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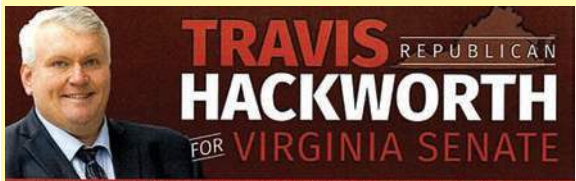
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Rush says he won't seek re-election to Va. House

By MIKE WILLIAMS
 The Patriot

Seventh District Del. Nick Rush announced Wednesday via a Facebook post that he has decided not to seek a sixth term in the Virginia House of Delegates.

"It is with great appreciation to the voters of the Seventh House District that I formally announce my decision to not seek re-election this November for the Virginia House of Delegates," the Republican delegate said. "It has been a true honor and incredible privilege to have served in the General Assembly for the past 10 years and I will forever be humbled by the trust placed in me to carry out the people's work."

Rush's announcement prompted comments and praise from local and state Republicans.

"Nick Rush has been a truly great leader for Southwest Virginia and has done a tremendous job representing Pulaski County and the rest of the 7th District for 10 years," said Joe Guthrie, Chair-



Del. Nick Rush

man of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors. "On behalf of the Board of Supervisors I can say that we very much appreciate his many years of public service, and his presence in Richmond will be greatly missed."

Guthrie has been mentioned as a possible candidate in the event

Rush chose not to seek re-election. He said he would consider a run.

"I will say that I will certainly consider running for it and I will give it careful and prayerful consideration," Guthrie said. "However, I also take very seriously my commitments as Chair and Cloyd District representative on the Board of Supervisors. I truly enjoy the work we are accomplishing for the county in that office and that is my focus at this time."

House Republican Leader Todd Gilbert thanked Rush for his service.

"On behalf of the House Republican Caucus, I would like to thank Delegate Nick Rush for his nearly a decade of service in the General Assembly. Nick has been a tremendous advocate for the economic prosperity of the New River Valley and our entire Commonwealth is better because of him."

See RUSH, page A2



Jeep Restoration Project Completed

American Legion Post 58 in Dublin has restored this World War II Army Jeep, being driven here by restoration project manager and Navy veteran Emil Moldovan of Post 58. The post on Thursday presented the restored Jeep and caisson to the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery during a ceremony at the cemetery. It will be for use by veterans and their families burying loved ones at the cemetery. For the whole story on how this Jeep was brought back to life, see inside on page A8.

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Rush

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“While we will miss our colleague, we wish him and his family all the best in their future endeavors.”

Kirk Cox, former Speaker of the House and candidate for Governor, commended Rush for his service.

“For the past 10 years, I have had the privilege and honor of counting Delegate Rush as a close friend and colleague in the House of Delegates. Delegate Rush served as the Majority Whip during my Speakership and because of his steadfast service to the Commonwealth we were able to balance the budget, make Virginia the best state for business, cut taxes, and reduce regulations.

“Delegate Rush is the true definition of a servant’s heart. I thank him for his service to our great nation in the United States Army as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division. His tenure in the House of Delegates was marked by his commitment to making college more affordable for Virginians, and his leadership on behalf of the New River Valley that will not soon be forgotten.

“I wish Nick and Jennifer continued blessings from the Lord as they begin a new path beyond

the House of Delegates.”

According to Andy McCready, Chairman of the Pulaski County Republican Party, Seventh District Republicans will select a nominee in a Firehouse Primary on Saturday, April 24.

Voting will take place from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in three locations in the Seventh District:

- Pulaski County – New River Valley Fairgrounds in the Farris Building;
- Montgomery County – Montgomery County Government Center, Christiansburg;
- Floyd County – Floyd County Administrative Building, Floyd.

In his Facebook statement, Rush said his constituents’ best interests were always in his mind on every vote he cast.

“As your voice and vote with many important decisions that were made by the General Assembly, I can say without reservation that my constituents were always the foundation for each and every one rendered. I am proud that the Seventh District had a seat at the table when I was appointed to the most powerful money committee in the House of Delegates, the Committee on Appropriations, which included chairing the Higher Education Subcommittee; representing SWVA as Vice Chairman of the Major Economic Investment Project Approval Commission; and bringing more attention to the mental health

needs of Virginians as a member of the Joint Sub-committee to Study Mental Health Services in the 21st Century,” he said.

“When the Republican Party was the Majority Party in the House of Delegates, one of my personal and most valued honors was being elected by my peers to serve as Whip, which was key in making sure that fiscal and conservative legislation passed through the House.

“It is also with great pride and fondness that I reflect on some of my legislative success stories that strengthened the New River Valley and SWVA’s economic impact well beyond our regional borders and throughout the entire Commonwealth, country, and global arena:

- The Tech Talent Investment Program, which is now providing for 31,000 new technology degrees to students attending Virginia Tech and other state universities for the next 10 years
- The Jefferson College of Health Sciences merger with Radford University, which has positioned RU to be a top producer of nursing, health, and human services, while providing for greater access to continuing and future research, collaboration, and greater educational opportunities for students and other regional stakeholders
- The 10-10-10 Plan, which appropriated millions of dollars to struggling rural public schools in the Commonwealth, including many in rural SWVA

Constituents of the Seventh District often request their loved ones be memorialized or recognized for their service and impact to the community. I was proud to work with many families to help them accomplish these significant tributes, such as:

- The naming of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge on Route 114 in Fairlawn
- The recognition of October 22nd as the annual Cameron Crowder Pediatric Care Awareness Day
- The celebration of the 82nd Airborne Division’s 100th Anniversary

“I am also proud of the excellent services my staff has provided over the years to the constituents of the 7th House District. We have helped hundreds of people navigate through state bureaucracy from VDOT road improvements to unemployment benefits. I was blessed to have been surrounded by an incredible team that worked together for the common goal of improving the lives of the people of the Seventh,” Rush continued.

“Over 30 years ago the people of Montgomery County trusted

me, a 23-year-old Fed Ex driver, to serve them on the Board of Supervisors for over a decade. And later, the citizens of the New River Valley believed in me, and through their kindness, afforded me more opportunities than I could ever have thought possible. They never gave up on me and in return, I looked for ways that I could show my appreciation and give back to them. Along this incredible journey, I never imagined that I would sit in the same Chamber where tyranny ended and the birth of our nation began and write legislation that would, indeed, give back to those whose confidence in me was the true in-

spiration to follow my dreams.

“As I move forward into my final months representing the Seventh House District of Virginia, I am grateful for the generous and gracious encouragement and support that I received from so many constituents, friends, and most especially, my wonderful family. I look forward to finding new ways to make the NRV proud in the days ahead and keeping the New River Valley as the best place to live, work, raise a family, and retire. May God continue to bless the Seventh House District and the Commonwealth of Virginia.”

Hemmings resigns seat on Dublin Town Council

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

The Patriot has learned that Dublin Town Councilwoman Peggy Hemmings has resigned her seat on council, effective March 1.

Mayor Benny Skeens confirmed Wednesday morning that Hemmings had resigned not only her council seat, but also her spots on the New River Resource Authority board and the REMSI board.

“Peggy and I were elected together in 1994 and have served together for many years,” Skeens said this morning. “Peggy has always represented the Town of Dublin with honesty and grace. We will miss Peggy and we all wish her nothing but the best. Peggy served on the NRRRA board for 20 years and also on the REMSI board. I know that our citizens will miss her hard work and dedication. We all owe her a big Thank You for all that she has done for our town.”

Claytor Lake Drug Task Force, Twin County honored

London, KY - The Executive Director of the Appalachia High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (AHIDTA), Vic Brown, has announced the Claytor Lake Regional Drug Task Force and Twin County Drug Task Force have been jointly awarded the Appalachia HIDTA Task Force of the Year for Virginia.

The Virginia State Police lead the Task Forces, but both are joint efforts with participation from Pulaski County Sheriff’s Office, Town of Pulaski Police Department, Wythe County Sheriff’s Office, Carroll County Sheriff’s Office, Galax Police Department, and Grayson County Sheriff’s Office.

The High Intensity Drug Traf-

ficking Area (HIDTA) program is administered by the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). A component of the Executive Office of the President, ONDCP was created by the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988. ONDCP advises the President on drug-control issues, coordinates drug-control activities and related funding across the Federal government, and produces the annual National Drug Control Strategy, which outlines administration efforts to reduce illicit drug use, manufacturing and trafficking, drug-related crime, and violence, and drug-related health consequences.

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Calfee project moves for ward, zoning requests Ok’d

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Pulaski Town Council on Tuesday approved a resolution to move forward on securing grant funds for the Calfee Training School Adaptive Reuse Project.

Council also approved a requested zoning amendment for the new owners of Memorial Square Shopping Center, as well as a special exception for the construction of apartments on the first and second floors of property at 37 West Main Street in downtown Pulaski.

With approval of a proposed resolution, the town will apply for \$1.5 million in grant funds through the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development’s Community Development Block Grant Program for the Calfee project.

The CDBG grant, if approved, will provide 35 percent of the funding needed to complete the Calfee Community & Cultural Center planned for at the former Calfee Training School in Pulaski.

The Calfee project will re-purpose the Jim Crow-era African American school into a community and cultural center to include a childcare center that will serve 97 children, a commercial kitchen, a digital learning lab to support workforce development, a museum to highlight local Appalachian African American leaders and history, an event space for community, cultural and educational programming, and small business incubation and meeting spaces.

The CDBG funding is being sought to complete the renovation

of the Lucy and Chauncey Harmon Learning Center and the Dorothy DeBerry Venable Digital Learning Lab.

The Town of Pulaski will oversee the center’s renovation after which the Town’s Redevelopment and Housing Authority will transfer ownership of the property to the center’s board of directors.

According to Jill Williams, Executive Director of the Center, local employers report that it is difficult to fill jobs, in part because of a lack of reliable childcare options locally.

“Indeed, Pulaski County only has licensed childcare slots for 8.5 percent of preschool aged children leaving nearly 1,500 children without care,” Williams said. “The COVID19 pandemic has also highlighted the need for flexible out-of-school care options for older children, allowing parents to work while their children are in safe environments equipped to manage virtual learning while social distancing and other health-related guidelines are met.

“With a higher-than-average poverty rate of 24.7 percent, the Town of Pulaski is also challenged with regard to food security and access to healthy foods. And the county’s farmers are struggling to bring in enough revenue to make ends meet. The combined childcare center, computer lab, commercial kitchen, and adjacent event space at the Calfee Community & Cultural Center will address all of these challenges while also leveraging cultural resources and building local capacity to take on future challenges.”

Also Tuesday, council approved a zoning amendment to expand

the possible uses for the Memorial Square Shopping Center.

Kevin Conner, representing Pulaski Development, LLC and its owner, David Hagan, said the company seeks to expand the possibilities of use on the property and increase the likelihood of attracting long-term viable tenants.

The property’s present zoning designation is B-1 Limited Business, and Pulaski Development requested to add wording to allow for light industrial uses, cottage industry, custom manufacturing, greenhouse or nursery, industry type 1, packaging and warehouse as special exceptions to the zoning designation.

Brady Deal, a planner and economic developer for the Town of Pulaski said that even if the zoning amendment is recommended by the Planning Commission and adopted by town council, Pulaski Development would still have to apply for a special exception and come back before the planning commission and council for public hearings.

“We’re just trying to fish with a broader net,” Conner stated.

Council also approved a request for special exception from Luke Allison of Aggregate Capital, LLC and 37 West Main, LLC that will allow them to construct apartments on the first and second floor of the former pawn shop property at 37 West Main in downtown Pulaski.

Seven apartments would be constructed on the second floor, and three on the first floor on the Peak Creek side of the building.

In other news, council heard a presentation from Ryan Hendrix of the Peppers Ferry Regional Waste-

water Treatment Authority on their rate structure.

The authority provides wastewater treatment services to the Town of Pulaski, Town of Dublin, Pulaski County PSA, the Fairlawn Sewer Authority, Montgomery County PSA and the City of Radford.

Also, council approved the appointment of Todd Bruce of Seagle Funeral Home to the town’s Cemetery Board of Trustees, and

appointed Tom Hager as Building Official.

Only four members of council were present for Tuesday’s meeting, which was presided over by Vice Mayor Brooks Dawson.

Dawson said Mayor Shannon Collins was out of town on vacation, while councilman Greg East was ill and unable to attend the meeting. Also, councilman Tyler Clontz was absent due to the birth of he and his wife’s second child.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The County of Pulaski proposes to decrease the real property tax levies

1. Assessment Increase: Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year’s total assessed value of real property by approximately twelve percent (12%).

2. Lowered Rate Necessary to Reduce the Increased Assessment: The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$.69 per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the “lowered tax rate.”

3. Effective Rate Increase: The County of Pulaski proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$0.75 per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the “proposed tax rate”. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed tax rate would be \$0.06 per \$100, or eight percent (8%). This difference will be known as the “effective tax rate increase.” Although the County of Pulaski does not propose to do so, were it to maintain the current tax rate of \$0.77 per \$100 of assessed value, the tax rate would effectively be increased by \$0.08 per \$100, or twelve percent (12%).

Note: Individual property taxes may however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

4. Proposed Total Budget Increase: Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of Pulaski County will exceed last years by five percent (5%).

A Public Hearing on the increase and levy will be held on March 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room of the Pulaski County Administration Building at 143 Third Street NW; Pulaski, VA 24301.

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Superintendent must have ability to prioritize and schedule the town’s projects in addition to scheduling daily assignments. Tasks are often performed in adverse weather conditions and after hours during emergencies. Superintendent should also have experience in the operation of heavy equipment such as backhoe, loader, and dump trucks. Superintendent must have valid Virginia Class B CDL. Superintendent should also be able to read and comprehend blue prints and computer aided plans/drawings.

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Sanitization Specialist will be responsible for detailing cleaning and sanitizing of fixtures including doors/knobs/handles, light switches, restroom facilities, stairwell railing, and providing back up assistance to the Custodian.

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MECHELLE SUE EDWARDS MILLER

Mechelle Sue Edwards Miller, age 51 of Allisonia passed away Monday, March 1, 2021 at her home. Born March 29, 1969 in Pulaski she was the daughter of Howard Wayne Edwards and Helen Sue Hodge Edwards.

She is survived by her Husband – French J. Miller – Allisonia

Parents – Howard Wayne Edwards and Helen Sue Hodge Edwards – Barren Springs

Sons – Tyler Elwood Groseclose – Pulaski, Seth Michael Groseclose – Pulaski

Stepchildren – Jeffrey Miller, Steven Miller, Alex Miller, Shanice Graham and Shawn Metz

Grandchildren – Ryder Groseclose, Jazmin Miller, Hailey Miller, Nate Miller, Dakota Miller, Alana Miller, Xavier Miller, Nick Metz, Victoria Metz and Nathaniel Metz

Brothers – Roger (Denise) Edwards – Dublin, Timothy (Whitney) Edwards – Barren Springs, Thomas (Judy) Edwards – Pulaski

Special Nieces – Hannah Edwards, Emily Martin and Aaliyah Miller

Memorial services will be held Saturday 5:00 p.m., March 6, 2021 at the Barren Springs Holiness Church (Gardner Road, Barren Springs with Pastors Doug Duncan and Chuck Neal officiating.

To sign Mechelle's online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com

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

SHARON MAXWELL TAUBMAN

Sharon Maxwell Taubman, 78, passed away Sunday, February 28, 2021 at her home in Pulaski, Va.

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



JAMES HOWARD MELVIN

James Howard Melvin, 74, of Mechanicsburg, VA, went to be with the Lord, Sunday, February 28, 2021 at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born August 24, 1946 in Pearisburg, VA, the son of the late Edward William & Edith Durham Melvin.

He was a devout Christian father that made sure his family was always in church. He was a veteran of the United States Army Reserves. He retired from VDOT. He had a huge sense of humor and loved to aggravate and pick on his girls. He enjoyed flea marketing. He enjoyed coon hunting with his nephew and especially loved his coon dog "Ann". He enjoyed being with his family and watching the kids play and he will be greatly missed by those who knew him.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, William ("Billy") Melvin.

Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 8 years, Connie Sue Melvin; his daughters & sons-in-law, Sandra & Jacob Stevers, Hope & William Durr, Jessica Semones, Tammy Swanson and his step-daughters, Rhonda & Jamie Woods and Stephanie & James Alley; his grandchildren, Kimber Wingo, River Wingo, James H. Stevers, Dianna Stevers, Vivian Durr, Gabrielle Ricks, Olivia Melvin, Reese Alley, Cherish Thompson, Chasity Woods, Noah Hale, Cherish Hale and Brittany Laugherty; his 8 great-grandchildren; his sisters & brother-in-law, Patty & Bobby Chandler, Nancy Melvin and Kathy Boyd; his sister-in-law, Linda Melvin; his special friend, Packy Morehead; and several nieces, nephews and friends, too many to list.

Strictly following the current Covid-19 restrictions and mandates, masks are required and social distancing enforced throughout all services. A public graveside service was held Thursday, March 4, 2021 at the Mechanicsburg Cemetery with Rev. Nathan Walters officiating.

The Melvin family is in the care of A. Vest & Sons Funeral Home, White Gate, aveststandsons.com, (540) 921-2985.



JOHN DAVID SMITH, SR.

John David Smith, Sr., 76, of Radford, passed away on Friday, February 26, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents, Melvin and Zula Smith.

Survivors include his wife of 17 years, Lydia S. Smith; children and grandchildren; and many other family members and friends.

Services will be held at a later date.

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



EVA JUNE VANAERNAM FLORES

Eva June Vanaernam Flores, age 76 of Pulaski passed away Friday, February 26, 2021 at the Lewis-Gale Hospital-Salem.

Born August 13, 1944 in Lowville, NY she was the daughter of the late Aubery Vanaernam & Ethel Fruin Vanaernam. Many of her brothers and sister also preceded her in death.

She is survived by her Sons
Philip Stafford – Pulaski
Ricky Flores – SD
John Flores – SC
Daughters
Brenda Johnson – SC
Grandson
Takya Stafford
Brothers
Robert Vanaernam – NY
David Vanaernam – NY
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Juanita Alger – NY
Ramona Kirk – TN
Marie Reeder – NY

Family burial at Oakwood Cemetery, Pulaski will be private. To sign Eva's online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com

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



GEORGE MILLARD HARVEY, SR.

George Millard Harvey, Sr., 92, passed away in his home in Radford on Wednesday, February 24, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents, Nathaniel Burwell Harvey, Sr. and Alice Woody Harvey; his brother, Nathaniel Burwell "Nat" Harvey, Jr.; and grandson, Cole Harvey.

He was born on May 31, 1928 in Mann, West Virginia, moving to a farm in Montgomery County, Virginia in 1932. When he became 6 years of age, he had the opportunity to attend 3 schools, one in Childress, one in Dry Valley, and one in Bethel, all 2 miles from our home and all one room school houses. Since there was no bus transportation, and very poor dirt roads, it was necessary to walk. He attended the Dry Valley school his first year, which was 2 miles across the fields each way. He learned to fight early as his mother sent him to school dressed in knickers while all the other kids were dressed in bib overalls. He attended Auburn High School in Riner, still having to walk 2 miles to catch the school bus. He and his brother had the job of milking 30 cows by hand each morning and each night. When his brother became 16, he joined the Navy leaving George with the total responsibility for milking the 30 cows, take the milk to the road in 10 gallon cans on a horse drawn sled, before walking 2 miles to catch the school bus. He missed the bus a lot and would walk an additional 5 miles to school.

In 1945, George graduated Auburn High School in Riner, with 12 other students, and that same year entered the service and was sent to Fairbanks, Alaska with the Air Corps. While there he passed a test that would have allowed him to apply for admission to West Point but decided to pass the opportunity and to return home to Virginia. Upon returning home, he enrolled at National Business College in Roanoke, where he majored in Business and Accounting.

After college, he operated a service station, managed a Texaco Oil Distributing Business, and owned and operated a used car dealership. In 1957, he became a General Motors Chevrolet dealer along with a partner, Ward Teel, in Christiansburg. In 1958, he purchased the local Oldsmobile dealership and merged it with

a Chevrolet franchise. In December 1959, he purchased the Chevrolet-Oldsmobile-Cadillac franchise in Radford. In 1972, he built a new 50,000 square foot facility, which is the current location of the dealership. In 1989, he purchased the local Pontiac-Buick dealership and merged it with his other three franchises. He was very proud of how the dealership has grown, and how he was able to give back to all his wonderful employees thru retirement and profit-sharing plans. He always said, "For me, business is fun and easy, just treat people the way you want to be treated yourself and the business will take care of itself. Recognize when people are doing a good job and counsel them when they aren't." The Dealership celebrated 60 years of business in December of 2019.

He also was a real estate developer, developing subdivisions, apartment complexes, and mini storage warehouses.

George has always been involved in the community, both personally and business related. In the past, he was president of the Chamber of Commerce and Vice President of First & Merchants National Bank in Radford (now Suntrust). He served as the chairman of the Business and Economics Department for Radford University with the intent of installing a certified School of Business, which we successfully accomplished. He also served as the Chairman of the Board at Radford Community Hospital and won a National Time Dealer award in 1989. He was also past president of the New River Dealers Association, Kiwanis Club and Retail Merchants Association; past chairman of United Fund and the Michelle "Petie" Lineberry Heart Recipient Fund Drive; past vice president of the Southwest Virginia Health Services; board member of the Virginia automobile Dealers Association, the Commonwealth Dealers Life Insurance Association, and Saint Albans Psychiatric Hospital; and Elder and member of The Presbyterian Church of Radford. He received the 1989 Time Magazine Top 10 Quality Dealer Award in the USA and a wing of the Radford University Waldron College of Health and Human Sciences Building was named The George M. Harvey, Sr. Center of Health Resources.

When George wasn't working, he enjoyed hunting grouse, pheasant, quail and turkey. He loved the almost yearly (over 45 years) hunting trips to Platt South Dakota, where he and his sons and several friends would be welcomed by the Wiens Family. There they enjoyed great hunting, good food and the wonderful hospitality of the Wiens. He also enjoyed playing golf and tennis.

George is survived by his bride of 61 years, Juanita Kirk Harvey;

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Pulaski Church of God to collect for God’s Pit Crew

The Pulaski Church of God will be collecting for God’s Pit Crew next Thursday – Saturday, March 4-6, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. The PCOG is a collection site for the NRV. The church is located at 1621 Bob White Blvd., Pulaski, Va.

VFW to host 25-cent Bingo on Saturday

VFW Auxiliary Post 1184 will host 25 cent Bingo on Saturday, March 6 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Post Home located at the corner of Dora Highway and Washington Avenue in Pulaski.



Pictured is Brenda Eanes, Dave Jersey, Dr. Kimberly Lewis, Lisa Webb and Shelia Smith

Dr. Kim Functional Medicine opens in Dublin

On February 25th, Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony to welcome Dr. Kim Functional Medicine to Dublin. Dr. Kim Functional Medicine offers chiropractic care as well as functional medicine. Chiropractic services

are available for individuals and contract services for employers. Chiropractic services in the workplace can help reduce loss time and can help employees work at their full potential.

Functional medicine is also a

part of Dr. Kim Lewis’ practice. Functional Medicine is a systems biology–based approach that focuses on identifying and addressing the root cause of disease. Dr. Lewis uses science to determine exactly why the patient does not feel well and addresses that prob-

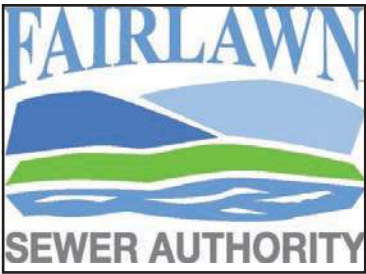
lem at the cause. The mission of Dr. Kim Functional Medicine is to provide the highest quality affordable Chiropractic and Functional Medicine care for individuals and businesses alike. Dr. Kim Lewis is located at 4664 Lee Hwy., Dublin, VA

New name, logo for Fairlawn Sewer Authority

The Pulaski County Sewerage Authority, which provides sewer service in the Fairlawn area of the county has announced that it will begin doing business as Fairlawn Sewer Authority. The authority will still keep the official name, Pulaski County Sewerage Authority, and the organization’s structure will remain the same, but the new “Doing Business As” name will be prominent on all the new mailings and materials.

The sewer authority’s Board of Director’s Chairman, Dennis Setliff said, “Fairlawn Sewer Authority was chosen because it most simply and accurately reflects our service and our service area. We asked in a survey to our customers last year about the possible name change and a clear majority agreed.”

Setliff went on to say that the new name also helps to reduce the confusion between the Pulaski County Sewerage Author-



ity (PCSA), which specializes in providing sewer service in the Fairlawn area, from the Pulaski County Public Service Authority (PSA) which provides water, sewer, and trash service in most of the county, and water and trash service only in Fairlawn.

“The new name also helps us retain and emphasize the authority’s independence and proud heritage of being a part of the Fairlawn community for over 50 years,” Setliff added.

With the new name comes a new logo, which features symbols of the river and hills that are prominent parts of the Fairlawn

community. James Harman of Pulaski designed the new logo.

Setliff said the authority will be incorporating the new name into their published materials gradually throughout this year. “To reduce the cost of the transition, we will use our current inventory of invoices with the PCSA name un-

til they are all used up, which will be in a few months. Then the new batch of bills will come with the new name and an enhanced look to make them easier to read and understand.”

With the new name, the sewer authority is also changing the name of its website to www.Fair-

lawnSewerAuthority.org. Also new this year, the Fairlawn Sewer Authority will allow customers to receive their monthly bill by email instead of through a card that arrives in the mail. Customers may make that request at the Fairlawn Sewer Authority website.

PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION For County of Pulaski

Public notice is hereby given that the Board of Equalization for Pulaski County will meet on the days hereafter listed for the purpose of hearing complaints of inequalities including errors in acreage. Upon hearing such complaints, either oral or written, the Board will give consideration AND INCREASE, DECREASE, OR AFFIRM such real estate assessments. Before a change can be granted, the taxpayer or his agent must overcome a clear presumption in favor of the assessment. The taxpayer or agent must provide a preponderance of the evidence that the assessment of the property is not uniform with the assessments of other similar properties or that the property is assessed in excess of its fair market value.

Appointments will be scheduled every 15 minutes to minimize waiting. To appear before the Board of Equalization, please call 540-994-2581, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Meetings of the Board to hear objections will be held at 52 W. Main Street, Suite 200, Pulaski VA 24301. The date(s) and time(s) are:

- March 15, 2021 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 – 5:00 p.m.
- March 16, 2021 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
- March 18, 2021 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- March 19, 2021 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. (VIRTUAL ONLY)
- March 20, 2021 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Saturday)
- March 25, 2021 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 – 5:00 p.m.

(Additional dates and times will be scheduled if necessary and advertised)

By order of the Pulaski County Board of Equalization.

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and 5 children. His son, George M., Jr. and Lisa Harvey and their children and grandchildren; Brian and Melody Harvey and their children Joslynn, Nolan and An-nalise; George “Trey” Harvey, III; Lance Harvey and Kayla Beard and their daughter, Emma Grace; Jake Harvey and fiancée Christa Moon; Logan Harvey and Holly Symosky; Michael and Leann Phillips and their children, Trevor and Annabella; and Lauren Phillips and Zach Talbert. Daughter, Pamela Harvey and her daughter, Alexandra and Billy Siple. Son, Tracy and Susan Harvey and their daughter, Tay-

lor Harvey. Son, Brad and Stephanie Harvey, and their children, Bryn Harvey and fiancé Brad Stubbs, Morgan Harvey, Riley Harvey, and Nicholas Harvey. Son, Ken and Kelli Harvey, and their children, Tyler, Cameron, and Bryce. He is also survived by his faithful canine companion, Little Georgie; as well as many other relatives and friends.

Due to COVID restrictions, a memorial service and celebration of Mr. Harvey’s life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider contributions to the American Cancer Society.

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Could we have a vaccine surplus?

The headline on February 27 was a story that seems to be both old news and extraordinary: the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved for emergency use a COVID-19 vaccine produced by Johnson & Johnson after finding it to be safe and effective.

It could be considered old news because Johnson & Johnson's vaccine is the third COVID-19 vaccine to be authorized since December 2020, following those from Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna.

Nevertheless, the successful creation of these vaccines, with possibly more on the way, remains a remarkable accomplishment. A U.S. Government Accountability Office report found that vaccines typically result from a process that takes ten years from the exploratory stage to large-scale manufacturing and FDA review and licensure.

In contrast, the FDA approved the first two COVID-19 vaccines only eleven months after our country recorded its first case of the coronavirus. Each vaccine dose today being administered to Americans represents a great scientific and logistical accomplishment.

As of February 26, more than 68 million doses have been administered, resulting in 13.9 percent of the total U.S. population receiving at least one dose. The United



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

States is well ahead of President Biden's goal of administering one million doses a day for the first one hundred days of his

presidency. In fact, the country had already met that goal on at least three days before he took office.

The Trump Administration's Operation Warp Speed, which brought together government, the private sector, and the scientific community to achieve the unprecedented feat of creating a coronavirus vaccine within a year, supported the manufacture of promising vaccines before they met with final FDA approval. As a result, as soon as the FDA signed off on a candidate, doses of it were available for distribution. Pfizer began shipping its vaccine within 24 hours of the FDA's approval.

Operation Warp Speed offered a head start, but manufacturers now are focused on increasing capacity to keep up with demand. Vaccinating the entire eligible population of Americans, currently estimated at 260 million people, presents a great challenge. The eligible population is less than our total population because no vaccine is currently authorized for children or pregnant mothers. Also, there are people who do not want to be vaccinated, and that is their right.

During a recent Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations hearing, we heard testimony from representatives of the companies developing vaccines that have been approved or are promising candidates. In addition to Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson, Astra-Zeneca may be approved in March or early April, and Novavax currently has a vaccine candidate far advanced into clinical trials.

I came away from the hearing with optimism that they would meet that challenge.

Pfizer is on track to deliver all 300 million doses that it has been contracted to deliver by Operation Warp Speed by the end of July. So is Moderna. Both of these vaccines require two doses, so that means 150 million people would be covered by each of these manufacturers.

At the time of the hearing, Johnson & Johnson's vaccine had not yet received emergency use authorization, but it nevertheless is set to deliver 100 million doses by the end of June. This vaccine only requires one shot.

Taking these three vaccine manufacturers together, enough doses have been pledged by the end of July to cover 400 million people, well over the 260 million Americans eligible for vaccination.

When I asked the panel of witnesses whether this meant the United States would have a vaccine surplus in the summer, all five agreed that it was plausible.

With a vaccine surplus after eligible Americans are vaccinated, the remainder could be distributed for use in other countries.

That will not be the end of the work. Mutations of the coronavirus threaten to prolong the pandemic, as the current vaccines may not provide as much effective protection against them. Fortunately, both the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines apparently do defend individuals against emerging variants, but the companies are nevertheless studying the possibility of booster shots to maintain their efficacy.

Children are not currently eligible to receive these vaccines, so pediatric trials are under way to see whether a separate vaccine for children would be necessary.

Vaccines offer the best path to a restoration of normalcy in our lives. I appreciated the update from the vaccine manufacturers and was encouraged by their reports of progress in our effort against the coronavirus. I am hopeful that better days are on the way. Too many vaccine doses is a problem I would like to have.

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.

It's Time You Knew

There are lots of quotes about time. Here are some familiar ones: time heals all wounds; time is on our side; time flies when you're having fun and, time is money.

Then there are some lesser know quotes that still have impact. William Penn declared that "Time is what we want most, but what we worst."

Early American inventor and founder Benjamin Franklin had several thoughts about time: "Lost time is never found again." And another Franklin quote: "You may delay, but time will not."

I always seem to be running behind timewise so one of my least favorite quotes is by William Shakespear: "Better three hours too soon than a minute too late."

People all over the world have struggled with time issues and how to measure it scientifically. Such devices as sun dials and pendulum clocks developed during the 17th century, were not as accurate as the chronometer invented in 1764.

Seafaring merchants, explorers and navys depended on accurate data but different countries did not use the same longitudinal references before the mid-1800's. So, in 1879, a Scottish-born Canadian engineer named Sanford Fleming devised a worldwide system of time zones based on meridians. The idea was that the world would be divided into 24 zones -- one for every hour of the day -- and each zone would have a single time determined by astronomers who worked at the Royal Observatory in Greenwich, England.

At that time, Great Britain had the large-

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By Danielle Reid

est number of ships - more than the rest of the world combined and had constructed charts of the highest quality since 1767. They designated Greenwich as the location of the Prime Meridian and established Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) as the world's time standard during the International Meridian Conference of 1884. The conference was held in Washington, DC but Standard time, in the context of time zones, was not established in the USA until the Act of March 19, 1918.

As the amount of people travelling across the USA increased and railway travel became easier, time zones were necessary to help regulate the train schedules and minimize the confusion of their passengers. Up to this point, every city used a different time standard, with more than 300 local times from which to choose. To help alleviate the problem across America, four standard time zones were introduced November 18, 1883 for use by the railroads. These time zones, which offered a uniform train schedule for departures and arrivals were Eastern, Central, Mountain, and Pacific. All clocks were to be synchronized within each time zone.

You might think these regulations

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What to Cut? Plenty

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President Biden has challenged those who oppose the Democrats' \$1.9 trillion bill disingenuously dubbed "COVID relief," or the more deceitful "American Rescue Plan."

"What would they have me cut?" he asks. Challenge accepted.

Even The Washington Post editorial board thinks the spending is too much and misdirected: "...concerns about the bill's costs are growing across the political spectrum."

With COVID-19 cases, hospital admissions and deaths decreasing, with vaccines promised to be widely available to the general public by July, and with possible herd immunity coming soon, the best stimulus to the economy would be to open up businesses, allowing people to return to work while practicing health and safety measures.

Many who received money from the government the last stimulus go-round banked the checks and spent little or none of it. The Post editorial also notes that money targeted to state and local governments (virtually all run by Democrats) don't need it. It references Moody's Analytics examination of state finances, which "shows that 31 states have enough money 'to fully absorb the economic stress of COVID-19' without substantial budget cuts or tax increases."

That's just for starters. Pork doesn't even begin to describe the unrelated COVID-19 spending.

As The Wall Street Journal has noted, most of the House bill has less to do with the virus and more to do with paying lobbyists and other groups favorable to Democrats.

There's another \$7.2 billion for paycheck protection, which again would be less expensive and possibly unnecessary if businesses were allowed to reopen. When this money runs out and businesses are still mostly closed will there be more spending, adding to the already unsustainable debt?

There's \$86 billion to rescue 185 pension plans, which, as the Journal notes, have been "chronically underfunded due to lax federal standards and accounting rules. Yet the bailout comes with no real reform." That's the thing

about so many government programs. They never have to fix a problem, only demonstrate good intentions so politicians can save their careers.

Public elementary and secondary schools, most of which remain closed thanks to teachers' unions that wish to extract even more money for themselves, without returning to classrooms, are targeted to receive \$129 billion. Schools don't have to reopen to get the money, despite the science, which Biden promised to rely on, that says young children are least likely to become infected. The Congressional Budget Office has said that Congress previously authorized \$113 billion for schools, but that most of that money has not been spent.

There's plenty more, including massive amounts of cash for programs favored by Democrats. In addition to Planned Parenthood, notes the Journal, included are billions to defray premiums for the Affordable Care Act, \$39 billion for child care, \$30 billion for public transit agencies, the \$15/hour minimum wage, which may lead to more layoffs and fewer hires, \$1.5 billion for AMTRAK, a bridge to Canada (not to be confused with Alaska's notorious "bridge to nowhere" some years ago), and as the CBO notes, "\$500 billion grants to fund activities related to the arts, humanities, libraries and museums and Native American language preservation."

If not properly cooked, pork can be infected with trichinosis, a disease caused by a small parasitic worm. That seems a good analogy when it comes to the "parasitic" congressional worms infecting our economy with non-stop spending of money we don't have and borrowing that can't continue without causing serious economic harm.

Nations of the past have not been able to survive massive debt. What makes us think we can?

Readers may email Cal Thomas at tcaditors@tribpub.com. Look for Cal Thomas' latest book "America's Expiration Date: The Fall of Empires and Superpowers and the Future of the United States" (Harper-Collins/Zonder van).



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National Review

Press Swapped Script on Cuomo v DeSantis

Throughout the pandemic, the press has been excoriatingly harsh on a governor who was slow to act, unnecessarily endangered the lives of the elderly, alienated experts and cooked the numbers.

It just thought the governor in question was Florida's Ron DeSantis rather than New York's Andrew Cuomo.

After it has become clear that Cuomo's handling of the pandemic was not just criminal in the metaphorical sense, but perhaps in the literal sense, the press has begun, only reluctantly and belatedly, to abandon its long-running Cuomo hagiography.

It never made any sense to lionize Andrew Cuomo at the expense of Ron DeSantis, except that one had a "D" after his name and the other didn't, and one hated Trump and the other didn't. The national media also labors under the assumption that New York must be competent while the Sunshine State is the preserve of the embarrassingly boorish "Florida Man."

Finally, the media loved the way Cuomo talked about the pandemic at his take-charge press conferences. This was taken as the opposite of Trump's approach, which it was -- Cuomo talked a good game, while utterly botching the substance of the response, while Trump talked irresponsibly about the pandemic, while handling the pandemic pretty well (or, certainly, not as badly as advertised).

All this meant that the press made both Cuomo and DeSantis into something they were not -- a hero and a villain, respectively -- when it should have been obvious all along that this wasn't remotely justified.

From the outset of the pandemic, New York state has had the highest number of deaths of any state and still does (47,000), and the second highest deaths-per-million of anywhere in the country. In contrast, Florida is right around the national average for deaths-per-million. Journalists brushed right by these top-line numbers in the interest of their tendentious narrative-building.

They erupted in outrage when DeSantis was allegedly slow to close the beaches last March, but didn't dwell much on Cuomo saying, during the virus was already spreading throughout his state: "The facts defeat fear. Because the reality is reassuring."

They accused DeSantis of unnecessarily endangering seniors when the Florida governor took steps to protect the nursing homes, and Andrew Cuomo, infamously, ordered nursing homes to accept COVID-19 patients.

They claimed DeSantis was rejecting the "science" by, among other things, pushing to reopen the schools, an approach that has proved out. Meanwhile, experts have fled the New York public health bureaucracy in response to Cuomo's highhandedness.

They bought the bogus story of

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Pulaski County meetings for March

• Monday, March 8, 2021, Pulaski County Board of Supervisors Budget Work Session, Executive Training Room, Pulaski County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, 4 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, March 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, 8:00 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, March 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, March 15, 2021, Pulaski County Board of Supervisors Budget Work Session, Executive Training Room, Pulaski County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, 4 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 citi-

zens.

• Tuesday, March 16, 2021, Economic Development Authority Board of Directors Meeting, Executive 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.

• Tuesday, March 16, 2021, Pulaski County Board of Zoning Appeals 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). The Board of Zoning Appeals considers appeals of the Zoning Administrator's decisions and the

interpretation of the County's Zoning Ordinances.

• Monday, March 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, 6 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, March 23, 2021, Fairlawn Sewer Authority Meeting, Conference Room, Peppers Ferry Regional Wastewater Treatment Authority Administration Building, 7797 Mason Street, Fairlawn, Virginia, 6:30 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.

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a Florida data manager who was supposedly persecuted for blowing the whistle on the state's manipulation of its COVID numbers, when, of course, this is exactly what Cuomo was doing.

And so, the media's anointed hero of the pandemic -- who wrote a book on his own exemplary pandemic response, who won a Grammy, who was elevated to an authority with the standing to comment on how the country was handling COVID-19 -- is facing calls to resign or face impeachment and is the subject of multiple investigations, while his routine bullying of critics is now out in the open.

Not only are none of these things happening to Ron DeSantis, his policy of avoiding strict lockdowns, which occasioned so much criticism, has avoided the educa-

tional and economic downsides of Cuomo's policies. According to Florida data, the state offers more in-person education than any other state and it has a lower unemployment rate than the national average and other populous states. This matters greatly to the well-being of Floridians.

All of this said, the virus has presented enormous challenges and excruciating choices to policymakers around the country. It's not healthy to be overly invested in red state versus blue state comparisons. But the media gleefully went all-in on this game -- and managed to pump up the wrong governor and run down the wrong one, in a failure for the ages.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

Booze to balloons, wide range of legislative action

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — From higher fines for littering to a ban on releasing nonbiodegradable balloons, Virginia's General Assembly has approved a collection of bills that will impact consumers.

Some of the bills seek to address issues that have cropped up or become more pressing because of the coronavirus pandemic, including legislation that will allow restaurants to continue to offer cocktails to go.

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would be the ultimate answer to the time dilemma, but scientists like to tweak things, which can lead to more confusion than solution.

Now, here is where our friend, Benjamin Franklin, comes back into the picture. In 1784, Franklin first proposed the concept of Daylight-Saving Time (DST), although it was not seriously considered until 1895 when New Zealand scientist George Vernon Hudson brought forth a proposal for a two-hour daylight-saving shift. Numerous countries adopted the concept, but some only used 30-minute saving, some 45-minute savings and others one or two-hour savings. Talk about confusion!

On March 19, 1918 during WW I, the USA signed into law the Standard Time Act, which allowed additional hours to be added to extend daylight to help save energy. It also established five time zones across the country. With this federally mandated law (15 USC 2060) the dates and times of Daylight-Saving Time were established.

The law was eventually rescinded but in 1942, during WW II, President Franklin Roosevelt reinstituted year-round Daylight-Saving Time and referred

to it as "War Time" DST. The purpose was to help conserve fuel and promote national security and defense. The time zones were nicknamed Eastern War Time, Central War Time, Mountain War Time, and Pacific War Time. Again, after the war, the law was repealed, leaving states to establish their own standard time.

Because of the continued confusion caused by non-standard time for the rail, airline and broadcast industries, Congress passed the Uniform Time Act in 1966, which superseded the states' local time and instead established a national standard time. Daylight Saving Time would begin each year on the last Sunday in April and continue to the last Sunday in October. However, in 2005 President George W. Bush implemented the current policy extending Daylight Saving Time from the second Sunday in March to the first Sunday in November.

Not all states comply with Daylight Saving Time. Earlier, several states opted out, but currently only Arizona and Hawaii do not participate. This reminds me of a funny story about a businessman trying to catch a flight home after a busy week. He was speeding to reach the airport and board his plane when a police officer pulled

him over. The businessman explained he was trying to catch his flight to get home to his pregnant wife. The police officer listened patiently then replied, "Well, you can slow down now because you're not on Daylight Saving Time and you've already missed your plane."

As you probably know, our "spring forward" Daylight Saving Time shift is set for March 14th this year so remember to get up at 2:00am and move the hands of your clock forward one hour.

While you are performing this ritual, stubbing your toe in the dark and stumbling back into bed, remember what King Solomon said, "He (God) has made everything beautiful (appropriate/proper) in its time."

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Cowboy Church

We will begin parking lot services Feb. 21 with 11 a.m. worship services and 6 p.m. Bible study.

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Dublin's Post 58 restores old Jeep for new job

By DANIELLE REID
The Patriot

Former World War II Veteran Robert Roland Lamp wanted to leave the American Legion Post #58 in Dublin a legacy, but what he left was far greater than a mere object made of metal on rubber tires.

Lamp had hoped to restore a 1942 WW II Army Jeep that could be driven in parades and used as a tribute to WW II veterans.

The Jeep restoration project manager, Navy veteran Emil Moldovan, explained.

"A friend of Lamp was buying and restoring old Volkswagens. The friend's father was a Colonel during WW I and a member of the VFW post in Radford. The Colonel had an old 1942 Jeep that he used on his farm in Galax. Robert wanted to buy and restore the Jeep and keep it at the Dublin American Legion Post #58 to drive in parades as tribute to WW II veterans."

Lamp purchased the Jeep for \$2,000 and approached the veterans of Post #58 for help in restoring it. He was buying parts on-line, but before the restoration could actually begin, Lamp passed away on February 16, 2020.

According to Moldovan, the Jeep was brought to his house and stored in his barn until September 2020, while they decided how to proceed. Moldovan put an ad in The Patriot newspaper



The Jeep engine before beginning restoration. This is Robert Lamp examining engine. According to Emil, the darn thing started right up.

asking for people with experience in restoring old cars to look at the Jeep and estimate what the restoration costs would be.

"Several people looked at it

and said the condition of the Jeep made it not worth restoring. It was too much work, would take too many hard-to-find parts; and they suggested buying another Jeep. All except for Gabor Egyed, who restores old tractors and had restored a 1947 Jeep. Egyed moved the Jeep to his farm in Pulaski and started working on it. He worked on it every day for three or four months," recalls Moldovan.

Amazingly, the engine still worked.

"It took a few cranks to get it going with a rigged gas flow. But it ran without any mechanical replacements and compression was really good in all four cylinders. We have not modified the engine or carburetor except minor adjustments in the carburetor. So far, it's running as good as a

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Gabor Egyed took on the project of restoring the Jeep piece by piece. This is the Jeep stripped down and ready for restoration to begin.



Interior of Jeep before restoration. The Jeep had been used as a farm vehicle in Giles County before Robert Lamp purchased it as a restoration project for American Legion Post 58, Dublin.

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We are currently accepting entries for our Time Capsule Photo

Time Capsule Photo Contest entries being accepted

Contest, which is open to Pulaski County residents of all ages. If you were asked to think of a photo to include in a time capsule that represents 2020, what comes to mind? Whether it's a photo taken with your phone or a Canon, we are interested in seeing snapshots of everyday life from this unique and challenging year. A panel of local judges will choose the winning photos. The top prize will be cash. Other prizes may be awarded, based on participation. All of the entries will be featured on the Pulaski County Library System Facebook page and displayed at the library. Deadline for submissions is March 19. Email up to three submissions to jcoalson@pclibs.org and include a short caption, your first and last name, phone number and address.

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Fine Arts Center offers 2nd Saturday Art Cafe for children, adults

On Saturday, March 13, the Fine Arts Center for the New River Valley will be offering free art kits for children with the theme, "Let's Go Fly a Kite." In the kit for children K-6 will be a ready-to-decorate vinyl kite kit and string as well as some additional art pages to color or draw. With permanent markers or paint, your child can decorate his or her own personal kite and use the winds of spring to have some artful fun! Pre-K kits will include a colorful craft stick kite to hang in a window or door. Stop by the Fine Arts Center at 21 W. Main Street between 10:00am – 12:00pm for your kit.

Then at 2:00 pm on March 13 we will offer a virtual class for adults with professional photographer, David Rehor, for his third class with the Center. The March workshop, "Pinhole Camera Photography," draws upon the natural phenomenon called camera obscura which participants will learn is the origin of photography. It is the ability to make photos without the use of a lens. We will work together to transform our digital cameras into pinhole cam-

eras, and create original photos during the workshop. The results will be hauntingly beautiful, dreamlike, and surreal. Best of all, it will be easy and inexpensive. With our digital cameras, we can bring this ancient process into the future, for instant gratification! (This class requires a digital camera with interchangeable lenses.)

For more information on the afternoon workshop and to register, go to: <https://www.facnr.org/workshop-20210313-pin-hole-camera>. Class fee is \$20.00 per person. Register by March 12, 2021.



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Jeep

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70-year-old Jeep can run," added Moldovan.

Many people volunteered to help with the restoration project. Among them retired Army Special Forces Colonel Dallas Cox, who helped the Post raise the needed \$15,000 to complete the Jeep restoration. Moldovan noted that Col. Cox is a man with a vision who gets things done.

Gabor Egyed brought several people to help with the restoration including friends Shane Miller, Jim Rowe, Kermit Woodyard and brother William Egyed. Craig Shay, Post #58 member and also VFW Post #1184 member; Woodrow Minick who removed the top from the Caisson; and welder Kenny Sutherland were instrumental in the restoration project.

As the project progressed, local businesses contributed their talents to the project. Moldovan said, "Giles Sewell, owner of Economy Body Shop in Radford, Jamie Brown, owner of B&B Powder, Inc. who sandblasted the Jeep, and Timothy Bishop of Bishop Auto Upholstry who restored the seats and made the top to cover the Caisson, all deserve thanks for their part in the restoration project."

Almost all the parts were found by Gabor Egyed and Moldovan using catalogs and the internet. Moldovan jokes, "I am the project manager, but Gabor is the braun and the brains."

Moldovan was well-qualified to serve as the project manager, coordinating acquisition of parts, labor and cost. While on active duty with the Navy, he worked in Communications / Technical Division and in Personnel, transferring troops all over the world.

The orginial vision was to use the Jeep in parades, but during discussions, it was decided it was a large investment for a show vehicle to sit in a garage and be used only a couple of times a year. A chance encounter created an additional use for the Jeep.

While transporting the Jeep to be sandblasted, Moldovan, Egyed and Rowe came across a 16-foot-long Army communications trailer that just happened to be parked in front of a building with a "for sale" sign on it.

"We had to stop and look at it. After discovering it had been used to lift up communication equipment high in the air so troops in the field could have better radio reception, we asked to buy it. Owner Eric Whorr originally listed the trailer at \$1,000, but reduced the price to \$550 when no one bought it. When he learned that it would be used by Post #58 as a Caisson for veterans' funerals, he dropped the price to \$350.

It was a beautiful piece of equipment and just what we needed to modify into a Caisson to carry veterans' caskets from the Committal Shelter at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery where the salute to the veteran will take place," stated Moldovan.

"The modification process entailed a welder cutting down



Finished view of Caisson.

the trailer to 10 feet long. Gabor moved the axel himself to balance the ride. An oak floor was installed for the casket to rest on, and curtains which were designed and made by Joan Moldovan, were added on all sides of the Caisson."

An amazing esprit de corps evolved where both veterans and civilians came together to help restore the WW II 1942 Jeep and fulfill Lamp's legacy. A bronze plaque rests on the dashboard of the Jeep, honoring Lamp's vision. Now, because of Lamp's legacy, local veterans and their families will be able to honor their loved

ones with an enhanced military ceremony at their final resting place.

The restored 1942 Army Jeep and Caisson were presented by American Legion Post #58, Dublin for use by veterans and their families burying loved ones at the Veterans Cemetery during a ceremony on March 4 at 1:30 pm.

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bigger car and a longer drive to work. What are your thoughts?
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Dear Daneen,
I get lots of questions about these kinds of scenarios, and how it plays into people's budgets. Many folks wonder if it would be better to go out and get a new

vehicle with better gas mileage. Well, do you really want to lose more money?
Let's say you currently drive a vehicle worth \$10,000 that gets 15 miles per gallon. There's a \$25,000 hybrid you're thinking about buying that gets 25 miles per gallon. That's a \$15,000 price

difference just to get 10 more miles a gallon. If you drive 100 miles a week, that's about a \$10 difference a week. That would be about \$40 extra you're spending a month in gas if you stuck with the current car. A monthly car payment is a whole lot more than that! In short, the math doesn't work. You'd have to drive to the moon and back to make it worthwhile.

There are a lot smarter things you can do to cut down on your fuel bill. Have you thought about trading for something smaller? If you're driving a gas guzzler, trade it in on another car worth no more than your current car's selling price. This means better fuel efficiency without a car payment. Carpooling is an option, too, even if you split the driving just a few days a week.

If you want to get a little more radical with the money-saving ideas, you could think about moving closer to work. Spend some time doing the calculations and looking at the specifics to see if it makes sense in your case. Finally, and this may be a last ditch effort, you could consider changing jobs. No one's forcing you to work where you do, especially if you're spending a lot of time and money on the road just getting to and from your job. If you're really spending a ridiculous amount on gas each month, it might even



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be time to look into ideas you may have once had to start your own business.

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—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The 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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committee he's seen more litter strewn about since the start of the pandemic than ever before. He theorized that more people might be eating in their cars and then just tossing their trash out the window.

"If you ride through especially rural Virginia, it is atrocious. And there's no excuse for it," he said.

The bill increases the minimum fine from \$250 to \$500.

STYROFOAM BAN

The coronavirus pandemic added a new twist to Virginia's plan to ban plastic foam containers.

The General Assembly passed a bill that prohibits food vendors from using single-use expanded polystyrene containers, also known as Styrofoam. The bill introduced by Del. Betsy Carr passed last year, but it included a reenactment clause that requires it to be passed in two consecutive years.

When lawmakers began to debate the legislation this year, they were faced with a new reality. Many restaurants devastated by the pandemic have come to rely on takeout business to survive, and nonbiodegradable Styrofoam containers have become more prevalent.

The legislation requires certain chain restaurants to stop using expanded polystyrene containers by July 1, 2023. All food vendors must stop using them by July 1, 2025.

The bill includes a civil penalty of up to \$50 for each day of violation. It also includes a process for localities to grant consecutive one-year exemptions to individual food vendors if they face undue economic hardships.

During a Senate debate on the bill, some senators questioned the wisdom of passing the ban as restaurants continue to struggle during the pandemic.

"It's going to hurt small businesses and it's going to do it for no reason whatsoever," Sen. Mark Obenshain said of the proposed ban.

The Virginia Mercury has reported negotiations involving a separate bill dealing with advanced recycling - or chemical recycling - helped the ban pass, something Sen. Chap Petersen referred to as "The Great Polystyrene Compromise of 2021."

BALLOON RELEASE

There may not be as many balloons going up, up and away over Virginia.

Lawmakers approved legislation that would ban the intentional release of all nonbiodegradable balloons. Violators face a civil fine of \$25 per balloon.

The measure was backed by environmentalists and residents who live along the state's shoreline. Supporters cited the litter from foil and latex balloons on beaches and the potential harm to marine animals by ingesting balloon remnants.

Some Republican senators questioned whether it went too far by prohibiting the outdoor release of even a single balloon.

Sen. Jen Kiggans, R-Virginia Beach, who sponsored similar legislation last year, said releasing nonbiodegradable balloons outdoors is a form of littering. She said officers will not be "standing around bouncy houses and at birthday parties" trying to catch people in the act. The bill applies to people ages 16 and over.

Current law prohibits the release of 50 or more balloons within an hour and carries a civil penalty of \$5 per balloon.

BOOZE BILLS

Lawmakers loosened the state's ABC laws in a couple of ways aimed at helping businesses and local governments recover from the impacts of the pandemic.

One measure would allow distillers and restaurants to continue offering cocktails to go. That's been allowed for a while under an executive directive Gov. Ralph Northam issued in April. But the new legislation would allow sales to continue even if the governor's executive order declaring a state of emergency due to the pandemic expires.

The bill would allow a limit of two cocktails per meal and a total of four maximum, said Eric Terry, president of the Virginia Restaurant, Lodging & Travel Association.

He said the to-go provisions have been a "lifeline" for restaurants during the pandemic, when some customers have been reluctant to dine indoors.

The bill as passed would sunset on July 1, 2022. Terry said he hopes lawmakers might extend it in the future.

Another measure would effectively allow local governments to seek state approval to create open-container zones.

The bill expands a code section that previously dealt with special events. It will allow localities to seek approval from the state ABC board for an "outdoor refreshment area license."

Justin Wilson, the mayor of Alexandria, said the city has long advocated for loosening the state's historically stringent ABC laws and was pleased to see both measures pass.

"We can manage the public safety and quality-of-life impacts, and it helps businesses and helps contribute to the vitality of the community," he said.

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Cougars 2-0, beat Hidden Valley, 48-7

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

In a game marked by big plays and a dominant Pulaski County defense, the Cougars won their second game of the season Saturday over Hidden Valley, 48-7.

It was the Cougars' home opener for 2021 on a soggy Joel Hicks Field.

Head Coach Mark Dixon's charges allowed the Titans only 155 yards offense in the game.

By halftime, Hidden Valley had amassed about half of those yards with nearly all of them coming on one play – a Sam Dragovich 57-yard touchdown pass to Austin Carroll.

It was the first TD allowed by the Cougar defense this season and tied the game at 7-7.

Pulaski County had broken out on top near the end of the first quarter when John Lyman set the Cougars up in good shape with a 39-yard punt return down to the Titans' 15.

It was the second long kick return of the day for Lyman, who opened the game by taking the kickoff back all the way for a Cougar touchdown. However, a penalty on Pulaski County negated the play.

On the second play from scrimmage after Layman's punt return, Keyonte Kennedy took a Drew

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Antonio Nottingham/PC Touchdown Club
Sophomore running back Trevor Burton carries the mail for Pulaski County on this play last Saturday against Hidden Valley. Burton carried seven times for 23 yards.

Dixon: Cougars 'playing really hard,' C'burg up next

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

The 2-0 Pulaski County Cougars will take to the road for the second time in three games tonight (Friday) to face the Christiansburg Blue Demons.

The Blue Demons are coming off a season-opening loss to Salem, 35-13.

Despite the lopsided score, Cougar Head Coach Mark Dixon is impressed with what he saw on film of the Blue Demons.

"I'm impressed. Really good up front on both sides of the ball. I thought they matched with Salem really well up front. You can see that program coming together," Dixon said.

He credited the job Christiansburg Head Coach Alex Wilkens is doing. "He's done a tremendous job. They're a handful," Dixon said, noting he's known Wilkens for a while.

As for his Cougars, Dixon is pleased with the start of the season as far as results go (42-0 over Cave Spring and 48-7 over Hidden Valley). But he's far from satisfied.

"We're playing really hard. The effort part is good, the discipline in terms of the penalties and all that. That could improve some. We're getting no bad penalties like unsportsmanlike or any of that, so the things we can control we're controlling pretty well. It's just not where we need to be though," he said.

The Cougars were charged with ten penalties in the game last Sat-



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Senior linebacker Chayton Rollins brings down Hidden Valley's Jadon Latempa as senior Will Bishop closes in.

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urday – the home opener vs. Hidden Valley.

"There are penalties when you're playing hard that are fine, and there's pre-snap penalties and that's what's getting us right now – the ones that we can control," said Dixon.

He blames much of that on the crazy year we're having with COVID with fall football becoming spring football.

"I was surprised in our first game that we didn't have more penalties. The second game was, I thought, what I was expecting in the first game.

The pre-snap stuff, we have got to eliminate that."

Dixon believes that with the weather improving, things will improve in the flag area.

"I think that's the biggest thing. Going out yesterday – I didn't think we'd be able to – how important that is. I think that's why we're sloppy at times. Just to use the equipment up there [on the practice field] would certainly help

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Cougars

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Dalton handoff and raced to the endzone for a 16-yard TD.

Broc Simpson booted the PAT and Pulaski County led, 7-0.

After the Titans tied it up on Carroll’s long reception, the Cougars started out on their own 29.

On a third and long, Dalton got a pass off despite heavy pressure from behind and hit Ethan Gallimore with a 44-yard pass to keep the drive alive.

After the Cougars couldn’t generate any yardage on the first three downs, Dixon decided to go for it on fourth.

Dalton went play action and, even though he had room to run for the first down, he hit a wide-open Chase Dotson for a 33-yard reception for six.

Simpson added the extra point, and the Cougars were up, 14-7.

Pulaski County made two big plays on defense in the next series, with Dotson sacking Dragovich on third down, forcing a fourth down punt.

Dragovich is also Hidden Valley’s punter, so each punt looked almost like a normal offensive play for the Titans until Dragovich booted a pooch kick to punt the ball away.

This time the Cougar rush came hard and senior linebacker Ethan Gallimore blocked the kick with Diego Turner recovering for PCHS at the Hidden Valley five.

After a Cougar penalty, Kennedy gained 9 yards on three carries before Dalton – on fourth down – scored on a 1-yard sneak.

Simpson booted the PAT, and the Cougars were up 21-7.

Hidden Valley’s next series was stopped by another Cougar defensive gem.

Senior linebacker Will Bishop hit Dragovich and caused a fumble with junior lineman Caleb Yelton recovering the ball.

The first half ended with the score still at 21-7.

In the second half, Hidden Valley went to work on a 10-play drive to the Cougars’ 38, only to be stopped by senior cornerback Layne Suthers’ first big play of the third quarter. Suthers intercepted Dragovich to end the threat.



Cougar senior Broc Simpson approaches the ball being spotted by his holder, Jacob Crabtree during action Saturday. Simpson was 6 of 7 on PAT kicks against the Titans - missing for the first time this season. He was 6 for 6 against Cave Spring.

The senior would be heard from again moments later.

Pulaski County took over on their own 23 and on second down, Dalton passed and found Suthers who juggled the ball while trying to keep his footing on the sloppy turf and raced 77 yards for the touchdown.

Simpson again was good on the PAT and the Cougars’ rout was on at 28-7.

The floodgates opened for the Cougars on the first play of the fourth quarter.

Dragovich launched another pooch punt from his own 14 and senior lineman Clay Phillips got the Cougars’ second block of the game and the big lineman took the recovery into the endzone for the score.

Simpson’s PAT was good, and the Cougars led, 35-7.

On the next series, Suthers made his third big play of the day with a “pick 6,” returning the in-

terception 60 yards for the touchdown.

Simpson’s point after this time, however, was off to the left, but the Cougars were still sitting pretty, ahead 41-7 with 9:52 to go.

Pulaski County closed out the scoring with 6:19 to play when Kennedy took off on the left side and rambed 23 yards for the final score. Simpson’s kick was good, and the Cougars had their 48-7 victory.

Pulaski County outgained Hidden Valley, 293 to 161. The Cougars had 95 yards on the ground with Kennedy leading the team in rushing with 73 yards on 19 carries. Burton added 23 on seven carries.

Dalton went 8 of 15 passing with one interception for 198 yards.

Chase Dotson had two receptions for 45 yards, Jacob Johnson had three catches for 34 yards, Gallimore added two for 43 yards

and Suthers chipped in the one reception, for a huge 77 yards.

Both teams committed plenty of penalties in the game, with Pulaski County being flagged 10 times for 80 yards, while the Titans had eight penalties for 65.

The Cougars had 158 return yards to Hidden Valley’s 44.

The 2-0 Cougars now go back on the road to face Christiansburg next Friday at 7 p.m. The Blue Demons lost to Salem Saturday, 35-13.

The loss was the second of the young season for Hidden Valley, who fell earlier this week to Patrick Henry, 14-6.

Stadium press box named for Dan Callahan

Prior to the game a ceremony marked the naming of the press box at Kenneth J. Dobson Stadium after longtime “Voice of the Cougars,” Dan Callahan.

Callahan passed away May 20,

2020.

Prior to his passing he had covered every Cougar football season since Pulaski County High School opened in 1974.

He was the “Voice of the Cougars” in print and on the radio, calling the games on WPSK radio and writing for the Radford News Journal, The Southwest Times and since 2012 for The Patriot.



Dan Callahan

Dixon

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our offensive line on their blocking. It’s critically important that we get as many days outside as we can from now on,” the coach said.

One area Dixon has been very pleased with has been the defense.

“I think our skill kids on defense have been really good. I’m impressed with our hand-eye coordination, that surprised me. Just our ability to cover people has been really impressive. The plays we’re making on the ball, a couple pick-six’s, some interceptions – that has been super impressive,” Dixon said.

A former offensive lineman in college at Virginia and in the NFL with the Miami Dolphins, Dixon is both head coach and offensive line coach at PCHS.

He hasn’t been totally happy with how his O-line has played so far this season.

“It’s a brand new system. The first game we played was against an odd front so that was one defense, and the very next week it was all different. So now we have two experiences under our belts to learn from,” he said. “We’ve been on the film with it, we got to go outside yesterday to work on it so I feel like if they get the practice time outside we can begin to see the improvement.”

While getting used to the new system has been a chore, Dixon has no complaints when it comes to the O-line’s effort.

“Their work ethic is great. They’re athletic and they’re good.

We just have to correct some things.”

Being that he played on the offensive line in the pros, one would probably consider Dixon somewhat of an expert on the subject.

“I don’t know about that. I’ve been humbled the last two weeks,” he said.

“It’s been a hard transition for me because I was at one place (Galax) for so long and the linemen were in the system for so long. I always had one or two or three returning starters and they would communicate up there and tell other people what to do. I didn’t realize how much communication those kids were doing to help each other. Now, down here, where they’re all learning it, there’s no one up there to tell them, ‘no, do this and do that.’

Dixon said with the situation he had at Galax, you didn’t know that you had a problem because they were communicating.

“Offensive line play is all communicating – just talking. Not

having anybody who knows the language ... to me that’s been the hardest part. To get them all to speak the same language.”

News this week out of Roanoke was that Northside has shut down its program for a couple weeks due to COVID issues. Dixon said COVID worries have been a concern all year.

“We’ve had to live with adjustments every day. I really pray for our kids. That we’re able to finish this thing out. They’ve put in so much of their energy and effort. I’d be heartbroken for our boys [if we had to stop]. They have been so committed,” he said.

Dixon attributes his players’ willingness to lift weights early in the day during the off-season to a desire to return to normal in the face of COVID.

“They were supposed to come in at 6:30, but most of them came in way early. I had early kids when I was at Galax, but never as early as these kids. Some of it I think is

COVID – they’re just excited to be back,” he said.

“And then some of them are just morning people. They like getting their workout done and being done for the day. When we lifted in the morning at Galax it wasn’t my idea. I had one kid who said he wanted to lift in the morning. He said, ‘Coach I can’t any other time.’ That one player turned into five and before I knew it every single kid wanted to lift in the morning. That’s what’s happened here. They always ask can we practice in the morning. They want to do it in the morning so they can have the rest of their day free.”

It’s been the same way during the season, Dixon said. Players watch film or lift weights every morning.

“And that’s for any student who wants to lift weights here not just football. Basically, the premise I started when I got here is our facility will be open every morning for any student who wants to lift weights.”

RATINGS AND RANKINGS: “Still way early ... a long way to go.” That was Dixon’s response when asked about the Virginia High School League’s first listing of weekly ratings and rankings in football.

Right now, Pulaski County sits tied atop the Region 4D rankings with a 22.00 rating. The same as Amherst County, Salem and Jefferson Forest. Both the Cougars and Spartans are 2-0 on the season, Amherst and Forest are 1-0.

FRIDAY’S GAME: We understand at this writing that both mvp.gamedaymagazine.com and nfhsnetwork.com will be live streaming the Pulaski County – Christiansburg game. Game time is 7 p.m.

And of course, Rick Watson and Shay Dunnigan will bring you all the action starting with the pregame at 6:30 p.m. on 107.1 PSK.

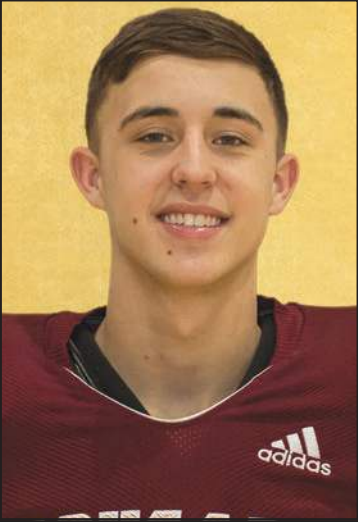


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Gulls Galore

A few years ago, as you headed toward Radford on U.S. 11 and came upon the “fast food places,” there was a scene to behold there. Taking a right at the light and looking around the spacious parking lot was a large gathering of gulls there on the ground. They are no longer found there as a farm supply company opened up their business in a vacant building a while back and all the parking lot was filled from their customers as well as the others for the adjoining businesses. I often wondered how they came to be there as gulls are known most notably as birds of the oceans and sea shore.

The town of Pulaski has a good-sized gathering of gulls in a parking lot near a fast-foot restaurant where you can get gravy biscuits etc. and mini-mall nearby. This has been a hangout for gulls much like the one mentioned above. I was parked there about a week ago as my wife shopped in a nearby store. I wondered if these were some or all of the same gulls that had been at the aforementioned parking lot near Radford. I sat in my vehicle and watched them for over a half an hour with a lot of questions running through my head. One was why were they there so far from the coastal areas, but first and



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foremost, was how have they managed to survive these long winter months? It was close to noontime and feeding time as first a gentleman came and started throwing out food amongst them and a little later a lady came by and fed them as well. I later did some research and found some interesting facts on gulls. They have been known to venture inward searching for food and I surmised they are much like the deer that have become so overpopulated in our forests and urban areas as well. A flock of gulls is known as a colony and they are able to nest on flat topped buildings with tar and gravel roofs. This is the type of architecture of most buildings found in our shopping areas. They should be referred to as gulls and not seagulls which is a misnomer. Even the bestseller, Jonathan Livingston Seagull, published several years ago, was in actuality misnamed. I watched them at the Pulaski site parade around on web-shaped feet and fly about with unusual flying abilities. They could hover as well as or better than any man-made helicopters and their landing were soft as

silk. They circled around at a brisk flight time but with beautiful wing control landed much like one would step out of an elevator. I was reminded of how I watched just recently of the craft that was let down onto the surface of Mars and thought of the tremendous amount of money to perfect such a vehicle. Billions in dollars is spent to try and find life on another planet with the desire to travel there. A good Christian friend of mind remarked years ago stating, “The Government spent millions of dollars getting a man on the moon, but won’t spend a dollar getting a person to heaven.” I recall personally hearing Dr. Henry Morris, who founded Institute for Creation Research after serving as head of the Civil Engineering Department and was the author of over 80 books state, “There had to be a Divine Creator.” Psalm 115:16KJV reads, “The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord’s; but the earth hath he given to the children of men.” A portion of Dr. Morris’s Defender’s Bible footnote reads regarding this, “There is no evidence whatever in either science or Scripture that intelligent beings (other than angels) exist in other worlds. It is expensive foolishness to attempt to reach such worlds in space ships or by radio astronomy. Such projects make man more vulnerable to satanic deception. The devil is prince of the air.” John 3:16, Jesus died for our world only. Until next time

Different winners aplenty to start NASCAR season

From NASCAR

The NASCAR Cup Series 2021 season has started off with three different winners in as many races with Michael McDowell (Daytona 500), Christopher Bell (Daytona Road Course) and William Byron (Homestead-Miami) all celebrating in Victory Lane. Now the chances for the premier series to see its fourth different winner are pretty good as it heads out to Las Vegas Motor Speedway for the Pennzoil 400 presented by Jiffy Lube on Sunday, March 7 at 3:30 p.m. ET on FOX, PRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

Of the 50 seasons in the Modern Era (1972-2021), the NASCAR Cup Series has started the schedule with three different winners in the first three races 33 different times (66%); including 2021. If the series were to produce a fourth different winner this weekend it would be the 23rd different season in the Modern Era to start with four different winners through the first four races.

There are 13 different NASCAR national series Las Vegas Motor Speedway winners entered this weekend in the NASCAR Cup Series race. None of which have won yet this season.

Sunday’s event, the Pennzoil 400 presented by Jiffy Lube, will be the 27th NASCAR Cup Series race held at Las Vegas Motor Speedway. The previous 26 series races have produced 14 different winners all-time, led by recently retired Jimmie Johnson with four victories (2005, 2006, 2007 and 2010). Team Penske’s Brad Keselowski leads all active drivers in wins at Las Vegas with three victories (2014, 2016, 2018). Keselowski also won at Vegas in the NASCAR Xfinity Series in 2010.

Of the 14 all-time Cup Las Vegas winners, six are entered this weekend and four of the six have multiple wins; including defending race winner and Brad Keselowski’s Team Penske teammate Joey Logano, who has grabbed the checkered flag the last two Spring visits to Sin City (2019, 2020). Logano also won in the NASCAR Xfinity Series at Las Vegas in 2017.

Joe Gibbs Racing’s Martin Truex Jr. and Stewart-Haas Racing’s Kevin Harvick make up the rest of the quartet of Cup Vegas multiple winners entered this weekend. Truex earned his Victory Lane hardware at Las Vegas in the Spring race of 2017 and the Playoff race of 2019. While Harvick secured his two wins at Las Vegas in the Spring of 2015 and the Playoff race of 2018. Harvick also collected a pair of NASCAR Xfinity Series victories at Las Vegas in 2004 and 2010.

Las Vegas native and Joe Gibbs Racing’s driver, Kyle Busch, is the only former Cup Las Vegas winner to grab victories in all three NASCAR national series. Busch scored his Cup win in the 2009 race; the only driver to win from the pole at Las Vegas in the series. He also has two victories in the NASCAR Xfinity Series (2016, 2019). Plus, he has won the last three consecutive spring NASCAR Camping World Truck Series races at the 1.5-mile track (2018, 2019, 2020).

Kyle Busch’s brother, Kurt, also a fellow Las Vegas native, is the most recent NASCAR Cup Series winner at Las Vegas Motor Speedway driving his Chip Ganassi Racing Chevrolet to Victory Lane in last season’s Playoff race. It was his first and only victory at his home track.

Richard Childress Racing teammates, Austin Dillon and Tyler Reddick, have each won at Las Vegas Motor Speedway in both the NASCAR Xfinity Series and the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series. Dillon posted his Xfinity win in 2015 and his Camping World Truck win in 2010. Reddick captured his Xfinity win in 2019 and his Truck Series win in 2016.

Four more drivers have won in just the NASCAR Xfinity Series at Las Vegas including Stewart-Haas Racing’s rookie, Chase Briscoe, who swept both Las Vegas NASCAR Xfinity Series races last season becoming the first driver to win consecutive races at the 1.5-mile track in the series. Chip Ganassi Racing’s Ross Chastain collected his

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Big Snowman

Colton and Machenzie Byrd of Pulaski built this giant snowman back at the end of January during the last “big” snowfall we had in these parts. Colton, 6 and Machenzie, 5 seem proud of their handiwork. While they probably enjoyed building the big snowman, we’re kind of hoping they will have to wait until next year to get another opportunity. We really like the sunshine we’re finally seeing. (Photo courtesy of Kayla Byrd.)

Offensive and Defensive Lineman
Clay Phillips

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia
VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ003540-01-12 and JJ003540-01-13
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Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* TALBERT, TRAVIS DEWAYNE, JR.

The object of this suit is to:
AMEND THE CURRENT CUSTODY AND VISITATION ORDER FOR TRAVIS DEWAYNE TALBERT, JR.

It is ORDERED that RUBY KATIE JONES appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before April 20, 2021 at 02:00 PM.

Sally Davis, Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF PULASKI, VIRGINIA

The Pulaski Town Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 6:30 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 Covid-19 restrictions, in-person attendance will be limited to no more than 10 persons in the Council Chambers. Participants are encouraged to attend the hearing virtually via Facebook Live on the Town of Pulaski Facebook Page.

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 Town Council for their consideration.

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first career NASCAR national series victory in the NASCAR Xfinity Series at Las Vegas Motor Speedway in the Playoff race of 2018. Hendrick Motorsport's driver Kyle Larson also won in the Xfinity Series at Las Vegas in the Spring race of 2018. And JTG Daugherty Racing's Ricky Stenhouse Jr. won at Las Vegas in 2012 en route to his second consecutive Xfinity Series title (2011-2012).

Finally, Richard Petty Motorsport's Erik Jones won in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series at Las Vegas in 2014.

Points Leader Denny Hamlin looking to achieve a couple of **firsts at Las Vegas**

Heading to Las Vegas this weekend, Joe Gibbs Racing's Denny Hamlin sits atop the NASCAR Cup Series driver standings looking to get his first win of 2021 and his first career win at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Hamlin has yet to win this season, but has been in contention almost every week, and now holds a 20-point lead over Stewart-Haas Racing's Kevin Harvick in second in the driver standings. In three starts this year, Hamlin has put up two top fives and an average finish of 6.3.

Hamlin will look to keep the momentum going this Sunday at Las Vegas, a track he has made 18 series starts at posting three

top fives and eight top 10s; including a best finish of third twice, most recently last September.

McDowell takes hot streak to Vegas

Front Row Motorsport's driver and 2021 Daytona 500 champion, Michael McDowell, is having the best start to a season in his career. And now the 36-year-old, Glendale, Arizona native is taking his hot streak Las Vegas to try his luck. McDowell and Stewart-Haas Racing's Kevin Harvick are the only two drivers this season to finish in the top-10 in all three of the opening races of the year.

McDowell is currently fourth in the NASCAR Cup Series driver standings, just 33 points back from Denny Hamlin in the standings lead. This season McDowell has leveled-up and it is showing, in the first three starts of the year he has finished first (Daytona 500), eighth (Daytona RC) and sixth (Homestead-Miami).

Now the 2021 standout is looking to keep the success going at Las Vegas Motor Speedway this weekend. McDowell has made 14 series starts at Las Vegas posting a best finish 18th back in 2017. He finished 36th in last season's Las Vegas spring race and 21st in the Playoff event.

Byron adds his name to the postseason list

Last weekend Hendrick Motorsport's driver William Byron grabbed his second NASCAR Cup Series career win (Daytona,

Homestead) and as a result added his name to the list of drivers locked into the Playoffs for 2021; joining Michael McDowell and Christopher Bell.

Byron is currently 13th in the NASCAR Cup Series driver standings through three races. The North Carolina native has posted an average finish of 20.0 so far this season, making the win last weekend that much more important to his title hopes.

Looking ahead to this weekend, Byron has made six series starts at Las Vegas posting one top-10 finish (seventh) in 2019.

NASCAR Tests the Circuit of The Americas

For the first time at the Circuit of The Americas, three former NASCAR Cup Series champions – Chase Elliott, Brad Keselowski and Martin Truex Jr. - shook down the 20-turn, 3.41-mile-long course in stock cars as part of a Goodyear tire test in preparation for the inaugural EchoPark Texas Grand Prix on May 23.

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Aquatics Director - The Aquatics Director is responsible for the management of the Randolph Park Outdoor Pool. This includes hiring, training and supervision of lifeguards, pool attendants. Responsible for the operation of pool chemistry and operation of equipment. Employee is responsible for ensuring compliance with park rules and regulations by pool patrons and maintaining pool entire pool facility. Employee is responsible for the safety and security of entire pool, employees, and patrons. Employee must exercise tact and courtesy in frequent contact with pool patrons. Minimal educational requirement is graduation from high school, must be a Certified Pool Operator (CPO) or a certified Aquatic Facility Operator (AFO), must be certified in First Aid and CPR, must be at least 18 years of age and previous management of a pool facility is preferred.

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Notice is given pursuant to the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance and Section 15.2-2310 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, that a public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, Pulaski, VA 24301. The Pulaski County Board of Zoning Appeals is hosting a Public Hearing and will receive public comments in relationship to the application(s) for zoning variance as listed below:

- Petition by Robert Cornelius, for a variance to Article 4.8.C (Building Setback Medium Density Residential Zone District) Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance. Property is located at 3947 Cabin Land Drive, Tax Map # 084-3-15E, 84-3-14A Ingles District.

The public can request information and/or submit comments as part of the public hearing process, by using any one of the following methods; E-mail: Send information request or public comment to Elaine Holeton at eholeton@pulaskicounty.org Phone: Contact Elaine Holeton at 540-980-7710 to learn more, or to have your comment transcribed for the public hearing. Regular Mail: Send your request for information or your comment to; Planning & Zoning Department, County of Pulaski, 143 Third Street, NW, Suite 1, Pulaski, VA 24301. In Person: By attending the meeting at the location listed. For disabled individuals who may require special auxiliary aids or services, the County upon request will make reasonable accommodations available. Contact the County's ADA Compliance Officer at (540) 980-7800 (TDD accessible) or (540) 980-7705, ten (10) days prior to the above meeting date to arrange for these special accommodations.

COVID-19 Message: Pulaski County is committed to safely serving the public during this Covid-19 pandemic. In consideration of the social distancing guidelines, we encourage **you to contact our office prior to attending the meeting. This** will enable us to share any meeting information updates and allow us the opportunity to accommodate you to the best of our ability. 540-980-7710. Thank-you.

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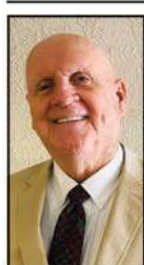
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Fasting and Praying

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus addressed the true righteousness of fasting before God versus the phony fasting of the scribes and Pharisees. The Scribes and Pharisees wanted to make it clear to men that they were fasting so that people would be impressed with how religious they were. They would disfigure their faces so that someone would ask what was going on and this would give them the opportunity to let people know that they were fasting.

Jesus taught that we ought to make fasting so personal between us and God that we would, as a personal rule, not let people even know we were fasting. To let it be just between us and God.

Now I have nothing against a Church group agreeing together to fast for so many days. Because those in the Church are not doing it for show but to draw them closer to God and to get their prayers answered by God.

You may remember when Esther was called upon to go into the Persian king Ahasuerus (Xerxes I) without being summonsed which in itself was a crime punishable by death. Before she went in to the King, she asked the Israelites in captivity to fast and pray for her. She fasted and prayed also for three days. Esther felt their fasting and prayers had touched the heart of God and this gave her the courage and confidence she needed to go in unsummoned by the King. And then she said, "I'll go in unannounced and if I perish I perish." When she came in to confront the King, he held out his golden scepter to her, inviting her to come in. And because of her bravery to ask for the lives of her people to be spared, who were under a death sentence brought about by wicked Haman, she saved her people from perishing. And wicked Haman was hanged on the gallows on which he intended to hang Morticai, Esther's Cousin who had raised her. Later they were released from captivity and they returned to the land that God has promised to their ancestor Abraham. So Prayer and Fasting Works.

You may also remember when a great army was headed for the southern kingdom of Judah, and King Jehoshaphat was afraid and turned his attention to seek the LORD; and he proclaimed a solemn fast throughout all of Judah. They were able to get ahold of God and God granted to them the miracle they were seeking. They were instructed by God to go out and meet this great coalition of armed soldiers, and not to be afraid, for the battle was not their's but the Lords. They went out obeying God and began to sing and to praise the Lord and the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, which were coming to destroy Judah, and they were smitten. Their armies coming against Judah turned against one another, destroyed one another and Judah was saved.

One time a man who was a father brought his invalid son to Jesus' Disciples to be healed. The boy was possessed by a demonic spirit. The evil spirit would cast the boy into the water to drown him and into

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

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

Open Door Baptist Church
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Primary Services:
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Worship, 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.
Phone: 980-2046

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

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

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

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

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

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

Valley Har vest Ministries
1 Harvest Place
P.O. Box 458
Dublin, VA 24084
Senior Pastor Steve Willis
Associate Pastors:
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Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Wednesday School 7 p.m.
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540-674-4729

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

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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
Contact Info.
Phone: 540.980.3331
e-mail: office@fumcpulask.org
website: www.fumcpulask.org

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

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

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

Delton Church of God
of Prophecy
4570 Boyd Road, Draper, VA 24324
Pastor Vickie Lee Viars
deltoncogop@gmail.com (276) 620-3191
Sunday mornings - 11 AM to 12 PM
Sunday evenings-Facebook live services
announced on Facebook
Wednesday evenings- To be announced at
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safety guidelines of social distancing, masks,
cleaning, and disinfection.

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

Fairlawn Baptist
6758 Oxford Avenue
Fairlawn, VA 24141

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

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

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

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2755 Old Baltimore Road, Draper, VA 24324
Senior Pastor: Rev. Robert E. Davis
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship Service
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Sunday Evening Worship Service 6:15 p.m.
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540-980-3624
The Rev. Terrie Sternberg
trinitypulaski@gmail.com
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
(Sept. - May)
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
(June - Aug.)
Bible Study: Wednesday, 12:30
www.trinitypulaski.org

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

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

Fairlawn United Methodist Church
7584 Brandon Road, Fairlawn, Va. 24141
Pastor Mark A. Miller
markmiller.psalm1@gmail.com
Cell) 540-320-2431
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship (with children's message):
11 a.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday: 7 p.m.
Youth Ministry
Facebook.com/
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Grace Ministries
Church of God of Prophecy
1021 Macgill Street
Pulaski, VA 24301
Church: 540-980-2118
Cell: 276-233-8083
Bus Ministry: 540-385-9972
www.pulaskigracemin.com
Email: pulaskigracemin@hotmail.com
Pastor Mike Williams
Children's Ministry
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Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Children's Free Breakfast 10:30 a.m.
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Men's & Women's Ministry Wed. 6:30

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

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

First Presbyterian Church
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firstprespulaskiva@gmail.com
www.firstpresbyterianpulaski.org
Sunday Services:
Sept.-May: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.,
Service 11 a.m.
June-Labor Day: Service 10 a.m.
Wednesday Family Night, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Community Christian Church
5382 Grace Street, Dublin VA, 24084
540-674-4308
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

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

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

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

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Worship 11 a.m.
Worship 7 p.m.
Monday Bible Study
7 to 9 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study
7 p.m.

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

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

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

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980-3798

Abundant Life Ministries
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Pulaski, VA 24301 (540) 980-5506
(Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.)
Pastor Randall K. Lawrence Sr.
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45 S. Jefferson Avenue
Pulaski, VA 24301
540-980-2001
www.newlifepulaski.com
email: pastorjuls@verizon.net
Pastor: Julie Armbrister
Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 6 p.m.

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

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

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Phone: 980-6511
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Priest: Fr. Bernie Ramirez
Mass: 11 a.m. Sunday, 5:30 p.m. Thursday

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

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3826 Bob White Boulevard
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Pastor: Allen Harman
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Preaching: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service: 7:30 p.m.
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First Baptist Church
325 Randolph Avenue
Pulaski, Va.
Pastor: Dr. Henry Fiske
Phone: 980-6565
fbcpulaskiva@gmail.com
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.





flood again -- and it hasn't!

The Bible declares: “Do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise ... but is long-suffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:8-9).

Christ delays His coming so that many more will receive His salvation. Only a loving God who desires to spare souls from eternal judgment would be so patient with mankind.

McCraw

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the fire to burn him alive. The Disciples couldn’t cast out the demonic spirit so the boy was brought to Jesus who did cast out the evil spirit and set the boy free. Later the Disciples asked Jesus, “Why could we not cast out the evil spirit?” Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.” Matt. 17: 20,21.

Fasting is biblical and I admire anyone who does it, as long as he or she is not just fasting or praying for attention.

Fasting and praying is in order when Ministers are being ordained and sent out to preach the gospel.

Fasting and Prayer gives us power with God that we may not ordinarily possess. When Jesus went out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil at the beginning of His earthly ministry, He fasted and prayed for 40 days. When Satan came around to try to tempt Jesus, Jesus defeated Satan by using the word of God against him. And He returned from the wilderness full of the power of God.

If someone has a real, serious need, fasting and praying will cause God not only to hear their prayers but also to answer them. God sees how much we really want our need to be met when He sees us fasting and praying over the matter, and it moves Him to action in our behalf.

Andy McMahon gives us four good reasons to fast. 1. Fasting is laying down the pleasures of earth so that we can take up the pleasures of heaven. 2. Fasting increases levels of individual and corporate anointing. 3. Fasting is an opportunity to grow in prayer and the word. When we fast, we should spend time studying the word of God and of course in prayer, because these things causes us to grow spiritually. 4. We fast because Jesus told us to. If we love Jesus and believe His heart holds good things for us, then our hearts should desire to simply be obedient to his teachings. Heartfelt Obedience to Jesus’ teaching and direction is worth it every time. Besides, if it was good enough for Jesus to do, it is good enough for us to do as well.

The New Testament does not require us to fast, but it does mention fasting several times. Jesus said WHEN ye fast, not IF ye fast. “Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, they have their reward. But thou, WHEN thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face; That thou appear NOT unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.” Matt. 6: 16-18.

Bible Trivia

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

2. In Acts 9, to what city was Saul traveling when suddenly there shined around about him a light from heaven? Jerusalem, Damascus, Anab, Ekron

3. How many days did it take Nehemiah to get the wall around Jerusalem completed? 6, 52, 100, 1,000

4. From Acts 17, at what church was Paul accused of turning the world upside down? Antioch, Smyrna, Thessalonica, Galatia

5. In Genesis 3:15, the snake is supposed to strike at (bruise) what part of man? Throat, Hand, Heel, Eyes

6. From Revelation 12, what angel fights against Satan? Gabriel, Angel of the Lord, Cherubim, Michael

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Damascus; 3) 52; 4) Thessalonica; 5) Heel; 6) Michael

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

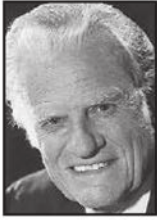
Q: Why do people scoff at the thought of Jesus Christ coming to Earth the second time? -- S.C.

A: The Bible says that there will be scoffers in the last days -- people who refuse to believe that Jesus Christ will return to Earth as the King of kings. They disbelieve this truth just as they disbelieve Jesus’ death, burial, and resurrection. They scoff at the truth that Jesus shed His blood to cover mankind’s sin.

The reason they scoff is found in 2 Peter 3:3: “Scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts.” They do not want to live for God. They’re interested in fulfilling their own pleasure.

Many say they doubt the Bible but when they probe their hearts they admit that they don’t want their lifestyles disturbed. They would rather feed on things that appeal to the flesh.

This is nothing new. While the Bible tells the world to anticipate Jesus’ return, unbelievers proclaim that the promise was made from



My Answer

Billy Graham

the beginning; yet He hasn’t appeared, so they scoff and “willfully forget” (2 Peter 3:5). People fail to remember that God flooded the earth in judgment of man’s sin but set a rainbow in the sky as His promise that the earth would never

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by Dave T. Phipps

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



MAKE ME AS BIG AND OPEN AS THE PLAINS... AS HONEST AS THE HORSE BETWEEN MY KNEES, CLEAN AS THE WIND THAT BLOWS BEHIND THE RAING, FREE AS THE HAWK THAT CIRCLES DOWN THE BREEZE...

POET LARIAT

R.F.D.

by Mike Marland









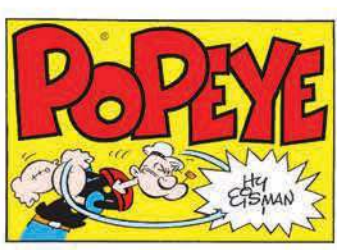
The Spats

by Jeff Pickering













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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Peruke

4 Touse

8 Labyrinth

12 Altar constellation

13 Isaac's eldest

14 Modern taxi alternative

15 World of organized crime

17 Dross

18 Earth (Pref.)

19 Poetic feet

21 Ohio city

24 Actress Long

25 Mentalist Geller

26 Candied veggie

28 Knight wear

32 Stagger

34 Gaiety

36 Flintstones' pet

37 Seoul setting

39 Fawn's mom

41 Dol. fractions

42 Bearded beast

44 Salsa scoopers

46 "La Mer" composer

50 4, on a phone

51 Pre-diploma hurdle

52 Ruffian

56 Church area

57 Rochester's

love

58 Citrus drink

59 Privation

60 Source

61 At once

DOWN

1 Witty one

2 A Gershwin brother

3 More like a string bean

4 Tune

5 "Born in the —"

6 Grit

7 Egypt's neighbor

8 Hot dog condiment

9 With skill

10 Gusto

11 Work units

16 "Gosh!"

20 "Homeland" org.

21 Ankara resident

22 Crunchy cookie

23 Klutz

27 Wet dirt

29 State made of two peninsulas

30 Aware of

31 Colonial seamstress

33 Lentils, for example

35 Dijon denial

38 Reply (Abbr.)

40 Aerie newborn

43 Leading man?

45 Greek X

46 Transaction

47 Big fair, for short

48 Striped fish

49 Vacillate

53 Spanish gold

54 Hubbub

55 Just out

top ten

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2. Hershey's

3. Reese's

4. Quaker

5. Ritz

6. Kit Kat

7. Lay's Chips

8. Oreo Cookies

9. Planters

10. Frito-Lay

Source: YouGov

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: Which 1980s-90s sitcom featured the Conner family?

2. LANGUAGE: What does the Greek prefix "pan" mean in English?

3. MOVIES: Which artist sang the song that inspired the movie title "Pretty Woman"?

4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the first primary color that babies can see?

5. GEOGRAPHY: What is the world's longest cave system?

6. MEDICAL: What is a fasciculation, the medical term for a common ailment?

7. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was the only one to be elected a U.S. senator after leaving office?

8. GEOLOGY: Emerald and aquamarine are types of which mineral?

9. U.S. STATES: What was the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution?

10. MEASUREMENTS: What dosing measurement (metric) is used to administer liquid medication?

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

1. Window is different. 2. Frog is missing. 3. Door knob is higher. 4. Failing is missing. 5. Cap is reversed. 6. Earring is missing. 7. Frog is missing. 8. Door knob is higher. 9. Failing is missing. 10. Earring is missing.

Answers

1. "Roseanne"

2. All

3. Roy Orbison

4. Red

5. Mammoth Cave, Kentucky


6. Involuntary muscle twitch

7. Andrew Johnson

8. Beryl

9. Delaware

10. milliliter or ml



"Quick, Hopkins Maternity Hospital, and don't worry... I'm a _____ there."

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!

Nimble

TAPED

Creak

ARGON

Crate

ASTECK

Rebound

BUNCOE

TODAY'S WORD

DOCTOR

Today's Word

3. Caskey; 4. Bounce

1. Adept; 2. Groan;

solution

SCRAMBLERS

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: L equals O

VS Y GVBAR GWQW BQYKWMVCN

KWQZ SYEB, OL ZLD EDDFLEW ERW

HVNRB JW LC Y ELCVA JQLLH?

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Americanisms

"Greatness occurs when your children love you, when your critics respect you and when you have peace of mind."

— Quincy Jones

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Cryptoquip

answer

If a witch were traveling very fast, do you suppose she might be on a sonic broom?

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"WAIT!" VAL CRIES. "THE DAWN FOLK ARE DEVIOUS! THEIR BRIDGE MAY BE RIGGED..." BUT IG PULLS AHEAD...

"NOW WE ARE HIP DEEP IN IT," MUTTERS THE PRINCE.

REPELLENT FIGURES WITH PREDATORY INTENT OOOZE FROM THE SHADOWS...

...AND GAWAIN, EVER THE UNREFLECTIVE GALLANT, FOLLOWS. VAL'S FEARS ARE REALIZED.

NEXT: Out of the frying pan

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DR. HANS ZARKOV

ONE OF THE MOST BRILLIANT SCIENTISTS THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN... AN INVALUABLE ALLY IN THE FIGHT AGAINST MING.

ZASK!

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FLASH GORDON
By JIM KEEFE

2-21

FLASHBACK:
DALE STIRS FITFULLY IN HER SLEEP AS SHE RECOUNTS THE WAY IT BEGAN...

ON THE RUN FROM MING, FLASH IS TAKEN CAPTIVE BY A REBEL CONTINGENT SEEKING TO OVERTHROW THE EMPEROR.

FLASH QUICKLY TRIUMPHS, BUT INSTEAD OF KILLING HIS ADVERSARY, FLASH SEVERES THE CORD THAT BINDS THEM...THUS SPARING HIS LIFE.

SUCH AN UNHEARD-OF SHOW OF MERCY IMPRESSES THE REBEL LEADER, PRINCE BARIN. BOTH PRISONERS ARE GRANTED THEIR FREEDOM.

UNMASKED FLASH IS STUNNED BY THE IDENTITY OF HIS OPPONENT...A MAN HE HAD LEFT FOR DEAD WHEN THEIR SPACESHIP FIRST CRASH-LANDED ON THIS HOSTILE ALIEN WORLD.

DISCOVERED BY BARIN'S MEN AND FORCED INTO SERVITUDE, IT IS NONE OTHER THAN DOCTOR HANS ZARKOV!

FOR SPORT, FLASH IS BLINDFOLDED AND FORCED INTO BATTLE WITH ANOTHER PRISONER.

TO BE CONT'D

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TIGER
by BUD BLAKE

PUNKINHEAD, I'M INVITING YOU TO A COME-AS-YOU-ARE PARTY

JUST A MINUTE, SUZY

YES, THANK YOU. I'D BE GLAD TO COME

BUD BANE

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: AN ESTABLISHED CUSTOM

Acquit Counterfeit Forfeit Transmit
Bandit Credit Inherit Unit
Benefit Deposit Profit Whodunit
Circuit Explicit Solicit

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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.

JPA IYPAOX KCS C UCVVOK!

JPA BCR'S MK ICX ZV JPA

KCS C UCVVOK!

— OCAWKR HJWCBOK

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CryptoQuote

answer
You should eat a waffle!
You can't be sad if you eat a waffle!
— Lauren Myracle

"IT" WORDS

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

		8		1			3
	5			7		2	
6			9		1		
		9		2		8	
4			5				7
	1				6	9	5
		5	8			6	2
1		3			2	4	
	8			3			7

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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Members of the Dr. Bruce L. Fariss family accept a resolution in honor of Dr. Fariss in recognition and in memory of his service to the community. Presenting the resolution are (left) Laura Walters, Supervisor for the Ingles District and on the right, County Administrator Jonathan Sweet. Accepting the resolution are Adam Fariss, Henry Fariss and Sarah Fariss Wilkes.

Pulaski County Virginia



Pulaski County
Board of Supervisors

Commonwealth of
Virginia

Resolution of the
Pulaski County Board of Supervisors
in Recognition and in Memory of

Dr. Bruce L. Fariss, MD

WHEREAS, the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors desires to honor the memory and legacy of Dr. Bruce L. Fariss upon his passing on September 12, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Fariss had a distinguished career practicing medicine for fifty -nine years beginning in 1961 in the Army, and upon his military retirement in 1984 to completion of his private practice in Dublin, VA specializing in Endocrinology and Metabolism until February of 2020; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Fariss quickly achieved the status of Colonel in the U.S. Army and Medical Commander for the duration of his military career and is known throughout the medical profession for his extensive research and medical discoveries that are still applied throughout medicine; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Fariss enjoyed public service, where he served as a member of both the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission for sixteen years, as well as served on numerous boards and committees where he was responsible for spearheading efforts such as the development of parks, new programming and the paving of rural roadways throughout Pulaski County; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Fariss spent countless hours helping his son grow Iron Heart Winery in Pulaski County, spent time gardening, enjoying time with family, writing several books and helped shape the people and world around him in a positive way.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors does hereby posthumously express its sincere appreciation to Dr. Bruce L. Fariss for his dedication, commitment and leadership to the citizens of Pulaski County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the text of this resolution be forever captured in the meeting minutes of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors, this 22nd day of February, 2021, in permanent testimony of the Board's appreciation and in honor to the memory of a former County leader - Dr. Bruce L. Fariss, MD.

Supervisors hear report on WWI and WWII Commemoration effort

Anthony Akers, Assistant County Administrator, and member of the Pulaski County World War I & World War II Commemoration Committee updated the Board of Supervisors during its meeting Monday night on the Committee's events, and provided recognition to the Board members for their support of the Committee's efforts.

Included in his presentation was a letter to the board from the committee. The letter is below:

The Pulaski County WWI and WWII Commemoration Committee would sincerely like to thank the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors for their support of the Committee's efforts to commemorate the 100th anniversary of World War I and the 75th anniversary of World War II.

From 2016 through 2020, the Pulaski County Commemoration Committee had the utmost honor of planning, developing and carrying out programs and activities to memorialize the anniversaries of both wars.

Over those four years, the committee honored 27 World War II veterans by presenting them with gift bags, which included a flag that was flown over the US Capitol, a framed copy of the resolution honoring local WWII Veterans approved by the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors, a special edition book about WWII and a Pulaski County lapel pin.

In addition, the committee hosted events, including traveling museums and wartime document digitization, all with the help of town and county approval. Each person involved helped to shine a spotlight on the most important part of these wars: the men and women who served.

Sincerely, Sharon Hardy- Chairperson
Committee Members- Nancy Burchett, Anthony Akers,
Melinda Worrell,
Jim Bell, Al Davis, Carol Smith, Mary Catherine Stout

<u>PULASKI COUNTY WW II VETERANS</u>		
1) Ewell Jackson Akers (Deceased-January 13, 2021)	<u>US Army</u>	13) Raymond Harrison Riggs <u>US Army</u>
2) Eugene Ray Coltrane (Deceased-January 15, 2020)	<u>US Navy</u>	14) Harry Linwood Surface <u>US Army</u>
3) Stanley William Frost (Deceased-June 6, 2019)	<u>US Army</u>	15) Ronald Gleason Vaughan (Deceased-November 26, 2020) <u>Army Air Forces</u>
4) Allen Graham Powers (Deceased February 4, 2021)	<u>US Army</u>	16) Dorman Lemuel Williams (Deceased-January 20, 2021) <u>US Navy</u>
5) Thomas Guy Powers (Deceased-January 15, 2020)	<u>US Army</u>	17) Thomas Tilley (Deceased September 21, 2019) <u>Army Air Corp</u>
6) Claude Finley Yelton (Deceased-February 28, 2020)	<u>US Navy</u>	18) James Paul Ratcliffe (Deceased-March 19, 2018) <u>US Army</u>
7) May Elkins Howard (Deceased-September 21, 2019) <u>Royal Women's Auxiliary Air Force</u>		19) Alfonso Walker <u>US Army</u>
8) Olivia DeSaBaugh Clark <u>Air Force, US Army, Civil Air Patrol</u>		20) Kirby Phillips (Deceased-April 2, 2020) <u>US Navy</u>
9) Carson Luther Compton (Deceased-December 16, 2020) <u>US Army</u>		21) Andrew Szerokman (Deceased-January 7, 2019) <u>US Army</u>
10) Fred Ersal Hendrick (Deceased-December 3, 2017) <u>US Army</u>		22) Willie Linville <u>US Navy</u>
11) Kermit Allison Jackson (Deceased-February 4, 2017) <u>US Navy</u>		23) Robert Lamp (Deceased-February 16, 2020) <u>Air Corp, Civil Air Patrol</u>
12) George Lee Rash (Deceased-August 14, 2019) <u>US Army</u>		24) Dennis Turman <u>US Navy</u>
		25) Willard Akers <u>US Navy</u>
		26) Claude Newman (Deceased December 18, 2016) <u>US Army</u>
		27) William Dalton (Deceased July 4, 2016) <u>US Navy</u>

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