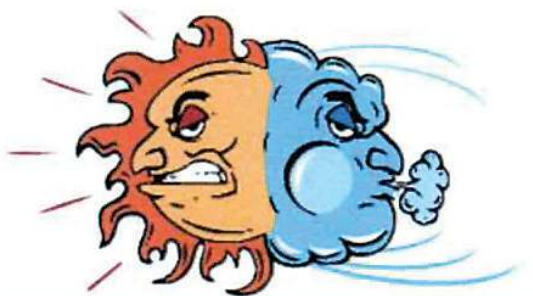




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Calfee Center seeks \$100,000 from town council

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

Organizers of the Calfee Community and Cultural Center – being planned for the former Calfee School property in Pulaski – are asking Pulaski Town Council to contribute \$100,000 to the project to help organizers land a \$1 million federal grant to help pay for unanticipated higher construction costs.

Project organizers also plan to seek a similar \$100,000 amount from the Pulaski County Board of Supervisors.

The local governments' contributions would create the 20 percent in matching local funds required to land the \$1 million U.S. Economic Development Administration grant.

Calfee CCC Executive Director Jill Williams made the request Tuesday during a meeting of Pulaski Town Council. She was accompanied by Mickey Hick-



CALFEE COMMUNITY & CULTURAL CENTER

man, President of the Calfee CCC Board of Directors.

Williams said the need for further funding for the project became evident earlier this year.

"We really thought we had

See CALFEE, page A5

State issues new policies on transgender students

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

The Virginia Department of Education on Friday released new model policies for the treatment of transgender students in the Commonwealth's public schools.

The policies – named the "2022 Model Policies On The Privacy, Dignity and Respect for All Students and Parents in Virginia's Public Schools," are subject to a 30-day public comment period, which begins Sept. 26. After that 30-day period, the policies go into effect.

In accordance with 2020 state law, city and county school boards throughout Virginia must adopt policies that are "consistent with" the education department's new model policies. Local school

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WEEKEND WEATHER

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Tuesday, Oct. 4, Noon to 7 p.m. at New River Valley Fairgrounds

CHRISTIANSBURG – The New River Health District (NRHD) will offer free seasonal flu vaccine at a special drive-thru dispensing clinic on Tuesday, October 4 from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the NRV Fairgrounds, 5581 Fair Grounds Cir, Dublin.

Vaccine will be available free on a first-come, first-served basis. Be sure to wear clothing that is loose around the arm so that a public health nurse can administer the flu shot in the upper arm, without having to leave the com-

fort and convenience of your car.

Influenza, commonly called "the flu," is a serious disease caused by the influenza virus that affects the respiratory tract. It is highly contagious and generally spreads from person to person when an infected person coughs or sneezes. The virus can be transmitted even before flu-like symptoms appear. A person usually

becomes sick one to three days following exposure to the virus. Typical flu symptoms include fever, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, headache, muscle aches and extreme fatigue.

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Town of Pulaski Installs Two Charging Stations

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2022 Application/Intake Schedule



Applications can be obtained online at www.pulaskicountychristmasstore.com, at your local library, or at the Pulaski County Department of Social Services.

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Pulaski Central Gym


Saturday, October 1, (10am – 12:30pm)
Saturday, October 8, (10am – 12:30pm)
Saturday, November 5, (10am – 12:30pm)


Riverlawn Elementary School


Thursday, October 20, (4:30pm – 6:30pm)


Dublin Public Library

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Tuesday, November 1, (10am – 12pm) and (4pm – 6pm)



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Policies

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boards may also adopt policies that are “more comprehensive,” as long as they are consistent with the state’s policy.

Following Gov. Glenn Youngkin’s election in 2021, the state’s Department of Education embarked on what it called a “thorough review” of the 2021 Model Policies adopted by the department during the Gov. Ralph Northam administration.

The department found the 2021 Model Policies promoted a specific viewpoint aimed at “achieving cultural and social transformation in schools.”

The department this year also found that the 2021 Model Policies “disregarded the rights of parents and ignored other legal and constitutional principles that significantly impact how schools educate students, including transgender students.”

With the passage of the 2022 Model Policies, the department withdrew the 2021 policies, which it states, “shall have no further force and effect.”

The new policies require minor students to be referred to by the name and pronouns “appropriate to the sex appearing in the student’s official record – that is, male pronouns for a student

whose legal sex is male, and female pronouns for a student whose legal sex is female.”

The policies say a student’s participation in school activities and the use of school facilities like bathrooms and locker rooms should be based on their biological sex.

“Single-user bathrooms and facilities should be made available in accessible areas and provided with appropriate signage, indicating accessibility for all students,” the policies state.

The new policies also say school divisions may not encourage teachers to conceal information about a student’s gender from his or her parents.

Also, the policies state “Parents must be informed and given an opportunity to object before counseling services pertaining to gender are given.”

Macaulay Porter, a spokesperson for Gov. Youngkin, said in a statement the updated policies “deliver on the governor’s commitment to preserving parental rights and upholding the dignity and respect of all public-school students.”

Youngkin’s desire to give parents more say in their children’s public education was a major factor in his election in 2021 over former governor, Terry McAuliffe – a Democrat.

During one of their debates, McAuliffe’s campaign was derailed after he made the now-famous comment, “I don’t think parents should be telling schools what they should teach.”

Youngkin’s “Parents Matter” message resonated with voters in Virginia and in Pulaski County where the Republican candidate won with 75 percent of the county’s vote.

School board meetings in Pulaski County last year were dominated by discussion of the transgender student policy from March until mid-August when the board adopted a policy that was consistent with the state’s model policies at the time.

The board voted 4-1 to adopt the policy, with Ingles District representative Penny Golden casting the lone “no” vote.

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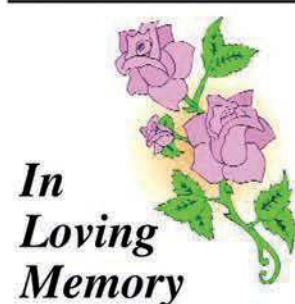
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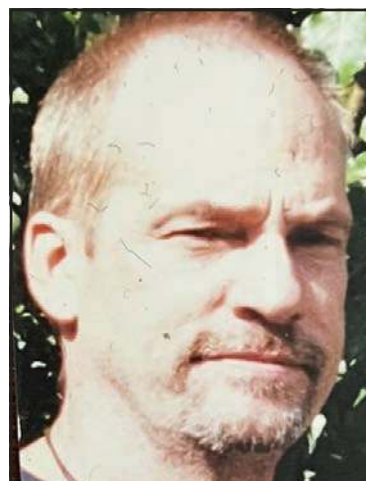
Nona Dickerson Sarver, age 68 of the New River Community of Pulaski County, died Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at her residence, following a short illness. Nona was born on October 14, 1953 in Pulaski County, and was the daughter of the late Margaret Collins Dickerson and the late Arvin Dickerson. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister: Patricia Joyce Dickerson, and a sister-in-law, Linda Dickerson.

Nona is survived by her loving husband of 50 years, Charlie Melvin Sarver of New River: a daughter; Amy (Matthew) Pietrykowski of Bowie, MD: a son; Andrew M. (Annette) Sarver of Fairlawn: brother; Roy Dickerson of Dublin: a sister; Brenda Duncan of Dublin:

Funeral services will be held Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., at Community Christian Church of Newbern with Pastor Bill Neeley and Pastor Derek Burton officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. View Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Andrew Sarver, Mark Clark, John Clark, Zachary Dones, Josiah Jones, and James Pietrykowski. The family will receive friends on Saturday at the Community Christian Church from Noon until 2:00 p.m.

Flowers will be appreciated, but for those who wish, they may make memorial contributions in Nona's memory, to the American Cancer Society.

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



JAMES ALLEN MAPLE

James Allen Maple, age 58 of Pulaski passed away Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at his home. Born November 23, 1963 in Virginia Beach he was the son of the late Charles Maple & Doris Overton Maple. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Gena Elaine Powers Maple and brother, Charles Merle Maple.

James is survived by his

Daughter – Nichole Elaine Maple – Pulaski

Son – Justin Allen Maple – Pulaski

Brother – Nelson Maple – VA Beach

Sisters – Doris Callow – IL, Joy Maple – VA Beach

Mother-in-law – Margaret Hayes Powers – Dublin

Many aunts, uncles and cousins

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NANCY POFF ALBERT

Nancy Poff Albert, age 69 of Parrott, died Saturday morning, September 17, 2022 at Carilion Giles Community Hospital. She was born in Radford on May 17, 1953, and was the daughter of the late Angie Ratcliffe Poff and the late Joseph Poff. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Judy Easter.

After working at Kmart for many years, she retired from Carilion, and was a member of Belspring United Methodist Church. Nancy was a loving member of the Parrott Community and will be missed by many. She was always smiling and by Larry's side, at the early age of 16. Nancy worked very hard in life, and loved her family even harder.

She is survived by her loving husband of 53 years Larry Kenneth Albert of Parrott: two daughters; Gail (Billy) Thompson of Parrott, and Pam (Mitch) Saville of Blacksburg: Also survived by grandchildren; Ryan (Hannah) Saville, Paige (Bryce) Nicolau, Kelli (Ryan) Combs and Brady Thompson. Several great-grandchildren: mother-in-law; Dorothy Albert of Parrott: brother; Johnny Poff of Giles Co.

Graveside funeral services, will be held Friday, September 23, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Highland Memory Gardens in Dublin. There will be no visitation.

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JUDY B. CONNER

Judy B. Conner of Pulaski, VA (27 told ya) passed away on Friday September 16, 2022 at the Pulaski Health & Rehabilitation Center.

Due to the fact I have been to way too many funerals in my 27 years I wish to make

this as short as possible for all the people I love.

NO visitation except for family just to come by, if they want to – Flowers for casket

one purple rose on my Bible. Remember my allergies, some flowers make me sneeze.

I wish to wear – Something I already have – make sure it's all-comfortable.

I want a short, simple service, no longer than 15 minutes, God already knows me and he is waiting.

Remember, God didn't say our lives would be easy, but HE'D always be with us-HE is.

Surviving is my wonderful husband, Marvin L. Conner, Sr., our two great sons,

Marvin L. Conner, Jr. of Statesville, NC and Brian N. Conner of Pulaski, VA,

I am so proud of them. Also surviving are my sisters Rita B. Powell, of Dublin, VA, Irene B. Jones and Vicki B. McCoy, both of Statesville, NC. Preceding me in death were my mother Ethel Hill Byrd, my father James Garland Byrd, my only brother Clinton A. Byrd of Statesville, NC and my sisters Mary B. Ayers of Statesville, NC and Janice B. Goodwin of Pulaski, VA.

In lieu of flowers (Remember I have allergies (and you don't want me to sneeze)) donations can be made to Dora Highway Baptist Church –

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A funeral service was held at Bower Funeral Home, Pulaski, Tuesday, September 20, 2022. Entombment followed at Highland Memory Gardens, Dublin, VA with the Rev. Harry Gunter officiating.

Judy's family would also like to thank everyone at Pulaski Health & Rehabilitation Center, Home Instead Home Care Services, Kindred at Home and Carillion Clinic Home Care.

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JAMES ROBERT (J.R.) BREWER

James Robert (J.R.) Brewer, 88, of Pulaski, Va., went to be with the Lord on September 14, 2022. His final days were spent surrounded by his family and friends that J.R. had touched in some way throughout his life. He was born November 16, 1933, in Carroll County, and was the son of the late Raymond Ellis Brewer and Hallie Elizabeth Brewer. J.R. Brewer was a loyal member of the First United Methodist Church where he served on many boards and was an avid supporter and former leader of the Missions at FUMC.

He graduated from Galax High School and joined the United States Air Force during the Korean War and was stationed in France and Germany. Following his military service, he returned home, attended, and graduated from the National Business College, now known as National College, in Salem, VA. He went on to become an insurance investigator for Retail Credit Company, now known as Equifax, for more than 35 years.

In addition to his parents, he is proceeded in death by his loving wife, Virginia (Gin) Brewer; and brother, Curtis Grey Brewer.

He is survived by two daughters, Terri Brewer Hash (Dean) of Christiansburg, and Regina Brewer Edwards (Jimmy Brunner), of Pulaski; three sons, James Allen Brewer (Karen), of Webster, MO, John Robert Brewer of Pulaski, and Joel Kerry Brewer of Fuquay Varina, NC; a brother, Joseph Ellis Brewer of Galax, VA, and sister-in-law, Mary J. Brewer of Lady Lake, FL. J.R. is also survived by five loving grandchildren, Whitney Edwards Beck (Charles), Caleb Richard Brewer, Jenna Kerry Brewer, Peyton Olivia Brewer, Gowen Gabriel Quarterman Brewer; step grandchildren, Cassandra Danielle Hash and Erika Christian Kaivani; great-grandson, Owen Grey Beck; as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins. He is also survived by a long-time neighbor and dear friend, Ann Jameson.

Funeral Services were held on Monday, September 19, 2022, at the Family Life Center of First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Josh Kilbourne officiating. Interment was private.

Flowers will be appreciated, but for those who wish, memorial contributions may be made in J.R.'s memory to the Alzheimer's

See DEATHS, page A5

Skateboard, basketball facility well received and taken care of

By **MIKE WILLIAMS**
The Patriot

The Town of Pulaski's new skateboard park and basketball court on First Street S.E. have been a big hit with citizens so far.

That according to Pulaski Councilman Jamie Radcliffe, who said it appears users of the facility are taking good care of it.

Town Manager Darlene Burcham agreed.

"I have been super impressed and amazed that when the trash can is full – and it stays full a lot – people are still keeping the area clean. Because they're putting the stuff beside the trash can for it to be picked up. So, it's proba-

bly – knock on wood – the most litter free area that we have in town right now," Burcham commented.

"So, it's tremendous, the kind of loving care being given to that facility by the users really is very, very impressive."

Across the creek, the town has razed the former Peak Creek Mercantile and has plans for a parking lot.

"We did demolish that building using town funds. The property is still in the ownership of the gentleman who owes significant amount of taxes to both the town and the county on that property," Burcham explained.

She said once the site is leveled

and ready for development, it will be reassessed by the county assessor.

"Then," she said, "the town attorney will be proceeding to take the next steps that are necessary on the judicial path for us to actually obtain title to the property, and once the title comes to us, then we can make any improvements to the property itself."

Burcham said currently the town is limiting any expense it has to just the actual demolition costs, which she said are about \$63,000.

"It was actually three buildings that kind of were intertwined. I don't think we'll probably be able

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WILLIAM GARY GRIMES

William Gary Grimes, age 66 of Pulaski passed away Thursday morning September 22, 2022 in Roanoke, Virginia. Born April 23, 1956 in Austinville, Virginia he was the son of Maxine Williams Grimes and the late John William Grimes. He was also preceded in death by his brother Henry Ray Grimes.

William is survived by his Mother
Maxine Williams Grimes-Pulaski
Brothers
John Michael Grimes – Dublin
Ronald Scott (Melissa) Grimes – Pulaski
Nephews
Dillon Grimes & Cody Grimes – Rural Retreat

Jason Scott Grimes – Germany

He will forever be missed by all who knew and loved him. Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM – Monday, September 26, 2022 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski with Chaplain Bobby Ward officiating. Interment will follow in Bethany Cemetery, Austinville. The family will receive friends Monday from 10:00 AM until service time at the funeral home.

To sign Gary’s online guest-book, visit www.bowerfuneral-home.com

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

New medication aide program offered at NRCC

Registration is now open for the new medication aide short-term training program at New River Community College.

Students in the medication aide program will be trained to work closely with patients in long-term care facilities. This program prepares students to take the Registered Medication Aide State Board Exam. The course includes 68 hours of instruction and consists of classroom and hands-on skills.

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The course is one of 12 NRCC FastForward programs that provide affordable and short-term training through the Office of Workforce Development. Virginia residents may qualify for special pricing.

IMPORTANT TAX REMINDER

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Mailed voter registration applications must be sent to the Pulaski County Voter Registration Office postmarked on or before the deadline.

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Monday-Friday, September 23, 2022 – November 5, 2022:
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Saturday, October 29, 2022: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 5, 2022: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Last day to vote an Early In-Person ballot at the Pulaski County Voter Registration Office.

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MAIL ABSENTEE VOTING

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raised just about all the money we needed for this project,” Williams told council.

She said in July of 2020, cost estimates for the project included \$200,000 for architect and engineering design fees; a little over \$2 million for construction and about \$1 million for furniture, fixtures and equipment along with startup costs.

In April of this year, however, Williams said a revised estimate put construction costs at just under \$4 million – \$2 million more than first thought.

“Now we have to raise the better part of \$2 million,” Williams said, noting “there is a pathway to get there.”

In addition to historic tax credits, Williams said Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine have worked to get \$500,000 into the Senate version of the budget proposal for the National Parks Service for the project.

“They feel very confident this will happen,” Williams told council.

Much of the rest needed would come from the federal EDA grant.

Williams added that Calfee is not just going to government sources for funding. As of the beginning of September, organizers had raised just over \$650,000 from private sources. Included in that, she said, are eight private foundation grants and one donor of over \$100,000 – that being Shelor Motor Mile and David Hagan and Larry Shelor.

“They are very excited about this project and have also agreed to purchase the state historic tax credits to allow us to get that money,” Williams said.

“We have had an amazing amount of support from the local community – businesses, foundations and local individuals,” she added.

Williams said the \$100,000 contribution from the town would be contingent on three things:

- Successful application for the \$1 million EDA grant.
- Pulaski County providing \$100,000 in matching local funds.
- The Calfee CCC raising the rest of the funds needed to complete the project.

In her presentation, Williams outlined details about the Calfee project and the needs it will address.

She said the project will draw attention to the “amazing history” of the Calfee Training School and the local fight for civil rights that many around the country and even locally know nothing about.

Another need it will address is the “childcare desert” the community finds itself in.

“Only about eight and a half percent of children below pre-school age have licensed childcare spots. That is a problem that

harms people across the income spectrum. One in four residents in the Town of Pulaski live below the poverty line. Local employers have told us that high levels of absenteeism due to a lack of childcare is one of the biggest problems they have with retaining employees,” she said.

The center will provide a health department-certified community kitchen for food-based business entrepreneurs, internet access for some of the 30 percent of Pulaski County residents who currently lack internet access, and basic computer skills.

The center will include a museum in addition to the kitchen, a “donate what you can café” and a childcare facility for 100 children. Williams said the center will partner with Headstart, the YMCA and Pulaski County Schools on childcare.

It will also have natural outdoor play spaces, a digital learning lab that will address and provide literacy opportunities, workforce development classes – all the way up to some digital editing and more advanced computer skills aimed at helping people of all ages be able to go to work.

There will also be an event hall and office spaces for rent, as well as a nature walk and playground space that will be open to the public.

Williams said 18 full-time jobs will be created at the community center, 64 local full-time jobs will be retained with 36 of those for low to moderate income individuals in the county because of childcare and food services at the center, and three food-based businesses will be either started or scaled up in the space in the first year of operation.

Williams said the project is in the capital campaign portion now along with getting final construction designs prepared and reviewed by the Department of Historic Resources.

They hope to hire a contractor toward the end of this year or early next year, construction during 2023 and opening the doors by mid-2024.

Answering a question from Councilman Jamie Radcliffe, Williams said center organizers can complete their grant application to the EDA by the end of October.

She said the \$100,000 from the town isn’t necessarily needed immediately, but rather at some point during construction.

“I think we just need it committed,” Williams stated.

As for the request, Radcliffe said he is “100 percent on board with it.”

Councilman Brooks Dawson said the question is where would the \$100,000 come from?

“Honestly there’s no extra money laying around. So that would be a choice of general fund or reserve money, correct?”

Town Manager Darlene Bur-

cham said it would depend on when the grant comes in and what the process is for actually spending the money.

“We might be in the next fiscal year, which means you could budget for it in your upcoming budget process. If you were to have to not just write a letter of commitment, but actually draw \$100,000 out then it would have to come from the reserve,” she said.

Williams said she believes a letter of commitment would be all Calfee would need from council at their next meeting in October.

During the council comments portion of the meeting later in the evening, Dawson said he agreed with Radcliffe’s support for the town’s donation to the project.

“I understand we don’t have much or any extra money, but I think this is almost like a capital improvement project from the standpoint of things we can do to improve our town with the Calfee Cultural Center, so I certainly am going to be on board with the thought of that. Even if we need to think about the financial side of that over the span of a couple of years, to make sure that we have set aside what we need to for it,” he said.

Deaths

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Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave, Fl. 17, Chicago IL 60601, the First United Methodist Church Missions, 135 4th Street NW, Pulaski, VA 24301, or Feed My Lambs, 5095 Alum Spring Road, Pulaski, VA 24301. The family would like to thank the Commonwealth Senior Living at Radford and Pulaski Health & Rehabilitation Center for their loving care of J.R.

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Border Problems Continue

When asked recently by NBC News whether the border is secure, Vice President Kamala Harris, the Biden Administration's "border czar," said, "We have a secure border in that that is a priority for any nation."

The Vice President's confusing syntax aside, the only answer to the question "Is the border secure?" right now must be "No."



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

A secure border would not be setting records for daily encounters of illegal immigrants, but the Washington Free Beacon

reported on September 15 that internal U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) documents indicate about 8,000 illegal immigrant encounters are taking place at the border each day, the highest daily number in our history.

If the border were secure, we would not hear howling when governors on the southern border send a few busloads of illegal immigrants to areas that commonly vote for the politicians that oppose fully securing the border.

Sustained high daily numbers of encounters, just the latest negative record set at the border under the Biden Administration, mock the idea that the border is anything close to secure. Border Patrol agents cannot adequately respond to the situation. The astounding numbers of illegal immigrants at the border, many of whom are eventually released into our country, also signal to others contemplating unlawful entry that they can make the attempt without having to worry about legal consequences.

An uncontrolled border also offers plenty of opportunities for criminals or other unscrupulous actors to gain. Cartels traffic people across the border with little regard for the illegal immigrants in their charge and smuggle drugs that make their way to communities across the country, including some in Virginia's Ninth Congressional District.

Utter incompetence and mismanagement allow some of these unscrupulous actors to cash in with American taxpayer dollars.

Illegal immigrant minors who are caught crossing the border are detained and housed while the Federal Government seeks sponsors in our country to take them into custody. The government often contracts with nongovernmental organizations to provide these services, but recent arrests and indictments suggest the government cannot always find trustworthy partners.

At the beginning of September, the CEO of International Education Services, a contractor providing temporary shelter and other services for unaccompanied alien minors, was indicted by a federal grand jury on embezzlement and theft charges.

News reports on the indictment report that International Education Services received almost all its funding through federal grants. The indictment alleges that the CEO, Ruben Gallegos Jr., used grant money to pay to himself and other individuals salaries hundreds of thousands of dollars above a cap imposed by federal regulations. While the cap was \$187,000, Mr. Gallegos in four separate years paid himself salaries ranging from \$435,417 to \$492,002. He also used grant money to lease properties from himself at excessive rates.

While the Biden Administration's chosen leaders for DHS have created many of the problems along the border, responsibility for unaccompanied alien minors falls under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR). This agency comes under the congressional oversight jurisdiction of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, on which I serve.

From trips to the border and oversight work, I have noticed problems myself with how ORR vets the people it gives the minors to for care. To match these minors with family members already in the country, I found that ORR relies on common background search websites that often turn up incorrect or incomplete information, instead of a full-blown criminal background check.

To be clear, these minors should not come here illegally, but if we are going to allow them here and claim to be looking out for them, ORR should not compound the damage by potentially matching them with people who have not been properly vetted.

If in the future I were honored to serve as the Chairman of the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee of Energy and Commerce, I would strive to hold HHS leadership accountable on how it performs its duties at the border.

Of course, the best way to avoid problems with placing illegal immigrants is securing the border. As long as the Biden Administration avoids taking this action, it is responsible for the legal and humanitarian disaster that results.

If you have questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to contact my office. You can call my Abingdon office at 276-525-1405, my Christiansburg office at 540-381-5671, or my Washington office at 202-225-3861.

'Give 'em Watts boys'

Have you ever heard the phrase, "Give 'em Watts boys"? These words were uttered by Presbyterian minister James Caldwell in June 1780 during the Revolutionary War battle of Springfield, NJ.

Rev. Caldwell was a member of the Black Robe Regiment, a derogatory term assigned to the clergy by the British soldiers during the American Revolution. Although the Presbyterian ministers had been preaching strong sermons about the saving grace of Jesus Christ, they also were enormously influential in helping to form the political culture of our nation. Years before the American Revolution, they preached about freedom, consent of the governed, individual rights, equality under the law, and personal responsibilities.

Alice M. Baldwin describes the source of their ideas on government in her book, *The New England Clergy and the American Revolution*:

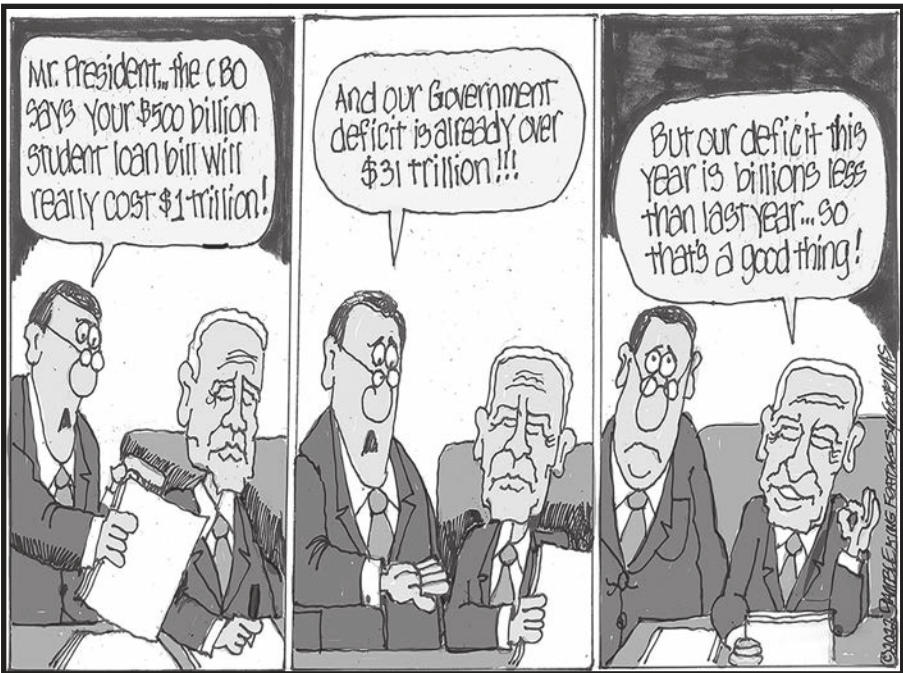
"It becomes increasingly evident that the New England ideas of government were in-

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timately connected with the interpretation of the Bible...The most common source was the Bible. The Old Testament furnished many illustrations of covenant relations, of the limitations placed upon rulers and people, of natural rights, of the divine constitution, etc. The New Testament gave authority for the liberties of Christians, for the relation of Christians to those in authority over them, and for the right of resistance. Indeed, there was never a principle derived from more secular reading that was not strengthened and sanctified by the Scriptures."

While the Christian clergy in America helped define political theory of their day,

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Immigration and roosting chickens

BY CAL THOMAS, Tribune Content Agency

The saying "the chickens have come home to roost" seems to apply to the immigration policies of the Biden administration, sanctuary cities and states.

Gov. Greg Abbott (R-TX) and Gov. Doug Ducey (R-AZ) have been sending hundreds of people who have illegally crossed the border into their states to Chicago, New York, Washington, D.C., and Delaware. Gov. Ron DeSantis (R-FL) sent 50 migrants to the uber-liberal town of Martha's Vineyard. Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker (R-MA) promptly ordered the National Guard to send them to Joint Base Cape Cod. That should preserve property values in a town where wealthy residents, including former President Barack Obama, own homes.

The saying about roosting chickens refers to the unpleasant effects of actions someone has taken. Having declared their cities and states safe havens for migrants, Democratic mayors and governors are now loudly complaining they don't have the room or resources to care for them. They don't mind burdening states with Republican governors for the cost, housing, health risks (few appear to have been tested for COVID-19) and other challenges, but instead are taking a "not in my backyard" position when forced to deal with the U.S. government's failure to control the border.

Busing migrants to these liberal bastions is a clever political move, which even some on the left have acknowledged. The latest occurred when two busloads of them were dropped off outside the Washington, D.C., residence of Vice President Kamala Harris. Fox News is one of the few media outlets to consistently cover the border crisis, including human and human traffickers and the smuggling of fentanyl into the country, a drug that has become the number one cause of death among 18 to 45 year olds. That other media have largely ignored or downplayed the immigration crisis is journalistic malpractice.

Biden administration officials, including Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas and Vice President Harris, have claimed the border is

closed. Video shows that is not true. To paraphrase another familiar saying: "are you going to believe them, or your lying eyes?"

It is amusing to listen to the squealing of those politicians who self-righteously claimed to offer open arms to all migrants but then turn on them, as though they were a vast migration of Republicans.

Some of these politicians have quoted the Emma Lazarus poem engraved on the Statue of Liberty about sending us "your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." They now have flipped, preferring a version of the Little Richard song "Keep A-knock-in', but you can't come in."

Do our immigration laws mean nothing? Don't our leaders take oaths to uphold the laws of the United States and protect and defend the Constitution? Those laws were passed by Republican and Democratic members of Congress and signed by presidents of both parties. President Biden is violating his oath of office, as is his secretary of Homeland Security, when they refuse to enforce them.

There are checkpoints where people fleeing their countries for humanitarian reasons can be legally processed while their claims are validated. No nation can maintain its character and existence if it does not control its border.

Illegal immigration has ebbed and flowed under previous administrations, but has reached new and unsustainable levels under the current one.

Why have past administrations, and now this one, allowing uncontrolled immigration, along with a flow of deadly drugs? Why is so much of the media ignoring it? If Republicans win a congressional majority in the November election, they must hold the administration accountable, even to the point of impeachment. To do otherwise would be chicken-hearted and invite even more bad policies home to roost.

Readers may email Cal Thomas at tcadeditors@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

In Ukraine, no substitute for hard power

The ongoing Ukrainian counter-offensive, if successful, could reshape the war and the geopolitical contours of Europe.

It is a testament to Ukrainian pluck and staying power but, above all, to the advanced weapons that the West has put in the hands of the Ukrainians.

Soft power, the coinage of political scientist Joseph Nye for the ability of a country to get others to do what it wants without coercion, is important; hard power is absolutely indispensable.

This is easy to forget in a West that believes deeply in democratic ideals and moral example. Even if it is true, as optimists believe, that the arc of moral history bends toward justice, an armored division can smash and bend it back.

The history of the West is in part the history of arms races, in fortresses, cannons, ships, rifles, aircrafts and much else.

Empires have risen and fallen on the strength of military hardware. Cities have conquered or been destroyed. Armies have triumphed or dissolved.

After the Russian invasion of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy had bucketfuls of soft power. He was the most admired man in the world. He spoke at the United Nations, to Congress and other national legislative bodies, and even at the Grammys. What did that get him? It helped solidify the good will of Western countries, which was essential. He constantly tried to leverage that sentiment, though, for the hardheaded priority of more weapons.

Zelenskyy could still be admired in death, or in a Russian prison, or as an exile. Yet, if he wanted to continue to be admired as the leader of an independent country, he needed sheer firepower.

Ukraine's cause hasn't gotten any more just or inspiring over the last couple of months; it's gotten better armed.

Ukraine couldn't win a straight-up artillery fight with the Russians, and in fact it was losing one in a grinding war of attrition. A HIMARS, or high mobility artillery rocket system, versus artillery rocket, though, is a different matter.

The Ukrainians have used these long-range, precision systems provided by the U.S. to hit Russian artillery parks, ammunition dumps and logistical hubs. The strikes have caused breakdowns in Russia's fuel and ammunition supplies as well as in the cohesion of its troops and command-and-control.

The Ukraine war has been a conflict of stark phases and strategic adjustments and re-adjustments. The Russians will presumably have their answer to the current Ukrainian push, and if they don't, one reason will be that they are running out of those pillars of hard power -- men and materiel.

Paul Lockhart writes in "Firepower," his book about the history of weapons of war: "Technological sophistication and military might are, to be

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‘Operation Queenpin’ turns up drugs, cash



Drugs, cash seized in Operation Queenpin.

Wythe County Sheriff's Office photo

Wythe County Sheriff's Office

Over the past few months, the Wythe County Sheriff's Office and the Wythe County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office began working on a narcotics distribution ring in Wythe County.

This operation was named "Operation Queenpin." Large quantities of methamphetamine, heroin, marijuana and fentanyl were being distributed throughout Wythe County.

In an effort to arrest these drug dealers the Wythe County Sheriff's Office executed search warrants on Castleton Road (Barren Springs community) and Ashley Lane (Grahams Forge community).

The Wythe County Sheriff's Office seized a total of 688 grams of methamphetamine, 16 grams of heroin with a total street value of \$72,000 of street value. Also seized was \$4,770 of U.S. currency.

Timothy King has been charged with the distribution of over 10 grams of a schedule 1 or 2 (methamphetamine) and possession with intent to distribute over 10 grams of schedule 1 or 2 (methamphetamine).

Shelby Perry has been charged with distribution of over 100 grams of schedule 1 or 2 (methamphetamine), possession with intent to distribute over 100 grams of schedule 1 or 2 (methamphetamine), Possession with intent to distribute over 10 grams of schedule 1 or 2 (heroin).

Jorge Olivares has been charged with felon in possession of ammunition for a firearm.

More arrests and charges are expected.

Arrestees:

Shelby Nicole Perry
135 Ashley Lane
Max Meadows, Va.
11/11/91

Timothy Joel King
1619 Castleton Road
Max Meadows, Va.

Jorge Luis Olivares
595 E. Marshall Street
Wytheville, Va.



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they also defended it in military combat. The clergy were also leaders in the legislative bodies where they could help implement what they had preached. When it came time to defend their freedoms, the Presbyterian clergy led their congregations onto the battlefield.

Rev. James Caldwell was the pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Elizabethtown, NJ. Before the war broke out, was a member of the Committees of Correspondence, disseminating news about anti-British activities; and when the war commenced, Caldwell helped recruit soldiers, materials and arms for the Continental Army. That June, he was elected chaplain of the Third New Jersey Brigade under Colonel Elias Dayton, who was one of the members of his congregation. He also served as chaplain to the Army. He earned the title of "the fighting parson" while serving on the battlefield beside his men.

During the battle of Springfield, NJ, the Continental soldiers were outnumbered and ran out of wadding for their muskets, so they could not defend themselves and

their town. Realizing the dilemma, Rev. Caldwell raced his horse to a nearby church, loaded up as many of the Isaac Watts hymnals as he could carry and delivered them to the soldiers. While instructing them to tear out the pages and use them for wadding, he shouted encouragements, "Give 'em Watts, boys!"

The battle turned in their favor and the British left the area, never to return in battle. However, on their way out of town, they pillaged and burned buildings and Caldwell's church.

The battle of Springfield, NJ has been memorialized in several ways. Watercolor artist Henry Alexander Ogden painted "James Caldwell at the Battle of Springfield" which is located in the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia, PA.

Poet Bret Harte memorialized Caldwell in his rendition "Caldwell of Springfield." In part, here is what Harte wrote:

Here's the spot. Look around you. Above on the height
Lay the Hessians encamped. By

that church on the right
Stood the gaunt Jersey farmers.
And here ran a wall,—

You may dig anywhere and you'll turn up a ball.

Nothing more. Grasses spring, waters run, flowers blow,

Pretty much as they did ninety-three years ago.

Nothing more, did I say? Stay one moment: you've heard

Of Caldwell, the parson, who once preached the word

Down at Springfield? What, no? Come—that's bad; why, he had

All the Jerseys aflame! And they gave him the name

Of the "rebel high priest." He stuck in their gorge,

For he loved the Lord God—and he hated King George!

Why, just what he did! They were left in the lurch

For the want of more wadding. He ran to the church,

Broke the door, stripped the pews, and dashed out in the road

With his arms full of hymn-books, and threw down his load

At their feet! Then above all the shouting and shots

Rang his voice: "Put Watts into 'em! Boys, give 'em Watts!"

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sure, not synonymous but closely connected, and military might is a vital factor in the calculus of international relations. Great powers tend to have great weapons, or at least a lot of really good weapons."

We should be mindful of this, not just in the assistance we provide to Ukraine but in our priorities for ourselves. Our military budget needs to be much bigger, and our defense industrial base is wholly insufficient to the new, more threatening international environment. We would run out of rockets quickly in a war with China. Even supporting Ukraine at the current level has been a strain.

The United States is a marvel


of soft power, binding allies to us, attracting people all over the world who want to come here, and reaching the most far-flung places in the world. What we've been able to provide Ukraine that has been most telling, though, hasn't been diplomatic or moral support, rather a system that can put a rocket directly on a target up to 50 miles away.

That's been the game changer, as better, more sophisticated military technology has always been from long bows, to arquebuses, to fighter jets. There is simply no substitute for hard power.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



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Apco: Typical bill to rise \$20 per month

Patriot Staff Report

Appalachian Power expects electric bills for a typical residential customer to increase by about \$20 per month beginning Nov. 1. The utility provided a news release today to explain the reasons behind the increase (see below).

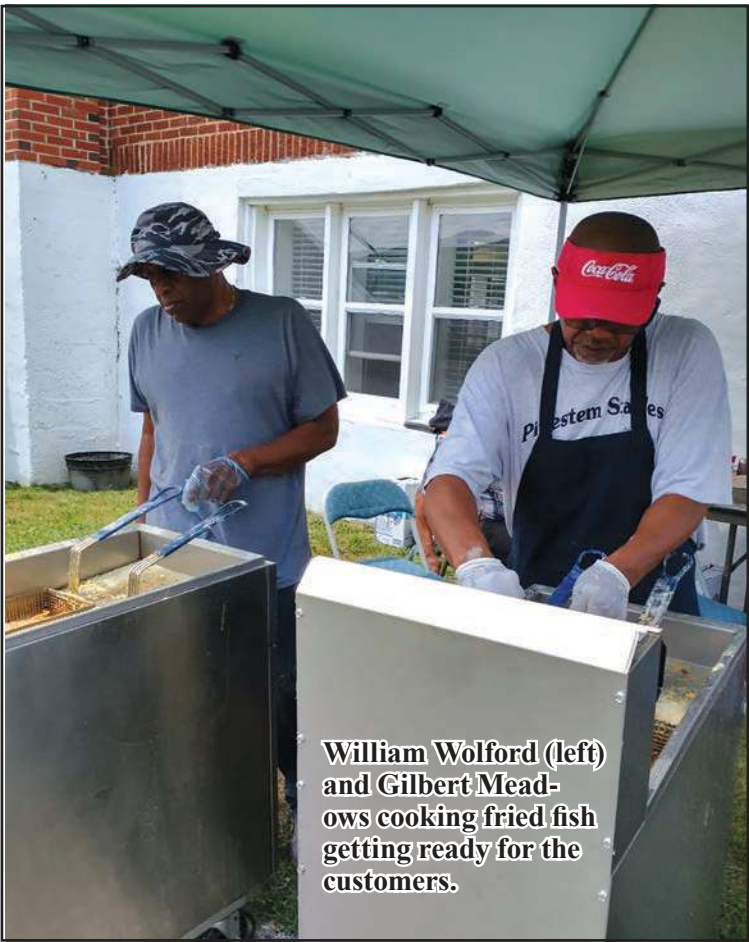
ROANOKE – A rise in the cost of coal, natural gas and purchased power over the past year will increase the rate Virginia customers pay for electricity starting November 1. Appalachian Power, a utility subsidiary of American Electric Power, outlined the effect of rising energy market prices and the steps it is taking to reduce customer costs in its annual fuel factor update filed this week with the Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC).

The SCC reviews the company's fuel factor each year to deter-

mine whether it should be increased or lowered. Fuel costs are the portion of a customer's bill used to recover the cost of purchasing natural gas and coal for its power plants, as well as the cost of purchased power. Appalachian Power does not earn revenue from fuel.

Energy costs began to spike in 2021. The rapid rise was due to several factors including the resurgence of the economy following the COVID-19 pandemic, inflation, and the ongoing war in Ukraine.

Instead of recovering the increased costs over one year, the company has asked the SCC for approval to spread the amount over a two-year period, decreasing the impact on customers. For a typical residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt hours in a month, this will result in an approximate \$20 monthly increase in their bill.



William Wolford (left) and Gilbert Meadows cooking fried fish getting ready for the customers.

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Flu

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proach is proven to be a fast and efficient way to vaccinate a large number of folks in a short time," said Noelle Bissell, M.D., director, New River Health District. "Herd immunity develops when more people get vaccinated," Dr. Bissell explained. "There is less virus present to potentially infect those who cannot be immunized such as infants under 6 months old; this helps protect everyone from this potentially deadly disease." It is especially important to get a shot this year because Covid is still circulating and getting infected with both flu and Covid can increase the severity of illness. Based on data from the southern hemisphere, we expect this to be a more severe flu season than we have had the past few years.

"The timing and duration of flu seasons vary - they can occur from early fall to late spring. Receiving an annual seasonal flu vaccine is the best way to reduce your risk of becoming sick with the flu and spreading the virus to others. When more people get vaccinated, less flu can spread through the community. It takes up to two weeks to develop the vaccine's full protection," said Dr. Bissell.

All persons aged 6 months or older should be vaccinated against influenza each year. Particular effort should be made to vaccinate people at higher risk for influenza complications, including:

- Pregnant and postpartum women, or those who will be pregnant during the influenza

season;

- Persons over 65 years of age, including residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities;

- People who have chronic lung or heart problems, including asthma; and

- People who have other serious medical conditions, such as diabetes, kidney disease, cystic fibrosis, anemia, cancer, weak immune systems (including those with HIV) or a seizure disorder.

To help prevent the spread of influenza to people in high risk groups, those who live with people in a high risk group and healthcare workers should also receive an annual influenza vaccine. Travelers to countries outside of the U.S. may also need to consider influenza vaccination, even at different times of the year.

Each year in the U.S. approximately 200,000 people are hospitalized due to flu illness, and flu-related deaths range from 12,000 to 56,000 each year, averaging 34,000 per year over the last three decades.

To minimize your risk of contracting or transmitting the flu, follow these simple steps:

- Get vaccinated;
- Consider wearing a mask if one is high risk or if one is having symptoms.
- Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly, for at least 20 seconds;

- Cover your cough, either by using a disposable tissue or coughing into your sleeve, not your hand; and
- Stay at home when you are sick.

For more information, call the New River Health District at 540-585-3300 or visit <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/flu/>.

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Griffith feels good about race for 9th, House

By WILLAM PAINE
The Patriot

Congressman Morgan Griffith spent several hours campaigning in Pulaski County last Saturday, beginning with a long walk through the well-tended streets of Herron's Landing in Fairlawn.

Griffith, who represents Virginia's 9th Congressional District and County Supervisor Adam Hall, who represents Pulaski County's Cloyd District, joined forces on that last Saturday of summer for the purpose of politicking. Both Griffith and Hall, along with several volunteers, spent the morning knocking on doors to encourage residents in this upscale neighborhood to vote for them in the upcoming November 8th elections.

Griffith, who seems to genuinely enjoy campaigning, has been sighted at several locations

throughout Southwest Virginia in these past few weeks.

"It has been very busy," Griffith admitted. "I've been running around trying to make sure that I'm meeting as many people as I can. You get a feel for what voters are thinking and what they're looking for when you get out and go to the fairs and go to the street festivals and so forth. Then of course, knocking doors is always great."

Is this upcoming election particularly meaningful?

“Well as a Republican, if we can get control of the House, then we can put a stop to any new, really bad ideas coming out of the Biden administration,” stated Griffith. “We also will get the ability to do some oversight and to make sure that money that’s been authorized for certain projects, is actually being spent the way that Congress intended. So, we can do a little



Photo by William Paine

Taking the campaign to Herron's Landing: (Front Row From left:) Jeanette Hall, Emily Hall, Leighann Hall, Jackson Krug; (Back row from left:) Morgan Griffith and Adam Hall.

bit of work there. We won't have the ability to change everything because the President still has the veto pen, even if we got both houses of Congress, but we can at least stop so many bad ideas from actually becoming law."

If Griffith is re-elected, which is probable according to the latest poll numbers, what will be his priorities in his sixth term in office?

"Well, I'm really doing a lot of things I've always done," Griffith responded. "I'm looking for economic development opportunities in the ninth congressional district, but also this oversight is going to be very important. I'm expected to have one of the oversight gavels and will have jurisdiction over

things like the CDC and the NIH and this would include Dr. Fauci's office. Even though he will retire before I get that gavel, we can still subpoena him in.

"We can make sure that the money's being spent in the right places for broadband because the internet falls under the committee's jurisdiction," Griffith continued. "If we've authorized it, we want to make sure that money is spent properly and is not being diverted to other purposes."

The duties of the oversight committee will hinge on the Republicans taking control of the House of Representatives. Is Congressman Griffith optimistic about the results of the upcoming election?

"I feel very good about the election," said Griffith. "I think I'll be alright in the Ninth District and then I think we (Republicans) will get control the United States House. The question is how many seats will we have? Then, of course, there's the Senate and we'll see what happens there."

As mentioned, this particular day, Congressman Griffith was knocking on doors with Supervisor Adam Hall.

"I support Adam absolutely," said Griffith. "We've got to have people with conservative ideas like Adam Hall, at the local level."

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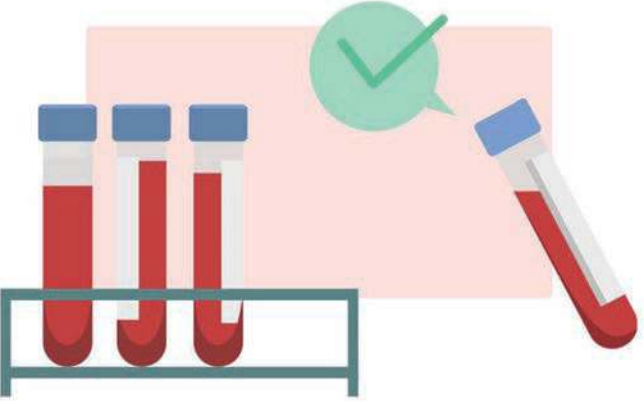
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NRCC nursing grad changes careers, pursues dream job

From NRCC

Justine Farlow didn't take a typical path to a nursing career. In fact, she worked as a librarian for ten years before applying for nursing school at New River Community College.

Farlow, of Pulaski, explained that nursing intrigued her because of the many career options within the profession, and the career can be flexible for those with children. She also wanted to give back.

"Nursing is a rewarding service to others in your community," said Farlow.

NRCC's nursing program drew her in because it seemed that the National Council of State Boards of Nursing NCLEX exam passing scores at NRCC were comparable to other colleges in the Virginia Community College System. She was also impressed by the communication she received from NRCC.

"The faculty and staff that I reached out to before committing were very helpful," Farlow noted.

Beyond the NCLEX pass rates, Farlow found other compelling reasons to attend NRCC.

"I chose NRCC to support education within our community," said Farlow. "Our county is fortunate to have the college here and available for students of all ages. The short commute, the reasonable tuition, and the opportunity for scholarships and grants were all factors in my decision."

While at NRCC, Farlow received funding for tuition through the G3 program, a state program that offers tuition assistance for any Virginia resident who qualifies for in-state tuition and whose family income falls below an identified threshold. Eligible students may enroll in designated programs that lead to jobs in high-demand fields, such as nursing.

She also received the Simmons Family Scholarship through the NRCC Educational Foundation. She found herself immersed in the college experience and was elected as one of the Student Advisory Board representatives for her nursing cohort.

But the journey to her degree wasn't without challenges. Just before she was accepted to NRCC's nursing program, she found out she was pregnant. And near the end of her studies, she had another child.

Griffith

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the state level, the national level or else it doesn't work. So, we need to make sure we have conservatives at every level to try to keep down inflation and keep down big government."

Griffith paused a moment, then continued.

"We need to make sure that we



Justine Farlow

"Having two babies during nursing school was incredibly difficult in addition to working, caring for my family, studying, and putting in clinical hours," said Farlow. "I'm so thankful that God put special people in my life during this time – professors, students, coworkers, church friends, clinical groups, and of course, my husband, without whom I could never have achieved this dream."

Along with hard work and determination, she credits much of her success in the program to the nursing faculty and friends she made along the way who helped support her goal.

"Michelle Keister [one of Farlow's nursing instructors] was one of my greatest influences during my time at NRCC. She taught my favorite class and was an excellent clinical instructor. As long as I remember to ask 'Why?' I believe I will never stop learning. I now have the opportunity to pursue my dream job. I'm also thankful for the friends I made!"

Farlow graduated magna cum laude, a high academic honor, with her associate degree in nursing in May and then successfully passed her NCLEX exam later that month. She recently took her first nursing job as a labor and delivery nurse at LewisGale Hospital Montgomery and is looking forward to beginning her new career.

"I would love to encourage any young woman who wants to make what seems like an impossible choice for the betterment of her family: do hard things. It is worth it."

continue to preserve our rights, such as the right to bear arms, the right of free speech, the free exercise of religion, which has been challenged with some of the COVID regulations that came out from the other side. You know, you could have liquor stores open and Lowe's open, but you couldn't go to church. That was ridiculous and really was I think in violation of the Constitution."

After knocking on doors for well over an hour, it was time for Griffith, along with Jackson, his ever-present Political Director, to head to the New River Valley Fair to greet more perspective voters.

Adam Hall and his group of supporters continued knocking on doors for most of the day.



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It has come to my attention recently that our Board of Supervisors and the Public Service Authority (PSA) are planning a massive water and sewage package for all Pulaski County Residents. It's called Water and Sewer Master Plan.

This project is going to cost the taxpayers millions of dollars. There have been no letters or surveys sent out asking us if we want county water and sewer, nothing telling us what this is going to cost.

The reason I am aware of this is because a few weeks ago people from the water department came into our neighborhood marking areas with flags. When people started asking them questions about what they were doing they were very rude and spoke very hateful to some of the residents. They said you are going to get county water.

We called the PSA and asked why we had not been notified and was told that letters were going out to all residents. That was August 17, 2022 - no letter was received.

We went to the Board of Supervisors meeting and asked them about this. We were told to go to the PSA meeting and talk to Jarrod Linkous.

We went to the PSA meeting and asked Mr. Linkous why no survey or letters had been sent out. He apologized (that was it nothing else).

I presented Mr. Linkous with a petition with 24 signatures. This is over 50 percent of the people on Hilton Village Loop that stated NO they did not want county water. We have good wells in this area.

Mr. Linkous said he would take this into consideration. Most all the residents of this area are senior citizens on a fixed income and cannot afford this kind of debt.

He said people would not have to hook up to the water, but you would have to pay a non-hook up fee of \$14.00 per month. If you do hook up to the water, it will be a \$1000 hook up fee plus your water bill each month.

I don't think we should be forced to pay back millions of dollars for something we don't want or need.

I don't believe the Board of Supervisors or the PSA board is representing the residents of Pulaski County.

This is an election year maybe it is time to drain the swamp and elect people that will represent the people and what is best for them.

If you live in Pulaski County please go to the meetings and find out what is going on. I feel like this has been very underhanded dealings by keeping the people in the dark about this until they show up in your neighborhood.

The Board of Supervisors meets the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The PSA meets every 2nd Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and both meetings are at 143 3rd Street, N.W. in Pulaski.

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WestRock Donates to NRCC's Instrumentation Program

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WestRock recently presented a donation to NRCC's instrumentation & control automation program. L to R: Zachary Dones, NRCC student; Jacob Phillips, NRCC student; Dustin Carter, NRCC assistant professor; Sarah Karalus, WestRock representative; Camden Reed, NRCC student; Ryan Zembrzuski, NRCC student.

Early voting starts today in Virginia

RICHMOND, VA — In-person voting for the Nov. 8, 2022 general election begins Sept. 23, and will continue through Nov. 5.

To vote early in-person, registered voters should go to the general registrar's office for the jurisdiction in which they are registered, present their ID and cast a ballot. The location of the general registrar's office for all jurisdictions can be found on the Virginia Department of

Elections' website (<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/PublicContactLookup>) as well as a list of acceptable forms of identification (<https://www.elections.virginia.gov/registration/voterid/index.html>).

Some jurisdictions may offer early in-person voting at satellite

locations in addition to the general registrar's office. Early in-person voting will also be held each of the two Saturdays preceding Election Day. Contact your general registrar's office for more information regarding voting hours and additional locations.

Additionally, absentee ballots will be mailed beginning Sept. 23 to military and overseas voters as well as anyone who has applied to receive one. Any registered voter can request an absentee ballot either in-person, by mail, online (<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/Lookup/absentee>) or by contacting your general registrar's office.

Registered voters do not need a reason to request an absentee ballot.

Absentee ballots can be dropped off at the general registrar's office or polling location on Election Day. Any voter mailing an absentee ballot must have it postmarked no later than Nov. 8.

Anyone with visual or manual dexterity impairment has the op-

tion to vote an absentee ballot using an electronic marking tool.

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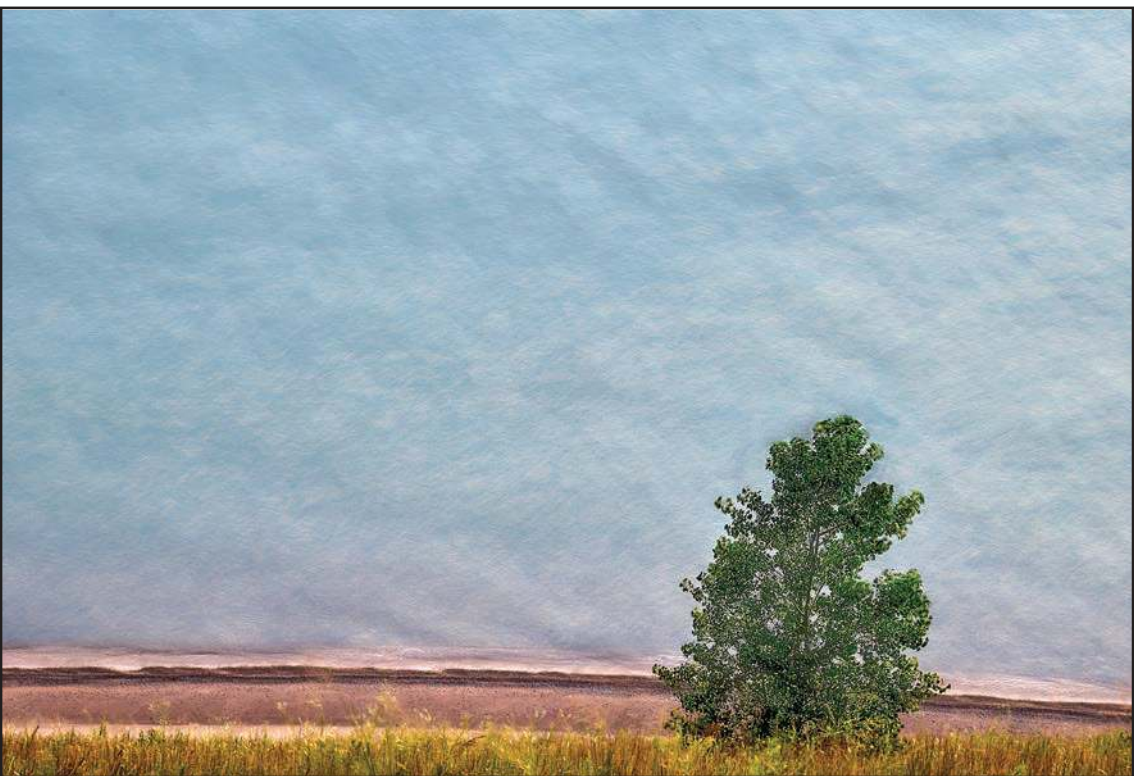
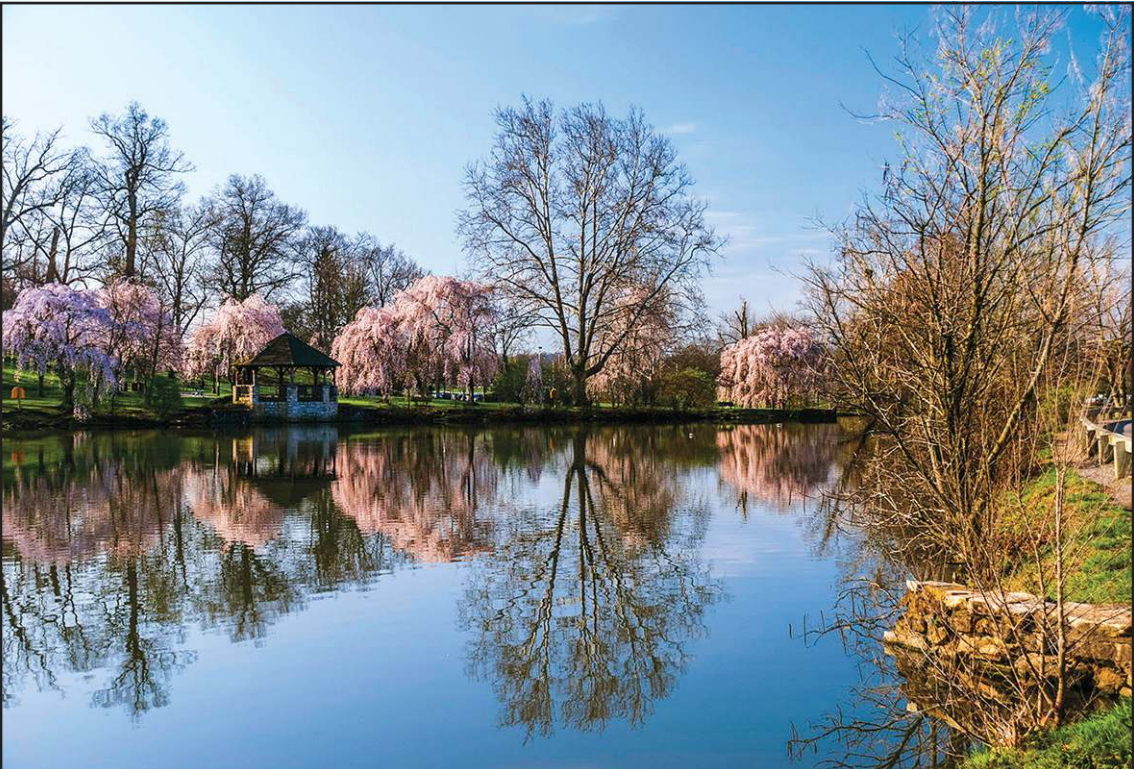
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Two tie for Radford Photo Club tree photo challenge

Photos by Michele Borgarelli of Blacksburg and Robert Daniels of Snowville tied in the Radford Photo Club September challenge to photograph trees.

Borgarelli's photo, "Solitude" is a solitary tree on Lake Michigan photographed from the top of a sand dune. He explains, "I used a moderate zoom lens to isolated the subject and a long exposure. The image was taken after sunset."

Daniels calls his photo of a tall, bare tree reflected in the Virginia Tech duck pond surrounded by blossoming cherry trees a "lucky shot." "It was lucky I had my camera with me," he said.

Linda Waggaman of Radford won the open theme category. She was playing golf in Ireland and took the day off. "I was sitting in tall grasses during a windy day at Carne Golf Club in Belmullet, Ireland to get this photo," she said.

The Radford Photo Club is made up of professional and

amateur photographers from throughout the New River Valley. The October 20 meeting will be at Radford Public Library at 6 p.m. Sharon Gilbert of Radford will talk about the different formats she uses to print her photos, such as ceramic tile, wood, slate, and metal.

The photo challenge is pets. Meetings, events, and outings are open to the public.

Learn more about the club by searching for "Radford Photo Club" on Facebook.



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Top:
Robert Daniels Duck Pond

Middle:
Borgarelli Solitude

Bottom:
Craig Waggaman in the blowing grass on tee.

Voter notices distributed this week to Virginians

RICHMOND, VA—Virginia voters will receive notices in the mail regarding their polling locations for the November 8 general election beginning this week.

"Districts and polling locations have changed for some voters as part of the redistricting process following the 2020 Census," Department of Elections Commissioner Susan Beals said. "We encourage every voter to check their polling location on their voter notice."

District boundaries for federal, state and local offices are redrawn every 10 years following the census. The 2022 election is the first November general election for which the new districts resulting from the 2020 census will be in effect.

All registered Virginia voters will receive a notification containing their district information and polling location regardless of whether any changes were made.

Separate polling locations for town elections will not be listed because town elections have been moved from May to November and will be held November 8.

Virginia maintained all its 11 Congressional districts following the 2020 U.S. Census, though many boundaries were altered due to de-

mographic shifts. The Virginia Supreme Court unanimously approved the new district boundaries (https://www.vacourts.gov/courts/scv/districting/redistricting_final.pdf) December 28, 2021, after reviewing a proposal (https://www.vacourts.gov/courts/scv/districting/2021_virginia_redistricting_memo.pdf) from two court-mandated special masters after the newly created bipartisan Virginia Redistricting Commission was unable to reach an agreement on the new boundaries.

Voters can also find their district and polling location information on the Virginia Department of Elections website (<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/Lookup/polling>).

Maps:
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Cougars face tough test Saturday vs. Cave

By MASON CLARK
The Patriot

So far this year, the Cougars have had a delayed game, a Thursday night game and a bye week. Now this week they will get another rare occurrence when they play a Saturday night game, traveling to the familiar Bogle Field to take on old rival the Cave Spring Knights.

The Cougars come in at 2-1, the Knights at 3-1. Things get more serious this week, as River Ridge District play begins for the Cougars. We need to be at our best and continue to get better and better as the season progresses.

History

Other than Salem, we likely have the most history with the

Knights. We have played them all but two years in our history: 2001 and 2002. Other than that, we've played them every single season of our existence.

We lead the series 32-14, including the last seven meetings. The early years of Cougar football saw some entertaining games with Cave. We got just our second win in school history against them with a 16-14 win. We lost 34-0 in 1975, before Timmy Venable led the Cougars to a thrilling 30-28 win in 1976. But the Knights shut us out in 1977 (23-0) and 1978 (42-0) the last two years of Dave Brown's tenure. Interesting fact: the 1978 game with the Knights has a school record, but not a good one: most Cougar fumbles in one game. We fumbled the football nine (!) times in that game alone.

Joel Hicks would be much more

successful against Cave Spring, like he was against just about everybody. We lost a heartbreaker in 1979 at 8-7, which was Coach Hicks' first loss at PCHS, and then lost 28-8 in 1980. But we would then rip off seven consecutive wins over CSHS: 16-13 in 1981, 23-21 in 1982 as part of the first unbeaten regular season, 22-13 in 1983, 20-0 in 1984, 14-13 in 1985 when they missed a PAT, 42-21 in 1986, and 30-0 in 1987. They shocked us in 1988 when they upset us 7-0, but we avenged it in 1989 with a 35-0 win.

The next three years, the Knights would have future NFL superstars and potential Pro Hall of Famers Tiki and Ronde Barber. But the identical twins didn't do much of anything against PC; we beat them 14-9 in 1990, 14-3 in 1991, we beat them 17-0 on

our way to a state championship in 1992. As great as the Barber brothers were, they didn't score a single touchdown against the Cougars in three years and had pedestrian rushing/receiving yardage. That is always a popular topic with longtime Cougar fans.

We dominated them 49-7 as a top ten team in the nation in 1993. We went 10-0 that year, they went 0-10. We continued to pound them with a 47-7 win in 1994, 49-7 in 1995, and 38-0 in 1996. The Knights finally showed some resistance in 1997 when we still won, but it was much closer with a 31-28 win. We won big in 1998 when Kwasi Scott ran wild on them for six total touchdowns and completing a record-setting 1,203-yard season (at the time that was the most in school history).

The year 1999 was possibly the

greatest game in school history from an entertainment standpoint. In danger of our first losing season under coach Hicks, we were able to stop a two-point conversion attempt and escaped with a thrilling 35-34 win to give us a win to close out the twentieth century. Then in 2000, we were looking to finish up a perfect regular season, but we were completely dominated by them, as we couldn't stop their passing game and allowed over 400 passing yards in a 49-14 loss.

2001 and 2002 were the only years without Cave on the schedule. Jack Turner won his first two meetings with them in contrasting styles: a 42-0 win in 2003, and then a much closer 21-20 game in 2004. Kevin Crouse car-

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Big plays give Radford win over Galax

By ELIZABETH KANIPE
The Patriot

Radford and Galax both entered their game undefeated for the second year in a row. Last year Galax pulled out an overtime victory. Radford came into this game looking to avenge the loss from last year and get its first win over Galax in 7 years. It took a Bobcat defense that found a way to make stops and an offense that continued to get big plays to seal the win.

The Bobcats received the opening kickoff and were forced to punt without gaining a first down. Galax muffed the punt and Radford's Isiah Austin dove on the ball at the Maroon Tide 2 yard line. Ricky Bailey gained one yard on first down. A penalty and two sacks and the Bobcats turned the ball over on downs, failing to take advantage of great field position.

Galax began their drive on their 15 yard line. They fed their workhorse Tedruhm Tucker the ball early and often. Tucker carried the ball 13 of the 17 carries of the drive. He scored 4 seconds into the second quarter on a 3 yard run. The extra point was good, giving Galax the 7-0 lead.

Radford took possession and

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#8 Marcell Baylor takes a screen pass and weaves down the sideline for the TD early in the game.

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Five to be inducted in RU Hall

RADFORD – Five new members of the Radford University Athletics Hall of Fame will be inducted Sept. 30.

The Class of 2022 includes Jim Abbott (baseball), Mike Ashley (sports information), Helen Negrey (women's soccer), Art Parakhouski (men's basketball) and Patrinda Toney (women's basketball).

The five-member class is the 19th to be inducted into the Radford Athletics Hall of Fame following a hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This year's induction ceremony will once again help kick off Homecoming Weekend festivities and will be held inside Kyle Hall on Sept. 30.

JIM ABBOTT
Baseball | 1992-95

A true ace in every sense of the word, Jim Abbott has cemented his place as one of the best pitchers to ever step on the mound for Radford. He is the all-time winningest pitcher in program history with 24 career wins and also has the most strikeouts of any Highlander ever, recording 286 total. Additionally, the hurler ranks top five in Radford history for starts, complete games and innings pitched. Abbott was named First Team All-Big South in 1995 after setting a program record with 113 strikeouts.

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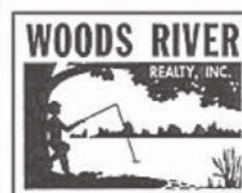
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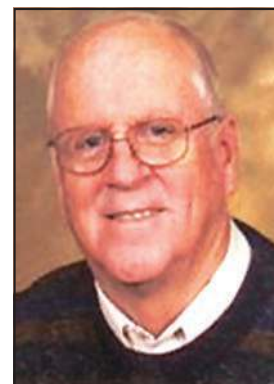
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Hecate Energy, LLC proposes to construct and operate a 100 megawatt (MW) alternating current (AC) solar facility in Pulaski, County, Virginia. The project is located in an area that straddles Route 11 near the Town of Dublin. The project will span 9 parcels of land, totaling approximately 1,056 acres. The preliminary design utilizes approximately 214,596 photovoltaic (PV) solar panels, as well as other related equipment that will cover roughly 578.2 acres of this land (Approximately 54.8%).

The projected plans to utilize industry-standard single-axis tracking technology, meaning the solar panels will track the movement of the sun. This system is a simple modular design consisting of tracker mounted panels and inverters that convert direct current (DC) to AC power. Low voltage wiring connects the inverters to the project substation where transformers boost the voltage to get it into the power grid. The approximate height of the solar panel arrays will be 15 feet.

The solar arrays associated with this project are eligible for a Permit by Rule (PBR) from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The purpose of this public participation is to (i) acquaint the public with technical aspects of the proposed project and how the standards and the requirements of 9VAC 15-60 (Small Renewable Energy Projects [solar] Permit by Rule) will be met, (ii) identify issues of concern, (iii) facilitate communication, and (iv) establish a dialogue between the owner or operator and persons who may be affected by the project.

A 30-day comment period in accordance with 9VAC 15-60-90(C) will begin on **October 1 and end on October 30**. Questions and comments may be sent to the following:

Bella Terra Solar Facility
c/o Hecate Energy LLC
621 W. Randolph St
Chicago, IL 60661
Preston Schultz, Vice President Project Development
PulaskiSolar@HecateEnergy.com
877-791-0860
<http://www.pulaskisolar.com/contact-us/>

A Public meeting will be held in accordance with 9VA15-60-90 on October 18, 2022 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the following location:
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Copies of the documentation to be submitted to the DEQ in support of the PBR application will be available to view at the following location for the duration of the 30-day comment period:
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MIKE ASHLEY
Sports Information Director
| 1987-1997

The walking embodiment of Radford Highlanders knowledge and pride, Mike Ashley is a true connection between the past and present. He came to Radford University as a student in 1980 and immediately began writing for The Tartan, eventually becoming its sports editor. A column he wrote launched the first RU baseball club in 1982, for which he served as the initial president. Two years

later, the club became a varsity team. Ashley would graduate in 1983 and return to his alma mater as a Sports Information Director across multiple stints that spanned more than a decade. He was a member of the staff that ushered the Highlanders into the Division I era, he helped mount a national campaign that helped the women’s basketball program earn a spot in the 1989 Women’s NIT and he was a founding member of the Radford University Sports Hall of Fame Committee in 1995.

HELEN NEGREY
Women’s Soccer | 1981-84
 One of the best to ever step on the field, Helen Negrey paved the

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ART PARAKHOUSKI
Men’s Basketball | 2008-10
 Art Parakhouski may have only been a Highlander for two seasons, but his list of broken records and awards won show just how dominant he was. The 6’11” center from Minsk, Belarus is

the program’s all-time leader in six different statistical categories, averaging 18.7 points and 12.2 rebounds per game for his career. He was twice named Big South Player of the Year and was an Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American in 2010 after leading the entire nation in rebounds. Parakhouski scored 1,195 points in his Radford career and ranks third all-time in field goal percentage at .561, as well as sixth all-time in blocks with 115 in just two years.

PATRINDA TONEY
Women’s Basketball | 1987-92
 A standout on a long list of illustrious women’s basketball careers at Radford is Patrinda Toney. The quick-cutting guard was a three-time All-Big South


Selection and was named Big South Co-Player of the Year in 1991-92 before earning a place on the conference’s All-Decade Team for 1990-99. She ranks second in program history for career points per game with 17.1, and is fourth in Big South history with 2,020 points scored. Her elite performances on the court led the Highlanders to four Big South regular-season titles and four Big South Tournament titles as well.

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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 Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW to consider the following:

1. A request from Aggregate Capital LLC for a Comprehensive Plan zoning map amendment for property located at 0 First Street NW and 34 First Street NW [tax parcel(s) 072-140-0000-0156, 072-140-0000-0157] from Industrial to Commercial.
2. A request from Aggregate Capital LLC to rezone property located at 0 First Street NW and 34 First Street NW [tax parcel(s) 072-140-0000-0156, 072-140-0000-0157] from I-2 Industrial to B-3 Central Business.

All persons desiring to comment on the proposed requests should submit their remarks to Caroline Smith, Planner/Zoning Administrator, by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, to 42 First Street, NW/PO Box 660, Pulaski, VA or via email to csmith@pulaskitown.org. A copy of the application and other pertinent materials are available for public review in the 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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1. At the request of the applicants, the request from Mainspring Recovery Center, LLC for a Special Exception at property located at 2460 Lee Highway, [tax parcel(s) 063-25-25A] in the R-1, Single Family Residential District, for the hospital or health centers, which includes, “alcohol, substance abuse and drug treatment centers” has been sent back to the Planning Commission for review. The application indicates that the facility will have a capacity of 50 beds for an inpatient residential program and will serve clients who are 18 years or older with a substance use disorder diagnosis within a 60 to 70 mile radius and who are voluntarily admitting themselves to the program. All public comments will be limited to five minutes.

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1. A proposed zoning amendment to Section 11.2 Definitions, adding the definition: “Shelters” as defined as “A building or portion thereof intended for temporary residential occupancy on a daily or longer basis for persons with no other fixed place of abode or persons who are temporarily displaced from their place of abode. The use is operated on a not-for-profit basis and supervision of occupants is provided.”

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Public Hearing Town of Pulaski Board of Zoning Appeals

The Town of Pulaski Board of Zoning Appeals hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held on October 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW, in order to hear citizen comments regarding the Board of Zoning Appeals intention to act on the following request:

A request by J. Hoff for a variance from Section 4.7.3, Site Development Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia for property located at 45 Fifth Street NE [tax parcel(s) 072-51-35-34] in the R-O Residential Office District. Section 4.7.3 requires minimum setbacks of 25’ from the front, 10’ from the side, 25’ from all public streets, and 25’ from the rear. The applicant requests a variance to deviate from the required side setback to construct a residential dwelling with a side setback of 9’ on the side adjacent to 49 Fifth Street NW.

Comments and/or questions can be sent ahead of the hearing via email to Caroline Smith, Planner, csmith@pulaskitown.org, or via phone at 540-994-8624; or in the form of written comments to Caroline Smith (42 First Street, NW, Pulaski, Virginia) until the date of the hearing. Copies of the variance application, site plans, and corresponding ordinances may be reviewed at the Pulaski Municipal Building Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Cougars

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ried the day for us in the 2004 game. In 2005, Crouse's outstanding play wasn't enough that time as we fell 20-10. 2006 was about as tough a year as we've seen, but we did beat Cave that year 16-9. We beat them 35-7 in 2007 and 42-0 in 2008 with Nubian Peak giving them fits both games.

The recent history of the rivalry is of runs: Cave won six consecutive games over us from 2009-2014, then we've won the past seven from 2015 to now. They beat us 42-34 in 2009, 41-19 in 2010, 22-20 in 2011, 17-14 in 2012, and 17-10 in 2013. Malik Eaves set a school record with 162 receiving yards in the 2014 game, but we still came up just short at 33-26. They haven't beat us since.

We beat them in a downpour in 2015 by a score of 25-7, 28-14 in 2016 with Hunter Thomas' 252 yards and 4 touchdowns. Then in 2017 we beat them 14-13, in a strikingly similar fashion to the 1985 game. We won 34-0 in 2018, 49-12 in 2019, 42-0 in Mark Dixon's first game in 2021 spring season, and 42-7 last fall with John Lyman's two long touchdowns highlighting things.



Antonio Nottingham/The Patriot

Nathan Pratt has been steady this season on placement kicks and as the Cougars' punter.



Antonio Nottingham/The Patriot

Senior superback Trevor Burton has racked up 457 rushing yards on 54 attempts and 10 touchdowns.

Cave Spring Preview

To put it simply: this is not the Cave Spring of the past few years. This will not be a win taken for granted as it at times has been lately. The Knights are bigger, stronger, more physical and just better now than in years past. This will not be an easy win.

Nick Leftwich has done a wonderful job at Cave Spring. The Knights were noticeably stronger and more physical last year and finished at 3-7. So far this year, they are 3-1. They shut out Hidden Valley by a score of 37-0, they shut out Northside 30-0, fell to Glenvar in a close 10-3 game, and got back on track last week with a 34-7 win over Alleghany. They average 26 points a game and have allowed a mere 17 points this year, just four a game. They are a tough team.

Leading the way is senior quarterback Logan Altizer. He is playing quarterback for the first time this year, but you'd never think so. He has rushed for 122 yards and 2 scores against Hidden Valley and has a rushing touchdown in three of the Knights' four games so far. Cameron Parker is the starting running back for the Knights and is coming off a stellar 159-yard rushing game and 2 scores against Alleghany. Out wide is Owen Sweeney who has caught a touchdown pass in three of four games. Altizer has been an efficient and outstanding passer, completing 8/9 passes for 87 yards and a touchdown against HVHS, throwing two touchdown passes against Northside, and last week going 11 of 16 passing for 152 yards and 2 more touchdowns. Also factoring into the run game is Jackson Stefan, just a sophomore who has rushed for 74, 63 and 89 yards in games so far. The Knight line has paved the way for such production, racking up 308 rush yards against Hidden Valley, 211 against Northside, and over 300

again against Alleghany.

Defensively, the scores speak for themselves. The Knights are an aggressive and fundamentally-sound defense that plays disciplined, smart football. Two shutouts and allowing nobody to score over ten points attests to their ability on that side of the ball. Even a high-powered Glenvar offense who scored 52 just last week struggled to do anything on offense against CSHS. We will have to fight for every point we score on Saturday night.

Pulaski County Preview

At this point, Cougar fans know what to expect. We don't run many plays. That's the point. We don't run much, and don't want to; we want to out-execute the opposition. Things start up front. Evan Alger, Aiden Moore, Nolan Dalton (at times Alan Fernandez), Diego Turner, and Hunter Hill have paved the way for a ground attack that has been efficient, consistent and explosive as well as methodical at times.

Leading the way is Trevor Burton. The senior superback has ran over, around, and through everybody we've faced so far with 54

attempts, 457 rushing yards and a staggering ten touchdowns in three games and has the senior running towards the record books. For those keeping up, Hunter Thomas has the single-season (regular season only) rushing record with 1,856 yards, and Frank Cobbs has the regular season-only touchdown record with 27. Burton is a bit behind pace for the yards mark, but the touchdown mark is well within his pace at this point. Burton would be quick to credit the five guys blocking in front of him, but he's been the heart of the Cougar attack so far.

Christopher Gallimore is another huge piece. Despite a forgettable statistical night against Tennessee High, he is coming off a 100-yard rushing game against Bluefield and has 184 rushing yards and 2 rushing touchdowns so far. Not to mention that QB play in the flexbone is also demanding on executing and carrying out fakes. Gallimore has not been asked to throw it much, but when called upon he has done well to complete 5 of 11 passes for 81 yards, with no interceptions. It should be mentioned too that most of the pass attempts have been downfield throws, so his comple-

tion percentage shouldn't be expected to be too high.

The A-backs have been a bit more of a by-committee approach. Brett Jones has done very well running the football with a 9.5 yards per carry average and a touchdown against Northside, and he also has 2 catches for 41 yards. Zach Parker averages 11 yards per run and has returned a kickoff for a score. Taner Mace has been a good option to run the ball and catch it when necessary, as well. Out wide, Marcus Reed and Davis Neel are reliable targets and block well too. Overall, the offense has piled up 980 yards in three games on 145 plays, about seven yards per play. That's really good.

The defense has been solid, particularly against the run. Alan Fernandez, Diego Turner and Jack Allen lead the way on the defensive line. Burton, Evan Alger, Nicholas Woolwine and Tyler Underwood have been great at linebacker so far, all of them contributing tackling but also rushing the passer, sometimes covering, and playing disciplined. The secondary is where we have struggled at times. We will need to do better back there as Cave Spring has shown the ability to pass well. Zach Parker is unlikely to play Friday night. A Bluefield official decided to eject Parker despite

him having done nothing wrong, as the film showed. I can't say I'm surprised an official from Bluefield did so. But no matter, we will be down one of if not our best cover corner, making the challenge harder. But the coaches and players have had an extra week to prepare for it.

Special teams has been very good so far. Nathan Pratt has done great on placement kicks, Jones has done good holding, and has done good long snapping on kicks and punts. Pratt doubles as a punter too and has done well there. The kickoffs have been handled by freshman Bryant Nottingham, who has also done well there. The coverage teams have done good preventing any punt or kick return scores and limiting yardage on them. And it must be mentioned that the punt team wrapped things up last game, executing a fake punt to perfection to shut the door on the Bluefield Beavers. That's a testament to the players, but also the coaching staff. Special teams is always about coaching, and the execution on special teams reflects the level of coaching we're lucky to have.

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Radford

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quickly moved into Maroon Tide territory with a 15 yard Parker Prioleau reception and a 15 yard David Woodward run. On 3rd and 9 from the 32, Landen Clark threw over the middle to Prioleau which was tipped away by the defender. Radford went for it on fourth down and Clark hit Prioleau on the same route for the TD to tie the game with 9:59 left in the first half.

The Bobcats started making adjustments to the defense to stop the inside run game from Galax. Radford held and forced Galax to punt, giving the Bobcats possession at their own 14. Clark hit Marcell Baylor on a screen pass, and Baylor broke tackles to take it the distance to put Radford up 14-7 with 7:17 left in the half. Radford's defense continued to adjust to Galax's efforts to run plays up the middle. Galax was able to gain some yards on the outside with a QB keeper. On 2nd and 8, Galax QB Mason Cox rolled out and threw a pass under pressure. Radford's Clark came up from his safety position and intercepted, giving Radford possession at the 49 yard line. Woodward gained 27 yards on 2 carries to get the Bobcats to the redzone. Clark then hit TJ Aursby on a fade route for a 19 yard TD.

With 2:24 left in the half, Galax needed to move the ball quickly. Tucker continued to get the bulk of the carries. With time running down, Cox rolled out and threw a deep pass to his receiver on a hitch-and-go route but, again, Clark was waiting

for it and intercepted it, running it back to the Maroon Tide 48 yard line with 8 seconds left in the half. Clark scrambled out of the pocket and gained 14 yards but time ran out with the Bobcats leading 21-7 at the half.

Galax received the kickoff and again started pounding the ball up the middle with Tucker. He carried the ball 11 of the next 13 plays to get the ball into the redzone. Radford's defense tightened up and held Tucker short on a 4th and 5 to turnover the ball on downs. Radford could not convert a first down after several Clark passes fell incomplete and they were forced to punt. The Maroon Tide started the drive at midfield and moved the sticks on 3 plays but on the next first down Cox fumbled the handoff to the running back and Radford's Baylor fell on the ball to take possession. Both Radford and Galax were unable to gain first downs on the next series of possessions. On the Galax punt, the Bobcats took over on their own 19 yard line. On first down, Clark makes a great RPO read and hits Prioleau on a quick slant where he streaked down the middle of the field untouched for the final score with 10:23 left in the game.

Down by 3 scores, Galax continued to run the ball, running down the clock and gaining a few yards per play. Galax drove all the way to the Radford 14 yard line but turned the ball over on downs after a penalty. Radford took over and then punted where Galax ran out of time.

Clark had another big day pass-



Elizabeth Kanipe/The Patriot

#7 Landen Clark pulls down the interception on a Galax pass.

ing. He went 8 for 12 for 236 yards and 4 TDs. Clark also finished with 2 defensive interceptions. Woodward led the Bobcats in rushing with 49 yards on 8 carries. Prioleau had 4 catches for 121 yards and 2 TDs and Bay-

lor had 3 catches for 98 yards and 2 TDs. Tucker was the workhorse for Galax. He gained 191 yards on 40 carries.

The Radford defense held Galax to 3 completions for 12 yards.

The Bobcats move to 4-0 on the season and will host an undefeated Christiansburg team on Friday. Radford lost last year's match up 63-0 and will be looking to avenge that loss and stay undefeated.

Scores

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King's Fork 70, Great Bridge 20
Lafayette 35, York 21
Lake Braddock 48, North Stafford 8
Lake Taylor 41, Norview 0
Langley 48, Meridian 13

Lebanon 35, Chilhowie 7
Lee High 41, Patrick Henry-Glade Spring 20
Liberty Christian 56, Rustburg 6
Liberty-Bealeton 40, Culpeper 13
Lord Botetourt 35, Appomattox 3
Loudoun County 27, Broad Run 6
Loudoun Valley 55, Dominion 7
Louisa 62, Fluvanna 0
Luray 35, Page County 12
Madison County 23, William Monroe 7
Manchester 35, Powhatan 14
Martinsville 50, Dan River 27
Maury 66, Granby 0
Menchville 21, Hampton 20
Midlothian 15, Lloyd Bird 7
Montcalm, W.Va. 12, Craig County 6
Mountain View 62, James Monroe 0
Nansemond River 44, Hickory 0
Nelson County 42, Cumberland 0
Norcom 34, Manor 0
Northampton 43, Windsor 8
Orange County 43, Harrisonburg 21
Osborn 12, Potomac 7
Parry McCluer 44, Mountain View-Quicksburg 6
Patrick Henry-Ashland 39, Deep Run 0
Patrick Henry-Roanoke 31, William Fleming 7
Patriot 35, Gar-Field 21
Petersburg 62, John Marshall 6
Poquoson 21, Tabb 7
Potomac Falls 28, Millbrook 14
Staunton 38, Rockbridge County 21

Radford 28, Galax 7
Randolph-Henry 47, Surry County 12
Rappahannock County 43, Kenton Forest 8
Rye Cove 30, Thomas Walker 28, 2OT
Salem 55, Northside 14
Salem-Va. Beach 20, Tallwood 0
Smithfield 40, Lakeland 20
Snow Hill, Md. 42, Arcadia 6
Spotswood 28, Charlottesville 7
Stafford 44, Spotsylvania 41
Staunton River 49, Tunstall 14

2022 Weekly Football Scores

Stone Bridge 20, Colonial Forge 14
Strasburg 40, Moorefield, W.Va. 0
Stuarts Draft 14, Greenbrier East, W.Va. 3
Sussex Central 20, Colonial Beach 6
Tazewell 39, John Battle 16
Thomas Dale 63, Meadowbrook 6
Turner Ashby 28, Western Albemarle 21
Tuscarora 32, Heritage (Leesburg) 0
Varina 13, Hermitage 0
Virginia High 38, Central - Wise 35, OT
W.T. Woodson 31, Falls Church 13
Warhill 41, New Kent 20
Warren County 29, Fauquier 28, OT
Warwick 77, Denbigh 0
West Springfield 28, Washington-Liberty 21
Western Branch 47, Grassfield 0
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Motor Mile Speedway hosts championship night

After a rainout the previous Saturday, Motor Mile Speedway hosted its Weekly Racing Series on Friday evening, September 16th, 2022. It was championship night for the Late Model Stock Cars, Mod-4's, U-Cars and Pure 4's.

And because it was Friday night, Motor Mile had a few extra Late Model drivers on hand including 2 who are the finalists for NATIONAL champion in Late Model. Peyton Sellers and Layne Riggs.

Sellers came to "collect trophies" as he said after winning

both 50 lap late model races. Riggs dropped back to 8th in the first race so that he would start the second race in first place, following the inversion of the top 8 finishers in race 1. Then in the 2nd race, the car count dropped below the minimum for the winner to get bonus points, so Riggs just dropped out to save his car for Championship Night on Saturday at Dominion Speedway. Sellers chose to stay out and win the second race. Sellers had switched to his teammate's car, number 0, which seemed to be handling the track better. Sellers and Riggs would move on to the

final race at Dominion Speedway on Saturday, where Sellers would win the first race. As of the time of writing this release, the NASCAR Advance Auto Parts Weekly Series standings hasn't announced the final points and national champion.

The spotlight was on our local drivers competing to be track champion for Late Model, and it was Kyle Dudley who would prevail. Dudley and Mike Looney had come into the night only 5 points apart. They battled, as they have all season, for many laps until they got together in race 1 resulting in Looney having a tire go down causing

body damage to the car. He would not even run the second race going out on the first few laps. Kyle Dudley celebrated with a couple donuts in turn 1 concluding the races. It was a cap on a season for Late Model that saw Dudley and Looney dominating the season.

Kevin Canter was crowned champion after winning both Mod-4 races, Jamie Lafon is the champ for U-Cars in spite of Kirby Shipman winning both races, and William Hale won the championship for the Pure 4 division.

While their championship night is still to come, the Sportsman

and Super Streets both had a single race on Friday. South Boston Speedway Limited Sportsman champion Kyle Barnes returned to Motor Mile and was the winner in Sportsman, and Brent Bell held off a hard charge from Hank Turman to win for Super Streets.

October 1st Motor Mile will welcome the Smart Modified Tour for "Smartoberfest Championship Night." The fastest cars that have ever run at Motor Mile, the Smart Modified Tour, will have a 99-lap race, plus twin 30 lap races for sportsman, and twin 25 lap features for Super Streets.

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Terry McCraw

Taming The Tongue Part II

The words that we speak can affect others for good or for evil. We can edify others with our words, or we tear them down.

We should always strive to do the very best job for God and for the body of Christ that can possibly be done, remembering as we work, that along with responsibility comes accountability. We are all accountable to God for what we say and do.

James seems to be saying as he speaks of the perfect man, the man who advances no false doctrine, does not distort the gospel; is not a novice; is knowledgeable in the scriptures; has wisdom given to him or her from above; is among the teachers who are perfect or masterful teachers, and worthy of the vocation to which they have been called.

James further proclaims that if we can control our tongues, we can control ourselves in every other way.

He who is careful of his speech, so as to not offend his brethren knowingly and purposely, can be looked upon as a sincere and truly dutiful servant of God.

Sometimes our speech betrays us. This is a figure of speech that is used to refer to someone who claims to BE one thing, but who are, in reality, quite another.

Their words give them away. Their words expose them for what they really are.

If a person teaches the truth of the word of God, and yet adds to it, dilutes it, or changes its meaning, everything that person has said must be discounted. If a teacher teaches anything that is contrary to the truth of the word of God, he or she is a false teacher.

We may expound upon the word, every teacher and preacher does that; but we are NOT to change it, or pervert its meaning, without being held accountable for it by God.

The Church needs God called Teachers. And if we do teach, we must be very careful as to what we teach, for James tells us in no uncertain terms that we hold a position of responsibility. If we lead someone astray, we will incur a stiffer judgment that those who do not teach. So the position should not be taken lightly.

Sometimes there are pressures in some circles to teach or preach what people want to hear rather than what God wants them to hear.

A God called teacher and a God called preacher will be sure to teach and preach what God lays upon their heart. They won't sugar coat it. They won't water it down. They won't dilute it so it is easier to swallow. They won't dance around sin, but they will call it what it is, and tell what penalty will be incurred by those who commit it. They won't fail to mention that there is a heaven to gain, and a hell to shun. Jesus said much more about hell than He said about heaven.

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Pastor: Rev. Douglas Patterson
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Monday's Child Youth Group, Monday
Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Dora Highway Baptist Church

321 Dora Highway
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Harry Gunter
Worship Service: 11 a.m.
Phone: (540) 320-0738

New Hope Chapel

1555 Case Knife Road, Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Darrell Gray
(276) 733-6080
Service Times
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Grace Episcopal Church

210 4th Street, Radford, 24141
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Family Worship Center
First Pentecostal Holiness
955 Memorial Drive, Pulaski
540-980-7287
Jeff Willhoite, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
KidsZone 10:45 a.m.
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Pulaski First Church of the Brethren
1749 Newbern Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Frank Peters
Sunday School: 9:45
Worship: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
980-3798

New Hope Church
3050 Lee Highway
Pulaski, VA 24301 (540) 980-5506
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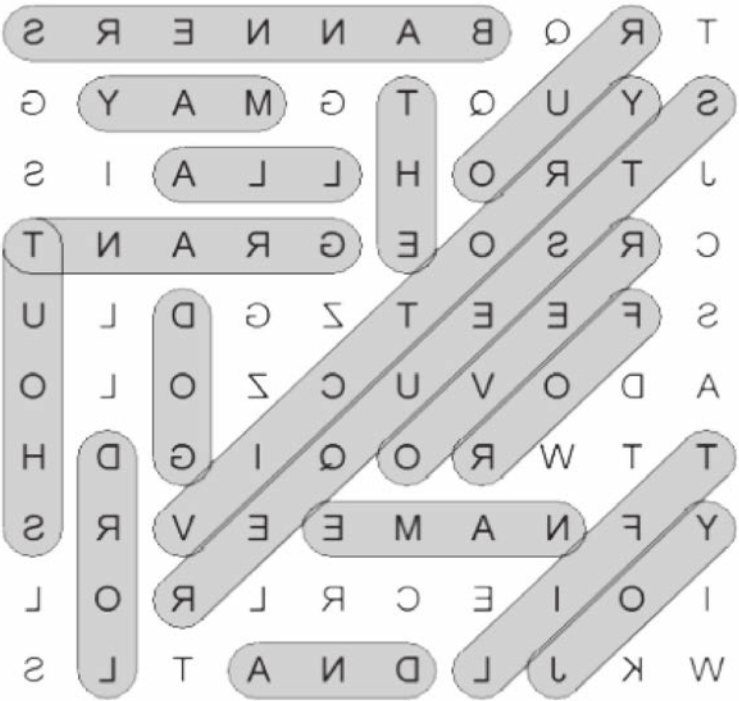
Community Christian Church
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540-674-4308
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Pathway to Heaven Worship Center
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Physical Address: 7889 Cleburne Blvd.
Dublin, VA 24084
Pastor Winfred Keene - Phone 540-239-8092
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Tuesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.

St. Edwards Catholic Church
Corner of N. Washington Ave. and
7th Street N.W., Pulaski
Phone: 980-6511
Fax: 980-6511
Priest: Fr. Francis Boateng
Mass: 11 a.m. Sunday

Warriors for Christ II
Bishop Sherman Buckner
600 Skyline Circle
Pulaski, VA
540-315-2317
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Thursday: 7 p.m. Service

First Baptist Church
325 Randolph Avenue
Pulaski, Va.
Pastor: Dr. Henry Fiske
Phone: 980-6565
fbcpulaskiva@gmail.com
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Trinity Baptist Church
4008 Robinson Tract Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Telephone: 980-8186
Pastor Johnny Howlett
Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Adult Bible Study and Youth
Group - 7 p.m.

Bob White Boulevard Baptist Church
3826 Bob White Boulevard
Pulaski, VA.
Pastor: Allen Harman
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Preaching: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service: 7:30 p.m.
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Pastor:
Mary Ann Armbrister
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.

BIBLE WORD SEARCH
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Psalm 20:5

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram.
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The home is the foundation of any society

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: My dear mother is lamenting her life away as she battles with two of her three children about the importance of choosing the right mate for life. She pleads with them the importance of establishing homes that will be centered on the Lord. My brother and sister think her views are too old-fashioned. How can something this important become “out-of-date”? - M.O.

A: The home is the foundation of any society. But something is wrong with many of our homes.

We’ve never had more books available advising us how to solve our family and marital problems than we have today. Yet somehow, we’re more miserable, we’re more broken, we’re more torn, we’re more hurt, than we’ve ever been. Why? Because we have not taken the Word of God into account. God has laid down the rules and regulations for a successful and happy home, and we’ve broken them.

If we disregard God’s regulations for the home, then our homes are in danger of ending in disaster. The husband-wife relationship is

the key to family success. A successful family needs to be founded on a divinely ordered marriage.


Marriage isn’t a short-term option, but a contract for life ordered by God. The Bible says, “Live joyfully with the wife of your youth” (see Proverbs 5:18). Be faithful in

marriage.

The key to a solid family is putting God first in our homes and families. And to put God first in our homes, He needs to be first in our lives (Deuteronomy 6).

When two lives are bonded together in marriage, there are components to be mindful of: mutual respect, genuine commitment, good communication, time and effort on the part of both husband and wife, and spiritual unity, making Christ the very center of the marriage. This will be a lifetime investment that reaps loving benefits.

My Answer



Billy Graham

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want anybody’s blood dripping from my fingers.

James 1: 3-5. “Behold we put bits in the horses’ mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body. Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the Governor listeth. Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth.”

Here James uses three examples to demonstrate the power of the tongue, or the power of speech. I love these three illustrations. That is the way that Jesus taught. He used illustrations of things that people were familiar with, to teach powerful spiritual lessons.

The first illustration James uses is one about the bit in a horses’ mouth. A bit is just a very small piece of metal attached to reins that is used to turn the head and body of a horse. A bit that weighs just a few ounces can control a horse that weighs two thousand pounds.

Just as a horse must be bridled to control his movements, the tongue must be bridled to control what is being said.

Remember, a spoken word is one of the four things that can’t be gotten back or reclaimed. The other three are a shot arrow, our past, and a missed opportunity. Once an arrow has been shot, it is on its way and cannot be retracted. Sharply spoken words are like an arrow, inflicting damaging wounds to those who are on the receiving end.

Secondly, we can’t fix or change our past. What’s done is done. We can get forgiveness for things we have done and said in the past but we cannot repair all of the damage we have done. Loose lips sink ships.

Thirdly, if we miss an opportunity to witness to someone about Jesus, that opportunity is gone, and we have failed to do what God intended for us to do. Missed Opportunities cannot be recalled. We must make the most out of every opportunity, to witness to the lost and dying.

Once we have spoken our words, we cannot take them back. We see politicians trying to do it all the time. They speak out and say something that they shouldn’t have said, and then when they are attacked for it, they try to retract it, or “walk back” what they said

But what has been said, has been said. It can’t really be retracted effectively.

Bible Trivia

1. Is the book of II Samuel in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. “Holy One of Israel” is most often used in which book to describe the Lord? Hosea, Revelation, Judges, Isaiah
3. King Solomon had his carriage’s seat upholstered in what color? Gold, White, Red, Purple
4. What insect does Proverbs 6 tell lazy people to learn from? Ants, Flies, Gnats, Locusts
5. Mahlon, a son of Elimelech, was whose first husband? Ruth, Hannah, Esther, Deborah
6. In Revelation 1:3, “Blessed is he that ...”? Thinks, Sleeps, Saveth, Readeth

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Isaiah, 3) Purple, 4) Ants, 5) Ruth, 6) Readeth

“Test Your Bible Knowledge,” a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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SCRAMBLERS

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

Pardon
LOPEAR

Reap
RANGER

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OBLADE

Speaker
ROOTAR

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Dame Dench
5 Witty one
8 Leer at
12 Western tribe
13 TV pioneer
14 Eye part
15 Dressing ingredient
17 Sugar unit
18 Fill in — blank
19 Conclude
20 Monk's home
21 Droop
22 Bikini top
23 Wan
26 Germ
30 God, in
31 Joke
32 Spoken
33 "You wish!"
35 Pesky insects
36 Chairman of China
37 Greyhound vehicle
38 Hoopster
41 Dict. info
42 Chi follower
45 Sandwich cookie
46 Fuel-producing area
48 Hindu royal
49 Parisian pal
50 Advertising award
51 Genesis

shepherd
52 Service charge
53 Slangy OKs

DOWN

1 Equitable
2 Beehive State
3 Take out of context?
4 "This — recording"
5 Incorrect
6 Battery fluid
7 Lass
8 Getty and Rockefeller, e.g.
9 Vittles
10 Margarita garnish
11 Glimpse
16 Campus VIP
20 Lob's path
21 Staple in some Asian recipes
22 Ginormous
23 Do sums
24 Polite address
25 Weed whacker
26 Chess piece
27 — pro nobis
28 Cudgel
29 Overhead trains
31 Sticky stuff
34 Scratch
35 Nonsense
37 Prove untrue
38 Comics' Mrs. Dithers
39 Bedouin
40 Hereditary unit
41 Exemplar of thinness
42 Soccer leg-end
43 Faux pas
44 Nuptial vows
46 Klutz
47 Glacial

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top ten

U.S. States With Highest Life Expectancy*

*pre-COVID

1. California
2. Hawaii
3. New York
4. Massachusetts
5. Minnesota
6. Connecticut
7. New Jersey
8. Colorado
9. Washington
10. Vermont

Source: CDC

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby hedgehog called?
2. MOVIES: Which 1960s movie features a character named Holly Golightly?
3. HISTORY: In which country did the Easter Rising of 1916 take place?
4. GEOGRAPHY: Which U.S. state is bordered by the states of Washington, Oregon, Montana, Utah, Wyoming and Nevada?
5. LITERATURE: What do the initials in J.D. Salinger's name stand for?
6. GEOMETRY: How many sides does a heptagon have?
7. TELEVISION: Richard Dawson was the original host of which TV game show?
8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which gymnast was the first to score a perfect 10 in Olympic competition?
9. U.S. STATES: Which state's official animal is a red fox?
10. MEDICAL: What is the common name of a condition called tussis?

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HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Answers

1. Hoglet
2. "Breakfast at Tiffany's."
3. Ireland
4. Idaho
5. Jerome David
6. Seven
7. "Family Feud"
8. Nadia Comaneci
9. Mississippi
10. Cough.

Solution time: 23 mins.

ADORABLE Today's Word

3. Double; 4. Orator
1. Parole; 2. Garner

SCRAMBLERS

UCPX QCBWOP YVLX QIPKG IK
KEC GOLCG VS SVWMG' ECILG KEIK
IPC GEIQCL WOMC BEDTMG VS
YIMCL YPCIL: CIP WVIUCC.

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King Crossword — Americanisms

"The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team."
— Phil Jackson

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Very peculiar body parts at the sides of folks' heads that are shaped like chunks of baked bread: ear lobes.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: CAPITAL CITY

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is **LONGFELLOW**

One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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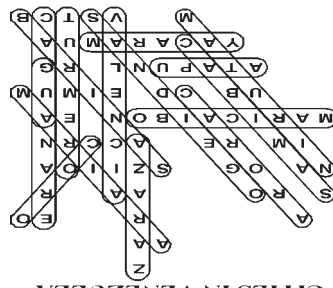
EHZRBGXHE UAR MGR

EHLHSRHE.

— HBMHZR VHKQM NOSX

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answer
But man is not made for
defeat. A man can be
destroyed but not
defeated.
— Ernest Hemingway



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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Puzzle Answer Appears Elsewhere In This Week's Issue

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Prince Valiant
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... AND, ONCE AGAIN, HIS STRENGTH DRAINS FROM HIS SWORD ARM.

... BUT THE BATTLE IS FAR FROM WON. A SUDDEN GUST OF WIND CLAWS AT DRACO'S WITCH WIFE, PULLING HER FROM THE VERY GROUND...

... AND GROWING TO AN INTENSITY THAT SWEEPS HER SORCEROUS APPARATUS AWAY! THE HOODED TRIO RISE UNHARMED FROM MALDUBH'S MAYHEM.

WHILE ON THE FIELD OF MORTAL COMBAT, VAL'S STRENGTH FLOODS BACK. A SAVAGE BLOW CUTS THE HAFT OF DRACO'S WEAPON IN TWO!

CONVINCED THAT MALDUBH HAS ABANDONED HIM, THE WOULD-BE USURPER TURNS TAIL AND RUNS...

NEXT: Dark skies

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Panel 1 (Left): Batman and Catwoman are in a dark, rocky environment, fighting two thugs. Batman is on the left, wearing his cowl and cape, with a speech bubble saying "ZORN! HE'S LOST TO US!". Catwoman is on the right, wearing her signature blue and black outfit, with a speech bubble saying "GORDON SHALL PAY FOR THIS!". The thugs are being thrown back by the pair.

Panel 2 (Right): Batman is running through a stone corridor, looking determined. A speech bubble above him says "FIND HIM! HE MUST NOT ESCAPE!". The corridor has stone walls and a small arched doorway in the background.

FLASH GORDON

IN A LABYRINTH OF TUNNELS BENEATH A HIDDEN FORTRESS, FLASH MOMENTARILY ELUDES GARAKAHN'S GUARDS.

THESE CORRIDORS ARE LIKE A MAZE! HAVE TO FIND A WAY OUT!

WHAT'S THIS?

MIRRORS... IDENTICAL TO THE ONE SENT TO BARIN!

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TIGER

WE NEED SOMETHING TO EAT UP HERE

WE'LL GET SOME SNACKS FOR THE TREE HOUSE

I BROUGHT PEANUTS

ME TOO

BETCHA PUNKINHEAD BRINGS PEANUTS, TOO

I BROUGHT PEANUTS

MAYBE WE SHOULD OF BROUGHT SOMETHING INSTEAD OF PEANUTS

WHY? EVERYBODY LIKES EM

I KNOW

BUD BLAKE
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Dear Dave,
We are ready to start Baby Step 2, and we have about \$35,000 in total debt. Our two smallest debts, a credit card and a truck we financed, are both \$4,500 right now, and we have a combined income of about \$95,000 a year. Since the credit card has a higher interest rate, my wife thinks we should pay it off first. To me, the truck is a necessity, and we should pay it off first for that reason. What do you say?

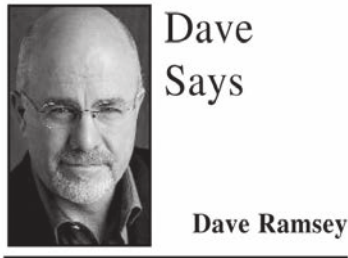
Grant
Dear Grant,
When the rule of paying off debts from smallest to largest doesn't apply, I think you should attack the one with the larger interest rate first. In your case, that'd be the credit card debt.

I get what you're saying about the truck. And I agree that transportation is a necessity. You guys might be in a bind if something happened and you lost a vehicle, but it's also a situation you could probably work around for a little while if you had no choice. My guess is you have friends or relatives who could loan you a car in a pinch, and public transportation is an option for some folks. So yeah, knock out the credit card first, then move on to the truck.

Do you understand my reasoning, Grant? Going this route serves two purposes: First, it will save you a little money. And second, I've got a feeling it will fire up your wife, and

Weekly SUDOKU
Answer

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



Dave Says
get her on board with the idea of you two getting your finances in order even more than she already is.

She's taking this whole thing pretty seriously if she's eyeballing interest rates, buddy. She loves the thought of you two having control of your money. Use this momentum to work together as a team, and knock out that debt!

— Dave
* Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

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

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

Sept. 23
50th Year Reunion
Radford High School's 1972 Class of Champions will hold its 50th Year Reunion on Sept. 23 and Sept. 24. Events include a tailgate at the King Center Friday, Sept. 23 followed by attendance at the high school football game. On Saturday, classmates will meet for a social at Preston's at the River Course. The committee is looking for "Lost" classmates. Class members who haven't received the registration information should contact Reunion Committee Members: Jenny-Doud@gmail.com or MartiHale@yahoo.com

Oct. 2
Classic Car Show and Cook-out!!
Classic Car Show and Cook-out at Mountain View UMC- Wilderness Rd, Dublin, Sunday, October 2 from 3-6 p.m. Bring your cars to show, enjoy the Classics there, and share in the fun, music, and food! Everyone invited!

Oct. 6
Radford Legion to meet
The American Legion, Harvey-Howe-Carper Post 30 will meet on Thursday, October 6, 7pm at the VFW Post Home on 102 Watts St. in Radford. For further information, please call 540-250-2283 or 540-239-9864.

Oct. 7
Reality DV: Domestic Violence in Appalachian Culture 19th Annual Conference
Topics endemic to the region will be covered such as rural trends, stalking, mental health, and spiritual beliefs. Other topics include new legislation, and the basics of domestic and sexual violence advocacy for professionals and victims. 9 sessions. Continuing Education Credits approved for Attorneys, Guardians Ad Litem, Magistrates, Court Clerks, Law Enforcement, and Adult Protective Services employees. Oct. 7th. Southwest Virginia High-

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er Education Center. 8:45 am – 3:30 pm. Cost \$40. In-Person Event. Full Details and to Register, visit www.svlas.org

Oct. 8
4th Annual Combined Hiwassee/ Allisonia Day
Pavilion behind Hiwassee Park Hiwassee, Virginia Saturday, October 8, 2022 High Noon til ending Paper products, plastic ware, and ice will be supplied. Bring any food dishes, desserts, drinks, you and your families. Plus any memorabilia!!! Everyone is welcome!!!

PCHS Class of 1977 45 Year Reunion
The PCHS Class of 1977 will hold its 45 Year Reunion on Oct. 8 with a picnic at Randolph Park Main Pavilion from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your own picnic lunches and drinks, catch up with classmates. There will also be a social at Thornsprng Golf Club and Event Center. Cocktail hour with cash bar and light snacks from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Buffet dinner from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Music will be provided by Don't Quit Your Day Job, featuring our own David Clark and Hank Hanks. The cost is \$40 per person. Classmate contacts include: Michael Boothe (336-287-1361), Suzy (Luttrell) Beldsoe (276-733-9761), David Clark (540-230-5475) or Dena (Trobaugh) Lester (540-765-7404). Or email reunion@pchsclassof1977.com We're social! Check us out at www.pchsclassof1977.com or join our Facebook group: Pulaski County High School Class of 1977.

Oct. 11
Sons of Confederate Veterans to meet
The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Tuesday, October 11, 7pm at Aly's Family Italian Restaurant on 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to attend. For further information, please call 540-320-4315 or 540-

239-9864.
Oct. 14
PHS Class of 1967 Reunion
The Pulaski High School Class of 1967 will hold its 55th anniversary Reunion on October 14 thru 16. Classmates are urged to attend a meet and greet Friday 14th at the Dublin Lions Club. On Saturday 15th ; activity tours and lunch. At 7 pm a social at the Dublin Lions Club. Sunday 16th at 10:45am Pastor Danny McGlothlin will bless the class at the Dora Highway Baptist Church. Please follow the class on FB birds of 67 or Double nickel. For details, please send a message to birdsof67@gmail.com.

On going: Alcohol Anonymous
Alcohol Anonymous meet Mondays at 8 p.m. (closed meeting); Wednesday (noon) and Thursday at 8 p.m. (open meetings) at Pulaski Presbyterian Church of America located at 975 Memorial Drive. Contact number is 540-440-0066.

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.

Hiwassee Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary in Need of Funds
The Hiwassee Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary is in need of donations for the mowing and upkeep of the Trail cemetery in Hiwassee. If you have a family member that is buried in this cemetery and would like to make a donation you may mail your contribution to Peggy Cregger PO Box 164, Hiwassee, VA 24347.

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



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