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School board, council and supervisors meet Monday

By **MIKE WILLIAMS**
The Patriot

The Pulaski County School Board, Pulaski Town Council and the county's Board of Supervisors will all hold meetings on Monday (June 28).

The school board will be meeting at 5 p.m. in the auditorium of Pulaski County Middle School.

On the agenda is an explanation and public hearing on Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds. These funds can be used for key elements of education offerings, including education technology and addressing learning loss.

Action items listed on the agenda as of Thursday include:

Amendment to the superintendent's contract.

Awarding the bid for the Dublin Elementary Dishroom renovation.

Awarding the bid for the school system's Operations Building.

A resolution on the Pulaski Middle School property.

Information items include Virginia School Board Association policy updates and the much-anticipated transgender policy, followed by recognition of citizens.

While the transgender policy will be presented Monday, a vote on the policy will not occur until the board's August meeting.

The school board agenda often is updated the afternoon prior to a meeting, so watch for updates and backup material by visiting the

school system's website at www.pcvva.us and click on the "Board" tab to find BoardDocs.

Town council will meet in an executive session with legal counsel concerning a contractual matter. The meeting begins at 6 p.m.

The supervisors will hold their usual monthly meeting on Monday – the fourth Monday of the month – as is traditional for the board.

The agenda for that meeting had not been posted on the board's BoardDocs platform at this writing.

Watch for the agenda at www.pulaskicounty.org and click on the "BoardDocs" tab at the top.

Adaire Theatre kick-starting 2021 season with summer camps

By **NEESEY PAYNE**
For Adair Theatre

You've seen it and experienced it. The pandemic put a lot of things in a pickle, including the arts. Adaire Theatre, just like all businesses, felt the effects but with COVID restrictions lifted, Adaire Theatre is excited to once again connect the community with live theatre. And they're kicking their new season off with two summer camps for kids.

Keith McCoy, associate artistic director, said last year Adaire Theatre had to shift its summer camps online. But with that, Adaire Theatre made the most out of the situation and was able to offer three camp sessions instead of one.

This year, the camp sessions will return to in-person, are two weeks long, and will end with a performance for everyone to come out and see.

"I think it's important that when our campers perform, the whole community gets a chance to see the talent that's right in their hometown," Payne, producing artistic director, said.

The first camp session is July

5 – 16. Students will be learning the music and choreography to perform "Moana JR," based off the 2016 Disney movie. "Moana" is about a girl who sails across the Pacific Ocean to save her village and learn about her heritage.

"This is a great show because it puts an emphasis on being brave and courageous, which are things we want to instill in our students," Payne said.

The second camp is July 19 – 30. In this camp, students will be preparing to perform, "Peter Pan."

"It's such a timeless, classic story. How can you not love a good adventure with pirates, battles, and fairies? No matter how old you get, it's just one of those stories you still love," McCoy said.

The camps are for kids in second – 12th grade. The cost is \$275. They will be held at the Pulaski Elks Lodge on 8 West Main Street, Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Campers

should bring lunch with them every day, wear tennis shoes, clothes appropriate to play in, and bring a water bottle.

"For the most part, kids haven't been able to get out as much, so this will get them up and active and socializing; and let's be honest, give parents a bit of a break during the day, too," Payne said.

The "Moana JR" performance will take place Saturday, July 17, at 7 p.m.

"Peter Pan" will be performed, Saturday, July 31 at 7 p.m.

Both performances will take place at the Elks Lodge.

"There are many kids who are already signed up, but we still have room for more. We want to make sure every kid has an opportunity to shine on the stage and be a part of something that's going to be really fun," McCoy said.

To register for either camp, visit adairetheatre.org/camps.



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Youngkin, McAuliffe disagree on debate schedule, number

By TYLER ARNOLD

(The Center Square) – Virginians will elect their new governor in November, but the two main candidates are not in agreement about the schedule of the debates, nor the specific number of debates.

Democratic nominee, former Gov. Terry McAuliffe, and Republican nominee, businessman Glenn Youngkin, have only

jointly agreed to one debate so far. This debate will be at Appalachian School of Law in either August or September.

McAuliffe’s campaign has accepted four other debate invitations, which Youngkin’s campaign has not agreed to. A spokesperson for the Youngkin campaign told The Center Square they intend to schedule two more debates and are working out the details with the

McAuliffe campaign regarding dates, locations, media partners and moderators.

“Glenn Youngkin can’t wait to debate career politician Terry McAuliffe, who will have to explain his history of flip-flops and false claims,” a Youngkin spokesperson said. “Only weak incumbents like McAuliffe need to debate five times in the hopes of making up lost ground. ... Glenn Youngkin is the breath

of fresh air the Commonwealth needs to improve the quality of life for all Virginians. The debates should prove interesting and informative.”

In a statement, McAuliffe urged Youngkin to accept the five debates to which the former governor has agreed.

“From day one, my campaign has been focused on sharing my big, bold vision to build a stronger post-COVID economy and lift everyone up,” McAuliffe said. “Virginians deserve to hear directly from us about our plans for the Commonwealth, and I hope Glenn Youngkin will join me at these five debates. Virginia is facing big challenges, and we need strong, experienced leadership to continue our recovery. As Virginia’s next governor, I will create good paying jobs, address rising health care costs, and ensure every Virginia child receives a world-class education. We’ve done it before, and I know we can do it again.”

Youngkin won the Republican nomination through a convention process in May after the party opted against the primary process, which gave him a head start against McAuliffe who won the Democratic primary in June.

McAuliffe has run on his record as a former governor and has labeled himself a pro-business Democrat. Youngkin has run on his experience as a businessman and has vowed to defend constitutional rights and to



Glenn Youngkin



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Recent polls have shown a tight race with McAuliffe holding a very narrow lead.



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Buying and selling in a hot housing market

By DAVE RAMSEY

The housing market is white hot right now! Home prices are way up over last year, and 50% of homes are selling for more than the asking price—\$20,000, \$50,000, even \$100,000 more in some cases.[1] That's causing buyers everywhere to do some insane things to get the houses they want. More than half made an offer last year without seeing the house in person.[2] Many are even willing to skip a home inspection if it will get their offer accepted. In case you're wondering, both are really bad ideas.

There's nothing mysterious about a hot housing market. It's what happens when you have more buyers than homes to buy. Demand is high, but the supply is low, and that drives up prices. I've heard a lot of people say we're actually in a housing bubble. That's when demand causes

home prices to jump so high, so fast, that buyers can't keep up. Homes stop selling, flooding the market and causing prices to drop like a rock. But I don't think that's what's going on.

We have a housing shortage, fueled by a shortage in building supplies—another thing to thank COVID-19 for. With fewer new homes to choose from, buyers are looking at used homes, but not many people are selling right now. Plus, a lot of the buyers are moving to areas with a much lower cost of living, so they have the cash to make these wild offers on the homes that are available. That's the perfect combination for the feeding frenzy we're seeing now. And even though I think the frenzy will slow and prices will stabilize, I don't think home prices will drop significantly any time soon.

What Does A Hot Housing Market Mean for Sellers?

This is great news for sellers! With more motivated buyers than sellers, competition is fierce, and sellers have the advantage. You can sit back, let the offers roll in, and pick the best one. But you shouldn't make the leap to sell until you're sure you're financially and emotionally ready. If you are, the next step is to find a reputable agent and talk over your situation:

- Are you selling and buying? Sell your home before you buy. You'll likely be able to sell your home before you find a new one, but you never want risk being stuck paying two mortgages.
- Use your advantage in your favor. In a hot housing market, buyers will be more likely to accept your terms. Take advantage of it!
- A multiple-offer game plan is a must. Get on the same page with your agent on price, types of financing, and contingencies you'll accept so it's easy to pick the best



Dave Ramsey

offer.

• Higher price point homes aren't moving quite as fast. Houses valued at \$500,000 and up may take a little longer to sell, so don't get discouraged if it takes a few more showings to get offers.

What Does a Hot Housing Market Mean for Buyers?

It may be a seller's market right now. But buyers aren't completely out of luck. One thing's for sure: Buyers need a seasoned real estate pro on their side. Between crazy offers and fewer homes to choose from, this is no time for amateur hour.

Here's some advice for winning in a seller's market:

- Stick to your budget. Don't let emotion or a time crunch cause you to make bad money decisions. House fever causes 20% of first-time home buyers to go over budget.[3] This is a bad idea.
- Know what it takes to have a competitive offer. If you're buying with a mortgage, get preap-

proved—not just prequalified—for a conventional loan. I always recommend a 15-year, fixed-rate loan, where the monthly payments are no more than 25% of your take-home pay.

• Make a cash offer if you can. Cash is king, and it'll set you apart from other buyers in a good way!

• Know when to walk away. Before you blow your budget or settle for a home you don't really want, stop and let things cool off a bit. Waiting a few months may feel like an eternity, but it can be just enough time to let a hot housing market settle down.

• Be prepared for a longer search. This is especially true if you're a first-time home buyer.

Most real estate pros agree this seller's market is here to stay for a while. While home prices have exploded nationwide, every market is different, so be prepared for just about anything. Regardless, play it smart. A new home should be a blessing, not a burden—both emotionally and financially!

Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national bestselling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 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.



Nancy Kolb, President of the Woman's Club of Radford, presents a \$2000 donation for the Books for Bobcats program to Elena Weightman, secretary of both McHarg and Belle Heth Parent Student Associations. Left to right back: Lee Williams-Ratliff, Donna Sams, Betty Overdorf, Vicki Tupman, Nancy Kolb, Elena Weightman, Michelle Green. Front: Landis Graham, Silas Graham, Marco, Leo, and Luca Weightman, Kelly Linken-Hoker.

Woman's Club of Radford presents \$2,000 to Books for Bobcats

The Woman's Club of Radford presented \$2000 to the Books for Bobcats program in Radford City Schools.

This donation was in lieu of the twice yearly Reading is Fundamental (RIF) book distribution which was cancelled due to COVID restrictions.

Books for Bobcats, begun in 2020, gives children books to "build their home libraries" and encourage a love of reading.

The children choose their own books from a selection

ordered by the Literacy Team composed of the librarians and teachers at McHarg and Belle Heth Elementary Schools.

The RIF distributions at Pulaski County's Riverlawn and Snowville Elementary Schools were completed in person in the spring of 2021.

Children received two books covering both fall and spring for the 2020-2021 school year.

The Woman's Club distributes 1900 books each year through the RIF program.

RIF coordinators Betty Over-

dorf and Vicki Tupman are planning for the 2021-2022 school year.



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GERALD "JERRY" DEAN TAYLOR

Gerald "Jerry" Dean Taylor, 80, of Pulaski died early Monday morning, June 21, 2021 at his home. He was born in Grayson Co., VA on March 21, 1941 and was the son of the late James Lee Taylor and Beulah Phelps Taylor. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Emily JoAnn Taylor and by a brother, Larry Wayne Taylor. Mr. Taylor was a retired employee with Pike Electric.

Surviving are:
Wife – Zenith Taylor
Children – Lisa & Tim Edwards
Sharon & Charles Thomas
Step-Children – Lisa Perdue
Randy Sexton
Brian & Leslie Sexton
Regina & Ross Clark
Grandchildren – Jamie Taylor
Amber Shepherd (Greg)
Courtney Thomas
Great-Grandchild – Levi Corn
Step-Grandchildren – David Sexton
Kristin & Daniel Caldwell
Mason Clark
Ryan "Bubba" Clark
Brother – Bobby & Billie Ruth Taylor

Sisters – Linda Taylor
Patty & Mike Martin
Bonnie & Blaine Wright
Mother of his Daughters (Lisa & Sharon) – Betty Holder
Funeral services were held Thursday, June 24th, from the Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Craig Strain officiating and Linda Strain as the musician. Interment followed at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, Dublin, with the Grayson County VFW Post # 7726 conducting the military graveside rites.

The family would like to especially thank Medi Home Health Hospice for all of the love and care during their time of need for them and Jerry.

Arrangements by Stevens Funeral Home, Pulaski, VA.

JAMES HURST JAMES, JR.

James Hurst James, Jr., 80, of Dublin, passed away Thursday, June 17, 2021.

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



GLENNIS GERALDINE COLE CREGGER

Glennis Geraldine Cole Cregger, age 72 of Pulaski, died Monday, June 21, 2021 at her residence. She was born on January 6, 1949 in Pulaski, and was the daughter of the late Catherine Madgeline Cole and Oakley Harold Cole. She was a member of the Pulaski Church of God. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by: a daughter; Sarah Jill Cregger; brothers; Harold (Buddy) Cole, Ronnie Cole, and Gary Cole; sister; Elizabeth Spence. She worked in housekeeping at Lewis Gale Hospital – Pulaski, for 17 years.

She is survived by her former husband: Dennie Cregger of Dublin: daughters; Jessica Lavon (Jesse) Bakaitis of Dublin; and Rebecca Jane (Danny) Flinchum of Snowville. A sister: Emily Rupe and her husband Tom. Also survived by three grandchildren: Cody Flinchum, Isobel Bakaitis, and Aiden Bakaitis. Special niece: Missy Cole Mooney, also countless number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, June 24, 2021 at Seagle Funeral Home with the Pastor Jerry Collins officiating. Interment followed in Thornsprng Cemetery. The family wishes to thank the staff at Intrepid Home Health and Hospice, Amanda Quesenberry, Pastor Don Jones, and Pastor Tony Eads, for their guidance and support.

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MAURICIO ALEJANDRO SALAZAR PATINO

Mauricio Alejandro Salazar Patino, age 59, a missionary based in Belgium passed away Thursday, June 17, 2021 at the VCU Medical Center, Richmond, Virginia.

Born October 11, 1961 in Mexico, he was the son of David Vicente Salazar Mares and the late Selva Maria Patino Sokolozki. In addition to his mother, he was also preceded in death by two brothers, David Armando Salazar Patino and Manuel Vicente Salazar Patino.

He was an ordained minister with the IPHC World Missions Ministries. Mauricio, known as Pastor Mau by most, first came to know Jesus as Lord and Savior in Mexico City November 14th, 1984 at the age of 23. He immersed himself in daily bible studies and soon became a youth leader and worship leader. In 1988 he met Lulu at their local church. They both received a calling to missions through the visits of Operation Mobilization (OM) to his home church. He was asked to serve as an interpreter for visiting missionaries. Soon afterward he got involved with OM in national mission trips within Mexico. In 1989, Mauricio first ministered in Europe via the Love Europe campaign. He joined Centro de Alabanza IPHC and in October of 1990 married Lulu. The same year he became the Missions Director for the IPHC in Mexico, and started the Operation Samaria program among many other outreaches. Together with Lulu, Mauricio took teams to the indigenous tribes of Mexico. In 1993 they had their first child, Betsy. Soon after he went to study in London England at CICM and received a diploma in international missions, after which he led teams from Mexico throughout Europe. Their second child, Obed, was born in 1995. They began making plans to relocate to Europe as full-time missionaries and in 1999 they moved to Brussels, Belgium. The Salazars began working with Coffee House ministries and established two coffee shops and recorded 40,000 visits over a four-year period. During this period and through the Coffee House outreach they founded and pastored 3 churches, a Filipino church, a Russian speaking church, and a Farsi speaking church all the while assisting in leadership of an international church. In 2002 they started the Logos Bible School, training leaders from various nationalities. Many people came to Christ and

several churches were planted out of this ministry, 15 of which remain. They made the IPHC an officially registered organization with the Belgian government in 2007. Mauricio was especially proud of the fact that both of his children were very active in every aspect of their ministry all these years. In 2016 they served in evangelism and church planting both in Paris and in the South of France. In the last 9 months Mauricio and Lulu returned to Belgium where they were based in Antwerp, serving in pastoral ministry, discipling new believers, teaching Bible School classes and reaching out to people trapped in the sex trade industry. Until this sudden fatal illness, Mauricio was actively preparing to return to the mission field. Now, the work of evangelism, leadership training and church-planting will continue through Mauricio's disciples and the mission work of Lulu.

"...though he died he still speaks." (Hebrews 11:4b)

He is survived by

His wife- Maria de Lourdes Romero Lemus- Mexico City, Mexico

Children-

Betsabe Abigail Salazar Hope and husband, Adam Blake Hope- Oklahoma City, OK

Obed Eli Salazar Romero and wife, Mariah Gene Salazar- Oklahoma City, OK

Grandson- Everett Leander Salazar

Father- David Vicente Salazar Mares – Queretaro, Mexico

Sisters-

Paola Salazar Cuevas- Mexico

Fabiola Salazar Cuevas-Mexico

Funeral service was held Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at the Family Worship Center, 955 Memorial Drive, Pulaski, Virginia 24301 with Rev. Harold Presley officiating. Burial followed in the Appalachian Conference Cemetery, Dublin.

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

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

AGNES LOUISE ARNOLD HURST

Agnes Louise Arnold Hurst, 95 of 313 Galway Ave., Dublin, VA died Tuesday evening, June 22, 2021 in the LewisGale Hospital Pulaski. She was born in Wythe Co., VA on September 8, 1925 and was the daughter of the late John Gordon Arnold and Lulu Jane Eversole Arnold. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Roy L. Hurst (December 2, 2004) and by siblings, Raymond, Warren, Bill, Dorothy, Daisy and Mary.

She was a very active member of the Dublin Church of God and she served the Lord by helping others to Sunday school class at Highland Ridge Rehab Center. Mrs. Hurst was a retired seamstress.

Surviving are:

Sons – Gordon Hurst, Hiwassee

David Hurst, Pulaski County
Gene & Kim Hurst, Pulaski County

Daughters – Marie & Ralph Duncan, Lowell, NC

Sherry Perdue, Roanoke, VA

7 Grandchildren

6 Great-Grandchildren

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 25th at 12:00 Noon from the Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Danny McGlothlin officiating. Burial will follow in Highland Memory Gardens, Dublin. Visitation will be Friday at the funeral home where the family will receive friends from 11:00 AM until the service hour.

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Two views of the outside of the former Claremont Elementary School in Pulaski. (Photo credit: Heather Fearnbach, 2020)

Claremont Elementary added to Virginia Landmarks Register

It was announced this week that Claremont Elementary School has been added to the Virginia Landmarks Register.

Pulaski County constructed the two-story brick Claremont Elementary School in 1952, with additions in 1953, to alleviate overcrowding in its elementary schools in conjunction with the county Board of Education’s 1950s campus improvement campaign.

Exemplifying the Virginia Department of Education’s initiative to support mid-20th century progressive trends and supply students with spacious, well-ventilated, and amply lit instructional areas, the school is one of the county’s most intact 1950s educational buildings.

Designed by the Roanoke-based firm Smithey and Boynton, the building’s Modernist characteristics

include a flat-roofed, angular form, horizontal massing, and tall, steel-frame, multi-pane windows. Resilient interior finishes such as concrete-block and plaster walls, beige-glazed ceramic tile wainscot, plaster ceilings, and terrazzo and ceramic tile floors remain intact.

The classrooms, special activities room, and library accommodated changing educational curricula and increased enrollment. The 8.29-acre campus served Pulaski’s elementary-grade students and residents as a community center until the spring of 2004.

Currently the campus retains the look and feel of its original setting, although renovations undertaken around 2007 temporarily diminished the building’s character.

Va. will give higher education assistance to illegal immigrants

BY TYLER ARNOLD

(The Center Square) – Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam held a ceremonial bill signing on legislation that provides financial assistance for higher education to students who are in the country illegally.

House Bill 2123/Senate Bill 1387 will allow students who are in the state illegally to access education benefits equal to residents of the commonwealth, including in-state tuition and financial assistance programs the state provides for public and private colleges and universities.

“Until last year, undocumented students had to pay out-of-state tuition rates,” Northam said Monday during the ceremony at Marymount University. “We’re all proud to have changed that. Lowering the cost barriers for children who have grown up in our schools. And now it’s time to give those students the opportunity to get help in paying for their education.”

Del. Alfonso Lopez, D-Arlington, who sponsored the House version of the bill, said it will benefit communities by giving all students equal access to higher education.

The legislation narrowly passed the General Assembly with support from Democratic leadership and opposition from Republican leadership. The Center for Immigration Studies, a group that advocates lower immigration numbers and enforcement of immigration laws, criticized the governor for signing the legislation.

“Being an illegal immigrant is supposed to be hard ... and [it should be] unappealing to stay illegally,” CIS Executive Director Mark Krikorian told The Center Square.

Krikorian said many of these students are in a tough spot be-

cause some were brought into the country illegally by their parents as minors. However, he said giving them taxpayer-funded financial support legitimizes illegal immigration and undermines the rule of law and the public’s confidence in the government.

Krikorian said higher levels of illegal immigration creates more job competition for people who are citizens of the country and requires more taxpayer resources to be used for public institutions, especially when they are low-skilled immigrants.

The legislation is effective Aug. 1, 2022.

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Virginia marijuana, gaming, overtime, ballot laws take effect on July 1

By TYLER ARNOLD

(The Center Square) – Several pieces of Virginia legislation will be in effect on July 1, which include the legalization of the possession of marijuana, a ban on skill game gambling, new overtime requirements and the loosening of absentee ballot laws.

Beginning next Thursday, it will be fully legal for a person to possess up to an ounce of marijuana and to smoke it or use the product in other ways. Growing marijuana plants will also be legal but limited to four per household. It will be permitted to share up to an ounce of marijuana, but it will be illegal to sell marijuana or receive any payment for providing marijuana to another person.

Possessing more than one ounce of marijuana but not more than a pound of marijuana could get someone a \$25 civil penalty. However, possessing more than one pound would subject the person to a felony charge.

Commercial cultivation, transport, and sale of the product are set to become legal in 2024 to allow the commonwealth time to establish regulations and licenses. Local governments will be allowed to opt out of marijuana sales within their jurisdiction via an ordinance but cannot prohibit the use and possession of marijuana.

Some laws will affect businesses.

Skilled gaming machines are set to be illegal on July 1. These machines, which are often used at restaurants, truck stops, convenience stores and other small businesses operated in a legal gray area for decades, but lawmakers opted to ban them after legalizing casinos in select areas. The legislation faces a legal challenge, with the plaintiffs seeking an injunction to prohibit the state

from enforcing the ban until after the case is settled.

Legislation that prohibits discrimination based on disability will also go into effect. A change to overtime laws will require that businesses pay the same overtime benefits to salaried employees that they do to hourly employees. A law will go into effect to require employers to pay sick leave for home healthcare workers whose services include those who receive Medicaid benefits. This bill will only affect those who work at least 20 hours per week or 90 hours per month.

Bills that affect absentee voting will also go into effect in July, four months before the state holds its elections for governor, the House of Delegates and some local races. One bill allows local governments to provide early voting opportunities on Sundays but will not require it. Another measure ends the requirement that a witness signs onto an absentee ballot during a public health emergency. The state of emergency for COVID-19, however, is set to expire on June 30.

Two laws that affect cycling in Virginia will also go into effect: one bill requires vehicles to switch lanes when passing bicycles if the car cannot maintain three feet of space from the cyclist. The other allows cyclists to ride side-by-side with two people in one lane.

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However you define it, Barbara Stafford was a true public servant. She passed away on June 16, but she lived a life of service to Virginia.

Since 2011, Barbara worked as a constituent services representative in my Christiansburg office. In that role, she helped residents of the Ninth District resolve problems and complaints they had with Federal agencies.

These agencies often operate in an arcane, inscrutable fashion, but the consequences of their work can have a significant impact in the lives of average citizens. Finding paperwork misplaced by an agency may lead to the approval of benefits a person depends on, for example.

Fixing these issues can be a drawn-out and frustrating task, but Barbara pursued these cases on behalf of Ninth District constituents with the servant's heart that characterized her life. In fact, after she had fought and won a battle with cancer, she wanted to come back into the office when it reopened during the COVID-19 pandemic. She was still working on June 1, when I had discussions with her at our Christiansburg office. Unfortunately, she was hospitalized shortly thereafter.

Her efforts in my office for the people of Southwest Virginia constituted only one chapter of a life spent in public service.

Barbara came from a family with a legacy of activity in Giles County public life. Her late father, Howard Morris, served as chairman of the Giles County Board of Supervisors and also served on many boards and commissions.

Her late husband, Jeff Stafford, was elected to ten terms in the Virginia House of Delegates. After his untimely death in 1990, Barbara was elected to serve the remainder of his term. Now a single mother to Christopher, Elizabeth, and Mary, she did that job and later served Pearisburg on the Town Council and as Mayor.

Pearisburg's current Mayor, Robert Dickerson, had the following to say:

It is with high honor and privilege that I express a few words about Barbara Stafford. We were fellow classmates graduating from Giles High School. I had the privilege of serving with Barbara while she was Mayor of the Town of Pearisburg, Virginia. She was influential in my decision to run for Council and Mayor. Barbara loved the Town of Pearisburg, working tirelessly to improve it.

Even in her illness, she exemplified strength, courage, and perseverance. She was a woman of faith and integrity, which I witnessed through my interactions with her. She will be truly missed by her loved ones, friends, and neighbors, and the people she came in contact with daily. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during their time of bereavement.

Additionally, she held the role of executive director of the Giles County Chamber of Commerce. She belonged to the Daughters of the American Revolution and the American League Auxiliary. Barbara taught Sunday school and led a Girl Scout Troop.

Barbara was one of a kind, but she also represented something familiar to anyone who has experienced small town life. It often depends on the women and men who take on multiple roles, work with various organizations and causes, and act continuously to bring people together for the purposes which constitute our civic life. They take up these tasks without expecting much in return beside knowing they helped create a community fit for raising one's children and enjoying one's life.

We could not do without them. For many in the Ninth District, and especially in the New River Valley, Barbara Stafford was just such a lady.

She adored her three children Christopher, Elizabeth, and Mary, who survive her as well as her beloved sisters Rhonda, Linda, and Heather. Barbara Stafford will be sorely missed by the community that she loved and the community that loved her.

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. Also on my website is the latest material from my office, including information on votes recently taken on the floor of the House of Representatives.



Morgan Griffith
9th District Representative

Pleasant Surprise

School is out, summer is officially here and so are the visitors who have come to enjoy all the amazing things Pulaski County has to offer.

With the return of Calfee baseball, the weather perfect for lake and river recreation, our many trails offering a canopy of shade as we walk, hike or bike to some of the most beautiful views in the New River Valley, the Speedway hosting Rusty Wallace racing, and a community full of welcoming people, it is no wonder tourism is growing in Pulaski County and becoming a meaningful part of our local economy and vital to many of our small businesses and service sector.

Tourism dollars, both local and visiting, are becoming more competitive to attain with many communities looking to strategically cater to the pent-up demand brought about by COVID-19 and the disposable income many Americans have because of two seasons of unspent vacation budgets.

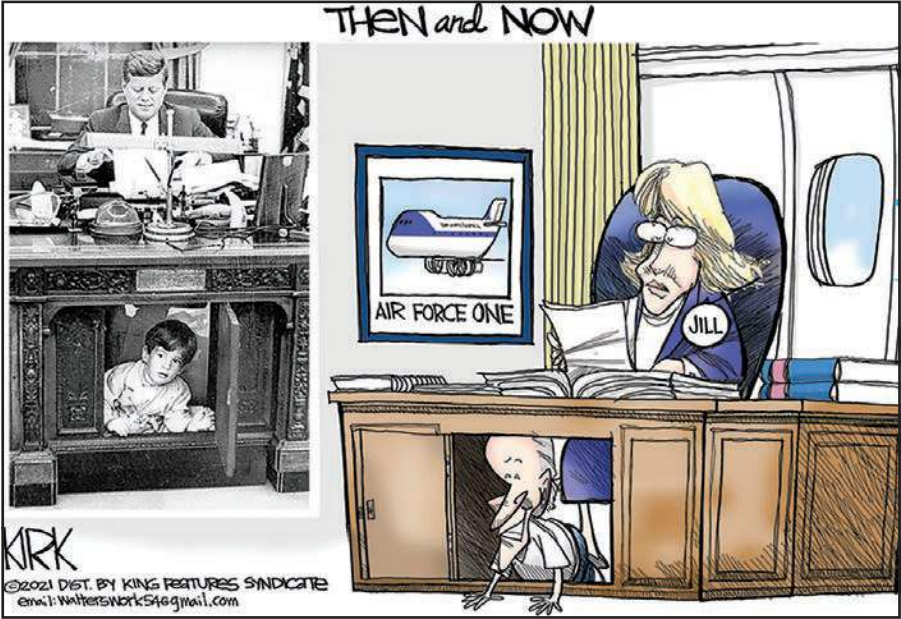


Patriot's Post
Jonathan Sweet
Pulaski Co. Administrator

So how do we as Pulaski County as a whole, and the businesses that makes up our tourism industry, differentiate ourselves and make Pulaski County the pre-eminent outdoor recreation and travel destination? Well, I just so happen to have the answer to that question.

I recently took part in a training seminar, "Delivering an Experience through Service Excellence," with Dr.

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Why not call it Ferris Bueller's day off?

By CAL THOMAS
Tribune Content Agency

A New Jersey school district has voted to eliminate "the names of all religious and secular holidays from the school calendar ... opting for the more generic description 'Day Off.'" You can guess the reason. They used those increasingly popular words -- "inclusive" and "equitable."

No more Christmas, Hanukkah, Memorial Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, or even Indigenous Peoples Day (formerly known as Columbus Day). Maybe they should keep April Fools' Day because that accurately reflects their decision. Or, since they have chosen "Day Off," they could name them after the film character Ferris Bueller.

New Jersey State Senator Anthony M. Bucco tells me: "We're getting to a point where it's becoming acceptable to sanitize American history and our shared, diverse culture to please a small politically correct minority. Americans should stand up to this nonsense when it comes to their communities and fight back."

In Fairfax County, Virginia, the country's 10th largest school district, school board member Abrar Omeish was invited to deliver the commencement address to Justice High School, formerly known as J.E.B. Stuart High School. The name was changed as part of the continuing effort to eradicate anything related to slavery and the Confederacy. J.E.B. Stuart was an officer in the Confederate Army.

Omeish was a co-chair of Bernie Sanders' presidential campaign in Virginia. She is also a spokeswoman for the group "No Muslim Ban Ever."

Before her speech, RedState.com reports, a student recited the Pledge of Allegiance, but not the one we are used to: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. And to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under Allah, indivisible, and with liberty and justice for all."

Under Allah?

Omeish said the U.S. was guilty of stealing land from Native Americans. She also denounced "extreme capitalism, individualism and white supremacy." She has previously made remarks The Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Washington has said "target and marginalize Jewish students and their families."

These and other incidents and decisions made by school boards across the country have raised the ire of many parents. Some have shown up at public board meetings, denouncing members. Others are engaged in recall efforts. The question is whether any of their replacements will be better than the current ones and would they also give in to pressure from various groups that want to "fundamentally transform America," as former president Obama pledged to do?

This summer offers a unique opportunity for parents and their children. After more than a year of distance learning that has left some students behind, especially those in marginalized communities, now is an excellent time to rethink our entire education system. Public education, established three centuries ago with values that are in sharp contrast to what is taught today, has long exceeded its expiration date.

Parents should take advantage of school choice in states that allow them to choose the schools -- public, private, religious, or home school -- which best teach subjects that matter and at a minimum do not undermine the country, its history (good and bad), their faith and societal values.

The pandemic has allowed many parents to see the contrast between what many public schools have become -- "missions" for a far-left and secular agenda -- and what they were taught as students in an altogether different country.

Whatever school board changes might occur, parents have it in their hands to make a lasting difference by depriving the system of raw material -- their children -- who in many cases are being indoctrinated with secular progressive ideas. President Biden wants to begin molding young minds even earlier. He has proposed free pre-K classes.

An admonition by the late first lady Barbara Bush seems even more important today: "Your success as a family ... our success as a nation ... depends not on what happens inside the White House, but on what happens inside your house."

And in schools.

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



Rich Lowery
Editor, National Review

China Leapfrogs U.S. on Defense Spending

Joe Biden isn't known for his austerity, except when it comes to the nation's defense.

As part of his welcome emphasis on competition with China, the president cajoled reluctant European countries at the G-7 summit into releasing a statement critical of China, on top of the announcement of an infrastructure program meant to counter China's Belt and Road Initiative.

That's all fine as far as it goes, but a glaring omission from Biden's campaign is a defense budget that reflects the growing challenge from Beijing.

Indeed, Biden justifies almost any increased domestic spending as designed to check China's ambitions, at the same time he neglects what is most needful to keep China from dominating its region and waging war on our allies or perhaps the U.S. itself.

If we can deter China from taking Taiwan with subsidies for electric cars, Biden is inarguably the Churchill of his time.

If we can counter China's defense buildup with more funding for affordable housing, Biden deserves to take his place beside Alfred Thayer Mahan or George Kennan as great strategic thinkers.

Otherwise, his approach is lacking, and disturbingly so.

Biden's infrastructure plan, a sprawling proposal that would spend \$2.3 trillion on everything from roads and bridges to affordable housing and elder care, is about the "global competition with China," the president insists.

By Biden's way of thinking, whatever progressives have wanted to do for years is suddenly a priority in the new Cold War. The left-wing "explainer" website Vox now claims, "Improving domestic infrastructure and investing in new and emerging technologies, especially clean energy technology, is the best way the U.S. can challenge China for supremacy on the world stage." The publication quoted a Democratic congressional aide, "The best way to enact a progressive agenda is to use China [as a] threat."

There are indeed areas of advanced technology that we need to invest in, especially semi-conductors and artificial intelligence (a \$250 billion Senate bill passed last week is an imperfect step in this direction), but it's not true that we can simply windmill our way to victory over China.

Although you might miss it listening to Biden, there are threats from China that don't involve infrastructure spending or clean energy initiatives.

China has been growing its annual defense spending by more than 6% a year.

It has now surpassed the U.S. and technically has the largest navy in the world.

It is on pace to double its nuclear weapons over the next decade.

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Leadership change at NRV Disability Resource Center

The New River Valley Disability Resource Center (NRV DRC) will have a new Executive Director effective July 1. Barbara Clark, who is currently serving as the NRV DRC Independent Living Coordinator, will be stepping into the role of Executive Director as Frank Hayes retires on June 30. This change follows another recent announcement with the NRV DRC relocating to Radford in May.

“After a nation-wide search for the next Executive Director, Barbara Clark was chosen for her extensive knowledge about, and passion for, the consumer-driven, life-improvement-focused work at which the NRV DRC excels,” noted Crystal Hypes, current Chair of the NRV DRC Board of Directors. “With the launch of our new strategic plan and Ms. Clark at the reins, the NRV DRC is sure to make an even greater impact in the community than is currently felt.”

Clark has been with the NRV DRC since 2016 when she worked

as the organization’s Community Advocate. A year later, in December 2017, she was named Independent Living Coordinator.

She has nearly 25 years of experience in roles supporting people with disabilities and other vulnerable populations. Past positions prior to those at the NRV DRC include two years as the Great Expectations Coach for the Office of Transitional Programs at the New River Community College and four years as the Assistant Coordinator for the Disability Resource Center at Radford University.

The NRV DRC has been operating as this area’s Center for Independent Living (CIL) since 2015. The five-person office has sustained delivery of services throughout the pandemic and will continue with best practices as needed due to the known vulnerabilities of their consumer base, according to guidelines from the National Council on Independent Living.

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It has flown hundreds of sorties near Taiwan this year, and a top U.S. admiral warns that it could invade in the next six years.

Given all that, one might expect the openhanded Biden to invest substantially in a stronger, more advanced U.S. military, but his profligacy doesn’t extend so far. He increased defense budget spending by about 2%, which won’t even keep up with inflation.

This doesn’t come close to what we realistically need. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Mark Milley said at a U.S. Naval Institute event late last year, “We’re going to have to have a much larger fleet than we have today, if we’re serious about great power competition and deterring great power war.” He

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Vincent Magnini, a well-known author and one of the top 12 most prolific hospitality researchers worldwide.

The two-hour enlightenment was so enriching and there were many nuggets that I gleaned and am putting to good use, but my column is not long enough to discuss them all, so we are going to focus on just one the most impactful take-a-ways that can begin to transform Pulaski County’s tourism cache overnight.

It is simple, the goal is to create what he calls a ‘Surprise Culture.’

Studies have shown that the most memorable elements of a trip are when we are surprised. Surprises activate different parts of our brains and most everyone enjoys a pleasant and positive surprise, no matter how large or small. It is in these pleasant surprises that we tend to reflect on and share by word of mouth with our friends and family, and point to the most when providing feedback on a travel experience.

Pleasant and positive surprises come in all shapes and forms. Whether it is an entire community waving to someone as they drive across town, a cold sweet tea waiting on them

called for a 3-5% increase in the budget every year but didn’t think that was plausible because of fiscal constraints (little did he know, the \$6 trillion blowout to come in every other area of the budget).

We should be spending more on defense, and spending differently. With an eye to deterring conflict with China, we need to recalibrate in a serious way to focus on advanced technologies and weapons systems for the Navy and Air Force, and in space. Hypersonics, directed energy, and control of the electromagnetic spectrum should be particular priorities.

Biden has no excuse for not pursuing this. It’s not as though he can say we can’t afford it.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



LewisGale Hospital Montgomery photo

LewisGale’s new cardiac cath lab at Montgomery County hospital.

LewisGale Montgomery expands cardiac services with new Cardiac Cath Lab

LewisGale Hospital Montgomery announced today the opening of its newly renovated, state-of-the-art Cardiac Catheterization Lab during a ribbon cutting ceremony. The new Cardiac Catheterization Lab is part of nearly \$35 million in capital improvements the hospital has invested to enhance the delivery of cardiovascular services, advanced medical equipment, new patient safety, and quality efforts.

The renovated Cardiac Catheterization Lab, which includes upgraded echocardiogram technology for cardiac imaging, will provide advanced system applications that enhance patient care, make complex procedures safer and simpler, and provide physicians with advanced technology to perform a comprehensive range of diagnostic and interventional procedures.

“The renovation of our Cardiac Catheterization Lab reflects

our commitment to provide the highest-level cardiac care in the New River Valley,” said Alan Fabian, chief executive officer. “The improvements we are making at LewisGale Hospital Montgomery are investments into the health of the patients and communities we serve.”

LewisGale Hospital Montgomery serves the cardiovascular needs of patients, stretching from West Virginia, through the

New River Valley, to the Tennessee and North Carolina borders. The LewisGale Hospital Montgomery cardiology team performs elective and 24/7/365 emergent percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), with door-to-balloon times well under the national average.

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Riverlawn Award Winners

Congratulations to the following Employees and Teachers at Riverlawn Elementary School. Susan Wirt was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2019-2020 school Year. Lori King was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year. Darlene Dalton was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2019-20 school year. Sharon Burchett was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2020-21 school year. We are proud to recognize each of these employees. Thanks for all that you do for the students, faculty, and staff at Riverlawn Elementary School.



Pulaski Elementary Award Winners

Congratulations to the following Employees and Teachers at Pulaski Elementary School. Randee Chrisley was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2019-2020 school Year. Teresa Brookman was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year. Marsha Pack was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2019-20 school year. Morgan Dowdy was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2020-21 school year. We are proud to recognize each of these employees. Thanks for all that you do for the students, faculty, and staff at Pulaski Elementary School.

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July 1

American Legion to meet in Radford

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July 13

Sons of Confederate Veterans

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Tuesday, July 13, 7pm at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant on 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to attend. There will be a discussion on the 50th Virginia Infantry Regiment. For further information, please call 320-4315 or 239-9864.

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Pulaski County High School Award Winners

Congratulations to the following Employees and Teachers at Pulaski County High School. Kirsten Hayes was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2019-2020 school Year. Ashley Koelling was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year. Lori Phillips was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2019-20 school year. Carmen Price was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2020-21 school year. We are proud to recognize each of these employees. Thanks for all that you do for the students, faculty, and staff at Pulaski County High School.



Dublin Elementary Award Winners

Congratulations to the following Employees and Teachers at Dublin Elementary. Laurie Sexton was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2019-2020 school Year. April Moore was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year. Leigh Ann Owen was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2019-20 school year. Ashlan Akers was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2020-21 school year. We are proud to recognize each of these employees. Thanks for all that you do for the students, faculty, and staff at Dublin Elementary School.



SkillsUSA Award Winners

From left to right - Krystal Mattson 2nd place winner in Spelling and newly elected SkillsUSA State Officer, Makaylyn Alley - 1st place winner in SkillsUSA Cosmetology and 2020-21 State Vice President, and Kaitlyn Hancock - honorable mention in SkillsUSA State Fantasy manikin competition.

On April 19, 2021 Kaitlyn Hancock, a senior, competed in the Fantasy manikin competition where students use their creative design to create an upstyle using any theme of choice incorporated into the hair design. After one hour to complete this, each contestant was judged and winners were determined. Kaitlyn received an honorable mention for her design using a mermaid theme.

On April 26, 2021 Krystal Mattson, a junior, competed in the leadership contest Spelling and placed 2nd in the state. Krystal was also elected as a 2021-2022 Virginia SkillsUSA State Officer. She along with the other elected officers will attend virtual training during the SkillsUSA National conference as well as in person training with her team over the summer and will then be placed in an officer position where she will represent her school, district, and state during her tenure in the upcoming school year.

On April 26, 2021 Makaylyn Alley, a senior and the current Virginia SkillsUSA State Vice President competed in the Virginia SkillsUSA Cosmetology contest and WON 1st place! Makaylyn is now preparing to compete on the national level during the week of June 14-18, 2021. This is the first time Pulaski CTE Cosmetology has had a contestant in the Cosmetology contest on the national level!

Makaylyn is being sponsored by three of the leading Cosmetology related suppliers in the nation - Burmax, Marianna, and Pivot Point. This year's competitions were like no other as planning and preparing was turned upside down by COVID but all prevailed and all contests were virtual. Makaylyn now moves on to virtual nationals which would have been in person this year in Atlanta, Georgia but will occur in the PCHS CTE Cosmetology salon. To say that we are proud of each of these students is an understatement as they have learned to navigate in our world as we know it with a pandemi! It has been exciting and rewarding. We hope to continue to make our school, district, state and nation proud.

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Congratulations to the following Employees and Teachers at Critzer Elementary School. Rhodora Compton was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2019-2020 school Year. Tracie Hall was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year. Tonya Quesenberry was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2019-20 school year. Keyana Chappelle was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2020-21 school year. We are proud to recognize each of these employees. Thanks for all that you do for the students, faculty, and staff at Critzer Elementary School.



PCHS CTE Award Winners

Congratulations to the following Employees and Teachers at Pulaski County High School-CTE Department. Toni Bowman was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2019-2020 school Year. Christy Underwood was recognized as the Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year. Clyde Prim was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2019-20 school year. Robin Dunavant was recognized as Employee of the Year for the 2020-21 school year. We are proud to recognize each of these employees. Thanks for all that you do for the students, faculty, and staff at Pulaski County High School-CTE Department.

Kyle Coleman named to JMU dean's list

HARRISONBURG -- Draper resident, Kyle Coleman, has been named to the Dean's List at James Madison University for the spring 2021 semester. Students who earn dean's list honors must carry at least 12 graded credit hours and earn a GPA of between 3.5 and 3.899. Coleman is majoring in theatre.

Established in 1908, James Madison University is a community of 22,000 students and 4,000 faculty and staff, nestled in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. JMU offers 124 degree programs at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels, keeps classes small with a 16:1 student-to-faculty ratio and has the highest six-year graduation rate among its peer institutions at 84%.

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AP: US military guns lost, stolen from Virginia bases

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — Military weapons including pistols and a medium machine gun have been lost or stolen from bases in Virginia.

An Associated Press investigation into firearms missing from the U.S. armed services shows at least 19 guns disappeared or were recovered in Virginia between 2010 and 2019.

Locations included two Navy destroyers in Norfolk and an installation in Arlington.

A former Navy sonar technician was a suspect when the USS Laboon reported a missing machine gun in 2011, according to Naval Criminal Investigative Service files obtained by AP, but investigators lacked evidence. NCIS reopened the case in 2013 after a tip, searching the former technician's home and finding four Navy computers -- but no weapons. The case was closed without prosecution.

In a 2013 case, a Navy member said he took two shotguns associated with the USS Ramage and pawned them for \$400, according to NCIS investigative files. They were recovered.

Someone took a pistol from a shipment to the Marine Corps Exchange on Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall in 2016. A box of six pistols sat on an unsecured loading dock for two days, when a supervisor found only five remained, according to the NCIS case file.

The weapons are among at least 1,900 U.S. military firearms that AP learned were unaccounted for during the last decade.

Intended for war, some guns ended up on America's streets. Army pistols, for example, were used in violent crimes including shootings and robbery.

Military officials say missing firearms are a tiny fraction of their stockpile.

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Monroeville, N.J. native Kevin Eaise, of the University of Pennsylvania winds up and throws to home during action Wednesday at Calfee Park. The River Turtles won their third straight game, beating Danville, 9-2. The win moved the River Turtles into second place in the East Division of the Appalachian League. After starting the season winless for the first several games, Pulaski now has a 9-8

record, four and a half games out of first behind Princeton. Eaise got the win for the River Turtles on Wednesday, going 5 innings, giving up 8 hits, but only 2 runs. Pulaski finishes a two-game set with Kingsport tonight and hits the road for a big two-game showdown with Princeton over the weekend.

Pulaski River Turtles win third straight

Pulaski River Turtles knocked in five runs in the sixth on its way to a 9-2 victory over Danville Otterbots on Wednesday. Pulaski River Turtles big bats were led by Ryan Johnson, Austin Bates, Evan Minarovic, and Conner Gore, all driving in runs in the inning.

Danville Otterbots got on the board in the second inning when Morgan Colopy grounded into a double play, scoring one run.

Pulaski River Turtles pulled away for good with three runs in the fourth inning. In the fourth Johnson doubled on a 1-2 count, scoring one run and Bates doubled on a 0-2 count, scoring two runs.

Pulaski River Turtles tallied five runs in the sixth inning. The offense onslaught came from singles by Johnson and Bates, an error on a ball put in play by Gore, and a double by Minarovic.

Kevin Eaise was credited with the victory for Pulaski River Turtles. Eaise allowed eight hits and two runs over five innings, walking one. Andrew Dye, Blake Burzell, and Caleb Pittman all put in work in relief out of the bullpen, steering their team towards the victory.

Riley Gowens took the loss for Danville Otterbots. The righty lasted four innings, allowing three hits and three runs while striking out six and walking one.

Pulaski River Turtles had eight hits in the game. Johnson and Bates all managed multiple hits for Pulaski River Turtles. Bates and Johnson each collected two hits to lead Pulaski River Turtles.

Danville Otterbots racked up nine hits on the day. Noah Bailey, Carter Sanford, Aj Fritz, and Ryan Carr each managed multiple hits for Danville Otterbots.

River Turtles Wrap-Up

Three Pitchers Work Together As Pulaski River Turtles Shuts Out Danville Otterbots

Pulaski River Turtles defeated Danville Otterbots 4-0 on Tuesday as three pitchers combined to throw a shutout. Lucas Reed induced a shutout from Chenar Brown to finish off the game.

Pulaski River Turtles put up three runs in the fourth inning. Pulaski River Turtles offense in the inning was led by Miles Smith, Evan Minarovic, and Ross Lovich, all driving in runs in the inning.

A single by Ryan Carr in the second inning was a positive for Danville Otterbots.

Ty Ruhl pitched Pulaski River Turtles to victory. The pitcher lasted six innings, allowing three hits and zero runs while striking out two. Carter Lyles and Reed entered the game out of the bullpen and helped to close out the game in relief.

Chad Coles took the loss for Danville Otterbots. The righty allowed four hits and four runs over four innings, striking out two.

Pulaski River Turtles collected eight hits. Mark Trotta, Conner Gore, and Minarovic each had multiple hits for Pulaski River Turtles. Minarovic, Gore, and Trotta each managed two hits to lead Pulaski River Turtles.

Despite Fewer Hits, Pulaski River Turtles Beats Greeneville Flyboys

Even though Greeneville Flyboys collected seven hits to Pulaski River Turtles's six, they still

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Connor Gore, an infielder for the River Turtles out of Enid, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State fires the ball to first base on a play Wednesday at Calfee Park.

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Court rules with ex-athletes in NCAA compensation case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court decided unanimously Monday that the NCAA can't enforce rules limiting education-related benefits — like computers and paid internships — that colleges offer to student-athletes, a ruling that could help push changes in how the student-athletes are compensated.

The case doesn't decide whether students can be paid salaries. Instead, the ruling will help determine whether schools decide to offer athletes tens of thousands of dollars in education benefits for things including tutoring, study abroad programs and graduate scholarships.

The high court said that NCAA limits on the education-related benefits that colleges can offer athletes who play Division I bas-

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Huge yard sale – downsizing: Friday, June 25 and Saturday, June 26 at 616 Stillwell Road, Draper. 8 a.m.-2 p.m. NO EARLY BIRDS! New Roku and Alexa. Two new women's bicycle seats. Lots of great stuff and great prices.

Yard Sale: Saturday, June 26, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 1015 Olivia Lane, Macgill Village, Pulaski.

Good Stuff Garage Sale: 5313 Cougar Circle Road, Mt. View Acres on Saturday, June 26 from 8 a.m. to ? Lots of Bath and Body, Longaberger personal care items, new with tags clothing and shoes, candles and much more.

Big Yard Sale: Friday, June 25 and Saturday, June 26 at Carriage Hill Apartments in Pulaski. Brand new Carhart men's jacket, men's jeans, lots of nice girls clothes, household items, two stereos, lots of nice little boys clothes sizes 0 – 4T, fishing supplies and DVD movies for \$1 each.

Garage Sale: Friday, July 2 (8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.) and Saturday, July 3 (9 a.m.-1 p.m.) at 3340 Virginia Heights Drive in Pulaski. Comforter sets, curtains, kitchen items, clothes (some new), recliner, coffee table, counter tops with and without sinks, chain saws, large variety of items – too much to list.

Yard Sale: Friday, July 2 and Saturday, July 3 at 2885 Old Route 100 Road, towards Draper. (On right past old Red Carpet Inn). Lots of good things. Call 357-1248 if interested in advance look at items. Putting sale items out on Thursday. Cancel if rain and will re-schedule. Neighbor across road also holding sale.

Yard Sale: 4039 Old Baltimore Road, Draper this Friday, June 25 and Saturday, June 26 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Power woodworking tools, garden tools, farming tools, household items, computer, coolers, bookcase, kids items and more.

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For Sale: Full brass bed, tube type, \$300. Polished and cleaned for \$400. Oak Hoosier cabinet, \$500; Refinished, \$800. Call 540-315-6714.

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For Sale: 1938 Meal Master cast iron wood cook stove. Asking \$300. Call 540-418-5485.

For Sale: Yardman Push Mower. Asking \$75. Call 440-752-0639 (local seller).

For Sale: 1989 Pull Behind Prowler Camper, 32-feet long, asking \$4,500. Call 540-629-6203.

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Baseball

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fell 6-4 on Sunday

Pulaski River Turtles fired up the offense in the first inning, when Jackson Beamon grounded out, scoring one run.

After Pulaski River Turtles scored two runs in the top of the second, Greeneville Flyboys answered with two of their own. Pulaski River Turtles scored when Tommy Woods doubled on a 0-2 count, scoring one run and Josh Rolling singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run. Greeneville Flyboys then answered when Darius Perry's sac fly scored one run for Greeneville Flyboys and Derek Tenney drew a walk, scoring one run.

Pulaski River Turtles took the lead for good with two runs in the fourth inning. In the fourth Mark Trotta doubled on a 0-1 count, scoring one run and Woods's sac fly scored one run for Pulaski River Turtles.

Carlos Lequerica was credited with the victory for Pulaski River Turtles. The pitcher allowed two hits and zero runs over two and a third innings, striking out three and walking zero. Joan Jesus Gonzalez threw one and two-thirds innings in relief out of the bullpen. Gonzalez recorded the last five outs to earn the save for Pulaski River Turtles.

Dawson Gause took the loss for Greeneville Flyboys. The pitcher allowed two hits and two runs over one inning, striking out one and walking one.

Will Saxton started the game for Greeneville Flyboys. The lefthander went three innings, allowing three runs on four hits, striking out three and walking zero. Paco Hernandez started the game for Pulaski River Turtles. The righty allowed five hits and four runs over three innings, striking out one.

Greeneville Flyboys scattered seven hits in the game. Homer Bush, Jr. and Tayler Aguilar each racked up multiple hits for Greeneville Flyboys. Aguilar and Bush, Jr. each managed two hits to lead Greeneville Flyboys.

Garrett Rice went 2-for-4 at the plate to lead Pulaski River Turtles in hits. Pulaski River Turtles didn't commit a single error in the field. Irvin Escobar had eight chances in the field, the most on the team.

Greeneville Flyboys's Early Lead Over Pulaski River Turtles Sets Stage For Victory

An early lead helped Greeneville Flyboys defeat Pulaski River Turtles 7-2 on Saturday. Greeneville Flyboys scored on a home run by Tayler Aguilar and a walk by Jake Dacunto in the second inning.

Greeneville Flyboys notched four runs in the sixth inning. The big inning was thanks to a triple by Trevor Austin and a single by Homer Bush, Jr..

Austin Troesser got the win for Greeneville Flyboys. The pitcher lasted two innings, allowing zero hits and zero runs while striking out five and walking zero. A number of pitchers entered the game as relief, with Logan Peterson, Derrick Rabb, Zane Robbins, and Mason Turner all securing outs and ultimately the victory.

Liam Reynolds took the loss for Pulaski River Turtles. The pitcher surrendered three runs on five hits over five innings, striking out one.

Ryan Day started the game for Greeneville Flyboys. The lefty surrendered one run on three hits over three innings, striking out three and walking zero.

Greeneville Flyboys hit one home run on the day. Aguilar put one out in the second inning.

Greeneville Flyboys racked up eight hits. Christian Ficca and Eddie Micheletti each racked up multiple hits for Greeneville Flyboys. Micheletti and Ficca each collected two hits to lead Greeneville Flyboys. Greeneville Flyboys didn't commit a single error in the field. Micheletti had 14 chances in the field, the most on the team.

Ross Lovich led Pulaski River Turtles with two hits in three at bats.

Kingsport Axmen Drops Game To Pulaski River Turtles After Late Score

Kingsport Axmen stayed in it until the end, but Pulaski River Turtles pulled away late in a 2-1 victory on Friday. The game was tied at one with Pulaski River Turtles batting in the top of the tenth when Ryan Johnson drew a walk, scoring one run.

The pitching was strong on both sides. Pulaski River Turtles pitchers struck out 12, while Kingsport Axmen sat down 16.

Pulaski River Turtles got things started in the first inning when an error scored one run for Pulaski River Turtles.

In the bottom of the third inning, Kingsport Axmen tied things up at one. Kingsport Axmen scored one run when JonJon Berring singled.

Chris Barraza was on the pitcher's mound for Pulaski River Turtles. The righthander surrendered one run on three hits over six innings, striking out five.

Malik Binns started the game for Kingsport Axmen. The righthander surrendered one run on two hits over three innings, striking out six. Adam Parra, Kyle Scrape, and Patrick Strawbridge each contributed in relief for Kingsport Axmen.

Berring, Nick Barnes, and Orlando Salinas Jr. each collected one hit to lead Kingsport Axmen.

Pulaski River Turtles collected seven hits. Jackson Beamon and Cameron Leary each collected multiple hits for Pulaski River Turtles. Pulaski River Turtles was sure-handed in the field and didn't commit a single error. Austin Bates had the most chances in the field with 16.

Kingsport Axmen Fall To Pulaski River Turtles After Eighth Inning Score

Kingsport Axmen stayed in it until the end, but Pulaski River Turtles pulled away late in a 15-7 victory on Thursday. Pulaski River Turtles was down 7-5 in the top of the eighth inning when John

Bay homered on a 0-1 count, scoring four runs.

Kingsport Axmen collected 11 hits and Pulaski River Turtles had 11 in the high-scoring affair.

Kingsport Axmen got things moving in the second inning, when JonJon Berring was struck by a pitch, driving in a run.

Pulaski River Turtles scored six runs in the ninth inning. Pulaski River Turtles offense in the inning was led by Josh Rolling, Ross Lovich, Cameron Leary, Garrett Rice, and Mark Trotta, who each had RBIs in the inning.

Tanner Lohaus earned the win for Pulaski River Turtles. Lohaus went two innings, allowing zero runs on three hits, striking out two and walking zero. Lucas Reed threw four innings in relief out of the bullpen.

Matt Taylor took the loss for Kingsport Axmen. The righty.

Cole Kirschsieper started the game for Kingsport Axmen. The southpaw surrendered zero runs on one hit over three innings, striking out seven. Charlie Coon started the game for Pulaski River Turtles. The southpaw went three innings, allowing five runs

on four hits and striking out one

Kingsport Axmen launched one home run on the day. Nick Barnes had a long ball in the fifth inning.

Kingsport Axmen collected 11 hits on the day. Connor Milton, Orlando Salinas Jr., and Barnes all collected multiple hits for Kingsport Axmen. Barnes, Salinas Jr., and Milton each collected two hits to lead Kingsport Axmen.

Pulaski River Turtles scattered 11 hits in the game. Leary and Bay all managed multiple hits for Pulaski River Turtles. Leary led Pulaski River Turtles with three hits in four at bats.

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Public Hearing Board of Zoning Appeals



The Town of Pulaski Board of Zoning Appeals hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held on July 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW, in order to hear citizen comments regarding the Board of Zoning Appeals intention to act on the following variance request:

A request by Robert Runions for a variance to Section 4.3.3 Site Development Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia for property located at 413 Birch Street, tax parcel(s) 081-17-13, in the R-2 Two-Family Residential District. Section 4.3.3 prohibits accessory structures from being located in the front yard setback or in front of the front wall of the principal building. The applicant requests a variance to allow placement of an accessory structure within the front setback due to the exceptional topographic conditions of the property which prevent placement of an accessory structure in adherence to the requirements of Section 4.3.3.

Comments and/or questions can be sent ahead of the hearing via email to Brady Deal, Planner/Economic Developer, bdeal@pulaskitown.org, or via phone at 540-994-8619; or in the form of written comments to Brady Deal (42 First Street, NW, Pulaski, Virginia) until the date of the hearing. Copies of the variance application, site plans, and corresponding ordinances may be reviewed at the Pulaski Municipal Building Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

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The Town Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 42 First Street, N.W. to appropriate grant funds to a special grant account:

	Revenue	Appropriation
To:	Federal Government: American Rescue Plan Act	\$4,520,640
	American Rescue Plan Act Grant Account	\$4,520,640

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

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

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Winning Team: Gail Sult, Kit Davis, Melissa Stump, Sara Cole

Photo courtesy of Martha Thomas

Sult, Davis, Stump and Cole claim TS Member Guest ladies tourney

The ladies of Thorn Spring Golf Course held their annual member guest tournament this past Saturday. Each member invited 3 guests to form their team of 4 to take on the field. The match consisted of 9 holes Captain's Choice and 9 holes of Best 3 Balls. The team of Melissa Stump (Member), Gail Sult (Wytheville), Sara Cole and Kit Davis (Hidden Valley) claimed the winner's spot for the second year in a row.

Second place: Martha Thomas (Member), Beth Tanner (Giles), Heather Pearman and Sherry Dix (Wytheville). Third Place: Gina Patton and Dee Dee Overstreet (Members), Monica Yates and Trish Golding (Blue Ridge-Galax). The ladies would like to give special thanks to lead sponsor Hodge Insurance along with our other sponsors Carilion, Southern Hearts Boutique and Express Markets. We couldn't have done it without you all.

NCAA

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ketball and football violate anti-trust laws.

Justice Neil Gorsuch wrote for the court that the NCAA sought "immunity from the normal operation of the antitrust laws." And he said that allowing colleges and universities to offer "enhanced education-related benefits ... may encourage scholastic achievement and allow student-athletes a measure of compensation more consistent with the value they bring to their schools."

Under current NCAA rules, students cannot be paid, and the scholarship money colleges can offer is capped at the cost of attending the school. The NCAA had defended its rules as necessary to preserve the amateur nature of college sports.

But the former athletes who brought the case, including former West Virginia football player Shawne Alston, argued that the NCAA's rules on education-related compensation were unfair and violated federal antitrust law designed to promote competition. The Supreme Court upheld a lower court ruling barring the NCAA from enforcing those

rules. As a result of the ruling, the NCAA itself can't bar schools from sweetening their offers to Division I basketball and football players with additional education-related benefits. But individual athletic conferences can still set limits if they choose.

"It is our hope that this victory in the battle for college athletes' rights will carry on a wave of justice uplifting further aspects of athlete compensation," said Steve Berman, an attorney for the former college athletes, in a statement following the ruling. "This is the fair treatment college athletes deserve."

The NCAA had argued that a ruling for the athletes could lead to a blurring of the line between college and professional sports, with colleges trying to lure talented athletes by offering over-the-top education benefits worth thousands of dollars. Even without the court's ruling, however, changes seem on the way for how college athletes are compensated. The NCAA has been working to amend its rules to allow athletes to profit from their names, images and likenesses, frequently abbreviated NIL. That would allow athletes to earn money for things like sponsorship deals, online endorsement and personal appearances. For some athletes, those amounts could dwarf any education-related benefits.

"Even though the decision does not directly address name, image and likeness, the NCAA remains committed to supporting NIL benefits for student-athletes," NCAA President Mark Emmert said in a statement following the ruling. "Additionally, we remain committed to working with Congress to chart a path forward, which is a point the Supreme Court expressly stated in its ruling."

The players associations of the NFL, the NBA and the WNBA had all urged the justices to side with the ex-athletes, as did the Biden administration.

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NASCAR readies for doubleheader weekend at famed Pocono Raceway

From NASCAR

After the big success of last year's doubleheader at Pocono Raceway, the NASCAR Cup Series is back for more as the series prepares for the Pocono Organics CBD 325 on Saturday, June 26 at 3 p.m. ET on NBCSN, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio followed by Sunday's (June 28) Explore The Pocono Mountains 350 at 3:30 p.m. ET on NBCSN, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

Opened in 1968 as a three-quarter-mile track, Pocono Raceway held the first race on the 2.5-mile track in 1971. The first NASCAR Cup Series race at Pocono Raceway was on August 4, 1974, and the event was won by NASCAR Hall of Famer Richard Petty (Dodge, 115.593 mph).

The 2012 season marked the first

year the NASCAR Cup Series races at Pocono were scheduled for 400 miles. Prior to 2012, all NASCAR Cup Series races were 500 miles at Pocono Raceway. In total, there have been 86 NASCAR Cup Series races at Pocono Raceway, one race from 1974 through 1981, and two per year since. Last year marked the first season the NASCAR Cup Series held a doubleheader weekend at Pocono Raceway.

Pocono Raceway's 86 NASCAR Cup Series races have produced 46 different poles winners and 38 different race winners. NASCAR Hall of Famer Bill Elliott and veteran Ken Schrader lead the NASCAR Cup Series in poles at Pocono Raceway with five poles each.

The starting lineup for the first of the two Cup races this weekend was determined by Metric Qualifying and as a result Hendrick Mo-

torsport's driver Kyle Larson will start on the pole and his teammate William Byron will join him on the front row. Entry list and starting lineups for the second race of the weekend will be distributed following post-race inspection of the first race.

Of Pocono Raceway's 38 different NASCAR Cup Series winners, 10 are active this weekend. NASCAR Hall of Famer Jeff Gordon (1996, 1997, 1998, 2007, 2011 and 2012) and Denny Hamlin (2006 sweep, 2009, 2010, 2019, 2020) lead the NASCAR Cup Series in wins at Pocono with six victories each.

In last season's Pocono doubleheader, Stewart-Haas Racing's Kevin Harvick grabbed the win in Race #1 and Joe Gibbs Racing's Denny Hamlin won the Race #2.



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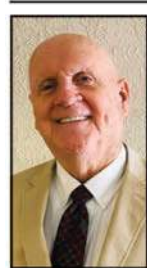
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Saul of Tarsus was arrested by the glorified Christ, while he was on his way to Damascus to continue in his persecution of Christians, and was transformed from who and what he was, to who and what Christ wanted him to be.

Acts 9: 1. “And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the Disciples of the Lord, went unto the High Priest. And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way. Whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven.”

Saul was like a raging bull. Threatening and slaughtering the followers of Christ. He wasn’t satisfied with just persecuting the Christians in Jerusalem, but it was his desire to follow them to the ends of the earth to lay hold on them, and to cast them in prison or worse. He was holding the garments of those who stoned Stephen.

In Antioch, the followers of Jesus were first called Christians, because they were like Christ. As followers of Christ, we should wear the title “Christians” joyously. In reality, Christ was not His Name, but His Title. The title Christ means the Anointed One. Acts 10:38 says, “God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.”

Saul had to travel a great distance to get to Damascus and many believe he did so on horseback. He was headed for Damascus where he hoped to find more believers in Christ Jesus to persecute. The last one he expected to see on his trip was the glorified Christ.

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Saul was near to Damascus when the Glorified Christ appeared to him in a blinding light of His glory. And it knocked Saul right off of his high horse.

Verses 4-9. “And he fell to the earth and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me? And he said, “Who art Thou Lord?” And the Lord said, “I am Jesus Whom thou persecutest. It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.” And he trembling and astonished said, “Lord, what will Thou have me to do?” And the Lord said unto him, “Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.”

“And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth and they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.”

Saul had been persecuting Christians, but he had never laid

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Evening 6 p.m.
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Minister of Education Rev. Steve Taylor
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pastorjasonaker@gmail.com
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eyes on Jesus. So why would Christ say that Saul was persecuting Him? Because, when someone is persecuting a Child of God, it is the same as persecuting the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

This encounter with the risen Lord was a wakeup call for Saul. It showed Saul that the work that he thought he was doing for God was actually against God.

We in this country know very little about persecution but it's happening all across the world. Extremist Islamic Terrorists are persecuting and routinely executing Christians every day.

Literally thousands of Christians all over the world are becoming Martyrs for their faith in Christ. And unless these Radical Islamic Extremists are defeated soon, many more are going to be killed. Christians are dying all over the world in biblical proportions. And I wonder, how much longer God is going to put up with it? I believe the violence against Christians is hastening the rapture of the Saints. Soon and very soon, Jesus is coming to gather His elect from the four corners of the earth, and then there will be great tribulation such as the world has never seen before.

Jesus said, it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. This was, most believe, a reference to the use of a goad, or a stick with a metal point on it, to guide an ox to the place intended for it to go. Sometimes oxen would kick against the pricks and kick out the goad, which only resulted in additional and deeper jabs with the goad. The more the ox rebelled the more it suffered. Saul was not going in the direction that God wanted him to go and so Jesus put him on the right road.

Saul was still under the delusion that many had, of the Covenant of works, that works would somehow make things right between them and God. But works, no matter how many, and no matter how great, will not save a person. We are saved by grace through faith under the New Covenant. Our Salvation from sin is a gift from God, not of works, lest any man should boast.

“And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do. Acts 9:9. “And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.” His physical eyes were blinded but his spiritual eyes were being opened. He was transformed by the power of God and became among the greatest of the Apostles.

Jesus will do the same for anyone who is sick and tired of living in sin and who will repent of their sins and be saved.

Bible Trivia

- Is the book of Amos in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- From Mosaic law, what would happen to the person who cursed his father or mother? Imprisonment, Outcast, 10 lashings, Death
- In Daniel 2, who had a dream about a statue composed of different materials? Jezebel, Abednego, Rezin, Nebuchadnezzar
- From Acts 7, who said, “Lord, lay not this sin to their charge”? Philip, Stephen, Luke, David
- In Genesis 14:3, what “lake” is called the Salt Sea? Galilee, Lake Pison, Dead Sea, Euphrates
- Whose biblical name means “salvation”? Jude, Ahaz, Hosea, Ruth

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Death; 3) Nebuchadnezzar; 4) Stephen; 5) Dead Sea; 6) Hosea
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Ten Commandments are founded on God’s great love

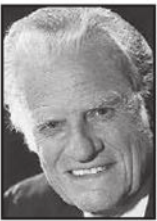
From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: Are the Ten Commandments still in effect today and does it name the worst sin? -- W.S.

A: The Ten Commandments are founded on God’s great love for mankind and are designed to help us live obedient lives. They are just as valid today as they were when God gave them. They reflect the moral character of God, and they also provide the foundation of right living with others.

Obedience to God’s commandments doesn’t flow naturally out of a heart of love for God. We may trick ourselves into believing we keep all the commandments, but the truth is people violate them every day.

The Bible tells us that the first and greatest commandment is to love the Lord “with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind” (Matthew 22:37). Violating this command is what constitutes the worse sin. Jesus said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father [in salvation] except through



My Answer

Billy Graham

Me” (John 14:6).

People say, “Well that is pretty narrow.” Yes, it is, and that is the only way to salvation in Jesus Christ -- His way.

God’s standard is His own standard of perfection and righteousness and because men and

women have rebelled against Him, He devised a way to bring us back to Him by sending His only Son, Jesus Christ, to die for our sin and bring us back into fellowship with our Creator. Faith in this truth that He is the Redeemer of human souls is the highest belief people can have in this world.

Believers in Christ don’t owe a thing to God in payment for salvation, but they do owe God a life of undivided devotion, obedience, and service; this is what it means to love the Lord your God with completeness.

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R.F.D.

DAD...YOU TOLD ME WHEN THE COWS LIE DOWN THAT MEANS IT'S GONNA RAIN.

SO WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THIS?!

NO CLUE, JUNE. APOCALYPSE MAYBE...?

The Spats

IT'S A LONG WAY TO THE TOP!!

...ESPECIALLY WHEN THE ELEVATOR IS OUT OF ORDER.

POPEYE

HEY CYSMAN

WHY DIDJA WANT ME TO COME OVER?

I WANT YOU SEE WHAT I BOUGHT!

I ALMOST MISSED OUT ON THEM!

THA'S A PRETTY NECLISS, OLIVE!

I'M GLAD YOU LIKE IT...

THEY'RE PEARLS!

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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!

Bandit

PARTIE

Delightful

VOLLEY

Quiet

ERENSE

Joyful

DALETE

TODAY'S WORD

by Dave T. Phipps

by Gary Kopervas

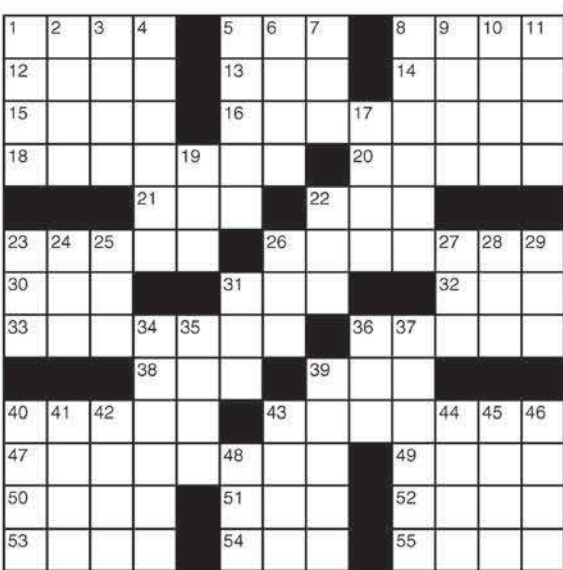
by Mike Marland

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 "Sad to say ..."
- 5 Armed conflict
- 8 Folksinger Joan
- 12 Jet speed measure
- 13 Greek mountain
- 14 Big name in scat
- 15 Docking site
- 16 Leftovers carrier
- 18 Screenwriter's creations
- 20 Reddish horses
- 21 "I'm not impressed"
- 22 Martini liquor
- 23 Skilled
- 26 Flood protection
- 30 Gun the engine
- 31 Witty one
- 32 "As I see it," to a texter
- 33 Sleazy hotel
- 36 Be nosy
- 38 Train lines (Abbr.)
- 39 Aunt, in Acapulco
- 40 Part of Hispaniola
- 43 Iced desserts
- 47 Cinched
- 49 October birth-



- stone
- 50 Words to a back-stabber
- 51 In the style of
- 52 Alpha follower
- 53 Couturier Christian
- 54 "Of course"
- 55 Appear
- 6 Big fusses
- 7 Cleaning cloth
- 8 Past Jessica of "Dark Angel"
- 10 Flair
- 11 Turns sharply
- 17 Beam
- 19 Favorite
- 22 Joke
- 23 Canine cry
- 24 N.J. neighbor
- 25 First lady?
- 26 Droop
- 27 Life story
- 28 I love (Lat.)
- 29 Republicans
- 31 Existed
- 34 Camelot king
- 35 French cheese
- 36 — Lancelot
- 37 Bigwigs
- 39 Roman robes
- 40 Wasted no time
- 41 Con
- 42 "Suffice — say ..."
- 43 Shopper's delight
- 44 Fencing sword
- 45 London gallery
- 46 Bridge coup
- 48 Inlet

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top ten

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9. Spices, extracts

10. Fruits

Source: abakingjourney.com

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: What city is the setting for the 1980s medical drama "St. Elsewhere"?
2. HISTORY: When was the first Veterans Day celebrated in the United States?
3. MOVIES: Who played the role of Lt. Dan Taylor in the 1994 movie "Forrest Gump"?
4. PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called chorophobia?
5. GEOGRAPHY: What is the southernmost city in Africa?
6. FAMOUS QUOTES: Who wrote this about fleeting summer, "Summer's lease hath all too short a date"?
7. SCIENCE: Which nerve transmits sound to the brain?
8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the color papaya?
9. FOOD & DRINK: In which U.S. state did Pepsi Cola originate?
10. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president received the Secret Service code name "General"?

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

10. Harry Truman
9. North Carolina
8. Orange
7. Auditory nerve
6. William Shakespeare, Sonnet 18
5. Cape Town
4. Fear of dancing
3. Gary Shais
2. 1954
1. Boston



Solution time: 23 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

Americanisms



"The United States is the only country with a known birthday. All the rest began, they know not when, and grew into power, they know not how."

— James G. Blaine

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Cryptoquip

Do you suppose horticulturists have a tendency to get involved in grass-roots organizations?

NERVE

Today's Word

3. Serene; 4. Elated

1. Pirate 2. Lovely;

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: G equals D

GI NIY XYTTIXL JIQDUFYZDYQUXDX

JVOL V DLMGLMFN DI CLD

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ARE ALL EXPERIENCED
IN WHAT, CENTURIES
LATER, WILL BE
CALLED GUERRILLA
TACTICS.

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all
directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: No Radio or TV Coverage Allowed

Average	Carry	Psyched	Shouted
Bail	Cook	Reached	Stamped
Break	First-in, first-	Rounded	Stretch
Brown	Lock	Scooped	

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FLASH GORDON
By JIM KEEFE
Pencils: BRIAN BILTER

BLASTING AWAY AT
ICE AND SNOW, THE
BURIED SECTION OF
THE DROWN CRAFT
IS UNCOVERED.

IT APPEARS
THE HULL HAS
ALREADY BEEN
BREACHED.

VULTAN, TAKE
ONE OF YOUR MEN
AND STAND GUARD.
THE REST OF YOU
FOLLOW ME.

THE POWER IS
DOWN, BUT IT FEELS
WARM IN HERE.
WHERE'S THE HEAT
COMING FROM?

MY KING,
LOOK!

CEASE FIRE!

THEY APPEAR TO
HAVE BARRICADED
THEMSELVES IN

IT LOOKS
ICE-COLD IN
THERE.

WHY WOULD THEY
LOCK THEMSELVES IN
A PART OF THE SHIP
WHERE THEY'D ALL
FREEZE TO DEATH?

TO BE CONT'D

TIGER
by BUD BLAKE

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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.

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BS LKZ CBQTX.
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Clean ‘em out and move ahead!

Dear Dave,

I'm 22, and I just recently graduated from college. I'm lucky enough to be walking into a job making \$60,000 a year with a company I interned with during school, and I'll be living with parents for the next few months. I have about \$50,000 in student loan debt, but I also have \$25,000 in savings, along with an E-Trade account with two single stocks that was given to me a couple of years ago. Those stocks are now worth about \$13,000 combined. Should I sell the stocks to help pay off debt, or put the money from their sale into mutual funds?

Tyler

Dear Tyler,

In situations like yours, I teach folks to pull out any money they have that's not in retirement plans, and use it to pay off debt. The shortest distance between where you are now, and wealth, isn't a couple of stocks in an E-Trade account. The shortest distance between you and wealth is becoming debt-free and taking control of your largest wealth-building tool—your income.

If I'm you, I'm going to clean out everything, including my savings—down to \$1,000—and throw it at debt. After that, I'm living on a strict budget with no unnecessary spending until that debt is all gone. Man, with the money you'll make right out of college you can be debt-free, and on your way to building a fully-funded emergency fund and wealth, so fast it'll make your head spin.

Get this done, Tyler. Today!

—Dave

Dear Dave,

I've been in sales for 15 years. I love my job, and I love my company. Our business wasn't affected as much as some during the pandemic, but my numbers have become stagnant. They're still good, but I feel I can do better. Do you have any advice for someone who wants to raise their sales and become a more productive team member?

Sara

Dear Sara,

Boy, I wish more people had the same attitude about their jobs. Folks with that kind of drive and sense of responsibility are almost always successful in their professional and personal lives.

I want you to think about one simple word—serving. It isn't just a word or an idea, it's an attitude. Serving means you provide what you have to offer in a way that makes customers happy to



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Says

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trade their money and time for it.

But don't make the mistake of confusing serving with subservient. What I'm talking about is being proactive with customers individually and in the marketplace. It means being excited about what you have to offer, and believing you've got a great product at a great price. It means you're determined to give your customers a great experience 100% of the time, and that going the extra mile—whether you have to or not—is just business as usual. And, it means if something goes wrong, you'll step up and make things right in a way that will make them forget a glitch ever happened.

If you help enough people, and make that the first order of your business and those relationships, you'll never have to worry about success!

—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 18 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.

— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

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PET OF THE WEEK

Jake is a 3-4 year old Black Lab. He's very playful and has tested well with other dogs. He still needs to be neutered and brought up to date on his Rabies Vaccine.



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Reduce screen time & get moving this summer

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It can be tempting to be in front of a screen, especially during hot summer days. Even though it may be hot outside, we should limit the amount of "screen time" each day. Screen time is the time spent in front of various types of screens, such as televisions, cellphones, computers, and video games. Health professionals indicate that screen time at home should be limited to two hours or less per day. Below are some simple tips that can help your family limit screen time and sit less.

- Be a Good Role Model. Parents can limit their screen time to 2 hours each day, which can provide more time to spend with their families.
- Have Screen Free Bedrooms. Don't put a TV, in the child(ren)'s bedroom.
- Track Screen Time Versus Active Time. To help visualize how much time that your family is in front of a screen versus engaging in physical activity, parents can log that information and adjust as needed.
- Make Screen Time Active. Families can move while watching T.V. and during commercial breaks; some examples include lifting weights, doing sit-ups or jumping jacks, and stretching.
- Make Time for Physical Activity. Even though it seems like there is not enough time in the day, we should make time for physical activity. It can easily be added into our daily routines.

• Select Activities that are Free or Low Cost. Activities that do not require costly equipment, such as: walking, jogging, stretching, doing pushups or sit-ups, or participating in yoga, can get you moving while being budget-friendly. There are free apps and workout videos that can be adapted to meet your individual needs.

These simple tips can help families spend quality time together, limit screen time, and move more. Throughout the summer, encourage your children to think of creative ideas to sit less while at home. Make sure to allot time to incorporate physical activity into your family's daily routine.

Source:

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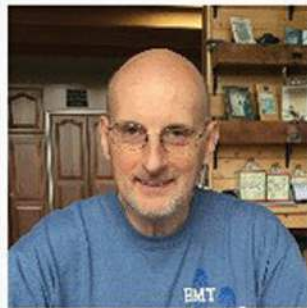
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