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Two-way traffic to return to downtown

By MIKE WILLIAMS The Patriot

Two-way traffic downtown and a town-wide 35 mph speed limit unless otherwise posted – is on the way in Pulaski, following action Tuesday night by Town Council.

Council voted unanimously to approve both the move from oneway traffic on Main and Third streets to two-way, as well as for a town-wide 35 mph speed limit.

The votes came two weeks after council heard from consultants who advised that two-way traffic can be accomplished on the two key roadways, and that the amount of traffic downtown no longer warrants the use of signal lights at downtown intersections.

The changes won't come right away, as Town Engineer Bill Pedigo explained to council.

"You understand there are certain ways to go about moving from signal lights."

Pedigo said you can't just take the lights down.

for a certain period of time, then consultants in the past.

bag them and leave that for a time before we put four-way stop signs out," Pedigo explained.

The first public sign of the traffic control change was announced by the town on Wednesday on its Facebook page when viewers were told the signal lights at Main Street and Randolph Avenue would be flashing indicating a four-way stop until further notice.

More such notifications are likely in the offing as the town moves closer to making the permanent change.

The idea of returning the downtown roadways - Main Street and Third Street – to two-way traffic has been around for a while and "We have to put them on flash has been the subject of studies by

The prompt to look at the change again came recently with the realization that a water line project on West Main Street would necessitate at least a temporary change to two-way traffic on Third Street as motorists maneuver around the water line work. Work that will also cause construction of new sidewalks downtown and possibly a change in parking.

Town Manager Darlene Burcham told council Tuesday that the water line project has gone out for bid, and that bids are due back on Sept. 15.

"We would hope bids come back within budget and we can start that project within the next 45 to 60 days," Burcham said.

Council's votes Tuesday came after discussion on speed limits and traffic accident statistics.

Pedigo and Police Chief Jill Neice led the discussion, taking Route 99 as it enters town first.

Neice pointed out that, since 2015, there had been 11 accidents and three injuries at the Route 99



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County opens new facility for Public Safety Station Five

By MIKE WILLIAMS The Patriot

Pulaski County Public Safety's Station Five has a new home.

Soon the old facility on Lagrange Street in Pulaski will be closed down and personnel and equipment moved to new digs at 1850 Bob White Boulevard.

The Pulaski County Board of Supervisors, County Administration, Public Safety personnel and others joined together Wednesting and open house to show off the new facility.

According to Pulaski County's Bill Warden, work on transform-

was White Rock Motors and later a childcare facility – into a brand spanking new home for members of the Public Safety department began in January. Planning and design work actually began even before that, according to Joe Trigg, Director of the Public Safety department.

Trigg said his department had input into every phase of the building's transformation.

"We're very proud of it. It's day afternoon for a ribbon cut- been a long time in coming," said Trigg. "The construction crew did a super job. Just top notch. You can see by looking at it the quality of work is just superb. They

ing the building - which in its past worked with us through the design process, and we had input through every step of the process. That makes all the difference in

the world." The building has a large bay for rescue vehicles, along with a kitchen, rooms for crew members, storage, office and common areas.

The facility sits smack in the middle of a storage building facility, but Trigg said he doesn't see that causing any issues for his department.

"It's being in the middle of a storage building location

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Downtown

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(East Main Street) intersection with Dora Highway.

Pedigo noted the fact that stretch of roadway includes the intersection, a trucking company and soon the mountain bike park.

His recommendation to council is for the town to work with VDOT on reducing the 55-mph speed limit coming into town to 45 mph, then to 35 in the area of the Dora Highway intersection and prior to motorists reaching the mountain bike park entrance.

He noted that without the reduction in speed, it would be necessary to construct a turn lane into the mountain bike park.

He also explained the current situation – with the speed at 55 dropping to 35 just past the New River Trail terminus at Xaloy Way – would be illegal now.

"You can't drop 20 mph from 55 to 35. You have to have a 45 mph in there somewhere," Pedigo

Burcham suggested working with VDOT to change the speed limit on Route 99 to 45 mph at the ramp off Exit 94, then to 35 near the Dora Highway intersection. Neice added that motorists

pulling out from Dora Highway or MacFall Hollow now have to immediately drive into 55 mph

"You really got to gear up to do it," she said.

The proposed changes on Route council.

99 heading into Pulaski go along with the need to make changes on Route 11 as well.

Neice said, since 2015, there has been 16 wrecks, six injuries and one fatality on Route 11 at Morehead Lane.

"When you hear about Route 11 and the kind of speeding that's done out there and the traffic accidents, it might be good to have a common speed throughout the town," Burcham added.

Pedigo explained that Route 11 is 55 mph as you near the town limits at Morehead Lane where there is a stop light. Up the hill at the Pleasant Hill Drive intersection, the speed reduces to 45.

"Back in the day all you had out there was farmland, but today there is a church and a school. It (speed limit) really should be lowered too," he said, adding the crossover at Pleasant Hill is like "a cocked gun."

"It's a big concern for residents of that area," Neice added.

"Thirty-five would take care of a lot of issues," Pedigo added.

Councilman Greg East agreed. "Thirty-five makes sense, eliminates confusion and is obviously

safer. Anything we can do to slow

traffic in and out of town I would be in favor of," he said. When it was time to make a decision, it was mentioned that Burcham – as town manager – has the authority to make the changes herself. However, Burcham told council she would not consider

doing so without the support of

Councilman Brooks Dawson asked if anyone had any concerns about two-way traffic on the two streets?

No one responded.

East asked about two-way traffic on Third Street down to the "Y" intersection at Duncan Bridge.

"I think making one street twoway is going to be difficult. Going from one-way to two-way. It would be easier if you just took away all the one-way and went to two-way with everything. The problem area for that is the Duncan Avenue bridge at the triangle. You're going to need a roundabout there. You're going to need to take our new sign down so you can have a straight shot going up. If you look at it, it doesn't align just right. They probably did that on purpose because it was one-way," Pedigo explained.

East asked how to accomplish two-way on Third Street for the water line work on Main.

"I think we've talked about blocking and having a turn there (before the 'Y') as a temporary measure, and then we would want a consultant to tell us what would be the best way to move forward there. We say a roundabout, but that may not be the best solution," Burcham said.

Councilman Michael Reis offered a motion to enact a townwide 35 mph speed limit unless otherwise posted. That passed unanimously.

Councilman Tyler Clontz offered the motion to make Third Street and Main Street both twoway, and it passed unanimously.



Pulaski County Public Schools

Hardymon named Riverlawn Student of the Month

Cole Hardymon is a fifth-grade student at Riverlawn Elementary. He lives with his parents, Doug and Ash Hardymon. Cole has been a student at Riverlawn since Kindergarten. It has been a pleasure to watch him mature and grow throughout the years. Every year, Cole has demonstrated exemplary citizenship skills and high academic achievement with everything he does. He is also helpful and compassionate toward others. Cole's favorite subject is Social Studies. He likes to play video games when he is not at school. When Cole grows up he wants to become an artist. Riverlawn Elementary is pleased to acknowledge Cole Hardymon as Student of the Month.



The Pulaski County **GOP** will hold its next meeting on Thursday, Sept. 15 at 6 p.m. at the Big Red Barn on Rt. 11.

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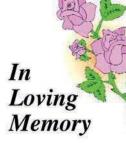
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MALCOLM DUANE "SAM" OGLE, JR.

Malcolm Duane Ogle, Jr. Sam", age 67 of Pulaski passed away Thursday, September 1, 2022 at the Pulaski Health and Rehab Center, Born November 15, 1954 in Wythe County he was the son of Gracie Virginia Mize Ogle and the late Malcolm Dewayne Ogle.

Sam is survived by his

Wife – Rita Allison Ogle – Pu-

Mother Gracie Ogle -Wytheville

Children - Lisa Michelle Caldwell – Pulaski, Samuel (Paula) Duane Ogle – Christiansburg, Victoria Ann (Justin) Gravely –

Special Daughter - Brandy Albert – Pulaski County

Numerous Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

Brother - Mark (Suzanne) Ogle - Wythe County

Sister - Teresa (Darrell) Collins - Wythe County

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 3, 2022 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski with Rev. Jim Linkous officiating. Interment followed at the Allison Family Cemetery, Allisonia.

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is handling the arrangements for the family.

James Madison University welcomes class of 2026

HARRISONBURG - James Madison University is to welcome the class of 2026 to campus this month. The incoming freshman class represents an accomplished, diverse group of individuals who hail from 38 states, the District of Columbia and 17 countries around the

The following students enrolled from your area.

Levi Roush of Dublin whose selected major is engineering.

Cierra Trueheart of Pulaski whose selected major is health sciences.

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DOROTHY ROOP **ROBERTS**

Dorothy Roop Roberts of Pulaski, passed away on September 6th. She was born August 22, 1927 in the Beckley WV area. She just celebrated her 95th birthday. She was born to the Rev. Ellis and Madelene Nunn. She grew up in a large family that settled in Drap-

She graduated from Draper High School and then attended Bluefield Secretarial College. While in high school she played on the basketball team and was especially proud of her half-court shot. She continued to be athletic throughout life, exercising several times a week at the pool and walking almost daily.

While living in Draper she met the Roop family that lived across the road. After World II Elza and Dorothy fell in love and married in 1948. They had 2 daughters, Sheila Roop, of Christiansburg and Susan Roop Dalrymple of

Dorothy worked at Virginia Maid Hosiery in Pulaski as administrative assistant to the plant

When Elza fell ill, Dorothy took care of him until he died at age 67. She later met and married Jim Roberts. She met Jim while listening to music with her best friend and sister-in-law, Nancy Mitchell Roop. Jim and she traveled, danced to bluegrass music and enjoyed each other for several years. She later cared for him when he became ill.

Dorothy will be remembered for her love of bluegrass and country music. She loved to dance with her son-in-law. She enjoyed raising roses, painting and talking to her neighbors. She was very crafty and took painting classes and stained-glass classes at New River Valley Fine Arts. She began piano lessons at age 90 and lived on her own until age 92. She was a strong woman who was always there for her daughters and taught her daughters to be strong. She was a Christian woman that never wavered in her faith. She attended Dublin Baptist Church and loved her church family.

She was predeceased by her brothers Claude, Rudolph, Robert, Ellis Jr, Ross and Dickie. She is survived by her daughters Sheila Roop and Susan Roop Dalrymple (Timothy). Sister, Nancy Nunn Passarelli (Joe) of Charlotte, NC, grandchildren Jacob Dalrymple, David Plemen (Leah), Adam Plemen (Stevie) and Christopher Plemen (Melissa). Great grandchildren Harper Plemen,

Brendan and Cade Plemen and Dylan Plemen and step great grandchild Baron Musik who she fondly called Hank. And many nieces and nephews.

Special thanks to Pulaski Health and Rehab staff and Dr. Williams, Pori'shua Jones her caregiver for the last 3 years and her other caregivers that were so good and loving to her. Thanks to her roommate at Pulaski Health and Rehab, Connie Byrd who made her last few weeks so much and her church family at Dublin Baptist Church with their visits, cards and phone calls.

Her family is in the care of Bower Funeral Home. Visitation will be on Saturday, September 10th, at 10:00 AM followed by the funeral service at 11 and the graveside service at Shiloh Cemetery. Pastor Allen Mahan will perform the service.

If you wish to donate in her name, she would be honored if you would do so to Dublin Baptist Church Food Pantry at 100 Hawkins St., Dublin VA 24084. To sign her online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com

Ballard appointed to dealer board

Pulaski's Jeff Ballard has been appointed by Gov. Glen Youngkin to a position on the state's Motor Vehicle Dealer Board.

The appointment was announced Friday among a series of Administration Appointments released by the governor's office.

Ballard is owner of Ike's Auto Sales in Pulaski and the father of Del. Jason Ballard of Giles Coun-

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shouldn't cause any problems for us," Trigg said. "We have right of way access through here and there's enough land attached to this building that we shouldn't have any issues whatsoever.'

Massie District Supervisor Andy McCready noted the county appreciates the donation of the building to the county by its former owner, David Hagan.

"We appreciate the effort the county's building crew put into this project," Trigg added. "We also appreciate the support of the Board of Supervisors and County Administration in getting this done. It's nice to work in a county that supports public safety the way it is in this area."

Asked to compare the new facility to the old one on Lagrange, Trigg gave a one-word answer.

"Modernized."

"The other was a very old building. It is in pretty poor shape. We've been putting Bandaids on it for years trying to keep it in service. This is more modern, and gets us in a more prominent location," Trigg said.

County Administrator Jonathan Sweet said the new facility "is a demonstration of just how the Board of Supervisors prioritizes you guys (public safety personnel) and what you do.

"It took a long time but was worth every month. It looks great. We're so proud of this. We want you to be proud of it, and the community to be proud of it," Sweet added.

"But at the end of the day it is



Robinson District Supervisor Jeff Reeves and Public Safety Director Joe Trigg cut a ribbon to mark completion of construction on the new Station Five in Pulaski off Bob White Boulevard.

and resources to do just that."

"This is just another link in the area where the facility is located. chain of what the administration, to enhance the safety of our cit-

about saving lives, and we need to izens in this county," remarked an excellent job on this facility. make sure you guys have the tools Jeff Reeves, Robinson District The workmanship really shows, Supervisor who represents the and we appreciate it.

"We can have the best resourcthe prior board of supervisors and es; we can have the best equipthe current board are tying to do ment and we can have the best facilities – and I think the staff did

out the people we don't have anything," Reeves continued.

"We can have all that, but with-

ee staff and the volunteers are what's important. And if you ever see that we're (board of supervisors) are lacking in support of that let us know. Because that should be our first priority. Anything we can do besides this fa-"The (public safety) employ- cility; you know where to come."

SNHU names three from county on President's List

MANCHESTER, NH -- It is fall, winter/spring, and summer. with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the follow- ki ing students on being named to the Summer 2022 President's List. The summer terms run from May to August.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Fulltime status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in able online and on its campus.

Daniel Johnsey of Pulaski Deanna Appell-Dobie of Pulas-

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Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) is a private, nonprofit institution with an 89year history of educating traditional-aged students and workgrade-point average of 3.700 and ing adults. Now serving more than 165,000 learners worldwide, SNHU offers approximately 200 accredited undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, avail-



Pulaski County Public Schools

Jennings named Teacher of the Month

Pulaski County Public Schools and Riverlawn Elementary School are pleased to recognize Grace Jennings as Teacher of the Month. Grace is a Kindergarten teacher at Riverlawn Elementary. Riverlawn Elementary was blessed to have Mrs. Jennings as a blocking student and student teacher. After she graduated Radford University, Riverlawn was fortunate enough to offer her a teaching position. Mrs. Jennings has been a part of Riverlawn Elementary for six years. She has had a variety of teaching experiences in several different grades. However, Kindergarten seems to be where her heart is. When you walk by her room, you will see her sitting on the floor with a group of students engaged in a fun activity. She has done everything from raising butterflies and chicks, to having students spend the day using glow sticks while working. Every morning, Mrs. Jennings has a line of former students waiting at her classroom door to give her hugs for the day. Along with colleague and parent nominations, Mrs. Jennings had several student nominations. One student stated, "Mrs. Jennings is a hard-working teacher. She's really kind and fun." Another student feels Mrs. Jennings "is a wonderful teacher and loves that she rewards her students with really cool stickers." A parent stated, "Mrs. Jennings pours her heart and soul into teaching. I could definitely tell it when my child cried because it was time for her to move onto her next grade.'

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OPINION

Presidents Are Not Kings

Americans have long been skeptical of monarchs. We still celebrate July 4 each year, marking the adoption of the Declaration of Independence which catalogued our grievances against Britain's King George III. We celebrate George Washington precisely because he chose to be a president who retired after two terms rather than a



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative king. Presidents throughout our history who were seen as overstepping the bounds of office have been compared to

kings, and not in a positive way.

This national trait of ours is a healthy one. As Ronald Reagan said of freedom, "It is not ours by way of inheritance; it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation."

Our republican form of government requires the engagement of its citizens. Further, it separates powers between the legislative, executive, and judicial branches and expects each to guard those powers from the others.

Nevertheless, the presidency has clearly accumulated great power of which the kings and queens of old could scarcely dream.

In a spirit not of partisanship but of concern for our form of government, I offer some examples where recent presidencies surpassed their authority. Even if you or I agree with the goal, we should beware executive overreach.

Let's start with the Biden Administration. Under President Biden, the Department of Homeland Security has ruled that large swathes of the illegal immigrant population should not be eligible for removal from our country. Of course, we have seen the immediate consequences of this legally unsupportable position: much more illegal immigration.

But it also damages the rule of law in the long term. Congress writes immigration laws. Several presidents have sought bills to grant amnesty to illegal immigrants, but they have not passed Congress. President Biden's decision amounts to amnesty, but it is a decision he is not free to make.

His recent order canceling student loan debt at the cost of hundreds of billions of dollars will likely be challenged in the courts. Its foundation in emergency authority is constitutionally dubious.

During President Trump's Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) unilaterally issued a nationwide moratorium on evictions in September 2020. Congress had previously passed a set of protections from eviction during the coronavirus pandemic in the CARES Act. The eviction limits expired, so the CDC cited a vague law allowing its director to take "measures to prevent such spread of the diseases as he/she deems reasonably necessary" to issue its own moratorium.

The CDC continued to extend the moratorium under President Biden until the Supreme Court eventually blocked its enforcement.

President Obama's time in office was characterized by aggressive efforts to push the envelope of his legal authority. He entered the Paris climate agreement without seeking Senate approval as a treaty. His Administration issued guidance documents that sought to evade the steps for rulemaking required by law. Just this year, the Supreme Court found in West Virginia v. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that the Obama EPA tried to usurp authority that did not belong to it in the regulation of greenhouse gases.

President George W. Bush's time in office was consumed by the response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, but national security does not justify acting outside the law. The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) set rules for reviewing requests by intelligence agencies to keep track of suspects. I believe the Bush Administration went beyond the rules to allow the National Security Agency to eavesdrop on suspects, including Americans, without a warrant.

Preventing presidents from overreaching their authority can be difficult. One may sympathize with the president's goals or not want to side with the president's opponents. Nevertheless, keeping our republic requires vigilance against presidents of any party acting outside their legal and constitutional limits.

As a Member of Congress, I have sought to keep presidents within the law. Under Presidents Obama, Trump, and Biden, I have called for the review and repeal of the authorization of use of military force in Iraq to prevent it from being used for unrelated purposes. I have been an outspoken critic of the FISA court process.

Further, I have spoken out against regulations that do not follow the proper rulemaking process, and have supported legislation to keep the president, whoever he or she is, within the limits of their office.

A president is not a king, no matter how well-meaning he is. All citizens should seek to keep it that way.

Are We a Republic or Democracy?

Article IV, Section 4 of the United States Constitution states: "The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion; and on Application of the Legislature, or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence."

In recent days, we've seen political leaders and media talking heads referring to the United States of America as a "democracy" rather than a Representative Republic. For some people who don't remember their 9th grade civics lessons, these terms can be confusing. But shouldn't we expect the president and members of congress to know the difference?

Maybe one political party likes to use the "D" word, rather than giving any acknowledgement to the political party beginning

One Nation Under God

By Danielle Reid

with "R"?

Our Founders had strong feelings about creating a form of government free from tyrrany; where all citizens were equally subject to the Law of the Land (Constitution). The United States' Constitution clearly defines the U.S. as a Republic in Article 4, Section 4.

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Is 'Red Wave' fading?

By Cal Thomas, Tribune Content Agency

People who follow politics are familiar with the scenario. When a Republican "wave" appears likely, or a Republican presidential candidate develops a significant lead over the Democrat candidate, the media begin reporting "stories" that the wave is receding, and the Democrat is gaining ground.

Television networks prefer close races because it adds to ratings. For once influential newspapers, it used to help sales.

Are these claims true? It doesn't matter to the media. A majority of journalists identify as liberals/Democrats. Neither does it matter how often polls are wrong. Like people who rely on psychics to tell them what they want to hear ("you will meet a tall, dark stranger"), accurate polls depend on the way the questions are asked, and the understanding people have about candidates and issues. They also depend on the size and political balance of the sample.

The most recent inaccurate polls occurred in the 2020 race between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump. Pollsters had the largest margin of error in 40 years. In 1980, polls showed Jimmy Carter beating Ronald Reagan by six percentage points, according to a study by Vanderbilt University.

Now, the usual pro-Democrat newspapers, cable and broadcast networks are "reporting" on polls (in some cases commissioned by themselves) that show a red wave may not happen and Democrats might even produce a "miracle," holding on to their slim congressional majority. Such polls also can have the effect of depressing Republican voter turnout. Why vote, goes the thinking, when it appears the result is already determined.

President Biden's student loan "forgiveness" policy, meant to appeal to the youth vote, is just another way to influence polls. Democrats don't care about counting costs, only counting votes. Consider how no one - not the White House press secretary, not the Secretary of Education, not even the president - can tell taxpayers, who will foot the bill, how much loan forgiveness will cost.

We are told that abortion will motivate

Democrats and some Republicans to vote for Democrats. Perhaps in some states where the electorate is closely divided, but the economy continues to be the main issue for most voters. Despite the administration claiming credit for a decline ingas prices, inflation remains the highest it's been in40 years, along with record high prices for food and other necessities. Notice the sleight of hand: administration officials deny blame when prices increase but claim credit when some prices go down.

Then there is the name-calling, which apparently Democrats think will motivate their base. The media seem mostly fine with this, though the president promised to unite us. Instead, he labels 70 million Trump voters "MAGA Republicans" and "semi-fascists," but can't define either term. If some voters were turned off by Donald Trump's name-calling, why would they not also be offended by the president throwing mud?

Predicting the future is problematic at best. History has shown that many voters either clam up when asked their opinions by pollsters or say things they don't mean to avoid being labeled "racist" or "intolerant", labels the left so readily apply to conservatives.

People should realize that a lot of this is the result of poll testing. Politicians get together (on both sides) and decide what the voters want to hear, then they fan out on TV and spout identical phrases. Listen to the montages some of the cable networks play and notice how each person interviewed repeats the same lines. This is not a coincidence.

It is difficult to believe that voters swimming in a red wave of anger and disgust at the Biden administration and what congressional Democrats have done will suddenly reverse course and either vote for the status quo or stay home, but that's the goal of Democrats. We'll know in two months whether it has worked, but polls are the least reliable indicator.

Readers may email Cal Thomas at tcaeditors@tribpub.com. Look for Cal Thomas' latest book "America's Expiration Date: The Fall of Empires and Superpowers and the Future of the United States" (HarperCollins/Zondervan).



Rich Lowery

> Editor Nationa Review

GOP can't run and hide on abortion

The Republican Party only had about a half-century to prepare for the end of Roe v. Wade yet is still scared and confused now that the late, unlamented decision is no longer with us.

It may be that the media is exaggerating the extent that the Dobbs decision has changed the trajectory of the midterms, but there is no doubt that it has energized Democrats and that pro-lifers suffered a signal defeat in a Kansas referendum in early August.

Some Republicans seem to think they can run and hide from the issue, a cowardly tack that won't work. To the extent that Republicans are vague and non-responsive, Democrats will eagerly fill in the gaps with Handmaid's Tale-level dystopian accusations of extremism.

Other Republicans apparently believe that they can act as if it is still the pre-Dobbs world when staking out maximalist positions -- for instance, bans with no exceptions for rape or incest -- had no significant downside because such proposals would never take effect. No more. Most places, this is politically deadly overreach.

The answer here is, to paraphrase Ronald Reagan, simple, if not necessarily easy. Pro-life Republicans should say that they ultimately seek sweeping protections for unborn life but realize that they have to do much more public persuasion and, in the meantime, support a compromise proposal of some sort, say a gestational limit of 15

For pro-lifers, this falls painfully short. But it would be in keeping with the trajectory of successful past campaigns of moral and social reform -- settle for progress in the right direction, occupy politically defensible ground, and then advance over time.

weeks.

Meanwhile, abortion restrictions are under assault for allegedly not providing broad and clear enough exceptions for the health of the mother. In a viral video out of South Carolina last week, a Republican state representative said he regretted voting for a heartbeat bill, banning abortion after about six weeks, after he heard an excruciating story of a 19-year-old denied

care for her miscarriage.

According to Rep. Neal Collins, a doctor told him the usual standard of care would have potentially involved removing the fetus immediately. But the heartbeat bill supposedly prevented that, and the woman went home to expel the fetus on her own and assume enormous health risk.

The South Carolina law, though, like most such restrictions around the country, stipulates that the prohibition "does not apply to a physician who performs a medical procedure that, by any reasonable medical judgment, is designed or intended to prevent the death of the pregnant woman or to prevent the serious risk of a substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function of the pregnant woman."

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OPEN FORUM

Town of Pulaski proposes changes

To the editor,

In the early 1950's, as a young boy growing up in the Town, I was blessed to see Pulaski as a booming town. There were many different manufacturing companies operating facilities within town limits employing several hundred people. The demand for employees was so great many folks from surrounding counties moved to or drove to town for jobs. A large number of businesses began to pop up to offer food, clothing, furniture, automobiles, etc. As the town continued to grow vehicle traffic became a major problem. Since traffic was two way on Main and Third street, they became a constant log jam. With people trying to park, vehicles double parking in front of stores to pick up or let out passengers, trucks dropping off freight, and numerous others reasons drivers became extremely irritated on waiting for traffic to flow again. Now, not only were there log jams in east to west direction, but there was also north to south traffic jams because of the trains going through downtown Pulaski at that time stopping to pick up and let passengers off, as well as

unloading or picking up freight. Today, we have to stop for several minutes waiting for trains to pass through. So, with discontented motorist and businesses on Main Street, town officials moved to change traffic flow from two-way to one-way, which worked much better. As well, Maple Shade Inn was demolished and a strip mall was constructed in its place with spacious parking for several businesses to move in, Roses, Kroger's, and People's Drug to name

Could angular parking on Main Street work? In my personal opinion No, Main Street is not wide enough. Angular parking would require three lanes whether you went two or one way. If you go to Wytheville and notice their Main Street is much wider than Pulaski Main Street. Also, backing out of an angular parking spot would be much more difficult especially for senior drivers having to turn their necks and not having a mirror to look at. Also, the problem of havparked beside.

Finally, I see town officials want to do away with traffic lights and install four- way stop signs at the intersections of Main and Washington Avenue and Main

and Jefferson Avenue. I did a little study to try and find an advantage to such a proposal, and frankly I see this as being a disaster rather than being of any improvement.

The rule of use is that the first vehicle that comes to the intersection has the right-of-way however, if two or more vehicles arrive at the same time, the vehicle on the furtherer right has the right-ofway. Now, let's say multiple automobiles in all lanes come to the intersection at approximately the same time how many drivers are going to get extremely agitated at having to start and stop multiple times before they get the right to go through the intersection? All of a sudden the traffic lights seem like the reasonable solution. Another major concern is to get emergency vehicles through those intersections quickly, considering the Fire Department is only a half of a block from the Jefferson Avenue and Main Street intersection.

I don't recall having seen in ing to look around a large truck the Patriot why these changes are being considered. Are they to pacify a favored few or are they thought to be of major advantage to the general populace?

Roger Hurd

Labor Day weekend traffic crashes claim 6

RICHMOND, Va. – Even with a reduction in fatal traffic crashes compared to the 2021 Labor Day holiday weekend, there was still an alarming number of deaths among young people and pedestrians. Of the six traffic deaths reported for the holiday weekend to date: four involved juveniles; two were pedestrians; and three were not wearing a seatbelt. During the 2021 Labor Day weekend, there were a total of 10 traffic fatalities on Virginia's highways.

"While the reduction in traffic deaths is encouraging, six families still lost loved ones this past weekend," said Colonel Gary T. Settle, Virginia State Police Superintendent. "Four of those tragically lost were young people with a full life ahead of them, and two of those children were not wearing a seatbelt or safely secured in a child safety restraint. I implore all Virginians to wear their seatbelts and require all those riding with you to do the same."

During the 2022 four-day holiday statistical counting period, the six fatal traffic crashes occurred in the counties of Hanover, Henry, Pittsylvania, Shenandoah and Sussex, along with the city of Norfolk. The two pedestrians killed were a 7-year-old female and an 85-year-old male. The two juveniles not wearing seatbelts were a 17-year-old female and a 6-year-old male. The fourth juvenile traffic death was an 11-yearold female passenger. State police investigated a total 772 traffic crashes during the holiday week-

The Virginia State Police participated in two annual, traffic-safety enforcement programs

over the 2022 Labor Day weekend: Operation Crash Awareness Reduction Effort (CARE) and Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, the anti-DUI enforcement and education program sponsored by the Washington Regional Alcohol Program (WRAP). Operation CARE is a nationwide, state-sponsored traffic safety program that aims to reduce traffic crashes, fatalities and injuries caused by impaired driving, speeding and failing to use occupant restraints. Virginia State Police's participation in the program began Friday, Sept. 2, 2022, at 12:01 a.m., and concluded at midnight Monday, Sept. 5,

As a result of state police traffic safety enforcement efforts during the 2022 statistical counting period, Virginia troopers:

- Stopped 4,094 speeders
- Stopped 1,807 reckless driv-

 Arrested 87 drivers for DUI/ DUID

- Cited 435 seat belt violations
- · Assisted 818 disabled/stranded motorists

Funds generated from summonses issued by Virginia State Police go directly to court fees and the state's Literary Fund, which benefits public school construction, technology funding and teacher retirement.



Lowry

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This should have been ample warrant for the young woman to get the appropriate care (and she did end up returning to the medical facility for the requisite treatment). This looks like a case of a bad reading of the law causing unnecessary medical distress and creating a horror story with considerable political resonance.

In a paper on health exceptions, the pro-life Charlotte Lozier Institute notes: "It would be prudent for state medical boards, state medical societies, state boards of pharmacy, hospital quality committees, and hospital attorneys to provide more detailed guidance to doctors on how to reach a determination that abortion is necessary. Tragically, this type of guidance appears slow in coming."

It'd also help if Democrats stopped lying about these laws, although that's not going to happen. White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre said the other day that the Texas pro-life law will "block medical providers from providing life-saving and

health-preserving care," a blatant falsehood. The Texas law has a clear life-of-the-mother exception and explicitly excludes treatment for miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies from its definition of abortion.

At the moment, though, such falsehoods are carrying the day. To find their footing, Republicans will have to be courageous and shrewd, two qualities so far in short supply.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Further, they understood that "the human heart is inherently wicked" and craves power and prestiege, so they designed the Constitution to create a balance of power across three branches of government: the legislative/congress, the judicial/court system and the executive branch/president. The central government would be limited to the powers specifically

The writers of our Constitution ence between a democracy and representative republic. They meticulously studied different forms of government from ancient times, their philosophies, and why these governments succeeded or failed. They were concerned about "excesses of democracy" and "tyranny of the majority.'

Incidently, the word "democracy" does not appear anywhere in the US Constitution...and neither does the phrase "separation of church and state" although both are frequently attributed to it.

Read what James Madison, the architect of our Constitution and fourth US President, wrote: "Democracies have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention; have ever been found incompatible with personal security, or the rights of property; and have, in general,

been as short in their lives as they have been violent in their deaths."

Typically, national constitutions have lasted an average of only seventeen years since ours, which was ratified in 1789. Although there are now 159 of the world's sovereign states using the word "republic" in their official names, the United States of America is the longest running republic under a single Consti-

John Adams, contributor to the had much to say about the differ- Declaration of Independence and Constitution and second US president wrote: "Remember, democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts, and murders itself. There never was a democracy yet that did not commit suicide."

> Thomas Jefferson, third US President who penned the Declaration of Independence, concurred: "An elective despotism was not the government we fought for..."

John Marshall, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, explained: "Between a balanced republic and a democracy, the difference is like that between order and chaos. The simple fact is that the United States is a republic (and a constitutional republic at that), not a democracy, by purposeful design.

The chief characteristics of a Democracy are rule by majority (where the individual or minority groups

have no protection against the power of the majority), the majority vote rules, and its power is absolute and unlimited.

Our Founders believed in unalienable rights and that our rights were given by God, not the government. They wanted to ensure a representative government of the people, by the people and for the people, that would secure the rights of the individual and protect each one from oppression and tyrrany under a written Constitution.

In their wise creation of a Representative Republic, values such as individual liberty and unalienable rights were elevated by the Founders. They make "We the People" as a whole sovereign, rejecting inherited political power and embracing the equal adjudication of the Rule of Law under our written Constitution. They raise the expectations of citizens' participation in their performance of civic duties and admonish them to vilify corruption.

Now you will be able to tell the difference between a democracy and a representative republic. When you hear someone referring to our great nation as a democracy, you can respectfully point out the important differences; and why the Founders brilliantly decided to create a Representative Republic.



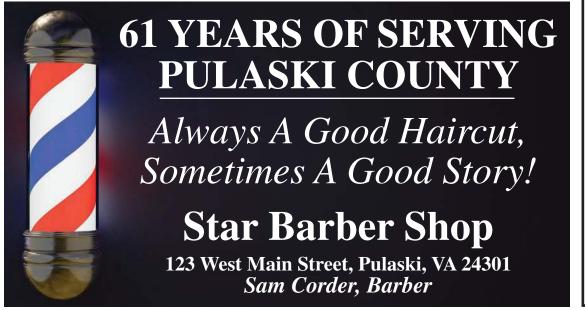


Personal property categorized as automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, motor homes, campers, and boats will experience a 7-25% increase in valuations for tax year 2022 due to volatile market trends. To ease the tax burden, the Board of Supervisors and Commissioner of the Revenue have agreed to implement a seven percent partial reduction in the NADA clean trade-in values for three primary categories: vehicles (personal and business), trucks (under 10,001 lbs.), and handicapped motor vehicles. Any allowed reduction in value will be automatically applied to qualifying vehicles. Keep in mind the Pulaski County personal property tax rates did not

If you have concerns about rising property values or tax rates in Pulaski County, please contact your Board of Supervisors at bos@pulaskicounty.org.

For questions about paying your tax bill, contact the Treasurer's Office at (540) 980-7785.

For questions about the value assigned to your property, contact the Commissioner of the Revenue Office at (540) 980-7750.



Go Pulaski County Volunteers Needed

at 8:00 am, volunteers from all around Pulaski County will come together for the 7th Annual county-wide day of service -GO Pulaski County!

Eighteen projects are planned in Fairlawn, Newbern, Dublin, Snowville, Pulaski and Robinson Tract, benefiting a wide variety of residents and organi-

New this year is work on bike trails on Draper Mountain (great project for Boy Scouts!), the Loom Building of the Wilderness Road Museum, and Solomon's Closet clothing bank.

We'll be removing stucco at the former Taking It To The Streets building in Pulaski, and

On September 24, beginning working on an individual's home repairs.

> Back again this year is lap quilt making to be donated to our local cancer center, Pulaski Adult Day Services, Calfee Cultural & Community Center, the Pulaski County Christmas Store, Pulaski Community Youth Center, and County Parks and Rec.

> Volunteer registration (www. gopulaskicounty.org/volunteer) will close on September 9, so register today. We need approximately 30 more volunteers to sufficiently carry out the projects

> For more information, contact us at info@gopulaskicounty.org. We hope to see you on September

Pulaski County Public Schools

Metz named Senior of the Month

Pulaski County Public Schools and Pulaski County High School are pleased to announce Brianna Metz

Brianna's nominator states, "Brianna Metz is one of the most selfless people I have ever met. She constantly is doing for others - including her siblings. She is very conscientious and a hard worker arriving early to school to help out in childcare. She radiates positivity and is uplifting to all. She greets peers and faculty with a warm smile and you would never know if she is ever having a bad day. She is wonderful example to others and a very special person"

Upon graduation Brianna would like to go college. She is not sure of the route, but she would love to work with children either as a teacher or with social services to reunite families. Bri loves music and singing. She attends Dublin Christian Church and does special music which includes singing, leading praise and worship occasionally. Bri also teaches children at Dublin Christian Church, who are who are

in second grade and younger.

Master Gardener offering grants

sociation, a volunteer organization of the Virginia Cooperative Extension, is now accepting grant applications for 2023 gardening projects. Grants will be awarded based on merit to any educational, care-giving or community-based organization seeking to educate, involve, and/or improve quality of life for participants through a gardening-related project. Organizations in the counties of Floyd,

The NRV Master Gardener As- Giles, Pulaski and Montgomery (and towns within) are encouraged to apply. In the past, grants have been awarded to public and private schools, 4-H groups, public libraries, other educational groups, as well as community gardens and nursing homes. Funding has been provided for, but not limited to, creating public gardens (vegetable and flower), raising plants for sale (4-H), composting, purchasing plant labels and gardening tools, to name a

> Qualifications--Applications will be evaluated on the following

2. Plan clarity, viability, and explanation of use of funds, including a proposed detailed lineitem budget

3. Positive environmental impact (Please research plant selection options to avoid use of invasive plants. We encourage use of native plants when possible.)

4. Active involvement of par-

5. Long term maintenance, if an on-going project

Requirements

• Follow the proposed budget

· Complete the project as ap-

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Photos courtesy of Mike Sheets

Frequent Visitors

Josh and Sissy Sheets of Hiwassee recently got these pictures of one of the bears they often see in their yard.



Health, wellness fair set in Christiansburg Sept. 21

A free local Health and Well- fer a variety of health information September 21 will provide information on ways to stay healthy, feel healthy, and age well.

The fair is noon to 4 p.m. at Christiansburg Recreation Center, 1600 N. Franklin St. The public event is sponsored by AARP Blacksburg, the Ed-Medicine (VCOM) and the recreation center.

Close to 100 exhibitors will of-

ness Fair in Christiansburg on and screenings. Gold sponsors of the health fair are NRV Community Services, OrthoVirginia, Warm Hearth Village, Carilion NRV Medical Center, River Ridge Dermatology, Bath Fitter, Mount Regis Center, Aetna and Engagement Center for Creating Aging. Silver sponsors are Total Motion ward Via College of Osteopathic Physical Therapy, InnovAge and New River Osteopathy.

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Kentland Farm Field Day on tap Tuesday in Blacksburg

On Tuesday, September 13, Virginia Cooperative Extension and the Virginia Tech College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will host the 2022 Kentland Farm Field Day. This event will highlight current research projects at Kentland Farm as well as focus on grazing tools, pasture management, and horticulture production. The guest speaker for the event will be Dr. John Fike, Extension Forage Specialist at Virginia Tech. Dr. Fike will provide strategies for reducing fertilizer inputs on the farm. As Virginia's State Forage Specialist, Dr. Fike works with agents and producers to improve the productivity, profitability and environmental quality of forage-livestock systems in Virginia, largely through efforts with the Graze 300 program, tall fescue management, and silvopasture systems implementation. Speakers from VCE, Virginia Tech, and industry will also deliver workshops and demonstrations on the following topics:

- Animal Science, Agronomy, Horticulture, Entomology Program Updates: Wagon Tour
 - Reducing Fertilizer Inputs • Pasture Management Apps
 - Graze 300: A Producer Per-

Fair

Continued from Page A8 A major attraction will be VCOM faculty and students offering free medical services and screenings. The public can meet and interact with them one on one. VCOM will provide information on fall prevention, cancer screenings, osteoporosis, body mass index, immunizations, osteopathic manipulative therapy, health nutrition, and diet.

Flu shots and other immunizations will be available. Pharmacists will be on hand to discuss such topics as drug interactions. Physical and occupational therapists and chiropractors can advise on chronic conditions.

Exhibits will feature how to update your home to make it more accessible. Participatory presentations will include Qi Gong, Tai Chi, mindfulness exercises, laughter yoga and chair yoga. Also featured are massage therapy, home improvement ideas for aging in place, in-home health services, and free light and healthy snacks.

For details, contact Leslie Pendleton of AARP Blacksburg, (540) 230-8139 or lkpendleton@ gmail.com; or Tammy Caldwell (540) 382-2349 or tcaldwell@ christiansburg.org.

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The farm is rich in local history, and Virginia Tech has maintained that history through the manor house, slave cemetery, Native American sites, and other early farm buildings.

Registration: \$15 - includes lunch and ice cream

Pulaski County Extension Of-

Attn: Kentland Field Day

143 Third Street NW Suite 3 Questions: Morgan Paulette, 540-980-7761

Pulaski, VA 24301 payable to: "Treasurer - Virginia

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Morgan Paulette, Pulaski Extension Office 540-267-6964 OR your local Extension office.





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USPS) by October 15, 2022. No late applications can be accepted. Grant recipients will be an-

nounced no later than January 6, 2023 and grant funds dispersed by January 31. Project must be started within three months of funding and completed within one year of grant receipt. All unspent funds at the completion of the project shall be returned to NRVMGA by November 30, 2023.

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For more information and to submit your project application, contact Carol Trutt: 540-239-9591 caroltrutt53@hotmail.com Email is preferred, but you may mail to Carol at the following: 95 N Surry Circle, Christiansburg, VA 24073.



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- 2023): Communicate progress with Master Gardener liaison until project is complete
- · Submit receipts for expenditures funded by the grant
- Submit a Project Completion Report (due November 1, 2023) at the close of the project with photographs
- Be willing to give a tour or program on the project at a meeting of NRVMGA or the Board
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Take control of your healthcare

By Debbie Bauer, LCSW

During my 29 years of clinical social work experience in the mental health field working with people, I have been privileged to hear people's stories of pain, joy, suffering, and miracles. Throughout the years, I have heard and witnessed how people navigate the healthcare system. Though my focus as a therapist is mental health/behavioral health, I look at the whole person in his or her situation. I have learned about the medical system from my clients as well as my and my family's experiences. I have even worked in a primary care setting where the "emotional health unit" was in the same office as the local family doctor (this was back in east Tennessee over 26 years ago, we were doing "integrated healthcare" ahead of the curve). I have consulted with primary care physicians, nurse practitioners, psychiatrists, etc. I have observed how this healthcare world operates and I want to share some of my knowledge, suggestions, and experiences. I want each person to be informed about his or her health and treatment options. I want them to be empowered to ask questions, discuss concerns, and know their choices. I want each person to be

Editor's note: As a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (Licensed Clinical Social Worker), Debbie Bauer, LCSW has worked as a therapist for over 29 years in Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Wisconsin, and Virginia. She works with adults at New River Valley Community Services in downtown Pulaski. Her husband Keith (also a L.C.S.W.) also works as a therapist at NRVCS in Pulaski. Debbie earned her Bachelor of Science in psychology at Mary Washington College (now the University of Mary Washington) in 1991, then earned her Master in Social Work at Virginia Commonwealth University in 1991.

Debbie and her family moved to the Pulaski area in 2011.

treated with respect and receive competent, caring healthcare, regardless of one's background, education, race, culture, orientation, economic status, etc. These are my practical concerns and have nothing to do with politics because no matter what side of the aisle you are on, you will probably need some form of healthcare and hopefully you will be blessed to receive it.

Here are some of the things that I have learned:

-- Prepare for your medical visits. Ask questions. Be direct, clear, and to the point. Think in sound bites, then communicate to your healthcare in quick sound bites, so they get the big picture of what you are asking and needing. They want the headlines, then let them ask you the pertinent follow-up questions. Be focused.

--Write down notes and questions and bring them with you to your medical appointment. Bring paper and pen to jot notes yourself (write down your provider's suggestions). Prioritize your issues and questions and realize that a primary care physician (PCP) may only have time to address one or two issues (maybe more if they aren't complicated). It's better to have a thorough visit addressing a few issues, than a whirlwind visit trying to address too many issues without adequate time and atten-

--Before you leave your medical visit, make sure you understand if and what the PCP has diagnosed you with, how it will be treated (what is the plan?), and what is the

--You have a right to view your medical file and to have copies of

vour medical records and tests, if you want them. You have to ask.

--Keep an updated list of ALL of your medications (prescribed and over-the-counter including vitamins and herbal supplements) with you (and bring to all appointments). You may also want to list your medical conditions and any possible allergies, too.

--If appropriate, consider hospice (particularly non-profit ones) to have palliative care in the comfort of your own home. Hospice can be an option if they believe that someone may have less than six months to live. Hospice healthcare providers care for the individual and the family.

--Keep an updated list of ALL of your healthcare providers with their names and contact information. Bring to every appointment. This list should include PCP, specialists, dentists, ophthalmologists, etc. You will be prepared to give this information to your provider if you want coordination of care when you sign consents to release information for one provider to talk to another provider.

--Note that if you request that your medical records be sent to another provider, these records will only include the information generated from visits with that provider. For example, if your PCP sent you to a cardiologist, then you requested that your PCP records be sent to a different provider, then your PCP can only release his or her records. You would have to sign a separate consent to release information for your cardiologist's records to be sent to another provider.

--Ask your healthcare providers to communicate with your other healthcare providers. Though the idea of integrated care is promoted, the implementation of it is a work in progress. You can request that your healthcare providers communicate. Make sure to request to sign consents to release information (that's one reason to have that list of all of your providers with you, so you can give them complete information on where to

-- Talk to your pharmacist. They are the experts on the medications. Ask questions about your prescriptions such as what are the possible side effects? How do these medications interact or counter-act? If you are senior citizen, be aware that some dosages and types of medications for senior citizens can be different. Also, be on the alert for how medications affect you, so you can report possible side effects and/or medication interactions to your prescribing healthcare provider.

--Shop around. If you are takg a medication that is expensive, call different pharmacies to do a price comparison (give the exact dose and quantity and ask for a price). Prescription medication prices vary quite a bit. One place would be cheaper for one medication and a higher price for a different medication. Consider mail-order with three-month supply to lower costs.

--Review every medical bill before paying it. Your bill should be itemized with dates of service and procedure codes. Verify that you actually saw the provider and received the listed services. If you have insurance, compare your insurance company's explanation of benefits with the medical bill. Were things covered as you expected or do you have questions? Call the provider, call your

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Call 540-808-3949 insurance. ASK QUESTIONS. Write down the names of who you to talk with, dates, etc. Keep a record of any communication about medical bills. I have found MANY errors over the years... things that weren't filed and should have been, wrong codes, double-billed, and denials when they should have been covered. You have to be assertive and persistent. Remember the name of the game seems to be for most medical providers to bill as much as they can and most insurance companies to pay for the least they can. --You have to look out for

you...no one else is going to look out for you and your healthcare like you are! You have a vested interest in your and your family's health. People make mistakes and things can accidentally fall through the cracks. Stay on top of your own healthcare! Most PCPs are being expected to see more patients with less reimbursement and expected to do more (like monitor and coordinate all of your care). I believe they usually do a good job. I just know that it doesn't hurt to know what is going on with your own care such as asking questions and following through. Plus, you will make your appointments more productive if you come to appointments on time (always bring something to read, in case you have to wait!) with a list of your medications, your providers, notes about what you need to be seen for, and your questions.

--Follow-up on things such as calling your PCPs office to see if they got the results of the referral they made for you to see a specialist. Call them until you get an answer. No news may be good news, but it also may mean your paperwork got misplaced. You can just leave a message for your provider's nurse asking if they received the records and if your provider has any treatment recommendations.

--If you are going to see a specialist, make sure to confirm that your provider sent any relevant records/blood work, etc. to the specialist. Ask if you need to sign separate release for other test results (such as CT scans, x-rays, MRIs) to be sent. Sometimes people wait for an appointment with a specialist, only to find that minimal information was sent by their provider and the specialist really needed additional information, lab work, tests, etc., therefore, the visit with the specialist wasn't as productive as it could have been.

--You have a right to see a healthcare provider you are comfortable with and you have a right to change providers if needed. You also can ask for a second opinion, especially on major issues such as surgery.

--If you have insurance, you need to call and confirm with your insurance company (write down who you talked with) that the provider, hospital, and/or lab are covered and in-network. While the providers' offices try to cover this, it is wise to also do it yourself, so that you won't get stuck with a bill from an out-of-network provider. With all of these insurance changes, it is important to check and double-check these issues because insurance companies are constantly adding and dropping providers just as providers may be adding and dropping certain insurance companies. --When it comes to serious ill-

ness, if you want direct answers, ask direct questions. You have a choice about whether you want treatment or not, what kind of treatment, etc. Be informed, research the issue, discuss with your healthcare providers, and look at your options, so you can make informed decisions.

--Be nice. You usually get better customer service when you are polite and nice. When appropriate, thank the front desk staff, the nurses, the lab technicians, your PCP, and other healthcare providers. Most of them are usually overworked and doing the best they can. Remember you're on the same team in trying to keep you healthy. Be aware, active, and involved in your care and hopefully you will not just survive, you may actually thrive in our healthcare system.



Tate named Employee of the Month

Pulaski County Public Schools and Riverlawn Elementary are pleased to recognize Carrie Tate as Employee of the Month. Ms. Tate is the Administrative Assistant in the front office. She is the one who greets everyone as they come through the door. Mrs. Tate is an invaluable resource to Riverlawn. She has dedicated herself to the staff, families, and administration. When asked a question, she always knows the answer or where to find it. On one of Mrs. Tate's nomination forms, a parent wrote, "Carrie is always available and willing to help. She provides great service to the parents. Her demeanor is kind, professional, and supportive. She is obviously dedicated to helping Riverlawn run smoothly and efficiently and doing so with a smile. It is always a pleasure to speak to her and get assistance." A Riverlawn student who nominated her wrote, "Mrs. Tate is nice and she tells parents when we are sick." Mrs. Tate works hard while her dedication and loyalty radiates from her. Riverlawn loves having Carrie Tate as th first person who greets students, parents, and community members. She leaves a positive and everlasting





NRCC welcomes five new faculty members

From NRCC

New River Community College recently named five new faculty, full-time teaching Christopher Brewer, Kasey Cantrell-McCowan, Dustin Carter, Josh Graham, and Heather Umberger.

Brewer, of Blacksburg, is an instructor of mathematics at NRCC. He previously taught in West Virginia and most recently at Blacksburg High School, where he taught dual enrollment courses for NRCC. Brewer has a Marietta College, a master's in integrated mathematics education from Miami University, and a graduate certificate in mathematics from Indiana University East.

"In mathematics, I always enjoy helping and watching students achieve success even when they have a fear of the subject. and to help students get through the requirements to achieve their goals," said Brewer. "I have always heard NRCC was a great place to work, inviting for its employees, students, and the community as a whole, and I wanted to become a part of that atmosphere."

He has three children and when not working, enjoys playing ultimate frisbee and disc

Cantrell-McCowan, of Wythe County, joins NRCC as an instructor of mathematics. She previously taught at Buchanan County Public Schools, Piedmont Community College in North Carolina, and Wythe County Public Schools. Cantrell-McCowan has a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia's College at Wise and a master's degree from Radford University. She says she has always had a passion and love for math, and teaching it is reward-

ing when the topic clicks with a student.

"I love being involved and wish the best for everyone, thus coming to NRCC was a perfect fit for my personality," said Cantrell-Mc-

When not teaching, she enjoys walking/running, hiking, being outdoors, traveling, and crocheting and quilting. Last summer she visited all five national parks in Utah, and this summer she visited Yellowstone National Park and Grand Tetons National Park.

Carter, of Fancy Gap, is an asbachelor's in mathematics from sistant professor of electrical engineering technology at NRCC. He previously taught math and physics at Grayson County High School and Galax High School. Carter has a bachelor's degree in physics and mathematics from Emory & Henry College and a master's degree in technology education from St. Cloud State University. He also holds certifications in computer-aided design (CAD), engineering education, and information technology related areas. Carter said he likes working in the academic area because of the hands-on and project-based educational opportunities it provides.

"I am excited to help students develop their skills and find rewarding careers or extend their educations. NRCC has developed an excellent reputation, especially in my field of study and I'm excited to work to continue that legacy," said Carter.

Graham, of Fort Chiswell, joins the college as an associate professor of welding. He began his welding career in the HVAC industry and has spent the last 14 years teaching welding at Pulaski County High School and Salem High School. He was also an adjunct instructor for NRCC and Virginia Western Community College. Graham is a former NRCC student and has a bache-







Cantrell-McCowan



Dustin Carter



Josh Graham



Heather Umberger

NEW RIVER Community College

lor's degree from Virginia Tech. that they feel proud to be a part He is also a certified welding inspector and a certified welding educator through the American in Wythe County. Welding Society.

"Since high school, I have always been a kinesthetic learner and have enjoyed working with my hands to create/fabricate something extraordinary and useful," said Graham. "Because of this, I chose to enter into the teaching profession so that I could share my knowledge/experience of welding with others and see them develop the skills necessary to have a successful and rewarding career in such an awesome trade. I believe that the greatest and best investments that a person can make is in the lives of others."

He said it is rewarding as an educator to see students complete a welding training program and

of. When not teaching, Graham, with his family, pastors a church

Umberger, of Wytheville, is an assistant professor of nursing at the college. She previously worked for the LewisGale Regional Health System and was recently the director of emergency services at LewisGale Hospital Pulaski. Umberger received an associate degree in nursing from Wytheville Community College, a bachelor's degree in nursing from Western Governors University, and a master's degree in nursing with a focus on leadership and management from Western Governors University. She is a registered nurse and has a national certification as a certified emergency nurse.

"I love teaching others the art of acquire a job at a company/union nursing," said Umberger. "I enjoy

pairing science with compassion, and helping others do the same to truly make a difference in patient's lives."

She said she enjoys making visits to hospitals, nursing homes, and schools with her certified therapy dog, Teddy.

These new faculty members replaced retirements and filled vacant positions at NRCC. NRCC is a comprehensive community college located in the New River Valley of Virginia. For more information about NRCC, visit www.nr.edu.



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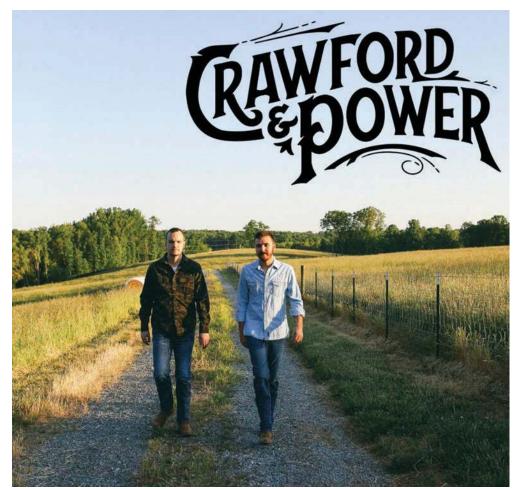
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Reserved seating tickets will be \$20 in advance and will be available for purchase online only at www.nr.edu/fiddle. General seating tickets will be \$10 in advance and available online or in-person at the NRCC Business Office and Visitor Center in Dublin (cash and checks only for in-person sales). Reserved seating tickets will be \$25 and general seating tickets will be \$15 when purchased at the door.

More information about the show is available from Tim Jones at 540-674-3625, and online at www.nr.edu/fiddle.



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School Board recognizes Finance Dept. Staff at August Meeting

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We are appreciative of these hard-working employees and wish to recognize them for their contributions to Pulaski County Public Schools.

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Cougars suffer first loss to Tennessee High

By MASON CLARK The Patriot

In a game of back and forths, Pulaski County suffered their first loss of the season, falling to a tough Tennessee High Vikings squad in Dobson Stadium, 35-28. It was a game where it felt like we should've been winning by more when leading, and a game where we had our chances. But sometimes, especially with a new coach in his first campaign, it can slip away.

Things got off to a promising start. On the first play, after a bobbled snap, Chris Gallimore handed the ball to Trevor Burton. The senior ran through some contact, got loose and outran the Viking secondary all the way for an electric 80-yard score on the first play from scrimmage. Nathan Pratt's PAT made it 7-0.

Tennessee High responded by putting a good drive together, moving it into Cougar territory, but on a fourth and short, the Cougar defense rose to the occasion and stopped the Vikings short.

The Cougars continued to move the football, this time a bit more methodically. They got all the way into the Tennessee red zone, but a fumbled quarterback-center exchange resulted in a lost fumble.

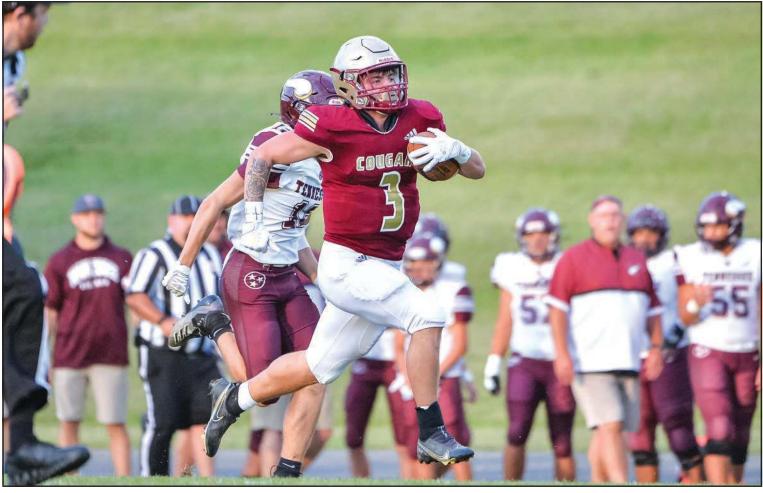
A chance to get off to a 14-0 lead in the first quarter is an opportunity you cannot afford to squander.

Tennessee High then went to the air, and a quick move in the open field by a Viking receiver resulted in a huge 57-yard gain into Cougar territory. A few plays later, a high snap actually worked out for Tennessee when the quarterback called his own number and found the end zone. The PAT knotted things up at seven apiece.

Pulaski County answered quickly.

Looking to respond, the Cougars went to Burton, who found some space, angled towards the left and outran the defense for another long score, this one 64 yards.

But the Vikings then patched together a slow drive, and again a botched snap went in their favor. and again we were tied up, this time at 14.



Pulaski County senior Trevor Burton's feet aren't even touching the ground as he takes off on the first of his three touchdown runs against Tennessee High. Burton would end the game with 14 carries and 195 yards to lead all rushers.

It was clear by now that it would be a good and thrilling game!

Another missed opportunity came in the final seconds of the second quarter.

The Cougars drove down the field, but bad execution on a couple plays ended the threat and this led the teams to go into the break tied at 14. Yes, it was still tied, but it certainly felt like we had our chances to have a lead.

Coming out in the second half, the Cougar defense was able to get a stop and force a punt. At about midfield, it was 3rd and 1. But two quarterback sneak attempts were stopped, and a turnover on downs ended the threat.

Then on the very next play, Tennessee dropped back and threw a bomb that resulted in a momentum-shifting score to make it 21-14 and gave the Vikings their first lead of the night.

The Vikings got another stop, then they took it for 63 yards on 10 plays and a three-yard score

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Pulaski County junior Marcus Reed makes a spectacular diving catch for 28 yards.

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Pulaski County Football History

'Boys in Blue' Dukes' success continued to end

By MASON CLARK The Patriot

(Part Two)

you never see. They went 4-4-2, meaning they won four, lost

included perhaps every Duke fan of the time's favorite game. Let's face it, everybody wanted The year 1965 was a strange to beat the Pulaski Orioles more year, as Dublin had a record than any other team, much like Orioles wanted to beat Dublin the most. But if ever the Dukes beat four, and tied two games. Then Pulaski, it was 1966. The Dukes in 1966, Dublin got back to their just dominated the O's in every

winning ways, going 7-3. This sense of the word, beating them 66-0. They also put 50 points up against Fort Chiswell that season too. Ricky Hurst, a junior Dublin tailback, set a new school and New River District record with 126 points scored to help lead the

way to success for the 1966 team. 1967 was Brown's best team up to that point, going 9-1, with the lone loss coming to Hillsville. This was the senior year of outstanding tailback Ricky Hurst, who was named a high school All-American after the season and setting the DHS rushing record. The Dukes won the New River District that season. An interesting story came when the Pulaski and Dublin game took place that year. At Calfee Park, the game was a battle. Hurst scored a touchdown to tie the game at six late, and Hurst, who also kicked, made the PAT to give the Dukes a 7-6 lead that they would never lose. After the game, when Hurst was walking out, a crazed Pulaski fan got a baseball bat and struck Hurst in the head with it. A huge fight emerged, which wasn't rare back then. Thankfully, Hurst had his helmet on, so nothing too serious came of it. Hurst eclipsed legendary status as a Dublin Duke. He finished the season with 1,325 rushing yards and 130 points scored, which helped him get to the AA First Team All-See DUKES, page B7

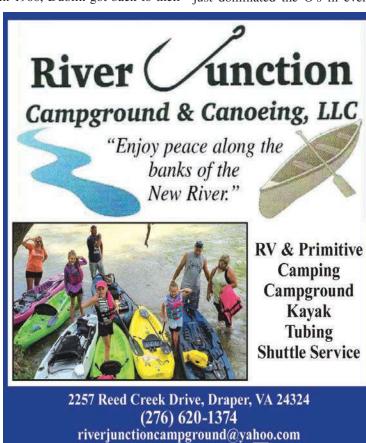


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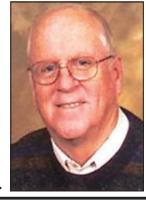
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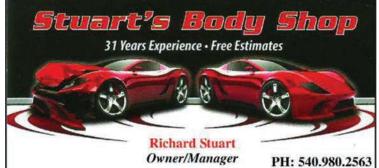
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Wright brings home medals swim meet

David Wright, a former Pulaski County teacher and coach, who retired 6 years ago after 44 years of teaching and 50 seasons of coaching runners, swam in the National Masters Swimming Championship Meet in Richmond August 3rd thru 7th. The meet was held in a 50-meter pool.

The top ten swimmers in each event received medals. Wright competed in the 1500 meter free, the 400 free, the 400 Individual Medley (100 fly, 100 backstroke, 100 breaststroke, and 100 free), the 200 fly and the 100 fly. It was the first time he had competed in the 1500, 400 individual medley and only the second time he had competed in the 400 free.

He was top ten in all five events. He placed 8th in the 400 free in 6.31, 7th in the 100 fly in 1.54, 6th in the 1500 in 26.20, 6th in the 400 IM in 8,24 and 4th in the 200 fly in 4.19.

There were 17 national records and 22 world records set in the

Wright, who has over 90 gold medals in the va state games since 1990, and 4 in the state games of America in 2019, said this meet was more competitive than all of those swim meets combined!!

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Bobcats blow out Gate City, 62-12

By ELIZABETH KANIPE The Patriot

The Radford Bobcats (1-0) hosted Gate City (0-1) for their first home game of the season. It was Hall of Fame Night where Radford celebrated former Bobcats and their induction into the Bobcat Hall of Fame.

Things did not start out well for Radford. Gate City recovered their onside kick and quickly drove the length of the field. Radford was able to tackle QB Luke Bledsoe short of the goal line on 4th and goal. The Bobcats then fumbled the ball on the next play to give the Blue Devils the ball on the Radford 13 yard line. Radford ended the threat when Marcell Baylor intercepted a Bledsoe pass in the endzone.

Radford's drive stalled but their luck changed when a Gate City player muffed the punt and Radford's Tanner Lester dove on the ball to give the Bobcats the ball in Gate City territory. A Landen Clark run got the ball to the red zone at the 15. After a penalty, Clark hit Baylor in the endzone for a 22 yard TD. Evan Rupe added the extra point and the Bobcats led 7-0.

Gate City was forced to punt and Radford quickly took advantage. Clark looked deep and hit a streaking Max Kanipe for a 49 yard TD. The Bobcats led 14-0. The Blue Devils responded on their next drive. Bledsoe hit Ethan Fleming for a 40 yard completion to get to the Radford 3 yard line where Fleming dove into the endzone on the next play to make the score 14-6.

Gate City attempted another onside but this time Radford recovered. On the next play Clark scrambled to his left and sprinted down the sideline for a 54 yard TD. After several penalties, the Bobcats attempted a 2 point try which failed making the score 20-6. Gate City answered, grinding out 86 yards on 13 plays. Fleming scored from 4 yards out. The extra point was blocked making the score 20-12. For the rest of the game it was all Bobcats.

After a short kick, Clark hit Baylor on a screen where he cut across the field and went 57 yards for the touchdown. The Bobcats led 27-12. Radford attempted an onside kick and Bryant Weaver



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#7 Landen Clark pushes through the Gate City defense to score one of his 6 TDs.

was able to fall on the ball for the Bobcats. On the next play, Clark hit Parker Prioleau for a 44 yard TD. Two plays, two scores. Radford led 34-12 with 2:55 left in the 2nd quarter.

Gate City failed to convert on fourth down so Radford took over on downs deep in Blue Devil territory. After a 10 yard David Woodward run, Clark hit Prioleau again on a screen pass which he took to the endzone for a 19 yard TD. The lead was now 41-12 with 1:23 left in the half.

Gate City's Bledsoe threw a pass that his receiver bobbled where it ended up in Brandon Thompson's hands giving the Bobcats the ball in Blue Devil territory again. Clark quickly hit Prioleau for a 38 yard completion to the 3 yard line. After a short loss, Clark scored on a 6 yard run. The score was 48-12 with 0:24 left in the half. Radford scored 34 points in the second quarter with 4 TD in the final 3:05

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#8 Marcell Baylor on the interception and score



Cougars

Continued from Page B1 stretched the lead to 28-14 with under 8 minutes remaining.

Pulaski County punted on it's next possession and was able to get a stop, and for the second week in a row, senior Evan Alger got his hand on a punt, and blocked it partially, enough to give the Cougars great field position.

Trevor Burton then took the ball a couple plays later and broke free again, finding paydirt for a hat-trick touchdown. That moved it to 28-21.

A Cougar onside kick attempt failed, and the Vikings appeared to just be trying to run out the clock, but their running back was able to squirt free and race to the end zone for a final nail in the coffin, moving the score to 35-21 with about two minutes remaining.

At least, it seemed that way. But Cougar senior Zach Parker had other ideas. He fielded the ensuing kickoff, weaved his way through an excellent hole opened up by the Cougar kick return team, and found his way down the sideline for a kick return score, the first in a while by a Cougars. This made it 35-28.

But the Vikings ran the clock out from here and got head coach Josh Holt his first win as THS coach.

Statistically, Burton was the man of the night again, running 14 times for 195 yards and 3 trips to the end zone, a 14-yard average. Sophomore Taner Mace ran 5 times for 27 yards, Parker twice for 22 yards, Tyler Underwood twice for 15 yards. Chris Gallimore

Bobcats

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The second half started with Gate City receiving the kick off. On their first play, Fleming fumbled, which was recovered by Radford's Charlie Davis at the Blue Devil 29 yard line. After passes to TJ Aursby and Prioleau, Clark hit Baylor for a 21 yard TD. The Bobcats led 55-12 with 9:01 left in the 3rd quarter. Radford forced the Blue Devils to punt and after a penalty, the Bobcats were at their own 26 yard line. The second team offense took over and kept the momentum going. After converting for a first down, Sincere Taylor handed off to Ricky Bailey who ran 19 yards to the Blue Luke Woodard recovered and advanced to the Gate City 34 yard line. Taylor hit Couper Doyle on a screen pass for 26 yards. Taylor finished the drive with a 3 yard TD run. That gave the final score of 62-12.

Radford's Clark finished 11 for 13 for 284 yards passing with 6 touchdowns. He also added 10 carries for 79 yards and 2 TDs. Baylor had 4 catches for 109 yards and 3 TDs. Prioleau finished with 4 catches for 108 yards and 2 TDs. Overall, Radford piled up 459 total yards with 315 coming through the air.

Radford (2-0) will host Fort Chiswell (0-2) on Friday at Norman G Lineburg field at 7pm.

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Cougar senior Evan Alger drags down a Viking ball carrier. For the second week in a row Alger partially blocked a punt on defense.

was unable to get loose tonight, as he was held to just two yards rushing with Tennessee likely making it a point to take him out of things. He did complete 2 of 4 passes for 47 big yards though. Marcus Reed made an outstanding diving reception for 28 big yards, and Brett Jones continued his good season with a 19-yard catch, showing great body control on the sideline to haul it in.

Team stats show Tennessee having fourteen first downs, to ten by the Cougars. We ran it 34 times for 261 yards, the Vikings 48 times for 207 yards. The Vikings did great protecting their quarterback, leading to 5 completions on 9 pass attempts for 152 yards, including a touchdown pass.

The Cougars are now 1-1 and have a short week to get ready for Bluefield, a Thursday night game at Mitchell Stadium. Make the trip to support the Cougars against the Beavers!



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Bryant Nottingham kicks off for the Cougars.

Virginia High School Football Scores

WEEK 2 Albemarle 33, William Fleming 17 Alexandria City 15, South Lakes 13 Alleghany 54, Bath County 13 Amherst County 40, GW-Danville

Taylor handed off to Ricky Bailey who ran 19 yards to the Blue Devil 44 where he fumbled and Luke Woodard recovered and adton 0

Brentsville 41, Fauquier 13 Broad Run 42, Dominion 19 Brookville 35, Turner Ashby 6 Caroline 61, George Wythe (Richmond) 0

Cave Spring 30, Northside 0 Central - Wise 49, Marion 28 Central of Lunenburg 54, Mecklenburg County 20 Chantilly 42, Falls Church 0 Chatham 35, Tunstall 0 Chincoteague 54, Broadwater Academy 42 Christchurch 35, Middlesex 6

Christiansburg 22, Abingdon 13

Inside Linebacker

Tyler Underwood

Tyler had 18 tackles on the night as the Vikings

repeatedly ran up the

middle on the Cougar defense. One of those

tackles was for a loss. He

also contributed by

running the ball on offense.

Congratulations

Tyler!

Churchland 53, Grassfield 14

Deep Creek 38, Manor 0
Dinwiddie 49, Heritage-Lynchburg 7
Douglas Freeman 34, James River-Midlothian 10
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John Champe 36, Briar Woods 25
John Handley 42, Harrisonburg 6
K&Q Central 58, Windsor 0
Kempsville 50, Kellam 2
Kettle Run 58, Meridian 13
King William 44, Nandua 0
King's Fork 41, Smithfield 0
Lake Braddock 34, James Madi-

J.I. Burton 26, Chilhowie 7

son 31 Landstown 57, Princess Anne 18 Lee High 31, Eastside 0 Liberty Christian 35, Bassett 14 Lightridge 7, Potomac Falls 6 Lord Botetourt 70, Blacksburg 0 Loudoun County 34, Millbrook 14

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Pulaski County High School SENIOR SUPERLATIVES



Return Man Zach Parker

Zack returned a kickoff for a touchdown to draw the Cougars to within one score late in the game and covered well during the game.

Congratulations Zach!

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Mountain View 30, Gar-Field 0 Nansemond River 13, Great Bridge 6

New Kent 21, Colonial Heights 14 Norcom 16, Warhill 0 Northern Virginia Home School 13, TJS&T 0

Oakton 35, W.T. Woodson 0 Orange County 54, Culpeper 27 Page County 30, Nelson County

Park View-Sterling 19, Richard

Wright Charter, D.C. 0 Patrick Henry-Ashland 32, Mills Godwin 7

Patrick Henry-Glade Spring 48, Lebanon 24 Petersburg 50, Armstrong 12

Phoebus 63, Menchville 0 Potomac 23, Brooke Point 17 Radford 62, Gate City 12 Ridgeview 34, Grundy 20 Riverheads 55, Parry McCluer 14 Rural Retreat 39, Eastern Montgomery 0

Rustburg 27, Appomattox 20 Rye Cove 20, Northwood 0 Salem 33, Franklin County 32 Salem-Va. Beach 56, Ocean Lakes

Sherando 42, Jefferson, W.Va. 23 Skyline 21, James Wood 20 South County 34, Hayfield 6 Southampton 33, Lakeland 22 Spotswood 34, William Monroe 7 Spotsylvania 48, Fluvanna 21 Stafford 7, Chancellor 6 Stone Bridge 22, Centreville 15 Strasburg 27, Broadway 6

Sussex Central 46, Lancaster 16 TJHS 21, Meadowbrook 6 Tennessee, Tenn. 35, Pulaski Coun-Tuscarora 20, Colonial Forge 14,

OT Union 42, Richlands 0 Varina 29, Glen Allen 7

Virginia High 52, John Battle 14 Warwick 41, Bethel 0 West Point 7, Rappahannock 0 West Potomac 41, Wakefield 12 West Springfield 45, Edison 0 Western Albemarle 29, Rockbridge County 14 Westfield 21, Washington-Liberty 3

Western Branch 2, Granby 0 William Campbell 76, Cumberland Wilson Memorial 41, Monticello 7 Woodbridge 7, North Stafford 6

Woodside 32, Norview 6 Woodstock Central 37, Madison County 0 York 27, Gloucester 0

Yorktown 40, Jackson-Reed, D.C. 6



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Hannah Keefer rises to make the block in this match against

Keefer sets new block mark for PCHS volleyball

Pulaski County High School's Hannah Keefer set the career block record on Tuesday in a volleyball match against Christiansburg. She now has 125 blocks.

The previous record was held by Kelsey Hancock with 123. Hannah is a junior.

She is pictured here making a block during the Cougars' Aug. 26 match against Giles.



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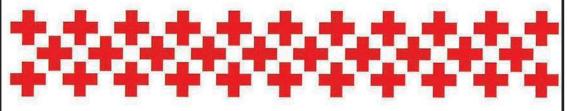
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Dukes

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State team in Virginia. He joined Donnie Bruce, who was a standout at Virginia Tech and would be a draft choice of the Oakland Raiders a few short months later, and Bill Simpson, who would go to Duke University and stand out in football. He graduated having scored 256 points in the previous two seasons, outstanding numbers for the tailback. Robert Rollins and William Wohlford also made the All-State team that

In 1968, the Dukes suffered a rare losing season at 4-5-1, and suffered the biggest loss in fourteen years with a 40-12 setback coming to Drewry-Mason. 1969 was slightly better at 5-4-1 and was a winning season, but it still was not what they were used to. 1970 would change that. 1970 would also be the first season that Virginia would be holding playoffs. If Dublin won their district, they would go to the playoffs. So now they would have a chance to compete to be state champions.

But before they could try to get back to their winning ways, tragedy struck Dublin's world. Randy Casey was poised for a huge senior season and was widely considered the team's best player, and certainly a leader. Casey was killed in a car accident shortly before the season started. For some teams, such a horrible accident would have caused them to fold. But for Dublin, it caused them to rally around each other, and leave every ounce of ability they had on the field to honor Randy

They recorded four shutouts and went into the final game with a record of 7-2. They would meet up with the Pulaski Orioles, who came in at 7-1-1. Winner takes all the marbles, wins the district and goes to the first ever playoffs. Led by quarterback Nicky Carden, the Dukes emerged victorious 24-22 over Pulaski. This gave them the NRD title and sent them to the playoffs. They were matched up with the Gate City Blue Devils, a far southwest Virginia powerhouse. The Blue Devils were thought to be unstoppable. Dublin didn't seem to think so.

Things get controversial here. Several former Duke players talked about that game with vivid detail. They had a particularly interesting story to tell about the game at Legion Field down in Gate City.

Dublin was a fast team with

lots of speed and explosiveness. Gate City was not a fast team, but they were big and powerful. So, Dublin wanted to be able to utilize their speed, while Gate City wanted to just line up and run right at the smaller Dukes. But Gate City came up with a plan to make that harder for the Dukes to do. Locals from the Gate City area say that it hadn't rained for a considerable amount of time leading up to that game. But somehow, come game time, the field was a mudhole. It would certainly appear that Gate City muddied up their field before the game, hoping that by doing so, they would negate the speed that Dublin had in players such Rodney Hendricks, Danny Shouse and Terry Haynes. During the game, Dublin also had a touchdown called back, which many people who were at the game say was no penalty. But regardless, with 1:14 to go, Dublin found themselves down 16-8. The Dukes moved the ball down to Gate City's 35-yard line. With one last gasp and time running out, a Nicky Carden pass was batted down. Gate City fans chanted "we're number one" as the clock ran out. I would hope so considering what it certainly appears happened. If that game is played on a "normal" field or how the field would've been had it not been watered down, Dublin wins.

From there, Gate City dominated. They beat Altavista 48-0, and then beat James Monroe 40-8 in the state championship. Almost everybody I've talked to about the 1970 Dukes say that if the Gate City game was played the way it should have been, that Dublin wins that game and goes on to win a state championship. While it is impossible to know for sure, I think I would agree

with them. Either way, I think those guys who made up that outstanding team can rest assured that they made their teammate Randy Casey proud.

1971 was the best team Dave Brown ever had and Brown himself said that it was the best team in Dublin history. One could make a strong case for that. Of their ten games, the Dukes won nine of them by 24 points or more. They won eight games by thirty or more points. Only once did they not score at least 30 points in a game, and only once did they allow double digit points scored in a game. But the only game in which they didn't score at least 30 points in a game and the only game they allowed double digit points happened in the same game, against Radford. The Dukes fell 18-8 to the Bobcats, which would be their lone loss of the season. Dublin simply made too many mistakes in that game. The Dukes turned it over three times, and the Bobcats scored three touchdowns off those turnovers. Give credit to Radford for taking advantage of those mistakes, but I would be interested to see what would have happened if they played again. I think Dublin would've at least been close to

Through their ten games, Dublin outscored their opponents 374-53. These marks set New River District records for both points scored in a season (they averaged 37.4 points per game) and fewest points allowed (just 5.3 points per game). Radford outscored their opponents 326-82, which is impressive, but Dublin scored more points and allowed fewer points. Obviously, Radford won the game over Dublin, and should be given full credit for it. It would have been fun to see the two teams play again in the playoffs, but that's not how it worked back then. Radford went 10-0, leaving Dublin, clearly at least the second-best team in the state, at home. Many former Bobcats have said that they thought Dublin was the best team they faced. Norm Lineburg's Bobcats got the breaks that day and won. They went 13-0 and won the state championship that season. They won the state championship over John Yeates High School 32-0. They got most of the breaks against the Dukes that day and won by ten. That is not to say that Dublin was better than Radford. It's just to say that Radford and Dublin were the two

best teams in the state that year. 1972 was another good year. The Dukes again went 7-3. They fell to Radford in a 17-6 decision, as the Bobcats were now led by David "Smoke" Morton. Nobody would come closer to beating the Bobcats that season. Other than Blacksburg, Radford beat everybody else by at least 21 points. The Dukes also fell to Giles in a tough 8-6 loss, before falling to the Pulaski Orioles 33-26, giving Pulaski the second-place finish in the district. Radford continued their amazing run, winning a second consecutive state crown, beating Southampton 41-20. Radford has not won a state championship in football since, but they had then won a staggering 32 straight games at that point.

The Dukes knew that the 1973 season would be their last. This would be the final run at another New River District championship, and the last quest for a region and/ or state championship. The pressure was on the Dukes and standout players such as Tony Carden, Ricky Casey and Milton Clark.

After easy wins over Christiansburg and Narrows, a big game was up next. The archrival Radford Bobcats would make the trip across the bridge and down Route 11 to DHS to take on the Dukes for one final time in a fabulous rivalry. Milton Clark and Ricky Casey scored touchdowns before a crowd of some 6,500 people at Soldiers Field. This gave Dublin the final edge in the series in the NRD era, as Dublin broke the tie and ended the series up 7-6-1. On that September night, Dublin beat a huge rival in Radford, avenged two frustrating losses from the previous two years, took the inside lane to an NRD title, and got the last laugh in a rough, hard-hitting rivalry, a rivalry which legacy lives on to this day, almost 50 years later. It was a great night to be a Dublin Duke.

The Dukes reached the 5-0 mark, but they fell in a stunning upset to George Wythe. Dublin was 5-0 while George Wythe was

shocking. Then the next week they fell in an absolute heartbreaker to Galax by a score of 11-8, as the Maroon Tide kicked a short field goal as time expired to give them an 11-8 win over Dublin. Just like that, Dublin was eliminated from playoff contention and from NRD title contention. But the pride and spirit the Dukes and all of DHS had was not going anywhere. The next week must have been

an emotional one for the Dublin community, all of DHS, and the Duke football team. It was the final homecoming, the traditional pep rally and parade, and football game, which would also be the final game ever for the Dublin High Dukes at Soldiers Field, a field they'd called home for 28 years. It was a lot to take in on that night, as 57 years of football, 28 years at Soldiers Field, and 21 years at their school was coming to a close. The Dukes, as spirited and proud as any program, took their home turf one final time. They'd take on the Giles Spartans. Trailing 20-14 at the half, Dublin simply was not going to allow their final game at home to be a loss. Led by superstar and prep All-American Milton Clark, the Dukes stormed to a 32-0 run to take home a 46-20 win. Milton Clark was a man among boys and played what is widely considered the greatest game in DHS history that night. He ran the football 10 times for 116 yards and 3 touchdowns, had four two-point conversions. He scored 26 points, racked up 18 tackles, intercepted a pass and recovered a fumble. In case you're wondering, he is the older brother of Gary Clark, the future Redskins star. Carden also played great, going 11 of 18 passing for 225 yards and 3 touchdowns. It was a good night in Dublin, as time ticked away on its existence. After a narrow 16-8 victory over Carroll County, the final showdown was set.

The Dublin Dukes. The Pulaski Orioles. Calfee Park. Pulaski looked to win and to help give themselves a spot in the playoffs and a district championship. Dublin looked to close out their existence with a win, beat their biggest rivals one more time, and spoil the Birds' shot at the playoffs. Something had to give on the night of November 9th, 1973.

When asking several players, they all remember that game quite well. But the first thing out of their mouths is very seldom "it was a great game" or "we won/lost 16-11". It is, with very little hesitation, "it was COLD!" At kickoff, it was 31 degrees, and that does not include the wind chill, which

0-4-2, making the 32-14 loss quite even single digits. "That was the outstanding record of 100 wins, coldest I have ever been," former Duke linebacker Ronnie Dalton said, "the wind was howling, it was a very physical, hard-fought game. It was memorable to say the

> But it simply wasn't meant to be for the Dukes on that bitter cold night. The Dukes, who came in 7-2, fumbled two times within Pulaski's 25-yard line, one of which was used to score a touchdown for the O's. Milton Clark scored a touchdown in the third quarter to put Dublin up 11-8, but Pulaski completed a pass that resulted in a 30-yard touchdown, their only pass completion on the night, to give them a 16-11 night. Starting from their own 17-yard line, Dublin had one last chance to get one more victory. Carden marched his troops down the field to the Oriole 20. On third down, a Carden pass was incomplete, and this left Dublin with one last gasp. The Dukes called a screen pass that had worked well all night and would get the ball to Milton Clark, the best player on the field. Carden was pressured heavily, and his pass was just underthrown to Milton Clark, and with that, they turned the ball over on downs. PHS ran the clock out, and with that, decades of pride, tradition, and spirit in DHS Duke football had concluded. "Milton was open and would've easily scored a touchdown on that last play", Carden says, 48 years later, "I just didn't get it to him." Another play that haunts DHS fans is a pass to Bob Peek late in the game. Peek caught the ball and quickly got out of bounds to stop the clock. He had no way of knowing, but the defender on him had fallen, and he would have probably taken it into the end zone had he noticed. That is no knock on Peek, however. He had a heck of a season and game. It's just one of those things that comes with the game of foot-

> After the game, Duke coach Dave Brown and Oriole coach Jim Hickam came together and shook hands and smiled, knowing it was a great game and a fitting way to end the wonderful rivalry that so many loved and enjoyed. What a way to end the rivalry, a hard fought game between two good teams, and a classy move by the two coaches to shake hands and smile after to close the book on it. Dublin players very quickly shot off towards the busses, while Pulaski's players made a direct and swift dash to their locker rooms. No hard feelings, just a very dire need and desire to get warm, by any means necessary.

Dave Brown finished his time got down well into the teens and at Dublin High School with an

45 losses and 5 ties, a very good win percentage of .683, especially considering that they only played ten games a season. This means he averaged a 7-3 record. Not many coaches can say that, let alone someone who did it over a span of fifteen years.

From 1957 to 1973, Dublin was one of the best football teams in the state. They went 119-45-6 during that span. They won 75 games by 20 or more points. 23 of their 45 losses (more than half) came by eight points or less. They won 35 games by 30 or more points. They had almost twice as many wins by 20 points than they did losses and had almost as many 30+ point wins than they did losses total. They won seven or more games thirteen times, eight or more games six times, they won nine games three times and had two undefeated seasons. They won four district championships and likely would have won multiple state championships if state playoffs existed back then. But no matter. The Dukes resume speaks for

And with that, an outstanding, proud and accomplished football program came to an end on that night. Many college players and even a couple NFL players walked through the now empty halls of Dublin High School and played on the now quiet land at Soldiers Field. The band would play loud and well as the cheerleaders gave all their energy to motivating the team. Several thousand fans, filled with both spirit and pride, cheered "the Boys in Blue" on, as the Dukes, wearing their navy blue and later powder blue jerseys along with their famous silver helmets, painted fresh for every game, fought to the very bitter end. And most of the time, the Dublin Dukes were victorious.

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God is Greatly to be Praised

When David got out of the will of God and went over and joined the Philistines to try to protect himself from the wrath of King Saul, he forgot, for a while, that God had called him when he was a lowly shepherd boy, and the youngest member of the family of Jesse.

His father Jesse had him out tending Sheep and didn't even call him in to stand before Samuel to be considered along beside his 7 brothers, for the anointing to be the next King of Israel. But Samuel spiritually discerned that none of the seven sons was the one God had chosen to be the next King. And so, at last, David came to Samuel by Samuel's request and God placed a calling on his life to be King at God's appointed time. God wasn't about to allow anyone or anything to take David out because He had a plan for David's life, just as He has a plan for your life and mine. Saul could have never killed

David because God was with him, and God was protecting him, and God was going to use David to accomplish His purposes. David forgot that for a while and leaned to his own understanding to try to protect himself, and got himself into a heap of trouble of his own making because for a while he chose to go his own way instead of God's way.

He chose the low road instead of the high road and it took him 16 months to fully realize his folly. During that 16 months God hammered the folly out of

He got David's attention by allowing his assigned town of Ziklag to be burned by a large band of Amelekites, and everything that David had and held dear, to be taken away. God allowed Ziklag to be destroyed for a reason. King Achish, a Philistine King has given Ziklag to David. And God allowed it to be burned to the ground, to break any connection that David had with the Philistine King and the Philistines.

In the midst of David's fiery trial, David made a wise decision. He got himself back over into the will of God. He saw his mistakes and sought the face of God. When he returned to the will of God for his life, God gave him a great victory over the Amalekites, and David recovered everything that had been lost. Shortly after that, God had the crown of Israel, delivered to him at Ziklag.

The greatest promises of God are many times fulfilled in the midst of the greatest fiery trials of our lives. When you are in a fiery trial and you feel like giving up; and you feel like you just want to die, you need to remember what the word of God is saying here.

God will not let you go under, but He will lift you out. He knows all about your situation. He knows all about your circumstances. He is watching over you from His throne in Heaven and he won't allow anything or anyone to take you out, because He has placed a calling on your life and He WILL bring it to an expected end.

When you feel like you can't bear up under one more thing, have faith in God. He WILL bring you out. When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot in the rope and hold on for dear life, because God is getting ready to do something awesome in your life.

Put all of your trust in God and not in your own abilities or your own ingenuity, or in any-

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thing else, other than God.

Church Directory

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

www.drapervalleybaptist.org

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

> **Open Door Baptist Church** 4576 Miller Lane Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor: Rev. N.K. Howlett Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Grace Kids and Teens Bible Study

Worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday Night, 7 p.m. Phone: 980-2046

Draper United Methodist Church

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

Christ Episcopal Church 144 North Washington Ave., Pulaski P.O. Box 975 Service: 10 a.m. every Sunday Phone: 980-2413 Email: christ24301@gmail.com

Jordan's Chapel UMC

Pastor: Ginny Tompkins Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Cecil's Chapel United Methodist Church

5801 Cecil's Chapel Road, Hiwassee, VA 24347 Pastor Jason Crandall Worship service is 8:45am-9:45am Sunday School is 10 - 10:45am Ricky Dishon, 540 239 6360, www.facebook.com/cecilschapel.umc

Valley Harvest Ministries

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Dublin Baptist Church

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

First United Methodist Church

301 N. Jefferson Ave. - Pulaski (physical) 135 Fourth St., NW - Pulaski (mailing) Pastor's Name: Josh Kilbourne Sunday Service: 10:00 AM Hispanic Service: 3 p.m. Contact Info. Phone: 540.980.3331 e-mail: office@fumcpulask.org website: www.fumcpulask.org FACEBOOK@FirstUMCPulaski and WBLB 10:00 am

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

First Christian Church of Pulaski 524 N Jefferson Ave

Pulaski, VA 24301-4618 (540) 980-7144 www.firstchristianpulaski.org Pastor: Timothy Moore Men's Sunday School:10 am Worship: 11 am

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6195 Cleburne Boulevard, Dublin Pastor Mike Pierce Service Times: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.; Sundays, 10 a.m. (540) 674-9220 Website: www.heritagechurch.net Facebook.com/

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Draper's Valley Presbyterian (PCA)

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2 Fifth Street, N.W., Pulaski 540-980-3624 trinitypulaski @gmail.com Sunday Worship 11 a.m. (Sept. - May) Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. (June - Aug.) Bible Study: Wednesday, 12:30 www.trinitypulaski.org

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

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> > Hiwassee, VA 24347

Pastor: Jerry King Website: www.SnowvilleChristianChurch.com (and Facebook) Office: 540-633-3761 Email: office@SnowvilleChristianChurch.com Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 a.m. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Thursday Bible Study: 6:00 p.m. "Inspiring hope, helping people grow their

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> Pulaski Church of God 1621 Bob White Boulevard

Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor Donald Jones 540-980-8880 www.pulaskicog.church Sunday Services Sunday Life Groups: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays Midweek Connect: 7 p.m.

> Randolph Avenue **United Methodist Church** 1607 Randolph Avenue

Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Elston McLain Worship Service: 11 a.m. Phone: (540) 980-8775

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4531 Brookmont Road, Pulaski, VA 24301 www.pulaskichristianchurch.com/ Rev. Kathy Warden, Pastor, (540) 250-2974 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Worship 7 p.m. Monday Bible Study 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study

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7 p.m.

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Evening 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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639-3494 Service: 10:30AM Sundays Email: office@graceradford.org http://www.graceradford.org Facebook: Grace Episcopal Church

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Pulaski First Church of the Brethren

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Community Christian Church 5382 Grace Street, Dublin VA, 24084 540-674-4308 Pastor: Bill Neeley Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service 10:45 a.m.



Aldersgate United Methodist

1946 Medallion Drive Pulaski, VA 24301 (540) 980-1349 Pastor Jim Goddard Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Pathway to Heaven Worship Center Mailing Address: P.O. Box 434

Dublin, VA 24084 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.

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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.

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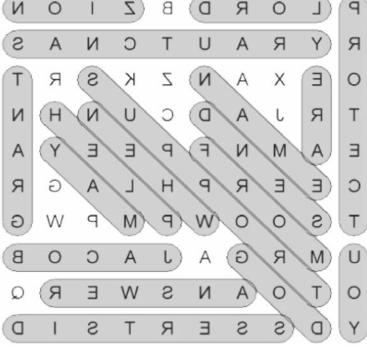
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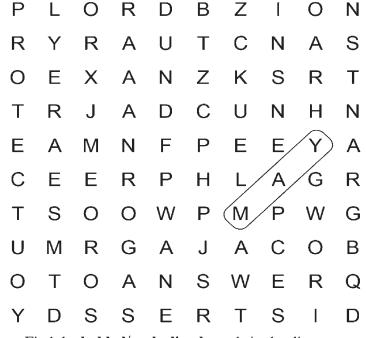
Psalm 20:1-2

May the LORD answer you when you are in distress; may the <u>name</u> of the <u>God</u> of <u>Jacob protect you</u>. May he **send** you **help from** the **sanctuary** and **grant** you support from Zion.

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The entire human race is infected with sin

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: World leaders have failed to bring peace. How can bad people lead the world out of bad behavior? - H.D.

A: A sense of doom has settled upon the hearts of people today. No matter where they travel, there's a specter of hopelessness. It's seen boldly in the headlines. It's in the deep lines that furrow troubled brows. It's sensed in humanity's futile search for fulfillment. It's prevalent in the purposelessness of living. The very atmosphere seems impregnated with a stifling hopelessness that's robbed millions of the zest for living.

The world's specialists may employ all the diplomacy and skill at their command, but at best, they reach only symptoms, failing to diagnose the cause of humanity's disease. What mysterious drive keeps world powers at each other's throats? Why is there so much intolerance? Why do world leaders gamble with the lives of millions and keep the world dangling on the precipice of war? What diabolical force drives people to crime,

lust, and unbridled living? What



My Answer

Billy Graham

power is it that breaks up homes? What is it that causes people to pour their futures out of a bottle and trade all that others hold dear for a few sparkling drops from the

vine? Such dilemmas cause many psy-

chiatrists to say, "It's difficult to of-

human heart is desperately wicked (Jeremiah 17:9). Human nature behaves in evil ways because of sin. But the Bible provides a cure. It's found in someone called Jesus and the remedy is His Gospel, which is Good News!

fer a cure." The Bible says that the

Many object to the word sin. It's not a pleasant word, but neither are the words cancer or death. But the entire human race is infected with sin and every trace of it can be removed. The cross of Christ is the bridge over which all must pass in order to stand with Jesus for eternity in Heaven.

McCraw

Continued from Page B8 Trust in God, and He will you victory over every dilemma you are facing. There's an old song that says, "God will make a way, where there seems to be no way. He works in ways we cannot see. God WILL make a way for me."

Another good reason to praise God is for His awesome acts. Psalm 66:1-5. "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Sing forth the honor of His Name; make His praise glorious. Say unto God, how terrible art thou in Thy works! Through the greatness of Thy power shall Thine enemies submit themselves unto Thee. All the earth shall worship Thee, and shall sing unto Thee; they shall sing unto Thy name. Selah."

We should praise God for His mighty acts and His mighty deeds. All the world is invited to

come and see the wondrous works of God and to review the story of Israel. The parting of the Red Sea was truly awe inspiring. The feeding of the Israelites for 40 years with manna from Heaven was truly awe inspiring. The healing of the lame man at the Gate called Beautiful was truly awe inspiring. The raising of Lazarus from the dead was truly awe inspiring. The giving of His Son to die on Calvary to pay for the sins of the world was truly the most awe inspiring of all. And He gave His one and only Son, for you and for me. Yes, God IS worthy of our praise.

We should praise God is for His Deliverance. Verse 8. "O bless our God ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard. Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved."

Our scriptures say that we ought to let our praises be heard. Some believe that showing any emotion in Church is out of place, but the bible says that we are to praise the Lord God who has delivered us, with loud voices. With shouts of praise and adoration.

Bible

1. Is the book of Labor in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Ecclesiastes 4, how many are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor? Two, Three, Five, Seven

3. In 1 Kings 5, how many thousand men comprised the labor force that King Solomon raised? 1, 5, 10, 30

4. What son of Abda was in charge of the forced labor in David's kingdom? Baal, Adoniram, Cyrenius, Phaneul

5. From Exodus 20, how many days shalt thou labor and do all thy work? Two, Four, Six, Seven

6. Proverbs 14:23 states, "In all labor there is ..." Love, Hope, Light, Profit

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Two, 3) 30, 4) Adoniram, 5) Six, 6) Profit

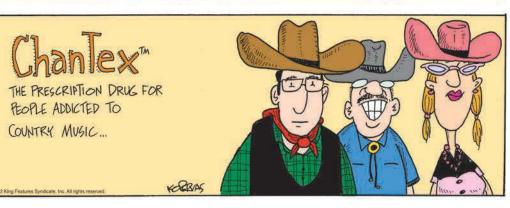
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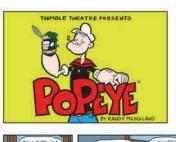




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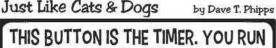
















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1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the only country in the world without an official capital city? 2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which

Chinese zodiac animal is celebrated in the year 2022?

3. BUSINESS: When did the auction

site eBay launch? 4. HISTORY: How many years has

Queen Elizabeth been on the throne? 5. MOVIES: Who played Wolverine in

the X-Men movie series? 6. U.S. STATES: Which state's motto is

'Mountaineers are always free" 7. ASTRONOMY: What is the only

planet in our solar system that isn't named after a Greek-Roman deity? 8. MYTHOLOGY: Which Egyptian

god has the head of a jackal?

9. TELEVISION: How many times has

the hospital's name changed in the drama 'Grey's Anatomy"? 10. RELIGION: Where was the found-

er of Buddhism born? © 2022 King Features Synd., Inc.

em-day Nepal.

7. Earth. 6. West Virginia. Ниgh Jackman.

8. Anubis, god of death.

2. The Year of the Tiger.





Bow is smaller, 2, Bat is moved, 3. Cake i sed. 5. Shirt is different, 6. Sneaker is diffe

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3. Swindle; 4. Tender 1. Believe 2. Edit uomnjos SCRAMBLERS

CryptoQuip

Clue: Z equals Y

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potential activist, every minute a chance to change the world."

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PFHN UYK LDQK UFKK WUOUK.

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from the Pine Tree State. Mind your Mainers! disregard these fine people You really shouldn't

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Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers King Crossword —

Americanisms

"Every moment is an organizing opportunity, every person a

— Dolores Huerta

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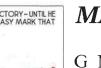
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally Unlisted clue hint: CARL AND ROB -

Mirren Spears Aniston Duvall **Brooks** Fonda Stiller Novak Cher Goodman Perry Tarantino

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Lewis

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, \boldsymbol{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.

KHM WR BAZZRH CZJ ZWJRHKUHR ZWJ NIMA FO KFCH, IOS KHM

WR MJT MZ RMJHD MAIM NIMA

DFMA CKZDHJR.

HQFKFH SW BAIMHKHM

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- Emilie du Chatelet with flowers. ns try to strew that path our path in life, and let et us choose for ourselve

answer

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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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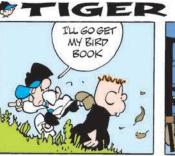






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CHICKEN HAWK? EAGLE? EGRET?

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Don't let them hook you

Dear Dave,

My wife and I just bought a new home, and we only need one or two more things to furnish the living room. Over the weekend, we found a couch and love seat set we both like for \$3,000. The owner of the store said he would take 15% off the price if we get a store credit card and pay for it that way. We are in pretty good financial shape, and can afford to pay cash for the furniture, but what do you think about the idea of taking advantage of the 15% off offer, then paying off the card immediately and closing the account?

Jackson

Dear Jackson,

Playing with snakes is always a bad idea. Sooner or later, you're going to get bitten.

Everyone thinks they're the exception to the rule, or they're somehow winning or getting rich by doing stuff like this. It doesn't work that way. So, stop playing around with debt products. This guy's just trying to hook you and make more

Your idea might sound good on the surface to a lot of folks, but the problem is the vast majority of those same people don't have the discipline to follow through on a plan like this. Having that store account, even for a short period of time, would be too much of a temptation. Another issue is many places like this hit you with a fee when you pay off the card. They'll fee you to death

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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



Dave Says

Dave Ramsey

on other things, too, if you're not careful, until you end up wishing you'd never even seen the place.

If it were me, I'd just talk to the owner again and let him know I'm taking my business elsewhere unless he discounts the furniture 15% on a cash purchase. There's no way I'd take out a stupid credit card for a place like that whether I had the cash on hand or not!

* Dave Ramsey is an eighttime 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

Sept. 11

Members of the PCHS advanced concert choir to sing and special 9/11 Patriot Day memorial at the **Snowville Christian Church**

Pastor Jerry King, members, families and friends of the Snowville Christian Church (DOC)

would like to invite everyone to a special celebration, this Sunday, September 11 at 11:00 a.m.

Special music will be shared by members of the Pulaski County High School Advanced

Concert Choir and a special 9/11 Patriot Day Memorial tribute will be shared and observed during the worship service. The church is located at 5436 lead Mine Red., Hiwassee. Directions

to the church and information is also available on the church web-(snowvillechristianchurch. com) and facebook page.

United Methodist Draper **Church's 126th Homecoming**

The Draper United Methodist Church will be celebrating our 126th Homecoming Sept. 11, 2022. Pastor Mark Asbury will be the speaker at 11:15 a.m. worship service. There will be special music ministry by Gary Marshall at 10:15. A pot luck lunch will be served after the service. Drinks and ham will be provided. Our Pastor, Jason Crandall, and our members invite you to come and share in the special celebration.

Bluegrass Gospel

Bluegrass Gospel In Woodlawn, Sept. 11 at 11 a.m. Special Guest: Harmony Ridge. You are invited to the Woodlawn P.H. Church, 3874 Oak Grove Rd. (I-77 exit 19). For more information, Call: 276-728-

Meet Ninth Congressional District candidate Taysha **DeVaughan**

The Pulaski Democratic Committee is holding a Meet the Candidate picnic on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 4:30 p.m. at Randolph Park at the DHS shelter. Hotdogs and fixings will be served at 5 p.m., followed by comments from Taysha DeVaughan, the Democratic candidate to the U.S.

House of Representatives from the 9th District.

Learn more about DeVaughan at www.devaughanforcongress.com. For more information, contact Bowen at bowensuzanne@yahoo. com or 540-320-4658, or Rebecca Scheckler at 3050hawks@gmail. com or 540-557-7810.

Sept. 13

Meet and Greet

The Woman's Club of Radford will host a Meet and Greet on September 13 at 10:30 a.m. at the Radford Public Library, 30 West Main St., Radford. Come and learn about the work of the Woman's Club in promoting children's literacy through Reading is Fundamental programs at Riverlawn, Snowville, and McHarg Elementary schools and the Babies into Books program at Carillion New River Valley Medical Center.

Group to Meet

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Tuesday, September 13, 7pm at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant on 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to attend. For further information, please call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

Sept. 15

Radford Photo Club Picnic

The Radford Photo Club will have a potluck picnic at Bisset Park at 6 p.m. The photo challenge is trees. The Radford Photo Club is made up of professional and amateur photographers from throughout the New River Valley. Meetings, events, and outings are open to the public. Learn more about the club by searching for "Radford Photo Club" on Facebook.

Sept. 17

Cruise In

Cruise in at Draper Valley PH Church, Saturday, Sept. 17 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Breakfast and lunch will be available. 5662 East Lee Highway, Max Meadows, Va. off Interstate 81 South, Exit 86.

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 JennyDoud@gmail. Members: com or MartiHale@yahoo.com

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 Friday14th 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 McGlothin 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.

On going:

Alcohol Anonymous

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

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-



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