first of her 16 points.



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Davis

## Mysteries

I occasionally watch the television series, "Unsolved Mysteries" hosted by Dennis Farina. He remarks, "Everyone likes a mystery" and I am going to touch on some of those in today's column. A little over a year ago, I devoted a column to that of the 'Bigfoot' legend. I recently read a recently published book on Bigfoot, (I am not naming the book or author as from the beginning he states is a skeptic and concludes with the same conclusion). I cannot say yea or nay as to if this creature exists as I have never seen one. I met a guy in Giles County who wrote a book about this animal as he was acquainted with someone who had sighted one. There are those that deny this animal's existence. It is similar to be even denied by D.G.I.F. stating that there are no mountain lions found in this area but I have family members that have seen them crossing the road in front of them and even in another's back yard.

The legend of the Loch Ness has been around for several years and there are the claims of sightings over the years and there was one given by a family on the Unsolved Mysteries as to seeing such a beast in a lake in this country. They related as how the several humps of the creature broke the water surface that was much like the description of the one of Scottish fame. Another animal that has been noted to have been seen from the early eighteen-hundreds is the "Jersey Devil." There may be some truth to this animal existing. The NHL team is named the "Jersey Devils" and the people of New Jersey, no doubt, do put something in the way of belief there is such an animal.

Bigfoot is the "Abdominal Snowman" in the Himalayas and a few other names around the world. From reading the above noted book, I learned that something additionally about Edmund Hillary who along with the Sherpa, Norgay, first climbed Mt. Everest in May, 1953. He, afterwards, joined a team to search out the existence of the animal that was told to have been seen by locals over the years. He and his colleagues, after extensive searching concluded that they did believe such an animal existed. Jokingly, I feel Hillary is like I tell people of myself and depicted in a cartoon, "I was born ten years too soon." I have the book, "The Long Walk" published in 1955 by Polish Air Force officer, Slavomic Rawioz, who along with seven others from a Siberian prison, escaped and walked into India. Crossing the southern slopes toward India, they sighted a male and female standing upright in the snow. Perhaps, had Hillary been there then, he would say "Seeing is Believing."

Another animal of renown fame is the dinosaur and is said by certain theologians to no longer exist. They say that dinosaurs were here millions of years before mankind came on the scene. Their arguments are based upon a gap theory as between Genesis 1 and verse 2, which states, "And the earth was without form, and void..." This is a contradiction as God literally created animals and mankind on the fifth and sixth day. After Adam and Eve sinned in the garden of Eden, a global flood came later and destroyed the earth. No doubt dinosaurs were brought aboard the ark and were around in the time of Job as the book by his name is reputed to be one of the oldest books of the Bible. Job 40:15a, states, Behold now, the behemoth.... And verse

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### PUBLIC HEARING ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD TOWN OF PULASKI, VIRGINIA

The Pulaski Architectural Review Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, N.W., to consider an update to the Town's Commercial Historic District Design Guidelines.

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, in-person attendance will be limited to no more than 10 persons in the Council Chambers.

Participants are encouraged join the meeting via Zoom using the meeting credentials listed below.

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Meeting ID: 820 7097 2913  
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Citizens may review the draft design guidelines at <https://tinyurl.com/PulaskiGuidelineDraft> or on the Town website. A copy of the draft design guidelines is available for public review in the Planner/Economic Developer's Office on the 2nd Floor of the Pulaski Municipal Building, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Comments and/or questions can be sent ahead of the hearing via email to Brady Deal, Planner/Economic Developer, bdeal@pulaskitown.org or Justin Sanders, CLG Project Coordinator, jsanders@pulaskitown.org; via phone at 540-994-8619; or in the form of written comments to Brady Deal (42 First Street, N.W., Pulaski, Virginia) until the date of the hearing. All comments received prior to the meeting date above will be forwarded to the Architectural Review Board for their consideration.

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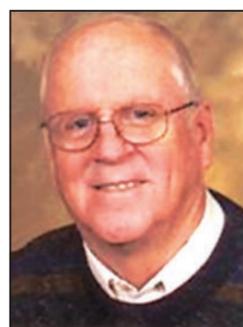
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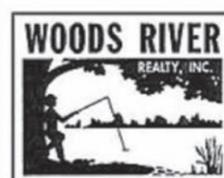
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# Johnson, Panthers roll over No. 16 Hokies, 83-72

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Xavier Johnson has been a starter for 79 of the 81 games he's played for Pittsburgh, but if he has more games like his effort Wednesday night against No. 16 Virginia Tech, he might take a liking to coming off the bench.

Removed from the starting lineup for the first time all season, Johnson scored 32 points to lead the Panthers past the Hokies 83-72.

The 32 points were a career high for Johnson and a Pitt record for points by a reserve in a game. Johnson found out he wasn't going to be starting just 10 minutes before the game. Coach Jeff

Capel shook up the lineup in an effort to stop a three-game skid that coincided with a personal slump for Johnson, who scored a total of 26 points in the three losses.

"I feel like I haven't been performing the way I'm supposed to perform lately," Johnson said. "It just woke me up. It made me more humble."

After sitting out the first five minutes, Johnson came out hot. He shot 11 of 17 from the floor, including 4 of 7 from 3-point range, as the Panthers (9-5, 5-4 Atlantic Coast Conference) had their way against a usually stingy Virginia Tech defense.

Will he come off the bench again?

"That's coach's call, that ain't my call," Johnson said. "If I play like that, I wouldn't have a problem with it."

Keve Aluma scored 30 points on 10-of-16 shooting, including 4 of 6 from long range, for the Hokies (13-4, 7-3), who were coming off a win over then-No. 8 Virginia. Justyn Mutts added 17 points.

Ithiel Horton, who also came off the Pitt bench for the first time this season, scored 15 points.

Virginia Tech led by as many as six points in the second half and trailed by two with 7:30 remaining before Pitt pulled away with a

13-0 run.

Pittsburgh beat a ranked opponent for the first time since January 2019.

## BIG PICTURE

Virginia Tech: Second-year Hokies coach Mike Young has built his program with a defense-first mentality, but the Hokies had an uncharacteristically tough time with Johnson and Pitt. Virginia Tech entered No. 41 in points per game allowed, but Pitt shot 50% from the field and 57.7% in the second half.

"They made a couple (3-pointers) and it's like we went away from our principles," Young said. "We got spread out a little bit and now, downhill they go with some guys that can really floor it."

Pitt: Stopping a three-game slide is important for any team, but especially for the Panthers, who have had skids of five games or more in the second halves of four straight seasons.

"It's not a good feeling," junior Au'Diese Toney said. "Everybody had their heads down. That's the feeling we had all freshman year when we were losing. I just don't want to go back to that."

## STAR WATCH

Pitt and ACC scoring leader Justin Champagnie was limited by an aggressive Virginia Tech double-team, but still had 13 rebounds and 10 points for his eighth double-double.

## UP NEXT

Pitt had been scheduled to host No. 20 Florida State on Saturday but after a positive COVID-19 test in the Seminoles program will instead visit No. 14 Virginia. The Panthers have not won in three trips to John Paul Jones Arena.

Virginia Tech visits Miami on Saturday. The Hokies are 3-2 in true road games this season and have not lost back-to-back games.



Brian Bishop/The Patriot

Jayden Lawson shoots a free throw late in the 4th quarter.

## Cougars

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had 9 while Kaylee Easter and Jaelyn Hagee both had 8.

Pulaski County is now 6-0, while Carroll drops to 7-2.

Pulaski went on the road again to face Salem on Thursday and has a big home game with Patrick Henry on Friday.

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a) Petition by applicant Donald Scott & Teresa A. Brookman to rezone a portion of the property from Medium Density Residential (MDR) to Low Density Residential (LDR), at Tax Map#067-001-0000-0030 located at 4736 Lakeland Road, Ingles District.

Comments may be presented orally, or in writing, prior to the meeting or in person at the public hearing. Information regarding the matter(s) referenced above is available for public inspection from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Community Development Department, County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, Suite 1 in the Town of Pulaski or by phoning (540) 980-7710.

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## Davis

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Job 40:17a, "He moveth his tail like a cedar.... Commentors take this animal to be an elephant or hippopotamus, but in reality, could only be a great land dinosaur.

Job 41:1a, states, "Canst thou draw out leviathan with a hook?" This no doubt describes a great marine dinosaur, although modern commentators tend to call it a crocodile. Isaiah says the leviathan was "the dragon that in the sea" (Is27:)

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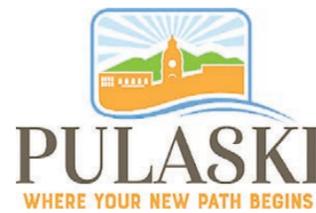
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### ADVERTISEMENT AND NOTIFICATION REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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The scope of services will include but will not be limited to support in the following disciplines: design management, project management and construction phase services associated with water treatment, storage and distribution system improvements, constructability reviews, right-of-way and utility services, environmental studies, materials services, plan reviews, analysis of cost data, development of independent estimates, reconciliation of quantity and cost differences, agreement development support, document control services, development of reports and accurate cost projections, compliance with federal/state statutes covering improvements support in civil rights compliance, public affairs, communications, and other relevant activities.

The Estimated Project Cost is \$ 3,102,734.00

The RFP document may be obtained by going to [www.pulaskitown.org](http://www.pulaskitown.org) and then going to the engineering department. You may also obtain the RFP by coming to the municipal building at 42nd 1st street NW Pulaski, Virginia 24301 and coming to engineering on the second floor.

Evaluation of Proposals: Selection criteria shall include the information contained in Standard Forms (SF) 330, references, or information from any other source. The proposals will be ranked and negotiations will begin with the top-ranked firm in accordance with the State Procurement Act.

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**Bill Pedigo**  
**Town of Pulaski**  
42nd 1st St NW  
Pulaski, Virginia 24301

If a site visit is needed, you may contact Rick Tawney at 540-994-8600 Ext. 1618 or you may e-mail me at [rtawney@pulaskitown.org](mailto:rtawney@pulaskitown.org) to set up a day and time.

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# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



# Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



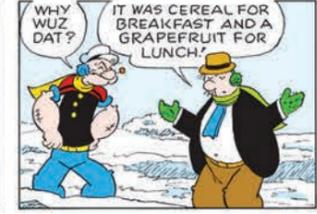
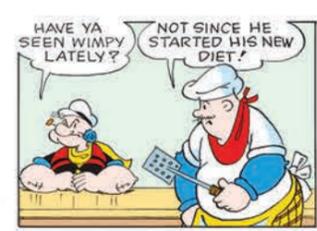
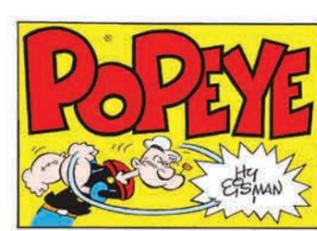
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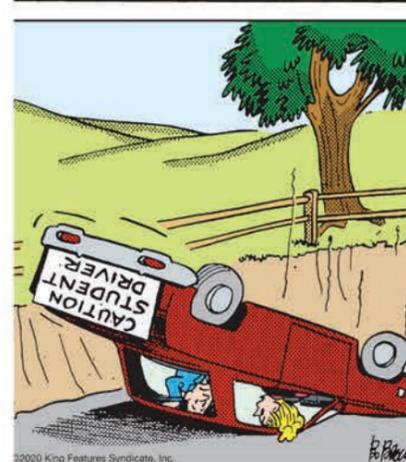


# Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



# LAFF-A-DAY



### SCRAMBLERS

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

Robust  
**EARTHY**

Simple  
**SCABI**

Package  
**DUBLIN**

Inform  
**DEIVAS**

**TODAY'S WORD**

# King Crossword

## ACROSS

- Saudi native
- Job-safety org.
- Old CIA foe
- Mentor
- Err
- Shoe width
- Secondhand
- Watch chains
- Away from SSW
- Slightly
- And so on (Abbr.)
- Tackles weeds
- Longing
- Hearty quaff
- Ex-hausted
- Castor's twin
- Silents star

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- Mary
- Country singer Shelton
- Arrest
- Dwellings
- Meadow
- Dancer
- Charisse
- Rage
- Trio after Q
- Raw minerals
- Exist
- Domini
- "Damn Yankees" vamp
- Irate

- Tale teller
- Maui meal
- Golfer Ernie
- Track circuits
- Holler
- Oaxaca water
- Reddish brown
- Region
- "That'll Be the Day" singer
- Insult
- Coin aperture
- Wheel cover
- Six-pack

- Vegas game
- Hereditary unit
- Honey bunch?
- Louis
- Armstrong song
- Haunting
- Hotel area
- "Humbug!"
- "Suits" network
- Disco guy on "The Simpsons"

- Young fellow
- Guitar's kin
- Ballot marks
- Asian's land
- Oscar contenders
- Notoriety
- Russian river
- Some wines
- Crisp cookie
- Libertine
- Mideast airline
- Author Bellow
- 100%

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## top ten

### Collector Car Sales\*

- Porsche 911
- Chevy Corvette
- Ford Mustang
- Mercedes-Benz SL
- Chevy Camaro
- Ford Shelby Mustang
- Ford GT
- Chevy Chevelle
- BMW 3 Series
- Chevy C/K

\*2020 dollar volume  
 Source: Classic.com

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## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- SCIENCE: What kind of charge does a neutron carry?
- THEATER: Which 20th-century play features a character named Blanche DuBois?
- HISTORY: Which ancient Greek author is considered "the Father of Comedy"?
- LITERATURE: What were the first names of the Bronte authors and sisters?
- FOOD & DRINK: What kind of nut also is known as a filbert or cobnut?
- AD SLOGANS: Which brand of men's aftershave used the advertising slogan, "Be careful how you use it"?
- MOVIES: What was the title of the movie in which Kirk Douglas played the artist Van Gogh?
- GAMES: Which video game character was the first to be featured as a giant balloon in Macy's Thanksgiving Parade?
- MUSIC: Which Billy Joel song featured a couple named Brenda and Eddie, the king and queen of the prom?
- GEOGRAPHY: What was the former name of the African country of Zimbabwe?

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### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. "Danger" sign is bigger. 2. Jersey numbers are different. 3. Stars are black. 4. Fewer people in crowd. 5. Hockey stick is missing. 6. Arena wall is taller.

### Answers

1. A neutron has no charge.
2. "A Streetcar Named Desire"
3. Aristophanes
4. Emily, Charlotte and Anne
5. Hazelnut
6. Hat Karate
7. "Just for Life"
8. Sonic the Hedgehog
9. "Scenes from an Italian Restaurant"
10. Rhodesia

Solution time: 21 mins.

### SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word  
 HUSBAND

1. Hearty 2. Basic  
 3. Bundle 4. Advise

### CryptoQuip

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

Clue: O equals C

ATY AN PQ OAPXFDYH JYQI  
 LXXYLHI DA KY IDGOJGTS, KFD G  
 OLT'D XFD PQ NGTSYH AT GD.

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### Americanisms

King Crossword

"If we are strong, our strength will speak for itself. If we are weak, words will be of no help."  
 — John F. Kennedy

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BUT THE CAVERN WALLS ARE STEEP AND SLICK-VAL MISSTEPS.

HE FINDS HIMSELF SUSPENDED IN MID-AIR.

HIS FALL IS BROKEN BY THE WET POPPING OF-EGGS, THIS GOOD FORTUNE, HOWEVER, IS CUT SHORT...

NEXT: A crushing blow



**FLASH GORDON**  
By JIM KEEFE

FLASHBACK:  
FLASH AND DALE ARE BROUGHT BEFORE MONGO'S TYRANNICAL RULER, MING THE MERCILESS.

DESIRING DALE, MING LAYS CLAIM TO HER.

FLASH IS SENTENCED TO TRIAL BY COMBAT.

TO THE ASTONISHMENT OF THE ONLOOKERS, FLASH VANQUISHES HIS OPPONENTS.

ENRAGED, MING ORDERS HIM SHOT ON THE SPOT.

POPPING RAY-GUN BLASTS, FLASH SCRAMBLES UP AND OVER THE BALCONY RAILING.

STANDING BEFORE HIM, THE EMPEROR'S DAUGHTER... PRINCESS AURA.

CAPTIVATED BY THE EARTHMAN'S PROWESS, SHE FLINGS HERSELF IN FRONT OF HIM, USING HER OWN BODY AS A SHIELD!

BUT MING'S COMMANDS ARE NOT SO EASILY EVAPORATED.

A TRAP DOOR OPENS...

UNFLINCHING, THE PRINCESS PIVES IN AFTER!

TO BE CONT'D

**TIGER**

LOOK, HUGO, I'VE GOT BOOKS ABOUT SPORTS, DOGS AND SOME COMIC BOOKS

SUZY JUST READS GIRLS' STORIES— THAT TELLS YOU A LOT ABOUT HER

YOU CAN TELL EXACTLY WHAT KIND OF PERSON SOMEBODY IS BY WHAT KIND OF BOOKS HE'S GOT

PUNKINHEAD HAS PICTURE BOOKS ABOUT ANIMALS AND MONSTERS

JULIAN HAS SCIENCE, MATH AND HISTORY— I'GHT THAT JUST LIKE HIM?

YOU CAN TELL WHAT BONNIE'S LIKE— SHE HAS FASHION AND BEAUTY MAGAZINES, LOVE STORIES AND PARTY GAMES

SEE, IT'S EASY TO TELL THE KIND OF PERSON BY WHAT THEY READ

YOU CAN'T TELL ANYTHING ABOUT ME THAT WAY

WHY NOT?

CAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANY BOOKS!

### MAGIC MAZE ● — DEGREE

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Unlisted clue hint: HE WAS GIVEN THE — DEGREE

Academic	College	Honorary	Science
Advanced	First	Law	Second
Associate	Graduate	Master's	To some
Bachelor's	Highest	Nursing	

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### CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

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

FE Z TDUWC DB XPZJP ZEC  
WDIP, KLHFJ TDLWC AP MYP  
LEFIPUHZW WZEV LZVP.  
— YPEUG CZIFC MYDUPZL

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### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦**

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Puzzle Answer Appears Elsewhere In This Week's Issue

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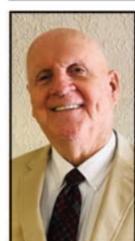
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# Church Directory

Worship Each Week In The Church Of Your Choice



## Teach Me Your Word O Lord

Terry McCraw

## The Message of the Cross

### Part II

1st Cor. 1:18. "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved, it is the power of God."

To associate power with the crucifixion made no sense to the unbelieving Greeks and Jews. But not so, for the believers whose lives had been drastically changed by the message of the cross.

It is one's response to the cross that determines one's final destiny. The ones who reject its message, will be eternally lost. Whereas the ones who embrace it will receive the power of God unto salvation.

Paul was addressing problems of two groupings of people. The saved and the unsaved. All of humanity falls into one of these two groupings.

One group contains the unsaved; the un-regenerated; those who are lost in sin and on their way to a devil's hell. The other group contains those who are saved by grace through faith. Those who have become the children of God through the new birth and are on their way to heaven.

Here's a good question for each one of us to ponder over and answer honestly in our hearts. What group do we fall into today? Are we part of the multitudinous crowd who are on the broad way that leads to destruction? Or are we part of the smaller group, who are on the straight and narrow way that leads to Heaven?

If an individual is on the wrong road, they need to get off of that road immediately, and get over onto the right road! A person who is lost doesn't have to remain in that condition. There is a wonderful way that leads to God. It is the way of the cross.

Verses 19 and 20. "For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?"

"Where is the wise" refers to the Greeks. "Where is the Scribe" refers to the Jews. "Where is the disputer of this world" refers to anyone who wrongly depends something other than the cross, such as signs or human reasoning to point out the way to salvation.

To the unsaved, the preaching of the cross is foolish, but to those who are saved, it is the power of God unto Salvation.

Note that it is not just preaching that saves. It is rather, the preaching of the cross; the preaching of God's great plan of Salvation; the preaching of the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ on the cross to pay in full the penalty of sin. Jesus died on the cross to buy us out of sin's slave market. He died on the cross to set us free from the guilt, penalty, habit and dominion of sin.

Verse # 19 shows the futility of anyone seeking salvation through human wisdom. Human wisdom can't save anyone. Human ideas are fallible. It is only

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Bible Study Sunday, 5 p.m.  
Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.  
Prayer Service, Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
Phone: 980-1028  
www.drapervalleybaptist.org

### 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.  
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### Open Door Baptist Church

4576 Miller Lane  
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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  
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### 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

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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  
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### Valley Harvest Ministries

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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  
Morning Worship: 10 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  
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Phone: 540.980.3331  
e-mail: office@fumcpulask.org  
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### 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  
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11:00 am - Worship  
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### River of Life Church

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www.rolcdublin.com 540-674-4500

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### Heritage Church

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Pastor Mike Pierce  
Service Times:  
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Sundays, 10 a.m.  
(540) 674-9220  
Website: www.heritagechurch.net  
Facebook.com/  
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### Fairlawn Baptist

6758 Oxford Avenue  
Fairlawn, VA 24141

### First Missionary Baptist Church

7318 Manns Drive / P.O. Box 90  
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Associate Minister:  
Rev. Annette Cheek  
Clerk: Mrs. Carlotta Lewis  
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Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting &  
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

### Dublin United Methodist Church

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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  
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7 p.m. Youth Service

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Wednesday Night Service: 7 p.m.

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markmiller.psalml@gmail.com  
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Children's Church 10:30 a.m.  
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Ages 5-12  
Men's & Women's Ministry Wed. 6:30

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Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.  
Sunday Children's Church: 11 a.m.  
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Worship 11 a.m.  
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Wednesday Prayer Service: 7:30 p.m.  
**FUNDAMENTAL**

# McCraw

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the gospel, the preaching of the cross of Christ and Him crucified, that draws people to God. It is God and God alone who determines the way to salvation. God has determined it is the way of the cross, and no other way will do. No other way is acceptable unto God. There are not, as some in the world say, many ways to get to God. There's only one way. The way of the cross; through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ, the One and Only Savior of the World.

Paul said, the Jews seek after a sign and the Greeks seek for wisdom. Howbeit, neither signs or philosophical wisdom will lead a person to Salvation.

The cross was a stumbling block to the Jews and to the Greeks as well.

The Jews were not seeking for just any sign. The sign they were looking for was for their Messiah to come and set up a political kingdom to free them from Gentile Domination, so they could have world dominance. When the Messiah came, He died on the cross, and the Kingdom He set up was a spiritual Kingdom, in the hearts of believers, with the promise of setting up the eternal Kingdom later. The Jewish leaders refused to accept Jesus. They considered Him to be an imposter and demanded that He be crucified.

Verse 21. "For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."

It is not foolish preaching that saves anyone. It is the preaching of the cross of Christ that appears to be foolish to the worldly wise and to those seeking for a more complicated or elaborate way to be saved.

God has made the way to salvation so simple that even a way faring man, a man who is just passing through, could not help but find the way into the Kingdom of God.

Human beings have no spiritual insight or understanding of God, separate and apart from divine revelation.

As the old hymn says, "I must needs go home by the way of the cross, there's no other way but this; I shall ne'er get sight, of the gates of light, if the way of the cross, I miss. I must needs go on, in the blood sprinkled way, the path that the Savior trod; If I ever climb to the heights sublime, Where the soul is at home with God. Chorus: The way of the cross leads home, the way of the cross leads home; it is sweet to know, as I onward go, that the way of the cross leads home." (Jesse Pounds)

# Bible Trivia

1. Is the book of Simeon in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. In which book's 13:12 does Jesus predict children rebelling against their parents to be a sign of end times? Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

3. After hearing many things, what did Job call the ones after they tried to console him? Sore losers, Miserable comforters, Wretched sons, Cowardly lions

4. From 2 Samuel 4, what 5-year-old boy was dropped by his nurse and lamed for life? Moses, Mephibosheth, Peter, Andronicus

5. How many times in the Bible (KJV) do the words "Christian" or "Christians" appear? 3, 13, 30, 300

6. What prophet was the son of Elkanah and Hannah? Samuel, Huldah, Daniel, Nathan

**ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Mark; 3) Miserable comforters (Job 16:2); 4) Mephibosheth; 5) 3 (Acts 11:26, Acts 26:28, 1 Peter 4:16); 6) Samuel**

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## No one chooses defeat over victory

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

**Q: Much has been lost in the past year and it's discouraging to realize that our country has taken many steps forward, but more steps back. What is the secret to overcoming defeat? - O.D.**

A: No one chooses defeat over victory. Winning is something everyone wants to experience. The late Paul "Bear" Bryant, award-winning coach at the University of Alabama said, "The

price of victory is high but so are the rewards." Another Paul, the apostle, said, "I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:14).

Having the right attitude towards winning is just as important as having a healthy attitude about losing. While losing is not fun, losing games or losing battles can help us grow in character.

What is the greatest and most costly battle to ever take place? Who was the victor and what was



**My Answer**

Billy Graham

the reward? The greatest battle ever fought was between good and evil. It took place at Golgotha - a rugged hillside outside of Jerusalem. But the day that Jesus Christ was nailed to the cross, even His closest friends thought the battle

for good was lost. Jesus died and was buried in a tomb, sealed by a massive stone. Those who had followed Him walked away in total defeat.

But Jesus did not remain in that cold, dark tomb. He rose again and defeated death. He told His disciples that eternal life could only be found in the cross. He triumphed over death and taught His followers that their faith would be strengthened in weakness.

The most important prize ever to be won in this life is salvation that Christ offers to all, for then you will know victory that lasts.

# Fuente excited about roster

From Hokiesports.com

BLACKSBURG – Virginia Tech's roster is well stocked and the coaching staff has been filled out as the Hokies enter the month of February. Head coach Justin Fuente conducted an expansive media session on Wednesday, delving into a wide range of topics. Here are some of the key takeaways.

"Overall, I'm excited," Fuente said. "We've never had this many people in our program in the spring. Our numbers are better than they've ever been. Our grades are better than they've ever been. Our kids are working hard and are hard at it. We've gotten this semester off to a great start. We expect to have a great spring and a great summer, and quite honestly, I expect this team to be good. We've got guys coming back at every position and I'm awfully excited about the potential of what we can do."

Fuente indicated that seven players are taking advantage of an extra year of eligibility and thanked Tech's administration for allowing him to bring this group back for the 2021 campaign.

**Seven Super Seniors**  
DE Emmanuel Belmar

DT DaShawn Crawford  
WR Changa Hodge  
DB Keondre' KO  
CB Tyree Rodgers  
K John Parker Romo  
S Devin Taylor

### Incoming Transfers

Three of Tech's four incoming veteran transfers are on-campus and engaged in winter strength and conditioning workouts. Fuente elaborated on all three, including 757 native DT Jordan Williams, who came to Blacksburg after playing the last three seasons as Clemson.

Fuente also talked at length at two additions to his on-field coaching staff, J.C. Price (co-defensive line/defensive recruiting coordinator) and Jack Tyler (linebackers).

### Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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# Put a little more thought into it

Dear Dave,

I don't like admitting this, but I absolutely hate my job. Last year I almost cashed out part of my 401(k) to start my own business or open a franchise, and doing something like this is still on my mind. Considering how I feel, do you think this would be a good idea?

Kurt

Dear Kurt,

In your current state of mind, this entire idea is a trap. Don't misunderstand, I love the idea of someone living their dream and owning their own business. But you just mentioned starting your own business in same breath with opening some sort of franchise. That tells me you don't really know what you want to do.

Have you ever heard someone say they're "going all in"? When you're playing cards, that means you're about to bet everything on a single hand. But here's the deal, it's never smart to go all in when it comes to small business. That's a good way to turn a dream into a nightmare.

I'm urging you to really think about this before you take action. You didn't mention anything about your financial situation, other than you have a 401(k). That's a good thing, but if it's all you have—and you



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don't have any other savings set aside—you could be in real trouble. If you decided to leave your job, and your idea for your own business doesn't pan out, you've lost a chunk of your retirement savings. It's gone for good. Bankruptcy also becomes a real possibility. Opening a business just because you don't like your current job, or you're angry at "the man," is a bad idea. You need to find something you truly love doing, because to have any chance of success you'll have to live and breathe that business day and night, seven days a week.

Don't make any rash decisions

about your current job right now. If you really want to start your own business, begin by doing a lot of research, saving as much money as you can, and thinking about things you could do for a living that would make you smile every day. Once you figure that out, the next step is devising a plan that will allow you to open a business without putting your entire financial world in danger. In other words, how can you start small with the money you have, instead of damaging your retirement funds or taking out a loan?

It's not an either/or proposition, Kurt. You don't have to risk it all to get away from a job you hate and into one you love!

—Dave

\* Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Dave Ramsey Show, heard by more than 16 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

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