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Supervisors OK allowing Smyth, Patrick use of landfill

*Use on temporary,
emergency basis*

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

The Pulaski County Board of Supervisors gave its blessing Monday night to the New River Resource Authority to temporarily allow both Smyth County and Patrick County to dispose trash at the Cloyd Mountain landfill.

"Here in Pulaski County, we are blessed," began Draper Supervisor Dirk Compton as he explained the garbage situation Smyth and Patrick counties find themselves in and their need to make use of the local landfill.

Compton represents Pulaski County on the NRRA board.

"We have a regional landfill here, and as a member of the NRRA, when a ton of trash crosses the scale up there (Cloyd Mountain landfill) we make \$24. But if you're not a member, you're paying \$34. So, it's a blessing for us because we're able to save money and it will keep our trash rates lower," Compton explained.

Currently, Smyth County transports its garbage to the Bristol landfill, which is beset with problems – most notably intense odors that have even brought about citizen protests at the facility. Elected representatives serving the Bristol area are working toward obtaining state and possibly even federal assistance in resolving issues at the landfill, which one representative said is headed toward closure "sooner rather than later."

Compton said Smyth County is asking to join the NRRA as a non-member jurisdiction and would pay a \$34 per ton rate to dispose of garbage at the Cloyd Mountain facility.

Compton said the county needs to consider the request because the NRRA is losing Roanoke County and city at the moment "because they're going in a different direction."

"We need to keep our trash numbers up in order to keep our trash prices down for our citizens," Compton said.

He said Patrick County is also requesting to come to Cloyd Mountain. They currently haul their trash to Amelia County.

"So that shows you what a blessing we have to be able to

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State Police: Buckle up, travel safely this holiday

Virginia State Police

RICHMOND – For many Virginians, gathering with family and friends is the true meaning for Thanksgiving. Some will even travel long distances to share in these wonderful family moments. Just as important as it is to make sure those pies and casseroles make it to the dinner table safely, motorists need to make their own safety a priority, as well.

Virginia State Police is reminding all drivers and passengers of all ages to buckle up this holiday weekend. Preliminary data show that 54% of those who have died in traffic crashes this year were

not wearing a seatbelt or safety restraint.*

"The fact that more than half of those who have lost their lives in traffic crashes this year were not wearing a seatbelt is a tragic and inexcusable reality for Virginia," said Colonel Gary T. Settle, Virginia State Police Superintendent. "Your family wants you to arrive safely and clicking a seatbelt can help that happen. Virginia State Police and your loved ones want you to arrive at your destination safely – ditch distractions, comply with posted speed limits, never drive buzzed or drunk, and, again, always buckle up."

To further prevent traffic deaths

and injuries during the Thanksgiving holiday, the Virginia State Police will once again be participating in Operation C.A.R.E. - Crash Awareness and Reduction Effort. As part of the state-sponsored, national program, state police will be increasing its visibility and traffic enforcement efforts during the five-day statistical counting period that begins at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2022, and concludes at midnight Sunday, Nov. 27, 2022.

The 2021 Thanksgiving Operation C.A.R.E. initiative resulted in troopers citing 5,127 speeders

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Street Dog Coalition to conduct One Health Clinic

Street Dog Coalition – in connection with Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine under the Shelter Medicine and Surgery clerkship program – will be hosting a One Health Clinic on Wednesday, November 30th at the Central Gym in Pulaski from 12-4.

The mission of Street Dog Coalition is to provide free medical care, exams, vaccines, and related services to pets of people experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness.

Using a One Health approach to street medicine, they care for pets and the people who love them.

Street Dog Coalition and it's volunteers are committed to protecting the human-animal bond by caring for the pet and the person.

Submitted by Beth Venable, Office Manager, Pulaski County Animal Control



Mike Williams/The Patriot

A swearing in ceremony was held Friday at the County Administration Building for the three winners in this month's Board of Supervisors election. Circuit Court Clerk Maetta Crewe conducted the ceremony. (From Left): Mike Mooney, Laura Walters, Chairman; Crewe, Jeff Reeves and Chris Stafford.

New supervisors sworn in Friday

Patriot Staff Report

The three winners in this month's Board of Supervisors elections participated last Friday in a swearing in ceremony at the

County Administration Building in Pulaski.

Chris Stafford (Cloyd District), Mike Mooney (Massie District) and Jeff Reeves (Robinson District) were sworn in individually by Maetta Crewe, Pulaski County Circuit Court Clerk.

Stafford and Mooney are newly elected members of the board, while Reeves returns for another year after having been appointed in January to the board to fill the Robinson District seat until a Special Election could be held.

All three will serve one year and then, if they choose, must

run again next November for new four-year terms.

The three join Dirk Compton (Draper District) and Chairman Laura Walters (Ingles District) on the board.

The board held its November meeting on Monday at 7 p.m.

NRCC offering free computer tune up

New River Community College will hold a Cyber Day event on Saturday, December 3.

Cyber Day is an event where anyone can bring their laptops, desktops, tablets and phones for a free tune up and virus scan. The NRCC Computer Club is hosting the event from 9 a.m. to noon in room 127 at the college's Christiansburg site located in Uptown Christiansburg.

There will be several students and Dr. David Filer, NRCC information systems technology pro-

fessor and club advisor, working on the systems at the event. Any Windows or Android device is welcome.

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cuses on the skills of repairing and creating computers for campus and community use.

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IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE

COUNTY OF PULASKI

2022 SECOND HALF REAL ESTATE TAX PENALTY DEADLINE MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022

Pulaski County's 2022 2ND half real estate tax bills have been mailed insofar as possible, but failure to receive your bill does not relieve the taxpayer of any additional charges of penalty or interest that will accrue under the law for failure to pay the tax assessment.

Notice is hereby given that the Treasurer's office of Pulaski County will be open Monday through Friday, except holidays from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm to receive payment of the 2ND Half 2022 real estate tax. This tax must be paid on or before December 5, 2022 to avoid penalty.

Tax payments mailed must be postmarked on or before December 5, 2022 and mailed to Pulaski County Treasurer, 52 W Main Street, Suite 100, Pulaski, VA. 24301. Please note: There is a 2.3% convenience fee charged for all credit cards taken across the counter.

The Pulaski County Treasurer's office is located in the old courthouse at 52 W Main Street, Suite 100, Pulaski, VA. Also, for the convenience of the taxpayer, there is a night drop box located at the back entrance of the courthouse. There are also options to pay online and by telephone on the tax bill.

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Congressman Griffith visits Pulaski County Middle School

Pulaski County Schools

Pulaski County Middle School students received a special visit Monday, November 21, as Congressman Morgan Griffith, of the 9th District, met with three civics classes of seventh-graders.

"The Virginia School Board Association has set aside November as 'Take Your Legislator to School' month," PCMS Principal Rebecah Smith said. "Dr. Siers shared this program with principals for us to be a part of this event in a previous Leadership Meeting. As a former Civics Teacher, I am excited for our school to participate. Representative Griffith met with three seventh-grade classes in the auditorium to share 'A Day in the life of a Congressman.'"

After the initial introduction, Congressman Griffith explained a little bit about how he got into politics and what motivated him to get involved. Students were then able to ask him questions concerning his job and day-to-day activities as a congressman.

"Our students were able to gain a much better understanding of the work a United States Representative both within their district and in Washington, D.C.," Mrs. Smith said. "While the group that met with Mr. Griffith in the auditorium was only three classes, the remainder of our school was able to watch live on our private YouTube channel within the school."

Students asked Griffith questions about his job, his daily routines, how he balances work with family, the process of getting bills passed into law, some of his favorite and least favorite parts of the job, and about some of the famous people he's been able to meet as a part of his job.

Rep. Griffith, elected recently to a seventh term in Washington, responds to a question from a PCMS student.

Pulaski County Public Schools



Ninth District Congressman Morgan Griffith speaks to students at Pulaski County Middle School.

Pulaski County Public Schools



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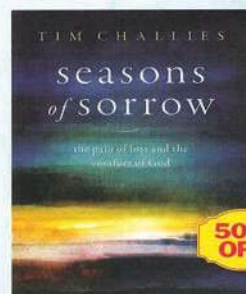
The Town of Dublin Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills have been mailed insofar as possible. Failure to receive a bill does not relieve the taxpayer of additional penalty and interest charges that will accrue under the law for failure to pay the tax assessment by December 5th, 2022. Taxes must be paid or postmarked on or before December 5th, 2022 to avoid penalty and interest.

The Dublin Municipal Building, located at 101 Dublin Park Road, Dublin, Virginia is open Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, excluding holidays, to receive payments. For your convenience there is a drop-box outside the municipal building for payments. Payments can be mailed to P.O. Box 1066 Dublin, VA 24084 or online payments can be made at www.dublintown.org

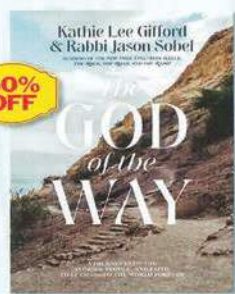
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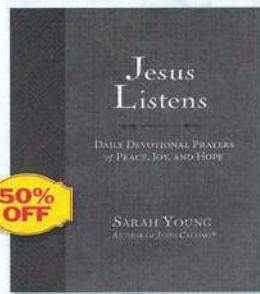
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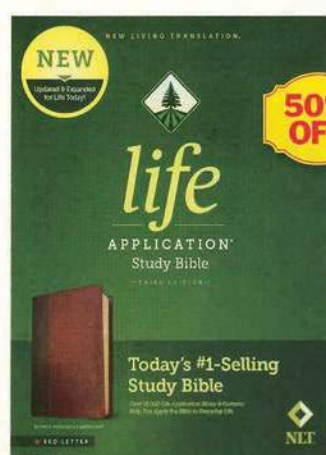
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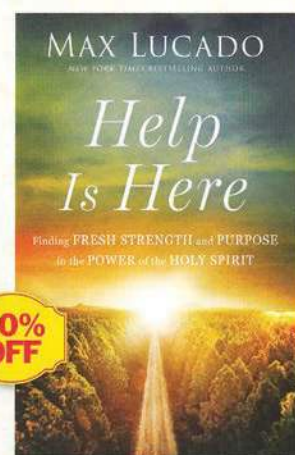
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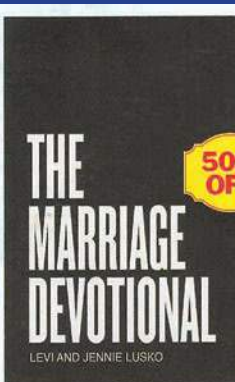
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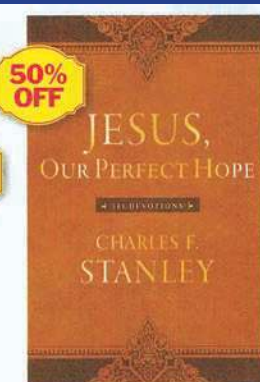
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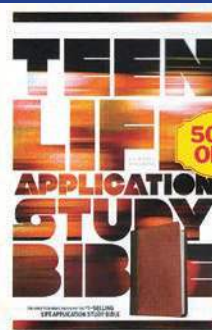
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RANDALL WAYNE SHREWSBERRY

Randall Wayne Shrewsberry, 79, of Snowville, passed away Saturday, November 19, 2022, at Cozy Home Haven in Fairlawn. He was a U. S. Army veteran and was employed with the U. S. Navy. Randy was preceded in death by his father, Every Shrewsberry and mother, Fay Elaine Vancamp; and infant son, Jesse.

Randy loved Bluegrass music, especially the guitar.

Survivors include his son, Kenneth Shrewsberry; sisters, Janice Faye Brannon, Donna Katherine Whisman, and Letha Carol Ratcliff; nieces, nephews, and church family; and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 22, 2022 at Snowville Baptist Church with Rev. Tony Hart officiating. Interment followed with full military honors in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

Pallbearers were Dwayne, Trevor, Elijah and Ty Simpkins, and Chad Fox.

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



DORIS ELLEN SOUTHERN DAWSON

Doris Ellen Southern Dawson, 78, of Newbern, passed away on Saturday, November 19, 2022. She was preceded in death by her parents, Everett Jordan and Zelma Jennings Southern; sister, Iris; and her brothers, Forest, Ray, Calvin, and Walter.

Survivors include her daughter, Tanya; granddaughter, Tiffany; grandson, Austin; brother, Ron; former husband, Lansford; and many other nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Doris attended Newbern Elementary, Pulaski High Class of '62, Madison College, and graduated with her Master's Degree from Radford University. She worked in the public school system for over 30 years; teaching at Max Meadows in Wythe County, Central Elementary in Pulaski, and as a counselor at Pulaski Middle School. Doris was the Director of Personnel for the Pulaski County School Board and retired as Assistant Principal from Pulaski Middle School. After retirement, she remained active in senior activities, playing badminton, doing yoga, traveling, and helping maintain the family farm.

Interment will take place in Newbern Cemetery on the family plot. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Master Gardeners in your area, or to a charity of your choice.

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



RHONDIE DEAN OUSLEY

Rhondie Dean Ousley, age 57 of Hiwassee passed away Thursday, November 17, 2022 in the Roanoke Memorial Hospital.

Born January 19, 1965 in Pulaski, he is the son of Joeann Duncan Ousley and the late Charlie Estel Ousley, Sr. In addition to his father, he was also preceded in death by his mother-in-law,

Brenda Darlene Martin Jarrells, grandparents, and aunts & uncles.

He was a veteran of the United States Army. Rhondie was retired from Volvo with 24 years of service.

He is survived by

His wife— Viva Darlene Jarrells Ousley-Hiwassee

Children— Kayla Bethany (Evan) Kibler-Hiwassee

Logan Wyatt Ousley-Hiwassee

Grandchildren— Chloe Ousley, Colby Kibler, Joseph Kibler, Riddick Ousley and Serenity Ousley

Mother—Joeann Duncan Ousley-Hiwassee

Sisters— Kendy Ousley-Hiwassee

Kathie (David) DeCosta- Dublin

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Father-in-law— Wayne Jarrells-Hiwassee

Special Sister-in-law— Tracy (Carl) Williams-Hiwassee

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Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 22, 2022 in the Bower Funeral Home Chapel with Pastors Mike Hall and Lesa Viers officiating. Burial followed in the Allison Cemetery, Allisonia.

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

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



ROY KEN HUNTER

Roy Ken Hunter, age 85 of Pulaski County, died Friday November 11, 2022 at Kroontje Warm Hearth Village in Blacksburg. Roy was born on August 30, 1937, in Sanford, North Carolina, and was the son of the late Bertie Mae Knott Hunter and the late Frank Norris Hunter. Roy was a retired employee at A.T.&T., having worked for twenty-nine years in the Human Resource Department. He was a veteran, having served for five years in the United States Air Force.

Locally, people may remember Roy who was active many years ago in the Dublin Lions Club. Roy was also a life member of the Masons since 1966, a member of Dublin United Methodist Church and a lifetime member of the Pulaski Country Club.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his spouse, who was the love of his life, Jacquelyn Ann Gallogly Hunter, who passed away April 25, 2014: three brothers; David O'Dell Hunter, Frank Norris Hunter, and Harry Lee Hunter; sister; Mary Elizabeth Hunter

Roy is survived by two sisters-in-law: Mary Reasoner and her husband William of Venice, Florida, Kathleen Van Note and her husband David of North Conway, New Hampshire and his brother-in-law Thomas Gallogly and wife Sydney of Stuart, Florida. Other nieces and nephews also survive.

Roy was a compassionate, decent, caring person and with his true soulmate, Jackie, they spent decades deeply in love and strongly committed to helping others through life's hurdles. Roy was deeply loved by his family and others who had the privilege of knowing him. The community was a better place because of Roy and Jackie Hunter.

Roy was a very bright person with a sparkle in his eyes and a big heart; always ready to help others. He had a great sense of humor, on the impish side, which sometimes got him in trouble but with that twinkle and smile he'd be forgiven. Roy and Jackie are back together sharing their now and forever.

Per Roy's wishes, the family and friends will share a private gathering and Celebration of his Life sometime in the future.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of donations to The Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com

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ROBERT GLENN SMOTHERS, JR.

Robert Glenn Smothers, Jr., 75, of Charlotte, N.C. went to be with his Heavenly Father on Nov. 20, 2022, surrounded by loved ones at his home on Retriever Way.

He was born on Feb. 10, 1947 in Radford, Va. to Robert Glenn and Marie Smothers. He was preceded in death by his parents and his former wife, Linda Kinzer of Dublin and later of Madison, N.C.

He is survived by four children: Leslie Friddle and Suzanne (Rob) Kinney of Randleman, N.C., Robert Glenn (Trey) Smothers, III of the home, and Rebecca Dunn of Huntersville, N.C. Six grandchildren survive: Kelly (Charisse) Epperly of High Point, N.C., Kyle Epperly of Randleman, Katie Spencer of Huntersville, Kasey (Sophia) Jarrell of High Point, Chase Kinney of Randleman, and Garrett Kinney of Liberty, N.C. He is also survived by a sister Glenda Smothers Roudebush and brother-in-law J.C. (friend of 60 plus years) of Galax, Va., and sister-in-law Sue Kinzer of Draper, Va. Former wife Sherry Worden of Salisbury, N.C. has been his BEST friend of 44 years; he was blessed to have her and Eddie as a major support.

Robert began his professional career in textiles at Klopman Mills in Dublin, Va., continuing in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia (13 years with Mafgla and 7 years was Capereleli.) Robert retired from Huntersville Belt Services Corp. after completing 18 years of service.

R.G. was raised in the Fairlawn Presbyterian Church, but in later years he became a Baptist, serving in church as an adult Sunday School teacher and choir member. He was ordained as a deacon at East Huntersville Baptist Church where his 1991 mission trip to India was the experience of a lifetime.

R.G. grew up in Fairlawn and attended Dublin High School where his love of Virginia Tech and support of all things "Hokie" began. In his younger days he played golf, attended NASCAR races, enjoyed the beach and sun, and gospel and country music. In later years, Robert became a real "homebody" watching the daily national news, some game shows, baseball (the Indians and Yankees in particular), college football, and girls' softball. Remaining a dedicated "Hokie" til the end, Robert watched all Vir-

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and 1,565 reckless drivers statewide. Virginia troopers charged 65 drivers for driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol and/or drugs, and cited 477 drivers for failing to buckle up themselves and/or juvenile passengers.

There were five traffic fatalities during the 2021 five-day Thanksgiving statistical counting period and 12 traffic fatalities during the same period in 2020.

This year, the Thanksgiving Holiday C.A.R.E. initiative falls within the annual "Click It or

Ticket" campaign. This enforcement and educational initiative aims to further emphasize the lifesaving value of seat belts for every person in a vehicle.

With increased patrols, Virginia State Police also reminds drivers of Virginia's "Move Over" law, which requires motorists to move over when approaching an emergency vehicle stopped alongside the road. If unable to move over, drivers are required to cautiously pass the emergency vehicle. The law also applies to

workers in vehicles equipped with amber lights.

*Source: Virginia Highway Safety Office, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. Percentage is of crashes in vehicles equipped with safety restraints.



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Black Friday & Cyber Monday

Make the most of these upcoming marketing schemes

By George Kamel

I don’t know about you, but personally, I have a love-hate relationship with Black Friday and Cyber Monday.

I mean, don’t get me wrong—it seems pretty great at first: belly full of stuffing, new fall trends on sale, Christmas shopping done early, decompressing after too much time with that one relative . . .

But what’s wrong with this picture? For one, you probably weren’t considering the obvious risks of holiday impulsive shopping, not to mention slick marketing tactics and bad spending habits. Half the time I feel like I’ve outsmarted this consumer-culture phenomenon, and the other half . . . Well, like a wise little league baseball coach once said: You can’t win ‘em all, kid.

We’ve all made our share of shopping mistakes on that fateful weekend after Thanksgiving, but not this year, my friends. Today, I’m sharing six money-saving tips that will make these sales work for you, not the other way around.

1. Choose budgeting over browsing. Yep, you already knew this one was coming. And sure, this may seem like overkill for one tiny weekend of shopping, but the truth is: Structure sets us free. Just like your monthly budget puts you back in control of your money, making a Black Friday budget gives you the freedom to decide how much you spend on who and what (and when and where and why).

2. Map it out. Most of my Black Friday and Cyber Monday fails have happened because I didn’t have a strategy ahead of time. After you’ve listed your buying goals in the budget, decide which stores and sites should take priority. Will you shop for big-ticket items only? Will you buy gifts for others first, then make personal purchases second? Do what makes sense (and what you can afford), then stick to the plan.

3. Flag your favorite emails. We all know there are an obnoxious amount of ad emails coming your way as the big weekend approaches. That marketer’s mama didn’t raise no fool! But you can take the power back by starring the ones you’re interested in and deleting the ones you’re not. This way, you won’t be tempted to click, scroll and buy before the sales even begin. Take inventory now, and revisit your flagged favorites after you’ve had some turkey and time to process.

4. Shop for quality over quantity. On this iconic weekend of spending, lots of deals are going to seem epic. But before you buy into every offer you see, use “quality over quantity” as your centering mantra. Go ahead, take a cleansing breath and repeat after me: “Namaste away from pointless purchases.” You do not need 47 candles from Bath & Body Works. You may, however, want to restock your fancy shampoo while it’s on mega sale.

5. Use the two-year rule. Buyer’s rush feels great in the moment, but you want to be wise about the future. Ask yourself, Two years from now, will I still be enjoying this purchase? If the answer is no, you may want to reconsider.

6. Debt is always a no. No matter where you find yourself in your financial journey, Black Friday and Cyber Monday shouldn’t reverse your progress. That cozy cashmere sweater is tempting as cooler temperatures creep in, but it’s going to get ugly real fast when the new year also brings with it a new credit card bill. Turns out you can still go broke while “saving” money. So, whatever you do, don’t convince yourself you’re saving if you’re actually spending and going into more debt.

Boom! There you have it. Six steps that set you up for spending (and saving) success. Let’s make sure you and I both have no regrets (or “no ragrets” for fans of We’re the Millers) this shopping

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Deaths

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ginia Tech sporting events wearing maroon and orange; he was most PROUD of his “VT” tattoo! Robert’s family and friends appreciated his sharp mind and quick wit, especially evident playing cards with his children. Loyal family dog Coco often napped with his “best buddy” as R.G. lay in his hospital bed at home.

The family wishes to thank Robert’s friend and physician, Dr. Jack Faircloth and his staff at Atrium Family Clinic in Huntersville. Two special Hospice workers were Nurse Susan and

Chaplain Pete (Pete was Coco’s friend also). All calls, cards, and visits have been greatly appreciated (especially those from Sarge and the guys at Huntersville Belt Services ... you fellows “lit up his room” and gave him a much-needed “lift.”

Per his request, Robert was cremated. The James Funeral Home in Huntersville will host the Memorial Service on Nov. 30, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. His longtime friend and pastor at Hunter Acres Baptist Church, Don Newell will officiate.



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Thanksgiving Proclamation of 1789

Submitted for publication by
Joe Hester, Radford.

On Oct 3rd 1789, during his first term of office as our first president, George Washington issued a Thanksgiving Day Proclamation. Among all the founding fathers, who pledged “to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor” as they signed the Declaration of Independence, I believe Washington, who had already assumed command of the Continental Army, had the greatest opportunity to see the providential hand of God in the formation of this country.

He saw it not only in the documents, and in the events leading to independence, but he saw it most clearly on the battlefields where improbable victories occurred time and time again. And he acknowledged God and gave thanks.

On this Thanksgiving Day let us do the same and begin a new tradition at the family dinner table in these United States. Let us take turns reading this proclamation while gathered around the dinner table. Each one to read a small portion, to ponder these words, and end with our prayer of thanksgiving.

Happy Thanksgiving to all and may God bless America!

Thanksgiving Proclamation of 1789

By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation.

“Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor-- and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.

“Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be-- That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks--for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation--for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war--for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed--for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and par-

ticularly the national One now lately instituted--for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

“And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions-- to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually--to render our national government a blessing to all the people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed--to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shewn kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord--To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us--and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.”

Go: Washington

The Highlander Hotel Job Fair



Please join us for a Hiring Event for The Highlander Hotel - opening soon at Radford University.

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A Thanksgiving Tribute to the Turkey

Thanksgiving is a time when many guests gather around the dinner table and feast as part of the day's activities. Another regular Thanksgiving guest, however, is not around the table but atop it, and not at his own choice: the turkey.

The turkey is as much a part of the Thanksgiving story as we know it today as Berkeley Plantation and the Pilgrims of Massachusetts, and indeed it is part of the American story.

Although accounts of the 1621 Thanksgiving at Plymouth colony indicate only that "fowl" was



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

eaten, not turkeys specifically, they eventually became a frequent presence on dinner tables. The reason is not

surprising: the birds were quite plentiful. An article on Britannica.com notes that at least 10 million turkeys are estimated to have lived on the continent when Europeans arrived. By the 20th century, their numbers had shrunk to a mere 200,000, but today millions of wild turkeys once again roam the United States, thanks in part to the conservation efforts of the Pittman-Robertson Act sponsored by U.S. Senator A. Willis Robertson of Lexington.

A popular myth holds that Benjamin Franklin suggested the turkey as our national symbol instead of the bald eagle. Although he did not in fact offer that proposal, he did make favorable comparisons of the turkey to the bald eagle. In a letter to his daughter, he mused about a medal for the Society of the Cincinnati, an organization made up of Continental Army officers. The eagle on the medal looked similar to a turkey, prompting Franklin to observe:

For my own part I wish the Bald Eagle had not been chosen as the Representative of our Country. He is a Bird of bad moral Character. He does not get his Living honestly. You may have seen him perch'd on some dead Tree near the River, where, too lazy to fish for himself, he watches the Labour of the Fishing Hawk [osprey]; and when that diligent Bird has at length taken a Fish, and is bearing it to his Nest for the Support of his Mate and young Ones, the Bald Eagle pursues him and takes it from him.

For the record, I do not share Franklin's low opinion of the bald eagle. As for the turkey, Franklin continued:

For in Truth the Turkey is in Comparison a much more respectable Bird, and withal a true original Native of America. Eagles have been found in all Countries, but the Turkey was peculiar to ours . . . He is besides, tho' a little vain and silly, a Bird of Courage, and would not hesitate to attack a Grenadier of the British Guards who should presume to invade his Farm Yard with a red Coat on.

We can wonder whether Franklin ever expressed his thoughts on the matter to George Washington. Perhaps he did not share Franklin's affection for the bird, because while the first president, and as Henry Lee said, "First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen," Washington was not the first president to pardon a turkey.

The precedent for the White House turkey pardon was set by Abraham Lincoln, who spared the life of a turkey at the behest of his son. Later presidents such as John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan held their own events pardoning turkeys, and George H.W. Bush made it an annual occasion starting in 1989. Several of the turkeys participating in the ceremony in recent years retired afterward to Virginia Tech.

But if George Washington had little to say on turkeys, he had plenty to say on Thanksgiving. During his first year in office, 1789, he called for Thursday, November 26 to be set aside as "a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness."

His proclamation went on to list the blessings the young country enjoyed, from its new Constitution to its civil and religious liberty, and called on Americans to offer thanks and supplication for the country's future.

Let us do likewise this year. Whether you dine on turkey or not, I wish you a peaceful and blessed Thanksgiving.

If you have questions, concerns, or comments, feel free to contact my office. You can call my Abingdon office at 276-525-1405, my Christiansburg office at 540-381-5671, or my Washington office at 202-225-3861. To reach my office via email, please visit my website at www.morgangriffith.house.gov.

Immigration Changes

On January 1, 1892 Annie Moore, a 15-year-old Irish girl, became the first of millions of immigrants to pass through the doors of Ellis Island's immigration station.

Years later, the famous singer/songwriter, Neil Diamond, would write a song dedicated to his grandmother who emigrated to America from Kiev at age 12, over 100 years ago. The lyrics of his song "Coming to America" reflect the hope and desire of these immigrants who yearned to experience the freedoms and prosperity that American citizens enjoyed. These immigrants would assimilate into the culture and work for the betterment of their families and their new nation.

To listen to "Coming to America, go to: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rrg-CxSSwBto>

These young girls, along with nearly 12 million other immigrants arrived in America between 1870 and 1900; but the greatest peak of European immigrants came in 1907 (1,285,349). By 1910, America would absorb 13.5 million immigrants. Like my paternal grandparents, they came legally through Ellis Island.

<http://www.eyewitnesshistory.com> gives us some insight into the rigorous inspection these immigrants had to face. "Government inspectors asked a list of

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By Danielle Reid

twenty-nine probing questions such as: 'Have you money, relatives or a job in the United States? Are you a polygamist? An anarchist?'

Next, the doctors and nurses poked and prodded them, looking for signs of disease or debilitating handicaps. Usually immigrants were only detained a few hours, and then free to leave. If they did not receive stamps of approval, and many did not because they were deemed criminals, strikebreakers, anarchists or carriers of disease, they were sent back to their place of origin at the expense of the shipping line."

The United States has become home to the highest number of immigrants in the world. It is estimated that out of 331.4 million people living in the U.S., approximately 50.6 million people were born in a foreign country. In the past two years, the number of immigrants

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Don't Count Trump Out Yet

Donald Trump is in his weakest political state since 2015 or early 2016.

During his presidency, when he was at the center of countless intense controversies, he didn't blink once. He never showed fear or desperation. Both are clearly at work now in his gratuitous attacks on Govs. Ron DeSantis of Florida and Glenn Youngkin of Virginia, neither of whom has done anything to him, besides presenting a viable alternative to his continued dominance of the GOP.

Any Trump political obituaries are premature, though, until a verdict has been reached by the force that has buoyed him and lent him his overwhelming power in the GOP politics -- Republican voters.

The idea that the "party decides" -- that a party's elites guide voters to their preferred presidential candidate -- got blown to smithereens in 2016. Trump had almost no institutional support and won anyway.

Since then, the party has neutered itself and, in many states, been affirmatively taken over by pro-Trump forces.

After the experience of the Access Hollywood tape and January 6, Republican officials have internalized the lesson that getting too far out in front of voters in expressing anti-Trump sentiment -- indeed getting an inch in front of them -- is potentially fatal.

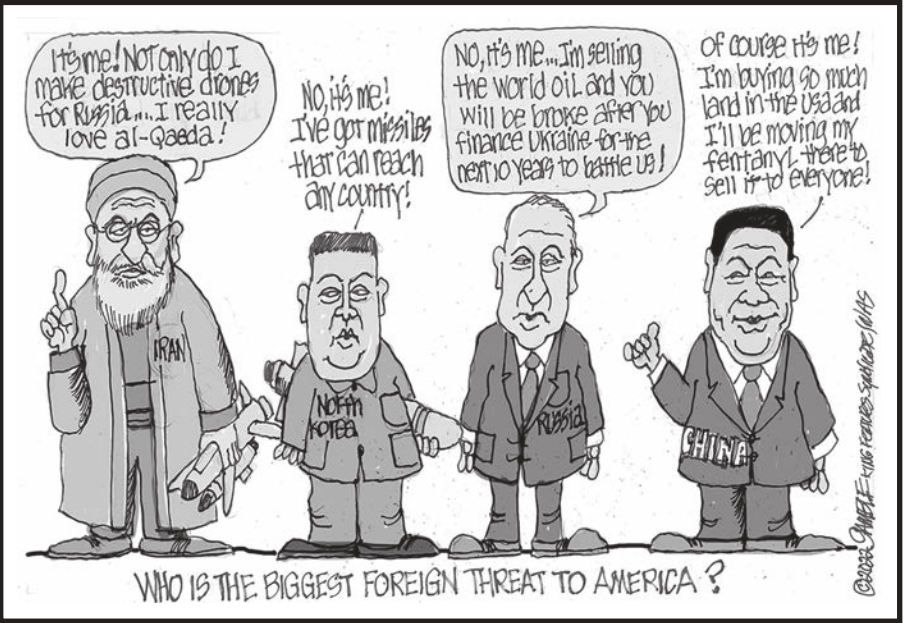
Politics is always a realm of artifice and whispered conversations, but the Trump era has taken it to another level in the GOP. Many of the elected officials who are Trump's biggest public boosters have a dim view of him in private. People serving at the highest levels of his administration -- not deep state operatives, but his own political appointees -- would make clear their discomfort with him in private. Even the most pro-Trump voices in the media often don't share their true feelings about him.

If the window has opened a crack to Trump criticism among Republican officialdom, it's still quite muted. Everyone considers it much safer to train their public fire on presumptive speaker Kevin McCarthy or Majority Leader Mitch McConnell.

It's important to remember, by the way, that some of the worst candidate choices in the midterms were freely made by GOP primary electorates under the influence of the former president. There's been a lot of criticism of Democrats spending on weak MAGA candidates in the primaries. But these candidates never would have gotten nominated in the first place if Republican voters hadn't happily supported them, despite their flaws and despite Democrats desperately wanting to run against them.

One hopes that the lesson has finally been learned that Trump -- no matter how much Republicans admire his combativeness, appreciate his entertainment

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Schumer, then and now

By CAL THOMAS, Tribune Content Agency

If an awards show were created to honor Washington politicians for the most outlandish, hypocritical and contradictory positions, Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY) would be among the top contenders.

In a 2009 speech at Georgetown Law School, Sen. Schumer said the following: "...illegal immigration is wrong. We must create a system that converts the flow of primarily low-skilled illegal immigrants into the United States into a more manageable and controlled flow of legal immigrants who can be absorbed by our economy."

Fast-forward to last week and a different Chuck Schumer emerged. Citing a "drop" in the U.S. birth rate (could the aborting of 60 million-plus babies be a factor?), Schumer said, "The only way we are going to have a great future in America is if we welcome and embrace immigrants, dreamers, and all of them, because our ultimate goal is to help the dreamers, but get a path to citizenship for all 11 million or however many undocumented there are here."

Schumer doesn't know how many there are because the Department of Homeland Security can't tell him. Neither can he say how many are bringing in drugs, how many are terrorists, or pedophiles, or human traffickers. Border Patrol has managed to arrest some people who fit these categories, but the number of "gotaways" continues to rise so they can't calculate the total.

Schumer and his fellow legislators pass laws they presumably expect will be enforced. What is happening at the southern border is massive lawbreaking. If Schumer and the Biden administration refuse to enforce immigration laws, are they not violating their oaths of office to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States? Part of the oath each senator takes is to "...faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So help me God." Schumer is not faithfully discharging his duties when he encourages lawbreaking.

When DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas testifies before House and Senate committees that the border is "secure," and pictures show the opposite, it is akin to claiming American astronauts never landed on the moon.

A reporter should ask Schumer and other elected officials who refuse to close the border how many are enough? Do we welcome the world? Is there to be no limit and if so, based on what? Do they have a number in mind? What is their goal? Schumer claims it is about importing more workers because there are currently not enough. There are many reasons for this, in addition to abortion. Other reasons include money spent during Covid-19, allowing people to receive a check without having to earn a check. Some have been reluctant to return to work as evidenced by the number of "now hiring" signs hanging in many business windows.

Between the 1920s and 1960s, immigration was largely shut down in America. A quota system was created to limit immigrants from many countries. It allowed those who arrived during the European migration that began in 1846 to fully assimilate into American culture, learn English, the nation's history, and laws.

We have become hyphenated Americans with too many clinging to their native land in language and culture. No nation can be sustained in its character without controlling who is allowed to enter. Other nations have far more restrictive immigration laws and paths to citizenship than ours.

Sen. Schumer's flip-flop on illegal immigration will only make things worse. Maybe Governors Greg Abbot (R-TX) and Ron DeSantis (R-FL) should bus and fly some of them into Schumer's neighborhood as they did to Martha's Vineyard, New York and Philadelphia. That might make him flip again.

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has exponentially increased, but not through legal entry.

In the 1920s restrictive immigration quotas were imposed, although political refugees had special status. Numerical restrictions ended in 1965. During those years the largest numbers came from Asia and Central America.

It would appear that “immigration” during the past two years under the Biden administration has drastically changed. According to CBP, in the past 18-consecutive months, over 150,000 illegals have crossed the border monthly into the U.S. bringing over 10,000 pounds of deadly fentanyl (seized amount). In August, the number was 203,597 crossings and in September up to 8,000 each day. It is estimated that after the current restrictions are lifted, we can expect up to 18,000 illegals each day to cross the border into the U.S. In a week, that equals 126,000 immigrants per week and in a month, 504,000 illegal crossings.

You may be interested to know that according to “Illegal Entry”/8 U.S.C.&1325, it is a crime to unlawfully enter the United States. It applies to people who do not enter with proper inspection at a port of entry, those who enter between ports of entry, avoid examination or inspection, or who make false statements while entering or attempting to enter. A first offense is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine, up to six months in prison, or both.”

I was astonished to discover that it is only considered a misdemeanor to illegally break into the U.S. Are you kidding? Try illegally breaking into other countries and see what happens to you!

China, India and Egypt are among 77 countries that have constructed border walls with 45 more planning to build walls to stop illegal immigration, infiltration of terrorists and prevent smuggling and human trafficking. Why can’t we do the same? Countries with very strict im-

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value, and detest his enemies -- is not a sound electoral guide, to put it mildly.

Trump didn’t win a majority in either of his presidential elections, even the one he won; he was never anywhere close to 50% in the RealClearPolitics polling averages in either of his races; and his average job approval rating during his presidency never approached 50%, either.

Trump won in 2016 courtesy of Hillary Clinton, the Electoral College, and a dollop of luck. At the end of the day, he’s a plurality, not a majority, candidate. And he’s drawn to other plurality candidates, who, lacking the advantage of running in races with an electoral college or against Hillary Clinton, tend to lose. Winning 46.1% worked for Trump in 2016, but it’s a formula for failure for everyone else.

There are early signs that voters have taken on board the contrast between Trump, who was embarrassed on election night and has been attacking other Republicans in crude terms, and Ron DeSantis, who won a crushing reelection victory and hasn’t felt it necessary to throw out wild charges or insult other party leaders to try to deflect blame from himself.

The polls are very early but telling. A YouGov poll had DeSantis up over Trump nationally in a hypothetical 2024 matchup, 42-35. A new 2024 poll in Texas has DeSantis up by a similar 43-32. And a WPA Intelligence poll has DeSantis beating Trump in Iowa, New Hampshire, Florida and Georgia.

There will have to be much more of that to signal that a fundamental, enduring shift has taken place and coax party leaders out of their long defensive crouch. The party won’t decide to turn against Trump until voters give it clear, unmistakable permission.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

migration laws include Denmark, Switzerland, China, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Japan, Vatican City and North Korea. Countries like Hungary have strong anti-immigrant laws and impose the harshest punishment for illegally entering a country – up to 8 years in jail. Countries like Malaysia have used caning as an immigration control tool.

For those unfamiliar with “caning” it is used as a form of humiliating corporal punishment and is a common practice in Southeast Asian countries, such as Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia, and is also used in Africa. Prisoners lashed with the cane, usually a thin rattan stick soaked in water, are then whipped on bare skin at extreme speed, and have described the experience as excruciating.

A few countries prefer imposing community service as a more humane punishment for illegals. The idea is to reduce the expenses associated with hosting illegal immigrants, and shifting the financial burden from the government and society.

The most insidious crime with illegal immigration falls on the shoulders of the coyotes and traffickers who endanger human lives to make a profit. They often abandon their human cargo in remote and desolate places, leaving them to die or be heroically rescued by US Border Patrol; or be sexually trafficked the smugglers as payment. Border Patrol recorded 22,014 rescues so far in 2022 but this is likely an undercount due to incomplete data collection.

Although the desire to emigrate to America may be similar to Annie Moore’s, others are coming to America to exploit the financial opportunities or for nefarious reasons. The point is, without proper legal immigration control, we can’t determine whether they are coming to bless this nation or harm us.

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To the editor,

1110 delicious meals served for our 13th annual Feed The Hungry Thanksgiving Meal. Praise the Lord!!!

We were hoping that God would let us serve 1000 meals ... but after an 11-hour day filled with fun, fellowship, prayer, thank you calls, hard work and delicious food, God allowed us to serve 1110 meals and provided a huge supply of coats and clothing all for His glory!!!

We thank everyone who volunteered and everyone who took part in any way in helping us to feed and clothe our precious guests.

To God be the glory!!!

Charlie Barbettini

Pastor, Taking It To The Streets Ministry

By GEORGE KAMEL

Inflation.

It’s a constant news headline, the joke of every meme, and the word we curse under our breath every time we have to put the fancy bacon back on the shelf and grab the generic turkey bacon instead. Whether we want to admit it or not, inflation is here, and it’s sticking around, folks. But first, what even is it?

All you need to remember here is the basic law of supply and demand. Oversupply means prices go down. And undersupply means prices go up, aka inflation. But what I want to remind you is that even if you can’t control how much inflation rises from month to month, there’s still plenty of ways you can beat inflation without resorting to turkey bacon.

Get Your Priorities Straight

Now, the first thing to do is make sure the most important things in your budget are covered. No, I’m not talking about your Amazon Prime membership. I’m talking about what I call your Four Walls: food, utilities, shelter and transportation. So, here’s my plan for how to beat inflation and keep your Four Walls strong!

How to Save on Food

1. Shop at the cheapest grocery stores. If you really want to cut back on your bill, rethink where you shop. In the U.S., some of the cheapest grocery stores are Aldi, WinCo Foods, Food 4 Less, Costco, Walmart and Trader Joe’s.

2. Cut out the wants, and only buy the items you need. You need breakfast, lunch and dinner—you don’t need that fresh watermelon that costs \$7 because someone else cut it for you. If your grocery bill is out of hand, take a serious look at your needs versus your nice-to-haves.

3. Use cash-back apps and coupons. Use cash-back reward apps, like Ibotta or Fetch Rewards, to help you save. While rebates don’t give you a discount up front,

the cash-back savings will add up. And don’t knock the power of the O.G. paper or digital coupon either. But remember, never spend just to save. Don’t buy name brand just because you get cash back. Do the math and buy the most affordable option that gets the job done.

How to Save on Utilities

1. Don’t run appliances unless they’re full. Your husband spilled coffee all over his pants—again. But instead of washing those soiled khakis alone, wait until you can run a full load. And when it comes to the dishwasher, the same thing applies (but to be clear, don’t put pants in there).

2. Program your thermostat. You can save as much as 10% a year if you drop your thermostat down 7–10 degrees for eight hours a day.1 So turn down the thermostat before you head out the door.

3. Use less. This is a no-brainer, right? One of the best things you can do to save on utilities is to simply use less. Even the little things like turning off the lights can do a lot to keep you from using more.

How to Save on Housing

1. Be a smart renter. Getting a roommate (even if they’re quirky) can cut your rent in half—or more. And if you know you want to stay in the place you’re in right now, see if your landlord will drop your monthly rent if you sign a 16-month or 18-month lease.

2. Make sure your house payment isn’t more than 25% of your monthly take-home pay. You don’t want to be house poor at any time,

and definitely not with inflation on the loose. Making sure your house payment isn’t eating up too much of your income will help you have enough breathing room in your budget to live.

3. If you’re buying a house, save 20% for a down payment to avoid PMI. The more money you have for a down payment, the better—because it’ll lead to a smaller mortgage. Plus, saving 20% will save you from having to pay private mortgage insurance (PMI), which will lower your monthly mortgage payment!

How to Save on Gas Prices

1. Use apps to track the cheapest gas prices. You don’t have to waste gas driving around town looking for a good deal. Just use an app like GasBuddy or Waze to find the cheapest gas prices in your area.

2. Shop around for auto insurance rates. It’s always worth seeing if you can score a cheaper auto insurance rate. If you can lower your yearly premium by \$375, that would free up more than \$30 in your budget each month!


3. Carpool. Hear me out. I know you like to fly solo, but carpooling to the office, to school or to the kids’ soccer game is a great way to build some human connection while saving money too.

Now, that’s a lot. But don’t let it all overwhelm you—you’ve got this! Prices going up just means

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PET OF THE WEEK


Morris is a 10-year-old neutered male. He came into us with his front paws declawed so he will need to be an indoors only cat. Morris is the sweetest boy who enjoys naps, cuddling up in a nook, and sunbathing. You can usually find him napping in the cat tree or on the prowl for treats!



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Psalm 136.26

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We also thank all of our first responders.

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Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute earns accreditation

The American College of Surgeons (ACS) Commission on Cancer (CoC), has granted three-year accreditation to the Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute at LewisGale Medical Center and LewisGale Hospital Pulaski. To earn CoC accreditation, a cancer program must meet 34 quality care standards, be evaluated every three years, and maintain levels of excellence in the delivery of comprehensive patient-centered care. LewisGale Hospital Pulaski has held ASC CoC accreditation since 2004 and LewisGale Medical Center since 1974.

As a part of Sarah Cannon, LewisGale’s integrated cancer network takes a multidisciplinary approach to treating cancer as a complex group of diseases requiring consultation among surgeons, medical and radiation oncologists, diagnostic radiologists, pathologists, and other cancer specialists. This multidisciplinary partnership results in improved patient care.

“It is a great accomplishment for the LewisGale Regional Health System to be granted this accreditation. It speaks to the hospitals’ focus on quality



LewisGale photo

Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute at LewisGale Hospital Pulaski.

of care through a multidisciplinary approach. Caring for patients diagnosed with cancer is a team effort and one that takes patience and compassion,” said Andrew Fintel, MD. “Being accredited by the Commission on Cancer is just one way that we

can consistently better ourselves in our fight against cancer.”

The CoC accreditation program provides the framework for LewisGale Medical Center and LewisGale Pulaski to improve the quality of patient care

Schemes

Continued from Page A5 season. And if you’re looking for more Black Friday shopping tips, check out this article from my friend Rachel Cruze.

Bonus Challenge: Make it a social affair! Send this article to someone you wouldn’t mind tackling Black Friday and Cyber Monday with. And who knows, maybe your chosen sidekick will have their own strategies to share. No gatekeeping here, folks!

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Landfill

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pop up the road and save our drivers, save our vehicles and our diesel fuel,” Compton said.

He noted the arrangement with Smyth and Patrick amounts to a temporary emergency disposal agreement that can be ended anytime if it becomes unfavorable to the NRRA.

He offered a motion to approve the resolution allowing Smyth and Patrick’s use of the landfill, and the resolution was approved unanimously.

The NRRA’s governing board had earlier approved the resolution, however, it needs to be approved by each of the authority’s member jurisdictions individually.

New Board Members

Monday’s meeting of the supervisors was unusually short – only about 45 minutes long – and marked the first for new supervisors Chris Stafford (Cloyd District) and Mike Mooney (Massie District).

Three supervisors were named to positions on other local boards as the Board of Supervisors’ representatives. Those include

Mooney on the county’s Planning Commission, Stafford on the Fairlawn Sewer Authority Board and Jeff Reeves (Robinson District) on the Lead Through Service Application Screening Committee.

Sweet Absent

Monday’s meeting marked a rare occurrence in which County Administrator Jonathan Sweet was not in attendance. Assistant County Administrator Anthony Akers noted Sweet was under the weather and could not attend. He noted that the meeting was only the third Sweet had missed in over 20 years of working in county administration.

Taxes Due

Pulaski County Treasurer Melinda Worrell said that county real estate taxes are due Dec. 5.

She noted the town on Nov. 30 is closing Main Street downtown (between Jefferson Avenue and Washington Avenue) for its water line project and said taxpayers “will have to walk a pretty good distance to get to our office.”

Inflation

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you have to rework your budget. So, keep an eye on things, track what you spend, and make tweaks as you need to. Then tell those rising prices to kick rocks and pound sand—because you’ve got a plan to fight inflation. For more tips on how to beat inflation, check out this article.

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On November 26th Glencoe Mansion will celebrate Small Business Saturday, featuring great gift ideas from local artisans and authors, Radford souvenirs, and more. The Glencoe Gift shop will be open from 10AM to 4PM to allow plenty of time to get a kick start on holiday shopping. Additionally, Yvonne Alderman’s show “Visions in Mixed Media and Wood” will be opening that day with a reception from 11AM to 1PM.

The following Saturday, December 3rd, The Holiday Farmers’ Market will take place in the field adjacent to Glencoe Mansion from 11AM to 3PM. The Holiday Farmers’ Market will feature gift items

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from farmers, crafters, and artisans and will also have pictures with Santa. The food truck Bluegrass BBQ will be set up. Visitors can find the market in this location for their usual season; every Saturday, 9AM to 1PM, April to October. The museum will be open from 10AM to 4PM.

Concluding the three weekends of great shopping will be the Handcrafted Holiday Pop-up Market, hosted by MountainTrotter Arts.

The Handcrafted Holiday Pop-Up Market will feature local artisans, crafters, and more from 11AM to 3:30PM. The food truck Empanada Nirvana will be onsite as well. Santa will be available to take pictures on the beautiful porch of Glencoe Mansion. Visitors can also enjoy Glencoe Mansion’s Holiday Open House from 10AM to 4PM. The rain date of the Handcrafted Holiday Pop-up market would be December 11th.



Turkey Thawing 101

First important step for cooking your holiday bird

By **Andrea Haubner,**
Family and Consumer
Science Extension Agent

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, lots of us will be cooking turkeys for our friends and families. It is very important to thaw your turkey correctly because if not properly defrosted, it will be difficult to cook it all the way through. If not cooked to the internal temperature of 165 °F, you have a higher risk of getting food poisoning from the bacteria present.

Here are a few turkey cooking tips –

- There are **ONLY** three safe ways to properly thaw a turkey: in the refrigerator, in cold water, and in a microwave.

- The refrigerator method is the recommended method to thaw your turkey. Allow 24hrs for every 4-5 pounds of turkey. Once thawed, you can leave it in your refrigerator 1-2 days.

- For the cold-water method, you can leave the turkey in its wrappings and submerge in cold water. The water has to be cold so your turkey stays at a safe temperature. The water should be changed about every 30 minutes and you should allow 30 min-

utes of thawing time per pound of turkey. If you use this method, it must be cooked immediately.

- The last method is the microwave method. Be sure to remove all outside packaging on your turkey and check to make sure that the turkey will fit in your microwave. You should allow about 6 minutes per pound and be sure to flip it as you let it thaw. If the microwave starts to cook the turkey, let it rest for about 5 minutes then continue cooking. Again, if you use this method, it must be cooked immediately.

- **DO NOT** thaw your turkey on the counter, back porch or garage, in a brown paper bag or plastic garbage bag, or use the dishwasher.

Always check to make sure the internal temperature of your turkey has reached 165 °F. If you use these methods, you, your family, and friends will have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

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Lane Nester is one of three returning players for the 2022-23 Cougars. Kyle O’Neal and Khalib Horton are the others.

2022-23 Cougar boys young, but should play more inside

By RODNEY YOUNG
For The Patriot

The 2022-23 edition of the Pulaski County Cougars boys basketball team will be young and inexperienced. They have only three returnees from last season’s team.

The Cougars are under the direction Head Coach Tyler Cannoy. This is Cannoy’s fourth season and his three-year record is 30-38.

Perhaps one difference for PCHS this year is the Cougars have a couple of players that can play inside and may not rely solely on outside shooting. More on this later, but we’ll start with this year’s squad.

First, this team will consist of four seniors, four juniors and three sophomores.

The seniors will be returnee Kyle O’Neal, Khalib Horton, Nasir Green and K. J. Robinson.

O’Neal is one of the team’s best athletes. Coach Cannoy remarked, “Kyle is a good shooter, is athletic and a good defender.”

Green is back out for basketball after missing last year.

“He’s a good defender and athletic,” said Cannoy. “We’re glad See COUGARS, page B4



Brian Bishop/The Patriot
Head Coach Tyler Cannoy enters his fourth season at PCHS with a 30-38 record.

Holston leads Hokies past Liberty

Via Hokiesports.com

LYNCHBURG, Va. (AP) – Jalen Holston rushed for 99 yards and a career-high three touchdowns and Virginia Tech snapped a seven-game losing streak by surprising Liberty 23-22 on Saturday.

The Hokies’ defense, maligned during the lengthy losing skid, came up with two big stops in the final minutes to preserve the one-point lead. They forced an incomplete pass by Liberty quarterback Kaidon Salter to get the ball near midfield, then forced Johnathan Bennett to lose a fumble on the Flames’ next possession.

Holston picked up a key first down that allowed the Hokies (3-8) to salt the final minute away. Virginia Tech quarterback Grant Wells completed 14 of 20 passes for 148 yards.

Liberty (8-3) rotated two quarterbacks – Bennett and Salter – with mixed results. Bennett led



Hokiesports.com

See TECH, page B4 Jalen Horton stretches to get the ball over the goalline for one of his three TDs against Liberty.

UVa-VT football game canceled

GREENSBORO, N.C. (theACC.com) – The Virginia at Virginia Tech football game scheduled for Saturday,

November 26, has been cancelled. The decision was made following communication between the Atlantic Coast Conference, Virginia and Virginia Tech athletic department administration.

The ACC and Virginia Tech continue to support UVA following the devastating tragedy, which resulted in the deaths of three members of the Cavalier football team – Devin Chandler, Lavel Davis Jr. and D’Sean Perry, and injuries to students Mike Hollins (also a Virginia football student-athlete) and Marlee Morgan.

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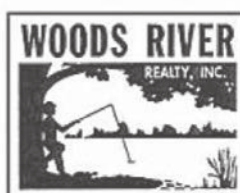
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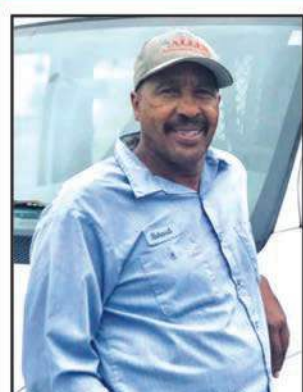
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1. Rezone Application submitted by Derek & Amy Holmes to rezone Tax Map 082-001-0000-085K from Commercial (CM) to Agriculture (A) located at 3199 Old Route 100 Road, Draper District.

Comments may be presented at the meeting and by phone or in writing prior to the meeting. Information regarding these items are available for public inspection from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Department of Planning & Zoning, County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, Suite 1 in the Town of Pulaski or by phoning (540) 980-7710.

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Town Council Public Hearing

The Town Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW to consider the following:

1. A request from Taking it To The Streets for a Special Exception for property located at 235 N Jefferson Ave, [tax parcel(s) 072-32-2-13, 072-32-2-11] in the B-3, General Business District, for mixed-use buildings, which includes dwelling units on the ground floor.

All persons desiring to comment on the proposed requests should submit their remarks to Caroline Smith, Planner/Zoning Administrator, by 5:00 p.m. on December 6, 2022, to 42 First Street, NW/PO Box 660, Pulaski, VA or via email to csmith@pulaskitown.org. A copy of the application and other pertinent materials are available for public review in the Planner's office, Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Public Hearing Town of Pulaski Planning Commission

The Planning Commission of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW to consider the following:

1. A proposed zoning amendment to section 4.4.2-2.9 (f) Commercial and Civic Uses, to add "Daycares" as a Special Exception in the R-3, Multi-Family Residential District.
2. A request from Savida Health for a Special Exception at property located at 1042 E. Main Street, [tax parcel(s) 072-140-109G] in the B-2, General Business District, for hospital or health centers, which includes, "alcohol, substance abuse and drug treatment centers". The application indicates that the facility is an outpatient appointment based medical and counseling practice that treats opioid and alcohol addiction.

All persons desiring to comment on the proposed requests should submit their remarks to Caroline Smith, Planner/Zoning Administrator, by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 12, 2022, to 42 First Street, NW/PO Box 660, Pulaski, VA or via email to csmith@pulaskitown.org. A copy of the application and other pertinent materials are available for public review in the Planner's office, Pulaski Municipal Building, 42 First Street, NW from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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For the Year Ended June 30, 2022**

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| Assets | \$ 44,920,684 |
| Deferred Outflows | 382,963 |
| Liabilities | (11,614,277) |
| Deferred Inflows | (522,934) |
| Net Position | <u>\$ 33,166,436</u> |
| Revenues | \$ 6,519,476 |
| Expenses | (5,869,852) |
| Non-operating revenue/expense | (404,359) |
| Net Change in Net Position | <u>\$ 245,265</u> |

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Cougars

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he has come back to play.”

Robinson is a transfer from Radford. Cannoy said, “KJ is athletic, a good rebounder, a good defender and can do lot of the little things to win games.”

The final senior and returnee is Horton.

“He is the most improved player and provides leadership,” said Coach Cannoy. “He has really dedicated himself this summer and we are looking for leadership from him.”

The junior class has returnee Lane Nester. This is his third year on the varsity. Lane is a scorer.

Connoy remarked, “Lane has provided leadership and has improved in a lot of areas this past summer. He has grown this summer.”

Next is Marcus Reed, who will provide some inside presence for the Cougars.

“He has worked as hard as anyone on this team this summer. He has transformed his game,” said Cannoy.

The other inside presence for the Cougars will be Jele Green. Green came here from Indiana and performed well at times last year on the junior varsity squad.

“He should provide us some inside play and between him and Reed we’ve got some inside game,” said Cannoy.

The fourth junior will be Joel Burchett. He’s a good shooter and surprises people with athletic ability.

“Joel is developing and hopefully his best basketball is ahead of him,” said Cannoy.

The sophomore class has Tootie O’Dell.

“He’s the bigger, more physical of our guards. He can score and can handle the ball. We are expecting a lot of Tootie,” said Cannoy.

Then there’s Jeremiah Turner.

“He’s a vocal leader. He will do lots of the little things in the game that wins games. He’s a glue kind of guy for this team.”

Lastly the other player in the



Brian Bishop/The Patriot

Kyle O’Neal is described by his coach as athletic and a good shooter and defender.

sophomore class is Chandler Hollins. He started last year on the junior varsity team, and most of the time last year he would make things happen.

Coach Cannoy said, “Chandler has a high basketball IQ. He is good defensively, can shoot the rock, and gives up depth.”

Cannoy was asked what he sees offensively from this year’s edition of the varsity.

“We should have as much inside presence as any team I’ve coached here at Pulaski County. I hope we can go up-tempo. I think we can be more flexible than the three previous teams I’ve coached here.”

He then said, “I believe we are well-rounded, more balanced roster wise this season.”

Defensively, Cannoy said, “We will play man-to-man, but you may see us in some zone or zones. We want to mix it up more than

we have in the past.”

This year’s team can be called road warriors. They will play only eight home games and 13 games away. They have three games after Christmas playing in a tournament at Fort Chiswell High School. Their first opponent there will be a talented and mostly returning team in the Maroons of George Wythe.

The Cougars will also play at Floyd County High School in the Chance Harmon Classic, and go up against a James River squad that made it to regional play last year.

The Cougars will take on two very talented, athletic teams in Patrick Henry and the State Champion Cave Spring Knights. They also will face State Runners-up in Class 2 the Radford Bobcats. They will travel to Princeton, West Virginia to take on a talented and athletic Tigers

2022-23 Cougar Schedule

- Mon. Dec. 5 - @ Carroll Co.- 7 pm**
- Sat. Dec. 10 - Carroll Co. - 3 pm**
- Tues. Dec. 13 - @ Christiansburg - 7 pm**
- Fri. Dec. 16 - @ Radford - 7 pm**
- Sat. Dec. 17 - at Princeton (WV) - 5 pm**
- Tues. Dec. 20 - @ Patrick Henry - 7 pm**
- Thurs. Dec. 22 - Radford - 7 pm**
- Tues. Dec. 27 - Geo. Wythe @ Fort Chiswell HS- 8:30 pm**
- Wed. Dec. 28 - TBD - @ Fort Chiswell HS - TBD**
- Thurs. Dec. 29 - TBD - @ Fort Chiswell HS - TBD**
- Tues. Jan. 3 - Hidden Valley - 7 pm**
- Wed. Jan. 4 – Graham – 7 p.m.**
- Sat. Jan. 7 - James River @ Chance Harmon Classic @ Floyd HS - 9AM**
- Tues. Jan. 10 - Cave Spring - 7 pm**
- Fri. Jan. 13- @ Salem - 7 pm**
- Tues. Jan. 17 - Christiansburg - 7 pm**
- Thurs. Jan. 19 - Blacksburg - 7 pm**
- Tues. Jan. 24- Patrick Henry - 7 pm**
- Fri. Jan. 27 - @Hidden Valley - 7 pm**
- Tues. Jan. 31 - @ Blacksburg - 7 pm**
- Thurs. Feb. 2 - @ Cave Spring - 7 pm**
- Tues. Feb. 7 - Salem - 7 pm**

squad.

The River Ridge District will be tough and competitive as usual. Coach Cannoy gave a small rundown of each team.

“Cave Spring is the Class 3 State Champs. They return lots of that talent. Patrick Henry is a Class 5 squad that’s athletic, talented, and Coach Esworthy does a real good job there. Blacksburg has good players and Doug Day does a good job. Salem has Coach Garst back coaching and he gets a lot out of his team. Christiansburg is under new head coach Kevin Cox. I think he will get them going in the right direction and there’s some talent there. Then there’s Hidden Valley. They should be much improved this season.”

When asked about the non-district teams, Cannoy said, “Radford played for a state championship. They have most everybody back and Coach Cormany does a tremendous job. I don’t know

much about Princeton – as of now – but heard they are athletic and have some good players. James River has a really good shooter in Reed Steger, but lost some good players from last year’s squad. Carroll County has most of their players back from last year. It’s a tough schedule and we’re looking forward to it.”

The Cougar junior varsity head coach is Rajai Hines. This is his third year of coaching them. Some of the players to watch on the junior varsity team will be Bryant Nottingham, Justus Hash, Jalere Harlow, Will O’Neal, Johnny Anderson and Silas Sweet.

The Cougar schedule is rugged. This young and inexperienced team will need to grow up fast and do lot of that on the road. They will also travel to Carroll County and Radford to go with the three games at Fort Chiswell, the game at Princeton (W.Va.), and to Floyd.

Tech

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the only offensive touchdown drive on his 15-yard touchdown run, and Salter threw for 119 yards on 12-of-18 passing.

Holston’s second touchdown run gave the Hokies a 17-7 lead that lasted for 14 seconds.

Shedro Louis, playing one week after attending his father’s funeral in Immokalee, Florida, returned the ensuing kickoff 97 yards for a touchdown. Nick Brown converted on a 47-yard field goal before half-time to tie the game at 17.

Holston converted on his third rushing touchdown with 7:46 remaining that gave the Hokies the game-winning score.

THE TAKEAWAY

Virginia Tech: The Hokies showed some fight and took a 23-22 lead in the fourth quarter on Jalen Holston’s third rushing touchdown of the game.

Liberty: The Flames dropped their second straight game after rising to 19th in the AP Poll two weeks ago.



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Tech’s Animal Care Cancer Center exceeds expectations

From Virginia Tech

As research hummed in 2020 at Virginia Tech’s biomedical center during the COVID-19 pandemic, a clinic nearby was opening on the front lines of a battle against another dreaded C-word, granting hope both for beleaguered pet owners today and cancer patients – animal and human – in the future.

The Animal Cancer Care and Research Center recently celebrated two years since its opening in Roanoke beside Virginia Tech’s Fralin Biomedical Research Institute at VTC (FBRI). “Despite having opened during the pandemic, the veterinary clinical oncology service is exactly where we’d expected to be in regards to case load and clinical reputation,” said Margie Lee, interim director of the cancer center.

In 2021, the 18,680-square-foot center treated 2,188 dogs and 333 cats, all referred by veterinarians. There are currently 62 dogs enrolled in experimental clinical trials free of charge to the pet owner.

“We provided over \$100,000 in financial assistance for the treatment of animals and received \$250,000 in research



Jake Polverini with his Alaskan malamute, Balian, a patient at the Animal Cancer Care and Research Center in Roanoke, Virginia

grants,” said the cancer center’s administrator, Dan Vruink. “We have become a trusted partner for veterinarians in the region for veterinary oncologic advice.”

But it is cancer research that is drawing national attention to the Roanoke-based center.

“Our research program has already exceeded expectations,” Lee said. “We have dozens of cancer clinical trials for pets running ahead of schedule, and through

collaborations with the FBRI and College of Engineering, we have custom-built equipment for creating new ways for tumor ablation.”

The clinic, one of three hospitals within the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine, was recently featured in a Nature journal article linking the study and treatment of cancer in dogs to similar forms of the disease occurring in human patients.

While offering more traditional



Virginia Tech photos

Brittany Ciepluch, Assistant Professor, Surgical Oncology, Department of Small Animal Clinical Sciences carries out an examination of a dog in a treatment room. Located in Roanoke, Virginia, the Virginia Tech Animal Cancer Care and Research Center is a comprehensive cancer care and clinical research center offering integrated services, including medical, surgical, and radiation oncology, and frontline cancer diagnostics and treatment for dogs and cats.

medical oncology such as chemotherapy and partnering with the Veterinary Teaching Hospital in Blacksburg for surgical options, the cancer center has established itself as the only site in the region offering radiation therapy for pets with cancer.

At the center, “we are using high intensity focused ultrasound

waves, or high-frequency electrical fields, to destroy cancerous tissues,” said Nikolas Dervisis, veterinary medical oncologist. “These approaches open avenues for killing tumors on an outpatient basis and study the effect of the tumor cell kill into mobilizing the patient’s immune system against the cancer.”

Volvo, Pilot partner to build heavy-duty charging network

From Volvo

The Volvo Group and Pilot Company, the largest operator of travel centers in North America, have signed a Letter of Intent to develop a national, public charging network to support the scaling of battery-electric Volvo VNR Electric trucks.

To accelerate development of the charging network, Pilot Company intends to install high-performance charging infrastructure at selected existing network of Pilot and Flying J travel centers across the U.S. and will be open to heavy-duty vehicles of all brands. The strategic partnership will provide fleets with a more

seamless electromobility journey by addressing charging infrastructure accessibility and roadblocks, including long project lead times and high installation costs, that can otherwise delay scaled deployment of battery-electric vehicles (BEVs).

“As we work to build a more sustainable, decarbonized transport system, our team firmly believes that partnership is the new leadership. We look forward to working side by side with Pilot Company, and combining our unique industry insights, expertise, and resources to develop a comprehensive, nationwide charging network,” said Peter Voorhoeve, president, Volvo Trucks North America. “Our VNR Electric customers, as well as other

fleets looking to adopt battery-electric trucks, will have peace of mind that they can access a reliable and robust, publicly accessible charging network strategically located along major transportation corridors, enabling them to extend their operating radius and decarbonize even more of their routes.”

Through its collaboration with Pilot Company, Volvo will help identify which of the existing Pilot and Flying J travel centers should be prioritized for high-performance charging infrastructure based on current and anticipated battery-electric truck deployment volume, customers charging needs and patterns, and the availability of federal and state funding to support capital costs. This partnership

places Pilot Company and Volvo at the forefront of accelerating electrification adoption and developing sustainable and reliable transportation solutions for generations of battery-electric trucks to come.

“Pilot Company and Volvo are committed to developing transportation solutions that will guide and support the industry through the energy transition,” said Shameek Konar, CEO, Pilot Company. “Joining forces with Volvo, an expert in freight technology, aligns with our goal to support sustainable transportation infrastructure and to meet our customers where they are headed, now and in the future.”

The Volvo VNR Electric, which has a current range of up to 275 miles, was designed by Volvo

Trucks North America to enable fleets to perform urban and regional distribution with zero-tailpipe emissions. To date, early adopters of VNR Electric trucks have utilized depot charging to support their daily routes, where trucks return to one location to charge. The introduction of public charging infrastructure that can accommodate medium- and heavy-duty fleets goes hand-in-hand with recent bipartisan support of the goal to increase BEV charging capabilities and reduce the carbon footprint of the transportation industry.

Pilot Company operates a network of more than 750 travel centers throughout North America, covering 44 U.S. states and six Canadian provinces.

NRCC English professor’s poetry featured in new book

New River Community College Professor of English Ben Campbell will have two poems published in the new book “The Southern Poetry Anthology IX: Virginia,” which will be released in late November.

Campbell’s poems, “Left to Smolder” and “Soup Bean Supper,” will be featured in the work. The book is part of the Texas Review Press Southern Poetry Anthology series that will include a compilation of poems for 14 different southern states. Campbell’s poems will appear alongside the work of other prominent American poets.

Including short stories and non-fiction works, Campbell has been published in three dozen journals over his career, with much of his writing reflecting his Appalachian upbringing.

More about his publication “Darker Still” which includes the poem “Soup Bean Supper” can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qFkb-tYORJ-A>. “Darker Still” can also be found in the NRCC Library.

In addition to this recent publication, Campbell has been honored with awards from numerous literary contests including multiple fiction, non-fiction, and poetry awards from the West



Ben Campbell

Virginia Writers, Inc., and the Appalachian Heritage Writers Symposium.

Campbell has taught at NRCC for 14 years and currently teaches English 111, English 112, English 241, English 242, and English 225. He has also taught creative writing and Appalachian literature courses.

Originally from West Virginia, Campbell earned a bachelor’s degree from Marshall University, a master of fine arts degree from Bowling Green State University, and a master of fine arts degree from Marshall University in adult and continuing education.

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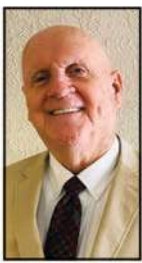
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Cornelius Part I

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Today’s post is all about reaching out to others with the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, regardless of who they are; what they have done; their background; their social standing; their ethnicity, or their financing standing.

In the early days of the early Church, there was a problem of the Church accepting Gentile converts and treating them the same as Jewish converts.

The Jews in times past had built a wall of separation between themselves and the Gentiles. They refused to mix, mingle or interact with Gentiles.

When the Church first got started, everyone in it were converted Jews.

We shall see as we examine the Holy Scriptures, in the account of Cornelius, that under the New Covenant, God accepts anyone into the Kingdom of God who accepts Jesus as their Savior.

Somehow, this Jewish prejudice was carried over to the Christian Church, which at the beginning was made up of mostly Jews converted to Christ. After Cornelius was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, God, through Peter and a miracle, convinced the Church to open up its doors to the Gentiles.

Jesus said in the great commission, “Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.”

The Jews were of the Nation of Israel, so “all nations, positively included the Gentiles.

God loves everyone and so should we. He doesn’t exclude anyone from salvation. He wants the Church to reach out in love, to un-regenerated sinners with the gospel so they too can be saved. The Church grows by attraction, not repulsion.

If we try to keep the Church as us four and no more, the Church will not grow nor be the Church Christ wants it to be. Jesus died for everyone. If we try to keep it all to ourselves, we sin against God. We violate the commandment of Christ that says we are to go into all the nations and preach the Gospel to every creature, baptizing then in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Salvation is all inclusive. Any one can be saved who wants to be saved by accepting Christ into their heart’s and Lives.

Part II

He prayed always. 1 Thessalonians 5:17 says, “Pray without ceasing.” This is precisely what Cornelius was doing.

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Sunday Evening, 5 p.m.
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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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Psalm 21:12-13

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

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believers too.

It speaks well of him that as the spiritual leader of his family, he taught those of his household, including his children, to also love and appreciate God.

He taught his children the ways of God. Which is what we should all be doing as parents.

I believe in educating our children, but I'll tell you something that they need much more than a G-E-D. They need G-O-D.

One good acronym for God is, "God Opens Doors." He opens doors of opportunity for us to witness to others about Christ.

Parents have an obligation to raise their children to love and reverence God and one of the best ways to do this is to make sure they are educated in Church Teachings. Parents are responsible for providing the spiritual leadership that their children so desperately need.

Cornelius was a benevolent man and gave much alms, or charitable gifts to the people.

Now there had been much debate over whether Cornelius was saved or not. I used to believe that he was, but since then, after doing a study of this man Cornelius, I have changed my mind. Now, I don't believe he was saved because he didn't know Jesus in the pardon of his sins, until Peter came and preached the gospel of Jesus Christ unto him. Ever since Jesus came, there's only one way to get to God and be saved, and that is through acceptance of Christ Jesus.

He wanted to be saved. He was doing everything he knew to do, to show God that He loved Him, and that he wanted to have a relationship with Him. All he knew about before Peter came to see him, was the Jewish religion. He didn't know anything about salvation through faith in Christ Jesus until Peter revealed Jesus to him.

He was doing good works, but good works cannot and will not save anyone. Only believing in Jesus who is the way, the truth and the life, will save a soul.

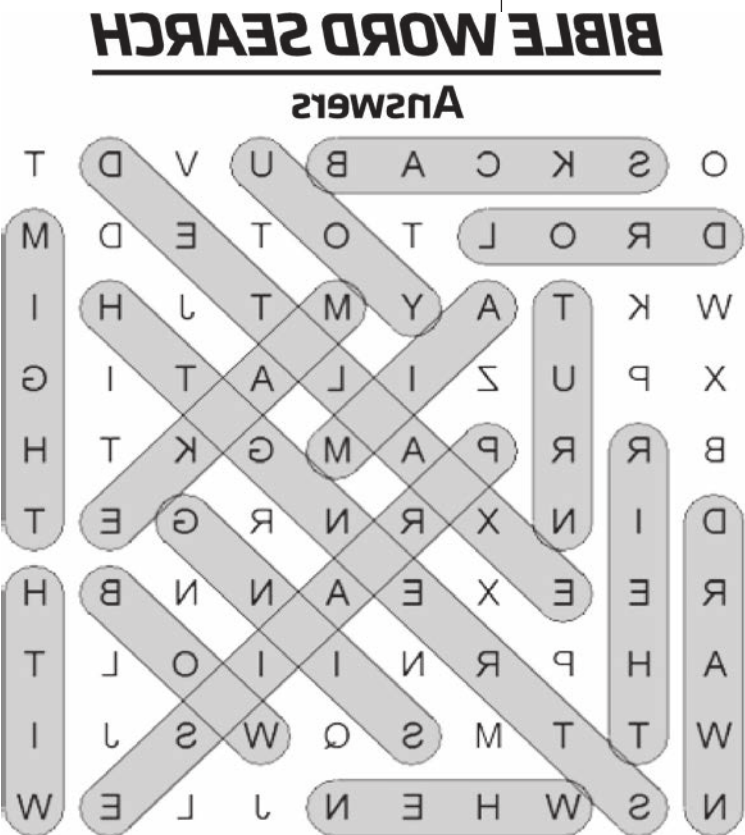
The bible account of Cornelius actually reveals to us that Cornelius wasn't saved before Peter came over and shared Jesus with him. I'll prove it to you from the bible. In Acts 11:13 & 14, the word of God says that Cornelius was told by the angel to send men to Joppa and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter, (and listen to this) "who shall tell thee words whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved."

So he wasn't saved by faith in the shed blood of Jesus until Peter came over and shared the gospel with him, his family and

See MCCRAW, page B10

Bible Trivia

1. Which book of the Bible (KJV) mentions the word "thanksgiving" the most times at eight? Genesis, Nehemiah, Psalms, Isaiah
 2. In 2 Timothy 3:1-2, what human qualities does Paul list as being signs of the last days? Adulterers, Sun worshipers, Renegades, Unthankful people
 3. From Psalms 106:1 (KJV), "O give thanks unto the Lord; for his _____ endureth for ever." Hope, Good, Mercy, Spirit
 4. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "In every thing give thanks; for this is the _____ of God"? Power, Will, Gratitude, Travail
 5. From Leviticus 22, a sacrifice of thanksgiving is most meaningful when it is ... Sincere, Often, At your own will, Extravagant
 6. Where was Jonah when he prayed with the voice of thanksgiving? Fish's belly, Aboard ship, In the wilderness, Mountaintop
- ANSWERS: 1) Psalms, 2) Unthankful people, 3) Mercy, 4) Will, 5) At your own will, 6) Fish's belly
- "Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.



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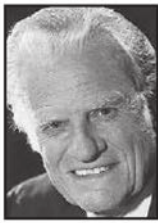
From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: When I pray, I never seem to get the answer I want and it causes me to believe that prayer doesn't really work, yet so many people keep praying. Even people who aren't that religious pray for our country but things get worse. Why do so many believe prayer changes things? - E.P.

A: The Bible says, "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective" (James 5:16, NIV). It's important to notice the key

word "righteous." No human soul is perfect. Righteousness comes to those who repent of sin and let God turn their life around. He points us in a new direction to help us walk according to His truth -- the Gospel of Jesus Christ -- and His Spirit helps us live according to His ways.

God doesn't always give us the answer we may want, but He always answers us for what is best because only He knows our future. Why would we not want to place our trust in the One who knows what is ahead? No matter what people may think they can do,



My Answer

Billy Graham

they cannot predict the future or be certain of what is ahead in the next moment.

"Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access" (Romans 5:1-2). This

doesn't mean that we can ask with selfish motives. We should seek God's will by reading His Word and depending on Him to lead and guide us to ask for the purpose of bringing glory to His great and mighty Name, for only He is powerful enough to answer the prayers of the righteous.

One of the most effective ways to pray is to thank God for all of His blessings and salvation and watch with expectation for how He begins to work. "Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful" (Colossians 4:2, NIV).

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

HI GRANDMA! I WANTED TO INVITE YOU GUYS FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER.

MOM'S MAKING A BIG TURKEY AND DAD WILL HAVE THE GAME ON.

AND DON'T WORRY. YOU DON'T NEED TO BRING ME ANY PRESENTS.

THIS HOLIDAY IS ABOUT BEING TOGETHER IN ORDER TO GET MY CHRISTMAS LIST.

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

DANG! I ALWAYS GET MY FINGERS STUCK IN THE JAR!

HURRY UP, FRANK! I WANT TO GET THERE BEFORE ALL THE COURTS ARE TAKEN!

THEY KNOW THAT PICKLEBALL DOESN'T MEAN PLAYING WITH ACTUAL PICKLES, RIGHT?

R.F.D.

by Mike Marland

THANKSGIVIN' WOULD BE A BETTER HOLIDAY IF IT HAD CANDY LIKE EASTER AND HALLOWEEN DO.

THANKSGIVIN' DOES HAVE CANDY, JUNE.

I'M STILL FINDIN' CANDY CORN IN THE COUCH CUSHIONS FROM HALLOWEEN!

EW, DAD! EW!

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

KNOCK KNOCK

WHO'S THERE?

AYATOLLAH.

AYATOLLAH WHO?

AYATOLLAH YOU ALREADY.

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS

POPEYE

BY RANDY MILLHOLLAND

I DON'T WANNA HEAR ANY MORE WHINING ABOUT IT!

YOU'RE GETTING A PHONE SO I CAN CONTACT YOU IF THERE'S AN EMERGENCY!

WHY CAN'T YOU GET HOLD OF ME NOW EVERYONE ELSE DOES?

I DON'T HAVE A CIRCLE OF ENCHANTED SUMMONING STONES.

AND YOUR INABILITY TO BE A FUNCTIONING ADULT IS MY FAULT HOW?

OH GREAT. MY SISTER SAYS SHE'S COMING TO VISIT FOR THE HOLIDAY.

WHEN?

HOW ABOUT NOW?!

SISTER! SOMEHOW YOU'VE GOTTEN UGLIER SINCE I LAST SAW YOU.

GOOD FOR YOU FOR FINDING YOUR NICHE.

I'M SORRY I'VE BEEN OUT OF CONTACT, I WAS BUSY BEING A COMPETENT VILLAIN.

OH MY GOODNESS! A PEASANT?!

YOU KEEP INTERESTING PETS, SISTER.

I'M HER INTERN.

PLEASE DON'T TAKE IT PERSONALLY. AFTER ALL, I DON'T CONSIDER YOU A PERSON.

NOW, PLEASE EXCUSE ME WHILE I TOUR YOUR HOME AND JUDGE IT, SISTER.

HOW ARE YOU THE NICE SIBLING?!

I'LL TELL YOU, BUT I GOTTA KNOW HOW COOL YOU ARE WITH CANNIBALISM.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

THIS TREADMILL IS JUST NOT USER-FRIENDLY. THERE'S NO DRINK HOLDER FOR SODA OR PLACE FOR MY NACHOS.

OLIVE

HEY, LADIES, IS OLIVE WITH YOU?

NEVER AGAIN.

WE DON'T LIKE HER ANYMORE.

WE EVEN AVOID HER AT FAMILY GATHERINGS.

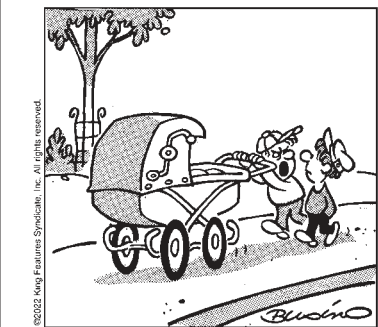
GREAT! SHE IS PROBABLY VULNERABLE ENOUGH TO COME BACK TO ME!

THANKS FOR THE HELP, LADIES!

SEE! HE IS SUCH A CREEP!

YOU WERE TOO NICE DESCRIBING HIM!

SORRY WE SAID THOSE MEAN THINGS, OLIVE. YOU KNOW THEY WERE LIES, RIGHT?



"Now I know why Mom says that raising a _____ child is easy."

SCRAMBLERS

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

Look RUPEES

Grow SPROUT

Trap RENCOR

Think NEEDS

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Venus, to Serena
- 4 Sad
- 8 Padlocked fastener
- 12 E.T.'s craft
- 13 Slithery
- 14 New York canal
- 15 Sobriquet
- 17 Karate level
- 18 Poolroom prop
- 19 Livid
- 20 Fury
- 22 Coal source
- 24 Loathe
- 25 "The — Papers" (Dickens novel)
- 29 Bird (Pref.)
- 30 Hay bundles
- 31 — chi
- 32 Fined for speeding, e.g.
- 34 Shopper's aid
- 35 Geese formations
- 36 Selects from a group
- 37 Everglades wader
- 40 Delhi dress
- 41 Hip
- 42 Popular playground game
- 46 Corridor
- 47 Adhesive
- 48 Born abroad?

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- 49 Rhyming tributes
- 50 Hotel furniture
- 51 Boston team, for short
- DOWN
- 1 Day light?
- 2 "— Had a Hammer"
- 3 Relating to Plato's teacher
- 4 Dugout seating
- 5 Plumbing woe
- 6 Einstein's birthplace
- 7 CBS logo
- 8 Semitic language
- 9 Region
- 10 Sediment
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- 19 Pen fluids
- 20 "Huh?"
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- 36 Bakery array
- 37 Canyon sound
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- 43 — -de-France
- 44 Zodiac cat
- 45 Superman foe
- Luthor

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2. Russia

3. China

4. India

5. Japan

6. South Korea

7. France

8. United Kingdom

9. Brazil

10. Pakistan

* Largest Christian population Source: Pew Research Center

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: At which popular restaurant does Penny work in "The Big Bang Theory"?
2. ASTRONOMY: Which one of Jupiter's moons has active volcanos?
3. GEOGRAPHY: The Tiber River flows through which famous capital city?
4. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "The Martian Chronicles"?
5. U.S. STATES: Which river forms the eastern border of Iowa?
6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to give a televised address from the White House?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What image on Canada's flag is a recognizable symbol of the country?
8. MEASUREMENTS: Which ancient civilization used palms, digits and cubits to measure length?
9. MOVIES: Who voices the character Princess Anna in "Frozen"?
10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: An elephant has the most muscles in which part of its body?
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Rocks are moved. 2. Pocket is moved. 3. Zipper is missing. 4. Leg is moved. 5. Tassel is shorter. 6. Hair is moved. 7. A maple leaf. 8. Eeyubian. 9. Kristen Bell. 10. Trunk.

SECOND Today's Word

SCRAMBLERS

1. Penuse 2. Sprout

3. Corner 4. Dense

solution

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: F equals T

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Solution time: 26 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

Americanisms



"Thanksgiving is so called because we are all so thankful that it only comes once a year."

— P. J. O'Rourke

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CryptoQuip

I'm enormously tired of having no career and thus struggling financially. I need a vocation!

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S O A P N O H M K J H F B E O
C Y R C C B A Z K C I L W O C
O Y D X V U N E D I H W O C T
W R Q P O M D R I B W O C L K

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

- Coward Cowbell Cowberry Cowbird Cowboy Cowcatcher Cowfish Cowgirl Cowhand Cowhide Cowlick Cowling Cowpeas Cowpoke Scows
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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

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

VFWGMZI KQOZ GMZ KQD.
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WX DW YDPFAZDVZ WD IWVYZGH.
— KQXO GTQYD

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CryptoQuote answer

Clothes make the man.
Naked people have little or no influence on society — Mark Twain

COW WORDS

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.

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AS THE COLLAPSED SCAFFOLD SETTLES AND THE DUST CLEARS, ALL CAMELOT SEES VAL STILL CLINGING TO THE BROKEN PARAPET. BUT OF DRACO, THERE IS ONLY A FAILING EXHALATION OF BUBBLES FROM THE DARK MOAT WATERS.

GALAHAD AND OTHERS WATCH INTENTLY FOR SOME TIME, HOPING FOR A SIGN. GAWAIN IS THE FIRST TO GROW BORED: "WELL, IT TOOK HIM LONG ENOUGH..."

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ALL AGREE. ONCE VAL HAS DESCENDED FROM HIS PERCH, GALAHAD AWARDS HIM THE CONTEST OF HONOR: "LET US CELEBRATE YOUR VICTORY OVER THE PRETENDER!"

BUT VAL DOES NOT HEAR. RATHER, HE IS WATCHING THREE FIGURES RETURNING FROM THE HILLS...

NEXT: Attending Alein

I THOUGHT I WAS DONE FOR. HOW BAD ARE YOU HURT?

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Dear Dave,
My mom took out a Parent PLUS loan in 2009 to help pay for my college education. I also took out \$70,000 in student loans myself. My mom never made a payment on the loan she took out for me, and now the amount due on the Parent PLUS loan has ballooned to \$100,000. She recently told me in her mind it was my loan in her name, and I should be the one to make the payments after I became financially stable. Thankfully I just got a new job making \$140,000 a year. With this I can finally make a dent in my own loans, but she asks me every week if I'm going to pay the Parent PLUS loan. My mom is a nurse practitioner, so she makes good money, but she recently financed two new luxury cars within 24 hours of each other—one for work and one for church. She also has loans out from borrowing on her 401(k) and credit card debt. Should I take over the Parent PLUS loan under my name?

Tommy
Dear Tommy,
Wait, are you serious? Your mom has a church car? I've never heard of such a thing. But hey, I'm going to talk to my wife about this. I knew I needed another car, I just didn't know I needed a church car. Oh, my goodness!
Ok, here's the deal. If you had an agreement with your mom, or promised at any time to pay back the Parent PLUS Loan when you were able, you should cover it. But that's not what you told me. It sounds like your mom has a good heart and was just trying to help, but she did it in a dumb way. From what you told me, she's done a lot of dumb things with money.
Under no circumstances do you take the loan back under your name. In fact, I'm not certain you can even do that with a Parent PLUS Loan. You need to get your debt cleaned up first before trying to help her. If you choose to be a bigger help after that, you need to start things by having a serious conversation with your mom. She needs to hear that she's being



Dave Says

Dave Ramsey

absolutely silly with her money. Let her know you're willing to help because the loan was for your benefit. But make sure she understands you won't pay it all, and you won't do it while she's making two luxury car payments—including one on a church car. That's ridiculous.
Offer to be her biggest cheerleader, and help her find a good financial coach—someone with the heart of a teacher. You might want to let her know you'll match whatever she pays toward the loan, so it'll feel like a team effort. But also make sure she understands if she pays nothing in any given month, you'll match that, too.
Good luck, Tommy!

— Dave
* Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of "The Ramsey Show," heard by more than 18 million listeners. He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," "Today," 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 of Ramsey Solutions.

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Dec. 1

Legion to meet
The American Legion, Harvey-Howe-Carper Post 30 will meet on Thursday, December 1, 7pm at the VFW Hall on 102 Watts

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friends.
Before Peter even heard of Cornelius, he was over at Joppa, a seaport town bordering on the great sea, up on a rooftop praying. And after a while Peter became very hungry and would have eaten, but instead, fell into a trance.
Acts 10: 11 "And saw heaven opened; and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth. Wherein were all manner of four footed beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air. And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter, kill and eat. But Peter said, not so, Lord; for I

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Dec. 3

Christmas Bazaar
Christmas Bazaar, December 3, 2022 From 8 a.m.-2 p.m. This event is 1749 Newbern Road at the Pulaski First Church of the Brethren. We are located one block behind the DMV. We will have all types of Crafts, Baked Goods and Breakfast and Lunch will be sold. You can eat in, carry out or we can deliver to you. The church number is 540-980-3798.
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Dec. 13

Sons of Confederate Veterans to meet
The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Tuesday, December 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 the meeting.
If Montgomery County Public Schools are closed on Tuesday or Wednesday of this week due to weather, the meeting is cancelled. For further information, please call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

have never eaten anything that is common or unclean."

Peter had a vision. He saw a great sheet, knit at the four corners, with all species of animals and fowl of the air in it, and it was lowered down to the earth from out of heaven, and this was repeated three times. At first Peter recoiled at the thought of eating meat that violated the Jewish Dietary laws against eating certain kinds of meat.

Certain foods were forbidden under the Mosaic Law, but God wanted Peter to know that He was not under the Mosaic Law any longer, but now he was un-

der the Covenant of Grace.

The vision that Peter saw with the sheet full of both clean and unclean animals and fowls of the air, wasn't really just about eating food. By God telling Peter to kill and eat, it was God's way of showing Peter that what God has cleansed, let no man call unclean. Peter rightly perceived that God wasn't just talking about meats to eat, but more importantly He was teaching Peter that when He cleanses a person from their sins, they are to be accepted by the rest of the body of Christ.

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