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**Project would provide broadband to entire county**

_We’re talking about universal fiber to the home, broadband deployment to 100 percent of the county. One of the most transformational opportunities we’ve had in the county for a long time._ –Jonathan Sweet

Paluski County Administrator

By MIKE WILLIAMS

The Patriot

If everything comes together as planned, a public-private partnership between Paluski County, Appalachian Power and All Points Broadband will bring broadband internet coverage to all areas of Paluski County that currently have poor or no internet coverage.

The Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 Monday to approve application for a Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) grant to help fund the $52.5 million project.

The grant, if awarded to the county, would provide 40 percent ($21 million) toward the total cost of the project.

All Points would secure 47 percent ($25 million) of the total cost.

Paluski County would contribute 6 percent ($3.2 million) which it would take from American Rescue Plan Act funding the county will receive from the federal government. Such a project is eligible for ARPA funding.

The project includes some 500 miles of fiber infrastructure to extend to all remaining unserved areas in the county.

Jim Carr, CEO of All Points – which bills itself as the leading internet service provider in Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Kentucky – laid out details on the plan for the supervisors.

He said the county and All Points have partnered together since mid-2019 to develop and execute a strategy to achieve universal broadband for all unserved locations in the county.

“This is a once-in-a-generational opportunity to bridge Paluski’s digital divide,” Carr said.

Blue Ridge Advisory Services Group will identify the unserved locations in the county, and All Points will work with Apco to deliver fiber to each of those locations.

A standard installation fee of $99 would be charged.

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**Huber’s Heroes’ recognized for their vaccination efforts**

By DANIELLE REID

The Patriot

Pharmacist William “Will” Hale of Martin’s Pharmacy, is proud of the community’s effort to administer the COVID-19 vaccines in the New River Valley.

Shay was determined to ensure that the people in the NRV could receive the vaccines. Initially, the vaccines were strictly allocated to Martin’s Pharmacy while a student and employee of our pharmacist Candice Shay, who joined us full time in May of 2020.

Shay had worked for Martin’s Pharmacy while a student and was the recipient of the Martin’s Pharmacy Scholarship at NRCC.

As the Covid-19 pandemic spread throughout the country, Shay realized to ensure that the people in the NRV could receive the vaccines, initially, the vaccines were strictly allocated to Martin’s Pharmacy while a student and employee of our pharmacist Candice Shay, who joined us full time in May of 2020.

Shay began researching how to get vaccines into the NRV and by September, started working on the paperwork with the CDC and Virginia Department of Health.

“IT took months of paperwork, but by the end of December 2020, we received notification that we were going to get the vaccines. We partnered with the Virginia Department of Health and started getting vaccines through them. All the while, Shay continued filling the need with the federal government for additional vaccine allocations. Finally in April, we received notification that we were going to get the vaccines. We partnered with the Virginia Department of Health and started getting vaccines through them. All the while, Shay continued filling the need with the federal government for additional vaccine allocations. Finally, in April, we were able to get vaccines into the NRV.”

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**Weekend Weather**

**Saturday**

Sunny and hot, with a high near 90. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Saturday Night - Mostly clear, with a low around 66.

**Sunday**

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Carol Smith Recognized by Supervisors

Carol Smith, who retired July 31 after 24 years of service to the county, was honored Monday night during the August meeting of the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors. She was presented with several tokens of appreciation from the supervisors, including Ingles Supervisor Laura Walters who made the presentation. Pictured above are Walters and Smith on the left standing next to Smith’s family members. In the back row are the rest of the county’s supervisors and County Administrator Jonathan Sweet.

43 students named to NRCC President’s, Dean’s lists

At New River Community College, 43 students were recently named to the President’s List and Dean’s List in recognition of their academic excellence during the summer 2021 session. Certificates will be mailed to the recipients in the coming weeks.

To be placed on the President’s List, a student must have taken 12 college-level semester hours or more, attained a grade point average of 3.5 for any one semester, and earned a minimum of 20 semester hours at New River Community College.

A Dean’s List student is one who has taken 12 college-level semester hours of credit or more and attained a grade point average of 3.2 for any one semester. Those named to the President’s List are: Dustin Agee, Khiko As-sena, John Travis Byrd, Dustin Dobson, Victoria Duncan, Terrisa Eggers, Faith Eichner, Jennifer Ferguson, DoniaHasan, Amna- daHopkins, Courtney Jennings, Tervor Lyon, Sierra McDaniel, Jana McNaas, Renze Melki, Ais- tin Munack, Taylor Queen, Sha- netrias Raymond, Amy Schlae- Zachary Sims, Caitlin Skidder, LeelaSlibb, GraceSotphin, Hei- alToure, KalyzhnWelsh, WoffanWir, and Sierra Williams.

Those named to the Dean’s List are: Tiffany Alshier, Mark Badger, Elizabeth Bailey, Simmi Bartik, Sydney Burton, Nicholas Byrd, Haley Jones, Jordan McGrady, Elie Perdelwitz, Jema Rhodes, Emma Seward, Thomas Semo- ne, Stephanie Smith, Karla Sta- ton, Hannah Swiger, and Bowen Zhou.

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charged, which would include all customer premises equipment “to make the internet work,” said Carr.

He continued that the first 500 feet of a customer’s service drop is included. He noted that normally, each additional foot in excess of that amount, would be paid for by the customer at a flat per foot charge.

But he said, if a customer signs up for a new service within the first 12 months, the long drop charges are waved. After that, the additional drop length would be charged at cost plus 10 percent.

Residential service offerings include:

- 50 x 50: $39.99 (fixed)
- 100 x 100: $79.99
- 500 x 500: $99.99
- 1000 x 1000: $109.99

Carr explained that, for instance, the 50 x 50 basic service would allow a customer to stream five high-definition Netflix videos simultaneously with no buffering. He guaranteed the basic rate of $59.99 would be in effect for the first 12 months, the long drop charges are waved. After that, the additional drop length would be charged at cost plus 10 percent.

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- New Technology is available now, but all of us were using a simple spreadsheet to schedule appointments. There would be a list of 1,000 names and only 100 appointments available," said Huber.

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BARBARA MAE BURCHETT

Barbara Mae Burchett, age 80 of Pulaski went to be with her heavenly father Thursday, August 19, 2021 at her home surrounded by family. Born February 11, 1941 in Pulaski she was the daughter of the late Oscar Glen Mabe & Jesse McDonald Mabe. She was also preceded in death by one brother and one sister. Barbara was a long-time member of the Pulaski Church of God. She is survived by her husband of 60 years – Ronnie M. Burchett – Pulaski. Children – Kim (Dare) Hart – South Carolina, Todd (Any) Burchett – Tennessee. Grandchildren – Zac Dobbins, Joey and Addison. Memorial contributions may also be sent to the Pulaski Church of God. Memorial contributions to the Pulaski Church of God. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. 540-980-1700.

JERRY EDWARD WEBB

Jerry Edward Webb, age 71 of Pulaski, died Thursday, August 19, 2021 at his home surrounded by family. Born October 19, 1950 in Roanoke, Virginia formerly of Pulaski, she was the daughter of the late Carl Arden Shultz & Velma Claudine Smith Shultz. She graduated from Radford University, later transferred her membership to the Gayton Road Christian Church in Horace, Co. where she served as an ordained Elder and served on many boards in the church. Jerry graduated from the Pulaski High School class of 1968. After going to college, he became an engineer and remained in that profession for many years. Jerry loved his family and friends. His love extended to coaching kids little league baseball games, and was heavily involved with his children’s games. He was named father of the year at the state capital, after his seven year old daughter submitted a letter in a state wide contest telling why she felt he deserved to win this title. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Dale Woodward Webb of Richmond; four children, Jean Carla Shultz, age 69 of Roanoke; Virginia formerly of Pulaski; and was shortly inducted into the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.bowerfuneralhomes.com Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.

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Jerry was the son of the late Kitty Lou Black, Jr. and was a member of the former Christian Church (DOC) in Pulaski, and was a long-time proud member of First United Methodist Church where he enjoyed being in the choir, and was well known for his great cooking abilities. E.G. graduated from Pulaski High School in 1945, and was shortly inducted into the United States Air Force until his discharge in 1948. He graduated from the National Business College in 1952. His primary occupation was a staff assistant to the General Manager Transportation of the N&W Railroad from 1948 to 1967. He spent his retirement years volunteering at Pulaski Community Hospital, now Lewis Gale Hospital – Pulaski, served on the Pulaski Town Council from 1992-1996, and 2000-2004, was a caterer, later in life, he was a certified caregiver to many in Pulaski, and was a member of the former Christian Church (DOC) in Pulaski. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by brother and sister and their spouses; Jimmy Burchett – Tennessee, Isaac Burchett, Evan Burchett – South Carolina, Todd (Amy) Burchett – Tennessee. He is survived by his first wife, Iva (Jewell) Burchett, Douglas, Denver, David, Bunice, Jerry and Elizabeth. He is survived by his brother, Iva Jewell Shuffelberighter, and sister-in-law, Carol Black, along with many nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Monday, August 30, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Pulaski with pastor Jerry Shepherd officiating. The family will receive friends on Monday, August 30, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Singlefe Funeral Home, 415 N. Jefferson Ave. Pulaski, VA 24301. Flowers are appreciated, but for those who wish, they may make memorial contributions to First Christian Church (DOC)PO: Box 1007 Pulaski, VA 24301 or plant a tree in memory of E.G. Burchett, Jr., please visit our floral page.

WEBB

Jerry returned to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. 540-980-1700.
I have been to so many School Board meetings this spring and have spoken at most in our District. Unfortunately, none of the candidates for school board were interested in moving forward with the unnecessary, inappropriate, and harmful ‘critical race theory’ philosophy. The Candidate Critical Race Theory rubbish originated from the radical left in Richmond.

It’s common knowledge that in America, politicians, and administrators, do not ask the opinions of the general public when passing on personal opinions, desires, or choices on policy matters. They are elected, or appointed to do so. And while most of the schools in our District have not merely listened to the majority and are reacting to such politically driven indoctrination, they are now also forced to consider the views of our children and teaching the core curriculum. It is time for the school board to talk about what we, as a community, want to teach in our schools.

‘Talk to your child’s teachers. Ask them if they support those teachers, and if that agenda being driven in our schools or if they plan to teach as they should – with facts and unbiased truth.’

For your child’s teachers that you know are nice, be respectful, and expect a direct, courteous, and real response in writing from them.

For your child’s teachers that you know are not as nice, common-sense values, support them? Ask them if they have the energy to help their students achieve.

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Lewis A. Breedlove Jr., 73 of Pulaski passed away on August 22, 2021.

He was born on April 11, 1928 in the White Gate area of Giles County, passed away Saturday, August 22, 2021.

He was the son of the late Roy Garnett Smith and Frona Carroll Smith. He was also the father of the late Roy Garnett Smith and Frona Carroll.

He was a retired employee of Jefferson Mills with 63 years of service. He was also a veteran of the United States Army Air Force and he served his country in the Vietnam War.

He was a member of the Pulaski Moose Lodge, Lady Elks, American Legion, and he also was a member of the Pulaski Masons.

He was preceded in death by his parents, the late Roy Garnett Smith and Frona Carroll; a host of incredible nieces and nephews; and his agreements with Mexico.

He is survived by his sister, Peggy Martin and Shirley Taylor; his daughter, Brooke Akers of Monroe, La., and her twin sister, Peggy Martin and Shirley Taylor; and his grandchildren, Alisha Dumas and Austin Mitchell. She passed away on Thursday, August 19, 2021.

GLENNA ELIZABETH FLINCHUM GARWOOD

She was also survived by many beloved cousins, and each of whom was very important and special to her.

A Celebration of Life will be held on September 12, 2021, 4:00 p.m. at the Claytor Lake State Park.

She was a member of Pulaski Baptist Church, where she was a member of the Sanctuary Choir and Neighborhood Ministries.

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She is survived by her twin, Teresa Rose garage; her brother, Dwight Rose; and her sister, Darlene Douglas – Galax.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, John Breedlove Sr. and his wife Shirley.
The Center fills a need," said Davis. "The Center is like being back in school. The participants are eager to learn new things, playing games and exercising. "They teach us so much." Ruth Davidson concurs and says she knows every one of the people and what they teach us. Julia Knorr says that they are a community of friends who make you feel welcome. "The Center fills a need," she adds. Matt Queenery and Jim Turner agree that the people and friends make the Center a special place where they can learn a lot from each other.

We have the best educated, qualified and licensed staff available. At Pulaski Adult Day Service & Fall Prevention Center, we focus on quality of care. Our mission is to improve the participants' function and quality of life. Many of our participants have been teachers, researchers, professors and nurses who have contributed to our community. Some have overcome tremendous physical and emotional challenges. We acknowledge their accomplishments and help build their self-esteem," explains Davis.

"The Center is absolutely God’s work. He gave me this project to help me through the loss of my Mother and provided the education and skills to take care of others. People should be celebrated, not overlooked, and their accomplishments should be acknowledged. At the Pulaski Adult Day Service and Fall Prevention Center we get to do that. I see our participants as jewels," Davis stated.

Annual events at the Center include the CFE Master Gardeners team on Friday, August 27th and members of The Fine Arts Center of Pulaski visiting the following week.

The Pulaski Adult Day Service and Fall Prevention Center is a 501c-3 Non-profit organization. For additional information or donations go to: https://www.facebook.com/pulaskidultdayservice or call 540.307.5487.
Are You Prepared? The ABCD’s of Keeping Food Safe During Power Outages

By Sandy Stoneman, SWVA Food Safety Extension Agent

Weather extremes such as hurricanes, tornados, snow or ice storms, intense thunderstorms with wind, hail, and downpours, etc. are on the rise. According to an article published by Yale University, natural disasters have increased 87% in the past 20 years when compared to the previous 20 years. Along with the increase in weather extremes come power outages. Experiencing bad weather is usually not a pleasant experience but the last thing you need when you experience a weather emergency is a case of food poisoning! The U.S. Department of Agriculture suggests that it could be as easy as ABCD to help keep your food safe.

• Always keep perishables like meat, poultry, milk and eggs refrigerated at or below 40°F or be below 50°F to keep safe.
• If your power is going to be out for 4 hours or more and the refrigerator door is open.
• Refrigerated food will stay cool for 16 hours as long as the temperature is kept below 40°F. Grouping cold food items close together will help keep temperatures lower for a longer period of time.
• If odor remains, try any or all of these.
• Close the door and leave for about 15 minutes to allow for free air circulation.
• Place a cotton swab soaked in a sanitizer solution as above.
• Remove shelves, crisper, and ice trays. Wash and rinse them thoroughly with hot water and detergent. Then place with the same sanitizing solution as above.
• Leave the door open for about 15 minutes to allow for free air circulation before placing food items back.

• Make sure you have ready to use baby formula and pet food if needed.
• Have a can opener so you will be able to open shelf-stable canned goods.
• Consider What You Can Do Ahead of Time to Store Food.
• Store food in a safe and dry area and location not prone to flooding.
• Keep storage coolers on hand.
• If in doubt, throw it out. Throw it out if it has a fishy smell.
• To minimize freezing capacity, consider filling cleaned, sanitized plastic beverage containers (12/20-ounce soda bottles) with water and place into empty portions of the freezer. When these bottles of liquid freeze, they will help keep food frozen during power outages. The bottles can always be removed when storage space is needed. Frozen food in packed cans can also be used to help maintain freezer temperatures.

• Consider freezing rather than refrigerating.
• To maximize freezing capacity, keep storage coolers on hand.
• Have food thermometers to take food temperatue.
• Remove shelves, crisper, and ice trays. Wash and rinse them thoroughly with hot water and detergent. Then replace with a sanitizing solution.
• Wash the interior of the refrigerator and freezer with vinegar and water.
• Remove all food that has an unusual odor, color or texture. Do not rely on tasting the food to determine if it is spoiled.
• Be Prepared for an Emergency.
• Consider keeping the freezer set at or below 0°F and the refrigerator set at or below 40°F at all times. Although this may expend a little more energy, keeping these settings will maintain the safety of your food.
• Consider freezing rather than refrigerating items like meat, fish and poultry that you may not need immediately. Frozen items will maintain a safe temperature for longer...

For more information on food safety including information on how long certain foods can be stored during a power outage, contact your local Virginia Cooperative Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Agent or your Area Food Safety Agent.
Dublin Home Store Holds Grand Opening Weekend

Kayla Lewis of Dublin Home Store cuts a ribbon last Friday to kick off the store’s Grand Opening celebration held last weekend. The fun got underway last Friday with the ribbon cutting and refreshments and continued Saturday. The celebration included a variety of specials on different furniture and accessories for your home. Dublin and Pulaski County business and government officials and others participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony, which was sponsored by the Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce. Dublin Home Store is located across from the Dublin Police Department at 112 Trade Circle, Dublin.
Cougars open season at Northside

By MIKE WILLIAMS

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The 2021 Pulaski County Cougars hope to get the season off to a good start Friday night at Northside.

The commissioners of the ACC, Big Ten and Pac-12 on Tuesday countered with an alli

nounced at meeting between the Cougars and the Vikings. Pulaski County Cougars traveled against the Vikings.

The first time, we were struggling. So, the Cougars shut out Northside, 14-0.

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They also suggested they wouldn't be poaching each other's schools.

"The history of college athletics, one expansion of a conference has usually led to another to another and to another," ACC Commissioner John Swofford said during a video conference. "And to the three of us, we left the stabilization of the current environment, across Division I and FBS — in Power Five in particular — that was a change for a new direction, a new initiative that I don't think has ever been done before.

After weeks of internal discussions, the alliance is still mostly conceptual and collegial.

"There's an agreement among three gentlemen and a commitment from 41 athletic directors to do what we say we're going to do."

The SEC sent shockwaves through college athletics in July when it was revealed that Texas and Oklahoma would be leaving the Big 12 to join the nation's most powerful football conference no later than 2025.

"I wouldn't say this is a reaction to Texas and Oklahoma joining the SEC, but to be totally candid you have to evaluate what's going on in the landscape of college athletics," Big Ten Commissioner Kevin Warren said.

In a statement, SEC Commissioner Greg Sankey said, "We have respect for each of our conference colleagues and look forward to our future collaborations. I believe we remain unified by our shared beliefs around the positive impact college sports has on the lives of student-athletes throughout our communities."

As for the Big 12, its future is murky at best as the eight remaining members plot their next moves.

"The Big 12 used to be in there at linebacker a ton. Aguilar is going to play a bunch on the D-Line. Tyler Sutherland is going to play a bunch on the D-Line. Chris Gallimore is going to be in there at linebacker and Brett Jones is going to play at a safety. So, there's a lot more depth" he said. "There's kids who are talented andJ.J. Gulley.

"We did the alliance to protect the Super Bowl loss and considers handing over more responsibility to conferences and schools to run college sports."

"The NCAA Board of Governors has called a special constitutional convention in November, the first step toward what could be sweeping reform and a decentralised governance model."

"We did the alliance to protect the student-athletes throughout our conference." Jim Phillips said during a video conference where he introduced the new initiative that will take effect after the 2023 football season.

"The alliance also is being formed in the NCAA to shake off a Super

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The commissioners of the ACC, Big Ten and Pac-12 on Tuesday pledged broad collaboration on myriad issues and committed to league members playing more football and basketball games against each other.

They also suggested they wouldn't be poaching each other's schools.

"The history of college athletics, one expansion of a conference has usually led to another to another and to another," ACC Commissioner John Swofford said during a video conference. "And to the three of us, we left the stabilization of the current environment, across Division I and FBS — in Power Five in particular — that was a change for a new direction, a new initiative that I don't think has ever been done before.

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Cougars

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depth than you think. It’s going to be a fun ride for them. It’s going to be a lot more fun for you and their coaches.

The kids are up to date and they know where they’re headed. They know that they’ve got to improve and work at it. They’ve got to be fully committed to getting there.

So, far, knock on wood, it’s probably been one of my favorite years, all the kids are around and all my years of coaching," Dixon explained.

"At the beginning of the season, our challenge was that man but it’s fun when you’re with kids who are excited and enjoying the game."

Quite a change from last season.

"It was difficult last year, I think with the transition and COVID. There was a couple of kids (players) went through so much stuff and just the little bit of time we had with them and then the change and then you add in COVID and then you add in re- rules. That’s where we had to be working around them to get them prepared for the weather. We were outside one day and it just hit us, it’s never been through anything like this before."

Just when you think that maybe COVID would be as much as it’s going to get, there’s always something surging in many areas again.

"They’re not getting COVID changing around mean for Dixon and the coaching staff but that’s not enough. That’s not enough to protect kids and being worried about the stress."

"Get over this because the stress on the kids is huge. We pray that someday we can get the kids back on the field like they’re just young."

"Not football, that stuff. But trying to focus on a domain and you’re scared to death of dropping a game. It’s a lot of fun when you’ve got a domain."

"You are always on the edge of lists. You’re always on the edge of sugar out there."

"We see the same in many areas again."

"You’ve got to have a certain level. You’ve got to have the best speed to strength ratio."

"It’s not the biggest kid, it was who was the best skill."

"Part of it being the athletic line. Part of it being the kids."

"You’ve got to find what works for our kids."

"All in all, I think it’s a good change. They can talk and embrace getting better every day."

"I think our kids have bought into that. And we’ll all be thankful."

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"The season starts will two weekends from now at Christiansburg."

"This season will begin against the Spartans in a rare mid-season home game."
Pulaski County High School to sell All-Sports Passes

Pulaski County High School is pleased to announce that we will again be selling All Sports Passes. The All Sports Pass for the 2021-2022 school year will be available at the following prices:

- Individual Student: $55
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This pass will grant admission to all fall, winter, and spring home contests (excluding benefit games, district tournaments, and state playoffs). This is a great money saving option for PCHS Sports Fans. The All Sports Pass will go on sale Monday, August 9, 2021, in the PCHS front office. The passes will also be available for purchase at the PCHS Open House/Rock to School Nights. We appreciate all those who support Cougar Athletics through this purchase!!

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Club Champions Repeat

Members of Thorn Spring Golf Course participated in a two-day, combined score, stroke play tournament to crown their 2021 winners. In the men’s division Mike Pickett (far right) prevailed but not without a battle. He and Matthew Sanders both posted 69’s on day one and were neck and neck coming into the last hole on day two. Tie’d up after some close putting they had to repeat hole 418 for a shoot out to see who would win. It took not one but three shots outs before the winner was decided. This was Pickett’s second straight club championship. In the senior men’s and women’s division both John Stevens (below) and Melissa Stump (at right) claimed their second straight club championships as well.

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brought Israel out of obscurity to bear His Name to whom was committed the
to build a Nation to His people, to the Jebusites."

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and the Kenizzites, and the Kad
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It is necessary to keep the doors of your home open before you bring children into the home. I am grateful for my husband’s help, and I have a feeling that we would be lost without him. Many times we are called to do something that is uncomfortable, but we have the opportunity to do it. We can often feel that we are missing out on something, but we are not alone. Many people are there to support us.

When you are raising children, it is important to teach them the things of God. Deuteronomy 6:6-7 tells us that parents are commanded to do God diligently to your children. Parents should train their children in the things of God. God commands parents to teach the Word of God to their children.

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The world today is full of distractions and gadgets. Many homes today have been invaded by these distractions. Many parents are struggling to teach their children the things of God. Deuteronomy 6:7 tells us that parents should teach their children to know the truth of God.

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August 20
Fort Chiswell High School Reunion
Chiswell High School Class Reunion will be held for all classes from 1961 to present. The event is planned for Saturday, August 28 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Foster Falls State Park. Admission is not required. Bring a bag lunch and a guest.

September 2
American Legion in Radford to meet
The American Legion, Har- vey-Howe-Carper Post 31 will meet on Thursday, September 2. 3pm at the VFW Post home on Sun. in Radford. The representatives from Boy’s State and Girls State will be recognized at this meeting. For further information, please call 250-2283 or 239-9864.

September 7
25 Cent Bingo
VFW Auxiliary Post 1844 will host 25¢ Bingo Saturday Sept. 7th, 11 a.m. - 2:00 pm. Post is located at the South Side parking lot of The Highways & Washington Ave. Everyone welcome.

September 11
Women’s Meeting
First Presbyterian Church ECO will hold a Women of the Church meeting, 10 AM at the church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

October 9
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The Kellams will be singing 5-6 PM, at First Dublin Presbyterian Church.

Virginia redistricting panel will start from scratch
By Tyler Arnold
(The Center Square – Rather than adjusting the current legisla tive redistricting process, the Virginia Re districting Commission is opting to start with a blank slate and redo the maps completely from scratch. The resolution, which passed the House 79-24 and the Senate 20-15 on Monday, makes direct the map drawers to create map proposals, if needed, and to consider previous versions. If the map is not used to make a determination from there. Kumar, another citizen member of the said Virginia voted for a redistricting commission because they wanted the map drawn to be independent. If the map is made the same way the General Assembly will have it. Kumar said, “let the people vote on it.” Sadie is a 3 year old, spayed female Shepherd mix. She does not have high energy and would greatly benefit from an active home. Sadie is already in the home. Virginia’s redistricting panel will start from scratch