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Board of Supervisors

Property values, latest audit, refunds discussed

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Reassessment values, the latest audit, old Pulaski Middle School and tax refunds for some veterans were all on the agenda at last week's Pulaski County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Audit Results Good

Pulaski County has received an "unmodified opinion" on its annual audit, the Board of Supervisors learned last week.

Emily Viers of the accounting firm of Robinson, Farmer and Cox delivered the good news during the board's monthly meeting Aug. 23, saying the finding is what any governing body hopes to hear from an audit.

Viers also noted in her report on the audit that Pulaski County's reserves at the end of the 2020 Fiscal Year were at 20 percent — meaning the county was in line with recommendations.

Viers advised the supervisors to especially keep an eye on reserves going forward due to inflation.

Pulaski Middle School

Janet Jonas, Manager of Special Projects for the county provided a

second presentation on potential plans to re-use the old Pulaski Middle School property.

Jonas recently gave her first presentation on the project to Pulaski Town Council.

She told the supervisors the developer looking at the old school building is Echelon Resources, who focuses on re-development of historic buildings.

Since 2005 Echelon has completed about 20 projects across Virginia re-using a number of former schools and old factory warehouses — and turning them into higher end apartments with rents over \$1,000 per month.

Echelon hopes, with the county's assistance, to obtain an historic designation for the school so they can use historic tax credits to help fund the project.

This will be the county's second re-use project involving turning an old school into housing for the county. Claremont was the first, and — according to Economic Development Director Mike Solomon — it took about 18 months for Claremont to gain historic designation in order to gain those tax credits. So, he expects about the same timeline for the Pulaski Middle School project.

"It's cool to talk about re-developing schools when we're sitting in a former school — the county's first high school and one of its older buildings," noted County Administrator Jonathan Sweet about the County Administration Building.

Supervisors Chairman Joe Guthrie added that both projects will result in the two properties becoming additions to the tax rolls of the town and county once they are completed. School buildings are public property and therefore not taxed.

Veterans refunds

Fifty-nine qualified veterans in the county will receive refunds in real estate taxes paid to the tune of \$73,733.50, following action by the board last week.

The State Code allows for exemption of real estate taxes for certain qualified veterans. That exemption can sometimes include a refund for certain taxes going back three years.

According to County Attorney Tim Kirtner, Commissioner of Revenue Kim Matthews and her staff discovered that, for a recent period of time involving two

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6th GO Pulaski County Service Day coming Oct. 2

On October 2, 2021, volunteers from all around Pulaski County will descend upon 15 project sites for a Saturday service blitz!

Among the project sites for this 6th annual GO PC event are Pulaski County Christmas Store, Pulaski Co. Parks and Rec., lap quilts for area nursing home residents, Pulaski Adult Day Services, Agency on Aging, Beans & Rice, Calfee Community & Cultural Center, Friends of Peak Creek, T G Howard Center, and many more.

The project planning team is led by Tom England, Jim Castele,



Mark Barnett, and Randy Jarrells, and they have worked with project partners to scope out the kind of work to be done at 15 project sites through the Fairlawn, Dublin, and Pulaski areas.

"What makes Go Pulaski

County work," says Terrie Sternberg, a founding member of GO PC, "is the amazing cooperation which runs through the organization. The core planning team works really well together for months before the day's events, coupled with great community partners who help us identify the projects, and then topped off by the many, many people who volunteer to show up at the project to which they have been assigned." There is an overwhelming spirit of cooperation and joy in serving, that many of our volunteers

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County Announces New Online Permitting System

From Pulaski County

Pulaski County Administration is pleased to announce that a new online permitting system is now available to the public. The Energov Citizen Self Service Portal offers a “one stop shop” to apply for, track, and manage both permits and plans. The online portal provides easy access for users to schedule inspections, make payments and print permits and plan approval from the users account.

The Energov platform is supported by Tyler Technology. This cloud based solution is currently used by hundreds of municipalities across the United States across a variety of products. Twenty-two (22) of the twenty-five (25) largest counties in the United States are currently using Tyler products.

The Community Development Office, which includes Engineering, Building and Planning/Zoning participated in a year-long collaboration with the Information Technology Department and Tyler Technologies to develop and customize the new permitting and plan review platform. Paper applications and processes have been converted to the online format. The overall vision for the online platform is to eliminate the use of paper and inefficient processes to save both time and money for the county and its citizens.

“This new platform is just another example of Pulaski County’s effort to provide the highest level of customer service, keep up with industry standards and expedite the development demands we are experiencing in the County”, stated Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator. “Our Communi-



ty Development Office is staffed with top-tier professionals and feel this new tool will increase capacity and accessibility that will prove to give our citizens and customers an even better end-product and option of experience.”

The Citizen Self Service (CSS) platform is available from the Pulaski County website at the Home page (<http://www.pulaskicounty.org/>) and the webpages for the

Building Department, Planning Department and Engineering Department. Users are required to register with an active email the first time they log in. Once a user is registered in the system, the permitting process is user friendly and convenient to access. The portal organizes the permits and plans associated with a user, which allows the user to track past or current permits. The new system allows building inspection staff to log inspection reports in real time. This feature allows users to track projects without

having to contact the office. Payments can be made online using a credit card and the system automatically sends invoices, receipts and permits to the email on file. Citizens who lack the technology to use the online service can still apply for permits by contacting the Community Development Department. Staff is available to assist users of the new system and answer any questions about the new permitting system. Contact Pulaski County Community Development Office 540-980-7710 for assistance.

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former commissioners, some of those refunds were not processed to the full extent required by law. Therefore, the veterans did not receive the entire amount of refunds they should have received.

It was noted the state statute governing the refunds had undergone 12 alterations since 2011, and one of the alterations included changes in how the refunds should be calculated.

“Ms. Matthews and her staff devoted considerable time calculating exactly how much would be necessary to make all those refunds,” Kirtner told the supervisors.

The supervisors voted to approve an appropriation to pay the refunds.

Board of Equalization

The board voted to advertise for a public hearing in September to adopt an ordinance to set deadlines concerning the re-convening of the county’s Board of Equalization.

Matthews said that after the previous deadline, the Commissioner’s office has had additional individuals contact the office interested in appealing their real estate assessment value, set during the recently completed property reassessment.

She said by re-convening the Board of Equalization, taxpayers disputing their assessment values can be heard and explain why they believe their valuation is not accurate.

“The board of Equalization will hear their concerns, review information and will decide whether to make changes in the fair market value of their properties by increasing the value or decreasing it,” Matthews said.

This would involve taxpayers who did not meet the original deadline for making their case to the Board of Equalization.

Guthrie said with all the issues of the past year, there are likely any number of issues why people missed the original deadline to appeal their assessments.

Kirtner told the supervisors the board must set two deadlines: one for taxpayers to file an appeal and a second for the Board of Equalization to complete its work.

It was noted the members of the Board of Equalization had expressed their willingness to re-convene, since each member’s term continues until the end of 2021.

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Health official gives weekly COVID update

The Delta variant is very contagious and continues to spread. Most people have mild or moderate cases, but many of our residents have conditions like being overweight or obese, or having heart or lung disease that puts them at high risk for bad outcomes.

Dr. Scott Gottlieb, a former chief of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) under former president Donald Trump has said that a majority of unvaccinated people who haven't had COVID-19 before will likely become infected by the Delta variant and that it could end up being one of the most serious viruses they face in their lifetime. In the New River District, 44.13% are fully vaccinated, leaving about 56% at risk.

According to a report issued last week by the CDC based on COVID infections in Los Angeles County, California, people who are not fully vaccinated have 5 times more COVID infections than those fully vaccinated and have 29 times more COVID hospitalizations. It bears repeating that the vaccine is very effective in preventing infections, hospitalizations and death. The best way to stop this surge is to get vaccinated and for everyone – regardless of vaccination status – to be

vigilant, wear a mask indoors in public spaces or when with others outside of one's household, avoid closed poorly ventilated spaces, close contact and crowds.

Our focus in public health for the next few weeks is to vaccinate people, to protect our children under 12 who are not eligible for a vaccine, and to protect our healthcare workers from a situation that is sapping their strength, their spirits, and their ability to do their jobs. We also continue to work with our health care systems on the use of monoclonal antibodies for outpatient treatment of mild to moderate COVID and post-exposure prophylaxis for those who have had close contact with someone who is COVID positive. Monoclonal antibodies have been shown to reduce infection and hospitalization in those at high risk of serious outcomes from COVID.

In the New River Valley today, we have 42 people hospitalized with COVID. HCA reports 21. Carilion is reporting 21. Remember that hospitalizations lag by weeks, so we expect our hospitalizations will not fall until sometime after cases start declining.

Our healthcare workers are in-

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come back each year to take part in "something bigger than themselves."

Since its inception in 2016, in spite of a hurricane and a pandemic, GO PC has been able to take place each year safely and effectively, completing over 80 projects involving 600+ volunteers with well over several thousand volunteer hours worked to date. Projects are selected that allow people of all ages and abilities to take part since no two projects require the exact same talents and skills. This year, one project will require volunteers to simply "tie knots" to complete lap quilts destined for area long-term health care facilities, and another will involve sorting crayons and removing the outer wrapper for a special project to benefit children in special ways. Want to clean a section of Peak Creek? Eager to do some landscaping or painting? "There is truly something for everyone to do which is the beauty of GO PC," says Jeanette Hall, Volunteer Coordinator.

So that we can match volunteers to projects based on information gathered in the registration process, it is necessary that we close volunteer registration

several weeks prior to the actual day of GO PC. This year, our volunteer registration cut-off date is September 4. So, if you wish to take part in a part-day county-wide service day to benefit many non-profits and individuals in Pulaski County, please sign up as soon as possible! Go to www.gopulaskicounty.org/volunteer to register. Questions can be sent to volunteer@gopulaskicounty.org and will be answered promptly.

Above:
GO volunteers assembling Blessing Bags.

At Right:
Matching crayons.



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BRENDA KAY CARNELL KLINE

Beloved wife, mother and aunt Brenda Kay Carnell Kline passed away August 25th peacefully at her home surrounded by family and loved ones.

Kay was devoted to her charities and had a loving generous heart. She was responsible for the free carnival hosted for five years at New Life Church. While in Maryland she started the empty stocking program that started with 5 families and has grown to over 500 or more to date.

She was an avid animal lover and fed several feral feline colonies in the area. She was always seeking out ways to help those in need.

She started her career at The Southwest Times and came back to retire as the publisher.

She is survived by her Husband of 39 years – Ronald A. Kline – Pulaski

Daughter & Son-in-law – Lisa (Greg) Zagorski – Pulaski

Several nieces and nephews
A private memorial was held, family requests in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the Pulaski County Humane Society in her memory.

Special thank you to Medi-Home Staff in her time of need.

Bower Funeral Chapels, Pulaski handled the arrangements for the family.

EARLY EUGENE GRAVLEY

Early Eugene Gravley, age 91 of Pulaski passed away Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at his home surrounded by family. Born November 19, 1929 in Pulaski he was the son of the late Earley Mac Gravley & Nancy Mae Gravley. He was also preceded in death by 8 brothers and sisters.

Early was a veteran of the United States Army.

He is survived by his Wife of 72 years– Dorothy Thomas Gravley – Pulaski

Sons – David (Debbie) Gravley – TN, Earnest Gravley – NC, Eugene (Vicky) Gravley – Pulaski, Dexter Gravley – Pulaski, Dennis (Angie) Gravley – Pulaski and Terry Gravley – Pulaski

Many grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren

Graveside funeral services will be held 2:00 PM – Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, Dublin with Chaplain Bobby Ward officiating where he will receive full military honors.



DEBRA LYNN MOORE CLARK

Debra Lynn Moore Clark, age 57 of Roanoke passed away Saturday, August 28, 2021 at her home. Born June 30, 1964 she was the daughter of Billy & Elizabeth Rice Moore.

She is survived by her Parents - Billy & Elizabeth Moore - Bedford

Sons - Benjamin "BJ" Clark – Roanoke, David (Kim) Clark – SC, Brett (Jessica) Clark – GA, Chad (Stacey) Clark – Alaska, Brad Clark – Dublin

Nine Grandchildren - Payson, Sierra, Lexi, Logan, Seth, Gavin, Kailyn, Kinslee and Lukas

Sisters – Kimberly (Clarence) Hurd – MD, Beth Moore - Bedford

Funeral services will be held 2:00 PM – Friday, September 3, 2021 at the Pulaski Church of God with Pastor Clarence Hurd and Pastor Don Jones officiating. Interment will follow at the Highland Memory Gardens, Dublin.

The family will receive friends one hour before service time at the Pulaski Church of God. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be sent to the Pulaski Church of God.

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

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



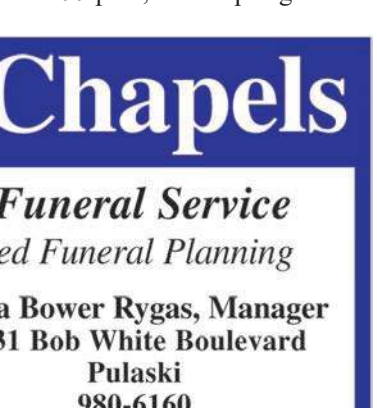
ROGER DALE BRUCE

Roger Dale Bruce, 68 of Belspring, went home to be with the Lord Monday, August 30, 2021 at Carilion New River Valley Medical Center. He was born on June 21, 1953 in Radford, and was the son of the late Gerlean Giles Bruce and Donald Louis Bruce.

Roger worked at Kollmorgen Corp in Radford for many years, and after his retirement, he enjoyed his life-long passion of fishing on the New River. He also was a graduate of the 1971 class of Dublin High School.

He is survived by his brother: Donald L. Bruce, Jr., and his closer than brother and life-long friend, Preston Beamer; Uncle; Harry Giles; cousins; Brenda Gilbert, Wallace Bruce, Wayne Bruce, Nellie Bruce Jones, Harry Giles, Jr., Buck Williams and special friends Cindy Clark and Michael Wood.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, September 4, 2021 at 2:00 p.m., at Belspring United



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DEBRA LYNN DONITHAN O'DELL

Debra Lynn Donithan O'Dell, age 60 of Rockbridge County and formerly of Pulaski passed away Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at the Raleigh Court Health & Rehab Center, Roanoke. Born May 13, 1961 in Pulaski she was the daughter of the late Vance Elmo Donithan & Dorothy Ann Murphy Donithan. She was also preceded in death by her husband, James Allen O'Dell, brothers, David, Wayne and Gary Donithan.

She is survived by her

Children – Kristin Gullion & husband, Jason – Rural Retreat, Jami O'Dell & boyfriend, JD Sykes – Saltville, VA, Travis O'Dell – Natural Bridge, VA

Grandchildren – Austin, Damian, Jason, Eric, Ashton, Colt, Lukas, Stella-Anne and expecting Joclyn

Sisters – Brenda Bennett – Saltville, Linda Simpson – Snowville

Many Loved nieces, nephews, cousins and special in-laws

Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM – Monday, September 6, 2021 at the Bower Funeral Home – Chapel, Pulaski. Interment will follow at the O'Dell-Moore Cemetery, Snowville.

The family will receive friends one hour before service time Monday at the Funeral Home.

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

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



Methodist Church, with the Rev. Rachel Collins officiating. Interment will follow in Sunrise Burial Park. The family will receive friends on Saturday at the church from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. 540-980-1700



JAMES "JAY" WARD WEBB

James "Jay" Ward Webb, 78, passed away Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at his home in Dublin. He was a U. S. Army veteran and a retired truck driver with Overnite/UPS for over 30 years. He was preceded in death by his parents, Miller and Reba Webb; first wife, Sharon Pitts Webb; and sister and brother-in-law, Marvin and Mary E. McCoy.

Survivors include his children, Gregory (Vikki) Branscome, Christopher (Jill) Webb, Amy Webb, and Randall (Jessica) Webb; grandchildren, Bailey, Layna, Lizzy, Emily and Grace; lifelong friends, Sonny and John Smith; and many friends.

Memorial graveside services with full military honors will be held at 10 am on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

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

JESSE LEE GOAD

Jesse Lee Goad, age 85 of Dublin formerly of Snowville passed away Friday, August 27, 2021 at the Lewis Gale Medical Center, Salem. Born October 27, 1935 in Pulaski he was the son of the late Elsie Elbert Goad & Thelma Cole Goad. He was also preceded in death by one brother, Dean Goad and one sister, Mary Ann Sigmon.

He was a veteran of the United States Army and retired from Pulaski Furniture Company.

He is survived by his Son – Jesse Goad, Jr. – Radford

Grandchildren – David Wayne Goad – Christiansburg, VA, Cory Lee Goad – Radford

5 Great Grandchildren
Sisters - Myrtle Jean Clark- Salem
Sue Whitlock- Salem
Ruby Ellen Ratcliff- Snowville
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SAMUEL NESTER KRUNSBURG JR.

Samuel Nester Krunsberg Jr., 79 of Pulaski, VA was promoted to Glory on Thursday August 26, 2021. He dedicated his life to serving the Lord, his family and his community. He was a lifelong Soldier of The Salvation Army and a Corps Sergeant Major, a retired Volunteer Firefighter with the Pulaski Fire Department and a well-known custom leather Craftsman. He was included in the 1976 Outstanding Young Men of America. He was the Executive Director of The Salvation Army Boy's Club 1968-197, a sponsor of the Big Brother Program in 1975, a Volunteer Coach for the School of the Deaf 1971-1972. He helped prepare handicapped children for the Jefferson School Special Olympics of 1975 and he was coach and leader for the Community Outreach Program for Boys in 1973.

He was a Godly man who was a loving Son, Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, Brother and Uncle. He was always there to help anyone in any given situation. He loved sharing his faith and stories of his life experiences. Today, he is still serving the Lord in Heaven and still sharing his stories with those he loved, greatly missed and has gone before him.

He will be deeply missed by all of his family, a very special friend, Rachel Johnston and all the many friends and those that knew him, especially his son, Sammy who knows and is grateful for how God greatly blessed him by giving him such a wonderful and Godly man to be his Dad.

He was born in Norfolk, VA on February 1st, 1942 and transplanted to Pulaski after meeting the love of his life and wife Wanda Dawn Krunsberg. He was the son of the late Samuel N. Krunsberg, Sr. and Florence Farrell-Krunsberg-Fink and step-father Eugen Fink Sr.

Surviving are his son, Sammy Krunsberg and daughter-in-law Amanda Krunsberg.

Grandchildren, Brooke Snider Wright, Kobe Krunsberg, Gracie Krunsberg.

Great Grandchildren, Waylon Wright, Abigail Krunsberg.

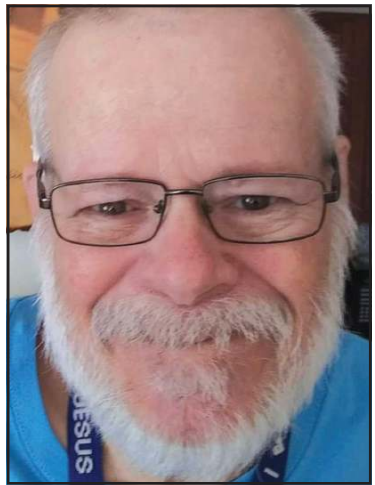
Brother, Eugene Fink, Jr. and sister-in-law Becky Fink

Several Nieces and Nephews.

Funeral service was held Wednesday, September 1, 2021

at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with Major James Allison officiating. A graveside service was held in Oakwood Cemetery on Thursday. Flowers and cards can be sent to the funeral home. All other memorials may be sent to The Salvation Army of the New River Valley. LUKE 1:37.

Stevens Funeral Home in Pulaski, VA is serving the Krunsberg family. Online condolences may be made at www.stevensfuneral-homepulaski.com.



HARRY LEO OLIVER

Harry Leo Oliver, age 67 of Pulaski passed away Sunday morning at the home of his sister with his family by his side.

Born November 14, 1953 in Columbus, Ohio, he was the son of the late Harry Clinton Oliver and Margie Faye Jewett Oliver. He was a retired truck driver.

He is survived by His Children- Claudia Oliver, Evelyn Oliver and Sara Oliver-all of Florida

Seven Grandchildren

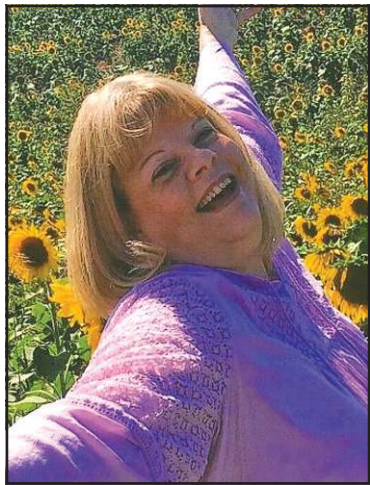
Sister and Brother-in-law-Catherine and Buddy Cox- Pulaski

Numerous Nieces and Nephews

Private Family Memorial services will be held at a later date.

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



JULIE CHRISTIAN GUSLER COX

Julie Christian Gusler Cox, 53, went to be with Jesus and her Daddy on Wednesday, August 25, 2021. Julie was the most wonderful mommy, wife, daughter and sister anyone could hope for. She always put everyone ahead of herself. She truly had a servant's heart. She loved her Jesus!

Julie longed to see her Daddy, Allen Gusler, who is already in Heaven.

She is survived her husband of 30 years, Anthony Cox; son, Adam Cox; mother, Claudia Gusler; sister, Heather Flynn (Michael); mother-in-law, Vada H. Cox; and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford with Pastor Nathan Williams and Pastor Curtis McKee officiating. Julie was placed beside her Daddy in the Appalachian Pentecostal Conference Cemetery in Dublin.

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

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RAYMOND LEWIS MURPHY

Raymond Lewis Murphy, age 92 of Draper passed away Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at the Highland Ridge Rehab Center.

Born in Pulaski, he was the son of the late Raymond Murphy and Laura Shepherd Murphy. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Fortner Murphy in 2018; one Sister, Betty Murphy Stowers and her husband, Albert; a brother, Bobby Murphy and brother-in-law, Walter Chrisley, Jr.

He was a veteran of the United States Army. He retired from the former Mayberry Buick car dealership as a service manager with over 47 years of service.

He is survived by his

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Son - Tim Jonas & wife, Janet Jonas - Pulaski

Nine Grandchildren - Jamie Riggins & wife, Tonya, Paul Riggins & wife, Tracy, Stacey Utt & husband, Chris, Crystal Conner & husband, Chris, Jessica Jonas, Shaun Lawson & wife, Georgette, Jody Godec & husband, Travis, Katharine Tozier, Philip Tozier

Twelve Great Grandchildren



Sister - Louise M. Chrisley - Pulaski

Brother - Cecil Murphy and wife, Barbara Murphy - Draper

Sister-in-law - Sue Murphy - Pulaski

Funeral services were held Monday, August 30, 2021 in the Bower Funeral Home Chapel, Pulaski with Pastor Bobby Osborne officiating. Interment followed in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery Dublin.

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

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

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No to a 2nd Death Tax

Benjamin Franklin famously noted that “in this world, nothing is certain except death and taxes.” He never said those two certainties needed to go hand in hand. That came later with the imposition of the death tax, also known as the estate tax.

The federal death tax, enacted in 1916, is levied “on the transfer of the taxable estate of every decedent who is a citizen or resident of the United States.” It tends to fall hardest upon farmers and small business owners seeking to pass their assets to the next generation.

Instead of cash, their assets are more likely to be dominated by land, livestock, and equipment. As a result, the heirs of the deceased may have to sell large portions of what they inherited just to pay their tax bill.

I believe this is unfair tax policy that hurts residents of Virginia’s Ninth Congressional District. Throughout my time in Congress, and previously in the state House of Delegates, I have consistently supported efforts to reduce or eliminate entirely the death tax. Earlier this year, I cosponsored H.R. 1712, the Death Tax Repeal Act.

Progress was made in the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act passed by Republicans in Congress and signed by President Trump. It increased the death tax’s exemption so that its burdens fall on wealthier individuals.

Now a new threat to the ability to pass one’s assets to his or her heirs looms.

President Biden has rolled out numerous plans for turbocharging federal spending. They are a cause for concern because of their wastefulness and misplaced priorities, but also in how the Biden Administration wants to pay for them.

Among President Biden’s proposals for increasing the burden on taxpayers is repealing “stepped-up basis” and taxing capital gains at death. These actions would amount to a second death tax, and like the original death tax, fall hardest upon family-owned farms and small businesses.

Stepped-up basis allows heirs to only pay taxes on the gain in appreciation since the date of inheritance and only applies when the assets are sold. Thanks to this provision, if a family member inherits an asset, such as land or a farm that has been in the family for generations, he or she is not hit with an outlandish tax bill if that asset’s value has risen sharply from when it first came into the family’s possession.

As a state Delegate, I once worked with two elderly gentlemen who were having their property, a mountain in the Ninth Congressional District, logged. They had grown up on this property in cabins without running water or electricity. The property itself came from a king’s grant awarded to their families for services rendered in what I recall to be the French and Indian War, which ended in 1763.

President Biden’s plan would end stepped-up basis and tax the capital gains at death. By the way, his plan also seeks to double the current tax rate for all capital gains. His plan would take a huge chunk of the value of land that had been in the families of those two gentlemen for over 250 years.

I know of many families in Southwest Virginia who would be similarly threatened by death taxes, forcing the sale of their property to developers.

This plan found a place in the Biden tax agenda despite evidence that it would reduce jobs and wages. A study conducted by the accounting firm Ernst & Young for the Family Business Estate Tax Coalition found that these changes could reduce wages by \$32 for every \$100 in new taxes collected, eliminate 80,000 jobs per year over the first ten years, and eliminate 100,000 jobs per year each year after that.

The resulting damage to the American economy would be a \$10 billion annual hit to our gross domestic product, or a total of \$100 billion over the next decade.

If enacted, the repeal of stepped-up basis and the imposition of capital gains taxes upon death would be a great administrative weight on the family of the deceased and for those involved in estate planning. They would have to determine the growth in value of an asset since it has been in the family, meaning for some landowners in Southwest Virginia a calculation of inflation and appreciation all the way back to the 1760s.

The costs imposed by a second death tax would be severe, not only in monetary terms, but to the idea that Americans should be able to pass the benefits of their hard work onto their descendants. That’s too high a price to pay for President Biden’s big spending.

If you have questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to contact my Abingdon office at 276-525-1405, my Christiansburg office at 540-381-5671, or website at www.morgangriffith.house.gov.



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

A Look In The Mirror

I happened to take a look at myself in the mirror early last month, and I don’t mean a figurative look, but a literal one. The image staring back at me startled me a bit. It was an image of a guy with grey hair and noticeable fatigue. The colloquialism often used with our local farming heritage to describe me was, ‘I looked like I had been rode hard and put up wet’.

I wouldn’t be honest if I didn’t admit that it perhaps scared me a bit.

It led me to reflect on what journey I have found myself on in the last 18 months that has had such an effect on me physically. It had been a journey of never-ending challenge and daunting obstacles. From pandemics, to shut-downs, to infrastructure failures, to you name it ... We have seen them all and so much more.

The pace and the pressure of public service can really take its toll on you. Believe me when I say, I’m not whining or throwing a pity-party, I’m simply admitting to myself and to you that I am human and the unrelenting strain of managing all the challenges as well as all the opportunities has had an impact



Patriot's Post

Jonathan Sweet
Pulaski Co. Administrator

on me of late. There’s that saying in public service that, you must have thick skin if you want to be successful, and that is so very true. But you often need thick skin to simply remain sane.

On top of the demands and the gravity of the job, you sometimes have to deal with the reality that some in the community that you love, don’t like you or love you back. I’m a grownup and know that, so is life, but when you are a public servant there seems to be a disconnect with decency with some that don’t like you. They tend to target your character,

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FDR vs. JFK vs. JRB

By Cal Thomas,
Tribune Content Agency

In his address to Congress on Dec. 8, 1941, following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, President Franklin Roosevelt said: “... we will not only defend ourselves to the uttermost but will make it very certain that this form of treachery shall never again endanger us. Hostilities exist. There is no blinking at the fact that our people, our territory and our interests are in grave danger. With confidence in our armed forces, with the unbounding determination of our people, we will gain the inevitable triumph, so help us God.”

Compare that powerful address with President Biden’s threat following the deaths of 13 U.S. troops and at least 90 Afghans last week outside Kabul airport: “We will hunt you down and make you pay. I will defend our interests and our people with every measure at my command.”

FDR spoke from a position of strength. Biden spoke from a position of weakness. Roosevelt announced an offensive. Biden’s “threat” was made during a retreat and surrender.

In his 1961 inaugural address, John F. Kennedy pledged, “Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, in order to assure the survival and the success of liberty.”

Granted, the world has changed significantly since FDR and JFK, and now a feckless president with low credibility makes a promise that will not be kept. How can it when there will be no Americans in Afghanistan to hunt anyone?

Biden has done more to harm American interests and security than perhaps any other U.S. president. He sounds and looks weak because he is weak. This has not gone unnoticed by terrorists, as well as Iran, China, Russia and others who do not wish us well.

Perhaps the most discouraging part of Biden’s remarks was his continuing obsession with blaming former President Donald Trump for the Afghanistan debacle. True, Trump floated the idea of inviting unreliable Taliban leaders to Washington and even Camp David to reach a deal to end the war, though he never did. Critics

apparently forget that Bill Clinton did invite Yassir Arafat to Camp David.

The “treaty” then-Secretary of State Mike Pompeo concluded with the Taliban worked. No U.S. soldiers were killed during an 18-month period. There were probably two reasons. First, the Taliban thought they could patiently wait out America, because based on our withdrawal from Vietnam, they believed we would not stay “forever,” and second, because Trump had specific requirements for the Taliban to meet or the deal would be off. It is hard to imagine, as much as Trump wanted to stop “endless wars,” that he would abandon Afghanistan altogether without at least a minimal U.S. presence to deter terrorists who wish to again attack America.

Biden claims the military was on board with his decision to withdraw all forces from Afghanistan. That is difficult to believe, unless leaders have gone completely woke, focusing on diversity instead of on winning current wars and preparing to defend us from the possibility of future ones.

The drone strike last week that the administration says killed an ISIS-K leader is more likely a one-off than an effective military strategy for diminishing the threat of more terrorism.

The president had promised to reach out to our allies. “America is back” he repeatedly said. He had chastised Trump for “going it alone” and pledged to include allies in decision-making. He did just the opposite with a unilateral decision and an arbitrary pullout date, leaving our allies to effectively fend for themselves. They will likely be cautious about joining a future American military coalition when new threats emerge.

When speaking of our national debt, Democrats frequently say that “the full faith and credit of the United States” is on the line if the debt ceiling isn’t raised and our bills paid.

America under Joe Biden has demonstrated its faithlessness and unreliability. This will have serious implications for our immediate and long-term future. Should there be another terrorist attack on our homeland -- something that seems likely -- the blood of the dead will be on the hands of President Biden, no matter who he tries to blame.



Rich Lowery

Editor, National Review

Media’s Finest Hour

Poor Ron Klain.

It’s not a good sign when a White House chief of staff to a Democratic president wants to re-tweet favorable news coverage and all he can find is the least credible and most slavishly loyal commentators on the internet.

The Afghanistan fiasco has created that most disorienting and discomfiting experience for a progressive administration -- a serious bout of critical media coverage immune to White House spin and determined to tell the unvarnished story of an ongoing debacle.

The White House and its allies have lashed out at what they are portraying as an insular, pro-war media ignoring its many successes in the Afghan evacuation.

This, like Ron Klain’s tweeting, is a sign of desperation and of a feeling of outraged betrayal that usually dependable allies have, on this story, switched sides. Say it’s not so, CNN.

The White House is unfamiliar with what it’s like to be on the receiving end of the kind of media feeding frenzy that Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis experiences every other day (almost always involving spurious storylines).

But on Afghanistan, Joe Biden in effect set out to test how much shameless incompetence and dishonesty the media would accept. The answer? Not nearly enough.

The press is blatantly biased and has become even more so over time, repeatedly propagating false narratives that have shredded its credibility. Still, there are limits beyond which even it can’t be pushed.

Biden said that the Afghan withdrawal wouldn’t be another Saigon within weeks of Saigon-like scenes of a hasty evacuation of the U.S. embassy, of terrified Afghans clinging to a U.S. transport plane, of desperate Afghans passing their infants over the barbed wire to Western soldiers guarding the Kabul airport.

There is no number of look-on-the-bright-side briefings that are going to overcome these indelible images, and even a journalist who tilted heavily toward Biden in 2020 and supports his agenda was going to be hard-pressed to look away.

The contradiction in Biden’s case for withdrawal was also too stark to ignore. He originally justified his pullout because the Afghan government and military were capable of defending the country without us, then he justified his exit because the government and military collapsed so quickly. Which was it?

Much of what Biden has said in his remarks and press conferences has been vulnerable to instant fact checks. When he said that Americans weren’t having trouble getting through to the airport, reporters could immediately attest that it wasn’t true.

Who was everyone supposed to believe? Biden’s misleading assurance, or CNN reporter

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McAuliffe talks abortion, Youngkin taxes at forum

McLEAN, Va. (AP) — Democrat Terry McAuliffe told northern Virginia business leaders Wednesday that the recently enacted abortion legislation in Texas serves as a warning about what might happen if Republican Glenn Youngkin is elected governor.

“We need to be concerned here,” he told a crowd of nearly 300 people gathered at Ritz-Carlton Tysons to hear from all six Democratic and Republican candidates for statewide office on the ballot this November. “I cannot tell you how dangerous this is for women. Dangerous. And it’s crippling for business.”

McAuliffe’s comments to the Virginia FREE leadership luncheon came as a Texas law banning most abortions took effect Wednesday with the U.S. Supreme Court so far unwilling to take up a legal challenge to the law.

Democrats have said that Youngkin and Republicans will erode abortion rights if elected and that a conservative majority on the Supreme Court will allow it.

Youngkin, in his remarks, did not mention abortion. Speaking to reporters after the luncheon,

he said he’s pro life but allows exceptions in cases of rape, incest and where the mother’s life is in danger. But he expressed some frustration that he was being asked about abortion at a business forum, just days after he announced a plan to cut a variety of taxes.

“I think my opponent’s going to use these topics to divide us again,” Youngkin said.

In his remarks, which were significantly longer than McAuliffe’s, Youngkin cited his plan to provide tax rebates to Virginians, to double the standard exemption on state income tax returns and to require localities to submit property tax increases to voters for approval, among other tax cuts. He said the local property tax will be a backdoor way for government to increase the tax burden on Virginia families, with real estate values rising rapidly.

And he said the state’s \$2.6 billion surplus is evidence of overtaxation.

“Virginia ran a \$2.6 billion surplus last year in the middle of a pandemic because the the liberal leadership in Richmond overtaxed everybody,” Youngkin said. “That’s Virginia’s money, not Terry McAuliffe’s.”

Asked by reporters after his speech about Youngkin’s tax plan, McAuliffe called it “a joke.”

“Voters are smart. They know that this is not a real plan,” he said.

Wednesday’s event also featured speeches by lieutenant governor candidates Hala Ayala, a Democrat, and Winsome Sears, a Republican; and attorney general candidates Mark Herring, a Democrat, and Jason Miyares, a Republican.



Terry McAuliffe



Glen Youngkin

OPEN FORUM

Do You Know What Your Children Are Learning?

To the editor,
Thanks to Pastor Donald Jones for the comments made at the School Board meeting and also in the article titled “Common Sense Has Left the Commonwealth,” published in the August 20 edition of **The Patriot**.

As a retired teacher, I wholeheartedly agree with his comments.

I encourage parents to stay informed as to what is included in the required curriculum. As Pastor Jones stated, it is a parent’s right to know. You may be surprised and even alarmed at some of the concepts and ideas being taught. I personally have many concerns about what the children and young people are exposed to.

I was blessed to have been a student, then a teacher in Pulaski County Schools, but I am very sad and worried to see some of the changes that have been made over the years.

I was disappointed when I read about the vote by the School Board to accept the “Model Pol-

icy for All Students.” As I see it, instead of providing safety for ALL students, the policy provides special privileges for SOME, and invites opportunity for vulnerability and danger to many.

I appreciate the one board member who had the courage to stand for her convictions and do what she was elected to do, which is represent her constituents, supporting policies which serve

the needs of ALL students, and allowing parents to raise their children in their own way.

My prayer is that the Lord will guide the students and all of us as teachers, parents, grandparents, etc. in teaching and protecting ALL of our children.

Have a blessed year.

**Doris H. Gridley
Grahams Forge**

Sweet

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your integrity, your purpose and even your family, to include your children.

The new medium of choice for their dislike is the various social media platforms. In fact, they sometimes create a whole page just to target you. (For the record, that is when you know you have truly and officially arrived. – LOL!)

Often times, surrogates set these pages up and operate them under pseudonyms and cloak their hate in anonymity. Well, the greatest paradox I have experienced in the last decade, perhaps the last score, is that what these folks intended for harm actually turned out to be the biggest blessing at the best time I could have received.

So many wonderful folks throughout the county have reached out to me in so many different ways to express their appreciation and support for my efforts in serving Pulaski County. They have also shared that they were appalled by what they read online and by those few who posted it. Their outreach and

response to me has been one of the biggest shots in the arm one could ask for. It has meant so much to me and I am so grateful for the affirmation and affection from business leaders, community leaders, respected members of the public and from folks I barely or didn’t know.

I am writing this in part as a personal Thank You to each of you who helped pick me up in my time of fatigue and reminded me of why I love Pulaski County and why it is a true honor to serve each and every one of you to the best of my ability.

Throughout my life I’ve heard the verse, Genesis 50:20, prayed and claimed, but I must say that it is super-cool to have now experienced that blessing firsthand and in such a big way.

Thank you again to all those who have shown me such kindness, and to all those who for whatever reason choose to do the opposite, I will continue to pray for and humbly serve.

Pulaski County is...Truly Caring

Lowry

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Clarissa Ward’s compelling report from outside the Kabul airport that she was threatened with a whip for not covering her face and her producer nearly pistol whipped? Ward said it was “mayhem” and “a miracle that more people haven’t been very, very seriously hurt.”

The complaints from the administration and its most committed journalistic supporters that the coverage has been unfair and the product of a press biased toward interventionism ring hollow.

It is certainly true that the East Coast media has more cosmopolitan attitudes than the rest of the country, but it’s hardly full of committed foreign policy hawks. The press didn’t notably dissent from President Barack Obama’s pullout from Iraq in 2011 or his nuclear deal with Iran. It has

steadfastly favored the so-called peace process in the Middle East.

It’s not as though only the American media has noticed Biden’s ineptitude, either. If anything, our foreign allies have been harsher about the humiliating mess Biden has stumbled into (former British prime minister Tony Blair called it “imbecilic”) than journalists here at home.

Since he won the Democratic nomination last year, Biden has been the subject of relentless favorable press coverage forgiving his lapses and enthusiastic about his alleged accomplishments. It was hard to see what he could do to lose media support, even for a time, and then he botched his withdrawal.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



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credible, caring people. But they are struggling to understand how the same people who clapped for them last year are not supporting their efforts this year. Look at news stories across the country and social media posts; they are full of healthcare workers talking about burnout and fighting to keep their desire to serve alive. The best way to support them is by getting a vaccine. The vaccines are safe and effective; they are not experimental. And with hundreds of millions of doses given, they have had more rigorous scrutiny and testing than any other approved drug.

We have had some questions about when the Novavax vaccine will be available in the United States. The vaccine has not been authorized for use in the United States and it is unclear when or if it will be.

Our hospital systems are also asking us to request that people NOT go to the emergency room for a COVID test. That backs up the system for very sick people. There are many ways to get a COVID test and most of them are free. The health department offers free testing every weekday from 9 am-11:30 am: Mondays in Christiansburg, Tuesdays in Floyd, Wednesdays in Pulaski, Thursdays in Christiansburg and Fridays in Radford. You can also get the same PCR tests at CVS pharmacies, MedExpress, Alliance Express, and at pediatrician's offices. Antigen tests are available at Walgreens, CVS, and Walmart, when they are in stock.

With the news about some vaccinated people getting infected with Delta, many people are asking how they should respond to an exposure. People with COVID-19 can pass the COVID-19 virus to their close contacts starting from

2 days before they become sick (or 2 days before they test positive if they never had symptoms). Unvaccinated people who have had close contact with someone who has COVID-19 need to stay home and away from others for 10 days from the last contact or 7 days after a negative test conducted on day 5-7. This is called quarantine. Vaccinated individuals should wear a mask whenever around others, monitor for symptoms, and get tested 3-5 days after exposure. Anyone who develops symptoms or gets a positive test after an exposure should isolate for 10 days from the onset of symptoms or date of positive test, regardless of vaccination status. It is not considered a close contact unless one is around a COVID positive individual in the 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms or positive test.

Again we find ourselves in a situation where we must be vigilant to protect our health and that of our families and communities. This can be done with vaccines and vigilance. Those who have lower tolerance for risk of getting the disease should be especially careful with their interactions. Please wear a mask when indoors and not at home. We recommend masks, but there are not mandates for most situations. As we go about our activities, we may see situations where people are not masked. The simplest course of action is don't go there. For example, we are getting reports from concerned residents about unmasked servers in restaurants. If a situation is riskier than one's tolerance for risk, please do not enter.

**Dr. Noelle Bissell, Director,
New River Public
Health District.**

E.G. Black's funeral features restored WWII Jeep, caisson

Former Pulaski Town Councilman Elbert Gibboney "E.G." Black Jr. died on Aug. 21 at the age of 93. His funeral was held this past Monday at First United Methodist Church in Pulaski where Black was a long-time member.

Following the service, the U.S. Air Force veteran was laid to rest in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

According to Todd Bruce, Manager of Seagle Funeral Home in Pulaski, which handled arrangements for the family, Black's remains were transported from the church to the cemetery on a caisson pulled by a restored 1942 Army Jeep.

Featured in a March article in The Patriot, the Jeep was restored by members of the American Legion Post #58 in Dublin. During the restoration process, members of Post #58 came across a 16-foot-long Army communications trailer for sale and envisioned it for use as a caisson to be used for veterans' funerals.

The trailer was modified, and an oak floor installed for the casket to rest on, and curtains were added on all sides of the caisson.

The restored 1942 Army Jeep and caisson were presented by Post #58 for use by veterans and their families burying loved ones at the Veterans Cemetery.

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Summer Reading Program Prize Sends County Youngster Into The Wild Blue Yonder

Each year, Peter Huber offers up a plane ride over Pulaski County as a prize for the Summer Reading Program at the Pulaski County Library. This year's winner was Makena Willis (right) and her grandmother, Michelle King provided these photos before and during the flight over the county. What a great prize!



Deceased male found in New River identified as Christiansburg man

The deceased male that was located in the New River on 8-29-2021 has been identified as Vance Austin Eubank, 45 of Christiansburg.

Foul play is not suspected and the investigation is still ongoing at this time.

If anyone has any information please contact Investigator Hayes at 540-980-7800.

Pulaski County Sheriff's Office



ARC Awards \$500,000 for Adaptive Reuse of Calfee Training School in Pulaski

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) last week awarded \$500,000 to the town of Pulaski for the adaptive reuse of the historic Calfee Training School. Congressman Morgan Griffith (R-VA) issued the following statement:

"This grant of \$500,000 will help support the reconstruction and repurposing of the historic Calfee Training School. The completion of this project will provide space for a variety of community developments and highlight local Appalachian African American leaders. I am pleased to see the economic, cultural, and educational opportunities this can provide for the community in Pulaski."

The project will help with the renovation of a 2,500 square foot shared-use commercial kitchen and an event space for a new childcare center and local food-based entrepreneurs and community organizations. The new Calfee Community & Cultural Center (CCCC) will also serve as a multi-use municipal facility that will offer a variety of resources including educational trainings, a museum to highlight local Appalachian African American leaders and history, an event space for community programming.

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‘Signs of the Times’ in Pulaski County

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RICHMOND – As the skies clear after Tropical Depression Ida moves beyond Virginia, Virginia State Police is urging those who will be using the Labor Day weekend as a final summer travel getaway to do so safely and responsibly. Labor Day traffic fatalities have been on the rise for the past four years, which is why it is imperative for motorists to stay alert, stay sober and wear their seatbelts while on Virginia’s highways.

“Last year was a record year for fatal crashes on Virginia roadways and sadly we are on pace for another tragic year,” said Colonel Gary T. Settle, Virginia State Police Superintendent. “In 2020, there were increases in speed, unrestrained and alcohol-related traffic deaths. It’s really quite simple - seatbelts save lives, distractions are deadly on roadways, speed kills and driving impaired is unacceptable. We want you and your family to reach your destination safely, and we need every motorist to help us achieve that goal.”

Virginia State Police will have all available uniformed personnel on patrol over the 2021 Labor Day weekend conducting traffic safety and enforcement patrols as part of Operation CARE – the Crash Awareness Reduction Effort, a nationwide, state-sponsored traffic safety program that aims to reduce traffic crashes, fatalities and injuries caused by impaired driving, speeding and failing to use occu-

pant restraints. Virginia State Police’s participation in the program begins Friday, Sept. 3, 2021, at 12:01 a.m. and continues through midnight Monday, Sept. 6, 2021.

The 2020 Labor Day weekend saw a rise in fatal crashes across the Commonwealth. A total of 20 individuals died in traffic crashes in Virginia during the 2020 four day, holiday statistical counting period, compared to 17 deaths in 2019 and 14 deaths in 2018*. In addition, as of Aug. 31, 2021, preliminary data indicates there have been 573 traffic fatalities on Virginia highways, as compared to 544 on the same date in 2020.

State police is also actively participating in the annual “Checkpoint Strikeforce,” an anti-DUI enforcement and education program sponsored by the Washington Regional Alcohol Program (WRAP). State police is one of nearly 100 law enforcement agencies conducting sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols through Labor Day in an effort to prevent and deter impaired driving and DUI/DUID-related crashes. In addition, state police reminds all motorists to drive phone- and distraction-free.

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Cougars open 2021 season with 20-17 win

Travel next to Jefferson Forest as COVID upsets schedule



By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

We're only two weeks into the high school football season in Virginia and already COVID is wreaking havoc on teams' schedules.

Things are changing so much, the Virginia High School League this week released a new master schedule for all the state's football teams.

After beating the Vikings of Northside, 20-17 last Friday night in its season opener, Pulaski County was set this Friday to make the trip to Bristol to take on another group of Vikings at Tennessee High.

Then, on Tuesday morning, Pulaski County Athletic Director Scott Vest got word that Tennessee High could not play due to COVID issues.

Right away the search began to find a different opponent.

Enter Jefferson Forest, whose game against Staunton River had also been called off because the Golden Eagles had COVID issues.

So rather than both teams having an unexpected week off, Pulaski County and Jefferson Forest agreed to play each other this Friday night in Forest – located just outside of Lynchburg.

Jefferson Forest, out of the Seminole District, in most seasons is no pushover. However, this year's Cavaliers are young and coming off a 1-3 record last season.

First-year head coach J.T. Crews, a former E.C. Glass assistant, returns four offensive starters from last season and five on defense.

Crews' Cavaliers got off on the wrong foot last week in a 12-9 loss to Gretna, who made a 63-yard third quarter TD pass hold up to take the win.

Notably, Cavalier sophomore QB Joe Bell passed 224 yards on 48 tries in the game.

The Cavaliers attack with a spread offense and obviously like to throw the ball. They go with a 4-3 on defense.

Some Cavaliers to watch include senior Ryan Rogers, who can play quarterback, running back, wide receiver and safety. Jake Lee, a 5-11, 250 lb. senior, will play both ways on the line. Wide receiver – defensive back Daniel Price. Running back, safety and kicker Alex Marsteller, and linebacker – fullback Ben Calkins.

As for the Cougars, last week's win against Northside was a good start to the 2021 season.

"It was a really competitive high school football game," commented Cougar head coach Mark Dixon. "Both teams battled for four quarters."

Dixon said both teams made mistakes, but, "In the end we were able to make one play that they did."

One miscue happened early when junior punter Nathan Pratt's punt was blocked, setting up a one-yard touchdown run a couple plays later by Northside's Cameron Abshire. The extra-point made it Northside, 7-0 at the 7:21 mark of the first.

The Cougars responded on their next series when, on third down, junior quarterback Cam Cooper hit senior receiver J.J. Guley who outran the Vikings defense for an 80-yard scoring strike. Pratt was good on the PAT and the score was tied at 7-7 with 2:49 left in the first.

Just before the half, Northside's Jeremiah Peterson booted a 29-yard field goal and the Vikings led 10-7 at the half.

The Cougars would take back the lead late in the third quarter on a 42-yard strike from Cooper to senior receiver John Lyman for the score. Pratt's point after was blocked and Pulaski County led, 13-10.

Both teams scored in the fourth quarter of the back-and-forth contest, with the Cougars scoring last for the win.

Abshire gave Northside the

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Pulaski County QB Cam Cooper, in his first start, goes long for one of his 10 pass completions in the Cougar victory.

Radford routs Maroons in Crist debut

By ELIZABETH KANIPE
The Patriot

The Radford Bobcats opened their season with their first new head coach in 14 years. Michael Crist took over the top Bobcat spot this year coming to Radford from Virginia High in Bristol. The Bobcats were able to overcome an early deficit and rolled to a 35-6 victory over George Wythe.

Both teams showed their youth and lack of experience early as they struggled to move the ball down the field.

The Maroons got their first break when their punt bounced off a Bobcat and were able to recover the ball at the Bobcat 24-yard line.

The Bobcats' Andrew Moore dropped QB Luke Lollay for a 6-yard loss on first down and the Maroons were not able to recover and turned it over on downs at the Radford 23 yard line.

The Bobcats started the drive with a holding penalty and failed to convert. On the punt, Vance Steele bobbled the snap, picked up the ball and ran it for what appeared to be a first down, but the officials marked it short and the Maroons once again took over with excellent field position at the Radford 33-yard line.

This time George Wythe was able to capitalize on the good field position. Facing 4th and 10, Jollay connected with Reed Kirtner on a crossing route bringing them down to the 18-yard line. On 3rd



Elizabeth Kanipe / The Patriot
#10 T. J. Aursby catches a pass and scrambles to the 1 yard line setting up another Bobcat touchdown.

and 10, Jollay scrambled to his left and connected with Laden Houston in the end zone for the first score of the game. Radford's Charlie Davis was able to break through on the extra point and block it to leave the game at 6-0

with 2:07 left in the 1st quarter.

After several 3 and out drives the Maroons took over at their own 15. The Bobcats held on third down to force a punt. The GW snap was low and the punter ran around the right side to gain enough for a first down at the 26 yard line. On first down, Radford's Tyrel Dobson stripped the ball from GW's Leyton Fowler and returned it to the GW 19.

QB Marcell Baylor then called his own number and ran it in from the 5 yard line. Steele was able to convert the extra point and the Bobcats led 7-6 with 6:39 left in the first half.

The Bobcats were able to hold GW and force a punt even after muffing the first punt and giving the Maroons another set of downs. The Bobcats took over and started pounding the tiring Maroons with Dobson running through tackles for gains of 23 and 10 yards. Baylor then finished the drive by dropping back to pass and then running up the

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Multi family yard sale, this Saturday, September 4th, 8:00a.m - ??? at 3734 Morehead Lane in Pulaski. Baby and toddler items including exersaucer, umbrella stroller, Eddie Bauer pack and play, like new car seat, and a kids white wicker rocker! Nice kids toys including a radio flyer tri-cycle. Kitchen, Household and decorative items include Tupperware canister set, quilts, P. Buckley Moss, Willow tree figures, Jim Shore and Longaberger pottery. Lots of nice clothes include kids, women's and men's. Sports items include compound bows, tennis rackets and even an almost new pair of men's Under Armour shoes! Kids and adult books! Don't miss this sale as there is something for everyone!

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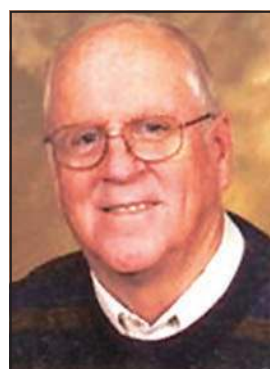
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c) Petition by Applicant Andrew Martin, to rezone the property from Low Density Residential (LR) to Agriculture (A), at Tax Map # 053-001-0000-033A,B,C,D,E and 054-001-0000-0045 located at Schrader Hill Rd. , Robinson District.

Comments may be presented at the meeting and by phone or in writing prior to the meeting. Information regarding these items are available for public inspection from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Department of Planning & Zoning, County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, Pulaski, VA 24301.

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Public Hearing

The Planning Commission of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW to consider the following:

1. A proposed amendment to Section 5.3.3, Table 2: Off-Street Parking Space Requirements for Multi-family Residential Use to change the parking requirements to One (1) space per unit for one bedroom apartments, One and a Half (1½) spaces per unit for two bedroom apartments, and Two (2) spaces per unit for three bedroom apartments with an additional parking space requirement to equal ten percent (10%) of the total unit count.

All persons desiring to comment on the proposed requests should submit their remarks to Brady Deal, Planner/Economic Developer, by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2021, to 42 First Street, NW/PO Box 660, Pulaski, VA or via email to bdeal@pulaskitown.org. A copy of the application and other pertinent materials are available for public review in the Planner/Economic Developer's office, Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For disabled individuals who may require special auxiliary aids or services, reasonable accommodations will be made by the Town upon request. Please contact the Town Manager's Office at (540) 994-8600 prior to the above meeting date. For persons with hearing or visual difficulties, contact Virginia Relay at 711 to arrange contact with the Town.

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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Date of Issue: September 7, 2021

Submittal Deadline September 21, 2021

By 1:00 pm

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7100 Cloyds Mt Rd

Dublin VA, 24084

540-674-1677

New River Resource Authority (NRRA) is requesting proposals from qualified firms with knowledge, expertise and experience in the collection, transportation and recycling and/or disposal of scrap tires. NRRA estimates approximately 400 tons are accepted at the 7100 Cloyds Mt Rd Facility annually.

Please email submittals to David Rupe, Purchasing and Compliance Coordinator at drupe@newriverresourceauthority.org. Please do not hesitate to email or call 540-674-1677 for questions. If you prefer to mail submittal, it can be mailed to David Rupe, Purchasing and Compliance Coordinator, Post Office Box 1246, 7100 Cloyds Mt Rd. Dublin Virginia 24084

Deadline for Submittals is September 21, 2021 at 1:00pm



Street Striping Bids

The Town of Pulaski will accept bids/quotes for street striping until September 13, 2021.

The successful bidder will be responsible for all materials, equipment, traffic control, safety devices, cones, etc. necessary to accomplish the work. The project will include approximately **193,000** linear feet of four (4) inch wide yellow striping and approximately **71,000** linear feet of four (4) inch wide white striping. The exact date(s) in which the striping will occur will be determined by the Town of Pulaski upon the completion of the street paving. Striping should be completed within five (5) calendar days of commencement.

All streets listed will be painted with materials and workmanship which meet the Virginia Department of Transportation specifications. Paint is to be applied at a rate of 310 linear feet or less per gallon, with glass beads applied at least seven (7) pounds per each gallon of paint. Each bidder shall review the streets to be painted and submit questions regarding their proposal prior to the bidding. All bids/quotes are to be submitted to:

Kimberly Caudill, General Superintendent Dept. Public Works
P.O. Box 660 Pulaski, VA 24301
Phone: (540) 994-8651
Fax: (540) 980-8591

If the bidder has been doing business in the state of Virginia less than 5 years, please include a list of previous customers for reference purposes.

The Town of Pulaski reserves the right to award the bid to someone other than the lowest bidder should it be deemed in the best interest of the Town of Pulaski, or to reject/accept any and or all bids or portions thereof.

Cougars

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lead 12 seconds into the quarter with a 65-yard run to paydirt. Peterson added the PAT for a 17-13 Viking lead.

Midway through the quarter, however, Pulaski County responded for what turned out to be the winning score when Lyman broke loose on a 13-yard scoring scamper. Pratt added the PAT, and the Cougars had their final 20-17 margin.

For the game, Pulaski County rushed for 117 yards behind Keyontae Kennedy's 95 yards on 14 carries and Lyman's 25 on five rushes. Junior Trevor Burton added nine yards on four carries and Cooper had 10 carries for 10 yards.

Northside's Abshire was the game's leading rusher with 122 yards on 16 carries as the Vikings piled up 186 yards on the ground.

Cooper had a good debut at QB for the Cougars, going 10 for 15 passing and one interception for 213 yards and two TDs.

Lyman led all receivers with seven catches for 105 yards. Gully had two catches for 97 and sophomore running back Tyler Underwood had one catch for 11 yards.

The Cougars piled up 330 total yards to Northside's 215.

Pulaski County won the war of first downs, collecting 15 to the Vikings' eight.

Game time Friday night in Forest is 7 p.m.

Don't forget ... Jefferson Forest High School only sells tickets through GoFan. Any Pulaski County fans planning to travel to the game on Friday must purchase tickets through GoFan. TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE GATE!

Here is the link to the JF GoFan account: <https://gofan.co/app/events/385086?schoolId=VA7532>

All Sports Passes on sale at PCHS

Pulaski County High School is pleased to announce 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
- Individual Adult: \$80

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 Passes went on sale Monday, August 9, 2021 in the PCHS front office. We appreciate all those who support Cougar Athletics through this purchase!!

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Scott Vest
Pulaski County High School
Athletic & Activities
Director

Pulaski County High School

SENIOR SUPERLATIVES



Wide Receiver
John Lyman

Senior John Lyman scored two touchdowns last Friday night at Northside. He scored on a 42-yard pass from QB Cam Cooper for one score, and rushed 13 yards for a second score. He rushed for 25 yards in the game and was the game's top receiver with 7 catches for 105 yards.

Congratulations John!

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John Lyman goes airborne in an attempt to block a Northside punt.



Pulaski County linebacker Trevor Burton stops Northside's T.J. McGinnis in his tracks.



Cougar senior John Lyman sheds a Viking tackler on his way to yardage in Roanoke Friday.

Hokies look for success, return to normalcy

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) — Few Power Five programs struggled through the pandemic more than Virginia Tech.

Coach Justin Fuente and the Hokies hope to restore order this season.

Over the course of a 5-6 season, the Hokies often went to practice not knowing who would be available, and eventually said they lost more than half their team — and defensive coordinator Justin Hamilton — for a period of time because of COVID-19 infections or quarantining that left them depleted.

This season, with a new quarterback in Braxton Burmeister, a group of running backs trying to replace Khalil Herbert and a defense that gained valuable experience over the past two seasons, there's hope.

Burmeister, like Hendon Hook-

er before him, is a dual threat, described as fearless by teammates and an accomplished passer that leaves Fuente feeling better about throwing "than I have in some time."

Burmeister will also need to be part of the running game solution while taking care of his body. His likely backup, Texas A&M transfer Connor Blumrick, has completed one pass in 18 games and run 10 times for 48 yards in his career.

"He's ripped to shreds, has veins in his abs and jumps out of the gym," Fuente said of Burmeister, who ran 39 times for 146 yards and two TDs.

The Hokies last season ran for 240 yards per game, their best since 2000, but much of that came from Herbert, who had 15 runs of at least 20 yards and finished with 1,182 yards and eight touchdowns.

There are options in the passing game with the top four receivers back.

In defensive coordinator Justin Hamilton's second season, potential abounds, much of it after many players gained experience by being thrust into action early because of injuries and pandemic-related protocols the past two seasons.

Defensive end Amare Barno led Power Five players last season with 16 tackles for loss, and the converted linebacker "is only scratching the surface with knowledge of the position," said Hamilton, a former Hokies defensive back.

Dax Hollifield always seems to be in the right place among the linebackers, and the secondary welcomes the returns of Jermaine Waller and Devon Hunter.

Here are some other things to watch at Virginia Tech in 2021:

RETURN TO NORMAL?
Fuente was frequently left shaking his head at the Hokies' plight last year.

"I think if we learned anything,

it's that practice is actually important," he said. "Our fall camp, once the students hit town, deteriorated into survival mode."

EXPERIENCE UP FRONT
A big reason for the offensive optimism is players with experience.

Redshirt junior Brock Hoffman leads the way, but Maryland transfer Johnny Jordan joins and was honorable mention All-Big Ten last season.

Graduate student Tyrell Smith, redshirt juniors Silas Dzani and Lecitus Smith and redshirt sophomore Luke Tenuta bring size and leadership.

DROPPING BACK
Burmeister will have plenty of reasons not to tuck the ball and run too often because he's got a well-stocked receiving group led by speedy Tre Turner (31 catches, 504 yards, 3 TDs) and Tayvion Robinson (33-494-2) and All-ACC tight end James Mitchell (23-368-4). Tailback Raheem Blacksheer can also line up in the slot. He ran for 255 yards and caught 17 passes for 156 yards in 2020.

LEARNING FAST
With no spring practice and his own need to quarantine, the Hokies spent some time learning Hamilton's defense on Zoom calls. With so many absences in the secondary, they allowed more than 265 passing yards per game.
Not a number you'd expect from a school that hails itself as "DBU." Hamilton is delighted to have Waller and Hunter back in the fold. "It's a really good feeling knowing you have guys that have game reps of proving that they can handle adjustment, handle concepts, handle what an offense is doing," he said. "They're both fast learners. ... That invaluable."

SCHEDULE
The Hokies will need to start strong, opening at home against No. 10 North Carolina and traveling to West Virginia in Week 3. They also get No. 9 Notre Dame and Pitt at home, but will play No. 14 Miami and Virginia on the road.




PCHS Player Of The Week

Quarterback
Cam Cooper

Junior Cam Cooper had a good first start at QB for the Cougars, going 10-15-1 passing for 213 yards and two TDs in Pulaski County's opening night win at Northside.

Congratulations Cam!



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Cougar golfers win tri-match, finish 6th in district match

Pulaski County’s golf team won one tri-match and finished sixth in a district meet at the end of August.

The Cougars easily won an August 25 tri-match at the par 37 Ole Mill Golf Course, Meadows of Dan.

Medalist was Pulaski County’s Campbell Moore with a 43.

The Cougars took the win shooting 186, with Grayson County in second at 214 and Carroll County in third with a 258.

Individual scores for Pulaski County, behind Moore, included: Bay Moore 46, Andersen Moore 46, Thatcher Singleton 51 and Noah Burchett 53.

Cougar head coach Larry Thomas said it was “nice to win the tri-match for the kids on a tough course.”

Things weren’t quite as nice on Aug. 30 at the par 72 Blacksburg Country Club.

Blacksburg took the win shooting a 290 followed by Salem at 295, Hidden Valley at 299, Patrick Henry at 314, Cave Spring at 320 and Pulaski Co at 341. Christiansburg finished last at 370.

Medalist was D. Zhang from Blacksburg with a 67.

Individual scores for Pulaski County were Campbell Moore, 74; Andersen Moore, 84; Bay Moore, 90; Noah Burchett, 93 and Thatcher Singleton with a 96.

Thomas noted the 74 was Campbell Moore’s lowest round of his career.

“Today’s round was a good improvement of our earlier rounds this year,” Thomas noted.

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Public Hearing Notice - Pulaski County Public Service Authority Budget Adjustment		
The Pulaski County PSA Board of Directors will hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 15.2-2507 of the Code of Virginia, at 9:00 am on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 in the Board Room located at the County Administration Building at 143 Third Street, NW, Pulaski, Virginia in the Town of Pulaski on an amendment to the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget as follows:		
PSA Capital Fund		
Revenues:		
Interest from Use of Money	\$	1,000.00
State Revenues		501,608.53
Transfer from Capital Reserves		1,895,175.33
Total Revenues	\$	2,397,783.86
Expenditures:		
Refuse Projects	\$	1,320,446.00
Water Department Projects		668,476.72
Water Treatment Plant		357,374.64
Sewer Department Projects		25,486.50
PSA Billing Department		26,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$	2,397,783.86

Above:
#22 Tyrel Dobson was big on offense as defense, with 9 carries for 66 yards.

At Left:
#22 Tyrel Dobson & #55 Brandon Thompson bring down the GW player. GW battled the Bobcats defense all game.

Elizabeth Kanipe / The Patriot



Bobcats

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middle 40 yards for Baylor’s second score of the night. The extra point was missed wide left. The Bobcats extended the lead to 13-7 with 2:20 left in the half.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Maroons were flagged for an unsportsmanlike penalty and started their drive on their own 4 yard line. After a gain of 4 yards on a Fowler run, the snap was wide and rolled into the endzone where Jollay recovered for a safety. The Bobcats now led 15-6.

The Bobcats received the free kick and Quemaar Porter took it from the Bobcat 39 across midfield to the GW 42, giving the Bobcats great field position with 1:30 left in the game. After a holding penalty, Dobson ran for 12 yards and Baylor connected with Elliot Grayson on a 11-yard pass to get a first down. With time running down, Baylor dropped back to pass and, under pressure, ran up the middle and out to the right sideline to make an electric 30-yard touchdown as time expired on the clock. The extra point was missed leaving the score 21-6 Bobcats at half-time.

The Bobcats held GW on their first series and took over on downs at their own 34. Nate Wesley took over at QB and with hand offs to Dobson, Porter, Zavier Joplin and a couple of runs himself was able to get the ball to the Wythe 25 where Baylor returned to the field and connected with TJ Aursby who caught the ball at the 5 and was tackled a yard short of the goalline. Dobson finished the drive with a 1-yard TD. Steele connected on the extra point and the Bobcats led 28-6 with 11:21 left in the game.

On the first play of the George Wythe drive, Jollay fumbled the snap. It landed right in front of Bobcat Max Kanipe, who scooped it up and ran 28 yards before being tackled a yard short of the goal line. Baylor handed the ball off to Porter for the 1-yard TD. A Steele extra point made it 35-6 which would be the final score of the ballgame.

This was a game of attrition.

Both teams struggled with swapping players in and out due to cramps and injuries. The Bobcats offensive and defensive line were the difference in the game. The Bobcats finished with 302 yards total with 263 of that rushing. Baylor led in rushing with 8 carries for 104 yards and Dobson had 9 carries for 66 yards. GW finished with 105 yards total with Jolley completing 6 of 11 passes for 51 yards. GW’s leading rusher was Trey Rainey who had 4 carries for 36 yards which came late in the game against the Radford backups.

The Bobcats travel to Gate City on Saturday, Sept 4th for a 1 pm game.



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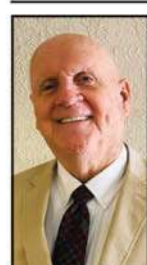
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Standing on the Threshold of Greatness

We're all familiar with the story of the Exodus of the Israelites out of Egyptian Bondage. God miraculously brought this infant Nation out of Slavery and led them to the Promise Land. His command to them was for them to go into the Promise Land and possess it, for He had given it to them.

Genesis 15: 18-21 records God's promise of the land to the seed of Abraham. "In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates: The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites, And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims, And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites."

For over 400 years God had been building a Nation to His Name in Egypt. A chosen Nation to whom was committed the oracles of God. God raised up Israel out of obscurity to bear His Name. A Nation of people who would love Him and keep His commandments.

In God's own time, He delivered His chosen people from Egyptian Captivity and brought them to the threshold of the land of which He promised them.

When they arrived at the Promise Land, it was already occupied by the many "ite" Nations. Nations that knew not God. Nations steeped in idolatry. These Nations were occupying the land that God promised the Descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Moses sent out twelve spies to spy out the land, and to bring back a report of the strength of these nations and to see that it was truly a fertile land, a land flowing with milk and honey. For 40 days, these twelve men spied out the land and then returned to the camp of the Israelites. Ten of these spies brought back a bad report. The cities were fortified. The people were fierce and warlike. There were giants in the land and they told Moses, next to them we were like grasshoppers. And these ten cowardly spies convinced the Israelites that there was no way that they could go in a possess the land.

Two of the twelve were Joshua and Caleb. They told the Israelites, to trust in God. They said, we can do it. God has given the land to us and we will be well able to go in and possess the land.

But the people believed the bad report instead of the good report and turned back and wouldn't obey God and go in to possess the land. So God sent them into the wilderness to wander around for the next forty years and declared that no one over the age of twenty years would live to enter the promise land.

Israel's problem when they were standing at the threshold of greatness, was they stopped believing. We can never stop believing, or all Church progress will grind down to a halt.

Unbelief always wants to wait for a more convenient season.

Some say, it's impossible in this day and time, to fill up the Church House with people. But the bible says differently. The bible says, with God, nothing is impossible. All things are possible if we'll only believe. Some say we can't. I say we can, with

See MCCRAW, page B7

Draper Valley Baptist Church

3200 Lee Highway
Draper, Va. 24324
Pastor: Alan Pearce
Service Times:
Bible Study Sunday, 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening, 5 p.m.
email: drapervalleybc@gmail.com
www.drapervalleybaptist.org

Grace Baptist Church

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

Open Door Baptist Church

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

Draper United Methodist Church

3080 Greenbriar Road
Draper, VA 24324
Pastor: Rev. Jason Crandall
423-716-2570
Primary Service Times:
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Worship, 11 a.m.
Phone: 276-477-3835

Newbern Christian Church

Disciples of Christ
5183 Wilderness Road, Newbern
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540-440-8733

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

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Pastor Mark Asbury
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mountainviewumc.yolasite.com/
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Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Morning Worship with Children's Church at 11 a.m.

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Dublin Baptist Church
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540-674-6061
secretary@dublinbaptistva.org
Website: dublinbaptistva.org
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Youth Bible Study, 7 p.m.

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1560 Julia Simpkins Road
Allisonia, VA
Pastor Justin Phillips
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

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135 Fourth St. NW - Pulaski (mailing address)
Pastor's Name: Will Shelton
Hispanic Lay Pastor: Sebastian Ruiz
Sunday Service: 10:00 AM
Hispanic Worship: 11:00AM
Contact Info. Phone: 540.980.3331
e-mail: office@fumcpulaski.org website: www.fumcpulaski.org
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Belspring Baptist Church

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

Memorial Baptist Church

995 Peppers Ferry Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Michael S. Jones
Sunday
9:45 am - Sunday School
11:00 am - Worship
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6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting
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Worship - 10:55 am

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Sunday Worship (with children's message): 11 a.m.
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Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Children's Free Breakfast 10:30 a.m.
Ages 5-12
Men's & Women's Ministry Wed. 6:30

Faith Bible Church

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Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Sunday Children's Church: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.
Children's Meal: 6:30 p.m.
Children's and Youth's Group Classes: 7 p.m.

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

First Presbyterian Church

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

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God’s help. What say you?

What God wants for us to do at our Churches is simple. He wants us to bring people in. If we bring them in, God will save a lot of them. We are to go out into the Highways and Hedges and compel them to come to God’s house. Compel is a strong word and yet it is the word Jesus used to convince others to come to God’s house. We shouldn’t be willing to take “no” for an answer but rather prevail upon them in the most convincing ways

We are to invite them to come to Church Services, to bring them in, where the seeds of the gospel can be planted into their hearts and lives. And if we’ll do our part, God will do His part. He will give the increase.

Too often we allow ourselves to rest in the comfort of our own salvation, and we never allow it to touch others around us.

Pastor Wes Humble said, Serving God is much more than an emotional experience. Serving God is more than great worship and good music. Serving God is more than reading our bibles and praying every day. Serving God is more than keeping ourselves unspotted from the culture around us. Serving God is always about reaching out to others, and helping Christ to build up His Kingdom.”

I wasn’t planning on attending any Church Service until a good friend of mine came to me, and invited me to come to a revival at the Church he attended. At first I came up with every excuse under the sun to get out of going with him to Church. But he wouldn’t take “no” for an answer. Finally I agreed to go just to please my friend.

As I sat in that service, I felt God calling me to come and be saved. I scared myself by almost going forward that very evening, but fought off the convicting power of the Holy Ghost and escaped with my pride still intact. The wife of the Evangelist asked me as I was leaving the service, if I wanted to be saved? I told her politely, I’d like to but I just can’t make up my mind to go ahead and do it. She told me she was going to pray for me that I would answer God’s call on my life.

A week passed and my friend was after me again to come to the revival. He and his wife, brother and sister in law, were going to sing a gospel song as a special, and he asked me to come and listen to them sing. It perked my interest so I went again. I guess that he knew that if he could get me in Church a few times, that the Lord would save me. That evening, the convicting power of God came over me and when the altar call was given, I went forward and was born again. It was the greatest day of my life when I was born again. It was when I went from death unto life, had my name recorded in the Lamb’s book of life and because a member of God’s family.

As a Realtor, I had a church property for sale and many groups wanting to start a new church came and looked at it. Most groups wanted it but no one was willing to go to the bank and sign a note for the money. I asked one group, “Where’s your faith?” So these folks never was able to see the greatness of what God had in store for them because they refused to step out in faith.

Sometimes I think of some rising football stars who come to college on a scholarship. Their future was diamond studded. Then on some crazy lark they were caught committing some crime and were kicked off of the team. They threw away their future for peanuts. They will never see the greatness that God had in store for them. They traded away millions for nothing.

Then I think of the 13 colonies who went to war against England during the revolutionary war, won the war, and now they are part of the United States of America. They were standing at the edge of greatness and stepped out in faith and became the greatest nation on the earth.

If and when you find yourself standing on the edge of greatness, put all of your doubts behind you, step out in faith, trust God with your future and God will give to you a great future.

Pulaski First Church of the Brethren

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

Abundant Life Ministries

3050 Lee Highway
Pulaski, VA 24301 (540) 980-5506
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45 S. Jefferson Avenue
Pulaski, VA 24301
540-980-2001
www.newlifepulaski.com
email: pastorjuls@verizon.net
Pastor: Julie Armbrister
Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 6 p.m.

Trinity Baptist Church

4008 Robinson Tract Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Telephone: 980-8186
Pastor Johnny Howlett
Minister of Education Rev. Steve Taylor
Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Adult Bible Study and Youth
Group - 7 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Baptist Church

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

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7th Street N.W., Pulaski
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Fax: 980-6511
Priest: Fr. Francis Boateng
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Worship: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Thursday: 7 p.m. Service

Bob White Boulevard Baptist Church

3826 Bob White Boulevard
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Pastor: Allen Harman
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Preaching: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service: 7:30 p.m.
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fbcpulaskiva@gmail.com
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

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Physical Address: 7889 Cleburne Blvd.
Dublin, VA 24084
Pastor Winfred Keene - Phone 540-239-8092
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Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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Worship 11 a.m.
Worship 7 p.m.
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Wednesday Bible Study
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

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

Pulaski Presbyterian Church (PCA)

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

Sure Foundation Christian Fellowship

6598 Annie Akers Road
Radford, VA 24141
(540) 639-3443
Pastor Steve Phillips
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Sunday Night Prayer: 5:30 pm
Wednesday Night
Prophetic Teaching: 6:30 pm

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New Dublin Presbyterian Church

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Community Christian Church

5382 Grace Street, Dublin VA, 24084
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Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

First Dublin Presbyterian Church (ECO)

409 Church Street, Dublin, Va. 24084
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Minister:
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www.maxcreek.org
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Senior Pastor: Mike Coleman
Youth Minister: Charlie Prince
Director of Visitation: Ersel Alderman
Sunday Services
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Teen Social and Class: 5 p.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Classes:7 p.m.

Pulaski Church of God

1621 Bob White Boulevard
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Donald Jones
540-980-8880
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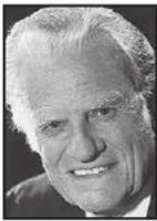
From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: Why do preachers say that God can do anything, yet the world travails? - L.G.

A: The love of God is so great that man has difficulty accepting His supreme sacrifice designed to redeem the human race. But there is one thing God’s love cannot do. It cannot forgive the unrepentant sinner. The human race is called on throughout the Bible to repent of sin and rebellion and return to God.

God accepts all those who repent and turn from sin. When they receive His salvation, God’s Spirit begins the work of transformation. We must all come to God on His terms, not our own. God showed His love to the whole world (John 3:16) by sending His Son to pay the penalty of our sin against Holy God. The Bible tells us that God loves those who love Him (Proverbs 8:17). Because of His love, there is a way of salvation, a way back to God through Jesus Christ, His Son.

The love of God can be entirely rejected. God will not force Him-



My Answer

Billy Graham

self upon anyone against their will. A person can hear a message about the love of God and say, “No, I won’t have it,” and God will let them continue on in sin.

However, if we really want to receive what God offers the world

- His salvation from sin - we must accept it for ourselves. No one can do this for us. That’s the way God planned it from the beginning! The destiny of our own soul is in our own hands by the choices we make.

Those who do not know Jesus Christ personally should not delay in humbling themselves in prayer. God will meet us right where we are and bring lasting transformation.

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

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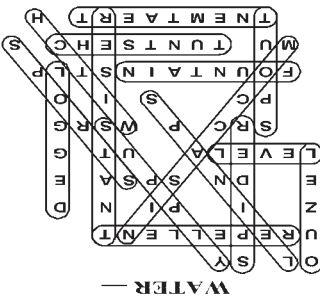
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has experienced.
— Leo Tolstoy



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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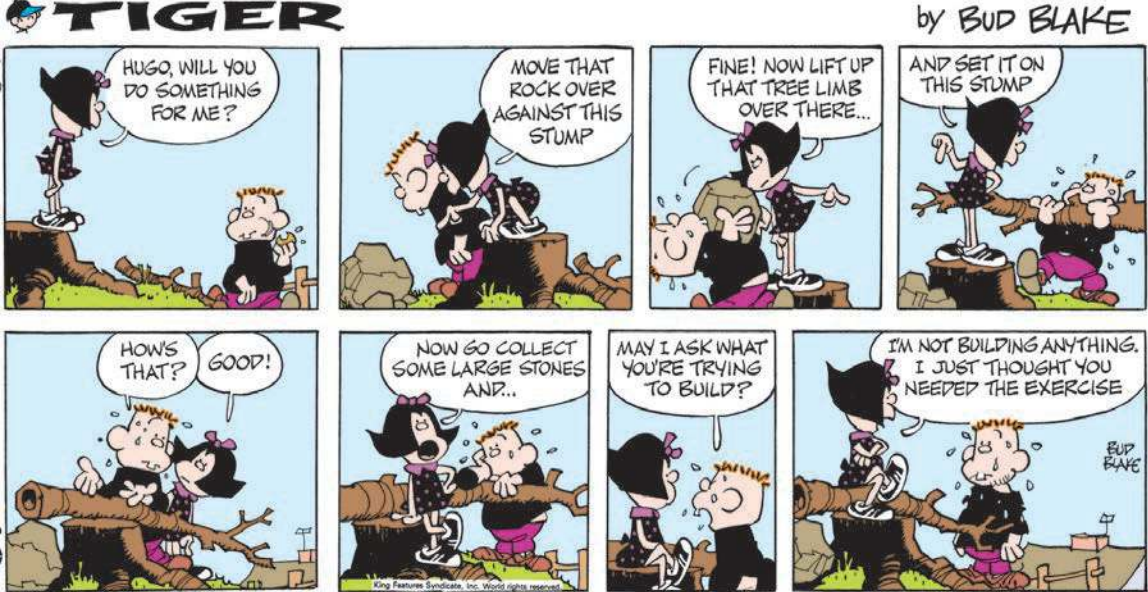
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Dave Ramsey

Teaching The Value of Work

Dear Dave,
What are your views on teaching children good work habits? Many of our friends don't require their kids to help out or work around the house, but we both strongly feel that instilling a strong work ethic early in life is one of the best things you can do as a parent for your children.

Dear Deshay,
I'm so glad you both feel that way. Our culture has made many great advances to ensure the happiness and well-being of children. But too many parents today are so centered on what their children want that they have lost perspective on what their children need.
Perspective, or looking at life over time, demands that you teach children to work. Teaching a child to work is not child abuse. We teach them to work not for our benefit, but because it gives them dignity in a job well done today and the tools and character to win as adults in the future.

In my mind, children should be taught to work just like you'd teach them to bathe or brush their teeth—as a necessary life skill. An adult who has no clue how to tackle a job and finish it with pride is every bit as debilitated as an adult with body odor or green teeth. If your child graduates from high school, and his or her only skill set consists of playing video games, eating fast food and believing the world owes them something, you've set up your child to fail.

Another benefit of teaching a child the wonder of work is they may grow to lose a little respect for those who refuse to work. I'm not talking about folks who lost jobs due to unforeseen circumstances and are trying to get back on their feet, or someone who genuinely cannot work. I'm talking about folks who refuse to look for, or accept, gainful employment.

My wife and I noticed that our kids, as they grew older, didn't pursue relationships with people who didn't understand the value of work and demonstrate the character traits of mature, hardworking people. And that was wonderful news to us!

— 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 —
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September 11

Women's Meeting

First Dublin Presbyterian Church ECO will hold a Women of the Church meeting, 10 AM on Sept. 11. Bible Study on EVE, business discussion, and light refreshments.

September 14

Sons of Confederate Veterans to meet

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Tuesday, September 14, 7pm at Aly's Family Italian Restaurant on 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to attend this meeting. For further information, please call 320-4315 or 239-9864.

September 25

Class of 1981 40th reunion

Class of 1981 40th reunion, Sept 25th Thorn Spring Golf Club. RSVP via Alumni website or FB PCHS Class of 81 group page. Pass the word to other classmates...

Yard and Bake Sale

Draper Valley P.H. Church Women's Fellowship Yard Sale and Bake Sale, Saturday, September 25th 7:00 A.M. Country Breakfast and Hotdog Lunch Exit 86, Interstate 81 South

Oct. 9

Porch Concert

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

Oct. 15

Crafts Fair

First Dublin Presbyterian Church ECO will hold a crafts fair on Oct. 15-16 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Nov. 6

Church Prayer – Hymn Sing

First Dublin Presbyterian Church ECO will hold a church prayer / hymn sing from 5:30 – 7 p.m.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

THE PSA AND ALL THREE DROPSITES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH FOR LABOR DAY. THERE WILL BE GARBAGE COLLECTION. HAVE YOUR GARBAGE OUT BY 7:00 A.M. ON YOUR SCHEDULED DAY.

Dublin Schedule

Dublin Town Offices will be closed Monday, September 6, 2021 to observe the Labor Day Holiday. Garbage scheduled for pickup on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday, September 7th.

United Daughters of the Confederacy

Attention all of you Southern Ladies! The United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Milton Hall Harmon Chapter is looking for new members. We meet on the second Saturday of the month. If you would like to become a member or would like more information, please con-

tact us by email to plymouth-rock16@yahoo.com.

Do You or Someone You Know Need Mental/Behavioral Health Help?

Appalachian Telemental Health Network (ATHN) is a state-funded resource for people in Virginia who are seeking mental/behavioral health help. Sessions are held over a HIPAA secure video session with a professional. The prior eliminates barriers of time, distance, and provider scarcities. The process is streamlined, making it easy to use the platform as a provider and/or patient. Appalachian Telemental Health Network was designed to create better access for the underserved Appalachian counties of Virginia. ATHN welcomes providers, referral streams, and people seeking help. If you or someone you know needs help, do not hesitate. Appalachian Telemental Health Network is an available resource. Visit our website location to sign up: www.athn.us.

Hiwassee Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary in Need of Funds

The Ladies Auxiliary of Hiwassee is in need of donations for the mowing and upkeep of the Trail cemetery in Hiwassee. If you have a family member buried in the cemetery and would like to make a donation you may send a check payable to Peggy Cregger, (Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary) @ PO Box 164 Hiwassee VA 24347. Thank you in advance for helping our organization!

Still distributing food

Heritage Cares Food Pantry at Heritage Church is still distributing food on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The church is located a half-mile past the New River Valley Airport on Route

100 north of Dublin.

VHM Beginning Hispanic Service

Valley Harvest Ministries, in Dublin on the hill across from Walmart, is holding an Hispanic service each Sunday at 6 p.m. in the church's coffee shop.

On going:

Alcohol Anonymous

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

Radford Clothing Bank

The Radford Clothing Bank is open by appointment only. To qualify for free clothing, you must receive Medicaid or SNAP (Food Stamps). Call the Clothing Bank at 633-5050, Monday – Saturday, from 10 a.m. – 12 a.m. to make an appointment. Hours for shopping are Thursday, Friday, Saturday, from 10 a.m. – 12 a.m. and Thursday from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. The Clothing Bank is located at 2000 West St., Radford, Va. Donations of clothing, shoes, purses, and linens are being accepted.

Pulaski Al-Anon Family Group

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

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