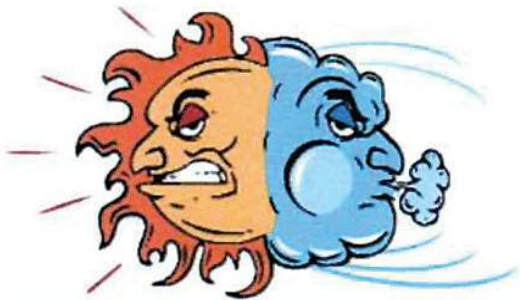




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School board loosens PCHS cell phone policy

Retires drug testing policy for athletes

By MIKE WILLIAMS
The Patriot

The Pulaski County School Board approved two actions this week meant to show students they are trusted to do the right thing.

The board, meeting Tuesday at Pulaski County Middle School, voted unanimously to retire the division's policy on drug testing of student athletes and to revise the high school's policy on student cell phone use.

School Superintendent Rob Graham, in his first meeting as superintendent, told the board he and Pulaski County High School Principal Jennifer Bolling had met several times on revising the school's cell phone policy.

He explained the change in policy would apply to PCHS only and would allow students – some of whom arrive at school as early as 7:15 a.m. – to use their cell phones until 8:30 a.m.

"We'd like to allow them to use their cell phones, which they en-



PC Schools photo

**School Superintendent
Robert Graham**

joy doing so they're not doing other things they shouldn't be doing," Graham said.

Students would also be allowed to use their phones during their lunch period.

From 8:30 a.m. until lunch, and from lunch until the end of the instructional day, students' phones

must be turned off, put away and out of sight.

Current policy prohibits students from using their phones at any time during the instructional day.

Graham said the policy change would bring PCHS into line with other schools in the area.

He said rather than policing students about cell phone use and telling them to put phones away, school administrators and security could spend that time building better relations with students.

"This tells students that we trust them to use their cell phones appropriately," Graham said.

Prior to a vote on the policy change, PCMS Principal Rebecah Smith asked if such a policy change could be implemented at the middle school as well.

Graham suggested, however, that the change be tried at the high school for a year before considering it for the middle school.

Board Chairman Becki Cox

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Going to a county drop site? Take your QR code with you

Patriot Staff Report

Starting Monday, July 17, the new QR Codes on Pulaski County PSA utility bills will be required to use the convenience centers in the county at Dublin and Fairlawn.

All Full Volume Residential Garbage PSA Customers will be required to scan their QR Codes which are located at the top of your PSA bill in order to gain access to the drop sites.

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The Convenience Centers are funded by residential collection

fees only, commercial and low volume accounts are not allowed to use the convenience centers.

The PSA will have an assistant at the gate to help customers as it implements this new process.

If you have a bill and your QR Code does not work, please contact the PSA Billing office to have the issue corrected.

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Work has begun on the PSA's new, third convenience center outside Pulaski at the old Red Carpet Inn property.

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PCHS CTE lands \$125,000 in Skilled Trades Grant funds

RICHMOND — Superintendent of Public Instruction Lisa Coons today announced the awarding of \$3 million in competitive state grants to 24 school divisions for career and technical education skilled trades programs. Each school division will receive \$125,000 to establish, expand or restore skilled trades programs in middle or high schools. The one-time grants will support programs offering industry-recognized certifications or credentials that are in demand by regional employers and that lead to employment opportunities. “In Virginia and across the na-

tion there are high-paying jobs in the skilled trades that go unfilled due to a shortage of qualified applicants,” Coons said. “I want to thank the General Assembly for recognizing the need to prepare more young people for these career opportunities and providing the funding for these grants.” The awards, by school division and school, are as follows:

- Pulaski County to upgrade the automotive technology, electricity, and engineering programs at Pulaski County High.
- Amherst County to purchase high-quality welding equipment for Amherst County High.

- Arlington County to expand career clusters in architecture, construction, transportation, distribution and logistics for the Governor’s STEM Academy.
- Buckingham County to restore the automotive program at the Buckingham County High.
- Caroline County to modernize the carpentry program for Caroline County High.
- Chesapeake to purchase nursing assistant equipment for the Caring for Our Aging Population Program at the Chesapeake Career Center.

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also noted the board was considering a policy that applies only to the high school and could not consider a change at the middle school without proposed changes to that school’s policy being brought to the board.

“This change could be something that students at the middle school can look forward to at the high school,” Cox added.

On retiring the policy on drug testing of student athletes at PCHS, Graham said the issue amounts to a matter of student trust as well.

“This would show trust in our students to do the right thing, and that they would rather participate in extracurricular activities than do drugs,” Graham said.

He told the board that he had met with several high school and middle school officials in the county about drug testing for student athletes and the opinion was unanimous to do away with the tests.

Graham noted that PCHS Athletics and Activities Director Scott Vest estimated that 30 student athletes had failed to pass a drug test in the ten years the tests have been conducted.

Graham said eliminating the tests would also be a cost-saving measure for the school.

Ingles District representative Penny Golden noted that other high schools had already done away with the tests.

“I couldn’t find another one that does them,” Graham responded.

In other news, “Snowcones with the Superintendents” begin this month with events in the different areas of the county.

Graham, Assistant Superintendent Sarah Polcha and Dr. Tara Grant, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction will be on hand to meet with countians

who have children in the school division in grades K-12.

The schedule for the events include:

Monday, July 17 – Fairlawn Baptist Church

Tuesday, July 18 – Dublin United Methodist Church

Wednesday, July 19 – Snowville Fire Station

Tuesday, July 25 – Critzer Elementary

Thursday, July 27 – Pulaski Elementary

All meetings begin at 7 p.m.

- There will be an 11- and 12-month Employee Picnic at the Claytor Lake Baptist Camp at noon on Friday, July 21. It will be catered by Delaney’s Kitchen in Fairlawn.

- New Teacher Orientation will be held in the Jeff McCoy Theater at PCHS Aug. 1 and 2.

- The school system’s annual Convocation will be held Friday, August 4 at PCMS.

Lottery prize claimed; ticket bought in Dublin

Patriot Staff Report

Virginia’s second largest-ever Powerball jackpot has been claimed. The winning ticket – purchased at a Dublin convenience store – matched all six numbers in the March 4, 2023, drawing.

The ticket was bought at Gill Brothers (Dublin Dash In), located at 4442 Cleburne Blvd. in Dublin. The store received a \$50,000 bonus from the Virginia Lottery for selling the winning ticket.

This is the fourth-largest prize

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Rec Volunteer Appreciation Night set for July 23

Pulaski County Parks and Recreation announces their 2022/2023 Volunteer Appreciation Night at Calfee Park on July 23rd.

Volunteer coaches, club leaders, and game officials are invited to join the department as the Pulaski River Turtles take on the Greeneville Flyboys @ 7:00 PM.

Parks and Recreation volunteers serving in the 2022 and/or 2023 calendar years may bring their families to take advantage of free tickets, and food vouchers, as a small token of appreciation for their service to the community.

"We appreciate the import-

Lottery

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ever won in a Virginia Lottery game. It's the second Powerball jackpot won in Virginia.

The winning numbers were 10-16-18-40-66, and the Powerball number was 16.

Virginia law permits any winner of a prize above \$10 million to remain anonymous upon request, in which case the Lottery does not publicly disclose the winner's identity.

The winner had the choice of taking the full jackpot amount before taxes in annual payments over 30 years or a one-time cash option of \$82.65 million before taxes. This winner chose the annuity, which resulted in a final annuity prize amount of \$156.7 million.

Powerball drawings are held at 10:59 p.m. Mondays, Wednes-

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- Danville to purchase heating, ventilation and air conditioning equipment for the HVAC program at George Washington High.
- Dinwiddie County to purchase virtual reality labs for health and medical sciences and agricultural education programs at Dinwiddie High.
- Fairfax County to purchase energy-efficient welding equipment for Fairfax County High.
- Halifax County to modernize the electricity and automotive programs at Halifax High.
- Hampton to purchase welding equipment for the New Horizons Regional Centers.
- Mathews County to revitalize the carpentry program at Mathews High.
- Montgomery County to purchase welding equipment and provide teacher training for the Governor's STEM Academy.
- New Kent County to expand the small-engine program at the Bridging Communities Regional CTE Center.
- Patrick County to purchase energy-efficient cooking, storage, display and marketing equipment at Patrick County High.
- Prince Edward County to modernize career clusters in health sciences and arts and audio-visual technology and communications at the Prince Ed-

ward County CTE Center.
- Richmond to modernize the motorsports technology lab at the Richmond Technical Center.
- Rockbridge County to purchase and upgrade manufacturing systems equipment at Rockbridge County High.
- Rockingham County to purchase and enhance equipment for health and medical sciences programs at the Massanutten Technical Center.
- Russell County to modernize the automotive technology lab at the Russell County CTE Center.
- Shenandoah County to purchase HVAC equipment for Triplett Tech Career Center.
- Southampton County to expand the cosmetology program at Southampton Technical and Career Center.
- Stafford County to purchase HVAC and plumbing equipment for Stafford High.
- Wythe County to purchase programmable drones with electronic image stabilization cameras for Fort Chiswell High and the Wythe County Technology Center.

ant work of our volunteers in coaching, leading, and mentoring Pulaski County youth. We also recognize this comes with a commitment of their personal time," says Jenna Kinder, Program and Activities Manager. "It's an incredible thing to watch members of our community partner with us in service to others. We simply could not do it without our volunteers and look forward to celebrating them at Calfee Park."

Volunteers are encouraged to scan the QR code with their mobile devices to RSVP for tickets and food vouchers.

"We'd also love to welcome new volunteers for our Fall and

days and Saturdays. The odds of matching all six numbers to win the jackpot are 1 in 292.2 million. The odds of winning any Powerball prize are 1 in 25.

All Virginia Lottery profits go to K-12 education in Virginia. In Fiscal Year 2022, the Lottery raised more than \$779 million for K-12 education, making up approximately 10 percent of Virginia's total K-12 school budget.

For a complete list of Lottery funds distributed to Virginia school districts, visit the Virginia Lottery's Giving Back page. For general information or to play games online, visit the Virginia Lottery's website or download the Lottery's app. Connect with the Lottery on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or YouTube.

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- Wythe County to purchase programmable drones with electronic image stabilization cameras for Fort Chiswell High and the Wythe County Technology Center.

The 2022 General Assembly appropriated \$3 million to provide grants to school divisions to expand skilled trades programs that lead to students earning industry-recognized certifications or credentials.

Winter seasons. Interested parties can contact the department for volunteer sign ups and will also be invited to our July 23rd event," says Kinder.

Questions? Contact the department by emailing jkinder@pulaski-county.org or cjburgis@pulaski-county.org

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MARY KAY TABOR

Mary Kay Tabor, age 73 of Fairlawn passed away Monday, July 10, 2023 at the New River Valley Medical Center. Born August 21, 1950 Wythe County she was the daughter of the late Howard Henry Roberts & Kattie Morris Robert.

Mary is survived by her Husband – Garland Joseph Tabor, Jr. – Fairlawn

Children – Christine Tabor (David) Whorley – Fairlawn, Jerry Wayne Tabor – Fairlawn and Mark Joseph Tabor – Fairlawn

Grandchildren – Katie (Billy) Medley, Ashley Tabor (Chris) Alley, David Joseph (Holly) Whorley

Great Grandchildren – Emily, Hunter, Addie and Allen

Memorial services will be held 4:00 PM – Sunday, July 16, 2023 at the Pulaski Christian Church (4531 Brookmont Road, Pulaski) with Pastor Kathy Warden officiating.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM until service time at the Church.

To sign Mary's online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com – Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.

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WALTER GLENN KENNEDY

Walter Glenn Kennedy, age 78 of Dublin passed away Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at his home.

Born August 29, 1944 he was the son of the late Jesse Estel Kennedy, Sr. & Ruby Ellen McFarland Kennedy. He was also preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Phyllis Ann Kennedy and daughter, Marquita Lynn Kennedy-Eaves.

Walter was a veteran of the United States Army and worked for Pulaski Furniture for many,



WILLIAM CHRISTOPHER "MARK" RAMEY

William Christopher "Mark" Ramey, age 50 of Pulaski passed away Wednesday, July 5, 2023 with his family by his side at the Lewis-Gale Hospital, Salem. Born November 13, 1972 in Harford, Maryland, he was the son of the late Bobby Gene Ramey & Jacqueline Frances McAtee.

After graduating High School, Mark attended New River Community College. He was a certified HVAC technician and in his spare time, he enjoyed watching NASCAR, Football and spending time with family.

Mark is survived by Sister – Bobbi Riden (Howard) – Ft. Chiswell

Wife-Nancy Ramey-Wytheville Brother – Darrell Whitt (Lisa) – Gallatin, Missouri

Aunt & Uncle – Barbara & George Kinder

Nieces – Kelsey Riden, Sarah Whitt

Nephew – Jeffrey Whitt Great Nieces and Nephew – Natalia, Kylie and Mark

Additional Nieces/Nephews – Justin, Arianna and Junior

Several cousins and dear friends The family will be having private services for Mark and a Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date.

To sign his online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com

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

many years.

He is survived by his Son – Robert Kennedy – Dublin

Grandchildren – Cari Kennedy – Dublin, Dewey Eads – Pulaski (Tiny Town)

Great Grandchildren – Evelyn Kennedy, Leah Kennedy

Brothers - Jesse (Janet) Kennedy, Jr. – Rocky Gap, Ace Calvin (Rose) Kennedy – Rural Retreat

Sister – Ruth (Winfred) Keene – Pulaski

Funeral services will be 2:00 PM – Monday, July 17, 2023 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski with Pastor Winfred Keene officiating. The family will receive friends one hour before service time Monday at the Funeral Home.

To sign Walter's online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com - Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.



DONALD TED ANDERSON

Donald Ted Anderson, of Pulaski Virginia, born September 13, 1939, passed on to his heavenly home, on June 29, 2023, at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Cynthia Jo Anderson of Pulaski, VA.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Harper Anderson, son Mark Harper Anderson and wife, Joanne Anderson, of Bethlehem PA, daughter Julie Anderson Britt and husband Michael Britt, of Huntersville NC, three grandchildren, Andrea Anderson, Robert Anderson, and Jack Britt, brother Lewis Carter Anderson, and his wife Betty Anderson of Fairlawn VA, nephews Jeff Anderson and Jonathan Anderson. He is also survived by many cousins, and dear friends from high school, military, and the community.

Ted was born in Grayson County, Virginia and loved his family's home place. After graduating from Dublin High School, he joined the Marine Corps and later graduated from Virginia Tech. He was first and foremost, a Marine. He was passionate about the military and took immense pride in his military experience and his allegiance to his country. He loved sports, was an avid Cougar and Hokie fan, and loved the outdoors. He took great pleasure in fishing, hunting, but mostly, hanging out with many great friends. His friends meant the world to him. Just like he dealt with all experiences in his life, he managed his illnesses with strength and courage. During that last week of his life, he was surrounded by close friends and family who rallied around him to provide support and love.

Funeral Services were held Thursday morning July 14 in the chapel of Norris Funeral Services with Pastor Josh Kilbourne officiating. Interment followed at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Disabled Veterans Association, St. Jude's Hospital for Children or American Heart Association.

The family is in the care of Norris Funeral Services, Pulaski Chapel.

Online condolences may be sent by visiting www.stevensfuneralhomepulaski.com



BENNY RAY RIDDLE

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Benny passed away peacefully in his sleep on the morning of July 1st at the age of 69.

Benny was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed fishing and hunting but was an even bigger lover of anything equestrian! Benny enjoyed his life to the fullest, going horseback riding/camping in the woods of Virginia with family and friends every time opportunity knocked! He kept Anheuser Busch in business for the last 40 years.

Benny was the youngest child of seven born to

Mr. Charlie Oren Riddle and Mrs. Elsie Virginia Stevens Riddle of Pearisburg,

Virginia. He was Preceded in death by two children, a daughter Pami Riddle and son Benny Jr, and both of his parents, two brothers,

Robert (Jake) Riddle and Charles "Eddie" Riddle and three sisters Betty Kemp, Juanita "Needie" Wright, and Viola "Tiny" Wall.

Benny is survived by one sister Linda and her husband Richard wall of Draper Va.

Benny leaves behind to remember him his two children born to Wanda Joyce Thornton Riddle and himself.

Son Troy Oren Riddle and wife Eula Marie Riddle

Daughter Jennifer Leigh Riddle and husband Johnny Moore

Troy and Eula's gift to Paw Paw Benny is the Granddaughter's Allison Faye Riddle and

Quincy Marie Riddle. Allison and Quincy also gifted Benny with the opportunity to be a Great Grandfather to Quincy's two daughters

Aylah Nashea Riddle and Khyah Narea Riddle.

Allison's Daughter Madelyn Everleigh Rose

Jennifer and Johnny's gift to Paw Paw Benny is two Grandsons oldest Grandchild Dustin Shawn Moore and Youngest Grandchild Kellen Nathaniel Moore.

Benny also had a large extended family, nieces and nephews and special grandchildren, Robert Riddle, Kimberly Riddle, Robin Wright, Barry Wright, Loretta Wright, Michael Wright, Kevin Wright, Junior Kemp, Mary Kemp, Sarah Kemp, Angel Brimberg, Tish Collins, Rita Wall, Lynn Wall, Vickie Vaughan, Debbie Cox, Ronnie Jr, Ricky Wall, Rhonda Wall, Barbara Wall, Ginia Wall, Brittany Crowder, Cody Crowder, Chance Fink, Ryssa Crowder, Lacey Crowder, Preston Crowder and Preston's daughter Malorie.

Dea Moore, her son Wade Moen and Wade's daughter Sidney Moen, Kim Jackson and husband Craig Jackson of Amherst VA. along with their two children Dalton Jackson and Ashley Jackson.

Teri Brown And husband Wendell Brown of Wytheville VA. and their two sons Tristan Brown and their oldest son Dylan Brown and wife Kelsey along with their Three children Bryson, Carter and Jayde

And great nieces and nephews too numerous to list.

Special family friend Robert Whitman and family.

Survived by his best horse Ben and is reunited with his blue heeler Buster.

A celebration of Benny's life will be held on Friday Night, July 14, 2023 beginning at 7:00 in the chapel of Norris Funeral Services, Pulaski Chapel located at 815 Randolph Avenue. Family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

To send online condolences, please visit www.stevensfuneralhomepulaski.com

Floral condolences may be sent by visiting www.pulaskiflowers.com

Norris Funeral Services, Pulaski Chapel is handling the arrangements.

SHIRLEY LEE TAYLOR

Shirley Lee Taylor, age 83 of Pulaski, died Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at Lewis Gale Hospital – Pulaski. Arrangements are pending with Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. www.seaglefuneralhome.com 540-980-1700

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We wish to express our gratitude and appreciation for the many acts of kindness during the loss of our beloved son, Dane. Our thanks to all of our extended families, neighbors and friends who helped and supported us prior to and after the funeral in various ways. As it is impossible to thank each of you individually, please accept this press acknowledgement as a token of our heartfelt appreciation. But most of all thank you for the wonderful memories, funny stories and acts of kindness that we will remember about Dave. With sincere gratitude and appreciation, God Bless each of you.

The Family of Matthew Dane Peake

Peterson among 35 students nationally selected for Civics Youth Fellowship

Patriot Staff Report

A Pulaski County High School sophomore has been selected among 35 students across the U.S. to participate in the iCivics Equity in Civics Youth Fellowship (ECYF).

Now in its fifth year, the fellowship works with students from across the U.S. to build civic leadership skills and explore how civic education can become more relevant to all youth in the country.

Ellie Peterson, a rising sophomore at Pulaski County High School, was among the 340 applicants this year for the fellowship.

According to iCivics, the yearlong fellowship helps students develop leadership and communications skills in collaboration with peers and experts in the field of civic education. Throughout the year, students research and explore how civic education can become more equitable for students across the U.S., utilizing their own lived experiences to become ambassadors and shed light on how civic education can include student voices from every background.

The Equity in Civics Youth Fellowship is a paid opportunity for youth to lend their voice to the public discussion on civic education.

Student fellows can expect a commitment of 5-10 hours per month (August 2023 – May 2024) and will include required attendance to iCivics' in-person gathering in Washington, D.C. in the fall and all virtual meetings throughout the year.

iCivics was founded by the late Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.



Ellie Peterson

Ellie is the daughter of Scott and Keri Peterson of Pulaski.

Ellie enjoys drama and band at Pulaski County High School.



4-H Livestock Club to conduct Market Steer & Hog Show and Sale

On Monday, July 24th, the Pulaski County 4-H Livestock Club will conduct their Market Steer & Hog Show and Sale.

There will be 14 hogs and 10 steers exhibited. The show will take place at 1 pm as part of the New River Valley Fair, to be followed by a sponsor/buyer dinner and livestock auction at 5 pm.

All market animals will be sold at this time.

This special sale is a product of the hard work and dedication that the youth have given to raising an animal that they are proud to present in the show ring. Market animal projects have long been a foundation of the Virginia 4-H, as they offer a wealth of education and experience for our future ag leaders.

Through this event and others like it, 4-H strives to create endless opportunities for young people to lead with confidence, engage in school and communi-



ty, and form lasting relationships.

There are several ways you can partner with 4-H at this event. Become a silver, gold, or platinum sponsor, register as a bidder for the auction, or simply come out and watch the show!

For questions and additional information please contact: Pulaski 4-H

Cynthia Hurst – cyhurst@vt.edu or Chris Lichty – clichty@vt.edu at 540-980-7761.

Study: Virginia ranked No. 2 for business

By Morgan Sweeney

(The Center Square) — Virginia ranked second in the nation in CNBC's America's Top States for Business study – up from third in 2022 and scoring first in education.

The survey released Tuesday is likely to be music to Gov. Glenn Youngkin's ears, as the businessman-turned-politician has often touted the commonwealth's business-friendly policies.

States were scored on 86 metrics in 10 broad categories of competitiveness, with the categories weighted according to how frequently they appear in states' marketing efforts.

Based on that criteria, the strongest-weighted categories were workforce, infrastructure, economy and life, health and inclusion. The study rates states on "how effectively they are delivering on the factors" most important to businesses.

In addition to education, the commonwealth landed in the top ten states for access to capital, business friendliness, workforce and infrastructure, placing 4th, 6th, 7th and 10th, respectively.

It placed lowest in cost of doing business, ranking 34th among the states.

The commonwealth's most noticeable improvement was in the economy category, with a seven-rank jump from 20th to 13th since just last year. A lot went into that change besides the cost of doing business, where Virginia fell most in its rankings since 2022, going from 25th to 34th in the country.

States could earn a maximum of 2,500 points. The top-scoring state, North Carolina, won 1,628 points. Virginia, as the second state, claimed 1,527. North Carolina bested Virginia in the categories of workforce, economy, technology and innovation and cost of doing business, earning rankings of 1, 3, 6 and 18, respectively.

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Supreme Court

Throughout June, the Supreme Court released a series of decisions in cases they have been considering since last October. In event that you missed them, I will discuss five decisions below that are of particular interest.

Working on the Sabbath

In *Groff v. DeJoy*, the Supreme Court was tasked with considering religious liberty and employment accommodations under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act. Gerald E. Groff sued his employer, the U.S. Postal Service, after he was disciplined for refusing to work on Sunday, based on his evangelical beliefs. In a 9-0 decision, the Court ruled in Groff's favor, stating that an employer must accommodate an employee's religious



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

beliefs unless it can show that doing so would "result in substantial increased costs in relation to the conduct of" the employ-

er's business.

The ruling in this case is a win for the First Amendment. Our country was founded on the principle of religious freedom, and it is important we uphold this belief. Particularly as Virginians, where the first statute of religious freedom anywhere in the world was passed. Written by Thomas Jefferson, it set forth the principle that people of all faiths should be protected in practicing their religion.

Religious Freedom in Web Designing

In *303 Creative LLC v. Ellis*, the Supreme Court was tasked with considering if a state's anti-discrimination laws can require designers to create works that recognize same-sex marriages, when doing so would come into conflict with the designers' religious beliefs. In this case, a website designer in Colorado argued that the state's anti-discrimination law violated her rights. In a 6-3 decision, the Court ruled that Colorado cannot "force an individual to speak in ways that align with its [the state] views but defy her conscience about a matter of major significance."

Another win for the First Amendment and religious liberty! The government cannot, and should not, force Americans to speak in ways that misalign with their sincerely held religious beliefs.

Affirmative Action

In *Students for Fair Admissions v. Harvard*, the Supreme Court was tasked with deciding if race-based affirmative action programs in college and universities violate the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment. The petitioners argued that Harvard University's admission process discriminated against Asian Americans. In a 6-2 decision, the Court ruled that affirmative action did indeed violate the Equal Protection Clause, stating that colleges and universities could no longer consider race as a factor when determining admission of an applicant.

In this case, I think the Court came to the correct conclusion as affirmative action, judging a student on the basis of their race, is contrary to our Constitutional principles. While an argument might have been plausible in past decades, the Supreme Court itself acknowledged years ago, the time would come when affirmative action, to correct past wrongs, would no longer be appropriate.

Biden v. Nebraska

In *Biden v. Nebraska*, the Supreme Court took up a case filed by multiple states challenging President Biden's move to cancel \$10,000 in student loans for borrowers earning less than \$125,000 individually, or \$250,000 if married. President Biden claimed his Administration had authority under the HEROES Act to cancel the loans. In a 6-3 decision, the Court ruled the HEROES Act did not authorize the debt-relief program.

The Administration's student loan forgiveness plan would cost American taxpayers more than \$400 billion. Constitutionally, a decision to spend money on a new program needs to be made in the Halls of Congress, not by the President acting on his own.

Moore v. Harper

In *Moore v. Harper*, the Supreme Court assessed whether state legislatures have sole authority to establish laws related to implementing federal elections.

The case stemmed from the redistricting of North Carolina's congressional districts following the 2020 U.S. Census, in which the North Carolina courts struck down the new districts, finding them too partisan under North Carolina's Constitution. In a 6-3 decision, the Court ruled that the Elections Clause does not give state legislatures sole power over federal elections.

I disagree with the ruling as it takes power away from the state legislature, which I believe is contrary to the plain reading of the Constitution.

The Supreme Court will meet again in the fall to begin their next term, where they will resume hearing new cases.

Update on The Patriot 14 years after it began

It has been a while since I have provided an update on happenings at The Patriot, so this week seemed like a good time to do so.

Some of you are likely still unaware that we have recently moved our office to a new location.

In early May, about the time we observed our 14th anniversary and my 46th year in the newspaper business, we moved to a new location – at 7 Fifth Street inside the Home Town Realty office. Right there at the flashing caution lights where Fifth Street and Washington Avenue meet.

Home Town's Wayne McGlothlin is a longtime friend, and he and wife, Nancy have been the perfect hosts.

For those who still haven't come to see us in our new digs, just come in the front door and hang a left!

We appreciate Del. Jason Ballard for stopping by a while back to present us with a Commendation from the Virginia House of Delegates congratulating us for 14 years. It's nice to be recognized.

I'd be remiss if I didn't offer a public thank you to brother- and sister-in-law Junior and Elaine Moles for providing us a place from which to launch The Patriot way back in May of 2009. Starting a new business – especially in an economic downturn – was scary to say the least. But knowing they were right in there with us was a lifesaver. The paper wouldn't be here today without them.

My sister, Linda and brother-in-law,



Column One

Mike Williams
Publisher
The Patriot

Kip were there too, along with several others.

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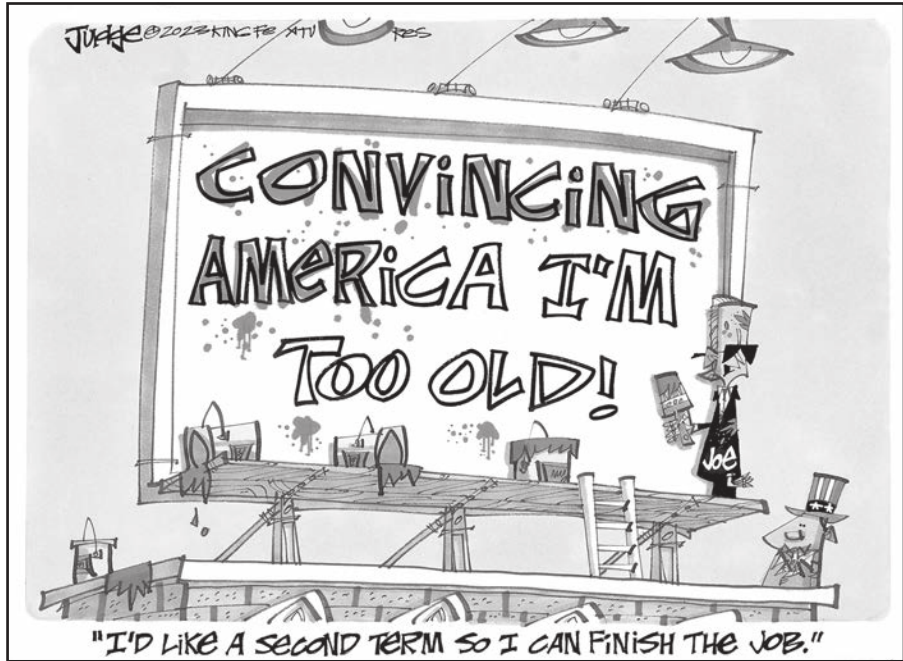
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In these 14 years we have grown to having the largest circulation of any publication distributed in Pulaski County, and we're proud of that. That's a long way from throwing out a few hundred copies from our car on a hot, stormy Friday way back in 2009.

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People ask all the time ... "Why don't you charge?" Well, we can clearly see what's happening to our

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Is it Open Season on Christians?

More people are beginning to realize that there is a rising hostility toward Christians in America. It's difficult to understand how this anti-Christian bias in our institutions of government and media crept in, when the laws granting us so many freedoms are rooted in the Judeo-Christian faith.

Our Founders were emphatic about ensuring the free communication of ideas and political debate for American citizens. If you never have taken the time to read the discussions they had during the Philadelphia Convention (aka Constitutional Convention) you can find them at congress.gov and archives.gov

Throughout four hot and muggy months in Philadelphia during the summer of 1787, the members of the Constitutional Convention invested many hundreds of hours in research, discussions and deliberations to provide an exemplary Constitution for the emerging nation. They examined other great civilizations to understand their flaws and strengths. They relied heavily upon the writings of several respected Christian philosophers – and upon the wisdom found in the Bible.

What modern historians leave out is that these men prayed together and held Bible studies during their sessions; which were opened daily with prayer or a sermon by clergy. They scrutinized scripture to determine where the wisdom of the Bible could be utilized in developing the "blueprint of the nation" which they believed they were entrusted by God to establish. The historical records verify how one of them would quote a scripture or read a passage from the Bible, and the members would discuss

One Nation Under God

By Danielle Reid

how it applied to their writing of the Law of the Land.

Religion, in Colonial America, was the Christian religion, although there were different denominations such as Baptist, Congregationalists, Protestants, Methodists, Calvinists, Presbyterians, Quakers, Anglicans, Catholics and Puritans. Therefore, references to "religion" were understood to be the Christian religion. At the heart of every community was the church. Their Sabbath or Sunday was acknowledged to be all day long; unlike many of our Sunday services and gatherings that last for one to two hours, then hurry off to the restaurants or the kids soccer games.

Eventually on September 17, 1787 the 55 members of the Constitutional Convention produced the U.S. Constitution, which replaced the Articles of Confederation. The first state to ratify the Constitution was Delaware on December 7, 1787, followed by Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, and Connecticut. It wasn't until May 29, 1790, that the last of the 13-states, Rhode Island, finally ratified the Constitution.

The Founders wisely realized that additional assurances needed to be included to ensure that the government would not

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Justice Jackson's abysmal affirmative action dissent

Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson's dissent in the Supreme Court's affirmative action case achieved instant legendary status in certain quarters.

Vice President Kamala Harris called it "probably one of the most brilliant dissents that any justice of the United States Supreme Court has ever written."

Yes, Jackson is apparently right up there with the likes Justice John Marshall Harlan, the lone dissenter in the infamous *Plessy v. Ferguson* decision upholding separate but equal.

Ketanji Jackson took great umbrage at the Court striking down race-based college admissions in the case involving the policies of Harvard and the University of North Carolina (she recused herself from the Harvard part of the ruling).

Her much-praised handiwork, though, hardly qualifies as a legal opinion. It reads like a guest essay by "anti-racist" guru Ibram X. Kendi in *The New York Times*.

"With let-them-eat-cake obliviousness, today, the majority pulls the ripcord and announces, 'colorblindness for all' by legal fiat," she pronounces in what is supposed to be a thunderous line.

There are several notable things about this. One, the writing doesn't work. If you are oblivious, you usually aren't undertaking acts that require focused effort, such as pulling a ripcord. The inapt metaphor aside, the sneer quotes around "colorblindness for all" are quite something coming from a Supreme Court justice in the United States of America.

In making their case against racial preferences, the justices in majority invoke the 14th Amendment and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If Jackson were being consistent, her sneering would extend to the Civil Rights Act, for it, too, favors color-blindness for all: "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

Jackson spends a lot of time recounting the country's racial sins and then declares them inescapable today. Even if this simplistic account were true, she fails to establish why racially biased college admissions are legal or warranted.

She writes of the "universal benefits of considering race in this context." But college admission is zero sum --only so many applicants get accepted, and if some are being disadvantaged, they are obviously suffering a harm.

In classic two-wrongs-make-a-right reasoning, she says that

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paid paper brethren, and it's not pretty. People just aren't paying for newspapers much anymore.

It's sad, especially to a newspaper nut like myself, but it's a fact of life.

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Dear Dave,

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Austin

Dear Austin,

I'm not trying to be mean here, but what in the world are you doing in data analytics that pays so poorly? Most of the folks I know in that area make a ton more. And you're going to need to start making a whole lot more to pay off \$155,000 in student loans.

For starters, you shouldn't be looking at this from a what-can-I-do-to-make-this-manageable perspective. You don't want to give this Sallie Mae nightmare a haircut, then tell her to sit in the corner all nice and pretty. You want her to leave! Now, there's



Dave Says

Dave Ramsey

nothing inherently wrong with refinancing to get a lower interest rate, or lower payments, if you do it the right way. But in most cases that translates into keeping the debt around forever. You need a better plan.

Instead, let's shift the main goal from that to paying this thing off as fast as possible. That means big, hairy chunks of payments on the principal. And that'll probably mean picking up an extra job or two, because right now you've got what I call a shovel-to-hole ratio problem. The hole you're in is a big one—a \$155,000 one. And you're working with a \$40,000

shovel. You need a bigger shovel, and a lot of extra work, instead of trying to keep these loans around like they're pets. What can you do—for a short period of time—that's legal, moral and will make you the most money the fastest?

On the day job side of things, you may want to consider looking for a position with a different company, Austin. You're way underpaid if you're in data analytics and making just \$40,000 a year. Good luck!

— Dave

* Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show. 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 take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company Ramsey Solutions.



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encroach on the rights of their citizens. The Founders demanded that five essential freedoms be protected by the First Amendment: freedom of religion is listed first; freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly and the right to petition the government. They accurately understood that without the first rights - to freely think and to speak their minds – the other rights could be lost.

These rights were guaranteed by men who were Christians or those who understood the value of the Judeo-Christians princi-

ples. Christians have been the building blocks and lifeblood of this nation since its inception and the Judeo-Christian principles are intertwined in our nation's founding documents and laws.

To isolate and persecute the people who still uphold these founding principles, and to consider them a threat to government and society, appears to go against every fundamental principle for which our Founders stood. Because of their wisdom and dedication, today, all Americans enjoy the freest society in the world.

Lowry

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UNC's admission process is fairer than it used to be when it excluded Black people -- as if past discrimination justifies current discrimination harming people who had nothing to do with the prior injustices.

The admissions process, Jackson says, "allows consideration of all factors material to merit," adding in a parenthetical, "including race." She doesn't spell out which races she considers especially meritorious, although the policies she defends are meant to suppress Asian Americans acceptances.

Asian Americans are, to use the woke term, "invisible" to her, an expendable chit in a grand morality play of black and white. There's no modulation in her views on race -- no awareness that many Black people are from immigrant families untouched by American slavery, or that Asian Americans also have a history of discrimination, or that some white people have had a tougher upbringing than some Black, or that people are individuals, not racial archetypes.

Even if putting students from different backgrounds together "improves cognitive abilities and critical thinking skills, reduces prejudice, and better prepares students for post-graduate life," as Jackson maintains, there's no reason to conclude that race is the only or most important element of diversity.

What has the child of Vietnamese immigrants done to be considered harmful to diversity and the education of other students?

In head-spinning logic, Jackson asserts that ending discrimination in admissions "will delay the day that every American has an equal opportunity to thrive, regardless of race," and "ignoring race makes it matter more."

Discrimination is anti-discrimination. Bias is fairness. 2+2=5.

Justice Harlan's dissent in Plessy is unmistakable: "Our Constitution is color-blind and neither knows nor tolerates classes among citizens."

Justice Jackson takes a different view.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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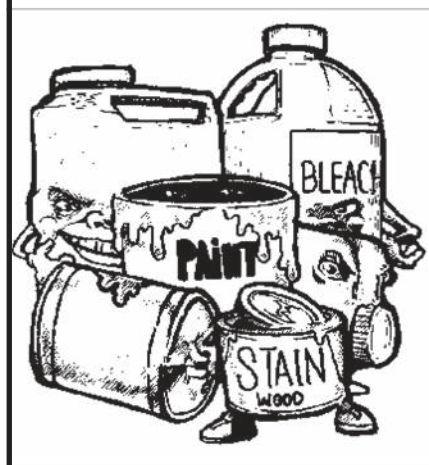
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Rep. Griffith discusses new laws and Ukraine

By WILLIAM PAINE
The Patriot

Congressman Morgan Griffith, who represents Virginia's 9th District, came to the Wytheville Community Center last Sunday as the guest speaker for a Ninth District Republican Committee meeting. After the meeting, Griffith made himself available to discuss news from the U.S. Congress.

Congressman Griffith recently introduced the NO VOTE for Non-Citizens Act of 2023, which amends the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 and the Help America Vote Act of 2002. The goal of the bill is to ensure that only American citizens vote in U.S. elections ... but isn't that already the law?

"Yes, technically, that's correct," said Griffith. "What you're seeing is that certain cities are allowing non-citizens to vote in their local elections. So, what the bill says is, if you're going to do that, you're going to have to keep a separate list of voters, one for federal elections and one for local elections. That's the new part.

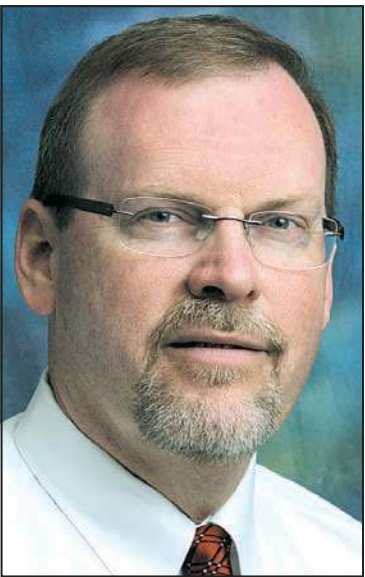
And because we think it's going to cost us more money to try to monitor your elections, we're taking away 30% of the money we would normally give you to help in your local and state elections."

"Technically, we can't ban cities from allowing non-citizens to vote," Griffith continued. "Part of what the other bill does, the ACE Act, will ban them in D.C."

The American Confidence in Election Act (ACE Act) was introduced to the Congress by the Committee on House Administration on July 10, 2023. The ACE Act has three main pillars: equipping states with election integrity tools, implementing election integrity reforms in Washington, D.C. and protecting political speech and donor privacy.

"That's where you're gonna see lots of squealing from the left," said Griffith. "We're gonna ban foreign people from voting in the D.C. elections and they will go nuts and they'll test that in the courts."

Griffith, along with Congressman Matt Rosendale, recently introduced an amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). The congressmen



Rep. Morgan Griffith

want the NDAA to be amended by removing a section of the law that allows U.S. citizens to be arrested without due process.

"People ask me 'What are you doing?' Because I always vote against the National Defense Authorization Act," said Griffith. "I haven't voted for it because I can't vote for something that I believe on its face is blatantly unconsti-

tutional. I don't think it's an argument. Under current law, if they allege that you assisted a terrorist organization that was somehow connected with 9-11, the United States military could come after an American citizen on American soil and put them in into the jail cell and hold them there without trial indefinitely. They're denied everything, even a habeas corpus."

"It's unconstitutional and I think the courts would eventually find that out but how long would it take?" Asked Griffith. "Just like we're finding with the January 6 people who are being held. You may eventually get out but how long is it gonna be? Is it gonna be three years, five years, ten or 15 years that your rights are being violated? It shouldn't be any years. So, I'm looking forward to getting our amendment passed."

Earlier this month, Republican Senator Lindsey Graham and Democrat Senator Richard Blumenthal introduced a resolution that would fast track Ukraine's admittance to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

Does Congressman Griffith support this resolution?

"That's a backdoor declaration of war," Griffith responded. "I can't be for that. If peace is restored in that region at some point in the future, then I would take a look at it. It's a policy matter to be debated but right now, they're in the middle of a conflict. Since NATO membership means that we would have to come to their defense, we're basically declaring war on Russia. I think that's crazy."

Griffith did vote for a bill that became law, which authorized sending millions of dollars to Ukraine for its defense against the Russians. "I did initially," said Griffith. "I thought it was an emergency situation and I thought it was important for national interest, particularly in light of the fact that if we allowed Russia to do that, the Chinese would have already gone to Taiwan."

"With the sanctions being put on Russia by the United States, Europe and even some non-aligned nations, it has got to make the Chinese think twice about going into Taiwan right now. Now one of these days, they are gonna do it but the longer we can push that off, the better."

"I think what we've done thus far in Ukraine has helped us to establish that one, Russia is not as strong as you thought they were and two, you'd better be careful, China. While China has grown to be a powerful country, it's because they're selling stuff to the west. If they suddenly lost those markets, how long would their regime survive?"

"China has had a civil service system for 3000 years. It's part of their culture. But when these dynasties fell, it was always because

of economic stress. If they can't sell their goods to the west, the Chinese will have a hard time keeping all their people employed."

President Vladimir Zelensky recently suspended elections in the Ukraine and banned the Russian Orthodox Church. Is this war really about supporting democracy?

"The Russian church and the Ukrainian church split and so they banned the Russian Orthodox church," Griffith explained. "So, if you switched over to being in the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, which is very little difference, frankly, then you weren't banned. It is not unusual for elections to be suspended in the middle of a war. We did not do it in our civil war but many countries that we recognize as democracies have. So, that one's a little dicey to criticize. But it's a warning flag and we need to be careful."

"On the other side, I don't take a blanket approach to say I would not vote for additional money for Ukraine," Griffith continued. "The NDAA does put additional inspector generals to make sure the money is not going to oligarchs and is actually going to buy equipment and I'm happy about that. But I want to see exactly where the money's going. I want to see a specific bill and the language of that bill before I decide one way or the other. But going into NATO at this point would be it's a disaster for us. Why would we do that?"

"Right now, the Chinese are playing the Russians. They're stealing markets from them while they're at the war in Ukraine. They're picking up imports from places like Kazakhstan and several of the other former Soviet Republics to the west of China. They're cleaning the Russians clock on the economic side. By buying their oil, they're giving them some support but they haven't come out and started doing lots of other things. We come in on NATO and I believe China's got no choice but to come in on Russia's side."

Should the U.S. fund the war in Ukraine for 'As long as it takes' as many have stated?

"I'm not for 'as long as it takes' but I'm also not against spending some money," Griffith replied. "From a tactical and strategic standpoint, if we decide it's in the U.S. interests to do something to help them then I'm not against it. But I've got to see it. If they're doing what they're supposed to do, should we support them? Probably. If they're not doing what they're supposed to do, and a lot of this money's being stolen ... which a lot of us fear, then we shouldn't. That's it."

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New buoys and booms installed at Claytor Lake Dam

By WILLIAM PAINE
The Patriot

Those who have ventured into the waters of Claytor Lake this summer have likely noticed a change in front of the Claytor Lake Dam.

By the start of July, all of the orange interconnected buoys extending 1600 feet across the lake upstream from the dam were replaced with brand new bright yellow buoys.

In addition, a bright orange tubular boom was installed on the southeastern shore of the lake between the dam and the yellow buoys.

This brought up some questions, such as: What is the purpose of this tubular boom and why did the buoys change color?

To find out why this change occurred, the Patriot contacted Appalachian Power’s Communication Consultant, George Porter. The first question was, what is the purpose for the line of interconnected buoys placed 1000 feet upstream from the dam?

“The boat barrier is a safety/security device to limit public access to a safe proximity to the dam,” Porter stated. “The barrier is replaced when it reaches the end of its useful life.”

According to Porter, the new buoys were made by the Ohio based Worthington Company, which only offered these buoys in the color yellow. Both the orange and yellow colors meet the high visibility standards required for this type of barrier. Porter estimates that the orange barriers that were replaced were at least 20 years old and they, in turn, replaced another older set of buoys.

Porter didn’t know if there had always been a line of buoys positioned upstream of the Claytor Lake Dam, nor did he know the cost of the buoys but stated that, “we did make a sizable investment to install these needed devices to ensure operation and community safety.”

The bright orange log boom lining the southeast shore upstream of the dam was manufactured by Pacific Netting Products of Washington State. Pieces of this large tu-



William Paine/The Patriot

Appalachian Power replaced the orange buoy barrier with these new yellow buoys this summer. Additionally, an orange log boom (center right of the photo) was installed along the southeastern shore upstream from the Claytor Lake Dam.

bular log boom were trucked to the AEP owned log cabin on the northwest shore of the lake. There, they were assembled by Marine Solutions Inc. As it was pieced together, the newly assembled log boom was floated across the lake to the opposite shore, where it is currently positioned.

There is more to this orange boom than meets the eye.

A rubber skirt extends four feet below the visible part of the log boom, so as to aid in the collection of debris. The purpose of the orange boom is to prevent logs, as well as other floating debris, from reaching the intake portals of the Claytor Lake Dam.

The yellow boat/buoy barrier is meant to deter boaters/swimmers from getting too close to these intakes. Is there some sort of alarm system in place if someone breaches the barrier?

“There is no automated alarm but we monitor the entire project with security cameras,” Porter replied. “If someone is inside the area that is

off limits to the public, law enforcement is notified.”

Has the barrier ever been breached?

“We are not aware of anyone ever breaching the boat barrier,” Porter replied.


This came as a surprise. From time to time a warning siren can

be heard coming from the dam and I assumed it was because a boater approached too close or actually breached the barrier.

Not so. Before releasing water from the generators or the spillway, a siren blows for two minutes to warn those downstream from the dam of the impending increase

in water level. This often occurs when more electricity is required for the grid, as was the case recently, with the hot weather leading to an increased demand for electricity.

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Mary Draper Ingles Festival set July 28-30



RADFORD — Colonial interpreters, dancers, musicians and a wide range of performers and history experts will highlight this year’s Mary Draper Ingles Festival July 28-30 in Radford and Pulaski County.

The festival shares the story of the capture, escape and return journey of one of Virginia’s most famous colonial heroines and allows visitors to tour her family’s farm, tavern and ferry her family operated for over a century.

More than 75 activities are planned during the weekend, including old-time crafts and skills, art exhibits and many children’s activities, including a petting zoo as well as inflatables provided by Radford University Athletics. The historic Ingles Farm, which showcases a replica of Mary’s cabin, will be open for tours and talks by interpreters. Long Way Brewing, a craft beer company whose name is a take on the frontierswoman’s journey, will also feature live music, food trucks, a children’s play zone and a living history performance by West Virginia actress Karen Vuranch. Visitors also can make reservations to float the New River with the region’s newest outfitter—Radford On The River.

Headlining Saturday’s literary activities will be award-winning Southern writer Sharyn McCrumb, best known for her Appalachian “Ballad” novels, including the New York Times best seller, “She Walks These Hills,” and Eve Waters, storyteller and musician who will discuss Irish culture as well as tell stories of the Shawnee nation, one of the indigenous tribes that periodically inhabited southwest Virginia.

Born in 1732 to Irish immigrants in Philadelphia, Ingles

became part of the great westward migration of Europeans who pressed on through Virginia in search of a better future, eventually settling in the New River Valley. In July 1755 a group of Shawnees staged an attack on the settlement abducting Mary, her two children and sister-in-law. What followed was a month-long march over hundreds of miles through the Ohio and Kentucky regions until Mary escaped.

The story of Mary’s undeniable determination has been the subject of numerous books, including “Follow the River,” a “New York Times” bestseller, and several outdoor dramas and movies.

Friday evening kicks off with art shows at Glencoe Mansion and the Radford University Museum on Tyler. Long Way Brewing will begin its celebration with the reintroduction of a craft beer named in honor of Mary.

Saturday’s activities will run most of the day at Glencoe, Long Way and the Ingles Farm.

On Sunday, the festival continues at Wilderness Road Regional Museum in Dublin and features interpreters, live music and tours of the historic Ingles Tavern located on the banks of the New River in Pulaski County.

For an event schedule, go to www.glencoemansion.org or phone (540) 731-5031. Restaurant and lodging lists available at www.visitradford.com. The festival is funded in part by grants from the Virginia Tourism Corporation, the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Five killed in July 4th holiday weekend traffic crashes in Va.

RICHMOND — Preliminary data indicates five individuals lost their lives in four traffic crashes during the 48-hour statistical counting period designated for the July 4, 2023, holiday. Of those who died, one was a motorcyclist, two were drivers and two were passengers. The fatal crashes took place in Arlington, Buchanan, Charles City and Craig counties. During the four-day statistical counting period for July 4, 2022, traffic crashes claimed 10 lives on Virginia’s highways.*

To do its part to increase safety and reduce traffic fatalities on Virginia’s highways during the holiday, State Police participated in Operation Crash Awareness Reduction Effort (C.A.R.E.). Operation CARE is a state-sponsored, national program intended to reduce crashes, fatalities and injuries due to impaired driving, speed and failing to wear a seat belt. The statistical counting period began 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 3, 2023, and concluded at midnight Tuesday, July 4, 2023.

“We are in the height of the summer travel season, so traffic safety should be of the utmost importance for all Virginians,” said Colonel Gary T. Settle, Virginia State Police Superintendent. “Excessive speeding, drivers and passengers failing to buckle up and distracted driving continue to put all at risk traveling on our highways. Our state troopers cannot be everywhere all the time. We need Virginians to put forth the extra effort and comply with speed limits, buckle up and put the phone down. That’s how we save lives on our highways.”

During the 2023 two-day Operation CARE initiative for the July 4 holiday, Virginia troopers arrested 36 drivers for operating under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and cited 2,051 speeders and 980 reckless drivers. Troopers issued 254 citations to individuals for failing to buckle up, and another 74 citations for children not being properly secured in a vehicle. Virginia troopers also cited 124 drivers for being in violation of Virginia’s “hands free” law.

State police investigated 377 total traffic crashes statewide and assisted 392 disabled/stranded

motorists during the July 4 statistical counting period.

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

Radford Photo Club to discuss scenery photography

Members of the Radford Photo Club will have a second session with Aileen Fletcher at the club’s July 19 meeting, 6 p.m. at the Radford Public Library. Club members will receive feedback from Fletcher, if they wish, at Wednesday’s meeting.

Fletcher taught art at New River Community College since 1966, and photography since 1972. She has exhibited her work throughout the region for several decades.

The Radford Photo Club is made up of professional and amateur photographers from throughout the New River Valley. Meetings, events, and outings are open to the public. The photo challenge for July is Independence. There is also an open category and a table for photos that members would like to discuss.

If you love photography, the club has an outstanding show at the Fine Arts Gallery for the New River Valley at 21 W. Main Street n Pulaski through August 5, including works by international artists and favorite local artists, as well as first timers to show, although not new to photography.

If you have questions about the Radford Photo Club, email Lucy Gilmore at lucyg.gilmore@gmail.com or Michele Borgarelli at mborgarelli@gmail.com

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Lemon Cookie Cups for a Summer Dessert

Lemon Cookie Cups for a Summer Dessert

Dessert is extra-special for kids when it comes in an edible container.

Here's a cute little lemony crisp cookie cup, ideal for filling with pudding, fresh fruit or ice cream. Top the filling with candles if there is a birthday party in the house.

You also might want to make a batch as a brunch dessert on one of these hot summer days. They'll be perfect ... and memorable with a scoop of icy sorbet nestled in toasted shredded coconut "grass."

Kids can be involved from the start with this thin cookie recipe that is easy to combine, using just flour, powdered sugar, eggs and lemons. No need for a mixer. So, grab a big spoon, a whisk, a grater and mixing bowls to get started.

LEMON COOKIE CUPS
Makes 20 cookie cups
-- 1 1/3 cups all-purpose flour
-- 3/4 cup powdered sugar
-- 3 egg whites
-- 2 egg yolks
-- 1 tablespoon grated lemon zest
-- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
-- 1 teaspoon vanilla
-- 2 or 3 whole washed lemons for shaping cookie cups

Position rack in the upper third of the oven. Preheat oven to 350 F. Cover two cookie sheets with parchment paper. Let your child measure and sift flour and sugar in a mixing bowl.

Use a whisk to lightly beat egg whites in one small bowl. In another bowl, lightly beat yolks. Add egg whites, yolks, lemon zest, juice and vanilla to the flour

Audit indicates Virginia K-12 schools are underfunded

By Morgan Sweeney

(The Center Square) — A report released Monday indicates Virginia's K-12 education system has received inadequate state funding for years -- and Republicans and Democrats are blaming each other for the results.

The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission staff reviewed Virginia's K-12 funding formula -- the mechanism used to determine the state's education budget -- upon being directed to do so by the 2021 General Assembly and shared its findings and recommendations in the report.

JLARC found that the commonwealth's funding formula, also known as the Standards of Quality formula, relies on faulty "inputs and assumptions" that "lack clear rationale and do not reflect prevailing practice in school divisions," resulting in Virginia spending less per student than the regional and national state averages.

For example, many SOQ methods used to calculate teacher and staff compensation result in inadequate estimates. Special needs and low-income students aren't appropriated sufficient funding



and sugar mixture. Mix well until smooth with a large spoon. Let set 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, let your child draw five 5-inch circles on the back of the parchment paper with a pencil, using a saucer as a guide. Turn the paper over, with the circles showing through. Repeat for second cookie sheet.

Drop a heaping tablespoon of batter in the middle of each of the circles. An adult should carefully spread the batter to fill the shape. It will be very thin. (I use an angled icing spatula.)

Bake for 5-6 minutes, or until edges brown. Remove cookies quickly, and with the assistance of your child, form cupped shapes with the bottom sides of the cookies up, using the lemons as molds. Hold them for a few seconds until the shape is set; then place on a cooling rack. (Use a clean towel between your hands and the hot cookie to form the fluted shape, if you wish.)

Repeat with remaining dough. Serve as individual desserts filled with fruit, pudding, flavored yogurt, ice cream or sorbet. Enjoy!

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either.

The agency ultimately recommended the SOQ use a student-based rather than a staffing-based model to determine funding, as most states do, according to JLARC, and the General Assembly amend the Code of Virginia to diminish its reliance upon the SOQ.

Virginia Republicans and Democrats have erupted in a battle on social media in response to the study's findings.

Gov. Glenn Youngkin indicated in a tweet that Republicans shouldn't be blamed for the underfunding problem, as the commonwealth gave teachers a 10% pay raise when it passed its "largest education budget in history" last year, after he assumed office.

"Today's JLARC report lays plain that the previous two administrations failed to provide adequate funding in K-12 education, and more importantly, never sought to reform the system to ensure that funding supports students and teachers in the classroom," Youngkin said.

He also mentioned that he has proposed amendments this year, including a nearly \$430 million increase in public education spending for the state.

Virginia National Guard unit being sent to the border

By Morgan Sweeney

(The Center Square) - A Virginia National Guard unit will lead Joint Task Force Cardinal as part of Operation Lone Star to help secure the southern border.

Troops will be deployed from the Portsmouth-based 2nd Squadron, 183rd Cavalry Regiment, 116th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. The unit's designation is 2nd Squadron, 183rd Cavalry Regiment, and its higher headquarters is the 116th Infantry Brigade Combat Team.

Assistance will also come from Army and Air National Guard units from Lynchburg, Winchester, Fredericksburg, Danville, Staunton and Hampton.

The task force was assembled as a result of Gov. Glenn Youngkin's May Executive Directive Number Four, which stipulates that approximately 100 members of the state's National Guard and 21 supporting personnel will be sent to Texas to aid border mission Operation Lone Star.

Virginia was one of 13 states to respond to Texas Gov. Greg Abbott's letter to governors calling for help at the border upon the expiration of Title 42.

It was anticipated that troops might deploy July 1, but as of Thursday, the soldiers and airmen were "completing their final preparations and will deploy to Texas within the next few days," Guard spokesman A.A. "Cotton" Puryear told The Center Square.

Puryear noted that the Guard will not release the exact date of departure ahead of time for operational security reasons.

Cardinal's leaders have also determined that only 10 personnel are needed for the task force leadership and support element instead of 21.

Virginia's offer of 100 plus troopers and personnel for 30 days was one of the more generous among the Republican-led states that responded. It is estimated the operation will cost the commonwealth \$3.1 million.

Democrats accused Youngkin

of making a career move with taxpayers' money.

"Youngkin is spending our family's taxpayer dollars to fund a political stunt 2,000 miles away from the commonwealth," said Susan Swecker, chairwoman of the Democratic Party of Virginia. "To the governor, I'll say this: Don't use my tax dollars to fund your presidential campaign."

The figure will increase if the troops stay longer than the anticipated 30 days. Youngkin's directive is in effect until September.

Youngkin stood firmly with Abbott in his directive, citing the dangers to Virginians if the flood of illegal immigrants is left unstemmed.

"The influx of fentanyl alone presents a severe threat to the Commonwealth," Youngkin wrote. "Porous borders further allow national security threats, violent criminals, and human traffickers to cross into the United States with impunity. All states have become border states."



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Puppy Piddling Is a Real Pain

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My 6-month-old, medium-size mixed breed dog Jake has a problem I can't seem to train him out of. Whenever he gets excited, he leaves pee droplets across the floor. Jake is healthy and energetic, and he housetrained quickly. What can I do to stop the piddling? -- Pupper Dad in Ohio

DEAR PUPPER DAD: There's a very good chance that it can be resolved. It will take time and training, though.

Puppies under a year old piddle when they get excited or when they think they're in trouble. Part of it may be a smaller bladder, but another part of it is what's called "submissive urination." Dogs piddle instinctively to signal that you are their superior. However, this isn't a wild dog pack outdoors; it's you and your dog and your beautiful hardwood floor.

Punishing or yelling at Jake when he piddles will not solve the problem. The real issue is one of confidence and of finding where he belongs in the household. Most



puppies stop piddling at around one year old, especially in a home where there's a predictable structure, as they mature and settle into

their place in the family.

Encourage this during Jake's first year by staying calm when he piddles. Yelling or trying to correct on the spot can make the problem worse. Clean up the urine and lead him to a different spot, and work on a basic command with him like "sit-stay."

Try not to pay attention to Jake when you come in the door from work. Ask visitors to look away from him when they come in. Later, when you and your visitors are settled on the sofa, pay attention to Jake with lots of praise. Learn

more at this link: www.tuftsyour-dog.com/dogtrainingandbehavior/the-three-reasons-puppies-piddle-indoors/.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.



Staycation Ideas for Seniors

How do we go on vacation when we can't afford to travel anywhere? How can any days feel like vacation when we do what we usually do, which is stay home?

The answer lies in that made-up word: "staycation." The idea is to spend time doing something different without leaving your home area.

One of my favorite ways to unwind and decompress is to unplug the phone and read. I can get 10 free Kindle Unlimited books at a time, more than enough to keep me happy during an unplugged week while I pretend I'm on vacation. With a free-delivery Walmart+ membership (\$98 for a year), I can have groceries and snacks delivered to the door.

I've already checked the local events calendar, marking off several of interest. That doesn't mean I'll go to all of them, but the options are there: a sandwich, no-salt chips and a drink in a chilled to-go-bag and a few relaxing hours at a free local outdoor concert.

One of the events I'm looking forward to is an evening community sing where likely hundreds of people (mostly seniors, I imagine) will get together outdoors to sing the oldies.

On another day I'll spend some hours at the Louvre in Paris. I

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

won't actually be there, but close enough with their free virtual tour (www.louvre.fr/en/online-tours). Do an online search for "museums with virtual tours," and you'll find several dozen choices. Zoos, national parks and aquariums have done the same thing.

The opportunities for staycation are many. Want to learn to paint or draw? Order supplies and spend some days hooked up to online art tutorials. Want to write a book? You can get a lot done in an unplugged week. Want to bake a pie? Spend an afternoon first at a pick-your-own fruit farm.

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54 From ACC Chosen in 2023 MLB Draft

GREENSBORO, N.C. (the-ACC.com) – The 2023 Major League Baseball Draft concluded on Tuesday with Rounds 11-20 and 14 Atlantic Coast Conference student-athletes were selected to close out the three-day event. A total of 54 ACC players were picked in this year’s Draft.

After Pierce Bennett was selected by Philadelphia in Round 20, Wake Forest closed the Draft with a conference-best 10 draft picks, the second-most selec-

tions in the nation. Despite not hearing its name on Day 3, Miami closed the Draft with six draft picks, while NC State and Virginia Tech had five picks apiece.

The Cleveland Guardians drafted the most ACC players with six, while the Boston Red Sox selected five ACC players.

This marked the 32nd consecutive year that at least one ACC player has been selected in the opening round of the MLB Draft and the eighth straight year that the ACC has placed at least one

drafted among the top 15 picks.

2023 MLB Draft Picks from the ACC Day 3 Selections Round/Overall

11/330 – Jack Payton, C, Louisville, San Francisco Giants
11/342 – Carson Montgomery, RHP, Florida State, San Diego Padres
12/356 – Carter Trice, INF/OF, NC State, Chicago Cubs
12/358 – Max Carlson, RHP, North Carolina, Boston Red Sox

12/366 – Brady Kirtner, RHP, Virginia Tech, New York Mets
12/367 – Logan Evans, RHP, Pitt, Seattle Mariners
15/438 – Dylan Simmons, RHP, Pitt, Cincinnati Reds
15/446 – Rio Britton, LHP, NC State, Arizona Diamondbacks
15/456 – Justin Lawson, RHP, NC State, New York Mets
15/457 – Carson Jones, OF, Virginia Tech, Seattle Mariners
15/462 – Tomas Frick, C, North Carolina, New York Yankees
17/520 – Luke Fox, LHP/OF,

Duke, Los Angeles Dodgers
18/527 – Kalae Harrison, INF, NC State, Pittsburgh Pirates
20/613 – Pierce Bennett, OF/INF, Wake Forest, Philadelphia Phillies

Day 2 Selections Round/Overall

3/80 – Jack Hurley, OF, Virginia Tech, Arizona Diamondbacks
3/84 – Seth Keener, RHP, Wake Forest, Chicago White Sox
3/90 – Travis Honeyman, OF, See DRAFT, page B4

Playoff race heads up north

From NASCAR

When it comes to events on the NASCAR Cup Series 2023 season schedule that could shake up the Playoff standings as the postseason approaches, look no further than this weekend’s Crayon 301 on July 16 at 2:30 p.m. ET (USA Network, PRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio) at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

Not only is the unique short track, a one-of-a-kind on the Cup schedule, but it has also produced a large number of longshot winners starting outside the top-20, and for three of the last four winners at the 1.058-mile track the victory was the catalyst to earning their spot in the Playoffs – Kevin Harvick (2019), Aric Almirola (2021) and Christopher Bell (2022).

“I love going up to New Hampshire Motor Speedway, it’s been a really good racetrack for me in the past,” said Christopher Bell. “The track is really unique in the fact that Turns 1 and 2 are really smooth, 3 and 4 are very rough, it’s very flat everywhere but has a little more banking running up the track in lane two and three, there’s nowhere else in the country that’s like it.”

So, you’re saying longshots

See NORTH, page B4



Thorn Spring Ladies Hold Member Guest

The ladies golf association of Thorn Spring held their annual member guest golf tournament this past Saturday. The theme of Keep Calm and Golf On had the ladies doing just that under gorgeous conditions. Format was front nine captain’s choice and the back nine best ball handicapped. Close scoring held the top couple of teams within a stroke or two with the winners, Heather Pearman, Ericka Thompson, Martha Thomas, and Monica Bailey-Yates, coming out on top with a 62. The ladies would like to thank their sponsors, Hodge Insurance, Carilion, Express Markets, Southern Hearts, and the club staff for all their contributions.

NASCAR names its 2024 nominees for Hall

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — NASCAR today announced the 15 nominees for the NASCAR Hall of Fame’s Class of 2024 and the five nominees for the Landmark Award for Outstanding Contributions to NASCAR.

Seven-time NASCAR Cup Series champion duo Jimmie Johnson and Chad Knaus join the Modern Era ballot together in their first year of eligibility. Donnie Allison, an original member of the fan-favorite Alabama Gang joins the Pioneer ballot for the first time.

Ten nominees appear on the Modern Era ballot, five on the Pioneer ballot – designed to honor those whose careers began more than 60 years ago. Two Modern Era candidates and one Pioneer candidate will be elected as the Class of 2024.

Longtime NASCAR executive Les Richter joins the Landmark Award ballot for the first time after being on the Hall of Fame ballot three times before the award was created. The Landmark Award honors those who made significant contributions to the growth and esteem of NASCAR.

The NASCAR Hall of Fame Voting Panel will meet in person to discuss and vote for the Class of 2023 and Landmark Award on Wednesday, Aug. 2. The 61-person panel remains unchanged from last year, apart from reigning champion Joey Logano who replaces Kyle Larson and Chase Elliott (both voted last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic delay). The 62nd vote goes to winners of a NASCAR.com Fan Vote (www.nascar.com/halloffame). The Fan Vote is currently open and will close on July 30 at 12:00 a.m. ET.

The Modern Era Ballot and Landmark Award nominees were selected by the Nomination Committee, which consists of representatives from NASCAR and the NASCAR Hall of Fame, track owners from major facilities and historic short tracks. The Honors Committee, largely comprised of all living Hall of Famers, Landmark Award winners and Squier-Hall Award winners, selected the Pioneer Ballot.

Following are the NASCAR Hall of Fame Class of 2024 nominees and Landmark Award nominees:

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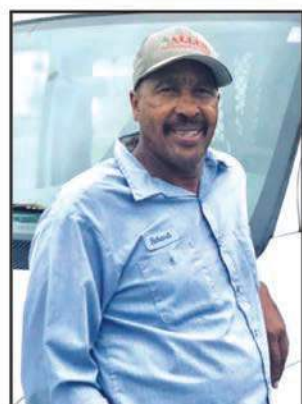
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Fairlawn Sewage Authority Summary Statement of Financial Condition At June 30, 2022

ASSETS	\$ 1,308,580
LIABILITIES	\$ 117,378
NET POSITION	1,191,202
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	\$ 1,308,580
REVENUES	\$ 454,655
EXPENSES	449,212
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$ 5,443

Detailed financial statements are available for inspection at the Fairlawn Sewage Authority, Fairlawn, Virginia

LEGAL NOTICE



Public Notice of Unsafe Building

Property: 602 6th Street NE, Pulaski, Virginia 24301

Tax Parcel: 072-051-0248-0001

Dear Property Owner(s):

Notice is being issued pursuant to Town of Pulaski Code Sec. 38-161—Dangerous Structures. That an unsafe, derelict, and dilapidated structure exists on the aforementioned property, which constitutes a public health hazard and a safety hazard, a nuisance to the community, and blight. The Property Owner is hereby notified and required to commence repair immediately or complete demolition of the building by July 31, 2023. If no action is taken, The Town of Pulaski will demolish the structure and place a lien on the Property for the cost of demolition.

The Property Owner has the right to appeal this matter in writing on or before July 30, 2023. If so appealed will be heard at the Town Council meeting on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

A copy of the full text of the notice is available at the Code Enforcement Office at the Town of Pulaski.

Appeals: In addition to first class mail, a notice must be emailed and faxed to the following prior to 5:00 pm EST, July 30, 2023:

Carla E. Hodge, Town of Pulaski
Property Maintenance Official/Code Enforcement
Fax: 540-994-8699
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For further information contact Carla Hodge, 540-994-8631

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LEGAL NOTICE



Town of Pulaski BZA Public Hearing

The Town of Pulaski Board of Zoning Appeals gives notice of a public hearing to be held on July 20, 2023, at 6:00 PM at the Town Municipal Building, 42 NW 1st St. Pulaski, VA 24301, to hear citizen comment regarding the Board of Zoning Appeals intention to act on the following request for a variance:

A request by Calfee C.C.C. LLC for a variance to Section 4.7.2-2 of the Town of Pulaski's Zoning Ordinance for properties located at 1 Corbin-Harmon Dr. [072-14-1] which is zoned RO for a setback adjustment of a playground from 50 ft. to 5 ft.

Copies of the variance applications and corresponding ordinances may be reviewed at the Zoning Administrator's office, 42 First St. Pulaski, VA Monday-Friday between 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM.

All persons desiring to speak should appear at the stated time and place or submit comments in writing to the Zoning Administrator by July 19th.

For disabled individuals who may require special auxiliary aids or services, the Town will make reasonable accommodations upon request. Please contact the Clerk of Council (540) 994-8602 before the above meeting date to arrange these accommodations. For individuals with visual or hearing impairment, contact Virginia Relay at 711 for assistance reaching the town.

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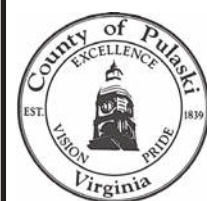
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Public Notice Pulaski County Board of Supervisors

The Pulaski County Board of Supervisors will host a public hearing to consider 3 application(s) for the Month of July. In accordance with the Code of Virginia, the Board of Supervisors will host a public hearing on these applications at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 24, 2023 in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, in the Town of Pulaski to consider comments regarding the following application;

1. Application by Susan Wells, to rezone the property from Low Density Residential (LR) to Agriculture (A), at Tax Map # 074-014-0000-0007 located at Raspberry Lane. Ingles District.
2. Application by Thompson & Litton on behalf of Mack Farmer, to rezone the property from Low Density Residential (LR) to Agriculture (A), at Tax Map # 038-007-0000-0001,2 located at Hickman Cemetery Road, Cloyd District.
3. Application by Michael Urban III Vision Holdings LLC, to rezone the property from Commercial (CM) to Low Density Residential, at Tax Map # 048-008-0000-0115,115A located at Lee Highway, Cloyd District.

Comments may be presented at the meeting and by phone or in writing prior to the meeting at msaunders@pulaskicounty.org. 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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have a chance? You bet. A NA-SCAR Cup Series driver has started outside the top-20 and went on to win the race at New Hampshire Motor Speedway 10 different times (19.6% of the total races). New Hampshire is tied with Charlotte Motor Speedway for the third-most winners starting outside the top-20 in the NA-SCAR Cup Series (with 10 each); behind only Daytona International Speedway with 14 and Richmond Raceway with 12. The 2021 New Hampshire winner, Stewart-Haas Racing's Aric Almirola, started

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SCAR Cup Series champion crew chief
Larry Phillips, first five-time NASCAR weekly series national champion
Ricky Rudd, won 23 times in NASCAR Cup Series, including the 1997 Brickyard 400

Pioneer Ballot
Donnie Allison, ten-time NA-SCAR Cup Series winner, 1967 Cup Series ROY
Sam Ard, NASCAR Xfinity Series pioneer and two-time champion
AJ Foyt, won seven NASCAR Cup Series races including the 1972 Daytona 500
Banjo Matthews, built cars that won more than 250 NASCAR Cup Series races and three championships
Ralph Moody, two-time NA-

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Boston College, St. Louis Cardinals
3/92 – Teddy McGraw, RHP, Wake Forest, Seattle Mariners
3/93 – CJ Kayfus, OF, Miami, Cleveland Guardians
4/125 – Cooper Ingle, C/OF, Clemson, Cleveland Guardians
4/127 – Wyatt Crowell, LHP, Florida State, Los Angeles Dodgers
4C/132 – Kristian Campbell, SS, Georgia Tech, Boston Red Sox
5/144 – Alejandro Rosario, RHP, Miami, Texas Rangers
5/151 – Connelly Early, LHP, Virginia, Boston Red Sox
5/158 – Zach Levenson, OF, Miami, St. Louis Cardinals
5/161 – Christian Knapczyk, SS, Louisville, Cleveland Guardians
5/163 – Joe Vetrano, 1B, Boston College, Los Angeles Dodgers
6/168 – Ethan O'Donnell, OF, Virginia, Cincinnati Reds
6/170 – Bennett Lee, C, Wake Forest, Detroit Tigers
6/173 – Jake DeLeo, OF, Georgia Tech, Miami Marlins
6/174 – Camden Minacci, RHP, Wake Forest, Los Angeles Angels
6/188 – Tommy Hawke, OF, Wake Forest, Cleveland Guardians
6/191 – Jay Beshears, INF, Duke, San Diego Padres
7/198 – Dominic Pitelli, INF, Miami, Cincinnati Reds
7/212 – Tate Kuehner, LHP, Louisville, Milwaukee Brewers
7/218 – Alex Mooney, SS, Duke, Cleveland Guardians
8/226 – Jackson Finley, RHP/

from the 22nd position, and with 11 different winners this season New Hampshire Motor Speedway could very well stir up some magic and produce a 12th.
Heading into this weekend at New Hampshire, 10 of the 19 winners from last season are still looking for their first victory this year – Chase Elliott, Kevin Harvick, Alex Bowman, Austin Cindric, Austin Dillon, Bubba Wallace, Chase Briscoe, Chris Buescher, Daniel Suarez and Erik Jones. Of the 10 drivers that won last season and are looking for their first win of this year, Kevin Harvick is the only former winner at New Hampshire in the NA-SCAR Cup Series this Sunday.

SCAR Cup Series owner champion as mechanical genius of Holman-Moody

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Les Richter, long-time NA-SCAR executive oversaw competition, helped grow the sport on the West Coast

INF, Georgia Tech, Oakland Athletics
8/247 – Ryan Hawks, RHP, Louisville, Seattle Mariners
9/275 – Christian Worley, RHP, Virginia Tech, St. Louis Cardinals
10/289 – Justin Johnson, INF, Wake Forest, Kansas City Royals
10/298 – Ryan Ammons, LHP, Clemson, Boston Red Sox
10/303 – Adam Boucher, RHP, Duke, Tampa Bay Rays

Day 1 Selections Round/Overall
1/7 — Rhett Lowder, RHP, Wake Forest, Cincinnati Reds
1/14 — Kyle Teel, C, Virginia, Boston Red Sox
1/18 – Brock Wilken, 3B, Wake Forest, Milwaukee Brewers
2/40 – Yohandy Morales, 3B, Miami, Washington Nationals
2/46 – Sean Sullivan, LHP, Wake Forest, Colorado Rockies
2/48 – LuJames Groover III, 3B, NC State, Arizona Diamondbacks
2/53 – Mac Horvath, OF, North Carolina, Baltimore Orioles
2/59 – Drue Hackenberg, RHP, Virginia Tech, Atlanta Braves
2/60 – Jake Gelof, 3B, Virginia, Los Angeles Dodgers
CB-B/62 – Andrew Walters, RHP, Miami, Cleveland Guardians
CB-B/63 – Jackson Baumeister, RHP, Florida State, Baltimore Orioles
CB-B/64 – Caden Grice, LHP/INF, Clemson, Arizona Diamondbacks

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Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year/500-year Floodplain and Wetland

To: All interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that the New River Valley Regional Commission (NRVRC) has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under the Appalachian Regional Commission POWER grant program and the Department of Housing and Community Development Project (22-PW-02A). The proposed project is located at 7422 Hazel Hollow Rd, Radford, VA 24141 in Pulaski County. The proposed project area includes the development of a new concrete boat launch on the bank of the New River in Pulaski County off Hazel Hollow Rd. The project area is approximately .81 acres, located entirely within the 100-year Floodplain and partially within a riverine. The project provides motorized and non-motorized boat access to the New River at Sheffey Park, thus expanding the recreational opportunities for Pulaski County residents and tourists. This project will benefit the livability of our region and the burgeoning outdoor recreation economy. The Pulaski County boat launch at Sheffey Park is one of four new/enhanced boat launches that will extend the existing 37 miles of the New River Water Trail (Giles County) to the rest of the region, totaling 61 miles upon completion. The project includes several related components: construction of a boat launch, parking suitable for vehicles with trailers, and a foot path connecting Smith Farm Park (currently being developed).

The NRVRC has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values: Because the nature of the project the boat ramp must be located in the floodplain/wetland in order to provide sufficient access to the waterway. Alternatives were considered and based on land availability and proximity to maintained roads with easy access for boat trailers, the choice of suitable sites are limited. Additionally, rail right-of-way reduces potential developable land with public access potential along the river. Alternatively, no action at all will not provide any benefit for the public. Any perceived and/or realized effects on alternative sites would be similar to any of the effects on current, selected site. The regulatory agencies involved with the permitting of the boat launch will dictate the least impactful design of the boat ramp to mitigate adverse effects. Mitigation measures include acquiring all necessary permits through the Army Corp of Engineers, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and Virginia Marine Resource Commission. The permits obtained from the regulatory agencies will dictate any requirements for mitigation measures and compliance with state and local floodplain/wetland protection procedures. Sediment and erosion mitigation controls will be utilized throughout project construction/site disturbance. NRVRC has reevaluated the alternatives to building in the floodplain and wetland and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of Executive Order 11988 and 11990, are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains and wetlands] can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts Rev. 04/02/2014 Appendix 2.E: Final Notice and Notice of Explanation 48 to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains and wetlands it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the NRVRC at the following address on or before July 21, 2023 New River Valley Regional Commission, 6580 Valley Center Drive Suite 124 Radford, VA 24141. 540-639- 9313 Attention: Kathleen Armstrong, Regional Planner II/ Community Designer. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9am to 5pm at the above address and electronically by request. Comments may also be submitted via email at karmstrong@nrvc.org.

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	Bluefield	15	15	.500	5.0
	Princeton	14	18	.438	7.0
	Pulaski	6	23	.207	13.5
APPALACHIAN LEAGUE WEST		W	L	PCT	GB
	Johnson City	22	8	.733	-
	Elizabethton	17	14	.548	5.5
	Kingsport	16	16	.500	7.0
	Bristol	14	18	.438	9.0
	Greeneville	14	18	.438	9.0

Through Games Of Wednesday, July 12

Seven races to go as playoffs loom

From NASCAR

When drivers and teams start doing the math, a Playoff appearance isn't adding up for many unless they win over these last seven races. A total of 11 different drivers have secured their spot in the Playoffs with a win this season, leaving just five spots open on points as the series heads to New Hampshire Motor Speedway this weekend.

Eight former NASCAR Cup Series New Hampshire winners are entered this weekend, and three of them are looking to lock themselves into the Playoffs this season with a win – Kevin Harvick (12th in the Playoff points outlook, +126 points up from the cutline), Brad Keselowski (14th in the Playoff points outlook, +100 points up from the cutline), and Aric Almirola (27th in the Playoff points outlook, -90 points back from the cutline)

Three drivers dancing along the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs' cutline heading into New Hampshire, are Trackhouse Racing's Daniel Suarez in 15th (+3 points), Front Row Motorsports' Michael McDowell in 16th (+3) – the final transfer spot on points – and 23XI Racing's Bubba Wallace in 17th (-3 points) – the first spot outside the postseason cutoff. Trailing behind Wallace is Kaulig Racing's AJ Allmendinger in 18th (-13 points) and Joe Gibbs Racing's rookie Ty Gibbs in 19th (-26). All five drivers from 15th-19th in the Playoff outlook are within striking distance of each other with just seven races left in the regular season.

Looking to New Hampshire, Daniel Suarez has the best average finish at the 1.058-mile track among the five drivers along the Playoff cutoff, followed by Wallace (19.6), Allmendinger (22.3), McDowell (32.4) and rookie Ty Gibbs.



- by Chris Richcreek
1. What was the name of the 1989 direct-to-VHS short comedy starring Dick Van Patten that parodied tennis instructional videos?
 2. By what name was Mahdi Abdul-Rahman known when he won an NCAA basketball championship with UCLA and was named the NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player in 1964?
 3. Baseball Hall of Famer Harmon Killebrew has his No. 3 jersey retired by what Major League Baseball team?
 4. Formula One driver and polo player Carlos Menditeguy (1914-73) hailed from what South American country?
 5. What amateur sports sponsor and enthusiast was convicted in the 1996 murder of Olympic gold-medal-winning freestyle wrestler Dave Schultz?
 6. Two mounds named Miss Grainger's Bosoms can be found on the 15th hole of what golf course?
 7. What lumber-wielding pro wrestler played football for the Southern Methodist University Mustangs and was signed by the Atlanta Falcons?
- Answers
1. "Dirty Tennis."
 2. Walt Hazzard.
 3. The Minnesota Twins.
 4. Argentina.
 5. John du Pont.
 6. The Old Course at St Andrews, Scotland.
 7. "Hacksaw" Jim Duggan.

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Highlanders headed to Mexico for 2023 Men's Cancun Challenge

RADFORD, Va. – The Radford men's basketball is set to go international once again, this time to play in the 16th annual Men's Cancun Challenge.

Set for Nov. 21-22, 2023 at the Hard Rock Hotel Riviera Maya, the Men's Cancun Challenge welcomes eight teams to an all-inclusive resort, where teams play in a converted ballroom that is walking distance from guest rooms. The event features four teams in the Riviera Division (Fresno State, James Madison, New Mexico State and Southern Illinois) and four teams in the Mayan Division (Morgan State, Northern Colorado, Radford and one TBA).

This marks the debut appearance for the Highlanders in this event. Radford and JMU will meet for the 20th time in program history before the fifth-ever matchup with Morgan State. Northern Colorado has never gone head-to-head with the Highlanders.

"We look forward to seeing these dedicated and on-the-rise programs shine in their spotlight moment at the Hard Rock Hotel Riviera Maya, one that makes it easy for fans to track the progress of their favorite teams while enjoying a satisfying vacation experience," said Cancun Challenge director Sarah Molina. "The convenience of the court location and the wide mix of activities on and off the property also make this a perfect trip for basketball fans who simply want to spice up their Thanksgiving routine."

Four US-based games kick off the Cancun Challenge before the teams head to Mexico (dates and times subject to change):

Tuesday, Nov. 21
MAYAN
Morgan State vs. Radford, 12:30 p.m. ET (FloHoops)
TBA vs. Northern Colorado, 3 p.m. ET (FloHoops)

RIVIERA
JMU vs. Southern Illinois, 6 p.m. ET (CBS Sports Network)
Fresno State vs. New Mexico State, 8:30 p.m. ET (CBS Sports Network)

Wednesday, Nov. 22
MAYAN
Morgan State/Radford loser vs. TBA/Northern Colorado loser, 12:30 p.m. ET (FloHoops)
Morgan State/Radford winner vs. TBA/Northern Colorado winner, 3 p.m. ET (FloHoops)

RIVIERA
JMU/Southern Illinois loser vs. Fresno State/New Mexico State loser, 6 p.m. ET (CBS Sports Network)
JMU/Southern Illinois winner vs. Fresno State/New Mexico State winner, 8:30 p.m. ET (CBS Sports Network)

Wednesday, Nov. 15
Morgan State at Fresno State

Thursday, Nov. 16
TBA at Southern Illinois

Friday, Nov. 17
Radford at JMU

Saturday, Nov. 18



Northern Colorado at New Mexico State

Each program then makes its way to the Hard Rock Hotel Riviera Maya (subject to change):

More info will continue to be released on the event website: Men's Basketball - Cancun Challenge

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536 NRCC students named to President's, Dean's lists

From NRCC

In recognition of their academic excellence during the spring 2023 semester, 536 New River Community College students have been placed on the President's List and Dean's List. Certificates will be mailed to the recipients in the coming weeks.

To be placed on the President's List, a student must have taken 12 college-level semester hours or more, attained a grade point average of 3.5 for any one semester, and earned a minimum of 20 semester hours at NRCC.

Dean's List requirements include 12 college-level semester hours of credit or more and a grade point average of 3.2 for any one semester.

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July - National Grilling Month

By Laura Reasor
Associate Family and
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July is National Grilling Month! Warmer weather makes outdoor cooking and dining more inviting, but keep in mind that bacteria in food multiply faster at temperatures between 40°F and 140°F, so preparing food in the summer heat makes food safety extra important.

Here are a few tips to remember while preparing food outdoors:

- Wash your hands. This tip sounds so simple yet is often forgotten. Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after using the restroom and before cooking or eating. If your outdoor cooking space does not have access to a bathroom, be sure to bring a water jug, soap, and paper towels.

- Keep raw food separate from cooked food. Don't use the same plate you had your raw meat on to hold your cooked meat unless it is washed with warm, soapy water. Same thing goes for your utensils.

- Cook food thoroughly. Keep a calibrated food thermometer with you and be sure to follow recommended guide-

lines. A thermometer should also be thoroughly cleaned between uses.

- Keep hot food hot and cold food cold. Cold foods should be held at or below 40°F. Be sure you have enough ice in your coolers to hold this temperature, as you will need to drain melted ice and replaced frequently in warmer temperatures. Hot food should be kept at or above 140°F.
- Refrigerate and freeze promptly. Food should not be left out of the cooler or off of the grill for more than two hours. If the outside temperature is above 90°F, food should not be left out for more than one hour.

Don't let food safety fall by the wayside while you're lake-side! More information can be found online at www.fda.gov.



Bridge work to cause delays on I-81 northbound

From VDOT

SALEM – Bridge repairs in the work zone on northbound Interstate 81 in Roanoke County near Salem are expected to create significant delays for drivers. The work is weather dependent. Motorists should pay attention to message

boards, expect delays and consider alternate routes.

Tentatively scheduled to start on Sunday, July 16 at 6 p.m., a right lane closure will be in place on northbound I-81 at mile marker 137 for major repairs to the bridge over Route 635 (Goodwin Avenue) and the bridge over Route 619 (Academy Street).

The lane will remain closed around the clock and is expected to

reopen prior to the afternoon commute on Tuesday, July 18. Drivers between Christiansburg and Roanoke will be significantly impacted during this closure, particularly during peak travel times. Heavy traffic is expected on Route 11/460 and on Main Street in Salem.

The damaged bridges are located within the work zone for the I-81 widening project between exits 137 and 141. Both bridges have

been struck by tractor-trailers.

Drivers between Christiansburg and Roanoke can consider using Route 11/460 as an alternate route.

Travelers on northbound I-81 at Wytheville can consider rerouting to use Interstate 77 north to Interstate 64 east.

To get updates on the lane closure, visit www.511Virginia.org.

Sexual Assault at VA Facilities

The Department of Veterans Affairs has just launched a special phone number to report sexual assault or harassment at VA facilities.

Veterans, their caregivers, their families and survivors can call a hotline at 800-MyVA411 (800-698-2411), option 9. The hotline is in addition to other resources, such as staff, local law enforcement and the VA police, when an assault occurs.

At the hotline, which is answered 24/7, victims can confidentially report what happened and then get follow-up health care and support.

Of special interest to me was the Bystander Intervention Training (www.va.gov/STOP-HARASSMENT/bystander-intervention-techniques.asp). It teaches specific verbal and action skills if you spot a sexual assault or harassment occurring. These steps are not especially physical, but they are effective at intervening. Click on the one-minute videos with animated cartoons showing just what to do or say in each instance. (I admit, I learned several things about intervention.)

There is Direct action (speaking up), Distract (pretend you know the victim and intervene), Delegate (get someone else involved so you can find help) and Document (write down what



by Freddy Groves

happened).

Look at the Bystander Intervention Training for Veterans online course (www.veterantraining.va.gov/bystandertraining) to learn what to do if you see harassment or sexual assault.

Also click on the Gauging Harmful Behavior section and learn what is and isn't considered unwelcome sexual advances, disrespectful, over the line, rude, mild flirting, and what might also escalate from acceptable to sexually violent behavior. Knowing these things can make you more effective when it comes to intervening in a potential assault.

The hotline number is one to become familiar with and perhaps carry in your wallet. It's the one number you need for all kinds of VA-related things, including the crisis line, homeless veterans help (try to call them before becoming homeless), cemetery and burial information, facility locator, health care, benefits assistance, education info, caregiver support -- all things veteran. If you don't know who to call, call the hotline.



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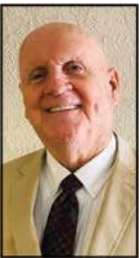
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Jesus casts an evil spirit out of Lad

Mark 9:17. “And one of the multitude answered and said, Master, I have brought unto thee my son, which hath a dumb spirit. And wheresoever the dumb spirit taketh him, he teareth him and he foameth and grasheth with his teeth and pineth away; and I spake to thy Disciples that they should cast him out, and they could not. He answereth him and saith, O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I suffer you? Bring him unto me.”

Jesus was returning with James, Peter and John from the mountain of transfiguration and the nine Disciples who didn’t go to the mountain with Jesus had tried to cast the evil spirit out of a young boy and failed. In the crowd that day were experts of the Jewish Law who were arguing with the nine Disciples. Jesus asked them what the argument was about.

You run into folks like this every now and then who want to argue over the word of God. Many times those who want to argue over the word of God are unsaved and know the least about it. We should never allow ourselves to fall into that trap. We shouldn’t argue over the word of God. It says what it means and means what it says. What we need to be doing is letting those who are argumentative know that Jesus loves them and wants to save them from their sins. We can simply tell them what the word of God says and then we are to allow the Holy Ghost to convince them of its authenticity, convict them of their sins, and to draw them to Christ.

The nine Disciples were of little faith. Genuine faith the size of a small grain of mustard seed has the power to move mountains. Little faith cannot blow the fuzz off of a peanut.

The father of this young boy pleaded with Jesus, “Have mercy on us and help my son.” We used to sing an old gospel song that says, “My God can do anything, anything, anything, my God can do anything; He made the earth and all its fullness and all that time shall bring, my God can do anything.” Jesus was God robed in flesh and He could do anything, just like His heavenly Father could do anything.

We hear it said often in Church, that “our God is an on time God.” Here we we find that Jesus was right on time. He arrived at the scene to do for this child what no one else was able to do.

Many have been the times when we needed a miracle from God and we called upon Him and He was right there, to grant to us the miracle that we needed. Where ever a child of God is, God is always there, and He’s always right on time. “He’s an on time God yes He is, He’s an on time God yes He is; He may not come when you want Him, but He’ll be there right on time, He’s an on time God yes He is.”

Jesus spoke to the child’s father saying, “If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.” And the loving dad replied, “Lord I believe, help Thou mine unbelief.”

Jesus rebuked the evil spirit by saying “Thou deaf and dumb spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him.” And the spirit cried and rent him sore, and

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Church Directory

<p>Draper Valley Baptist Church 3200 Lee Highway Draper, Va. 24324 Pastor: Alan Pearce Service Times: Bible Study Sunday, 10 a.m. Sunday Worship, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening, 5 p.m. email: drapervalleybc@gmail.com www.drapervalleybaptist.org</p> <p>Grace Baptist Church 552 E. Main Street Dublin, Va. 24084 Pastor: Doug Testerman 674-1762 Primary Services: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Sunday worship Sunday Night Power Hour, 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesday Night 7 to 8 p.m. Grace Kids and Teens Bible Study</p> <p>Open Door Baptist Church 4576 Miller Lane Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor: Rev. N.K. Howlett Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday Night, 7 p.m. Phone: 980-2046</p> <p>Draper Methodist Church 3080 Greenbriar Road Draper, VA 24324 Pastor: Lee Wiggins Email: office@draper-methodist-church.com Primary Service Times: Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>Christ Episcopal Church 144 North Washington Ave., Pulaski P.O. Box 975 Service: 10 a.m. every Sunday Phone: 980-2413 Email: christ24301@gmail.com</p> <p>Jordan Chapel Methodist Pastor: Ginny Tompkins Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.</p> <p>Cecil's Chapel Church 5801 Cecil’s Chapel Road Hiwassee, VA 24347 Worship Service: 9am Sunday School: 10am www.facebook.com/cecils chapel</p> <p>Valley Harvest Ministries 1 Harvest Place Dublin, VA 24084 Senior Pastor Steve Willis Associate Pastors: Perry Slaughter, Walter Gueste, Derick Burton Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Hispanic Ministry Service- Sunday 6 p.m. Wednesday School 7 p.m. www.vhmdublin.org 540-674-4729</p> <p>Dublin Baptist Church Pastor Allen Mahan, II 100 Hawkins Street, Dublin, VA 24084 540-674-6061 secretary@dublinbaptistva.org Website: dublinbaptistva.org Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m. Tuesday Women’s Bible Study: 11 a.m. Wednesday Youth Bible Study, 7 p.m. Food Pantry: Wednesdays 10 a.m - 2 p.m.</p> <p>Allisonia Pentecostal Holiness Church 1560 Julia Simpkins Road Allisonia, VA Pastor Justin Phillips Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.</p> <p>First United Methodist Church 301 N. 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came out of him and he was as one dead insomuch as some said, “He IS dead.” But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose, completely delivered from the evil spirit and made every whit whole.

His Disciples asked Jesus, “Why could we not cast him out? And Jesus replied, “This kind cometh forth by nothing but prayer and fasting.”

There’s nothing God cannot do in behalf of the person who truly believes. Faith is the great need of our lives. If we can only believe in the power of the Lord to deliver and heal us or those we pray for, all things will be possible for us to do and experience. Over in Hebrews 11:6 it says, “Without faith it is impossible to please God. For he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.”

Not having enough faith is a common failing among believers. If we had more faith, we could see and experience more miracles. So when we pray, we should always ask God to give us more faith. Jesus had perfect faith. He could walk upon the water. But we as puny mortals don’t have the kind of faith that Jesus had. We can increase our faith by studying the word of God and by listening to faith building sermons and fundamental bible teaching. “Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God.” Romans 10:17.

This young boy was deaf and he couldn’t hear Jesus command the evil spirit to come out of him, but certainly he knew it when it happened. He knew it when he was set free by the mighty power of Jesus Who was God the Son.

Jesus said, some things cometh not but by prayer and fasting. If we’ve been praying for a miracle and the heavens seem to be made of brass, there’s something else we can do. We can fast and pray. Fasting shows God how much we really want and need our miracle. It shows God that we want our miracle even more than the food that we eat. Fasting builds our inner spirit and denies the flesh. Prayer and fasting draws us closer to God. The closer we get to God, the closer we will get to answered prayer.

Bible Trivia

1. Is the book of Colossians (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Song of Solomon and which other book specifically mention the “apple tree”? Genesis, Ezra, Joel, Nahum
3. What chapter of Psalms has four verses (8, 15, 21, 31) that are alike? 4, 58, 107, 133
4. From Genesis 4:26, who was Adam’s youngest son? Ishmael, Cain, Abel, Seth
5. In John 11:16, who was also called Didymus? Simon Peter, Thomas, Silas, Judas
6. Which book has the longest verse in the Bible? Psalms, Proverbs, Esther, Revelation

ANSWERS: 1) New, 2) Joel 1:12 (Song of Solomon 2:3, 8:5), 3) 107, 4) Seth, 5) Thomas, 6) Esther 8:9

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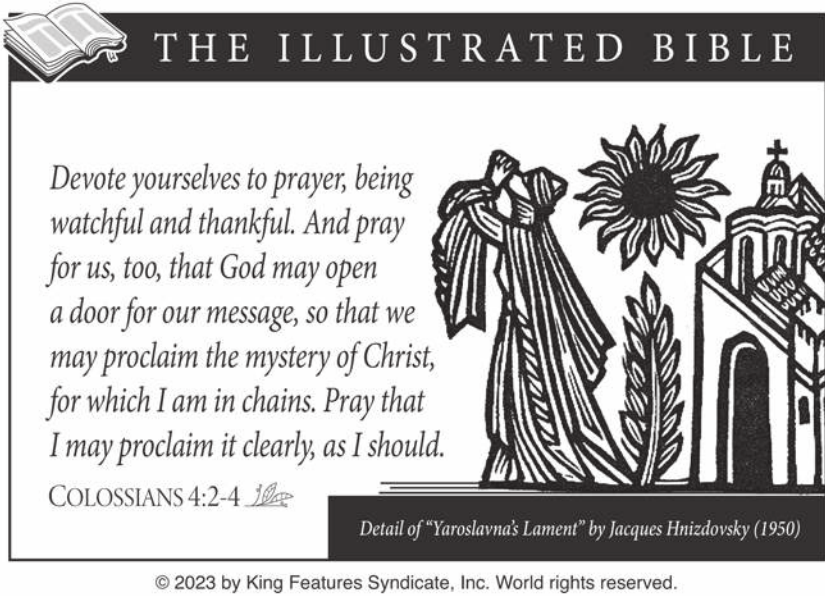
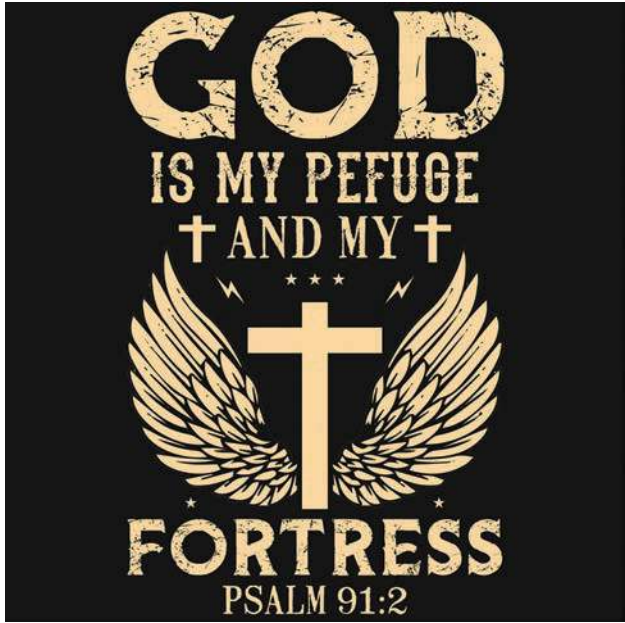
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LIKE MY NEW SUNGLASSES, TIGER?

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THESE GLASSES CUT DOWN THE GLARE

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SJGDTX RJTQ XDC, SFC ZD RJK

LDCCAUL JGNFUO NU ENNC CN

CZD SDKC NE ZAK KCJSATACX.

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!

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12 Geometric calculation

13 "The Matrix" hero

14 Conspiracy

15 Elephant's ancestor

17 Sultry Horne

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19 Pale yellow

21 Rice recipe

24 Colorations

25 Landed

26 Magazine staff listing

30 Leary's drug

31 Skin openings

32 TiVo precursor

33 Became an expert in

35 Actress Ward

36 — and crafts

37 Cancel

38 Where Gauguin painted

41 Football filler

42 Milky gem

43 Large dogs

48 Portrayal

49 Yale grad

50 Humdrum

51 Apple product

52 Game caller

53 Continental currency

DOWN

1 America's uncle

2 Historic time

3 Guitar expert

4 Nabob

5 Tennis champ

6 Old Olds

7 Mixed up

8 Swimming pool sound

9 "Roots" author Haley

10 Corn concoction

11 Jazz great

16 Klutz

20 Reply to "Shall we?"

21 Tropical tree

22 "Casablanca" role

23 Pot covers

24 Long-eared hoppers

26 Philosopher

27 Always

28 Rights org.

29 Colorless

31 Impudent

34 Shadowed

35 Writer

37 Perch

38 Actress

39 Each

40 Angelic light

41 "Dream on!"

44 Pub pint

45 Winter ailment

46 Distant

47 HBO rival

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10. Indonesian

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodríguez

1. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of nut is used in a satay?

2. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who is the first president to have a telephone in the White House?

3. MOVIES: Which actress won an Oscar for her role in "Mary Poppins"?

4. ASTRONOMY: How many planets in our solar system have rings?

5. LITERATURE: The novels "Tom Sawyer" and "Huckleberry Finn" are set in which U.S. state?

6. TELEVISION: How many seasons of "Star Trek" were produced for television?

7. GEOGRAPHY: What is the name of the highest mountain in Greece?

8. SCIENCE: Which plant produces the world's hottest pepper?

9. ANATOMY: Which hormone regulates blood sugar?

10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a piebald?

WORD LADDERS

Can you go from BLAST to BOOST in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

BLAST

BOOST

Answers

1. Peanut

2. Rutherford B. Hayes.

3. Julie Andrews.

4. Four: Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune.

5. Missouri.

6. Three.

7. Mount Olympus.

8. Carolina Reaper.

9. Insulin.

10. An animal with irregular patches of two colors, usually black and white.

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July 15

Tractor Pull
The NRV Antique Tractor Club will have a Tractor pull on Saturday, July 15th at the Ruritan National Grounds in Newbern, Va beginning at 10 am.

July 20

Sons of Confederate Veterans
The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet on Thursday, July 20, 7pm at Aly's Family Italian Restaurant on 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to this meeting. Mr. Sam Winkler, aka "President Jefferson Davis" will be the guest speaker. For further information, please call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

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Aug. 4-5

Class Reunion
Members of the Pulaski High School Class of 1973 will hold their 50th class reunion on Aug. 4 and 5, 2023. The event will be held at Thornspring Country Club and Event Center in Pulaski. Please let us know if you are interested in attending. Invites will go out later, but right now we need to determine the number interested in attending. Please email us at efsouthern@gmail.com to let us know if you plan to attend and provide your up to date address. You can write us at Class of '73 Reunion, P.O. Box 242, Pulaski, VA 24301. Also, join us on Facebook at "PHS Class of 1973 (Pulaski, VA)" Hope to hear from you soon!

Aug. 26

Dublin High School 50th Class reunion
The Class of Dublin High School 1973 will hold their 50th class reunion on August 26, 2023. The reunion will be held at Thornspring Country Club and Event Center in Pulaski. Save the date cards have been mailed and if you haven't received one please email cindyviers.cv@gmail.com or tcovey3@verizon.net or write DHS Class Reunion 1973, P.O. Box 233, Dublin, VA 24084. There will be more details mailed out soon. Join us on Facebook "Dublin High School - Virginia- Class of 1973."

Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

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

On going:

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

Pulaski Al-Anon Family Group
Pulaski Al-Anon Family Group (a support group for friends and families of alcoholics) meet every Monday night at 8 p.m. at Pulaski Presbyterian Church of America located at 975 Memorial Drive. Contact number 540-818-0621.

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

Lifestyles Changes
If you are currently trying to lose weight, we may have what you

need. Contact Bill Brewer at 540-813-1605.

ley Harvest Ministries, 1 Harvest Place, Dublin.

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

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

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Fri. July 21st: Pastor Mike Gray & Patty Hart Gray
Sat. July 22nd: Pastor Harry Gunter

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For More Information Contact: Charlie Barbettini. : 276.620.4293

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