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Over 3,000 have already cast ballots in Pulaski Co.

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

As of Tuesday, over 3,000 Pulaski County citizens had already voted in this year's election. That number was sure to grow by Saturday at 5 p.m. when early in-person voting ends.

According to Kathy Webb, Director of Elections and Voter Registrar, as of Tuesday morning 1,924 people had voted early in person with another 1,158 having voted early by mail.

For reference, that early voting number is small when compared to the 2020 Presidential race when 6,553 countians voted early in person and another 2,436 did so by mail.

Most of Pulaski County's 23,346 registered voters will wait until Tuesday to cast their ballots between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. in one of the county's 12 precinct polling places.

When they go to the polls, voters here will help decide three statewide races, two House of Delegates races and one race in

the Town of Dublin.

Heading the statewide races is the contest for governor between Terry McAuliffe, a Democrat who served previously from 2014-2018 and Republican Glenn Youngkin. For Youngkin, the former head of the private-equity firm The Carlyle Group, this is his first foray into politics. He stepped down from that position in September of 2020 to run for governor.

Recent polling shows the governor's race in a dead heat, with Youngkin having the momentum and closing the gap between the two, according to recent polling.

A third candidate for governor is Princess L. Blanding, an educator and community activist running as a member of the Liberation Party.

In the race for lieutenant governor, Democrat Hala Ayala represents the 51st House District in Richmond. She is opposed by Republican Winsome Sears, a Marine Corps veteran who repre-

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Mason Jar Restaurant coming to county

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Yet another new restaurant is coming to Pulaski County early in 2022.

Officials with The Mason Jar Restaurant and Bar in Hillsville confirmed to The Patriot this week they plan to open another location by February or March of next year on State Park Road in the former MK's location.

The Mason Jar is located on West Stuart Drive in Hillsville and is open Tuesday – Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

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Parents Matter

Glenn Youngkin believes that parents matter, and he'll never put government bureaucrats or politicians between parents and their kids. As governor, Glenn will empower parents and restore excellence and commonsense in education.

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Election

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sented the 90th House District from 2000–2004.

Democrat Mark Herring is seeking a third term as Attorney General, having first taken office in 2014 and being re-elected in 2018.

Opposing Herring is Republican Jason Miyares who currently represents the 82nd House District in Richmond.

County voters will vote in one of two House of Delegates races.

If you live in Belspring or New River precincts, you will vote in the 12th District House race between incumbent Democrat Chris Hurst and his Republican challenger, Jason Ballard, a lawyer in Pearisburg who also serves on Pearisburg Town Council.

Voters in the county's other 10 precincts will cast their ballots in the 7th House District contest and will choose between Democrat Derek Kitts and Republican Marie March.

Kitts is an Army veteran who owns a printing operation in Pulaski County. March owns eight businesses in Christiansburg and Roanoke, including Due South BBQ and Fatback Soul Shack.

The 7th District House seat became up for grabs after longtime Delegate Nick Rush announced he would not seek re-election for another term.

In the lone local government race, Wayne Seagle is the lone candidate for a seat on Dublin Town Council.

In-person early voting ends Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Registrar's office at 87 Commerce Street in Pulaski.

An absentee drop box is located at the Registrar's office and drop boxes will be available at all polling places on Election Day.

Polling places remain the same for this election:

Belspring: Belspring UMC
New River: Riverlawn Elem.
West Cloyd: NRV Fairgrounds
Draper: Draper Fire Dept.
South Pulaski: Central Gym
Newbern: Dublin Lions Club
Dublin: Dublin Lions Club
Hiwassee: Hiwassee Fire Dept.
Snowville: Snowville Fire Dept.
Massie: Central Gym
Walker: NRV Fairgrounds
Robinson: Central Gym

Voters are encouraged to wear masks to the polls and social distancing will be practiced.

All voters are required to have an ID when voting.

Supervisors approve amendment to Hecate solar farm permit

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

The Pulaski County Board of Supervisors on Monday approved an amendment to a Special Use Permit for the New River Valley Solar Project.

Sought by the developer of the project, Hecate Energy Pulaski, LLC the amendment makes changes to the original Special Use Permit approved by the supervisors in January.

According to Planning and Zoning Director Elaine Holeyton, the amendment would slightly increase the land area for the project, but less land would actually be covered by solar panels due to the use of higher efficiency panels that will be 20 percent more efficient.

Two parcels are being added to the project area, with one of those being used primarily as a point of interconnection to the existing utility line.

Another parcel north of Ruebush Road will be removed from the project area, while yet another parcel will no longer house solar arrays, but will be used mostly for the utility line connection.

According to Chris Tuck, an area attorney working on behalf

of Hecate Energy Pulaski, told the supervisors Monday the project will now have 19 percent fewer solar panels.

The proposed solar project is expected to produce up to 280 megawatts (MW) of energy that can power more than 30,000 homes. It is to be located near the New River Valley Airport and NRV Commerce Park in Dublin.

Hecate says the project will be the second largest solar farm in Virginia and the third largest on the East Coast.

Despite the proposed amendment, the project will still be constructed in three phases, but each phase now has a different name to

differentiate them from electrical substations with the same names.

Phase One (150 MW) is now Pulaski rather than Hazel Hollow, Phase Two (100 MW) is now Bella Terra rather than Morgan's Cut, and Phase Three (30 MW) retains the name of Wurno.

Tuck said even with the amendment many elements of the project have not changed since January, including the economic benefit to the county, the decommission plan, the proposed conditions, the plan to buffer and landscape and the general intent of the project.

Previously, Tuck said 160 con-

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Coming

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The Mason Jar offers nightly entertainment such as pool tournaments, a DJ on Friday nights and a live band on Saturday nights.

Their menu includes appetizers, salads, burgers, sides, all sorts of sandwiches and a variety of entrees' including steaks and seafood.

More information on The Mason Jar can be found on their website (www.themasonjar.com) and Facebook.

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Youngkin wows GOP crowd in Fairlawn

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Republican gubernatorial candidate Glenn Youngkin’s “Win with Glenn” Bus Tour rolled into Fairlawn Wednesday afternoon for a rally at the Omni Place Event Center at Route 11 and 114. The tour was scheduled to visit 42 localities in 38 counties beginning last Saturday in Richmond.

Later in the evening he was scheduled to attend similar rallies in Christiansburg and Roanoke. The Christiansburg stop featured a concert by country music star, John Rich.

In Fairlawn, Youngkin was joined by attorney general candidate Jason Miyares and 12th District House candidate Jason Ballard. Fairlawn is located inside the 12th District.

During his remarks, Miyares noted a poll he said came out just after the Fourth of July, gauging how proud citizens are of being American.

“This poll came out and it made me realize this election is an inflection point not just for Virginia, but the entire country,” he said.

“What floored me was that among young people ages 18-25, only 36 percent said they were either very or somewhat proud to be an American. You cannot survive as a nation if you’re raising an entire generation of children to learn to hate their country,” Miyares said.

“This is exactly what critical



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Republican candidate for governor Glenn Youngkin addresses the crowd Wednesday afternoon inside the Omni Place Event Center.

race theory is. Glenn Youngkin will ban CRT, and if I have to take it to court to stop it I will,” he said to loud applause.

“We’re not going to gloss over the worst chapters of our history. We’re not going to do that. But it needs to be recognized that we are indeed that last best hope on Earth.”

Miyares continued that saying, “Common sense is not very com-

mon in Richmond.”

He said an example of that is HB 257 that banned the mandatory reporting requirement for sexual assault in Virginia schools.

“Jason Ballard’s opponent voted for it multiple times,” Miyares noted.

“Look what happened. In Loudon County you had a 14-year-old ninth grade schoolgirl walk in a bathroom and was a victim of a

violent sexual assault. The perpetrator just transferred to another school where another ninth-grade girl walked into a bathroom and was also a victim of a sexual assault.

“I know Jason Ballard will vote to repeal that insane law,” he said.

Miyares told the audience to consider Republican gubernatorial candidate Terry McAuliffe’s parole board. The majority of

which, he said, were first appointed by McAuliffe.

He said the parole board has a “criminal first, victim last mindset right now in Richmond.”

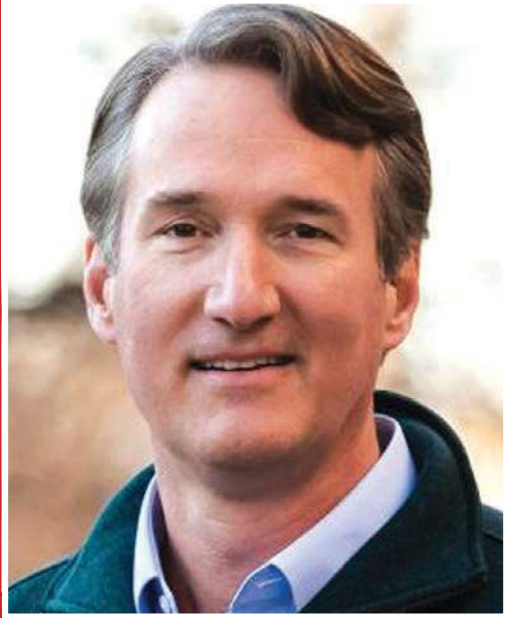
“David Simpkins is an example,” Miyares said. “He had 56 prior felony convictions – including 14 prior armed robberies and an abduction. He was supposed

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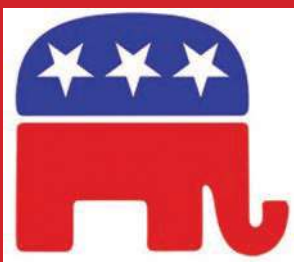
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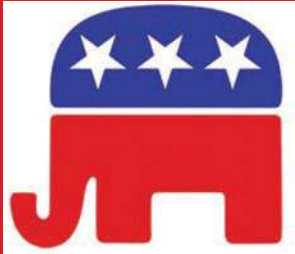
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BAILEY MICHELLE DUNFORD

Bailey Michelle Dunford was born November 19, 1991 and earned her heavenly wings on October 23, 2021. Bailey was a fighter from her first breath to her last. Her little body endured much over her short 29 years, but she never complained. She lived her life believing "I may not do it like everyone else, and it may take me longer, but in the end I will get there and that is all that matters". She was a witness and inspiration to many.

Bailey is survived by her loving parents Sunni Vaughan Dunford and Paul Dunford, both of Pulaski. She leaves behind her beloved younger brother, Caleb Dunford whom she loved to keep close tabs on and serve as his second mama. Bailey also leaves her siblings, Ashley Scott and Steven Dunford to remember her.

Her grandparents Sonny and Wanda Vaughan of Pulaski and Pete and Faye Dunford of Ft. Chiswell also survive her. Bailey was lucky to have had many special aunts, uncles and cousins to forever remember her love and zest for life and the Lord. She especially enjoyed watching her young cousins, Ben and Grayson, grow into the fine young men they are. They are the sons of her Aunt Lee and Uncle Tim Surratt of Lynchburg.

Bailey graduated from Pulaski County High School in 2010 and went on to earn several degrees from New River Community College. The Lord blessed Bailey with many great talents, but her ability to sing and her love of music and cooking were some of her greatest treasures. Bailey was an encyclopedia of music and appreciated all kinds of music including old school country, gospel, contemporary Christian, rock and pop.

In 2019, Bailey moved to Ohio to be close to friends and pursue her dream of gaining independence. Bailey loved living in Columbus and the many adventures she experienced there.

Bailey loved the Lord and never asked "Why Me?" Bailey exemplified strength, perseverance and unwavering faith. She was always positive and never met a stranger. When she loved, she loved fiercely and would do anything possible to help others. In her last days, we discussed how her life will influence others and provide knowledge that will make the world a better place.

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MAJOR HARLEY T. MARSHALL, JR.

Major Harley T. Marshall, Jr., USAF, Retired, husband of the late Elizabeth Ann Elliott Marshall, passed away peacefully October 24, 2021 in Mount Pleasant, SC. He will be deeply missed by his daughter, Rebecca Ann Marshall Imholz of Mount Pleasant; son Harley Thomas Marshall, III of Allisonia VA; son-in-law John Imholz and his beloved and cherished grandchildren: Daniel Imholz (Sarah); Matthew Marshall; Luke Imholz (Rebecca); Jared Imholz, Morgan Marshall and great-grandson Asher Imholz.

Harley was born in 1930 in Pulaski, VA. He was the youngest of six children raised in Allisonia during the Great Depression and WWII by his father, Harley T. Marshall who owned a general store and his mother, Bessie Lindsey Marshall, a school teacher who raised him after his birth mother, Pherba Bond Marshall passed away.

In 1948 Harley went to VPI & SU - Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University now known as Virginia Tech. Harley worked his way through college, selling grilled cheese sandwiches on top of the ROTC dorm and hauling limestone during breaks. While a freshman he met the love of his life, Elizabeth Ann who was at Radford College. When Harley graduated in 1953, he married his "Sweetum," now a school teacher, and together they enjoyed life as Harley rose through the ranks of the U.S. Air Force as a Navigator. During this time they adopted two infants, Rebecca Ann and Thomas. Harley's Air Force career included serving 15 months in Vietnam where he received several medals and citations including the Distinguished Flying Cross, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Air Force Commendation Medal. After serving 20 years in the Air Force, Harley retired as a Major.

Following his Air Force career, Harley went back to Virginia Tech and earned a second degree as an Accountant. He worked for Virginia Tech and upon retirement he and Ann moved to their dream home that Harley designed and built near his birthplace. He and Ann spent many years cherishing time with their children and grandchildren. Harley enjoyed serving Dublin Baptist Church as Treasurer and Deacon, drinking coffee with friends, dining out and buying clothes and jewelry

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AUSTIN HALL

Austin Hall, 75 of Dublin, Virginia passed away on October 25, 2021. Austin was born in Ballard, West Virginia on August 3, 1946 and was a son of the late Clarence and Anna Hall. Austin was a graduate of Peterstown High School and Radford University. Austin retired from the Virginia State Police after serving the Commonwealth for thirty-three years. He was a man of the utmost integrity and was respected by all that knew him. Austin was a humble and compassionate man who conveyed true kindness to all. He was an exemplary father who beamed with pride when he spoke of his children. He held his family and friends close, building memories with each, that will bring comfort to all remaining to cherish his memory.

Aside from his parents, Austin was predeceased by his first wife and the mother of his children, Jenny Powell Hall. Also predeceasing him include two sisters, Nancy Brewer and Gay Laferty. Surviving include his children, Scott Hall (Penny) and Kristi Hall (Dave Stocker) along with his wife Norma Hall and her children Tony Johnson (Sandy) and April Whitehurst (David Thomas) along with five grandchildren, Tommy Johnson (Lyndy Broomfield), Katie Calloway (Josh), Thrasher Whitehurst, Xander Whitehurst, Koehler Whitehurst and 2 great-grandchildren Lizzie Calloway and Gabby Calloway. He is also survived by a brother, Larry Hall (Sue).

A funeral service was held outdoors at New Dublin Presbyterian Church, 5331 New Dublin Church Road, Dublin, Virginia on Wednesday, October 27. Officiating the service include Reverend Ritchie Goad, Reverend Tony Johnson and a Chaplain representing the Virginia State Police.

Thank you to the doctors and nursing staff of Carilion New River Valley Medical Center ED and CCU for the care and compassion extended during the past week. The family requests those who wish to express sympathy to consider donations to Dublin Christian Church, 5605 Dunlap Road, Dublin, VA 24084. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangments by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski.

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ALICE LOISENE FLINCHUM MEREDITH

Alice Loisene Flinchum Meredith passed away peacefully at her home in Radford, VA at the age of 89 on Monday, October 25, 2021. She was preceded in death by her parents, Elbert and Alice Smith Flinchum; ten brothers and sisters; husband, Winford T. Meredith; beloved grandson and granddaughter, Michael Keith Meredith and Susan Angela Meredith Beall. She is survived by daughters, Regina Meredith and Tammy (Steve) Duncan; sons, Kenny, Ronnie (Elaine) and Johnny (Phyllis) Meredith; grandchildren, Michael, Andrea, Heather and Jessica along with seven great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Adell Adams and Helen Flinchum; as well as many nieces and nephews. When we think of our mom, our Queen, and as most people know her, Loisene, we remember many mouth-watering home cooked meals, especially her macaroni and cheese. She would go all out for holiday meals, starting to prepare everyone's favorites early in the morning. When her own children were at home, she cooked not only for them, but their many friends who came to visit. To the children she babysat, she was lovingly known as "Nana." Alice loved to go thrift store shopping and loved collecting dolls, teapots, bottles, bells, crystal, baskets, and pieces to add to her Christmas dishes and china set. She had beautiful displays of the things she acquired. Over the years mom enjoyed traveling to Williamsburg, Memphis, Myrtle Beach, Nashville, Florida, Branson and numerous other places. If there was an opportunity to go, she was ready to pack a bag. She loved being outdoors, the beauty of flowers, and when she was able, working in her building. She was ahead of her time by having her own "she shed" before it was a popular thing. She had a tremendous love for God and often encouraged us when we faced a challenge by reciting Matthew 18:19. While working around the house, she would sing old hymns and sometimes make up songs that fit her spiritual feeling at that time. At bedtime, she could be heard singing or praying for her family as she fell asleep. Mom would often say she just wanted to get back to church one more time. She loved listening to the Bible on cd when her eyes began to fail. During the last two years of her life, she faced several med-

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RICHARD WAYNE "SONNY" THEOBALD

Richard Wayne "Sonny" Theobald was carried into Heaven in the loving embrace of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on October 28, 2021. Born on December 9, 1937 in Shelbyville, IN he was the son of DeWard Edward and Doris Catherine Baker Theobald.

After graduating from Shelbyville High School (Indiana) in 1956, he went on to graduate from General Motors Engineering Institute (1961) and achieved a Masters in Science and Math from Indiana State College (1964). His first love was to teach at the college level and so he taught at Danville Area Community College (Danville, IL); Dutchess Community College (NY), and Orangeburg State College (SC-on loan from IBM). However, his main employment was with IBM as programmer from 1966 (Poughkeepsie, NY) until his retirement in 1996 (Lexington, KY).

He was married to Vivian Kay Sproul Theobald of Fairland, IN from 1960 until her death in 1994 (Lexington, KY). He then met and married Mary Stuart Johnston Theobald in 1995 and relocated from Lexington, KY to Pulaski, VA in 1996. While in Virginia, he was employed by Pulaski County from 1997 until 1999; by Carroll County Public Schools from 1999 until 2010 and then volunteered as a tax preparer for New River Community Action, Pulaski County from 2010 until 2018. He was an active member of Trinity Baptist Church, Pulaski, VA where he served as financial secretary and deacon for many years. He also taught Sunday school and participated in various holiday plays and performances.

He is survived by his current wife, Mary Stuart Johnston Theobald (Pulaski, VA); his daughters, Janelle (Charley) Gerber (Muncie, IN), Michelle (Todd) Derbin (Lexington, KY), Deanna Hall (Osgood, IN), Shari (Larry) Levy (Georgetown, KY). He is also survived by a brother, Forrest "Bud" (Ellen) Theobald of Riverside, California & children, Kathleen, Amy and Ben; and a sister, Darlene Theobald Miller of Edinburgh, Indiana & children, Kristine, Tony, Marty and Ricky (deceased). His is also survived by a brother/sister-in-law, TP (Mary) Johnston, Jr of Powder Springs, Georgia;

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A Historic Failure At The Border

Joe Biden recently presided over a historic achievement, but unfortunately not an achievement worth celebrating.

According to the Washington Post, more illegal immigrants were arrested along the U.S.-Mexico border in fiscal year 2021 than ever before recorded. More than 1.7 million migrants were encountered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

The numbers are astounding but not surprising. When the top officials in the Federal Government, including those responsible for border security, seek to dismantle enforcement at the border and implement policies like “catch and release,” of course more people will seek to enter the country illegally.

Upon taking office, the Biden Administration quickly sought to end policies that worked to restrict illegal entry into the United States. It immediately stopped construction of the border wall, even if doing so led to absurd outcomes like the portions of wall with open gates that I witnessed at the border earlier this year. It undid agreements with Central American countries, which send illegal immigrants seeking asylum to those countries instead of ours. It stopped the Remain in Mexico policy, which required asylum seekers to wait in that country while the asylum claims moved forward.



Morgan Griffith
9th District Representative

As a result, we witness surging numbers of illegal immigrants, straining the capacity of our Border Patrol to

intercept and detain them.

In August alone, 208,887 illegal immigrants were apprehended. That number was 317 percent higher than in the same month last year. That month was the second straight with more than 200,000 apprehensions.

Further, there are not necessarily consequences for breaking our laws thanks to the Biden Administration’s “catch and release” policies. Illegal immigrants are most often released after apprehension and told to appear for a hearing in the future, sometimes years later. Predictably, many do not show up.

Because our Border Patrol agents are dealing with the tens of thousands who submit to arrest voluntarily in order to be caught and released, the really bad actors involved in human trafficking, drug smuggling, or crossing the border again after being deported for committing crimes find it easier to infiltrate the country.

In an insult to law-abiding American citizens, the Biden Administration does not even require COVID-19 testing for illegal immigrants before they are released into our country. This stands in sharp contrast to the vaccine mandates it intends to impose on Americans and the requirements that legal travelers show proof of vaccination. This double standard is an injustice to the people the Biden Administration is obligated to serve, as well as a threat to the health of the migrants themselves and the communities into which they are released.

Not only people are crossing the border illegally. So is contraband such as fentanyl, the dangerous synthetic opioid contributing to our country’s drug abuse crisis, of which more than 6,000 pounds were seized at the border since February. Methamphetamine and other illegal drugs crossing the border continue to be a problem as well.

More is likely to come. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has warned that October might bring 350,000 to 400,000 border apprehensions. One of the reasons why that extraordinary number might be reached is that the Biden Administration continues to mull ending Title 42 restrictions. They allow for quicker deportation of illegal immigrants due to the public health emergency caused by the coronavirus. Ending the use of Title 42 while other coronavirus restrictions continue would be yet another example of this Administration treating illegal immigrants better than American citizens.

On his own, President Biden is unlikely to change his position at the border, but other factors may force his hand. Courts recently blocked the Administration’s termination of the Remain in Mexico policy, requiring it to be reinstated.

This same policy could be codified into federal law by H.R. 1259, the REMAIN in Mexico Act. I cosponsored this legislation, introduced by Congressman Matt Rosendale (R-MT), and signed a discharge petition calling for it to be brought to the floor of the House of Representatives.

Americans deserve an immigration system that provides security at our borders and admits migrants according to our laws in an orderly way. Almost every action taken by the Biden Administration since it assumed office has undermined this ideal. Predictably, the results are crisis and confusion, demanding that the President and the Department of Homeland Security reverse course.

The End Of The Beginning

As you can see, I carefully selected the title of my pontification this month to be - ‘The End of the Beginning.’ I know this leaves you passionately intrigued as to what I could possibly be referring to and writing about. Some of you may know this reference as a quotation of Winston Churchill from his famous speech concerning the Second Battle of El Alamein during World War II; or you may know it as the alternative title to Pink Floyd’s 1969 ‘A Saucerful of Secrets’; a 1959 short story by Ray Bradbury; or even the title of a 1937 play by Sean O’Casey. I am not referencing any of these notable works, but rather talking about the confluence of what has, is, and will be for the Town of Pulaski and subsequently the County of Pulaski as a whole. Colonel Dallas Cox once gave me some good advice several years ago about drawing an interpretive picture that explains where the County is going and what



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Jonathan Sweet
Pulaski Co. Administrator

certain things effectively mean for our future. I took that advice literally, and I actually drew a picture for one of my columns that simplistically laid out what pieces of the puzzle were needed to advance the County to reach our 40-by-30 goal of having 40,000 people call Pulaski County their home by the year 2030. I now understand that what he meant was more figurative, and

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Free Stuff Isn’t Free

By Cal Thomas,
Tribune Content Agency

It’s open enrollment season for Medicare. Local TV stations and cable networks are flooded with ads for various insurance supplements. They promise “free” dental care, free transportation to doctors, free drugs, free dentures, and lots of other free stuff. Paid spokespersons speak of “benefits” and “entitlements.” They say subscribers could receive as much as \$100 a month back into their Social Security checks. Even the phone number to call to sign up is “absolutely free.” Read the small print and you’ll find that some of the plans vary by region, some by ZIP code. Sometimes there’s a nominal cost, so it’s not actually “free.” Call a “licensed” insurance agent for more details. Licensed by whom? Probably the companies selling the plans.

Some of the ads pay aging celebrities like quarterback Joe Namath, basketball legend Earvin “Magic” Johnson and comedian Jimmie Walker to pitch their products.

Notice the use of certain words and how they also are used by politicians to dupe people into believing they are not getting what they “deserve” because “the rich” - those predatory, stingy, and greedy people -- are not paying their “fair share” in taxes.

Selective language has long been used by snake oil salesmen and politicians to flim-flam the public. That is why propaganda messages from dictators are effective. President Biden’s falling approval numbers suggest a dwindling number of people believe his claim that taxing billionaires will pay for the trillions he wants to spend. Even the word “infrastructure” is manipulative because only a small percentage of the proposed spending is targeted to repair roads, bridges, and airports. The rest will be spent on other things unrelated to infrastructure and drive us deeper into debt, along with a separate social spending bill to expand “entitlements” that will addict more people to government.

People not only have to read between the lines to find the truth, but also explore different sources of information. If you

read only, say, The Washington Post and The New York Times and watch CNN and MSNBC, you will likely believe what comes from their worldview - government is good and here to help you, at least when Democrats are in control. If you read other publications, say, The Washington Times and The Wall Street Journal, watch Fox News and listen to conservative talk radio, you will learn things you didn’t know by consuming only left-of-center media. The media also have the power to ignore certain subjects that would give consumers a more balanced information diet.

The problem is that too many people read and tune into only those sources that reinforce what they already believe. That, too, is a type of propaganda.

In a letter to the editor of The Wall Street Journal, Daniel C. Oliverio of Buffalo, N.Y., deconstructs the “fair share” lingo with his personal story: “As a self-employed professional in a law partnership, I am one of those high-wage earners. I pay over 45 percent of my income in taxes to New York and the U.S. Treasury. That’s not counting real-estate tax, both sides of Social Security and Medicare taxes, sales tax and lost deductions. I have no trust fund and can’t rely on interest and dividends alone.” Here’s the key part which flies in the face of the envy and entitlement crowd: “I have worked and saved my whole life ... I have paid my bills and aggressively funded a retirement. To hear ad nauseam the lie that I am getting away with something at tax time ... is frustrating. Now President Biden wants even more on the false premise that people like me aren’t paying enough. Half isn’t enough?”

Once we celebrated and encouraged success. Now we subsidize mediocrity and failure. We are then surprised we are getting more of the latter and less of the former. Do your homework. Don’t be manipulated by the language used by politicians and TV ads promising free stuff.

Readers may email Cal Thomas at tcaeditors@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” (HarperCollins/Zondervan).



Rich Lowery
Editor, National Review

The New Missile Gap

The Biden administration is hesitant to call our competition with China a new Cold War, even though Beijing has zero qualms about making the parallels with our decades-long struggle with the Soviet Union abundantly clear.

We are once again discussing a “Sputnik moment,” a nuclear arms race, and a missile gap -- all throwbacks to the 1950s-1980s -- thanks to China’s aggressive pursuit of military capabilities designed to deter and defeat the United States.

Whatever Beijing may say and however we may try to comfort ourselves with cushioning delusions, the Chinese have repeatedly made it plain that they intend to hold U.S. bases and our homeland at risk.

The example of Sputnik, the primitive Soviet satellite launched in 1957 that raised the prospect of the U.S. losing the space race, was on everyone’s lips with a bombshell Financial Times report over the weekend.

According to the FT, the Chinese tested a nuclear-capable hypersonic missile that circled the Earth once before descending on its target, thus demonstrating “an advanced space capability that caught U.S. intelligence by surprise.”

It’s not clear why anyone would be shocked. It wasn’t a secret that China and Russia were developing these technologies, and indeed, it wasn’t a secret that China had leapt ahead of us.

(The Chinese, bringing the Chinese space agency they’ve shown regarding the origins of COVID-19, say it was just a routine space launch.)

Hypersonic missiles bring a new element to the ever-evolving competition between missile offense and defense.

As former state department official Christian Brose notes in his book “The Kill Chain,” ballistic missiles travel fast but in a predictable parabolic path. Cruise missiles, on the other hand, travel relatively slowly but are maneuverable and therefore unpredictable.

Hypersonic missiles are both unpredictable and fast -- six times faster than a Tomahawk missile.

That means they are uniquely suited to defeat our missile defenses. Not only can’t we counter them, we can’t track them adequately at the moment.

Over the summer, the head of North American Aerospace Defense Command -- yes, that’s NORAD of Cold War fame -- said that the new missiles would pose “significant challenges to my NORAD capability to provide threat warning and attack assessment.”

The FT reports that the test missile missed its target by roughly two dozen miles. That’s a significant miss but wouldn’t necessarily be that much comfort if the missile were carrying a nuclear payload. And the targeting will presumably be improved -- that’s one reason to carry out the test in the first place.

An MIT professor told the FT that just because China tested the capability doesn’t mean that it will deploy it. But the history of expansionistic totalitarian

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OPEN FORUM

Where am I on Sunday?

Someone said that you can tell a lot about a person by where they are on Sunday morning. Well my favorite spot on Sunday morning was sleeping in til ten or so. Usually I woke up around 8, but then I would slump back into coziness, realizing I could sleep not one but even two more hours. After working super hard from Monday to Friday and then scurrying around on Saturday getting done all the things I didn't have time for between M and F, the extra sleep on Sun was precious time indeed. Only problem was, there was always this twinge of guilt or regret. A feeling that I should have been elsewhere. But that was years ago.

Fast forward to present. Now I am up at 8 or so and in Sunday School by 10. And I'm loving it! On one of those Sunday mornings I had finally come to realize where I needed to be...in church.

You might be asking that same question "Is it a problem that I'm in bed on Sun morn?" (or on the golf course or the lake or wherever). Well the old saying is that "If you're asking yourself if you have a problem, you probably do". It's God's way of telling you that you should be with him instead.

So ... what now??? You're next thought might be "I haven't been to church in years, or even, "I've never been to church, ever!"

So now you're asking, "How do I go to church?" Well let's look at some common questions and concerns:

1. When I walk in, will there be a big "Gong" and an an-

nouncement that "SO AND SO has finally come to church" ? No, no, nothing like that. Ha. Just kidding. We like to kid around too... ha. Trust me. Nobody will make a big scene. Not at all. Churches love to have people visit. Most likely there will be others visiting too. No need to worry!

2. Do I have to be a member? No. Everybody at first starts out as a nonmember. It's up to you when and if you want to officially join a church....and that can be months or even years down the road.

3. Do I have to make a reservation? Absolutely not, we're open every Sunday, come anytime. No reservations are ever required. You have an open invitation to come whenever you like.

4. Where do I go when I get there? To the sanctuary. The sanctuary is the large auditorium type room with pews for seating, stained glass windows, and a speakers stand and so forth in front.

5. Do I have to dress up? No. You can if you like, but in most churches now days, more casual dress is the norm.

6. Do I have to do or say anything? No. Just have a seat anywhere in a pew. Often an usher will hand you a bulletin before you enter. It's like a program. It lists what will take place during the worship service, what hymns will be sung etc. It's yours to keep. On the back of the pew in front of you, you will find hymnals and often a Bible. Hymns are listed in the Hymnal by page number. Just sing along. And relax and enjoy being in the Lord's

house. Services usually last about an hour.

7. What happens at the end? The pastor usually ends the service with a prayer or benediction. After that you may leave. Sometimes the pastor will move to the exit door and speak to people as they leave the sanctuary. Your choice if you want to stop and chit chat for a few seconds ... or not.

8. What if they take up an offering? Most churches do take up an offering during the service by passing around an offering plate. The money goes to pay for church expenses and ministry and missionary needs. It's totally up to you whether you want to contribute or not. If so, you may place cash or a check in the offering plate as it comes around. Any amount would be greatly appreciated.

9. Can I visit a church more than once? Yes, as many times as you like.

10. Do I need to say anything to the pastor? No, but if you have questions or want to discuss something you can catch him or her after the service or call the church office to make an appointment.

11. Can I visit more than one church? Certainly, it's up to you. You can also catch church services online now via YouTube or Fb.

12. Can I bring my children? Yes, most churches offer child care for all ages, including a nursery. You may want to get there a little early to make arrangements your first time. Children of any

age may also sit with their parents during the service. Many churches offer a children's time during the service where a Children's lesson is taught. Participation is totally up to the parent.

13. What about teenagers? Teens usually sit with parents or friends during the service. Most churches also have special youth groups and activities during the week or on Sunday evenings for teens.

14. Can I go to any church I choose ? Yes....

15. Must I contact the church or the Pastor before I come? No, but if you have questions, it would be ok to call ahead.

16. What if there is a visitor's form inside the bulletin? Those are placed there to give you info about services etc. or to provide contact info if you should have questions etc.

17. Is Sunday School just for children? Absolutely not! It's for everyone, including children of all ages, and adults of all ages. It's the way we learn about God. But attendance is totally up to you.

18. I have heard people speak of their church family? What's that at all about? You'll find that after you've attended for a while, you will get to know the people and yes, they will become much like family and that's a really good thing!

19. What happens to the offering that I give? Churches have expenses to pay just like families. They also have to pay salaries of the pastor and staff as well as the costs of the various church ministries they conduct. Each church has a church budget which is approved by a committee of church members and is available for anyone to see.

20. What if there is some activity after the service, should I go? It's your choice. Things like pot luck dinners etc. are open to all, and they're a great opportunity to

get to know people. Plus the food will be fantastic!

21. Should I be nervous about going for the first time? Not really. Anything we do that is new to us often creates a little nervousness, but just remember we've all been in your shoes before. It will go away right after you get there.

22. If I have questions, can I call ahead of time? Certainly. Many churches also have a website where you can find information about the church, but feel free to call and speak with the church secretary or the pastor.

23. Apparently some churches have two different services on Sunday? Which one should I go to? Some churches do offer both a contemporary service as well as a traditional one. It's up to you, which one you would like to attend. The contemporary is somewhat less formal, usually with more sing along hymns, and often has a praise band. The traditional is a bit more formal and has a choir instead of a band. The sermon portion is usually the same. You could try both and see which one you like best.

24. Won't church people look down on me? No, all of us realize that we are sinners too, saved only by the grace of God through our faith in Jesus Christ.

25. Is this the right decision for me? Trust me, it's the right decision! Deep down you know it is and know this, God will bless the journey you are about to begin! In a word, God is about love and love conquers all! See you at church!

Love to all,
Joe Hester
Gideons International
Radford, Va.

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what he was looking for was for me to better and more routinely explain what the component parts of our economic and community development efforts and successes mean for the future of the County. I will do my best to make him proud and share with you my optimistic interpretation of what I have recently experienced in the Town of Pulaski and what it also means for the County. First, let me start by saying every community needs its own identity, and that identity is often derived from a perception, and that perception is commonly precipitated

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states forbearing from fielding advanced weapons after pouring significant time and resources into developing them is not, to say the least, very encouraging.

It'd be best if we abandon all wishful thinking and admit the obvious.

We've had a zombie arms control policy focused on deals with Russia, while China has been aggressively adding new weapons and delivery systems.

We've allowed China to rob our technology and pour it into developing threats against us.

We've been much too slow in developing the next generation of weapons, including hypersonic missiles, and are modernizing our nuclear triad at a glacial pace while China is rapidly adding new capabilities.

The response to the new circumstances should reflect a Cold War-era urgency. The Biden administration has proposed more spending on hypersonic missiles, but the latest news should mean even more of an emphasis on their rapid deployment, so we can hold at risk Chinese assets and maintain our deterrence.

We should, with an eye to the growing Chinese missile threat, deploy missile-defense interceptors in Australia and more sensors in space, as well as work toward directed-energy weapons that would be the best counter to hypersonic missiles.

If we aren't going to call it a new Cold War, we must -- or risk falling further behind -- treat it as one.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

around the character and vitality of its main street and the health and diversity of its downtown. There is no surprise that in the past we have had somewhat of an identity issue in both the County and Town. It is also fair to say that this identity crisis has slowly but surely been shifting to the good, and for the first time in a very, very long time, we are seeing investments in properties being made in downtown Pulaski, not because the properties are inexpensive, but because they are now valuable. Just in the last week, I enjoyed two ribbon-cuttings downtown. The first one was for the new swanky coffee shop on Main Street – 'Max on Main', and the second was for Tuscano Pizza on Washington Ave. This is on top of the many cool new businesses that have recently opened and celebrated on and around Main Street. We also have another Italian restaurant opening up in the old Pizza Hut soon and there are several more impactful projects that will be enthusiastically announced and celebrated in the coming months. It seems as if the Town

and County have found their mojo, with the hiring of several talented professionals working together as a team to work and land projects, and advance the vision we have been talking about for years. As I peer out the picture window at Main Street and type these words on my laptop, I cannot help but lift up my chai latte in a toast to what the Town of Pulaski is doing to help facilitate a diverse array of long-overdue private investment that will once and for good help change our identity forever. I know there is a lot of hard work still to do, but in the eloquent words of Churchill, "Now this is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning." For the Town of Pulaski and consequently the County, the successes we are witnessing have truly brought us to that milestone we can call, the end of the beginning, and I cannot wait to see what the future has instore for this blessed community.

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Public Service Announcement:

Dublin Town offices will be closed Tuesday, November 2.

October 30

Trinity Baptist Fall Festival
It's Fall Festival time once again at Trinity Baptist Church. The festival will be held on Saturday, October 30, 8 a.m. -4 p.m. at 4008 Robinson Tract Rd., Pulaski. Kids are encouraged to dress for Halloween ! Vendors will be handing out treats. Vendors include Sew Sassy, Against the Grain Woodwork, Scentsy, 31 Bags, Poor Boys Produce, Bo and Weezy's Chicken, jewelry, tumblers, T-shirts, handcrafted pens, baked goods, breakfast, lunch, coffee, hot apple cider, and much more.

November 4

American Legion /HHC post to met
The American Legion, Harvey-Howe-Carper Post 30 will meet on Thursday, November 4, 7 p.m. at the VFW Post Home on 102 Watts St., in Radford. The Boy's and Girl's State representatives from Radford High School will be recognized at this meeting. (postponed from an earlier date). For further information, please call 540-250-2283 or 540-239-9564.

November 6

10th Annual One Stop Christmas Shoppe event to be held
The 10th Annual One Stop Christmas Shoppe event will be held November 6, 2021, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the New River Valley Fairgrounds, Dublin. Over 100 crafters and vendors will be there. Admission is \$1, proceeds to benefit PACC Rescue.

Dublin Community Church Prayer/Hymn Sing to be held
The Dublin Community Church

and Hymn Sing will be held on Saturday, November 6, 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Th event will be held at First Dublin Presbyterian Church ECO, 409 Church St., Dublin Va. There will be refreshments and visiting following the service. Music will be presented by The Savage Sisters and the Glorylanders. All are invited and welcome.

November 9

Sons of Confederate Veterans and Stuart Horse Artillery Camp to meet
Sons of Confederate Vets and SHA Camp will meet on Tuesday, November 9, 7 p.m. at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant on 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to this meeting. Member William Reed will give a talk on: Confederate Small Arms." For further information please call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

November 13

Warriors of Christ II to host event
Warriors for Christ II will be hosting a local vendor event on Saturday, November 13, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Lots of vendors will be present, including Mary Kay, Scentsy, makers of homemade jewelry, tumblers, crafts, Lularoe, Color Street and many more.

ONGOING:

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.

Hiwassee Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary in Need of Funds
The Ladies Auxiliary of Hiwassee is in need of donations for the mowing and upkeep of the Trail cemetery in Hiwassee. If you

Event to benefit Vittles for Vets

On Veterans Day, November 11, 3 p.m. - 9 p.m. Eastern Divide Brewing in Blacksburg will host Charity Pint Night to benefit New River Valley non-profits and local groups.

For every drink sold, \$1 will be donated to the non-profit of the night. The non-profit of the night will be Vittles for Vets.

The mission of the Vittles for Vets is to empower those who have served the country honorably and have fallen on hard times to see a brighter future through the gift of nutritious food.

VFV vision is to further strengthen the program through a support system within the community and beyond. VFV strive to develop a strong chapter of Vittles for Vets that can be replicated in more areas to serve a large number of veterans in the state of Virginia and the United States. Easter Divide Brewing is located at 3175 Commerce St., Blacksburg, Va. 540-577-6877.

VFVets is located at 7757 Walker Farms Drive, Radford , Va. 24141 or call 401-447-5912. Go to vittlesforvets@gmail.com <https://www.vittlesforvetsradfordva.com/> <https://www.facebook.com/vittlesforvetsradford/>

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

Still distributing food
Heritage Cares Food Pantry at Heritage Church is still distributing food on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The church is located a half-mile past the New River Valley Airport on Route 100 north of Dublin.

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

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.

Trick-or-Sticker!

By Andrea K. Wann
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The countdown to Halloween is on as parents and grandparents prepare their little ones for the spookiest night of the year! If you're like most households, your child receives so much candy that you could re-supply the neighborhood kids with candy all over again. Let's be honest, sometimes it's just too much candy and goes to waste, not to mention all of that sugar. The good news is there are some ideas to change up your candy bowls for those Trick-or-Treaters. Here are some ideas you can add in with your candy bowl this Halloween.

- Stickers (pre-cut ahead

of time)

- Temporary tattoos (pre-cut ahead of time)
- Spider rings
- Bubbles
- Stamps
- Pencils (unsharpened)
- Erasers
- Fun Band-Aids
- Slap bracelets
- Mini notepads
- Vampire teeth
- Friendship bracelets

Be sure to check grocery stores, and other retail stores for discounts this week! Many times, right before Halloween, they will drop the prices of Halloween items leading up to October 31st. Trick-or-Treat everyone! Or should I say, Trick-or-Sticker! Have a safe, warm and fun Halloween.

It's Warming Station season again in county

This year due to Covid and us moving to a new location we will use local motels and meal tickets to care for the homeless as we did last year.

Our guests may check in at the side door of Taking It To The Streets Ministries currently at 223 N Washington Ave in Pulaski Va. Check in time is from 6 pm until 8 pm when temperature is 40 degrees or lower at 6 pm.

When checking in, our guests must meet Covid criteria, must have a valid ID and have their temperature taken. If all requirements are met a permission slip will be given for permission to stay at the motel along with a meal ticket to Wendy's, Hardee's or McDonald's. Also, hygiene and clothing will be available.

We will let everyone know through the Patriot Newspaper, our Facebook page and our website at streets4god.com when we will be moving to our new location at 235 N Jeffersom Ave in Pulaski Va.

If anyone would like to help with this program you may send donations to Taking It To The Streets Ministries PO Box 30 Pulaski, Va. 24301 or by PayPal on our website at streets4god.com.

For Jesus said in Matthew 25:40 "Inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me." NKJV

Thank you for your support as we reach out to those less fortunate than we are.

PET OF THE WEEK



These are just two of the many cats awaiting adoption here at the shelter. If you are interested in them or any of the other animals, please submit an application which can be found on our FaceBook page- Pulaski County VA Animal Control.

Once your application is approved, you will be contacted and a time will be made available for you to do a meet and greet.

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County of Pulaski
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Tuesday, November 2, 2021

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Vote for only one

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☐ Princess L. Blanding - LP

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‘Chef T’ named county’s first official chef by Board of Supervisors

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Pulaski County now has its first “official” chef following passage Monday evening by the Board of Supervisors of a resolution honoring Chef Torrece “T” Gregoire.

The resolution states that “Chef T,” as she’s commonly known grew up in the Bronx of New York. She attended the Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts in Atlanta, and later appeared as a contestant on the popular “Hell’s Kitchen” television show with Gordon Ramsey.

She finished Season 14 as the runner-up and returned to the show for Season 18 as an experienced veteran, where the resolution states she put on full display not only her culinary genius, but her innate leadership skills and competitive nature.

“Chef T serendipitously discovered Pulaski County and Pulaski County subsequently discovered Chef T, by way of the Draper Mercantile, where she first began sharing her cooking talents and larger-than-life personality with our citizens and has since been a part of several successful ventures throughout the county.

“Chef T has directly participated in and contributed robustly to the county’s economic development program as a member of the county’s Prospect Visitation Team as an international ambassador of our community and as a friend to developing and sustainably growing Pulaski County and the New River Valley,” the resolution states.

Burcham Recognized
During Monday’s meeting of
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Mike Williams/The Patriot

Chef Torrece “T” Gregoire receives a framed copy of a resolution honoring her and naming her Pulaski County’s official chef from County Administrator Jonathan Sweet (left) and Chairman Joe Sheffey as the rest of the Board of Supervisors look on.

ADDITIONAL OBITUARIES

ROBERT ELLICE DALTON
Robert Ellice Dalton, age 89 of Radford and formerly of Draper passed away Friday, October 22, 2021 at the Radford Health and Rehab Center. He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Phyllis Aletta O'Dell Dalton.
Graveside services were held Monday, October 25, 2021 at the Memorial Christian Church Cemetery, Draper Rev. Dr. Henry Fiske officiating.
To sign Robert's online guest-book, visit www.bowerfuneral-home.com
Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.



DOROTHY LORRAINE FRENCH WRIGHT
Dorothy Lorraine French Wright, 94, of Pulaski, VA and formerly of Bland, VA, went to be with her Lord she faithfully served on Friday, October 22, 2021 at Pulaski Heath & Rehabilitation Center. She was born June 28, 1927, the daughter of the late Tyler Frazier & Vesta Hunter French.
Dorothy was a devout Christian who served her Lord in many capacities during her life. She attended Green Valley United Methodist Church and Bland Methodist Church and since moving to Pulaski County, she attended First United Methodist Church of Pulaski. She enjoyed volunteering her time within the community. She enjoyed working in her garden and loved flowers. She was a seamstress and enjoyed crocheting.
Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Vance Cleveland Wright, an infant brother, her stepmother, Nettie French, and her grandparents who raised her, Miller Lee & Alley Bell Stowers French.
Left to cherish her memory are her sons & daughters-in-law, Carlyn & Lucy Wright and Kerry & Kathleen Wright; her daughters & sons-in-law, Deena & Don Stowers, Darlene & Jim Jackson, Ava Marlene Wright & Eddie Smith and Gayla Cline; her grandchildren, Jonathan Wright, Randy Wright, Paul Wright, Kim Jackson, Todd Jackson, Tracy Garcia, and step-grandchildren, Crystal Stowers and Paula Jackson; 9 great-grandchildren and 10 step-great-grandchildren; 7 step-great-great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Barbara Repass; and several nieces, nephews and extended family members, too many to list.
Family and friends celebrated her life with a Graveside Service, Thursday, October 28, 2021, at Shiloh Cemetery conducted by her minister, Rev. Will Shelton.
In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations be made in Dorothy's honor to one of the following:
First United Methodist Church of Pulaski Disabled Access Project, 135 4th St., Pulaski, VA, 24301
Foundation for Fighting Blindness, 6925 Oakland Mills RD., #701, Columbia, MD, 24046
American Cancer Society Local Chapter of Relay For Life
The Wright family is in the care of A. Vest & Sons Funeral Home, White Gate, avestandsons.com, (540) 921-2985.



ROBERTA SHOUSE TALBERT
Roberta Shouse Talbert, age 68 of Pulaski, died late Thursday evening October 21, 2021 at Heritage Hall Nursing facility in Blacksburg. She was born on March 10, 1953 in Radford, and was the daughter of the late Dorothy McNew Weller, and Daniel A. Shouse. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Danny Shouse, and sister, Debbie Shouse, step-father, Duane L. Weller, and niece, Kelli Roark.
She is survived by her special partner of 25 years, Ronald Hamblin: her children; Michelle Renee Frost, Charles Cecil Talbert (wife Rachel); Grandchildren; Kristopher Brian Hayes, Bryan Austin Talbert, special granddaughter, Zoey Beth Talbert: Great grandchildren, Burkley Lynn Hayes, Conner Akers and Lily Akers: sister; Karen Sue Hogston (Ed), and many nieces and nephews. She loved to cook and spend time with family and she will be forever missed.
Funeral services were held Monday, October 25, 2021 at Seagle Funeral Home with the Rev. Kelly Howlett officiating. Interment followed in Memorial Christian Church Cemetery on Burleigh Horton Road in Draper.
Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski.

DANIEL M. BREEDLOVE
Daniel M. Breedlove 81, of Monroe, La passed away Tuesday, October 19, 2021. He was born in Pulaski, Va on November 11, 1939 to Lewis A. Breedlove Sr and Goldie Madison Breedlove as the third of six children. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Ida Breedlove, son Robert Breedlove and grandson Will Breedlove all of Monroe La, sister Anita Hnarakis Breedlove of Pulaski, brothers William Breedlove of Giles County and Ronald L. Breedlove of Dublin, Va He was preceded in death by his twin brother David M. Breedlove of Pulaski and Lewis A. Breedlove Jr. of Giles County. He was a graduate of Pulaski High School, class of 1960. He served his country honorably in the U.S. Air Force with overseas assignment in Thule, Greenland. He retired as manager of A-1 Auto Parts in Monroe. La. The family is being served by Griffin Funeral Home, Monroe, La.



DOUGLAS HARVEY WOLFE
Douglas Harvey Wolfe age 63, of Spur Branch Community in Bland, passed away on Friday October 22, 2021. He was born in Pulaski County to his late father Hoge Harvey Wolfe and his mother Betty Brunk Wolfe. He was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Wolfe; brother, Charles Wolfe; sister-in-law, Sherry Wolfe; and a niece Ashley Ratcliffe.
Survivors include his mother, Betty Wolfe of Spur Branch, niece, Beth Carter of Wytheville; Crystal Griffith of Mt Airy; Ann Jones of Wytheville; nephew Harvey Wolfe of Pulaski; great nephew, McCain Griffith; great niece, Liyah Wolfe.
Funeral service was held Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at the Grubb Funeral Home with the Pastor Linda Hale officiating.
A graveside service was held Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at the Goshen Cemetery.
Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.grubbfuneralhome.com
The Wolfe family is in the care of Grubb Funeral Home in Wytheville.

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struction jobs will be created by the project but noted that another 190 "ancillary" jobs will also be created. Those jobs, he added, would create approximately \$18 million in associated labor income and about \$47 million in economic output.
He also said 12 full-time equivalent jobs would be created by the project with annual labor income of some \$850,000 and approximately \$1.7 million in economic output.
Approximately \$735,000 in tax revenue would be generated for the county in the first year as well, Tuck noted. He said over 25 years tax revenue for the county would be approximately \$12 million. All with no impact on county services, he said.
According to Jay Poole of Hecate, the total investment in the project is anticipated to be in excess of \$400 million. According to Poole, it would be one of the largest capital investments in the history of the region.
A public hearing on the amendment was part of Monday's meeting and one citizen, Betsy Mabry questioned whether county officials had confirmed Hecate's financial ability to build the project, and whether a "forensic audit" had been done by the county.
Another citizen asked about the timeline of the project. Tuck told the supervisors Hecate projects breaking ground in the third quarter of 2022.
As for the financial question, Tuck said Hecate is a "rock solid company" that had just sold a project in Texas for just over \$500 million.

"We are ready and able to invest \$400 million right here in Pulaski County," Tuck stated.

County Administrator Jonathan Sweet said he is not aware of the county ever conducting a "forensic audit" of any of the county's "current businesses, new businesses, prospects or suspects," but it does look at financial data that is available to anyone.

Ingles District Supervisor Laura Walters said her research led her to believe Hecate is the "cream of the crop" of solar companies.

The board approved the amendment to the SUP on a 3-1-1 vote with Walters, Draper's Dirk Compton and Massie's John Travis all voting to approve the amendment. Robinson's Charlie Bopp voted against it, and Cloyd's Joe Guthrie abstained.

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Finance reports show Youngkin with lead in cash on hand

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — During the first three weeks of October, Republican candidate for Virginia governor Glenn Youngkin outraised Democrat Terry McAuliffe, while McAuliffe outspent Youngkin, according to campaign finance reports.

Youngkin closed out the period with a nearly \$6 million cash-

on-hand advantage, according to reports compiled by the Virginia Public Access Project, a nonpartisan tracker of money in state politics.

The two candidates have already blown past fundraising records from previous Virginia gubernatorial elections, according to VPAP's accounting. They've raised a com-

bined \$117 million through Oct. 21, nearly double the haul of the second-highest fundraising total in the past 20 years.

Youngkin, a wealthy former private equity executive, has poured at least \$20 million of his own money into his run against McAuliffe, a former Democratic Party fundraiser who previously held the gover-

nor's office from 2014-2018. With a week to go until Election Day, all signs indicate a tight race between the two candidates, despite Virginia's blue tilt over the past decade.

Youngkin raised \$15.4 million during the stretch between Oct. 1 and Oct. 21, including a \$3.5 million loan to his campaign, compared with McAuliffe's \$12.9 mil-

lion haul.

McAuliffe spent \$18.8 million during the period, and Youngkin spent \$11 million. That left them with about \$1.9 million and about \$7.9 million cash on hand, respectively.

Also on the ballot is third-party candidate Princess Blanding, who raised \$4,550 and ended the period with \$7,281 cash on hand.

In the race for lieutenant governor, Democratic nominee Hala Ayala outraised GOP nominee Winsome Sears by nearly \$2 million during the period, and ended with \$323,076 cash on hand, compared with Sears' \$84,765.

Boosted by over \$2 million from the Republican Attorneys General Association's political action committee, GOP nominee for attorney general Jason Miyares far outraised incumbent Mark Herring and ended the period with a little over \$2 million in cash on hand, compared with Herring's \$212,852.

All 100 seats of the House of Delegates, where Democrats currently have a 55-45 majority, are also up for election this year.

Democrats maintained their lead in total cash on hand over the reporting period, according to VPAP, and six-figure sums flowed to dozens of candidates, including those in some of the most closely contested races. The top House fundraiser was Del. Wendy Gooditis, who brought in nearly \$1.4 million and spent about \$1.2 million in her race against GOP challenger Nick Clemente in the 10th House District, which consists mostly of Loudoun County.

Clemente raised a little over a half-million dollars during the same time.

Majority

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which is supporting 12 Virginia House candidates this year, first got involved in the state's elections in 2017, when Democrats powered by voter antipathy toward then-President Donald Trump won back 15 GOP-held seats. The party, which had not been in full control of the legislature since the 1990s, erased what had been slim Republican majorities in the House and Senate in 2019.

House Speaker Eileen Miller-Corn said she is confident voters will continue to stake their trust in Democrats, after they steered the state through the coronavirus pandemic, maintained a coveted "Top State for Business" ranking and passed legislation that she said is in line with the priorities of the elector-

ate. She asserted "the majority is safe," but acknowledged the race for governor between Democrat Terry McAuliffe and Republican Glenn Youngkin is "closer than anybody would like."

TV ads for many House Democrats in swing districts are focused on legislation that passed on a bipartisan basis, such as the 2018 Medicaid expansion and a bill to cap the cost of insulin copayments, rather than the more progressive reforms of the past two years, including the elimination of the death penalty, a ban on no-knock search warrants and the legalization of marijuana.

Republicans are seeking to make the case that Democrats are soft on crime and that their policies, including a vote to increase the state gas tax and a clean ener-

gy mandate during a time of rising inflation, have hurt Virginia families. They've done all they can in TV ads to tie the politics in Richmond to the Democrats' agenda in Washington.

"I think these things are cyclical and, you know, the way House Democrats have served up issues on a silver platter with their overreach has certainly added to the normal pendulum swing that we see," said House Minority Leader Todd Gilbert.

Some of the year's tightest races are in Hampton Roads, including the 83rd District, located mostly in Virginia Beach, where Democratic incumbent Nancy Guy was first elected in 2019 by less than 30 votes. She'll face legal activist Tim Anderson, who's built a reputation for courting controversy and won a competitive GOP nominating contest.

Other vulnerable Democrats include Dels. Chris Hurst in southwest Virginia and Roslyn Tyler in the southside, two of the only remaining Democrats representing mostly rural areas. Several races in suburban Richmond are seen as competitive, as well as a handful in the Washington exurbs.

If Democrats lose the House and the governor's mansion, they will have a stopgap in the state Senate, where members don't face election until 2023. But the majority there, 21-19, is razor thin, and the chamber has members of both parties who don't uniformly vote along party lines.

Also on the ballot this year are competitive races for attorney general and lieutenant governor, a position that involves presiding over the Senate and breaking tied votes.

The stakes this year seem especially high for both parties, said longtime political analyst Bob Holsworth.

For Virginia Republicans, it's a chance to show they're still competitive in the commonwealth, he said. In addition to losing the legislative majorities, Republicans haven't won a statewide race since 2009.

But should Democrats do poorly, he said, it won't be a mere wake-up call ahead of the midterms — it will be as if someone walked into their bedroom and "played 'Reveille' on a trumpet."

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the board, County Administrator Jonathan Sweet also recognized Pulaski Town Manager Darlene Burcham for the recognition she received recently.

Burcham was recognized by the International City/County Management Association for her 50 years of public service.

Burcham was highlighted this month in Public Management (PM) Magazine.

According to the article, Burcham has served her entire career in Virginia. Since July 2020 she has served Pulaski, first as interim town manager and now as town manager.

Before that she was in Clifton Forge as interim town manager (2010) and town manager from 2010-2020; in Roanoke as city manager (2000-2010); and in Norfolk as human services director (1987-1989); assistant city manager (1989-1994); and deputy city manager (1995-2000).

Early in her career, she was assistant county administrator in James City County (1979-1987) and director of Social Services in Hampton (1971-1979).

Sweet said Burcham's working for 50 years in public service, "Is just mind boggling to me."

She wondered why the street couldn't have been closed off for the work to be done during the day. She also complained about the amount of traffic on the street and speeding by many motorists.

David Clarke, VDOT Residency Administrator for the Salem District told her she was "completely right," and the work shouldn't have been done at night and he apologized for the disturbance.

Board Chairman Joe Guthrie noted that funding for a VDOT Smart Scale project for the Route 11 -114 area has now been funded that will likely address many of problems on Belspring Road.

Rough Stretch for Law Enforcement

Commonwealth's Attorney Justin Griffith told the board that law enforcement in the county is going through a "rough stretch" right now.

He noted that about three weeks ago, retired Pulaski Police officer John Leeper passed away. Then he said about a week and a half ago another retired police officer, Mike Jones died.

He told the board that he had learned earlier in the day retired State Trooper Austin Hall had passed away.

Griffith said he spoke with Hall some time ago concerning the potential parole of Stephen Epperly, the convicted killer of Gena Hall.

He said Hall had gone to Richmond with him to speak at the parole hearing for Epperly.

"It was an honor to sit between Hall and Everett Shockley," Griffith said about the parole hearing.

He praised Hall for helping to keep Epperly behind bars and for continuing to be an advocate for justice in that case.

Griffith said he was "devastated" to hear about Hall's passing.

"He was a great man, and this is a big loss to the county," Griffith said.


Sweet suggested to Board Chairman Joe Guthrie that the board and audience observe a moment of sadness in tribute to Hall.

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Pulaski County travels to Patrick Henry

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Pulaski County will try to bounce back into the win column this Friday when they travel to Group 5A Patrick Henry of Roanoke.

The Cougars are coming off a tough 58-18 defeat at the hands of the Graham G-Men last week.

The Cougars now stand at 4-4 on the season and 2-2 in the River Ridge District with two regular season games remaining. They close out the regular season next Friday when they host Christiansburg.

Patrick Henry is currently 6-2 overall with wins over Blacksburg (42-0), Hidden Valley (44-7) and Cave Spring (35-0) in the River Ridge. Three more wins came out of district against Albemarle (30-13), William Fleming (32-28) and Northside (29-22).

The Patriots have been beaten twice – by Brookville in their season-opener, 35-15 and last week by Christiansburg, 37-14.

Leading the Patriots are sophomore quarterback Joey Beasley who tossed a 52-yard touchdown pass last week against Christiansburg to junior wide receiver Jahzae Kimbrough.

Taeshawn Webb is another dangerous Patriot to keep an eye on. The senior kick returner brought back a Blue Demon kickoff last week 91 yards for PH's first score.

After last week's loss to Graham, the Cougars remain in ninth place in Region 4D's play-off race. Pulaski County currently is just over one full point in the Virginia High School League's football rating system.

Only the top eight schools in each region qualify for the play-offs that start in two weeks.

The Cougars (20.25) currently trail Amherst County (21.43). Amherst currently is 4-3 overall and 3-2 in the Seminole District.

A win Friday night looks vital for the Cougars if they are to make this season's playoffs.

Last week against Graham, Pulaski County surrendered 407 yards of offense to the G-Men who held a 16-6 lead after the first quarter.

Pulaski County's only score was a 42-yard pass from Chris Gallimore to John Lyman. The

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Antonio Nottingham/The Patriot

Cougar defenders put the stop to this Graham ballcarrier during last Friday's game at Dobson Stadium.

Hokies top heavy with experience

By HANK KURZ Jr.
AP Sports Writer

Virginia Tech had a surprise for the rest of the Atlantic Coast Conference when last season began: a league player of the year candidate in Keve Aluma.

The 6-foot-9 Wofford transfer averaged 15.2 points and 7.9 re-

bounds as the Hokies finished 15-7 despite a slew of COVID-19-related cancellations.

Aluma, who sat out his first year in Blacksburg, was a major factor and is among five players on the preseason All-ACC team. The Hokies are picked fifth.

"To see what he's done in our time at Virginia Tech ... is nothing short of amazing to me," said coach Mike Young, who is entering his third season.

Aluma won't sneak up on anyone this year, nor will the Hokies, who return three of their top four scorers and have added another Wofford transfer, sharpshooting guard Storm Murphy, to add needed punch from long range.

A summer in town has helped the graduate student blend in with the team. So, too, have his 17.8 scoring average, 4.3 assists average, 3.3 rebounds average and 40% marksmanship (on 70 3s) from 3-point territory last season.

"Having a whole summer where we have gym access all the time, where we got to be able to get together with guys and not worry about COVID as much, that's been huge," Murphy said. "It's really just helped the chemistry."

The returns of Nahiem Alleyne (11.1 ppg, 42 3s), Justyn Mutts (9.5 ppg, 6.4 rpg) and Hunter Pattoor (8.5 ppg, 39 3s) fill out a very productive top five, and help mitigate the losses of Tyrece Radford and Jalen Cone, who both transferred.

Mutts thinks the culture is already changing for the Hokies.

"Everybody's confidence has gone up so much since last season," he said, "so it's going to show on the court."

Some other things to watch at Virginia Tech this season:

DEPTH

After the top five, the three other returning players contributed a total of 66 points last season, so they will either need to be much improved or Young will have to rely on contributions coming

from at least one of four freshmen.

JUSTYN TIME

Mutts was the Hokies' most important player last season, according to Young, and continued improvement should make him more of a force this season.

"He has as high a basketball IQ as I've been around in 36 years," Young said. "He's a dynamic athlete. He came to us as a good basketball player, but he's grown by leaps and bounds through his game, his ability to shoot, his ability to make plays off the bounce. ... Justyn Mutts is a difference maker."

SCOUTING STORM

Aluma offered this concise scouting report on Murphy. He played with him at Wofford in the 2018-19 season: "Elite handles. Great shooter, great team-mate."

CASELL GUARD

Cassell Coliseum is an aging, but effective home, with fans not far from the court. The Hokies can't wait to see a packed house after last year's limitations.

"I found myself getting a little choked up before the North Carolina game when our football team ran on the field and again this Saturday when Notre Dame came to town," Young said. "I'll have those same emotions, I think."

SCHEDULE

The Hokies open the season on Nov. 9 at home against Maine, then got on the road to play at Navy three days later. Non-conference games include a matchup with No. 12 Memphis in Brooklyn, New York on Nov. 24, at No. 21 Maryland on Dec. 1 in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge and No. 23 St. Bonaventure in Charlotte, North Carolina on Dec. 17.

ACC road games include all four teams in the preseason Top 25: back-to-back games a week apart at No. 9 Duke and No. 19 North Carolina sandwiched around a Christmas break and visits to No. 25 Virginia and No. 20 Florida State.

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The day was Friday morning the 29 of October and bird season was normally scheduled to come in last Saturday. It has been a drought and dry time of the year and both Virginia and neighboring West Virginia have held up opening hunting season for fear forest fires may break out. My name is Jim and I am a Black Lab and I call my man Captain Jack, whose full name is John A. Fuller. He got the name Captain in seventies when he owned a charter fishing boat down Florida way; but sold out and got this place near the West Virginia border a few years back. He was in the Merchant Marines in the seventies and met up with a French Creole lady from New Orleans while stationed there in the service. Her name is Margot and they got hitched and after so many hurricanes that hindered the charter boat business, decided to move back to Southwest Virginia and bought a special place there. They spend a great deal of time hunting and Margot has a hunting dog of her own called Anna Marie. She has bonded well with Margot who has taught Anna Marie most of the French language and she in turn has helped me get acquainted with some basic French words.

Being that we cannot officially hunt birds, especially my favorite in the ruffled grouse; I talk Big Jim into going across over into WVA to scout out the mined-out strip jobs which we have done in the years past.

He agrees as you are allowed to do so without having any guns in your possession that would possibly start a forest fire if discharged with the extreme dry conditions. Captain Jack took along several snacks and a good supply of drinks as well that we can carry with us. It was after midday that Jack got my Explorer to a long mountainous chain of mined benched-like areas. He gave Anna Marie and me some canned sausage and plenty of water. We traversed for several miles and only sighted an occasional bird. Evidently, Ole Wily Coyote and his numbers had decimated the once thriving grouse. We crossed over the mountain to the other side that was mined as well but never a covey of birds was to be found. It was getting late and felt like a storm was brewing but it had been like two weeks since we had any rain to speak of. The skies clouded over quickly and I sighted an old farm house down

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in the valley and we headed there and were no more inside than the rain came down in torrents. Captain Jack gathered some scattered limbs from the yard and started a fire in the fireplace and there was a sufficient amount of wood stored on the porch that would see us through the night if need be. That was soon seen we were in for a long night as the “thunder boomer” never let up for several hours.

We were fed a good meal by the captain and we bedded down near the cozy fire. The wind howled I had been asleep a while when Anna Marie jabbed me with a paw and said, “Jim, did you hear that?” I caught the slight wails above the still blowing wind that sounded like a baby crying and felt like awaking my man and telling him but soon fell back asleep. We got up a little after dawn and prepared to leave. The wind was still blowing occasionally and we went into the wind-blown yard


and heard and saw where a dead snag was wedged into a tree and made mournful sounds much like a baby crying when in motion.

We got back to our Explorer and on the way stopped where our man had a good breakfast and treated Anna Marie and me to “chewed-meat” (hamburger) and the restaurant owner told us local hunters were not finding grouse population as they were a ten to twenty years ago. He also related that the old farm house had belonged to the Cletus Fletcher family. The house was supposedly haunted as old man Cletus had hanged himself after losing all his family to tuberculosis. The captain related as how T.B. is contagious and he had bedded down that night on an old army cot and we on some old tattered blankets found in a closet. Anna Marie asked me if animals are susceptible to Tuberculosis. I replied, “I don’t know but, quelle maison?” (what a house).

There are many superstitions and fears in the world today. For Christians there is that as noted in II Peter 5:8KJV, “Be sober; be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.” But we can go back to verse 7 and heed its words, “Casting all your cares upon him, for he cares for you.”

Until next time

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Public Hearing Town of Pulaski Planning Commission

The Planning Commission of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW to consider the following:

- A request from Shah Development LLC to rezone property located at 421 N. Washington Avenue [tax parcel(s) 072-51-24-9a, 072-51-24-11, 072-51-24-13, 072-51-24-15, 072-51-24-17] from (B-2) General Business to (R-O) Residential Office.
- A request from Calfee Community and Cultural Center, Agent: Jill Williams, for a Special Exception for Catering, a Daycare Center, a Bakery, and a Museum for property located at 1 Corbin-Harmon Drive [tax parcel(s) 072-14-1] “Calfee School.”

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

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Cougars

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2-point conversion failed.

The Cougars scored again just after the start of the second quarter when Travis Burton broke free on a 45-yard scamper. Again the two-point try failed and Graham led at the time, 16-12.

The rest of the first half and into the third quarter was all Graham as they racked up 21 straight points before Pulaski County would light up the scoreboard once again when Gallimore hit Lyman on a 7-yard TD strike. The two-point try again failed, and the Cougars trailed 37-18.

Graham tacked on three more scores before the game ended.

Burton, Lyman and Keyontae Kennedy led the offense for Pulaski County. Burton ended the game with 10 rushes for 96 yards. Lyman had 82 yards receiving on 6 receptions. Kennedy added 7 yards on the ground on 7 tries, but hauled in four passes for 92 yards.

Gallimore had a decent outing, going 13 of 20 through the air for 181 yards and no interceptions and two TDs.

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

Below: Trevor Burton breaks loose on a 45-yard touchdown run for one of the Cougars' scores vs. Graham.



Quarterback Chris Gallimore lets it fly last Friday against Graham. Gallimore passed for 181 yards and two touchdowns on the night.

Antonio Nottingham/The Patriot



Final chance for playoff contenders to reach final four

From NASCAR

This Sunday's NASCAR Cup Series Playoff race, the Xfinity 500 at Martinsville Speedway at 2 p.m. ET on NBC, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio, is the last chance for the eligible postseason contenders to earn a spot in the 2021 Championship 4 Round.

Currently, Kyle Larson is the only NASCAR Cup Series Playoff contender to secure his spot in the Championship 4 and did so by winning the first two races in the Round of 8 at Texas and Kansas. It's the first time in his career he has advanced the Play-offs' final round. That leaves just

three spots up for grabs among the seven remaining Playoff challengers and since the introduction of the 'elimination-style' format in the NASCAR Cup Series Play-offs in 2014, racing your way into the Championship 4 Round in the ninth and final cutoff race of the Round of 8 has proven to be much more difficult than one might expect with only three drivers accomplishing the feat.



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UVa faces challenge because of graduation, attrition

By HANK KURZ Jr.
AP Sports Writer

They are the defending Atlantic Coast Conference regular season champions, but graduation and attrition have left No. 25 Virginia with a big hill to climb.

Six of the top eight scorers off last year's 18-7 team have moved on — four to likely professional careers and two that transferred within the conference.

It's left coach Tony Bennett with a roster short on experience in the way the Cavaliers play, but, he hopes, with hungry players eager for their chance.

"There is a lot of newness and inexperience, but I think that's the name of college basketball with the transfer portal," Bennett said at ACC media day "... You've got some young men that they've been waiting their turn."

Besides their top three scorers and occasional 3-point sniper Tomas Woldetensae, Bennett lost forward Justin McKoy as a transfer to North Carolina and guard Casey Morsell as a transfer to North Carolina State. Both would have likely been starters this season, or at least members of the regular rotation.

Fortunately for Bennett, point guard Kihei Clark is back for his senior season, and he's already spent three with a leadership role by virtue of his position.

"I'm just trying to do a good job of leading those guys and then especially the new guys, the two transfers and then the freshmen coming in," Clark said.

With Sam Hauser (16 ppg), Jay Huff (13 ppg) and Trey Murphy III (11.3 ppg), Clark (9.5 ppg) is the leading returning scorer. Sophomore Reece Beekman started 20 of 25 games last season and is next at just 4.7 ppg.

Some other things to watch at Virginia this year:

TRANFERS
Trading McKoy and Morsell for senior Jayden Gardner from East Carolina and junior Armaan Franklin from Indiana provides a significant experience boost.

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Bobcats dominate Floyd County on Senior Night

By ELIZABETH KANIPE
The Patriot

The Radford Bobcats hosted Floyd County Friday night looking to remain undefeated in the Three Rivers District and maintain their fourth seed in the Region 2C playoff picture. It was Senior Night and the Bobcats honored 11 seniors before the game.

Radford received the opening kick and quickly took command of the game. After a couple of Tyrel Dobson runs for first downs, Marcell Baylor hit Parker Prioleau on a bubble screen that Prioleau took down the right sideline and dove into the end-zone for a 46 yard TD. Vance Steele made the extra point and the Bobcats were off and running.

Radford held Floyd to force a punt where they took over on their own 37 yard line. The Bobcats took to the air again with two complete passes to Darius Wesley-Brubeck for a total of 25 yards. Baylor then hit Elliot Grayson from 30 yards out for the Bobcats' second score.

Floyd struggled to move the ball all night against Radford's first defense. With Floyd deep in their own territory, QB Kaleb Fenton lobbed a pass to the flat where Landen Clark made an incredible one-handed interception to put the Bobcats in the red zone. Radford's drive stalled and ended with a missed 31-yard field goal.

Floyd took possession but not for long. On third down, Radford's Clark intercepted Fenton again at the Buffalo 39. This time the Bobcats took advantage of it and Clark took a jet pass to the end zone from 15 yards out. The Bobcats led 21-0 with 8:12 in the half. Floyd got a good return and was aided by a Radford penalty to get them across midfield, but Radford's Clark intercepted a quick screen pass and took it 48 yards for his first pick six of the night.

Radford's defense kept Floyd under control all night. Floyd had 2 first downs and 34 yards of offense at halftime. Radford had accumulated 216 total yards. Floyd received the opening kick-off and gained 2 first downs to get into Radford territory. On 2nd and 15, Fenton dropped back and threw the ball down the middle of the field but, as you would guess, Radford's Clark was waiting on it and, after weaving down the left sideline, he returned it 78 yards for his fourth interception



Elizabeth Kanipe/The Patriot

#7 Landen Clark gets past a Floyd defender to move the ball down field.

and second pick six of the night.

Again Radford held Floyd and forced a punt where the Bobcats took over on the Buffalo 41. Nate Wesley got the next two carries for a total of ten yards. Baylor then hit a wide open Grayson at the 3 yard line where he glided into the endzone for his second TD of the game. The Bobcats led 42-0 with 4:19 left in the 3rd quarter.

With the Radford backups and JV players taking over on defense, Floyd was able to sustain a drive with starters Nathan Saltus and Kaiden Swortzel gaining yards at big clips. Fenton finished the drive completing a 22-yard pass to Rylan Swortzel with 2:53 left in the game. Radford ran the clock out to finish the game with a 42-7 score.

Radford's defense dominated Floyd all night. Floyd finished with 147 total yards and 72 of those yards came on the last drive with Floyd's starters going against the Radford backups/JV players. Radford finished with 300 total yards. Baylor finished the game going 12 of 18 for 193 yards and 4 TDs. Dobson led all rushers with 9 carries for 60 yards. Grayson led receivers with 3 receptions for 69 yards and 2 TDs. Defensively, Clark led the Bobcats with 4 interceptions, 2 of those returned for TDs, and he also had a TD re-

ception.

Radford moved to 6-2 overall and remained undefeated in the

Three Rivers District. The Bobcats travel to Glenvar this Friday in a showdown for the Three Riv-

ers District lead. The winner will have the inside track to a top 2 seed in Region 2C.



#45 Parker Prioleau on the carry in the first quarter.



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#7 Landen Clark comes around to the outside and takes it to the end zone for a TD.



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DEE-FENSE

Bennett’s Pack-Line defense has become the Cavaliers’ calling card, but is challenging for newcomers to the system. That could make the addition of Franklin especially beneficial since the Hoosiers employ a version of it.

SURPRISE!

Virginia has won five of the last eight ACC regular season titles but is picked to finish fourth this year. In 12 of the last 13 seasons, the Cavaliers have finished at, or higher than, their projected finish as voted on by ACC media.

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John Paul Jones Arena has become a very difficult place to play as the Cavaliers have climbed into the national elite, but very few on the roster have experienced a full house because of pandemic-related limitations last season.

“There’s such a level of excitement that was missing last year,” Bennett said.

SCHEDULE

The Cavaliers open against Navy on Nov. 9 and play at No. 15 Houston in their third game. They’ll play host to Iowa in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge on Nov. 29. ACC road games include visits to No. 9 Duke, No. 19 North Carolina, Virginia Tech, Syracuse and Notre Dame.

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Brian ‘Nick’ Edwards has a golden ticket

By DANIELLE REID
The Patriot

Brian “Nick” Edwards has a Golden Ticket, but he didn’t find it wrapped around a Wonka chocolate bar. Instead, he earned it the hard way – cooking over a hot stove – specifically a BBQ grill. Edwards is a two-time Steak Cookoff Association (SCA) champion, who earned the Golden Tickets to participate in the World Steak Cookoff taking place in Ft. Worth, Texas in March 2022.

“The SCA cookoffs are really a friendly, family event, often including kids. Sometimes the steak cookoffs are linked to a festival or car show. Many of the cooks who compete travel around the country to different events and it’s like seeing extended family when we compete together. It’s a friendly competition. If someone’s grill breaks down or someone needs more charcoal, we help each other,” explained Edwards.

Edwards won his first championship at the SCA in Algood, TN on August 7, 2021. This gave him his first Golden Ticket and entitles him to compete at the World SCA event. His second win was at Laurens, SC where he cooked and won first place in a double steak contest: Steak A and Steak B. Between those two first place wins, was another win at Big Stone Gap where he took 6th in steak and 2nd in the chicken wings ancillary contest.

Both Nick and his wife, Kasey, compete in the steak cookoff competitions. Their twin boys, Grayson and Wyatt, have begun to compete in the Ancillary cookoff category specifically for kids. Additionally, both Edwards are certified steak cookoff judges. Nick laughingly admits that “after judging and eating 33 bites of ribeye, I don’t want to eat steak for a month!”

Steaks are judged in five categories: Appearance, Doneness (Medium), Taste, Texture and Overall Impression. Each contestant can create a signature rub, which Edwards has done and hopes to have it available for sale before the World Steak Cookoff in March 2022.



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Brian “Nick” Edwards holds up two of his Golden Tickets he won for taking first place in two SCA steak cookoff championships. The Golden Tickets secure his entrance in the SCA World Steak Cookoff being held in Ft. Worth, TX in March 2022. First place prize is \$10,000.00



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Brian “Nick” Edwards’ 1st and 2nd place trophies which he won during the SCA steak cookoff championships.

Although Edwards was raised in Barren Springs and has good friends there, he and his family live in Draper which is closer to their jobs. Kasey works in the OR at LewisGale Hospital Pulaski. Edwards says he still gets his practice steaks from his long-time friend, Brian Davis, who owns Hilly Haven Meats in Barren Springs.

Edwards, whose day-time job is a tele-health clinician for the Wytheville Veteran’s Administration, finds time on the weekends to help his friend who owns High Plains BBQ in Wytheville. “My weekend job helps pay for the \$150.00 entrance fees for the SCA events,” states Edwards.

The state champion of the SCA

who were former restaurant managers, working at a recruiting agency for restaurants. Gallaway saw a cookoff being held in Texas and enticed Phillips to enter with him.

They began competing on a regular basis but each cookoff had different rules, so they decided to host their own event with specific rules to help contestants better compete. From that humble start, SCA now hosts competitions in 38 states and 15 countries. They provide the steaks (ribeyes) to ensure each contestant competes on an equal basis. They state that there is no age limit for their very friendly and family oriented events. One bonus is that the kids are outside together and not on Facebook or playing computer games.

As an example of cooperation, during the World Competition cookoffs, teams come from around the world to compete in Ft. Worth. Many of them don’t have the funds to pay for travel plus hotel and meal expenses, so SCA has created a webpage where they can connect with local SCA cooks who offer to adopt the international team members. Last year, 25 teams were invited into the homes of people around the Ft. Worth area who hosted them during the competition.

Edwards says, “The SCA’s goal is to create a fun relaxed environment and a fair competition,” adding, “It’s not about who wins the most money.”

For additional information about SCA, please visit: <https://steakcookoffs.com/>

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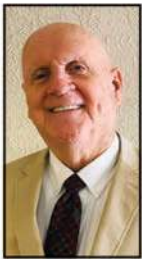
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The Potter and the Clay

Part I

The Potter's house symbolized and illustrated God's relationship with Israel or what was left of Israel, which was the southern Kingdom of Israel, called Judah. Isaiah 64:8 says, "But now, O LORD, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand."

In this chapter of Jeremiah, the 18th Chapter, we find God offered mercy and forgiveness to Judah, instead of judgment. God would always rather show mercy than Judgment.

His desire for backslidden Judah was for them to repent of their sinful ways, especially their idolatrous ways, and to turn away from their rebellion and to turn back to Him, and thereby escape His wrath.

His desire for His people of the 21st century is exactly the same. He is calling also, for backsliders and un-regenerated men, women, boys and girls of today, to turn away from their sins and to turn to Him for forgiveness and salvation.

Sad to say though, Judah, because of the hardness of their hearts, declined His offer of mercy and forgiveness and chose rather to continue in their sins, although it meant that punishment from God would come upon them.

They didn't know what was good for them or what was bad for them. Just like some folks today whom God calls to repent and be saved, or suffer the judgment, but instead of accepting God's mercy, grace, forgiveness and the free gift of salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ, they reject Christ, and choose to remain in their sins. Instead of taking the easy road to salvation, they choose to sink deeper and deeper into sin and degradation. And what is the end of sin? The end of sin is death. Separation from God is spiritual death; physical death at the end of the way; and finally eternal death in the burning caldron called the lake of fire.

Christ came so that we might have life and have it more abundantly. Life in Him and eternal life.

As it was in the days of Noah, and as it was in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, so it is in America today. Sin is running rampant all across our land. Every day we hear in the news of some new sinful atrocity that someone has committed that was worse than what we heard yesterday. And it is hastening the Day of Judgment for our Nation.

But here is the good news. Even in the midst of gross sin and degradation, God's hand of mercy is still extended to those who will have eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts that can be touched by the love of God, and the gospel of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Our Nation can still avert the Judgment by turning back to God. And we Christians ought to be praying every day for our Nation that it will repent of its sins and return unto God.

God is sovereign. He has the power and the authority over all of His creation, to do with it as He pleases. Jeremiah experienced God's mercy at the Potter's house where God showed him that His mercy takes precedence over judgment. God would much rather re-cre-

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540-440-8733

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Service: 10 a.m. every Sunday
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www.christpulaski.dioswva.org

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McCraw

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ate than to destroy.
Jeremiah 18:1. “The word
which came to Jeremiah from the
Lord saying, Arise and go down
to the Potter’s House, and there I
will cause thee to hear my words.
Then I went down to the Potter’s
House, and behold, he wrought a
work on the wheels. And the ves-
sel he made of clay was marred
in the hand of the Potter; so he
made it again another vessel,
as seemed good to the Potter to
make it.”

The Potters wheel hasn’t
changed much in 6,000 years
and people are still using it today
to make vessels out of clay.
Actually the Potter’s wheel is 2
wheels, and they are shaped like
mill stones, flat on the top and as
round as a zero. One is a smaller,
round, horizontal wheel that is
attached by an axel to a larger
horizontal wheel below the upper
wheel. When the potter turns the
lower wheel with his foot, it also
makes the upper wheel turn.

The Potter takes a big lump
of un-shaped clay and plac-
es it in the exact center of the
upper wheel, that turns around
and around as the Potter turns
the lower wheel with his foot.
At first it is just a big lump of
unformed clay but He can take
that unformed lump and make
something beautiful out of it.
God can take nobodies and make
somebodies out of them.

He takes us “as we are” and
forms us into who and what He
wants us to be. He takes an old
ugly lump of clay and makes
something beautiful out of it.

Bible Trivia

1. Is the book of Bethany in the Old Testament or New Testa-
ment or neither?
2. Which woman was chosen
to be queen through a beauty
pageant, destined to reign for the
rest of her life? Bathsheba, Tah-
penes, Jezebel, Esther
3. From Romans 16, Paul de-
scribed what devout woman as
“our sister”? Rachel, Deborah,
Martha, Phoebe
4. Where was the longest epis-
tle of Paul sent? Rome, Joppa,
Gibeon, Nazareth
5. In Genesis 3:4, who/what
told the first lie? Adam, Eve, Ser-
pent, Cain
6. From Acts 8, Candace was
Queen of the ...? Israelites, Ethi-
opians, Gadites, Ephesians

**ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2)
Esther (2:2-18); 3) Phoebe; 4)
Rome; 5) Serpent; 6) Ethiopi-
ans**

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The Bible speaks of having a pure conscience

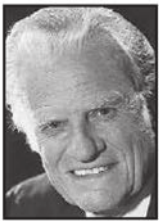
From the writings of the Rev.
Billy Graham

Q: My grandmother is al-
ways telling me that if I make
the wrong choice in life my
conscience is going to always
be looking over my shoulder.
She knows a lot about the Bible
but she said it was up to me to
find it. Does the Bible really
say something about a person’s
conscience? - W.G.

A: The Bible is God’s text-
book of revelation and speaks of
having a pure conscience (1 Tim-

othy 3:9). This is only possible
when our minds are surrendered
to the Lord and when we put
into practice His commands and
promises.

In God’s great classroom there
is an expansive library called
Scripture. It speaks of nature
and conscience and says God’s
law is “written in their hearts,
their conscience also bearing
witness, and between themselves
their thoughts accusing or else
excusing them” (Romans 2:15).
It is so wonderful to think that
God actually speaks to warn us
when we are wrong, and to bless



**My
Answer**

Billy Graham

us when we do right. This may
be a “still small voice” that will
not let us go until we settle in our
hearts what is right according to
Him. We must never silence that
inner voice--but always check
what we believe according to
God’s Word.

Conscience is the detective
that watches the direction of
our steps and decries every
conscious transgression. It is a
vigilant eye before which each
imagination, thought, and act is
held up for either censure or ap-
proval. There is no greater proof
of the existence of moral law
and the Lawgiver in the universe
than this little light of the soul.

And we must remember that
the human conscience is reliable
only when it is guided by the
Holy Spirit. This is a blessed gift
that He gives to those who love
and obey Him.

Amber Waves

THIS IS NICE. I FINALLY GET SOME PEACE AND QUIET TO COLLECT MY THOUGHTS.

GREAT, IT'S SO QUIET NOW ALL I'M WONDERING IS WHAT IS THAT KID UP TO NOW?

by Dave T. Phipps

Out on a Limb

WANT ME TO CHILL THAT UP FOR YOU, HON?

CLINK...

HELL'S COFFEE SHOP

by Gary Kopervas

R.F.D.

THERE'S ONE IN EV'RY CROWD.

by Mike Marland

The Spats

I'M EXPERIENCING A LOT OF STATIC ELECTRICITY.

THAT'S BECAUSE YOUR BODY IS A CONDUCTOR.

MY BODY IS LEONARD BERNSTEIN??

by Jeff Pickering

POPEYE

FIRST WE HAVE TO DELVE INTO YOUR INNER BEING...

...THAT'S TO DISCOVER THE REAL YOU!

WE HAVE TO GO BELOW YOUR THRESHOLD OF CONSCIOUSNESS!

MY METHOD IS EXPOSING YOU TO THESE IMAGES...

THAT SAYS... "COQ AU VIN... PATE... CREPES SUZETTE AND FRENCH ONION SOUP."

...AND THIS?

...THIS ONE SAYS... "TEKKA MAKI YAKITORI... NEGIMAYAKI..."

GOOD HEAVENS, MAN, CAN'T YOU SEE ANYTHING BESIDES FOOD?

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

OK, SO NOW THIS GAME IS "STUPID AND A COMPLETE WASTE OF TIME"?

LAFF-A-DAY

"Toys don't last as long as they used to... thank goodness!"

SCRAMBLERS

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

Stroll
MARBLE

Believe
STRUT

Hunt
CASSE

Fit
LENDERS

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

- Tibetan monk
- Triumphed
- Used car sites
- Trojan War hero
- Lincoln nickname
- Taj Mahal city
- TV fare for a night owl
- Gusto
- Gallery display
- "The Raven" writer
- "No way!"
- Sign before Virgo
- "Now, where — I?"
- Vivaldi's output
- Reveal
- Dating from
- Embrace
- Salty septet
- "Citizen Kane" sled
- Train tracks
- Observe
- "Ray Donovan" actor
- Voight
- Dish
- Pirate's drink
- Expert
- San —, Italy
- Single payments

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- In — land
- Slightly open
- Damon of Hollywood
- Chopper
- "Yippee!"
- Bassoon's kin
- Just out
- Borodin's "Prince —"
- "Uh-huh"
- Perched on
- Like slasher films
- Mag. staff
- Shetland, for one
- Revolving server
- Curved molding
- Serving aid
- Auction
- Detail, briefly
- Dallas hooper, briefly
- Biography
- Peruke
- Scratch
- Mil. morale booster
- "Mayday!"
- Lemon
- Wahine's gift
- Guy's date
- Curvy letter

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top ten

Largest U.S. Newspapers*

- Wall Street Journal
- New York Times
- USA Today
- Washington Post
- Los Angeles Times
- New York Post
- Tampa Bay Times
- Chicago Tribune
- Newsday (Long Island)
- Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word

3. Chase; 4. Slender

1. Ramble; 2. Trust

solution

HB Z YMHQGHUC GHRRZHU UQQVD

ZU ZVMQDHGQ AZYQXHZR, H

HAZCHUQ MHD BHXDY IMPHIQ HD

XPSSQX IQAQUY.

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: G equals V

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ZU ZVMQDHGQ AZYQXHZR, H

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: What was the name of Jay's dog in "Modern Family"?
- MEASUREMENTS: How many pecks are in a bushel?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which continent has regions in all four hemispheres of Earth — north, south, east and west?
- MUSIC: Which singer is known as the Queen of Disco?
- U.S. STATES: Which state has the only royal palace in the United States?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many federal holidays are recognized by the United States?
- ASTRONOMY: How many moons does Mars have?
- MOVIES: Which iconic movie has the tagline, "A man went looking for America, and he couldn't find it anywhere"?
- FOOD & DRINK: Which minerals are found abundantly in dairy products?
- COMICS: Which long-running comic strip developed from a weekly panel titled "L'il Folks"?

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- Stella
- Four
- Africa
- Donna Summer
- Hawaii, Iolani Palace
- 11 annually, with Juneteenth as the most recent addition, and 12 every four years, with Inauguration Day as the additional holiday in Washington, D.C.
- Two, Phobos and Deimos
- "Easy Rider"
- Calcium, phosphorus and magnesium
- "Peanuts"

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1st Footloose
Prince Valiant
By GUY ARNDT-SCHULZE

AS THEY JOURNEY HOME, VAL'S COMPANY TRIES TO ADJUST TO THE EFFECTS OF THE REJUVENATION ELIXIR. GAWAIN, NOT SURPRISINGLY, IS MOST PRONE TO CHILDISH HI-JINKS. IG, ON THE OTHER HAND, HAS GROWN SURLY.

VAL FAILS TO KEEP HIS RESURGENCE OF YOUTHFUL MALE AGGRESSION UNDER CONTROL. "AND I AM SICK OF YOUR GRUMBING, IG! SHUT UP OR I'LL BASH YOU BUT GOOD!"

BUT BEFORE ALETA CAN INTERCEDE WITH CALMING WORDS, THE TWO ERSTWHILE FRIENDS ARE AT EACH OTHER'S THROATS!

NEXT: Conflict resolution

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Danielle Reid/The Patriot

On their one-year anniversary after opening, Martin's Pharmacy in Dublin held a ribbon cutting ceremony. Dr. Ashley Williams, Pharmacist in Dublin, was given the honor of cutting the ribbon.

Martin's hosts ribbon cutting

Shelia Smith, Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce President for 2020-21, opened the ceremony and introduced the speakers - Dublin Mayor Benny Skeens and Will Hale of Martin's Pharmacy.

"We are excited to be here today to celebrate the 1-year anniversary of the Martin's Pharmacy Dublin location. While Martin's may be new to Dublin, they are not new to Pulaski County as they have been serving our community since 1942.

"We are so grateful to Martin's Pharmacy and their staff as they worked closely with the CDC and were among the first in the area to receive the COVID19

vaccine. Martin's has held numerous vaccine clinics and are now busy administering the COVID19 boosters and other immunizations to keep our citizens healthy. It is no unusual to hear another citizen giving praise to Martin's Pharmacy for their efficiency and quality customer service."

Will Hale stated, "We are a community pharmacy and we're invested long-term in our community. With Pharmacist Ashley Williams and long-term employee Doug Futrell, we can build relationships and better serve our customers in Dublin."



Danielle Reid/The Patriot

Pharmacist Dr. William "Will" Hale, Ashley, Kathy Hale and W. "Eddie" Hale celebrate the one-year anniversary of opening Martin's Pharmacy at the Dublin location. The ribbon cutting, which was originally scheduled for last year, was delayed because of COVID interruptions.

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