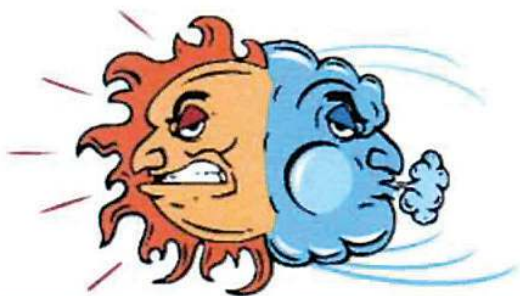




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Pulaski officials working to improve lighting in town

By **MIKE WILLIAMS**
The Patriot

Pulaski Town Council learned Tuesday that improved lighting in specific areas of the town may be more of a deterrent to crime than any security camera system.

Several months ago, council and staff began a discussion on crime and security in the town. Since then, staff has studied the situation and on Tuesday reported back on their findings.

"Councilman (Greg) East was interested during the budget process in looking at the possibility of obtaining security cameras. Staff has been investigating that possibility," Town Manager Darlene Burcham said.

"We've also been looking at what we can do to light the town," she added.

Pulaski Police Chief Jill Niece and Town Engineer Bill Pedigo

reported their findings Tuesday.

Staff looked at crime numbers in the downtown "Pulaski on Main" area of town, along with different types of security camera systems.

Niece said security camera systems such as those in larger cities are very expensive when you consider buying cameras, maintaining systems and image storage.

She added they also looked at considerations of the environment downtown, such as trees and buildings; and considered issues surrounding housing the cameras in something to protect them from weather and vandalism.

However, lighting, Niece said was found to be the big issue.

Pedigo said that while the downtown is fairly well lit, it is done so with a different type of bulb - mercury vapor bulbs.

Pedigo said the town has entered into a project with Amer-

ican Electric Power in which streetlights are being replaced with LED lights.

"We're replacing streetlights on Bob White Boulevard and coming into town around Tractor Supply with new LED lights. They're much brighter and cast off a real white light. So, we're working with AEP and will continue on that down the 99 Corridor down into town," Pedigo said.

"Patrols have noticed a difference in the light with the new LED lights. That would definitely have to be part of the security effort. Lighting is one of the biggest issues with surveillance," Niece added.

She noted that some of the parking lots and alleys in town are lit now where they didn't use to be.

"We need to make sure they are

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ADOPT-A-SPOT PC Supervisors to recognize award winners Monday night

From Pulaski County

On Saturday, April 9, 2022, the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors kicked off the second year of their Adopt - A - Spot campaign by distributing clean up supplies and picking up litter in their respective districts.

Over seventy (70) bags were given out and fifty-three (53) bags of trash, twenty-three (23) tires, one (1) lawnmower, one (1) bucket, four (4) signs and a television were reported collected on kick-off day. In the last month, citizens and groups have picked up two hundred and seventy-two (272) bags.

The Board of Supervisors would like to thank all who participated in the kick-off event

and to those who continue with efforts to keep our county beautiful by picking up trash and litter. The Board would like to express its gratitude to Cub Scout Pack 742, Scouts Troop 158-G and the Americares volunteers who have been cleaning up in Pulaski over the past month.

It is not too late to Adopt-A-Spot! Those who volunteer to participate will receive an Adopt-A-Spot sign to put up at their spot or area with their name or logo. At the end of the campaign, there will be prizes awarded to those who have collected the greatest amount of trash. Certificates of appreciation will also be presented to all individuals and/or groups that participate and submit contact

information.

2021 participants will be recognized with awards given at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday, April 25, 2022, at 7 p.m.

Pulaski County will provide bags, gloves, and vests to groups for use at any time. These will be available along with the Adopt-A-Spot signs at the County Administration office.

If you would like to participate but do not have a site in mind, Pulaski County will provide suggestions. Contact Cheryl Farris cfarris@pulaski-county.org or (540) 980-7705 or Laura Walters lwalters@pulaski-county.org or (540) 230- 6272 for further details.

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lit,” she added.

“We’ve gotten aggressive in monitoring where lights are not lit as they should be and reporting those to AEP and demanding they be corrected as soon as possible,” Burcham told council.

“Some lights that had been relit have gone out again, according to our police patrols,” she said.

Burcham noted that at one point more than 60 streetlights were out throughout the town. She and Pedigo have a meeting in a couple of weeks with AEP officials, she noted, and wants then to have a current list of what lights are out.

“AEP says traffic control holds them up with replacing lights because, according to new regulations they have to hire a private company for traffic control. After conferring with the town manager, we’ve offered the town to do traffic control. If we identify an area where there’s 6 or 10 lights out, we could follow them and make the process go quicker, smoother and cheaper for them,” Pedigo said.

Burcham added that in addition to just coming down Route 99, “we’ll be looking at areas

where we think lighting is the most critical piece of prevention.”

“Well-lit areas are those areas that are least vulnerable to some of the behaviors that have been problematic,” she said.

But sometimes security cameras are also needed, she noted.

She said some time back security cameras were ordered for the Historic Train Station at a cost of around \$12,000. While the order was put in months ago, the camera system is still not in operation.

“They’re waiting on parts,” Burcham noted.

Niece said the system on order will cover the train station very well and can be actively monitored by the police department’s communication center.

She said Lt. Sarah Grim of the police department brought a system to Burcham’s attention – a mobile system that can be monitored with a phone, laptop or iPad. The system includes auto tracking and can sense movement and direct its attention to that activity.

“That may be an option going forward,” Niece said. “It’s highly mobile and can be moved to different locations.”

One mobile unit costs about \$8,000.

“Our thought is to have a comprehensive way to address

concerns by putting a lot of emphasis on our relationship with AEP, getting lights we already have better lit and to stay lit, and have the police department identify areas that are not already lit that we should light, and then we’d like to suggest and recommend in the budget we purchase one of these portable units to experiment with and see how successful it will be. We may decide we’ll need a second one later on,” Burcham said.

“We need to light this community in a proper way. I told you some time ago that I couldn’t see as much of the fire parade as I thought I would be able to because we only have lighting on one side of Route 99 and Main Street. AEP is willing to look at adding additional lighting on the other side of the street.

“We need to look at the changing features in our community. Years ago, that shopping center probably had a whole lot of light that was illuminating that side of the street that’s not there now.

“Just like we’ve talked about maybe changing the travel patterns and whether or not we continue to have one-way streets. We have a different kind of transportation happening in the town today than we did when that was first put in place and the same kind of thing applies to lighting. There was a time when people

didn’t want to have neighborhoods lit and they fussed about light shining in their windows. Today, they seem to want parked cars near those lights. I think we have to stay constantly in tune with what those changing needs are,” Burcham said.

Councilman East added that lighting also gives visitors a bet-

ter impression of the town.

“Deterrence is great, but driving into a well-lit community feels differently than driving into a dark one.”

He said crime figures as presented by Niece show larceny, vandalism and trespassing “lead the way and are opportunity driven (due to lighting).”

Man arrested for Dublin B&E, other charges

On April 16th, 2022, Pulaski County Sheriff’s Office responded to Poplar Lane in Dublin in reference to a breaking and entering.

The male subject, identified as Daniel Poff, fled the scene prior to deputies’ arrival. Mr. Poff was located a short time later in the parking lot of the Gobble Stop on Wright Avenue by Deputy Bruce and Deputy Ingo.

During the course of the interaction with deputies, Mr. Poff grabbed a loaded crossbow, pointing it in the direction of the deputies.

The quick actions of the deputies prevented Mr. Poff from firing it, and he was taken into custody. Once taken into custody, Mr. Poff was transported to the New River Valley Regional Jail where he was charged with assault and battery on law enforcement, attempted abduction, brandishing a firearm, obstruction of justice, attempted breaking and



Daniel Poff

entering while armed with a deadly weapon, driving while intoxicated, and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Daniel Poff was ordered held without bond. This is an ongoing investigation and no further information will be released at this time.

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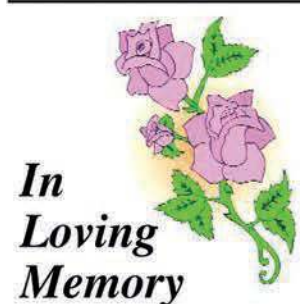
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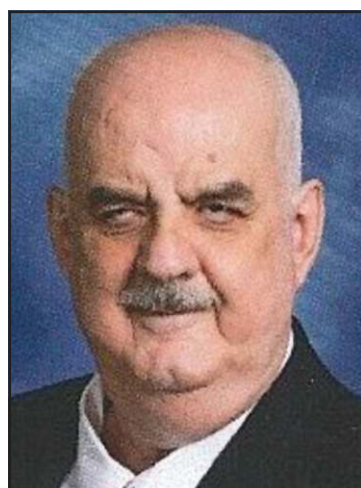
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TOMMY LEE MEREDITH
Tommy Lee Meredith, 81, of Radford, peacefully went to be with his Lord and Savior on Monday evening, April 18, 2022. Tommy was born in Pembroke, Va. on October 7, 1940, the son of the late Clyde and Lillie Kate Meredith. He was a graduate of the Virginia School for The Deaf and Blind where he was a Hall of Fame wrestler, but most of all he was a beloved son of the city of Radford, Virginia. Tommy worked as the Proprietor of the gift and coffee shop in the old Radford Hospital and the NRVMC for over fifty years, spreading love and cheer to all who entered there. Blind from birth, Tommy could nonetheless recognize the voices of Radford citizens without fail, having a cheery word of encouragement for all he met. Tommy was a beloved member of Central United Methodist Church since the mid-1960s and was a member of the choir for over fifty years. He helped start the Monday Men's Prayer Breakfast ministry as well as the Men's Night Out ministry. He also served as activities

chair for the United Methodist Men. He loved to sing and served many years in the NRV Community Chorus. When he moved to Commonwealth Senior Living he faithfully sang every Sunday for their worship service. Tommy was a lover of all things having to do with Radford High School sports programs and will be forever remembered as a Bobcat fan who faithfully followed his Radford Bobcats all over the state. In 2016, Tommy was honored by a resolution of city council, receiving the Robert Allen Hall Humanitarian Service Above Self Citizenship Award for "cheering Radford through the good times and bad and showing the community how to overcome adversity". Later in July of that year he also received the Mason's Community Builders Award for his efforts "in making the community a better place in which to live". Tommy was a friend to all and leaves a rich legacy of love and friendship to many across our city.

Tommy was preceded in death by his wife, Isabell Elaine Campbell Meredith. He is survived by his two sisters, Clara Ann Duncan of Blacksburg and Aleta Lewis of Cleveland, Ohio.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at Central United Methodist Church in Radford. Interment will follow in Sunrise Burial Park.

The family will receive friends from 4 until 6 p.m. on Monday evening at the church.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Central UMC Benevolence Fund, PO Box 611, Radford, VA 24143.

The Meredith family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford, Virginia.



ETHEL MAE BISHOP BUGG

Ethel Mae Bishop Bugg born January 3, 1939 has gone to be with the Lord and her other family waiting there. She passed away on April 13, 2022 with her family by her side. She was preceded in death by her parents, Oakley and Mamie Bishop; her daughter, Lisa Dare Collins; and son, William Meredith Bugg II; as well as two grandchildren, Brian and Aiden Bugg. Also preceding her in death were her brothers, Oakley Jr. (Hootie), Bobby, Jim, twins Donald and Ronald, William, and Randall Bishop; and sisters, Barbara, Betty Jo, and Johncie Bishop.

Left to cherish her memory are her sons, James, Johnny, David, Gary (Patricia); daughter, Elizabeth and daughter-in-law Becky Bugg; brother, Frankie Bishop; sisters, Patsy Young and Trish Tinley. Also surviving are 18 grandchildren; and numerous great and great-great-grandchildren.

She will be greatly missed and was loved tremendously by so many people including caregivers at both Highland Ridge and Radford Rehab. She was a wonderful and devoted mother to her children. She will be remembered for her kind, loving, generous spirit but also for the laughter and joy she spread to all those around her. She was a one-of-a-kind jewel to her family and friends and she will be forever loved.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at the Fairlawn Church of God with Pastor Marcus Harrison officiating. Arrangements with Horne Funeral Home & Crematory 540-382-2612.

JOY ALICE MILLER TIBBS

Joy Alice Miller Tibbs, age 58, of Bland, died Monday, April 11, 2022 at Carrington Place in Wytheville. She was born November 10, 1963, in Crossnore, NC, and was the daughter of the late Alice June Mabe Miller and Earl Matson Miller, Jr.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Jared Tibbs.

She is survived by her husband, Darrell Linton Tibbs; two sons, Joshua Linton Tibbs of Arizona, and Caleb Evan Tibbs of Willow Springs, NC; two sisters, Sarah Elizabeth (Terry) Miller Davis of Fredericksburg, and Melissa Miller of Dublin; two grandchildren, River Kelsey Tibbs and Griffin Tibbs.

A Celebration of Life service



SHIRLEY MAE CROTEAU

Shirley Mae Croteau, age 77 of Dublin passed away Monday evening April 18, 2022 at the New River Valley Medical Center. Born January 23, 1945 in Alexandria, Virginia she was the daughter of the late Walter A. Clarke & Lillian Tingler Clarke. She was also preceded in death by her former husband, Richard P. Croteau, daughter, Sandra Cerritos, three sisters and five brothers.

Shirley loved the Lord and was very faithful to the end. She was a special mother, grandmother and talented artist.

She is survived by her Children – Richard P. Croteau, Jr. – Snowville, Sharlene M. Croteau – Alexandria, Corrina Akers – Dublin, John (Jeanette) Croteau – Snowville

14 Grandchildren
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The family will be holding services privately. To sign Shirley's online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations be made to their local church or foodbank.

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



HELEN CLARENCETINE GILLESPIE HUFFORD

Helen Clarencetine Gillespie Hufford, 97, of Pulaski, died on Easter Sunday, her favorite day of the year, April 17, 2022 at her home, surrounded by the love of family and friends.

Born April 5, 1925, Palm Sunday, on the Back Fork of Elk River in Webster Springs, WV, she was the second child and first daughter of ten children born to Bertha May Baughman Gillespie and Clarence Ward Gillespie.

Helen's name at birth was Mary Josephine Gillespie, but before the birth certificate was finalized her paternal grandmother, Mary Gillespie, voiced her disapproval, saying "Oh, please don't name her Mary – every Mary I've ever known had a hard life." So, for many months the child was simply called "Sister" until a proper name was decided upon – Helen Clarencetine Gillespie. It was obvious, though, that the County Clerk didn't recognize Helen's name to be a feminine derivative of her father's name, and her middle name was recorded as "Clementine" in the official Webster County birth ledger. In years to come, Helen was always on the lookout for other girls named Clarencetine, with the thought that they could form a "Clarencetine Club," but that was many years before the availability of internet searches, and Helen never found any other members for her club.

Helen graduated from Webster Springs High School in 1942, and is thought to be the last surviving member of that class. She was probably the youngest member of her school class, since she never officially went to the First Grade. When brother Eugene, two years Helen's senior, started Kindergarten, she begged and begged to go with him. After Christmas, and with three more younger children in the household, her Mother gave in. But, when Eugene started First Grade the next year, Mother said Helen hadn't had a whole year of Kindergarten, so she made her do Kindergarten a full year. When it was time for Helen to go to First Grade, the teacher said, "No way, Helen doesn't need First Grade." So, she skipped First and caught up with her big brother in the Second Grade. Helen always wondered if she missed out on anything by not going to First Grade – and if so, what might it have been?

Helen always had a loving and
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ENOLA GAY BURCHAM

Enola Gay Burcham, age 76 of Dublin passed away Sunday, April 17, 2022 at the Pulaski Health and Rehabilitation Center. Born March 5, 1946 in Galax, Virginia she was the daughter of the late Thomas Allen Grimes & Emma Mae Winesett Grimes. She was also preceded in death by her siblings, Almeta (Ray) Frazier, Cromer (Helen) Grimes, Evans (Marie) Grimes, Cleeta (James) Mabe, Doug (Eva Mae) Grimes, Christine Miller, Eva (Don) Lineberry and brother-in-law, Denton Carter.

Enola and James attended the Pulaski Church of God.

She is survived by her Husband – James Robert Burcham, Jr. – Dublin

Sister – Leona Carter – Galax
Brother – Donald (Dorothy) Grimes – Woodlawn

Sisters-in-law – Bessie Tickle – Draper, Geraldine "Gerry" Collins – Wytheville

Brothers-in-law – Jerry Miller – Pulaski, Garnie (Evelyn) East – Max Meadows

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PM – Friday, April 22, 2022 at the Family Worship Center, Pulaski (955 Memorial Drive) with Rev. Dr. Milton Carter officiating. The family will receive friends one hour before service time Friday at the Church.

Interment will follow at the Pickett Cemetery (Pleasantview Road – Austinsville, VA).

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

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Hufford

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caring disposition, and upon leaving high school had three ambitions – to become a wife, a mother, and a nurse. She applied to and was accepted into the University of Virginia School of Nursing, but she had to wait a while before the School would have openings for any more students. In the meantime, she worked as a telephone operator, a department store clerk, and was employed at a hotel, where she became proficient in virtually every facet of the operation.

With the United States firmly entrenched in World War II, and a critical shortage of nurses in both the private and military services, Congress established the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps in 1943. Funding was provided to greatly increase the size of existing nursing programs at colleges across America, and many more spaces opened up in the program at UVa. Helen finally began her classes at Nursing School in 1944, but her stay there was short-lived. After only about five months in Charlottesville, she was diagnosed with Rheumatic Heart Disease. While undergoing treatment there, her mother came to be with her, and rented a room over a local drug-store. While there, Mrs. Gillespie met Dulcenia Hufford, from Pulaski, who also had taken a room at the same place while her husband, Shirley Hufford, was at the hospital for treatment of a sciatic nerve problem. The two would meet regularly for breakfast, until the day that doctors told Helen her condition was not treatable, and released her to go home to West Virginia, with a prognosis of having only a few months to live.

The Huffords returned home to Pulaski, and Mrs. Hufford told her oldest son, Dean, that she had met a nice woman whose daughter was terminally ill, and suggested that he write her a letter to cheer her up. Dean was fairly shy, but finally wrote a letter that began, “Dear Helen, You don’t know me from Adam...” which he carried around for several days before mailing.

Helen proved the doctors wrong, and survived her illness, although she was bedridden for more than two years. Dean and Helen wrote back and forth during that time, and each visited the other’s home once, before deciding to get married. Against the recommendation of Helen’s doctors for her not to marry, the couple became Man and Wife on June 19, 1948 at the First Baptist Church in Webster Springs, WV. Helen moved to Pulaski to begin her married life, and doctors told her that even though she had survived her illness and had gotten married, she should not have children, as she would not survive childbirth. In September 1949, Helen and Dean welcomed their first child, son Tom, even though there were indeed complications for both mother and son, and doctors advised against any more pregnancies. A daughter arrived in December 1951,

taking the “Helen Jane” name that Helen had dreamed of for her daughter years earlier, and making their family complete.

Helen loved God and her Pulaski church family. She grew up in the Baptist Church in West Virginia, but joined Dean’s church, the First Christian Church, upon moving to Pulaski in June 1948. She thought she would rest and get to know the people in the church and in town before getting involved in many activities, but she was wrong. Within four months, Rev. Francis Hume Scott persuaded Helen to establish and teach a Sunday School Class for the growing number of high school aged girls in the church. The class started with about a dozen girls, who named the class the Clarentetine Bible Class, in honor of their teacher. Thus began Helen’s streak of teaching a First Christian Church Sunday School Class for 65 years, with only two one-year respites, when a rotating system was observed to allow the teacher to be a student in the class. Her tenure as teacher of the Emma Byrd Women’s Sunday School Class began on October 6, 1963 and continued until March 17, 2013, when illness forced her to stop teaching.

Helen was very active in the Christian Women’s Fellowship, holding numerous offices at the local, district, and state levels, and held other offices of responsibility in the church, including serving as Departmental Chair in several groups. In 1974, Helen researched and authored a book, “Christian Women’s Fellowship – Then and Now, 1874-1974.” While focused on the work of women in the church, the book was also a history of the First Christian Church in Pulaski. It was updated and republished in 2010.

Helen served several years as a Deacon before being elected as one of the church’s first female Elders. On July 6, 1980, Dean and Helen served as Elders, the first husband and wife team to be at the communion table together.

She was also a long-time member of Church Women United in Pulaski, and served two terms as that group’s President. She was honored to receive that organization’s Woman of Valor Award, for long and loyal service.

Helen loved children, and her devotion to family and church brought many rewarding experiences, including leadership roles in Girl Scout Junior and Cadette Troops, and by foster parenting children in crisis situations through Volunteer Emergency Foster Care. She and Dean received the RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) Presidential Lifetime Award in 2004. The residents of the Boys Home of Virginia in Covington were very special to them, also, and they actively supported the Boys Home programs for over 30 years.

In the 1980s, Helen and Dean enjoyed providing summertime housing for minor league Atlanta Braves baseball players who were playing their rookie seasons for the Pulaski Braves. In later years, they enjoyed keeping in touch with “their boys” as some went on to Major League careers and others found success in other

professions.

Helen loved to give. She and Dean spent many years working as Santa’s Helpers, throughout Pulaski and in surrounding areas, to make sure that no child was forgotten or overlooked, especially at Christmastime.

Helen worked with Dean to produce heirloom quality pieces of counted cross-stitched work, an art that he had learned in 1984 as rehabilitation therapy following an extensive illness. Over the next two decades, they made more than four thousand Christmas ornaments, which featured gold and white monograms of Christ, for children at church and others across town and in several states. They helped children understand Christianity, as the Chrismons became a Christmas tradition for those who received the special gifts.

Helen loved her family, and took joy in the lives and accomplishments of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She knew two of her own great-grandmothers, one born in 1843 and one in 1853, who lived into the 1930s. As a youth, she listened to their stories, and passed them down to future generations. She meticulously kept notes and information about her family, but always by hand, not with the aid of a computer. She never had any desire to have a computer, saying “If I had one of those, I’d never get anything else done.”

Helen was predeceased by her parents; her loving husband of 57 wonderful years, Shirley Dean Hufford on January 10, 2006; a great-grandson, Lincoln Matthew Herman; four brothers and their wives, Eugene Harry Gillespie (Helen Gray), Edmond James “Jimmy” Gillespie (Nancy Cool), Elijah Bernard “Bunny” Gillespie (Aretta Summers), and Paul Felix Gillespie; two sisters and their husbands, Willa Louise Gillespie Varney (Bill Ray Varney) and Marietta Lucille Gillespie McCoy; a brother-in-law Rev. Robert Grayson Hufford; two former brothers-in-law, Chester “Cubby” McCoy and Jackie Lee Queener; a sister-in-law Beverly Campbell Hufford, a former sister-in-law Sue Pobst Hufford; and a nephew, Terry Lee Queener.

She is survived by her son and his wife, Thomas Dean Hufford (Nanette Lynn Peacock) of Marietta, GA, and her daughter and her husband, Helen Jane Hufford Herman (Rev. Glen Alan Herman) of Pulaski, VA.; two granddaughters and their husbands, Bethany Joy Herman Archer (Lucas Lee Archer) of Findlay, OH, and Sarah Rebekah Herman Kiesling (Jarrod Dean Kiesling) of Huber Heights, OH; and a grandson and his wife, Dr. David Matthew Herman (Lauren Ashley Castle) of

Centerville, OH; eight grandchildren, Mackinaw Dean Archer, William Fisher Archer, River Thomas Archer, Jace Dean Kiesling, Cody Alan Kiesling, Trey Walker Kiesling, Sarah-Kate Joy Herman, and Malachi Luke Herman; two sisters and their husbands, Samueline Rebecca Gillespie Allman (Robert Day Allman) of Buckhannon, WV and Bertha Caroline Gillespie Cochran (Melvin Wayford Cochran) of Webster Springs, WV; her brother, Dr. David Marston Gillespie of Webster Springs, WV; a former sister-in-law, Frances Yvonne Row Gillespie Beal of Frostburg, MD; four nieces, Jennifer Louise Varney Sturm, Suetta Jean McCoy, Erica Sue Gillespie, and Susan Quinn Hufford Smith; and ten nephews, Jonathan Ray Varney, James Ward Varney, James Michael McCoy, Jeremy Ward Gillespie, Gilbert Vane Gillespie, Jack Perry Queener, James Scott Queener, Max Wayne Cochran, Robert Grayson Hufford Jr., and Timothy Brian Hufford; one cousin, Patricia Sue Gillespie; one cousin-in-law Carol Sutphin Golladay, and many other family members and

friends.

The Hufford family is grateful to the staff of Medi Home Health & Hospice of Pulaski for their kind and gentle care of Helen over the past few months, and especially to her special caregivers Lori, Greg, Mike, and Tina, whose loving care helped Helen to be able to stay in her home through her illness.

Funeral services were held Thursday, April 21 at First Christian Church, 524 N. Jefferson Avenue, Pulaski, VA with the Rev. Randy Winn, Pastor Timothy Moore, and Chaplain Robbie Vance officiating. Entombment followed in Highland Memory Gardens, Dublin. Therefore the family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First Christian Church, PO Box 1007, Pulaski, Va. 24301, or to Boys Home of Virginia, 414 Boys Home Rd., Covington, VA 24426.

Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com

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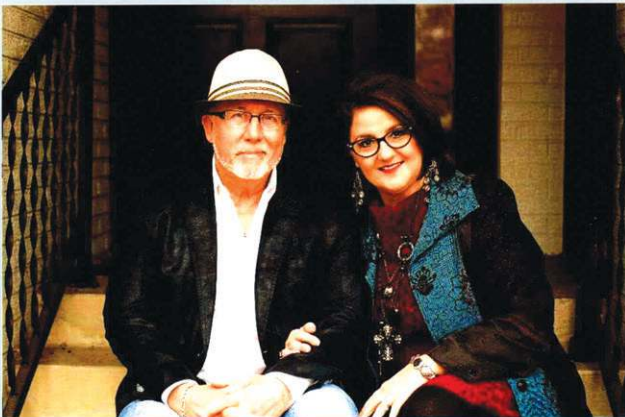
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Easter and Personal Protective Equipment

During this time of year, Christians look forward to Easter.

I always look forward to hearing many of the hymns



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

“Age to age shall say:
Hell today is vanquished,
Heaven is won today!
Lo! the Dead is living,
God for evermore
Him their true Creator,
All his works adore!”

This hymn has origins in the early church of late antiquity. Venantius Fortunatus, a sixth-century cleric of the Merovingian Court, wrote in Latin several works that are still used in Christian worship. The words of the hymn we know today as “Welcome, Happy Morning!” were later translated into English by the British cleric John Ellerton in 1868. Those English words are frequently sung to music composed by Sir Arthur Sullivan, half of the famed Gilbert and Sullivan team that wrote popular comic operas in the Victoria era.

That a song written in Latin more than 1,400 years ago by a churchman in a Frankish court and translated today into our language more than 150 years ago can resonate to our language the power of the message behind it.

The message is also powerful today because we still see the need of it. As Christians look forward to the return of the Prince of Peace, we pray for peace in the world today as war afflicts Ukraine.

I join all observing Easter, including those in Orthodox traditions following their calendar, in hoping for that peace and celebrating what the day means:

“Bloom in every meadow,
Leaves on every bough,
Speak His sorrow ended,
Hail His triumph now.”

Going Backward on PPE

The philosopher George Santayana famously warned, “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.” What does it say if we cannot remember the extremely recent past?

In March 2020, as the COVID-19 pandemic took hold, our country’s response was hampered by a lack of sufficient quality personal protective equipment (PPE) such as masks and gloves. The Strategic National Stockpile had been depleted by the Obama Administration, and much of what remained had expired. The PPE market was dominated by foreign manufacturers, including China.

The United States had to compete with other countries to buy and could sometimes end up with inferior products. For a period, China even stopped exporting PPE.

These events clearly demonstrated the need for a strong domestic PPE manufacturing base.

Many American companies stepped up to the plate. They shifted their output to the materials desperately needed to combat the pandemic and save lives. But according to an April 11 Associated Press story, a mere two years after a lack of American-based PPE manufacturing proved a significant problem, domestic production once again is in jeopardy:

Many companies that began producing personal protective equipment with patriotic optimism have scaled back, shut down or given up, according to an Associated Press analysis based on numerous interviews with manufacturers. Some already have sold equipment they bought with state government grants . . . Many manufacturers who answered the call have faced logistical hurdles, regulatory rejections, slumping demand and fierce competition from foreign suppliers.

If these difficulties overcome attempts to establish a stable domestic PPE manufacturing base, we could find ourselves in a future pandemic faced with the same shortages and scramble for supplies of COVID-19’s early days.

In January of this year, I introduced the Domestic SUPPLY Act. My bill would require the Federal Government to establish a program to enter into purchasing agreements with U.S.-owned and -operated PPE manufacturers, require it only to purchase domestically-made PPE with limited exceptions, and require states and localities receiving federal money to do the same.

My bill presents a chance to avoid repeating the mistakes of the past. I urge Congress to act on it.

If you have questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to contact my office. You can call my Christiansburg office at 540-381-5671.

written for the occasion. One of my favorites is “Welcome, Happy Morning!” Welcome, happy morning!

OPEN FORUM

Happy birthday Daily Bread!

To the editor,

Daily Bread has served meals to the community for 35 years as of this month, and we have served over one million meals to date.

Daily Bread started serving meals in April 1987 with its first two patrons. Since that day we have continued to grow in our meals served.

During the last several years with the pandemic we have served 100 to 140 meals most days.

We are continuing to serve lunches by handing them out by volunteers at the door. At this time, we still need to protect everyone so we can continue cooking and serving meals daily.

We would like to thank all volunteers for their service for the last 35 years and those who sent in donations and to those who continue sending in donations during these most difficult times.

We appreciate all that you do and continue to do for without each of you this program would not have succeeded.

If you have a few hours a day on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday we need your help in preparing lunches. We start meals at 8:15 and are usually finished by 11, sometimes a little later. You may reach me at 1-540-980-2131 between the hours of 8 am until noon.

Debra Harrell
Director

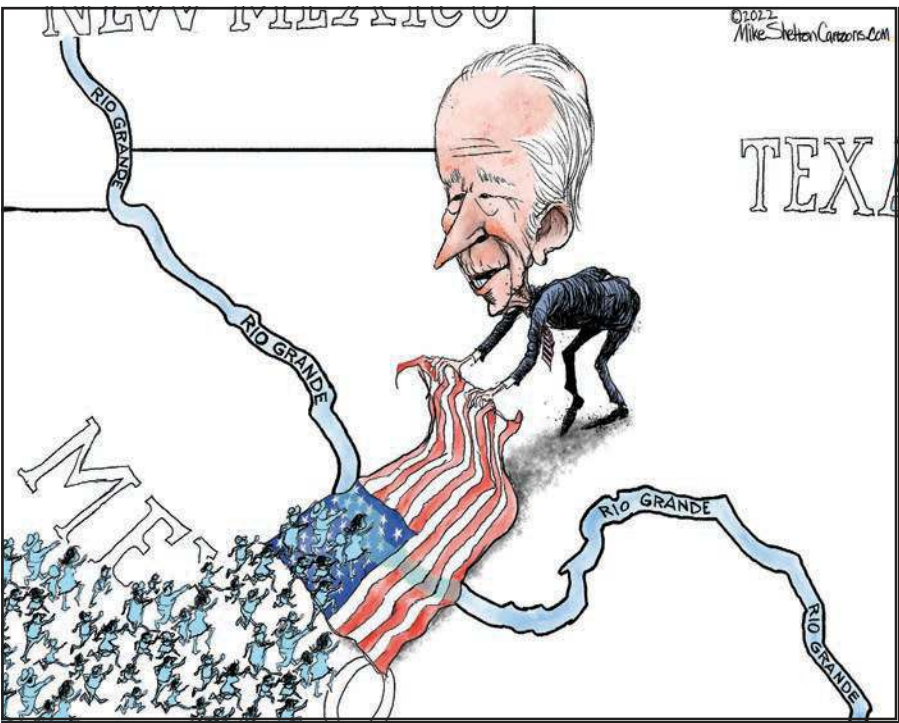
In search of kidney donor

We are asking for help from our family, friends and community in finding a kidney donor for my husband, Timothy C. Woodyard who is currently on hemodialysis at home four days a week.

In June of 2020, he was diagnosed with end Stage Renal Disease. He had

become very weak with no energy, his blood pressure was dropping making him dizzy, he was gaining fluid and in general just felt bad. His nephrologist decided it was time to admit him to the

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Elon Musk and free speech

By Cal Thomas,
Tribune Content Agency

Americans who subscribe to “traditional values” have had to put up with a lot from the left in the name of the First Amendment. From vulgarities on TV (self-described First Amendment defenders said things like, “If you don’t like, it change the channel”), to sexual scenes in movies (“If you don’t like it, don’t go”), to the ready availability of pornography on the internet (“use blockers if you don’t want to view it”), to books that offend parental values in public schools, to flag burning during protests, cries of “censorship” have been hurled at defenders of deportment and tradition.

Now comes Elon Musk and suddenly everything has changed. Musk wants to buy Twitter and add to the diversity of opinions that can be expressed on this popular and influential platform. At first the Twitter board welcomed him to the company, but they quickly changed their minds and have now inserted a “poison pill” they hope will keep him from taking over. It’s complicated, but they would limit the number of shares that Musk could purchase.

Musk’s attempt to purchase Twitter has revealed the double standard practiced by the left when it comes to free speech. Why does it appear the only speech that wins the approval of the left is speech with which they agree? Doesn’t the word “free” imply without cost? It does, but it means more than that. It’s also about not imposing the “cost” of telling people what they can and cannot say. People mostly agree on limits involving libel, slander and the old one about not crying “fire” in a crowded theater when there is no fire, but what is happening now is different. It is political speech that doesn’t agree with the secular-progressive worldview that the left wants to control, even ban in some cases.

Twitter (and Facebook) have “standards” which, if violated, can get one suspended or in the case of Donald Trump,

banned from their platforms. They define “hate speech” but it is often arbitrary, and the company in too many cases, seems to bow to the wishes of leftist organizations.

That the allegations of censorship have shifted from the right foot to the left was evident in a recent Washington Post column by Max Boot. Boot lamented that a billionaire like Musk could potentially have influence in deciding Twitter’s content. The irony is that his paper is owned by billionaire Jeff Bezos. In his column, Boot calls for an entity to impose “content moderation” on certain speech. What might that look like? Would it be a government panel? Everyone has a point of view. It is disingenuous to think a panel or individual would be able to fairly monitor the content of anything, nor should be allowed to.

During the turbulent years leading up to the founding of the nation there were views expressed for and against the Revolution. Even so, George Washington said, “If freedom of speech is taken away, then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter.”

In an Aug. 8, 1950, message to Congress regarding the internal security of the United States, President Harry Truman wrote: “Once a government is committed to the principle of silencing the voice of opposition, it has only one way to go, and that is down the path of increasingly repressive measures, until it becomes a source of terror to all its citizens and creates a country where everyone lives in fear.” The same could be said of non-government entities like social platforms.

The response to speech one does not like is more speech, not less. That’s what freedom of speech ultimately means. It’s what Elon Musk appears to want to promote on Twitter should he get the chance.

Readers may email Cal Thomas at ctaeed@tribpub.com. Look for Cal Thomas’ latest book “America’s Expiration Date: The Fall of Empires and Superpowers and the Future of the United States” (Harper-Collins/Zondervan).



Rich Lowery

Editor,
National Review

Where Russia goes, brutality follows

Russia has found just the man to lead its ongoing assault on Ukraine, Gen. Aleksandr Dvornikov.

The top-level general takes over a war that had no single overall commander and as the Russian military has suffered embarrassing setbacks, retreating from its planned siege of Kyiv.

Dvornikov has led the Russian forces in the south and east of Ukraine, which Moscow will now make its main objective, and perfectly encapsulates the remorseless and long-running brutality of the Russian military.

He became known as the Butcher of Syria for his role leading the Russian campaign in Syria, most notoriously the reduction of Aleppo.

A United Nations human rights official called that city, after the Russians were done with it, “a slaughterhouse.” He depicted “a gruesome locus of pain and fear, where the lifeless bodies of small children are trapped under streets of rubble and pregnant women deliberately bombed.”

That ghastly description, of course, sounds all too familiar. Naturally enough, the Russian government honored Dvornikov for his bloody handiwork in Syria as a “hero of the Russian federation.”

Bucha is another tragic place name in a long catalogue of Russians atrocities -- perpetrated against foreigners and its own people, perpetrated when the Soviets struggled for control during their rule, and afterward, perpetrated with relatively primitive military technology and with the most up-to-date modern firepower.

Where the Russian military goes, war crimes are sure to follow. It is a reflection of a twisted Russian political culture that has never developed an appreciation for individual worth, democratic accountability, or humanitarian norms. Vladimir Putin is not to be confused with Lenin or Stalin -- he paints his horrors on a much smaller canvas. But his cold-eyed brutality is characteristically Russian.

For the last 100 years, Russia has been a brutalized and brutalizing country. It suffered nearly 3.5 million deaths in World War I, another 8 million dead in the Russian Civil War, and then 27 million more in World War II.

The founder of the Soviet state, Lenin, was a theorist and practitioner of “mass terror.” After the Revolution, the civil war between the Bolsheviks and their opponents was a series of atrocities. Then came the cataract of unspeakable violence in the death struggle with the Nazis.

The Red Army’s decisive march to Berlin at the end of the war was one long, pitiless war crime. The Russians raped 2 million German women. According to historian Antony Beevor, author of “The Fall of Berlin 1945,” one doctor

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Don't tell Uncle Joe to go!

Finally, the mainstream media is showing some discomfort with breaking news about the Biden family “enterprises” involving The Big Guy and the recalcitrant son. Both the NY Times and the Washington Post have recently confirmed the truth of the Biden laptop story. Add to that the growing concern about Biden’s health and cognitive ability – and we could see people calling for changes at the executive level in the near future.

So, am I the only one who lies awake at night wondering what would happen if the U.S. President was not able to complete his term?

Occasional emails are filtering through my in-box, suggesting we sign a petition to remove Joe Biden from office. They state various reasons for their demands, but they seem to be oblivious to the disastrous consequences of who would take over if the Office of the President was vacant.

Yikes, people! It has been said that the devil you know may be better than the one you don’t know. Maybe we should re-think the desire to tell Joe to go. For that reason, it prodded me to look at the line of succession just in case this happens.

Here is what I found out. As with anything that involves the government, it’s complicated. But here is a bit of history.

The United States presidential line of succession is the order in which the vice president of the United States and other officers of the United States federal government assume the powers and duties of the U.S. presidency upon an elected president’s death, resignation, removal from office upon impeachment conviction or incapacity.

“Congress may by Law provide for the Case of Removal, Death, Resignation or Inability, both of the President and Vice President, declaring what Officer shall then act as President, and such Officer shall act

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believed that of 100,000 women raped in the city, 10,000 died as a consequence, many by suicide.

The English-speaking world features its share of shameful and brutal acts, but nothing on the mind-numbing scale of such depravities. And the crimes in the U.S. and elsewhere are looked back on with shame, whether slavery or the expropriation of indigenous people. In contrast, in the 21st century, when more civilized practices are supposed to have prevailed, Putin is adding more disgraceful blots to Russia’s woeful record.

What kind of force considers a hospital a legitimate military target? Terrorist groups -- and the Russian military.

In Syria a few years ago, Russia bombed four hospitals in 12 hours, a savage performance

One Nation Under God

By Danielle Reid

accordingly, until the Disability be removed, or a President shall be elected.”

Congress has enacted a Presidential Succession Act on three occasions: 1792 (1 Stat. 239), 1886 (24 Stat. 1), and 1947 (61 Stat. 380). The 1947 Act was last revised in 2006 Congress.gov

Presidential succession is referred to several times in our Constitution beginning with Article II, Section 1, Clause 6, as well as the 12th Amendment, 20th Amendment and 25th Amendment. (You may remember that during Donald Trump’s term as our 45th President, we witnessed the Democratic-controlled Congress threatening to enact the 25th Amendment to remove him from office.)

Here is what the U.S. Constitution – Article II, Section 1, Clause 6 states that, in “case of the removal of the President from office, or of his death, resignation, or inability to discharge the powers and duties of the said office, the same shall devolve on the Vice President.”

Although the line of succession from president to vice president seems clear, the question that arose is: does the vice president assume the office of president or just its powers and duties? And, who appoints a new vice president?

To clear up several concerns, the current Presidential Succession Act was adopted in 1947, and last revised in 2006 to address concerns that emerged from 911. The 25th Amendment also establishes procedures for filling an intra-term vacancy in the office of the vice president, which the original Constitution did not.

“The order consists of congressional officers followed by the members of the President’s

forecasting the treatment they’d mete out to Ukraine. According to The New York Times, Syrian health care workers believed that a United Nations “humanitarian deconfliction” list containing the locations of hospitals was used as a target list by Russian forces.

Of course, Russia leveled the city of Grozny in the late 1990s, killing thousands of civilians. Its soldiers raped and tortured.

What the Russian lacks in planning and proficiency, it makes up in barbarity and utter disregard for humanity. War is hell, but almost all advanced nations try to keep it within some bounds of decency. Russia is an outlier. For it, the cruelty is the point -- and the reflexive practice.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

cabinet in the order of the establishment of each department, provided that each officer must satisfy the constitutional requirements for serving as president.” Just so you know, there are 18 Cabinet Members in the line of succession, and in this administration, they are held by members of the Democrat party.

Previous to the 25th Amendment, there were several issues of concern regarding line of succession. “The original Constitution did not provide for filling the vacancy of the vice president. Prior to the adoption of the Twenty-Fifth Amendment, one vice president resigned, seven died in office, and eight took over for presidents who died in office. These concerns were addressed by Congress’s design of the 1947 Presidential Succession Act, which places the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate immediately behind the Vice President in line for the presidency, then the Secretary of State - even when they do not belong to the President’s political party.” <https://constitutioncenter.org/>

Another issue prior to the 25th Amendment was that the Presidential Succession Act of 1947 “included a provision allowing ‘prior entitled individuals’ to ‘bump’ an acting president, meaning if the Secretary of State becomes acting president because the president, vice president and congressional leaders have been killed, but the House then elects a new Speaker, that Speaker would become the new acting president and bump the Secretary of State out of the presidency. This creates a game of musical chairs with the presidency and would cause great instability.”

What happens if a president, who may be unable to fulfill his constitutional role, will not step aside? Then the 25th Amendment provides both a decision-maker and a procedure. The initial deciding group is the vice president and a majority of either the Cabinet or some other body that Congress may designate. If this group declares a president “unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office,” the vice president immediately becomes Acting President.

Can you see my dilemma if

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Pulaski Police make arrest in armed robbery

On April 17 at approximately noon, Officers from Pulaski Police Department responded to the Food Lion located in the Town of Pulaski in reference to an armed robbery that had just occurred.

It was reported that the suspect was armed with a knife.

Officers arrived on scene to discover the suspect had left. A short time later, officers were able to make contact with the suspect, Randy Festich, at Speedway gas station in the Town of Pulaski.

Festich was taken into custody without incident and is currently being held without bond at the New River Valley Regional Jail.

No one involved in the robbery was harmed.



Randy Fesstich

Kidney

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hospital at that time and start him on dialysis.

In the beginning, he went to the DaVita dialysis center three days a week until we could be trained to do hemodialysis at home. The end of July we had been trained and started dialysis at home.

He is unable to do without dialysis for more than two days at a time due to gaining too much fluid. This interferes with us wanting to travel or even working around holidays or other family gatherings because of making time to do dialysis.

I am still working full-time and hence we can only do dialysis at night as soon as I get home from work. We are very thankful we can do dialysis at home but no one realizes how much time this requires from him setting up the equipment, being responsible for ordering all of his supplies, maintaining the equipment and prep time or me sticking him, monitoring his dialysis session for three hours and then disconnecting him from unit, stopping the bleeding and then tearing down the machine and cleaning it up afterwards.

All together this is about a five hour process four days a week. We would love for him to be able to have a kidney donor so he could start back to having a normal life. He has 0 negative blood but would be able to receive a donor kidney from an O positive or O negative donor.

He is currently registered at UVA as well as Wake Forest. For anyone willing to be worked up as a donor, it is completely anon-

ymous and is done between you and the facility. All you have to do is contact: Baptist Medical Center, Attn: Living Donor Coordinator Coleen Sheetan, RN, by phone @855-866-6833, or e-mail her @LivingDonation@Wakehealth.edu. Or contact UVA-Living Donor transplant coordinator, Anita Sites, RN @336-73-5684.

They will be able to explain everything to you and give directions to you on how to start the process of being worked up as a donor. We know that if you are diabetic or on more than one blood pressure medication you cannot be a donor.

The donor’s surgery is actually done laproscopically to remove the kidney, hence is not as invasive and you are usually able to go home in a day or so. There is no expense to the donor because our insurance is responsible for the bill and the facility the procedure is performed at, will be responsible for the donor for any complication that might arise from being a donor.

We know that God is in corol and that he can speak to hearts and lead them to be a donor. We would appreciate your prayers that when God’s time is right that he receives a kidney and that he can resume a happy and productive life once again.

Thank you in advance for your consideration in being worked up as a donor.

Tim & Suzanne Woodyard

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After 28 years Rev. Weston returns to Christ Episcopal

After an absence of 28 years, an Episcopal priest has returned to his former parish in Pulaski. The Rev. Steve Weston, Rector of Christ Episcopal Church from 1991-1994, moved to Virginia two years ago with his wife, Peggy.

As a part-time minister, he preaches at Christ Church on the first and third Sundays of each month. Services at Christ Episcopal Church begin at 10:00 a.m., including the Sundays when Rev. Weston is not officiating.

Commenting on his return, Rev. Weston says, "Peg and I love it here, near my daughter, Margaret, her husband, and our two granddaughters. This time around we're not moving. Peace and tranquility, and the beauty of the seasons, nurture our spirits,

and we love being back with people we know, and who know us as well."

Rev. Weston has had a varied career since being ordained in 1969. Besides Virginia, he has served churches in Texas and Arizona and combined his ministry with interests in music and journalism. Having worked as a newspaper editor while serving in the Air Force, he drew on that experience to publish national magazines and produce a local interview program while in Texas. He also covered four general conventions for Episcopal News Service.

During his time as the rector of Christ Church in Pulaski, he served as president of the board for the Emergency Needs Task Force, was secretary for the Pu-

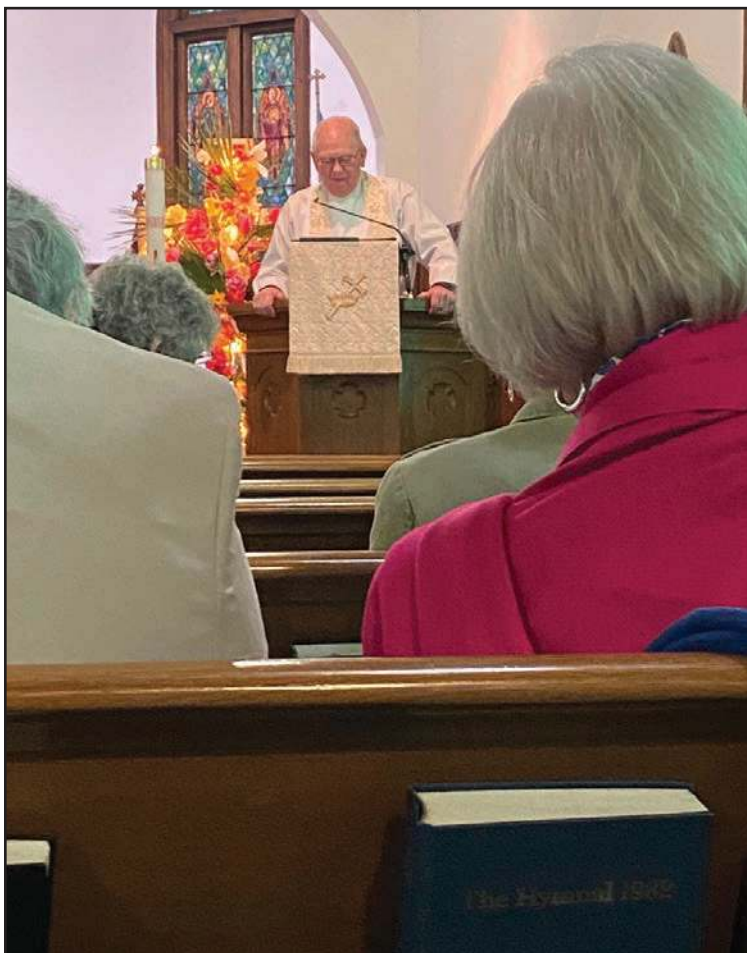
laski County Ministerial Association, and taught music classes as an adjunct faculty member at NRCC.

The congregation at Christ Church, having had different part-time ministers serve during the pandemic, are excited about Rev. Weston's return. Seeing the same priest regularly and knowing he lives locally are blessings the parish has missed for years.

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Rev. Steve Weston and wife, Peggy.



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Hokies Head Coach Brent Pry leads his team onto the field last Saturday during Tech's Spring Game.

Wells, Smith shine in Spring Game

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BLACKSBURG – Virginia Tech football held its Spring Game, presented by PMSi, on Saturday and the Maroon Team ran away with it, earning a 26-10 victory over the White Team at Lane Stadium.

The Maroon Team outgained the White Team offensively 293-126 in total yards in the two-hour game, while each team had three sacks on the day. There were quite a few chunk plays, including eight runs and passes over 20 yards.

Two of the eight were big plays from quarterback Grant Wells to receiver Kaleb Smith, showing off their chemistry, with Smith grabbing both a 47-yard touchdown and a 51-yard touchdown in the first quarter. In one-on-one coverage, Smith beat his man both times and Wells threw two dimes right where they should be. Smith finished the day 103 receiving yards and three catches.

Quarterback Devin Farrell also played well, rushing for 41 yards and scoring a touchdown in the fourth quarter to put it away.

For the White Team, it averaged an impressive 12.6 yards

per play, but couldn't sustain it over the long haul, with scoring its lone touchdown in the final moment of the game. Quarterback Ben Locklear tossed a 7-yard touchdown to receiver Conner Dusenbury as time expired.

There were no turnovers on the day, but six Hokies turned in a sack, including Eli Adams, Norell Pollard, Wilfried Pene, TyJuan Garbutt, Gunner Givens and Keli Lawson. Defensive back Ny'Quee Hawkins and linebacker Keshon Artis each had a team-high five tackles.

At halftime, head coach Brent Pry presented the spring awards to the team at the middle of the field.

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2022 Most Improved Award
Tight End Nick Gallo | Defensive Lineman Josh Fuga

2022 Offensive MVP
Receiver Da'Wain Lofton

2022 Defensive MVP
Defensive Back Chamarrri Conner



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Virginia Tech Hokies quarterback Grant Wells (6) warms up before the spring game at Lane Stadium in Blacksburg.

2022 Special Teams MVP
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Linebacker Dax Hollifield

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Quarterback/Athlete Connor Blumrick

The next time the Hokies will be back in action will be on the road at Old Dominion on Friday, Sept. 2.

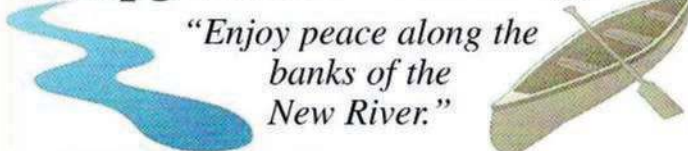
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Lady Cougars lose on walk-off

Pulaski County Cougars Varsity Falls To Salem On Walk-Off

Pulaski County's Lady Cougars fell to Salem 5-4 on Tuesday on the final play of the game. The game was tied at four with Salem batting in the bottom of the seventh when Cora Robertson singled on a 1-1 count, scoring one run.

Pulaski County lost despite out-hitting Salem, seven to five.

The Lady Cougars got things moving in the first inning when starting pitcher Laken Greever singled on a 3-2 count, scoring one run.

Cora Robertson got the start for Salem, but the pitcher surrendered four runs on four hits over one and one-third innings, while striking out two. She was relieved by Cora Sparger who went five and two-thirds innings allowing three hits, but no runs.

Greever started the game for Pulaski County and went the distance, allowing five hits and five runs while striking out seven.

Pulaski County Cougars Varsity tallied one home run on the day. Emily Webb had a dinger in the first inning.

Lauren Cruise, Greever, Jordan Hill, Paige Huff, Erin Russell, Tori Vest, and Webb all had one hit to lead Pulaski County.

Caitlin Wells went 2-for-3 at the plate to lead Salem in hits.

With the loss the Lady Cougars drop to 7-4 on the season and 2-3 in the River Ridge District.

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'Dega offers big chance for win

From NASCAR

Eight different winners in nine races to start the 2022 NASCAR Cup Series season and this weekend's GEICO 500 (Sunday, April 24 at 3 p.m. ET on FOX, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio) serves up a platter of opportunity for a ninth different winner to pull into Victory Lane and secure their spot in the Playoffs.

Construction began on what was then known as the Alabama International Motor Speedway on May 23, 1968. The first NASCAR Cup Series race at Talladega Superspeedway was held on September 14, 1969, and the event was won by Richard Brickhouse, from Rocky Point, North Carolina, driving a Dodge for car owner Ray Nichols. The average speed of the first race at the 2.66-mile track was 153.778 mph.

The name of the facility changed to Talladega Superspeedway in 1989, and the surface underwent its fourth repaving on September 19, 2006. In total, there have been 105 NASCAR Cup Series races at Talladega Superspeedway; one series event in 1969, and two races per year since 1970.

A total of 44 different drivers have won at least one pole at Talladega Superspeedway in the NASCAR Cup Series; 23 of the pole winners have won more than one. Six of the 44 Talladega NASCAR Cup Series pole winners are active this weekend. Busch Light Pole Qualifying is scheduled for Saturday, April 23 at 11 a.m. ET on FS1.

In total, 15 of the 105 (14.3%)

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Yard Sale: First Dublin Presbyterian Church – ECO will have its annual yard sale Saturday, May 21. The sale will take place inside the church Fellowship Hall from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The church is located at 409 Church Street, Dublin. Also, hotdogs will be available for sale. Mark your calendars now. Hope to see you there!

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NASCAR

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NASCAR Cup Series races at Talladega Superspeedway have been won from the pole or first starting position; the most recent to accomplish the feat was Denny Hamlin on October 4, 2020.

But the outside front row (second place) starting position is the most proficient starting position in the field, producing more winners (20) than any other starting position at Talladega (19.05%).

The 105 NASCAR Cup Series races at Talladega Superspeedway have also produced a total of 50 different race winners; 25 of the 50 have won multiple times at the 2.66-mile track. This weekend 10 of the 50 NASCAR Cup Series Talladega race winners are entered into the event.

NASCAR Hall of Famer Dale Earnhardt leads the NASCAR Cup Series in wins at Talladega Superspeedway with 10 victories (1983, 1984, 1990 sweep, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1999 sweep, 2000). Brad Keselowski leads all active NASCAR Cup Series drivers in wins at Talladega Superspeedway with six victories; including taking the checkered flag in this race last season (2009, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2021).

This Sunday's GEICO 500 will be 188 laps (500 miles) in length and broken up into three stages. The first two stages will be 60 laps each and the final stage will be 68 laps.

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Local Sports Roundup

PCHS boys tennis team edges Salem, 5-4

Pulaski County edged Salem, 5-4 on a cold Tuesday afternoon boys tennis match.

Individual singles and doubles scores went like this:

Singles:

1. Camden Hite 6-0 6-4
2. Xander Pratt 6-3 0-6 10-7
3. Mark Graham 2-6 3-6
4. Eli Duke 0-6 1-6
5. Zach Gallimore 6-3 6-2
6. Ashton Paul 2-6 0-6

Doubles:

1. Camden/Xander 8-6
2. Eli/Zach 4-8
3. Mark/Ashton 9-7

“Our No. 3 singles, Aaron Bennet was out of the country watching his brother Adam play soccer in England, but we were able to pull off a shorthanded 5-4 victory in 40-degree weather,” said Coach Chad Graham.

As expected, Camden Hite won his singles match and doubles match with partner Xander Pratt, Graham added.

“Tonight was Eli Duke’s first match playing at the fourth seed. Zach Gallimore won his fifth seed match. The most exciting match was the No. 3 doubles in which Mark Graham and Ashton Paul sealed the team’s win by winning four straight games to win their match 9-7 after being down 5-7 at the end of the cold night.

“The match was ended with a Mark Graham slam at the net.

“I wish we had recorded Ashton’s effort and newly acquired skills in a pivotal point in one of the comeback games when he stretched in all directions to return four great shots by Salem. Another match to note was Xander Pratt who won his tiebreaker in Singles.”

Pulaski’s next match is April 28 at Christiansburg.

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Girls tennis team loses to Salem, 9-0

Pulaski County’s girls tennis team fell Tuesday at Salem, 9-0.

In Singles:

- #1 Amarah Hyduke lost 2-8
- #2 Isabel Weigel lost 0-8
- #3 Victoria Cantrell lost 1-8
- #4 Lacy Donaldson lost 3-8
- #5 Miranda Altis lost 1-8
- #6 Lainey Peake lost 2-8

In Doubles:

- #1 Hyduke/Weigel lost 2-8
- #2 Cantrell/Donaldson lost 5-8
- #3 Altis/Peake lost 2-8

In two singles exhibition matches Sabryn Landreth lost 1-8 and Haleigh Roop won 8-7.

LEGAL NOTICE



Public Hearing Town of Pulaski Town Council

The Town Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW to consider the following:

1. A proposed zoning amendment to Section 6.1, Lots of Record, adding 6.1.5, "A lot of record that cannot accommodate the construction of a reasonably sized structure, as determined by the evaluation of similar properties within the same block and zoning district, fronting the same street, due to the front (and side if a corner lot) setback requirements of the respective zoning district may be permitted a less than required setback but not less than the average of the setbacks on the existing developed lots within the same block and zoning district, fronting the same street."

All persons desiring to comment on the proposed requests should submit their remarks to Caroline Smith, Planner, by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, to 42 First Street, NW/PO Box 660, Pulaski, VA or via email to csmith@pulaskitown.org. A copy of the application and other pertinent materials are available for public review in the Economic Development and Planning Manager'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



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APRIL 5, 2022

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LEGAL NOTICE



Pulaski County Planning Commission Public Hearing

The Pulaski County Planning Commission will convene to review (2) Applications in May. In accordance with the Code of Virginia, the Planning Commission will host a public hearings beginning at **7:00 p.m. on TUESDAY, May 10th, 2022** in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, in the Town of Pulaski to receive comments about the applications as listed below;

1. Proposed text amendments to the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). Text amendments relate to Article 4, 7 and 11.
2. Rezone Application submitted by CMO Enterprises on behalf of Joshua & Hollyn Williams to rezone Tax Map 065-001-0000-031B from Commercial (CM) to Low Density Residential (LR) located at 4845 Hance Road.

The public can request information and/or submit comments as part of the public hearing process, by using any one of the following methods; **E-mail:** Send information request or public comment to Markie Quesenberry at mquesenberry@pulaskicounty.org . **Phone:** Contact Markie Quesenberry at 540-980-7710 or 540-440-0025 to learn more, or to have your comment transcribed for the public hearing. **Regular Mail:** Send your request for information or your comment to; Planning & Zoning Department, County of Pulaski, 143 Third Street, NW, Suite 1, Pulaski, VA 24301. **In Person:** By attending the meeting at the location listed.

For disabled individuals who may require special auxiliary aids or services, the County upon request will make reasonable accommodations available. Contact the County's ADA Compliance Officer at (540) 980-7800 (TDD accessible) or (540) 980-7705, ten (10) days prior to the above meeting date to arrange for these special accommodations.

Be warned: Incidents of church scamming on the rise

Rev. Allison Unroe

“Pastor Allison,” she said when I answered the phone, “I think I got a text message from you asking for money?”

For months—years really—I have dreaded this. I’ve watched as colleague after colleague, church after church has been targeted by scammers. These people go to the church’s website and/or their social media pages. They take note of staff names and contact details. They study the people who like the church’s social media content. They glean all the information they can get, then they get to work.

They create email accounts and/or phone numbers that look a lot like the pastor’s or a church staff member’s, then they email and/or text everyone they can. They claim to be the pastor or the staff member, and they say they need a favor. Sometimes they use the intended victim’s name. They’re very convincing, and they always make the situation seem distressingly urgent.

I have seen so many iterations of this scam sweep through churches over the years, but it wasn’t until this year that it happened to my congregation. In 2022 scammers have targeted us twice in as many months.

First and foremost, people need to know this is happening. Please be aware and protect yourself. When you receive communication that claims to be from your church or your pastor, ask yourself if you’ve ever seen that phone number or email address before. Ask yourself if your pastor has ever contacted you with a similar request before. And if anything seems off, do just a bit more digging before you give.

That brings us to the second thing people need to know. Healthy churches and healthy pastors welcome accountability and are transparent about their money. Your church should have policies in place to make sure that all money given and spent is accounted for, and those policies should be accessible to everyone. For example, in my congregation,

all offerings have to be approved by our Session, which is our governing board. So if a congregation member receives a request for funds, they can call any Session member and ask if that request is on the up-and-up. If Session hasn’t approved it, then the request is not from us. In your church your contact person might be the treasurer or the book keeper or a member of your governing board, but there should be at least one contact person, and they should operate independently of your clergy.

These are general best practices that protect both the congregation and the pastor.

Unfortunately, clergy are as human as anyone else, and there are occasions when clergy abuse their positions. These financial best practices keep the pastor from overstepping appropriate boundaries with congregants, and they keep congregants from being taken advantage of by scammers.

If you aren’t familiar with your church’s financial policies, I encourage you to ask about

them. Transparency and open communication will protect you and your church in more ways than one.

And when in doubt, always double check that a request for funds is actually from the person they claim to be before you give them anything.

Rev. Allison Unroe is a pastor in the Presbyterian Church (USA). She has served Fairlawn Presbyterian Church in Radford, VA for more than eight years.

Project Lifesaver re-launched

Pulaski Police Department is excited to relaunch our Program Lifesaver program for the residents of the Town of Pulaski. This will be a free service offered to individuals and their caretakers that will help us locate them should they wander off.

Project Lifesaver was founded in Chesapeake, Virginia in 1999 after several individuals saw the need for services to locate persons who wander off. The ideological concept for the tracking device was that a missing human could be tracked much like biologists track animals in the wild. In 1999, many patients of neurological disorders were not found in time when they wandered off and thus Project Lifesaver was born.

Project Lifesaver today is used by 1646 member agencies. An agency can track a wandering person by relying on a unique radio frequency that the patient will

have on his/her person utilizing a transmitter. Each transmitter is attached to the patient via an arm band and allows the agency to use a special receiver to locate that arm band, its special frequency, and the patient wearing it. In most cases, the agency has the ability with Project Lifesaver equipment to locate a wandering person within 30 minutes of arriving to the last location the individual was observed.

Individuals and their caretakers who are eligible for the service include: Alzheimer’s (Dementia) patients, Down Syndrome individuals, Autistic persons, and those who suffer from a Traumatic Brain Injury.

If you would like information on how to sign up or would like to

see how the program will work, please contact me at (540)994-8676 or sramsey@pulaskitown.org.

Since the program is being offered free to needed individuals, we are accepting donations towards the cost of equipment. At this time, we have enough transmitters and arm bands for 7 people and only 2 receivers. We would like to purchase at least 1 more receiver and more transmitters to ensure that we are able to quickly locate any and all individuals who may need the service.”

**Sonia Ramsey,
Community Resource
Specialist
Pulaski Police Department**

Domestic situation ends in malicious wounding arrest

On April 17, Pulaski County Sheriff’s Office Deputies responded to the 6000 block of Wilderness Road in reference to a domestic situation, where the caller reporting the incident stated that his father had shot him.

Once Deputies arrived on scene, contact was made with Daniel Lee Gibas, who told deputies that his father had shot him. Daniel had a gunshot wound to his arm and was assisted away from the immediate area in order to receive medical aid.

Dennis Mark Gibas, the father of Daniel, was inside the residence and would not come out.

A Pulaski County Sheriff’s Office negotiator was able to convince Dennis to surrender without further incident.

He was placed under arrest and then transported to the magistrate at the New River Valley Regional Jail where warrants were obtained and served against Dennis Gibas for malicious wounding, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and discharging a firearm within a dwelling house. Dennis was held



Dennis Mark Gibas

without bond.

This is an ongoing investigation and no further information will be released at this time.

Sheriff Worrell would like to thank Dublin Police Department, Virginia State Police, Pulaski County Commonwealth Attorney’s Office, and Pulaski County Public Safety for their assistance during this incident.

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Senior of the Month

At left, Pulaski County Public Schools and Pulaski County High School are pleased to announce our Senior of the Month for April, Emma Gene Clevinger (front row left). Emma is the daughter of Larry and Angela Clevinger of Pulaski. Emma is described as being a constant contributor in class who shows a positive attitude in all that is asked of her. She is friendly in nature and the model of dependability. Her gentle kindness is felt by all who meet her and she has a wonderful way of making those around her feel at ease. Emma is currently vice president of the Gay-Straight Alliance as well as a member of the Red Cross, National Honor Society, International Thespian Society and Pulaski County Reads. Most of the time you can find Emma working diligently on the PCHS Yearbook staff, where she is currently senior editor. Upon graduation, Emma plans to attend Virginia Tech to study public health which will lead her to her goal of becoming an epidemiologist. In her free time, Emma enjoys reading and hanging out with friends.

Pulaski County Schools Photo



application on how you can become part of the CERT team. Applications for the May training schedule are due by April 25, 2022.

Email: rkos@pulaskicounty.org or bwright@pulaskicounty.org Phone 540-994-2574

For more information about CERT Teams, please visit Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Website at: <https://www.ready.gov/cert>



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PC starting Community Emergency Response Team

The Pulaski County Emergency Management office will be establishing a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and will be looking for volunteers to become trained members of the CERT Team. Training will be provided by the Emergency Management office and will be free.

CERT History

In 2002, the US Government created a program call Citizens Corps. The mission of Citizen Corps is to harness the power of every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make communities safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to the threats of terrorism, crime, public health issues, and disasters of all kinds through:

- Preparing the public for local risks with targeted outreach
- Engaging voluntary organizations to help augment resources for public safety, preparedness, and response capabilities

- Integrating the whole community and using nontraditional resources to ensure disaster preparedness

- CERT is one of those programs under the U.S. Citizens Corps.

The CERT concept was developed and implemented by the Los Angeles City Fire Department in 1985. The Whittier Narrows earthquake in 1987 underscored the area-wide threat of a major disaster in California. Further, it confirmed the need for training civilians to meet their immediate needs.


CERT became a national program in 1993. There are now CERT programs in all 50 states, including many tribal nations and U.S. territories. Each is unique to its community, and all are essential to building a Culture of Preparedness in the United States. There are over 2,700 local CERT programs nationwide and more than 600,000 people have trained since CERT

became a national program.

Comprehensive preparedness requires the whole community to participate and FEMA places tremendous value on communities that embrace a local "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" approach. Neighbors Helping Neighbors empowers community leaders to involve and educate individuals from their community about simple steps one can take to become more prepared. Forty-six percent of individuals expect to rely a great deal on people in their neighborhood for assistance within the first 72 hours after a disaster.

The Neighbor Helping Neighbor approach seeks to support state, tribal and local agencies, civic organizations, faith-based groups, and other community organizations that serve the whole community. Get involved in your community and act today!


Please contact the Pulaski County Emergency Management office for a CERT brochure and




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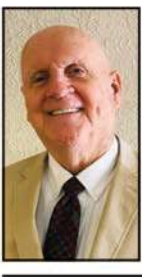
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King Belshazzar’s Fatal Mistake

The Church Property is sacred and belongs to God, and we must be very careful not to dishonor it by bad behavior.

A few years after the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, a new King by the name of Belshazzar came into power. One evening he threw a big drunken party. Belshazzar and his 1,000 guests drank intoxicating wine from the Holy Vessels that had been taken from the Temple when Jerusalem was conquered by the Babylonians.

To make matters even worse, they praised the idol gods of Babylon. As a result Belshazzar perished in a judgment from God. This should serve as a reminder to us, not to profane or desecrate the sacred, holy things of God. And that includes the things which have been dedicated to God.

At this time, the huge armies of the Medes and the Persians were encamped just outside the gates of the city of Babylon. The city was under siege. The city of Babylon had food stored laid up for 20 years. Water was provided to the city by the Euphrates River, part of which ran under the walls and through the city.

By using the Holy Vessels for unholy purposes, Belshazzar committed sacrilege against the one, true living God. He profaned the Holy Vessels and that was inexcusable to God.

Belshazzar wanted to impress his guests. He had them drinking their booze out of Golden Vessels. A short time later, he had to pay the price for misusing the Holy Vessels of God.

Alcohol can make a person do foolish things. If he hadn’t gotten drunk, he most likely wouldn’t have desecrated the Holy Vessels of God.

We live in a world where many profane the Holy Name of God. We are surrounded by people who express hostility and indifference towards God, instead of reverencing Him as they should. They mock Christianity and Christ’s Church. Recently some burned many Church Buildings in America. Church burnings take place across America and are associated with hate & evil. Someone is going to be held accountable to God for destroying Church property in America.

The Lord’s Prayer says, “Hallowed (Holy) be Thy name.” It’s our duty as faithful Christians to reverence God and to keep His name and the things of God holy.

In that same hour came forth fingers of a man’s hand, and wrote upon the plaster of the wall of the King’s Palace, and the King saw part of the hand that wrote. Then the King’s countenance was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his loins were loosed, and his knees smote one against another.”

Then came in all the King’s wise men to try to interpret the message; but they could not give the interpretation. This was because they were not true prophets but counterfeits.

The Queen Mother remembered how Daniel interpreted the dreams of Nebuchadnezzar and she suggested that Daniel the Jew be brought in to interpret the message.

Belshazzar promised Daniel everything but the moon if he would interpret the meaning of the handwriting on the wall. He promised to elevate Daniel to a position of power that was third in the Kingdom, plus great riches. Daniel couldn’t have cared less about the enticements. But being a true prophet of God,

Church Directory

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	Memorial Baptist Church 995 Peppers Ferry Road Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor: Michael S. Jones Sunday 9:45 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Worship Wednesday 6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting (540) 980-4731 Email: dfarley3@verizon.net	Dublin Christian Church 5605 Dunlap Road P.O. Box 1330 Dublin, VA 24084 (540) 674-8434 www.dublinchristianchurch.com Richard R. Goad, Jr. Senior Minister Greg “Scooter” Breisch Youth 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.
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	Delton Church of God of Prophecy 4570 Boyd Road, Draper, VA 24324 Pastor Vickie Lee Viars deltoncogop@gmail.com (276) 620-3191 Sunday mornings - 11 AM to 12 PM Sunday evenings-Facebook live services announced on Facebook Wednesday evenings- To be announced at later future time until COVID-19 ceases Delton COGOP is following all COVID-19 safety guidelines of social distancing, masks, cleaning, and disinfection.	First Presbyterian Church 408 N. Jefferson Avenue, Pulaski Interim Pastor: Rev. Graham Mitchell (540) 980-2132 Email: firstprespulaskiva@gmail.com Sunday Services: Sept.-May: Sunday School, 11 a.m. June-Labor Day: 10 a.m.
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	Heritage Church 6195 Cleburne Boulevard, Dublin Pastor Mike Pierce Service Times: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.; Sundays, 10 a.m. (540) 674-9220 Website: www.heritagechurch.net Facebook.com/ HeritageChurchDublinVA	Snowville Christian Church (DOC - Disciples of Christ) 5436 Lead Mine Rd. Hiwassee, VA 24347 Pastor: Jerry King Website: www.SnowvilleChristianChurch.com (and Facebook) Office: 540-633-3761 Email: office@SnowvilleChristianChurch.com Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 a.m. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Thursdays Bible Study: 6:00 p.m. “Inspiring hope, helping people grow their faith, and sharing God’s love with others!”
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Christ Episcopal Church 144 North Washington Ave., Pulaski P.O. Box 975 Service: 10 a.m. every Sunday Phone: 980-2413 Email: christ24301@gmail.com	Draper’s Valley Presbyterian (PCA) 2755 Old Baltimore Road, Draper, VA 24324 Interim Pastor: Rev. David Gilleran Associate Pastor: Rev. Roland Mathews Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship Service 6:15 p.m. Wednesday Youth Groups and Adult Prayer & Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Phone - 540-994-9015 e-mail - drapers.valley@dvpca.org website - www.dvpca.org Sunday Morning Worship Live-Stream • 10:30 a.m. (or anytime on YouTube)	Max Creek Baptist Church 3000 Old Route 100 Road, Draper, Va. 24324 www.maxcreek.org www.facebook.com/maxcreekbaptist Senior Pastor: Mike Coleman Youth Minister: Charlie Prince 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.
Jordan's Chapel UMC Pastor: Jim Goddard Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.	Trinity Lutheran Church ELCA 2 Fifth Street, N.W., Pulaski 540-980-3624 The Rev. Terrie Sternberg trinitypulaski@gmail.com Sunday Worship 11 a.m. (Sept. - May) Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. (June - Aug.) Bible Study: Wednesday, 12:30 www.trinitypulaski.org	Pulaski Church of God 1621 Bob White Boulevard Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor Donald Jones 540-980-8880 www.pulaskicog.church Sunday Services Sunday Life Groups: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays Midweek Connect: 7 p.m.
Cecil's Chapel United Methodist Church 5801 Cecil's Chapel Road, Hiwassee, VA 24347 Pastor Jason Crandall Worship service is 8:45am-9:45am Sunday School is 10 - 10:45am Ricky Dishon, 540 239 6360, www.facebook.com/cecilschapel.umc	Trinity United Methodist Pastor: Judy Yonce Sunday Worship - 9:45 a.m. Bible Study - Wednesday, 7 p.m. 528 5th Street, S.E. Pulaski, Va. Phone - 980-0820	Randolph Avenue United Methodist Church 1607 Randolph Avenue Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Elston McLain Worship Service: 11 a.m. Phone: (540) 980-8775
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Dublin Baptist Church Dublin Baptist Church 100 Hawkins Street, Dublin, VA 24084 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.	Faith Bible Church 110 LaGrange Street, Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor: Jim Linkous Associate Pastor: T.J. Cox 540-980-5433 www.facebook.com/faithbiblechurch Sunday School: 10 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Children's Church: 11 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m. Children's Meal: 6:30 p.m. Children's and Youth's Group Classes: 7 p.m.	First Baptist Church 220 Magazine Street Pulaski, VA 24301 540-980-3336 Email: firstbaptist220@gmail.com Pastor: Rev. Douglas Patterson Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Monday's Child Youth Group, Monday Evening 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
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Pastor Frank Peters
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Worship: 11 a.m.
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Physical Address: 7889 Cleburne Blvd.
Dublin, VA 24084
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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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First Baptist Church
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Pastor: Dr. Henry Fiske
Phone: 980-6565
fbcpulaskiva@gmail.com
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Trinity Baptist Church
4008 Robinson Tract Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Telephone: 980-8186
Pastor Johnny Howlett
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Wednesday - Adult Bible Study and Youth
Group - 7 p.m.

Bob White Boulevard Baptist Church
3826 Bob White Boulevard
Pulaski, VA.
Pastor: Allen Harman
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Preaching: 11 a.m.
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Wednesday Prayer Service: 7:30 p.m.
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First Dublin Presbyterian Church (ECO)
409 Church Street, Dublin, Va. 24084
P.O. Box 2027, Dublin, Va. 24084
first-dublin-presbyterian-church-eco.com
Pastor:
Mary Ann Armbrister
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.

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he knew what it was all about.
He gave the interpretation and it was about things that Belshazzar didn't want to hear.

Belshazzar was not at all like his ancestor Nebuchadnezzar who acknowledged the great God of Heaven. Belshazzar's foolish pride and arrogance brought him down from his throne to an early grave.

A great spiritual lesson can be gleaned here. At any moment God could call our number and we'd be swiftly be taken out of this world to stand before Him in judgment.

If an unsaved sinner would just think about that for a moment or two, it might make him or her come running to an altar of repentance and convince them to change their evil ways. We mortals live and continue to live by the grace and mercy of God. Our next breath and our next heartbeat is in God's hands. He could call us out of this life at any moment and we'd have to go out and face Him in the judgment.

The writing on the wall stated, "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin." Daniel said "This is the interpretation." Mene, Mene meant that God has numbered thy kingdom and finished it. Tekel meant thou art weighed in the balance and found wanting. Upharsin meant thy Kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians.

The armies of the Medes and the Persians entered the city along the riverbed, having diverted the Euphrates River and conquered Babylon. That very night Belshazzar the Babylonian king was killed, and Darius the Mede received the Kingdom.

To desecrate the name of God or the holy things dedicated to God is a serious sin that can and will cause the guilty party to pay much more than they would ever be willing to pay.

Painting For Peace to aid Ukraine kids

Lakewood Getaways will host a "Painting for Peace" event April 23 and 24 to benefit children in wartorn Ukraine. The event will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. on April 23 at the Family Life Center of Dublin Baptist Church, and again on April 24, also from 3 to 6 p.m. at the church. Dublin Baptist Church is located at 100 Hawks Avenue, Dublin.

Bible Trivia

1. Is the book of Astaroth in the Old Testament or New Testament or neither?
2. In Exodus 4, from what tribe of Israel did all priests come? Judah, Ephraim, Levi, Manasseh
3. From Matthew 7, upon what did the wise man build his house? Bush, Sand, Rock, Sea
4. Which book first accredited Jesus as the Prince of Peace? Isaiah, Daniel, Luke, Romans
5. What does the Epistle of Jude primarily warn against? Stranger cruelty, Gossiping, False teachers, Lusting
6. Who was the father of Moses? Chemosh, Jacob, Marduk, Amram

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Levi; 3) Rock; 4) Isaiah 9:6; 5) False teachers; 6) Amram

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by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalm 18:27-29

You save the humble but bring low those whose eyes are haughty. You, LORD, keep my lamp burning; my God turns my darkness into light. With your help I can advance against a troop; with my God I can scale a wall.

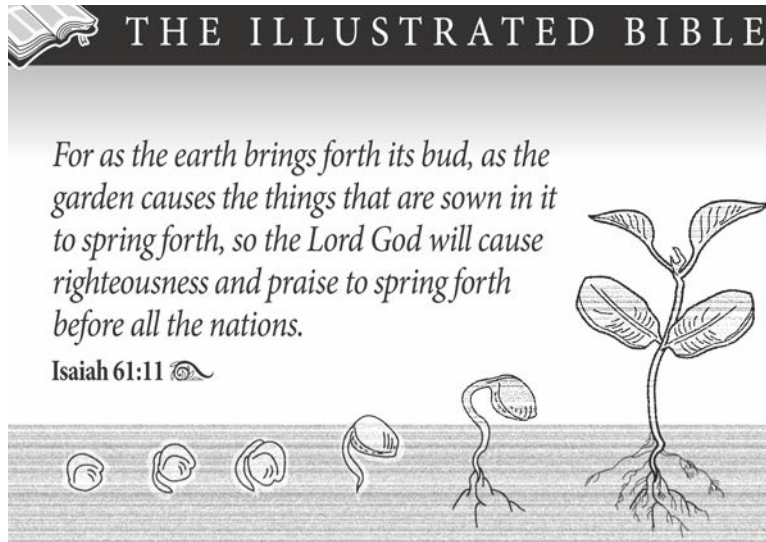
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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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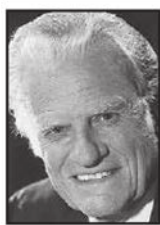
From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: Is God like us or is God basically a vapor or something that is in the atmosphere? - G.W.

A: God isn't made of atoms or molecules; He isn't part of the created world. He exists in a wholly different realm. Jesus told the Samaritan woman at the well that "God is Spirit" (John 4:24). Because He is a Spirit, God isn't limited in any way. He is far greater than the material

world (which is one reason we aren't to worship idols or nature). We cannot confine Him to one place, paint an imaginary picture of Him, or restrict Him to one way of doing things. His power is unlimited.

God is also a Person. A person acts--and so does God. He feels, thinks, sympathizes, forgives, decides, acts, judges, and loves. God is not an impersonal force or power; He is a Person. There is, of course, a vast difference between God's personality and ours: He is perfect, we are not. Emotions like anger, selfishness,



My Answer

Billy Graham

hatred, jealousy, and pride overwhelm us. Our personalities may even become sick or self-destructive. But God isn't this way. He alone is perfect. Even His anger is righteous, because it is directed solely against evil. The Bible says, "His work is perfect; for all

His ways are justice" (Deuteronomy 32:4).

God is also holy, righteous and pure. We have a hard time understanding this. We are weak and imperfect, and we can scarcely grasp the overwhelming perfection and holiness of God. We've become so used to sin that we can't imagine anyone being absolutely perfect. But God is! The Bible says, "God is light and in Him there is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5). Because God is holy, He never does wrong--ever. And we should worship Him with our love and obedience.

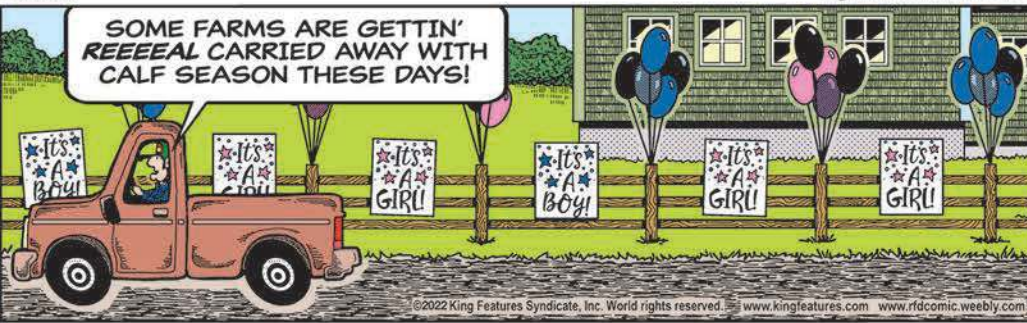
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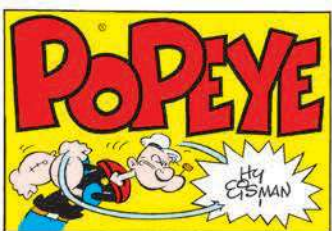
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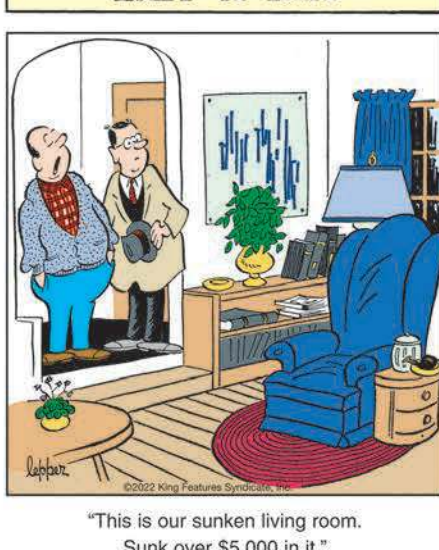
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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TODAY'S WORD

by Dave T. Phipps

by Gary Kopervas

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Facts and figures
- 5 Bygone jet
- 8 Son of Seth
- 12 Latin love
- 13 Historic period
- 14 "Peter Pan" pooch
- 15 "No problem!"
- 17 Darkens
- 18 Skip
- 19 "Delicious" crop
- 21 Three, in Rome
- 22 Hold sway
- 23 Zsa Zsa's sister
- 26 Stitch
- 28 Justice Ruth - Ginsburg
- 31 Missing
- 33 Pouch
- 35 Shrill barks
- 36 Toy (with)
- 38 Prattle
- 40 Make lace
- 41 Beer, slangily
- 43 Capote nickname
- 45 Black Sea port
- 47 Indigenous
- 51 Accomplishes
- 52 "Yes?"
- 54 Garfield's pal
- 55 Napoleon's

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- 7 Early Mongolian
- 8 Bridge tactic
- 9 Aced a test
- 10 "My treat"
- 11 Lip
- 16 Partially mine
- 20 Tavern
- 23 Sprite
- 24 Book-spine abbr.
- 25 "In my view ..."
- 27 Witty one
- 29 Clean air org.
- 30 Trio after Q
- 32 Bridge supports
- 34 Short snoozes
- 37 Super Bowl stats
- 39 Unruly kid
- 42 Cut lumber
- 44 Of service
- 45 Scent
- 46 Nitwit
- 48 Author Dinesen
- 49 Tarzan's com-muter line?
- 50 LAX guesses
- 53 Med. plan

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top ten

MALE PUPPY NAMES

1. Max and Charlie (tied)
3. Teddy
4. Cooper
5. Milo
6. Tucker
7. Rocky
8. Duke
9. Buddy
10. Bentley

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many presidents have been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize?
2. MOVIES: Which Disney character's catchphrase is "To infinity and beyond!"?
3. GEOGRAPHY: How many permanently inhabited territories does the United States have?
4. MYTHOLOGY: What is the name of the Greek goddess of chance?
5. U.S. STATES: How many states call themselves commonwealths?
6. HISTORY: How many people worldwide were killed by the Black Death pandemic in the 1400s?
7. SCIENCE: What layer of air is closest to Earth in the atmosphere?
8. TELEVISION: Which animated TV comedy includes the fictional school Springfield Elementary?
9. ADVERTISING: A sales clerk named Lily promotes which company in advertisements?
10. LITERATURE: George Smiley is a character in which 1974 novel?

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Answers: 1. Switch is missing. 2. Hair is different. 3. Arm is missing. 4. Shirt logo is missing. 5. Diploma is smaller. 6. Pocket is missing.

Answers

1. Four: Barack Obama, Jimmy Carter, Woodrow Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt

2. Buzz Lightyear, "Toy Story"

3. Five (American Samoa, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and Northern Mariana Islands)

4. Tyche

5. Four (Kentucky, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Virginia)

6. Estimates range from 25 million to 200 million

7. Troposphere

8. "The Simpsons"

9. AT&T

10. "Trinket, Tailor, Soldier, Spy"

DINNER

Today's Word

3. Parody 4. Grief

1. Parody 2. Tartan

SCRAMBLERS

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: N equals R

VUYGPU CMEC JEO KGYUX CZ

EVEI CZ MUBR MGI JGCM OZGB

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King Crossword Americanisms

"Life is more manageable when thought of as a scavenger hunt as opposed to a surprise party."

— Jimmy Buffett

Cryptoquip

Answer

Device that was given to Adam to help him with soil maintenance in the Garden of Eden: A first-person arator.

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You can have more than one

Dear Dave,

A relative of mine recently mentioned she had two life insurance policies. Is it okay for a person to have more than one life insurance policy? If so, why would someone do that?

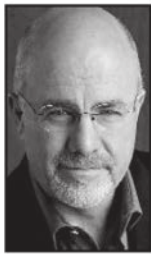
Victoria

Dear Victoria,

There aren't any rules against having more than one life insurance policy. The only real problem is it might complicate your life a little in terms of having multiple premium withdrawals, checks or possibly additional policy fees to worry about every month. It's cheaper just to have just one policy, generally speaking, but regardless of whether you have one or more, I always recommend having 10 to 12 times your annual income wrapped up in a good, level term life insurance policy.

Different people have different personal and business financial situations, so there could be many reasons to have more than one life insurance policy. I have lots of insurance connected to our estate plan, our business and different kinds of things. Most life insurance companies will only write so much in coverage for one person, so when this has been the case, I just went to another carrier for additional coverage.

Also, some people buy more than one life insurance policy



Dave Says

Dave Ramsey

just to feel secure from a provider standpoint. If one insurance company goes out of business, they'll still have another policy—or more—in place. That's not usually a big problem, though, since the majority of insurance companies have insurance to back them up with the state, or are very financially stable.

I hope this helps, Victoria!

— 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.**

SW VA Veterans Cemetery Volunteers to hold 4th Annual Fashion Show

The Volunteers will hold their 4th annual Fundraiser, A Spring Fashion Show, on Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6:30 pm at the Lion's Club Building, Lions Club Way in Dublin. Fashions will be provided by Ponnie's Boutique and Gifts, Shawsville, VA. Come out early, get a good seat, the show starts promptly at 6:30 pm.

Our models are all local ladies from Dublin, Pulaski, Pearisburg, Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Radford and Roanoke. You may be surprised to find that one

of the models may be a friend or your next door neighbor. We know you will enjoy seeing the lovely variety of brightly colored spring apparel. The show will feature casual, dressy and lightweight outerwear.

Refreshments will be provided by the Volunteers and door prizes will be provided by Gala Group, USA. You don't want to miss the homemade refreshments or the great door prizes.

Tickets are \$10 per person and are available for sale at the Pulaski County Visitors center located at 4440 Cleburne Blvd. Dublin. Please call their number (540-674-4161) for current office hours. If you need more information please email or text (540-293-4224).

If you are not familiar with "The Volunteers" we are an all-volunteer, non-profit organizations dedicated for the purpose of supporting the Southwest Virginia Cemetery, the Veterans and

their families. Our goals include the purchase and placement of wreaths on Veterans' gravesites at the cemetery; Ambassadors who attend all Veterans funerals to insure that "No Veteran is Every Buried Alone"; obtaining tangible items to enhance and/or support the cemetery; to educate the public about the cemetery and the sacrifices made by our veterans and any other projects approved by the board of directors.

PLEASE COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR VETERANS!

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Answer

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April 21

Revival at Trinity UMC

Trinity United Methodist Church will hold a revival April 21 – 24 at 7 p.m. nightly with Pat Ferrell, concluding with a supper at 5 p.m. prior to the April 24 service. Everyone is welcome to join us for this time of renewal and fellowship. The church is located at 528 Fifth Street, S.E. Call 320-9072 or 320-9670 for details.

April 23

Painting For Peace

Lakewood Getaways will host a "Painting for Peace" event April 23 and 24 to benefit children in wartorn Ukraine. The event will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. on April 23 at the Family Life Center of Dublin Baptist Church, and again on April 24, also from 3 to 6 p.m. at the church. Dublin Baptist Church is located at 100 Hawks Avenue, Dublin.

April 28

REVIVAL

Speaker: Pastor Nathan Phillips
April 28th & 29th at 7 pm
Woodlawn P.H. Church
3874 Oak Grove Rd. (I-77 exit 19)
For more info, call: 276-728-2088

April 30

Vendors, Crafters Fair

A vendors and crafters fair will be held Saturday, April 30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the American Legion Post 58 at 408 East Main Street, Dublin. Hot dogs will be available inside.

May 5

Radford Legion to meet

The American Legion, Harvey-Howe-Carper Post 30 will meet on Thursday, May 5, 7pm at the VFW Post Home on 102 Watts St. in Radford. For further information, please call 540-250-2283 or 540-239-9864.

May 10

Sons of Confederate Veterans

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Tuesday, May 10, 7pm at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant on 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to attend. Camp member James Evans will give a talk on the "CSS Hunley". For further information, please call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

Oct. 14

PHS Class of 1967 Reunion

The Pulaski High School Class of 1967 will celebrate their 55th reunion on October 14 through

the 16th 2022 Any Student's graduating in 1967 or part of the class in the grades 8-11th are welcomed to attend the celebration weekend. A registration page may be reached by sending an Email to birdsof67@gmail.com with your name identifying your address . No obligation for attending but a great way to keep up with the class. Your address will not be shared. Please respond ASAP. You may also join the FaceBook register of the class at "The birds of 67" to interact with our classmates.

ONGOING:

Lifestyles Changes

Our Lifestyles Changes group meets every Monday from 4-6 p.m. at the Free Memorial Library on Giles Avenue in Dublin. For more information, call Bill at 813-1605.

Celebrate Recovery

CELEBRATE RECOVERY is a Christ-centered 12-step program where people gain freedom, healing and accountability for life's hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Group Meeting at 6:15pm every Thursday at Valley Harvest Ministries, 1 Harvest Place, 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.

Heritage Cares Food 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.

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.

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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Chime in on the Dietary Guidelines

By Andrea Haubner,
Family and Consumer
Science Extension Agent

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans serve as a guide that provides information on what to eat or drink to improve health and prevent disease. These guidelines are updated by a committee made up of registered dietitians, physicians, and other industry professionals every five years to ensure that the latest data is provided. The Dietary Guidelines serves as the basis for federal nutrition programming and policy.

So, how does this impact you? Due to the fact that these guidelines are the basis for federal policy, they also have a significant impact on state and local programming and policy. They could potentially be reflected in things like public school and nursing home meals. They also guide the food and beverage industry. Historically, the guidelines have had a large impact for Americans. Some of you might remember the 'victory gardens' that were promoted during World War II. The Dietary Guidelines and the U.S.

Bureau of Home Economics promoted planting gardens containing fruits and vegetable not only to promote health, but also to 'help win the war' by encouraging conservation.

Would you like to make a comment on this impactful guidance? From April 15th-May 16th, Americans can make a public comment on the proposed scientific questions for the 2025-2030 Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Let your voice be heard and visit regulations.gov to make a comment on or before May 16th.


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