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Hicks family places memorial bench at Randolph Park



Malinda Hicks becomes the first to sit on the memorial bench erected to remember her husband, Joel.

Legendary coach, friend to many remembered

By **MIKE WILLIAMS**
The Patriot

Joel Hicks' passing March 4 of this year left a huge hole in the heart of Pulaski County. A great football coach and a great friend who many cared for and admired had left us too soon.

To many, Joel will always be remembered as a high school football coach, which is understandable, considering his success.

His coaching career – first in West Virginia and then in Pulaski County – is legendary with well over 300 wins and, in 24 years at Pulaski County,

15 district titles and 6 regional crowns. His Cougars were three-time State Runners-Up and – finally in 1992 – Division 6 State Champions. More than good enough to land him in the Virginia High School League Hall of Fame in 2016.

There was, however, another side to Joel Hicks. As his obituary stated following his death, "At his core, Coach Hicks was a man that loved his family, his numerous pets and cherished his friendships."

"There were few days when you wouldn't see Coach Hicks and his dog running with his buddies, playing golf with his close friends or at Bisset Park

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10th GiveLocalNRV breaks record

BLACKSBURG - The Community Foundation of the New River Valley (CFNRV)'s 10th Annual GiveLocalNRV Giving Day raised a record-breaking \$921,648 from 3,329 donors for more than 100 nonprofit organizations across the New River Valley.

Originally, the overall goal for this 24-hour online giving event was set at \$500,000 – a similar total to what was raised in 2022 and 2021. But the New River Valley community had other plans.

"When we began the annual giving day in 2014, we raised just under \$40,000, and we never dreamed that the event would grow to this level. We are amazed at this year's success and grateful to the nonprofits, sponsors, and donors who made this a record-breaking year," said Jessica Wirgau, CFNRV Chief Executive Officer. "Ultimately, the money raised across more than 100 organizations benefits members of our community experiencing food in-

security or homelessness, it helps those who are seeking childcare and healthcare, it preserves the beauty of our environment, and so much more. Seeing thousands of people come together to celebrate and support those causes is extraordinary."

Participating nonprofits serve the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, and Wythe as well as the city of Radford, and

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WEEKEND WEATHER

Saturday

Partly sunny, with a high near 86. Chance of precipitation is 50%.

Saturday Night - Mostly cloudy, with a low around 66. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

Sunday

Mostly cloudy, with a high near 80. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

Sunday Night - Mostly cloudy, with a low around 64. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

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Hicks

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Coach Hicks will always be remembered for football, but his memory will live on, too, because of the friendships he developed over the years, his love for the players he coached and – most importantly – his love for his family.

Following his death, his family – wife Malinda and children, Amy and TJ – set out to do something special in his memory.

With the help of family friend, Jack Gill they obtained a cedar-colored bench to be placed at Randolph Park in Dublin as a memorial to Joel.

As so often happens these days, the bench was delayed due

to a backlog of orders, Gill said.

Finally, three and a half months after the project began, the bench arrived last week and was assembled by the park staff.

It sits today along the circular walking path that surrounds the park’s ball fields.

Inscribed on the backrest of the bench are the simply stated words, “In Memory Of Coach Joel Hicks.”

His family wants the people of Pulaski County to know the bench is there to enjoy, and to help them remember Joel.

The football field at Kenneth J. Dobson Stadium is named for Hicks and that is a fitting tribute to his football success.

Now, the bench at Randolph Park pays tribute to the other side of the man.

Both the coach and the friend will be missed, but always remembered!



The simply stated message inscribed on the bench, “In Memory Of Coach Joel Hicks.”

GO Pulaski County volunteer project ideas are needed

Most of us have a built-in desire to be a part of something bigger than ourselves and to make a real difference, especially when working alongside other volunteers.

Go Pulaski County’s motto is “Volunteers Building Community, One Project at a Time.” During a one-day county-wide service event, volunteers of all ages and skills have the opportunity to pitch in on one of a dozen or more projects.

At the end of the day, we have contributed to the building up of our community – making a positive difference through the services performed and making new bonds of friendship through service.

We are currently seeking ideas for the October 7, 2023, day of service. If you have an idea, go ahead, and submit it even if you think it is a bit crazy. We love engaging with you to brainstorm how to make it happen!

Here are some project guide-

lines to help with your idea generation:

- ...should benefit Pulaski County residents in some way
- ...should be able to be complete the project on the day of service...can’t build a house...yet!
- ...can be an indoor or outdoor project but performed in Pulaski County
- ...should facilitate a team of

about a dozen people or less...we like to work in fun, small groups

The easiest way to submit a project idea is to go online at <https://gopulaskicounty.org/projects/>

If you’d like to send an email, info@gopulaskicounty.org

Or, you can call 540-944-8130 or 540-320-7212 if you’d like to discuss a project idea

Ninth District Traveling Staff Office Hours for July

Congressman Griffith’s Ninth District STAFF will be available at the following locations during the month of July. Traveling office hours follow the status of local government offices, which vary across the 23 counties and five independent cities of the Ninth District.

July 13, 2023
Giles County: 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Town of Pearisburg Offices
Council Chambers
112 Tazewell Street
Pearisburg, VA 24134

Bland County: 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Bland County Courthouse
First Floor Conference Room
612 Main Street
Bland, VA 24315

Wythe County: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Wythe County Sheriff’s Office
Conference Room
245 South 4th Street
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Radford: 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
Radford Recreation Building
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Pulaski County: 2:30 pm – 4:00pm

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provide a wide array of services and programs. Many donors gave to multiple causes with gifts ranging in size from \$5 to \$50,000, and those gifts helped nonprofits compete for 24 grants and prizes from the CFNRV totaling \$25,500. These incentives, combined with the tools and marketing offered throughout the month of June, helped organizations rally support in a year when fund-

raising has been challenging.

“We set our initial goal at \$500,000 because we’ve raised just over that amount during the past two giving day events. Additionally, we know that nationally giving to nonprofits is down and we made some changes to this year’s event, so we just weren’t sure what to expect.” said Lindsey Gleason, CFNRV assistant director. “But I don’t think our team ever could have predicted this outcome. It was amazing to watch our community come together to do something so spectacular for our region’s nonprofits.”

Many regional businesses also stepped up to sponsor the giving day grants and prizes. Leading sponsors of the event are National Bank of Blacksburg, Atlantic Union Bank, and First Bank and Trust. This year’s other generous sponsors are: Carilion New River Valley Medical Center, Carter Bank and Trust, Olio Financial Planning, Automation Creations, Inc., Legacy Builders NRV, Meridian Bird Removal, Virginia Community Capital, Brown, Edwards, and Co. LLP, Jim and Sue McAlister, 5 Points Creative, Buzz4Good, NRV Magazine, and

Wordsprint.

2023 marked the 10th Annual GiveLocalNRV Giving Day with more than \$3.5 million dollars raised in those ten years. For more information about the giving day, and to see the range of organizations that took part, visit <https://www.givelocalnrv.org/>.

2023 GiveLocalNRV Grant and Prize Winners

Early Giving Superstar Grant (\$1,500):

Organization that raises the most money in the early giving period (June 1 to June 28 at 11:59 a.m.)

•Brock Hughes Free Clinic (Wytheville)

Most Money Raised

Organization size divided into large, medium, and small categories based on the size of each organization’s operating budget - \$2,000 for each organization.

•Large: Springhouse (Pilot)
•Medium: Floyd Center for the Arts (Floyd)
•Small: NRV Leading Lights (Blacksburg)

Most Unique Donors

Organization size divided into large, medium, and small categories based on the size of each organization’s operating budget - \$2,000 for each organization.

• Large: St. John Neumann Academy (Blacksburg)
• Medium: Calfee Community & Cultural Center (Pulaski)
• Small: New River Historical/Wilderness Road Regional Museum (Dublin)

Power Hours

Most unique donors during a specific hour - \$750 for each organization.

• 12 – 1 p.m.: Calfee Community and Cultural Center (Pulaski)
• 4 – 5 p.m.: St. John Neumann Academy (Blacksburg)
• 8 – 9 p.m.: Children’s Advocacy

cy Center of the New River Valley, a program of Children’s Trust (Christiansburg)

• 5 – 6 a.m.: Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley (Christiansburg)

• 8 – 9 a.m.: Giles County Christian Service Mission (Pearisburg)

• 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.: NRV Academy of Dance (Christiansburg)

Golden Tickets

Random drawing during a specific hour - \$500 for each organization.

• 3 – 4 p.m.: Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley (Christiansburg)

• 7 – 8 p.m.: Blacksburg Farmers Market (Blacksburg)

• 7 – 8 a.m.: Montgomery County Christmas Store (Christiansburg)

• 10 – 11 a.m.: New River Community Action (Radford)

Peer-to-Peer

Most money raised using peer-to-peer fundraising tools - \$750

• Montgomery Museum of Art & History (Christiansburg)

Superstars

Awarded to the nonprofits that best embody the spirit of GiveLocalNRV as decided by the CFNRV - \$1,500 for each organization.

• June Bug Center (Floyd)
• Montgomery County Emergency Assistance Program (MCEAP) (Christiansburg)

Farthest Donor

The gift that comes from the donor farthest geographically from the CFNRV office at 1900 Kraft Dr in Blacksburg - \$500.

• Springhouse (Pilot); a donation from Perth, Australia

Text-to-Give

Most money raised using the Text-to-Give tool - \$750

• Giles County Christian Service Mission (Pearisburg)

Right now in the U.S. Congress is bill S.1469 - Stop Stolen Valor for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Contractors. Its purpose is to require certification of small businesses applying for contracts. Ideally, this bill, if passed, would put more teeth into any punishment handed out for abusing the Department of Veterans Affairs small business and service-disabled veterans contract program.

Despite the laws about stolen valor, crooks still try to claim what isn’t rightfully theirs.

In a recent case, a woman was sentenced to federal prison for, among other things, forging military discharge papers and claiming to have received military medals after being hit by IEDs. In this case, the woman actually worked at the VA and saw firsthand what kind of pa-



by Freddy Groves

perwork and information was required. She ended up grabbing \$250,000 from veterans charities, served as a VFW post commander and gave speeches wearing a uniform and medals she purchased online. She managed to keep up the fraud for five years. She’ll be heading off to prison for six years (not nearly long enough) and will need to repay \$284,000.

Then there’s the guy (a Canadian) who’s been charged with violating the Stolen Valor Act by falsifying his discharge papers to indicate that he earned many

medals and ribbons, including the Purple Heart. The guy did serve in the U.S. military, but he was bounced with a bad-conduct discharge and never earned a Purple Heart. He’s incurred the wrath of several government agencies -- in addition to the U.S. attorney -- including Homeland Security, DMV, Border Patrol and the U.S. Air Force.

And there’s the guy who claimed to be a former prisoner of war and a Navy SEAL to help him steal health care benefits and jump up a few priority groups ahead of real veterans. The thief never served.

If you suspect someone isn’t who they say they are, check online databases. Look at the P.O.W. Network (www.pownetwork.org), the Congressional Medal of Honor Society (www.cmohs.org) and Home of Heroes (www.homeofheroes.com) with an alphabetical index of 120,000 actual recipients.



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WILLIAM JOHNSON

It is with deep sadness that we share the loss of William Johnson of Cataumet, East Falmouth, and most recently, Dublin, Virginia on June 27, 2023.

Bill was devoted to his wife of 29 years, Laney Cooke Johnson, his three stepsons Casey and Jesse Cooke and John Washburn, his grandchildren Ryan and Jace Washburn, his siblings and his extended Maine family. Bill grew up in Cataumet and spent his time either on the water or running through the streets of the village with his friends. Bill had an early love of the ocean and sailing and could skipper most any rig.

At age 8, Bill started "helping" at Parker's Boat Yard in Cataumet. As he grew older, he became a much-sought crew member for races throughout the north-east, participating in the New- port to Bermuda several times. In 1982, he was asked to crew the sailboat Conjere across the Pacific and join the prestigious Sidney-Hobart Race. His love of the water led him to attend Tabor Academy and then Mass Maritime. He spent his career working tugboats along the East Coast and the Gulf of Mexico. Bill was an accomplished cook and was never more in his element than when he and his wife Laney were hosting a crowd. His family all carry memories of lavish Sunday dinners, elaborate holidays, and lobster cookouts on their deck where three or more generations would gather into the late summer nights. Guests were always welcome, the food was always elegant and plentiful, and laughter filled the hours.

As a 9 or 10-year-old child, Bill was given the nickname "Harry", a reference to his luminous smile and beautiful brown eyes that recalled the actor Harry Belafonte. Among his family and oldest friends, the nickname stuck throughout his life. Bill was a tireless and devoted son to his mother Marie Johnson and to his much-adored aunt, Jeannette Thomas. Even in their declining years, he never failed to tease a laugh out of them. Bill retired to the mountains of Dublin, Virginia in 2021 and continued to host family there. He leaves the love of his life, Laney Cooke-Johnson, his three stepsons, Casey and Jesse Cooke and John Washburn, his grandchildren Ryan and Jace Washburn, his siblings, Helenka DeLuca and husband Chris DeLuca of Wareham, Joseph Johnson of Brooklyn, NY, Peter Johnson and wife Amina Johnson of Parkville, Maryland, and

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MARLENE WARDEN HIX

Marlene Warden Hix of Pulaski, Virginia went to her Heavenly Home on Tuesday, July 4, 2023. Born September 25, 1941 in Draper, Virginia she was the daughter of the late Frank and Lollie Warden. She was also preceded in death by her brother and sister-in-law, Larry and Betty Warden, daughter-in-law, Patti Hix and Father and Mother-in-law, Edward Hix & Dorothy Reynolds Hix.

She was retired from the Banking Industry with 35 years of service. Her smile lit up the room when she came in. She always greeted family and friends with a big hug. She loved being outside in her flower beds. Her flowers were the prettiest in the valley!

Marlene was a caring, loving, kind-hearted, sweet lady and family and friends will miss her dearly.

Left to cherish her memory are Husband of 63 years – Ronnie Hix – Pulaski

The light of her life and son – Wayne Edward Hix – Dublin

In-laws – Linda (Doswell) Pierce, Bonnie Sue(Micky) Campbell, Faye Grimm, Danny (Mary Jane) Hix

Also loved by many nieces, nephews and cousins

Funeral services will be held 2:00 PM – Friday, July 7, 2023 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski with Rev. Gary Stike officiating. Interment will follow at the Draper Valley Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends one hour before service time Friday at the Funeral Home. To sign Marlene's online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com – Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.

MICHELLE KATHERINE HENDRIX SMAIL

Michelle Katherine Hendrix Smail, age 52 of Dublin VA, died Tuesday, May 27, 2023 at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital. She was born on October 2, 1970 in Indiana, and is the daughter of Karin Yolanda-Lorraine de Nijs and the late John Raymond Hendrix.

She is survived by two sons: Zachary Smail of Maryland: Austin of Dublin: and a daughter, Sherree Summer Wolfe of Pulaski: Brothers; James Williams of Roseville, California, and Joshua Jensen of Dublin: And her Sister; Nicole Hendrix of Smithton, PA.

Also survived by two grandchildren; Dawson Smail, and Dillon Smail: and nieces and nephews

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JOHN ROBERT EDWARD STIGGER

John Robert Edward Stigger, age 52 has departed us on June 11, 2023. He was preceded in death by his mother, Vonetta Elizabeth Webb, Father Jody Gambil, grandparents Malinda "Tootsie" Calloway, and Arvella and Oscar "Peanut" Smith, and brother Vidal Abraham Webb. His survivors are two sons; Dylan Smith, Vidal Robert, Edward Stigger, daughter Jana "Justice" Waldron; Uncle James E. Calloway of College Park, Atlanta, GA and Lawrence Calloway, South Carolina. Auntie Neva R. Smith-McCollum (Kenny R. McCollum); two sisters, Nicole Gambil Columbus, OH, and Ebony Finley Lewis, Dublin, VA: special significant friend, Lolita Trussell, of Roanoke, VA; two loving cousins, Demetrious Rahi Rentas-Smith and Tobyas Jave Smith of Roanoke, VA, and host of nephews and nieces, and cousins.

John was a hard worker his entire life. Disabled, after a horrid auto accident, he still offered helping hand to whomever. He was a charismatic man with determination to master whatever tasks he came across. He was an active, dedicated, and loving father to his children.

Memorial service will be held Friday, July 7, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at Seagle Funeral Home. Visitation will be held on Friday at the funeral home from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Online condolence may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. 540-980-1700

MICHAEL LEE ROBINETTE

Michael Lee Robinette, age 73 of Dublin passed away Friday, June 30, 2023 at the Lewis-Gale Hospital, Pulaski. Born July 17, 1949 in Princeton, West Virginia, he was the son of the late Julius Robinette & Lorena Swim Walker.

Michael was a veteran of the United States Army.

He is survived by his Daughter – Toni & Chip High – Niceville, FL

Grandchildren – C.J. High, & Michael High- FL Several Brothers-

The family will be having a private service at a later date, per his request.

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

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



DANIEL "DANNY" MCKINLEY SHEPHERD

Daniel "Danny" McKinley Shepherd, 63, of Dublin, passed away on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. He was preceded in death by his father, Harvey Shepherd, his wife, Virginia Barnett Shepherd, and a granddaughter, Alexius Ann. Danny was an avid Dallas Cowboys fan who also enjoyed racing, drawing and painting, listening to albums, playing video games with his wife Jenny, and spending time in his garden.

He is survived by his daughters, Truley Akers (Robbie) and Danelle Slaughter; grandsons, TJ Hawkins, Davin Akers, Nicholas Conner, Zakkary and Lukkas Slaughter, and Stanley Warden; mother, Brenda Rakes Shepherd; sisters, Debbie Pifer (Tim) and Cindy Blankenship (Mike); brother, Chris Shepherd (Mitsy); and many other relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends on Monday, July 10, 2023, from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. with Pastor Doug Testerman officiating. Burial will follow in the Dublin Town Cemetery.

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

KENNETH G. TOLBERT

Kenneth G. Tolbert, son of the late Otey R. and Lettie D. Tolbert, of Dublin, died on Thursday, June 29, 2023 at the age of 91.

He attended Dublin High School and was a veteran of the United States Air Force, having served as a Weather Intercept Operator.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers.

Surviving are his wife, Norma "Jackie" Richardson Tolbert; two sons, Kenneth Michael and William Todd Tolbert of Dublin.

Ken was an avid golfer, hunter, gardener, and loved the outdoors.

A military service was held on Thursday, July 6, 2023 at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin, Virginia.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital & God's Pit Crew.

Arrangements by Norris Funeral Services – Pulaski Chapel.

TRACIE LYNN PORTER CORTEZ

Tracie Lynn Porter Cortez, age 53 of Pulaski, formally of San Jose, California, passed away Tuesday, July 4, 2023 at her residence.

Arrangements are pending with Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. www.seaglefuneralhome.com 540-980-1700



ELISHA PAUL SHELTON

Elisha Paul Shelton, 39, of Arizona, peacefully passed away in his home, surrounded by his friends and family on June 25th, 2023.

Elisha was born in Hiwassee, VA on November 22, 1983 to Reverend JB and Shirley Shelton.

He grew up in Christiansburg, VA and was a 2002 graduate of Auburn High School. On January 19, 2013 he married his wife Jolynn and they resided in Spokane, WA. He became a member of Spokane Faith Center in 2012 and served on the worship team. He rode with the Tribe of Judah and was patched in 2017. He was passionate about serving his community, working with City Gates to help the homeless. He was a talented musician and used his music to spread the gospel. He was a fan of VT, Washington Redskins, and loved Harley Davidson.

Elisha is preceded in death by his Mother, Shirley J. Shelton, Brother, Jeff Vickers, and Father-in Law, Bill Dewitt.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jolynn Shelton of Arizona, his daughter Lily Petrillo of Tennessee, daughters Kaya and Sadie Shelton of Maryland, and son, Gibson Shelton of Arizona. Stepson Essen Ayala and Stepdaughter Bree Ayala of Nevada. Grandchildren, Brixxon and Wrenley Sturdivant of Nevada. His Father JB Shelton of Arizona. Siblings, Dwight Shelton and spouse Lisa of North Carolina, Joey Shelton and spouse Lisa of Virginia, Ember Shelton of Virginia, Craig Shelton and spouse Michele of Arizona, and WS Shelton and spouse Angela of Virginia. Special brother JW Ashburn, numerous nieces, nephews and family friends.

Celebration of Life will be held on July 15, 2023 at Draper Pentecostal Holiness Church, 5662 Lee Highway, Max Meadows, VA 24360. Visitation from 11AM-1:00 PM, service at 1:00 PM. A catered Celebration of Life dinner will be held after the service in the fellowship hall.

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Tech veterinary clients have new way to pay

From Virginia Tech

Clients of Virginia Tech's three veterinary hospitals now have a new way to pay.

Financing pets' veterinary care through CareCredit has been available since April at all three of the hospitals of the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine: the Animal Cancer Care and Research Center in Roanoke, the Marion duPont Scott Equine Medical Center in Leesburg, and the Veterinary Teaching Hospital in Blacksburg.

Dr. Joanne Tuohy and patient. Photo by Virginia Tech. "Our hope is that with CareCredit, more of our clients will be able to pay for the services that their pet needs," said Drema Foster, director of clinical business operations for the veterinary college. "That has been a real challenge. We have offered payment plans, but those have been short term, three or four months. Now they can finance through CareCredit for up to 60 months. It gives our clients a lot more options."

CareCredit, issued by Synchrony Bank, is a credit card that can be used to cover out-of-pocket expenses not paid by insurance or other means for both human and pet health care. This can allow larger expenses to be paid in smaller increments over longer periods of time than most other payment options.

Virginia Tech's veterinary hospitals embrace the "spectrum of care" concept, in which options are offered for animal health care that better fit each individual client's ability to pay. The acceptance of CareCredit will widen some clients' ability to pay for

more intensive, but more expensive, veterinary care.

"It could have the potential to bring us more owners who might be willing to move forward with treatment," said Joanne Tuohy, assistant professor in surgical oncology for the veterinary college who performs cancer surgery for dogs and cats at both the teaching hospital and cancer center. "When we get a referral, our client care coordinators call them and give an estimate for an initial appointment with us. And some of them say, 'No, we can't come, we just simply can't afford it.' I think we can help more owners and their pets with cancer as some of those owners may end up coming because they have a payment option."

The availability of CareCredit also will help some clients pay for unexpected dire situations involving the animals they love.

"People are often not prepared for catastrophic things that happen to their pets, such as being hit by a car or a horse that has colic," Foster said. "All of a sudden, you have a bill you were not expecting. That's why we try to educate our clients now before they need it. You're coming in for a yearly visit, why not go ahead and apply for CareCredit now. It can be used for everything from the basic vaccine to a farm visit, an emergency, major surgery, or cancer treatment."

Offering CareCredit has been a goal of the veterinary hospitals for more than a decade, but contract talks between the university and CareCredit finally met success this year.

JAMES "JIM" ROBERT NEIGHBORS

James "Jim" Robert Neighbors, 80, of Radford, passed away at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital on Friday, June 30, 2023. He was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer Kenneth and Edith Marie Neighbors.

Survivors include his loving wife of 60 years, Anne Bruce Neighbors; daughter and son-in-law, Susan Marcus (Mark); sons and daughters-in-law, Rob Neighbors (Joy) and Scott Neighbors (Sarah); special daughter, Nicole Wagner; grandchildren, David Marcus, Kevin Marcus, Ryan Neighbors (Hannah), Josh Neighbors, Zach Neighbors, Jake Neighbors, Drew Lamberger and Jules Lamberger; and many other nieces, nephews, in-laws, relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, July 15, 2023, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the First UMC Church in Pulaski. Memorial services will begin at 2 p.m. with Pastor Josh Kilbourne officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to St. Jude's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, Shriner's Hospitals for Children, PO Box 947765, Atlanta, GA 30394, or First UMC in Pulaski, 301 Jefferson Ave N, Pulaski, VA, 24301.

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



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HARRY TED COVEY

Harry Ted Covey, 81, of Max Meadows died unexpectedly on Monday, June 26, 2023, at the Radford Health & Rehab in Radford. Harry was born on January 21, 1942, in Hiwassee Virginia to Herbert and Sadie Phillips Covey who preceded him in death alongside a sister, Mary ann Dean and brother, Harley Covey.

Harry was a well-educated individual with a master's degree in engineering from Appalachian State University. A man with many talents and a love for fishing and hunting. Among his many passions was the love he had for his family and friends.

Left to cherish his memory is his loving and supportive wife, Shirley Covey, daughter, Rhonda Peyton (Paul) of Pearisburg, and Pam Chrisley of Wytheville. Sons, Ronald Covey of Pulaski, Howard Covey of Lynchburg, Joe Covey (Betty Anne) of Virginia Beach, and Scott Chrisley of Hillsville.

Harry often bragged about his 13 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren (with one on the way).

Also surviving Harry is a sister, Emma Surber of Pulaski as well as numerous nieces, nephews and other extended family members including his two cats, Annabel and Rocky.

Harry also leaves behind many friends as well as brothers and sisters in Christ who loved him and prayed for him at the Glenwood Methodist Church

Funeral Services were held on Friday, June 30, in the sanctuary of Glenwood Methodist Church located at 3553 Foster Falls Road in Barren Springs. Services were officiated by Pastor, Lee Wiggins of the Glenwood Methodist Church. Interment followed at the Draper Memorial Christian Church Cemetery.

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

Online condolences may be sent by visiting www.stevensfuneral-homepulaski.com

Norris Funeral Services, Pulaski Chapel is serving the family.

Johnson

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Marysia Messer and husband Tom Messer of Hatchville along with many nieces and nephews. He also leaves his much-adored Maine/New Hampshire family, the Bouchers and Pooles.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.

Smail

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Angilica Kelly, Kaitlyn Kelly, and Christian Kelly of CA. Michael Robert Powell a nephew predeceased her last May 22, 2022.

She was surrounded by her family at her death bed talking about the good memories they have of her. She was always helping and looking out for other people. She will be missed by many.

Per family tradition, she was cremated, and the family will have a private gathering on Michelle's behalf.

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



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MARY JANE REDD BROOKS

Mary Jane Redd Brooks, age 73 of Pulaski, Virginia went home to the lord on July 1st, 2023. Mary was born August 19, 1949, to James "Bud" Redd and Lucy Jane Redd. James and Lucy had 12 children.

Mary attended the Christiansburg Institute School. On August 19, 1969, she married her former husband Walter Brooks Sr and had two children Walter and Margie Brooks, they also raised their daughter/niece Latoya Jena "Na" Brooks.

Mary had a fulfilling life being a mother, grandmother, aunt, great grandmother and friend to many family and friends.

During her life Mary worked at Givens Funeral Home in Pearisburg, VA; Virginia Maid in Pulaski, VA; Trim Systems in Dublin and Pyrotechnique by Grucci of Radford where she retired. She was a dedicated and faithful member of the First Baptist Church of 152 Ballard St, Pearisburg, VA. She was a devoted usher and member of the choir. She enjoyed creating and crafting different styles of arts and crafts for which she shared with family and friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her paternal grand parents William and Sarah Wood Redd and maternal grandparents James and Ada Shucks. Her parents James and Lucy Redd. Her brothers: Joseph Lee Redd, Richard Walter "Dickie" Redd, William Thomas "Tommy" Redd. Her sisters: Shelve "Jean" Parks and Elizabeth "Lil" Peoples. Her daughter Latoya "Na" Brooks and grandson Jordan Walter Smith and friend Lonnie "Mr. Mann" Freeman.

Mary is survived by her children Walter Brooks Jr and wife Melissa Brooks of Pulaski, Va; Margie Brooks Gray and her husband Richard "Ricky" Gray of Elgood, WV. Special daughter Clarissa "Chrissy" Johnson of Greensboro, NC. Her children's father Walter Brooks, Sr and wife Pauline of Pulaski. Grandchildren Andrew Tyler Conner of McCoy, Va, Levi Keith Gray of Elgood, WV. Extended grandchildren Brittany and Nelleigh Rae (great) Calvin, Paisley Calvin, Alysa Etter and Isaiah Gray. Sisters and brother; Madeline "Madge" Howard of Princeton, WV; Edith (Anthony) Boysaw of Pulaski, VA; James (Drema) Redd of Pulaski, VA; Charlotte (Jerry) Montgomery of Pembroke, VA; Katherine "Kathy" Williams of Pembroke and Brenda Redd of Pulaski, VA. A host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Mary also leaves behind a special friend, Carol Hodge and two lifelong friends Ann Hicks and Frances Dalton of Pulaski.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 7, 2023, at 1 pm at the First Baptist Church in Pearisburg with the Rev Michael Bratton officiating. The family will receive friends at the church 1 hour before the service from 12 - 1pm. Online condolences can be sent to the family at givesfuneralhome.com.



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Born on the Fourth of July

This year marks 247 years since the United States of America declared itself an independent nation, no longer under the rule of King George III of Great Britain. With the ratification of the Declaration of Independence by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776, the United States began its incredible journey as the greatest nation on Earth.

Just like in years past, this July 4th holiday will be celebrated with parades, barbecues, fireworks, and concerts filled with patriotic songs.

This time of year often reminds me of a great American: George M. Cohan, an actor, playwright, composer, director, and performer who is most famous today for his patriotic songs and contributions to musical theater.

George was born the day before Independence Day



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

on July 3rd (though he and his family always insisted that he had been born on the Fourth of July) in Providence, Rhode Island, to Irish American parents who were traveling vaudeville performers.

By age nine, George became a member of his parents' traveling act and by age 13, wrote songs and lyrics for the act. When he began directing The Four Cohans (his older sister being the fourth member) in his late teens, it is reported the family was such an attraction that they were earning up to \$1,000 a week. That would be in excess of \$30,000 a week today.

Not long after, George turned his sights on Broadway. By 1904, George had a hit on his hands with the musical Little Johnny Jones, about the life of an American jockey who rides a horse named Yankee Doodle in the English Derby. One of the play's song, "The Yankee Doodle Boy", also known as "(I'm a) Yankee Doodle Dandy," is one of Cohan's most famous. Most recall the lyrics:

I'm a Yankee Doodle Dandy,
A Yankee Doodle, do or die;
A real live nephew of my Uncle Sam,
Born on the Fourth of July.

In 2004, the American Film Institute raked the song at No. 71 on its 100 Years...100 Songs list.

The play also included the popular song "Give My Regards to Broadway," which has since been recorded by many artists, including Patti LuPone, Judy Garland, and Bing Crosby. The song's most famous lyrics include:

Give my regards to Broadway, remember me to Herald Square,
Tell all the gang at Forty-Second Street, that I will soon be there;
Whisper of how I'm yearning to mingle with the old time throng;
Give my regards to old Broadway and say that I'll be there ere long.

Two years later, in 1906, George wrote and produced the musical George Washington, Jr., in which he marched up and down the stage with an American flag singing his song "You're a Grand Ole Flag."

"You're a Grand Ole Flag" has since become one of the most popular marching band songs of all time and became the first song from a musical to sell over a million copies of sheet music.

Years later, when the United States was fighting in World War I, Cohan was inspired to write the song "Over There," by a bugle call.

Over there, over there,
Send the word, send the word over there
That the Yanks are coming, the Yanks are coming
The drums rum-tumming everywhere.

The patriotic song was a signal that the U.S. had decided they would be involved in world affairs. "Over There" became hugely popular during both World War I and II.

George received a Congressional Gold Medal from President Franklin D. Roosevelt for the song, the first person in any artistic field to be selected for the honor by Congress.

George passed away in 1942, the same year Yankee Doodle Dandy, a musical biopic about his life, would come out. Actor James Cagney starred as Cohan in the biopic and went on to win an Oscar for Best Actor for the role. A few years later, in 1968, the musical George M!, based on Cohan's life, became a hit on Broadway.

In all, he created and produced over 50 Broadway shows and wrote over 300 songs during his life. George's statue, the only public statue of a theater performer in all of Manhattan, has stood for decades at the center of Times Square

His many patriotic songs will, no doubt, be played this Independence Day, as we celebrate the birth of this great nation. If you are unfamiliar with George Cohan's work, I highly suggest you take time to listen to a few of his songs this Fourth of July.

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

Be Smart About Paying Off Debt

Dear Dave,
Should I cash in my 401(k) to pay off my car? I have just enough in the account to pay off the car and free up money in my budget.

Marina

Dear Marina,
If I were in your shoes, and I could pay off the car in 18 months or less, I'd live on rice and beans—plus a very strict monthly budget—and just push through until that car payment was out of my life. If that wasn't realistic, then I'd take out ads online and in the local paper, and sell the car as fast as possible.

Cashing out your retirement plan to make this happen isn't a good idea. I love that you want to get rid of your car payment, but if you use your 401(k) they'll charge you a 10% penalty, plus your tax rate. That means you'll lose anywhere from 30 to 50 percent of it to the government.

I don't know about you, Marina, but I think those guys get way too much of our money already!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
My husband was recently told layoffs are about to happen at his company, and that it might be a good idea for him to start looking for another job. He has found a couple of good possibilities, but the jobs are located 100 miles away. In preparation for a possible move, we spoke with a real estate agent who told us we'd have to remodel our kitchen to



Dave Says

Dave Ramsey

sell the house. We've got about \$4,000 in savings, but the agent said remodeling would take between \$2,500 and \$3,000. Should we get a second mortgage to pay for the work?

Natalie

Dear Natalie,
For starters, I'd suggest cutting expenses any way you can, living on a strict budget and saving as much cash as possible. But taking out a second mortgage? No! You don't want that hanging over your heads.

You might want to get another opinion on the kitchen remodel, too. Sure, a new kitchen would be nice, but would it be a make-or-break kind of thing if you decide to sell your home? Probably not, unless it's in really terrible shape right now. Regardless, there's no way I'd go into debt to make this happen. I mean, your house isn't even on the market yet. There's no reason to fix up a house that's

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Grateful, Thankful

How did you celebrate Independence Day? Did you get together with family and friends for a BBQ? And when you got together, did you talk about how much you appreciate the Founding Fathers' efforts or how much you love America and are grateful to God for this nation?

John Adams, one of the Committee of Five who wrote the Declaration of Independence, and our second US President, wrote a letter to his wife Abigail shortly after the Continental Congress affirmed the vote for independence.

In part, this is what he conveyed to her: "I am apt to believe that it (Independence Day) will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.

"You will think me transported with Enthusiasm but I am not. I am well aware of the Toil and Blood and Treasure, that it will cost Us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States. Yet through all the Gloom I can see the Rays of ravishing Light and Glory. I can see that the End is more than worth all the Means. And that Posterity will triumph in that Days Transaction, even altho We should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not."

I used to think that all the Founders rejoiced and celebrated after the signing the Declaration of Independence; that all the "good ol' boys" went down to the local pub and had a party. But now, after reading the second paragraph of Adam's letter, I can imagine the somber silence that must

One Nation Under God

By Danielle Reid

have filled the room as each signer realized that his entire life would change. In the eyes of the British King, they had committed high treason, which was punishable by death. They and their families might be terrorized, imprisoned or conscripted into the British military and forced to fight against their own countrymen. Their home might be destroyed and their property given to British loyalists. They might be clapped in irons and held captive on one of the death ships anchored off the coast of New England.

For many years, early Americans did commemorate Independence Day, July 4th, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. And although there are thousands of modern-day patriots who give honor to our Founders and gratitude to God, it seems that this national holiday has become more about beer, hot dog eating contests and fireworks displays than gratitude to those men and women who paved the way to freedom from tyranny.

We love the parades, games, sports and fireworks but while we are enjoying those activities, let's all strive to remember that our freedom and rights in America come from the Lord God Almighty. "We the people" are blessed to be living in the greatest nation in the world today, so lets inspire each other to find ways to show our gratitude.



Rich Lowery

Editor, National Review

The tragedy of Russia

On the one hand, events in Russia this past weekend were stunning -- the leader of a mercenary group declaring against the country's military leadership and, for 24 hours, marching on Moscow.

On the other, they were about what you'd expect in a Russia that, across the long centuries of its existence, has never managed to achieve Western standards of self-government.

Everything we need to know about Russia was made clear by its brutish, cynical and incompetent invasion of Ukraine. But the blowback from the invasion in the form Wagner Group leader Yevgeny Prigozhin's brief armed revolt fills out the picture.

Revolutions, attempted rebellions, assassinations and coups dot the Russian historical landscape. This isn't unusual in old nations. What makes Russia different is that it is dealing with them to this day.

England had a no-kidding war between the king and parliament ... more than 350 years ago. Boris Yeltsin had a battle with the parliament that resulted in the parliamentary building getting shelled by tanks ... in 1993.

If Prigozhin hadn't turned back, Russian tanks might have been battling in the streets of Moscow once again.

"Getting to Denmark" is the phrase social scientists use for achieving the modern standard of government.

"For people in developing countries," Francis Fukuyama has written, "'Denmark' is a mythical place that is known to have good political and economic institutions: It is stable, democratic, peaceful, prosperous, inclusive, and has extremely low levels of political corruption. Everyone would like to figure out how to transform Somalia, Haiti, Nigeria, Iraq or Afghanistan into 'Denmark'."

Russia has never gotten to Denmark, either, although if it ever succeeded in taking back the Baltics by force, at least it'd be geographically closer.

Russia's distance from the Western standard is why a country that is a member of the U.N. security council and the G20 and considers itself a great power could have a crisis with a distinct Third World flavor. An ambitious military leader who has a personal following making a bid for power is what we expect in places like Paraguay, Ecuador and Honduras. Except none of them have nuclear warheads; Russia has 6,000 of them.

Establishing a norm of the peaceful transfer of power is one of the most valuable achievements of the modern West. Otherwise, history tells us, rival contenders for power will kill one another and cut paths of destruction through their societies. The most extreme example is the Western Roman Empire that dissipated enormous resources on constant internal battles for power, setting the predicate for its fall.

Opacity, conspiracy, double-dealing, and lies are endemic to human nature, and all politics. But the West manages to circumscribe them somewhat through accountable government, the rule of law, and norms around transparency. In Russia, it's different. It may be a very

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Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce

Downtown Grub Opening Celebrated

The Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce celebrated the opening of Dublin’s newest restaurant, Downtown Grub, with a ribbon cutting ceremony on June 29th. The event drew a significant crowd, demonstrating the community’s excitement for this new soul food restaurant. Downtown Grub, owned and operated by Nichole Slaughter, Tiera Slaughter, and Domanick Slaughter promises to be a culinary gem in the heart of the Town of Dublin offering a variety of soul food dishes. One popular menu item is their signature cheesesteak eggrolls. Residents and visitors are invited to experience this new soul food restaurant located at 248 W Main Street, Dublin. The Pulaski County Chamber of Commerce proudly supports local businesses like Downtown Grub, recognizing their significant contributions to the community. For more information about Downtown Grub, follow them on Facebook.

Motorcycle season back in full swing

RICHMOND – Summer has finally arrived and that means motorcycle season is in full swing. As such, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is reminding Virginians, both motorcyclists and motorists, to look out for each other on the road.

“All drivers can help reduce the number of tragedies that occur on our roads, but it’s also important for motorists to understand the additional safety challenges faced by riders including visibility and protection,” said DMV Commissioner Gerald Lackey, the Governor’s Highway Safety Representative. “By raising awareness for motorists, we can work together to better ensure the safety of all motorcyclists on Virginia roadways.”

In 2022, there were 2,053 motorcycle-related crashes on Virginia roadways, resulting in the deaths of 111 riders and serious injuries to 762 others. This is an 8.8 percent increase in motorcyclist fatalities compared to 2021.

To help keep riders safe, DMV offers a few extra tips for both motorists and riders alike:

Tips for Motorcyclists:

- Make sure to wear a properly fitted helmet with a DOT safety symbol on the outside back.
- Choose riding gear that will increase your visibility in addition to providing protection in the event of crash.

- Check your motorcycle’s equipment before heading out, including tire pressure and tread depth, hand and foot brakes, fluid levels, headlights and signal indicators, and check under the motorcycle for signs of oil or gas leaks.

- Obey speed limits, lane markings, traffic lights, and signs.
- Ride with the flow of traffic

and leave plenty of room between your motorcycle and other vehicles.

Tips for Motorists:

- Be extra cautious when passing a motorcycle.
- Always check your blind spots.
- Maintain adequate following distance behind motorcycles.



Sculpture Exhibit In Radford

International artist Charlie Brouwer poses with “Ordinary Man,” the sculpture he installed recently at Glencoe Mansion, Museum & Gallery in Radford. The artwork makes quite a statement as it faces West Main Street at the backdoor of the historic residence. The former Radford University professor said he made the outdoor piece as a monument to “all of us because really we all are just ordinary people.” The sculpture is part of a special exhibit that includes 31 pieces at 26 sites throughout the New River Valley.



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not for sale, especially when you’ve got just \$4,000 to your names.

My advice is to wait and see how the whole job situation plays out before making any big decisions. Then if you end up selling the house and moving, you might take \$500 or so from savings to freshen up the kitchen a little bit.

— 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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How parents can avoid kids’ ‘summer slide’

From Virginia Tech

While summer is a time for fun in the sun, we often hear of parents expressing their concern about the “summer slide.” It’s when the loss of learning opportunities during the break lead to regression in reading and math. Some studies suggest up to a month of learning is lost over the summer, but according to Tonya Price, a 4-H youth development extension specialist with Virginia Cooperative Extension, there are many things that can be done to keep children learning and engaged while out of the classroom. To help reduce some of the stress and ensure your children continue to thrive during the

summer months, Price recommends parents take some time to create a schedule. “Children and adults appreciate a routine schedule because they know what to expect and what to prepare or look forward to,” says Price. “A summer schedule doesn’t have to be as rigid as their school schedule, but having a schedule will help you in planning fun and educational activities that can assist in preventing the “summer slide” while keeping your children entertained.” Price says a fun way to help plan a summer schedule is to have a theme for each day of the week and then plan activities around that specific theme. For example:

- Make it Mondays – Encourage

creativity through art activities such as drawing, painting, sculpting, or crafting. You can provide children with the materials and then let them explore their artistic abilities or follow along with on-line tutorials for inspiration.

- Trip to Library Tuesdays – Encourage children to read regularly by taking them on a trip to the library so they can pick out age-appropriate books, magazines, or e-books. Consider setting weekly reading goals and/or joining a summer reading program with your local library.
- Water Wednesdays – Take time to get outside and enjoy the sunshine by going to the pool or enjoying fun water activities at home such as sprinklers, water



balloons/sponges, or squirt toys. There are also some really cool water STEM activities you can do such as walking rainbow, elephant toothpaste, and the Skittles experiment.

- Take a Trip Thursdays – Plan a trip to a nearby attraction such as museums, zoos, amusement parks, etc. You could also do virtual field trips. Many institutions offer online tours and interactive experiences that can provide valuable learning opportunities.
- Foodie Fridays – Involve children in meal planning, cooking, and baking. Teach them basic kitchen skills and let them experiment in the kitchen with different recipes. This can improve their math skills, reading comprehension, all while teaching them about nutrition.
- Staycation Saturdays – Take time during the summer to allow your children to explore the locality in which they live. Visit local museums, art galleries, or landmarks you’ve never been to. This is a great way to discover and learn more about your city or town.
- Switch to Off Sundays – Switch your electronic devices to off and focus on activities that don’t involve screens. Encourage your children to engage in hobbies they enjoy or in family projects such as gardening, board games, puzzles, etc. These activities promote teamwork, problem solving and practical skills.

By incorporating interactive, hands-on learning experiences into your children’s summer schedule, Price says parents will capture their interest and motivate them to participate actively. “When children are engaged in activities that pique their curiosity and interest and allows them to explore, they are more likely to be enthusiastic about learning.” She recommends the following activities provided by the 4-H program based on the child’s current level of learning:

- Pre-K – Create Your Own Ladybug
- Elementary – Garden in a Glove
- Middle School – Cipher Space
- High school – Where There’s a Bill, There’s a Way to Pay

About Price

Dr. Tonya Price is a professor and extension 4-H specialist at Virginia Tech specializing in teen leadership and development, healthy living, and character education. She grew up in the Virginia 4-H program and has been employed with Virginia Cooperative Extension since 2000. Before coming to the State 4-H Office in 2006, Price served as a 4-H Project Associate and 4-H Agent in Rockingham County.



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3d printing to improve tire retreading industry

From Virginia Tech

Chris Williams, the L.S. Randolph Professor in Mechanical Engineering, leads a team that was recently selected by the REMADE Institute for a \$1.5 million project that will seek enhancements in the efficiencies of tire retreading.

Graduate students Yiqun Fu (at left) and Tadek Kosmal monitor the 3D printing process. Photo by Reilly Henson for Virginia Tech. Without the commercial vehicle industry, modern life would look dramatically different. We depend on vehicles such as tractor trailers for the transport of consumer goods, raw materials, and more. Given how resource intensive this kind of shipping is, increasing the efficiency of the entire system can be a big concern for industrial stakeholders and sustainability proponents alike. This is not limited to the fuel efficiency of the vehicles themselves, though. It also includes the materials used to keep the vehicles roadworthy — like tires — that play a surprisingly large role.

When a commercial vehicle’s tires wear out, they are often put through a process called retreading. The entire surface of the tire is buffed away, and a new layer of tread is adhered onto it. This ensures that the tire continues to perform safely, but still retains the majority of the material used to make the tire. In the U.S., about 14.5 million tires are retreaded each year.

Although this process results in less waste than completely replacing each tire when it becomes worn, there are still many inefficiencies in the system. Nearly 9 pounds of excess material are wasted per tire, and the retreaded tires could cause a drop in vehicle fuel efficiency, leading to additional greenhouse gas emissions when considered over a large scale.

This is where Chris Williams’s team comes in. With the recently awarded funding — which features a 1:1 cost share between the REMADE Institute and Virginia Tech — the team will pursue solutions to improve the efficiency of the retreading process.

“We are really excited to undertake this challenging project, which integrates advances in polymer science and manufacturing including 3D scanning, 3D printing, and industrial robotics,” said Williams. “If all goes well, the resulting retreading technology could result in annual reductions of about 90 metric kilotons of tire waste and 800 metric kilotons of CO2 [carbon dioxide] emissions across the retreading industry.”

The REMADE Institute is a public-private partnership established by the U.S. Department of Energy and the first institute in the U.S. dedicated to accelerating the nation’s transition to a circular economy. With an emphasis on efficiency and waste reduction, a circular economy is

a system that maximizes the reuse and recycling of materials.

REMADE Chief Executive Officer Nabil Nasr said the anticipated results of Williams’s project will move the U.S. closer to the nation’s energy conservation and emissions reduction targets, both of which have received renewed national attention recently.

The team’s approach will be to use 3D scanning technologies, new materials that can both be printed and resist the solicitations of commercial vehicle tires, as well as industrial robots that can print these materials only at selected locations around the used tires.

The development and evaluation of the bonding materials, along with the methods for applying and curing them on the tire, will rely upon team members’ experience in polymer science, which is a research area for which Virginia Tech is globally renowned. Williams is an affiliate of the Macromolecules Innovation Institute (MII), a hub for polymer science within Virginia Tech, that is known for its facilitation of interdisciplinary collaborations such as this one, bringing together engineering, chemistry, computing, and more.

“On behalf of MII, we are very proud that the REMADE Institute has recognized that this team of our faculty and students is uniquely skilled to take on the profound challenges of this project — from the basic science needed to create new materials capable of seamlessly mating with complex tire surfaces to engineering principles that will ensure durable tires that meet strict safety requirements,” Robert Moore, director of MII, said.

In addition to the collaborators from Virginia Tech, this project will involve researchers at Arizona State University, as well as industrial partners at the tire manufacturing company Michelin. The global mobility company’s all-sustainable strategy includes a focus on the circularity of its products, a key benefit of retreading.

According to Williams, “The only way to address this project’s grand challenge of reimagining the tire retreading process is through a team-based transdisciplinary approach focused in simultaneous considerations of materials, the additive manufacturing process, and the final tires’ performance.”

Tim Long, professor and director of Arizona State’s Biodesign Center for Sustainable Macromolecular Material and Manufacturing, will provide the expertise in synthesis of high-performance elastomers that are suitable for 3D printing. Michelin will bring the expertise in tire design and performance characterization as well as vision for industrial sustainability goals. Virginia Tech’s role will be to create a new manufacturing process that selectively deposits Long’s materials along the tire surface to meet the performance requirements of the tire industry.



Graduate students Yiqun Fu (at left) and Tadek Kosmal monitor the 3D printing process. Photo by Reilly Henson for Virginia Tech.



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Beware new scam that targets pet owners

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Please warn your readers to watch out for a new scam targeting pet owners. These despicable people look for "Lost Pet" signs and call the owner's number, claiming that they are a nearby shelter and that they've found their pet. But there's a catch: In order to get the pet back, the owner must pay the shelter using an online payment app or by sending gift cards. And here's the cruelest part: The scammers don't have their pet. They just take the money and disappear. Please sound the alarm. -- Denise O., San Francisco



and thank you for this alert! Losing a pet is heartbreaking. Scammers always strike when we're at our most vulnerable, and it's easy to fall for their scheme when we would do anything to get our pet back home.

DEAR DENISE: Absolutely, More details on the rise of this

scam in the San Francisco area can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/3dnmtsjs>.

And here's info on a similar scam in the Rochester, New York, area that targets your phone number: <https://tinyurl.com/yt-96mhn9>.

If you're contacted by someone claiming to have found your lost pet, always use caution. Look for these red flags:

-- The person claims you need to pay a fine to get your pet back, using an online payment service or gift cards.

-- The scammer says they need to send you a Google verification code.

-- The scammer refuses to send you a photo of your pet.

Here's what to do next:

-- Call a friend and get their perspective. It's hard to think

clearly when you're upset.

-- Call the scammer's number back. If they don't answer, or it's a wrong number, it's a scam.

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Beamer to be SRX race Grand Marshal ACC teams post huge successes in 2022-23

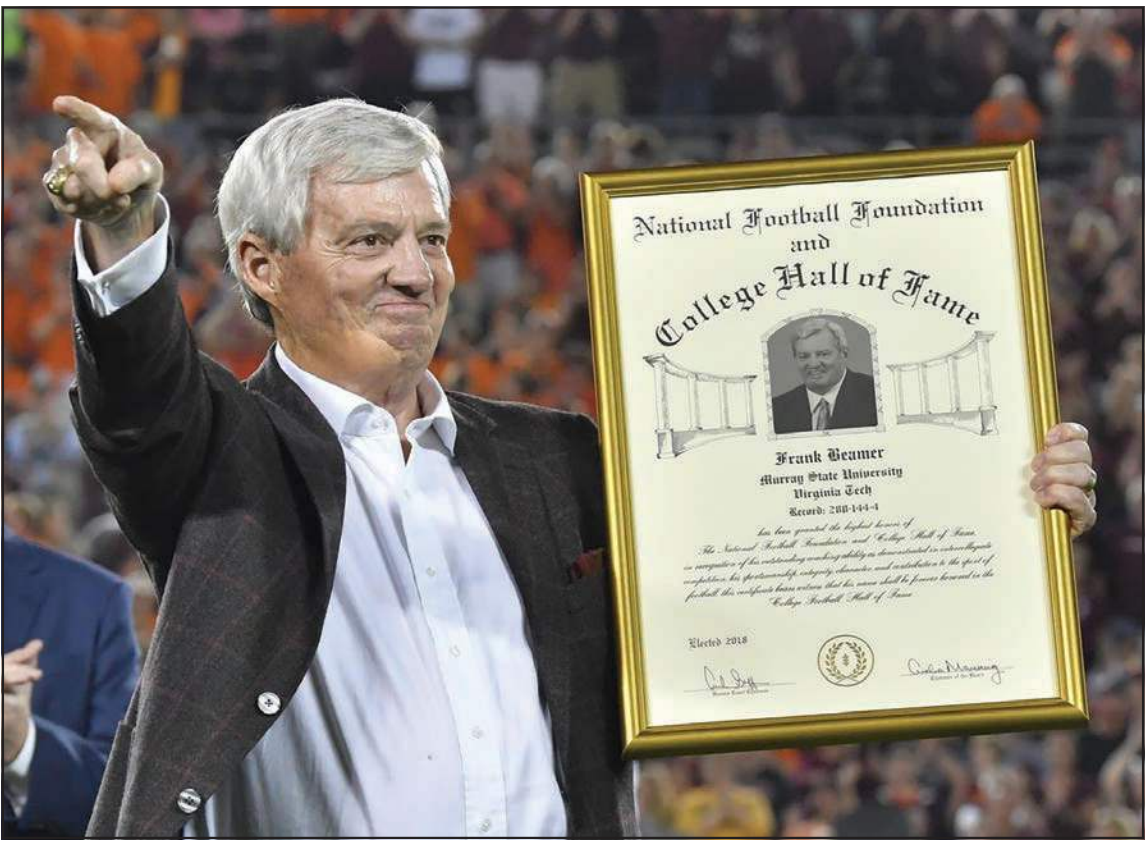
From Pulaski County Tourism

In cooperation with both Pulaski County Motorsports Park and the Superstar Racing Experience (SRX), Pulaski County is excited to announce that legendary former Virginia Tech football head coach, Frank Beamer, has been named as the Grand Marshal for the SRX race on July 27, 2023.

As one of the most highly respected and successful college football coaches of all time, Frank Beamer is the perfect person to serve as the Grand Marshal for what will be the largest professional sporting event in the history of the New River Valley. Beamer served as head coach for the Virginia Tech Hokies from 1987-2015, whom he put on the map by leading them to a national championship appearance in 2000, three Big East championships, and four ACC titles. He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame three years after his retirement in 2018.

As Grand Marshal for this exciting event, Beamer will conduct the start of the race by announcing the command for drivers to start their engines. Beamer's presence will draw attention and viewership at an even larger level and will showcase Pulaski County as a national attraction.

The SRX race will be held



Former Virginia Tech head coach Frank Beamer.

at Pulaski County Motorsports Park on July 27, 2023, and will be broadcasted live on ESPN with an estimated viewership of two-million. An extensive list of world-class drivers are set to participate in this major event including two-time NASCAR Cup Series champion, Kyle Busch, three-time NASCAR Cup Series champion,

Tony Stewart, 2023 Indianapolis 500 champion, Josef Newgarden, and many more incredible drivers.

In addition to the announcement of Frank Beamer as Grand Marshal, the Jared Stout Band will be putting on two separate performances leading up to the race; once at 5:15pm and again at

7:30pm.

Pulaski County is pleased to welcome both Frank Beamer and the Jared Stout Band at the SRX race to further enhance what will be an amazing experience for all in attendance. A full schedule of events is available on Pulaski County Motorsports Park's website at motormilespedway.com.

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Atlanta Motor Speedway will be 'under the lights'

From NASCAR

This Sunday, the NASCAR Cup Series will be returning to Atlanta Motor Speedway for the Quaker State 400 Available at Walmart (July 9 at 7 p.m. ET on USA, PRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio), and this go-around the competitors will have to navigate the high-speed, door-to-door action for the first time 'under the lights' since the 1.54-mile track was recently reconfigured by narrowing the racing surface and raising the degree of banking in the Turns to 28 degrees.

Earlier this season, Team Pen-

ske's Joey Logano scored his first and only win of the 2023 season at Atlanta Motor Speedway extending the organization's wins total at the 1.54-mile facility to seven victories. Heading into the 19th race of the season this weekend, Logano has the opportunity to become the 12th different driver to win consecutive Cup races at Atlanta Motor Speedway; joining Marvin Panch (1965 sweep), Bobby Allison (1972 sweep), David Pearson (1973 sweep), Richard Petty (1974-75), Cale Yarborough (1980-81), Bill Elliott (1985 sweep, 1992 sweep), Dale Earnhardt (1989-90; 1995-96), Bobby

See NASCAR, page B4

Cougar hoops coaches, players to be on hand Sunday in Draper

The Draper Community Park is pleased to announce the participation of the Lady Cougars and Cougars basketball teams at our community event to be held at the park on July 9th.

Come meet some of our Cougars and their coaches Scott Ratcliff and Daniel Brown. This a great opportunity to congratulate Scott and the Lady Cougars for their run of post season success and welcome Daniel back on his return to Pulaski.

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GREENSBORO, N.C. (the-ACC.com) – Atlantic Coast Conference teams delivered unprecedented NCAA Championship numbers during the 2022-23 academic year.

ACC teams closed out the year with a league-record nine NCAA titles and conference student-athletes closed out the year with 29 individual national championships. Six ACC teams ranked among the top 20 of the final LEARNFIELD Directors Cup Division I standings released on Wednesday.

Thesday. The ACC has won 16 team national championships in the last two academic years, also a conference record.

"It has been an extraordinary year for the ACC, and we are so proud of the continued success of our student-athletes, coaches, and programs," said ACC Commissioner Jim Phillips, Ph.D. "The ACC's historic accomplishments over the last two years are a tribute to the leadership at our member institutions and I applaud them for their ongoing dedication."

ACC teams won NCAA championships this academic year in the following sports:

- Women's Cross Country – NC State
- Field Hockey – North Carolina
- Men's Soccer – Syracuse
- Women's Swimming and Diving – Virginia
- Fencing – Notre Dame
- Women's Tennis – North Carolina
- Men's Tennis – Virginia
- Women's Golf – Wake Forest

Additionally, 16 ACC teams joined the conference's NCAA championship squads in reaching the national finals or semifinals during the current academic year:

- North Carolina Women's Soccer – NCAA Finals
- Florida State Women's Soccer – NCAA Semifinals
- Pitt Men's Soccer – NCAA Semifinals
- Pitt Volleyball – NCAA Semifinals
- Louisville Volleyball – NCAA Finals
- Miami Men's Basketball – NCAA Semifinals
- Virginia Tech Women's Basketball – NCAA Semifinals
- NC State Women's Tennis – NCAA Finals
- Boston College Women's Lacrosse – NCAA Finals
- Syracuse Women's Lacrosse – NCAA Semifinals
- Duke Men's Lacrosse – NCAA Finals
- Virginia Men's Lacrosse – NCAA Semifinals
- Georgia Tech Men's Golf – NCAA Finals
- Florida State Men's Golf – NCAA Semifinals
- North Carolina Men's Golf – NCAA Semifinals
- Florida State Softball – NCAA Finals

All in the Family

This marked the fifth academic year in which there were multiple all-ACC NCAA championship games:

- 1995-96: North Carolina-Maryland field hockey and Maryland-Virginia women's lacrosse.
 - 2005-06: Maryland-Duke field hockey and Maryland-Duke women's basketball.
 - 2010-11: Maryland-North Carolina field hockey and Virginia-Maryland men's lacrosse.
 - 2013-14: Notre Dame-Maryland men's soccer, Duke-Notre Dame men's lacrosse and Maryland-Syracuse women's lacrosse.
 - 2022-23: North Carolina-NC State women's tennis and
- See ACC, page B5

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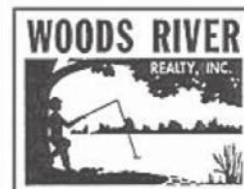
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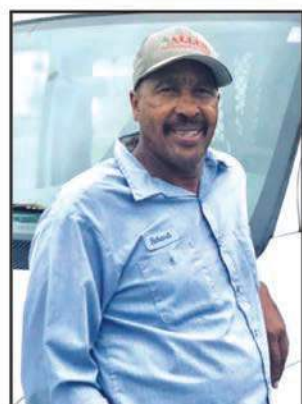
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Professional Engineering Services

The Town of Pulaski (Town) is seeking proposals from qualified professional engineering firms (Firm) to provide engineering services and assistance with Lead Service Line Inventory Mapping and other related services including but not limited to planning studies, design, lead inventory mapping, permitting, construction administration, funding procurement assistance, etc. Projects may utilize local, state, and/or federal funds and would be subject to such funding requirements if applicable. Proposals received from interested Firms will be evaluated for their professional qualifications, experience, and competence necessary for the completion of the requested services.

The RFP document may be obtained by going to www.pulaskitown.org Bids and RFP page. You may also obtain the RFP by contacting Nathan Smythers at nsmythers@pulaskitown.org or (540)994-8617.

All sealed proposals are due by July 20, 2023 by 2:00 PM. All responses received after the date and time will not be considered. All hard-copy deliveries shall be made to the following Town of Pulaski Engineering Department address: 42 1st Street NW, Pulaski, VA 24301.

Note: This public body does not discriminate against faith-based organizations in accordance with the Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4343.1 or against an offeror because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment. “MBE/WBE firms are encouraged to submit proposals”.

Public Notice
Pulaski County
Board of Zoning Appeals



Notice is given pursuant to the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance and Section 15.2-2310 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, that a public hearing will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, Pulaski, VA 24301. The Pulaski County Board of Zoning Appeals is hosting a Public Hearing and will receive public comments in relationship to the applications as listed below:

1. Petition by Michael Waller of Hidden Valley Camping Club, Variance to Article 4.22 Conditional Uses F.I.d&e, Setbacks of Campgrounds and Recreational Vehicle Parks of the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance. The property is located at 4640 Hidden Valley Camping Club Lot 181 Dublin, VA 24141 Tax Map # 066-001-0000-050B Ingles District.

Comments may be presented at the meeting and by phone or in writing prior to the meeting. Information regarding these items are available for public inspection from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Department of Planning & Zoning, County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, Pulaski, VA 24301.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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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Radford University
Job Opening

Job Title	Simulation Technician/Radford University/Clinical Simulation Center
Contact Name For Applicant	Christina Keller
Contact Phone For Applicant	(540) 831-2491
Education/Experience	Training or certification in the areas of audiovisual technology, information technology, healthcare, simulation, or other relevant fields preferred. Experience supporting computer hardware and software in a networked computing environment.
Job Summary	The simulation technician assists with clinical simulation and provides technical support of the Clinical Simulation Center in the School of Nursing. Position requires broad knowledge of healthcare simulation, audiovisual, and computer technologies to maximize student learning and faculty ability to provide state-of-the-art simulation learning experiences. Responsible for the set-up, operation, and maintenance of the simulation environment.
Required Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellent troubleshooting and communication skills with the ability to work with vendors and quickly resolve technical problems with audio, video, computer, simulator, and medical hardware and software. Demonstrated ability to effectively communicate and instruct personnel in troubleshooting technical problems.• Demonstrates understanding of basic networking components. Ability to learn to program patient simulators using a vendor supplied software program along with predesigned templates.• Self-directed and able to work autonomously as well as collaborate with a team.• Demonstrated ability to analyze, prioritize, and solve predictable and unpredictable problems.
Additional Considerations	Simulation experience preferred. Healthcare experience preferred. Healthcare Simulation Operations Specialist certification (CHSOS) preferred.
Hiring Range	Starting at \$52,000 (Pay Band 5)
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To Apply	https://jobs.radford.edu/postings/13153

NASCAR

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Labonte (1997-98), Jeff Gordon (1998-99), Carl Edwards (2005 sweep) and Jimmie Johnson (2007 sweep; 2015-16).

RFK Racing’s Brad Keselowski finished runner-up to Logano earlier this season at Atlanta, and he and his former teammate put on quite the show for the fans in the closing laps.

“A heck of a battle,” exclaimed Brad Keselowski on pit road following the Atlanta race in March. “The coolest thing about this race is two veterans showed you can run a race here side-by-side, bump-drafting, and not wreck the field. It can happen if you race respectfully. I thought everybody did a great job.”

No practice this weekend, so all the NASCAR Cup Series on-track action will kick off with Busch Light Pole Qualifying at 5:35 p.m. ET on Saturday, July 8. Qualifying will be televised on the USA Network.

NASCAR Cup Series is ready to turn-up the heat at Atlanta Mo-

tor Speedway
When celebrating the 75th Anniversary of NASCAR, it’s the people and the places that have helped make the sport what it is today, and one track that has been around a good portion of the 75 years is Atlanta Motor Speedway, 63 years to be exact.

Originally called Atlanta International Raceway, the track was then a 1.5-mile paved speedway, and it hosted its first NASCAR Cup Series race on July 31, 1960. The event was won by NASCAR Hall of Famer Fireball Roberts from the pole position in a 1960 Pontiac.

Much like we all evolve over time, Atlanta Motor Speedway has undergone a few reconfigurations since opening its doors. The track was re-measured to 1.522 miles in the spring of 1970, and it was renamed to Atlanta Motor Speedway in 1990. The track layout was reversed, and the track was reconfigured to 1.54 miles between the two races in 1997. Then in the off-season prior to 2022, the track was again reconfigured by narrowing the racing surface and raising the degree of banking in the Turns to

28 degrees.
From 1960 – 2010, Atlanta Motor Speedway hosted multiple NASCAR Cup Series races during each season; starting in 2011 the series began only visiting Atlanta once a year (2011-2020). The 2021 season marked the first time since 2010 that the series visited the facility more than once a year. Also worth noting, from 1987 to 2000 Atlanta Motor Speedway hosted the final championship race on the NASCAR Cup Series schedule.

In total, there have been 118 NASCAR Cup races at Atlanta Motor Speedway since the first race there in 1960. The 118 NASCAR Cup Series races have produced 52 different pole winners and 48 different race winners.

Race To The Playoffs: Eight chances to earn a spot in the postseason

Drivers without wins this season in the NASCAR Cup Series only have eight chances left in the regular season to earn a spot on the Playoffs as the competitors prepare for Atlanta Motor Speedway and the Quaker State 400 Available at Walmart this Sunday, July 9 at 7

p.m. ET on USA, PRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

A total of 11 drivers have already earned their spot in the Playoffs by virtue of their victories this season – William Byron, Kyle Busch, Martin Truex Jr., Kyle Larson, Ross Chastain, Christopher Bell, Denny Hamlin, Ryan Blaney, Joey Logano, Tyler Reddick and Ricky Stenhouse Jr.

Five spots are still up for grabs to make the NASCAR Cup Series Playoffs. Currently in those spots on points are Kevin Harvick (+151 points above the cutoff), Chris Buescher (+104), Brad Keselowski (+91), Bubba Wallace (+15) and rookie Ty Gibbs (+6).

Heading into this weekend at Atlanta Motor Speedway, the 19th race of the 26-race regular season, six drivers that made the Playoffs last season are currently outside the postseason cutoff, including Daniel Suarez, Alex Bowman, Austin Cindric, Chase Elliott, Austin Dillon and Chase Briscoe. In the Playoff outlook, positions 15th – 18th are separated by just 25 points.

“We have seen that this configuration (at Atlanta) provides a lot of opportunity for teams that don’t always run up front to be very competitive,” said Joe Gibbs Racing’s Denny Hamlin. “That makes it very exciting and the fact that we’re all right on top of each other the whole time makes it very challenging.”

Teetering along the postseason cutline are Joe Gibbs Racing’s Ty Gibbs, currently in the 16th and final transfer position on points to the Playoffs, and Trackhouse Racing’s Daniel Suarez, who is just six points back from Gibbs in 17th – the first spot outside the postseason cutoff. But the drivers outside the Playoff cutoff will have their work cut out for them if they expect to catch up to Gibbs, in his series track debut at Atlanta earlier this season he started 35th and raced his way up to a ninth-place finish.

Most notably sitting outside the current Playoff cutoff is the defending winner of this race and Georgia’s own, Chase Elliott from Dawsonville, who is currently 24th in the standings and 55 points back from the postseason cutoff. Luckily for Elliott and all his enduring fans, Atlanta is one of his better tracks. In nine Cup Series starts he has put up one win (2022), two top fives and seven top 10s. His average finish at the 1.54-mile track is 11.3 – best among active drivers with more than one start.



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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A 2023 SAVE RIDER PROJECTED FACTOR AND TRUE-UP FACTOR AND TO AMEND THE SAVE PLAN CASE NO. PUR-2023-00091

On May 31, 2023, Atmos Energy Corporation (“Atmos” or the “Company”) filed an application (“Application”) pursuant to § 56-603 *et seq.* of the Code of Virginia, known as the Steps to Advance Virginia’s Energy (SAVE) Plan Act, for approval of its annual update of its SAVE Rider, consisting of a revised Infrastructure Replacement Current Rate (“Projected Factor”) and an Infrastructure Replacement Reconciliation Rate (“True-Up Factor”), under the Company’s approved SAVE Plan. In addition, the Company seeks Commission approval of an amended SAVE Plan to implement, at a minimum, years six through ten of the Company’s initially proposed 14-year SAVE Plan.

In its Application, Atmos states that, pursuant to the Commission’s prior orders regarding its SAVE Plan, the Company is filing this Application for approval to implement updated SAVE Rider rates, effective with the first billing cycle in October 2023. Atmos has requested a Projected Factor revenue requirement of \$1,748,013 for the upcoming SAVE Plan year as well as a True-Up Factor revenue requirement of \$115,784 related to the Company’s third year of investment under its SAVE Plan, for a combined 2023 SAVE Rider revenue requirement of \$1,863,797. As proposed, the 2023 SAVE Rider rate for residential customers will be \$2.21 per month, an increase of \$0.75 over the current rate of \$1.46 per month for such customers.

In addition, the Application requests approval of an amended SAVE Plan to implement years six through ten of the Company’s initially proposed 14-year SAVE Plan and associated SAVE Rider. The Company states that it designed the SAVE Plan to facilitate the replacement of approximately \$107 million of eligible natural gas infrastructure over a 14-year period with a SAVE Rider commencing on October 1, 2019. Atmos indicates, however, that due to various external factors impacting costs and material availability, the Company now projects that it will take a fifteenth and partial sixteenth year to complete the proposed projects. Specifically, the Company plans to spend approximately \$133.0 million over the total 16 years that it anticipates being needed to implement the projects that are included in its amended SAVE Plan. As part of this Application, the Company is requesting that the Commission approve the amended SAVE Plan to authorize Atmos to continue with the year six through ten projects under its current SAVE Plan that the Company now anticipates will take overall a total of approximately 16 years to complete.

The details of these and other proposals are set forth in the Company’s Application. Interested persons are encouraged to review the Company’s Application and supporting exhibits for the details of these proposals.

TAKE NOTICE that the Commission may adopt rates that differ from those appearing in the Company’s Application and supporting documents and may apportion revenues among customer classes and/or design rates in a manner differing from that shown in the Application and supporting documents.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Comment that, among other things, directed the Company to provide notice to the public and provided interested persons an opportunity to comment on the Company’s Application.

To promote administrative efficiency and timely service of filings upon participants, the Commission has directed the electronic filing of testimony and pleadings, unless they contain confidential information, and required electronic service on parties to this proceeding. Please refer to the Commission’s Order for Notice and Comment for further instructions concerning Confidential or Extraordinarily Sensitive Information.

An electronic copy of the Application may be obtained, at no charge, by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company: Timothy E. Biller, Esquire, and Andrea D. Gardner, Esquire, Hunton Andrews Kurth, LLP, Riverfront Plaza, East Tower, 951 E. Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia, 23219, tbiller@hunton.com, agardner@hunton.com. Interested persons may also download unofficial copies of the Application and other documents from the Commission’s website: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

On or before August 4, 2023, any interested person may file comments on the Application by following the instructions on the Commission’s website: scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments. Those unable, as a practical matter, to submit comments electronically may file such comments by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All such comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00091.

On or before August 4, 2023, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation with the Clerk of the Commission at: scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling. Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel, if available. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Rules of Practice and Procedure (“Rules of Practice”), any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00091. For additional information about participation as a respondent, any person or entity should obtain a copy of the Commission’s Order for Notice and Comment.

On or before August 4, 2023, any interested person may request that the Commission convene a hearing in this matter by filing a request for hearing electronically via scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling. Those unable, as a practical matter, to file electronically may file a request for hearing by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Requests for a hearing shall include: (i) a precise statement of the filing party’s interest in the proceeding; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; (iii) a statement of the legal basis for such action; and (iv) a precise statement why a hearing should be conducted in this matter. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00091.

A copy of any notices of participation and requests for hearing shall be sent to counsel for the Company.

The Company’s Application, the Commission’s Rules of Practice and the Commission’s Order for Notice and Comment may be viewed at: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

VDOT Virginia Department
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Route 11 (Lee Highway) at Route 741 (Warden Court) Safety Improvements Pulaski County

Find out about a project to improve safety on southbound Route 11 (Lee Highway) at and around its intersection with Route 741 (Warden Court) in Pulaski County. The project entails modifying a curve, widening shoulders and installing rumble strips and guardrail. The improvements on southbound Route 11 would be centered on the Route 741 intersection and extend about 0.13 miles north and south.

Review the project information and National Environmental Policy Act document in the form of a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion at VDOT’s Salem District Office located at 731 Harrison Avenue in Salem, 540-387-5353 1-800-FOR-ROAD, or TTY/TDD 711. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel to answer your questions.

If your concerns cannot be satisfied, VDOT is willing to hold a public hearing. You may request that a public hearing be held by sending a written request to Mr. Francis Scarpinato, Virginia Department of Transportation, 731 Harrison Avenue, Salem, VA 24153, on or prior to **July 13, 2023**. If a request for a public hearing is received, notice of date, time and place of the hearing will be posted.

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you have questions or concerns about your civil rights in regards to this project or need special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact Francis Scarpinato at the phone numbers listed above.

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ACC

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Duke-Notre Dame men’s lacrosse.

How it Happened

A capsule look at each of the ACC’s nine national championships in 2022-23:

Women’s Cross Country – NC State

Ranked No. 1 throughout the season, Katelyn Tuohy and the NC State women lived up to their billing at the 2022 NCAA Championships on Nov. 19 in Stillwater, Oklahoma. With Tuohy claiming the gold medal and Kelsey Chmiel taking the bronze, the Wolfpack took home another national championship. NC State’s second consecutive NCAA crown is the fourth for an ACC team in women’s cross country. Virginia also claimed back-to-back titles in 1981 and 1982.

Field Hockey – North Carolina

North Carolina claimed the 2022 NCAA Division I Field Hockey Championship in dramatic fashion on Nov. 20, scoring the winning goal with 1:19 left to edge defending national champion Northwestern, 2-1, in the title game at the Sherman Family Athletic Complex. The NCAA field hockey championship is the fourth in five seasons for UNC, with five-time ACC Offensive Player of the Year Erin Matson scoring the winning goal in each of the Tar Heels’ last two title-game wins (2000 and 2002).

Men’s Soccer – Syracuse

Syracuse won its first national championship in program history on Dec. 12 in Cary, North Carolina. Following 110 minutes and a 2-2 draw, the No. 3 seed Orange outlasted No. 13 Indiana, 7-6, in a penalty-kick shootout. Syracuse was just the fourth team in ACC men’s soccer history to win an ACC regular-season title, ACC Championship and NCAA Championship in the same season, joining Virginia (1991, 1992) and North Carolina (2011).

Women’s Swimming and Diving – Virginia

Virginia won its third national championship on March 19 in Knoxville, Tennessee. Kate Douglass won three individual events (200 IM, 100 fly, 200 breast), Gretchen Walsh won two and Alex Walsh took home one (400 IM). The Cavaliers won five relay championship titles (200 medley, 200 free, 400 medley, 400 free, 800 free) on their way to cementing their place in history as the fifth program to win three consecutive NCAA Championships (2021, 2022, 2023).

Fencing – Notre Dame

Led by individual national champions Luke Linder (men’s sabre) and Eszter Muhari (women’s épée), Notre Dame captured its third straight national cham-

pionship on March 26 in Durham, North Carolina. The Fighting Irish have claimed five of the last six NCAA Championships and 13 in program history.

Men’s Tennis – Virginia

Virginia men’s tennis successfully defended its 2022 NCAA title on May 21 in Orlando. The Cavaliers swept Ohio State, 4-0, in the title match to earn their sixth Championship and second straight under head coach Andres Pedrosa. Inaki Montes clinched the victory on Court Two as the Cavaliers did not drop a set in singles play against the Buckeyes. UVA closed out the season on a 22-match win streak and did not lose an outdoor match all season.

Women’s Tennis – North Carolina

North Carolina won its first NCAA championship in program history on May 20, after defeating NC State, 4-1, at the USTA National Campus in Orlando, Fla. The Tar Heels took an early 1-0 lead after securing the doubles point and used three straight singles wins from Fiona Crawley, Carson Tanguilig and Elizabeth Scotty to secure the win.

Women’s Golf – Wake Forest











For the first time in program history, Wake Forest claimed the NCAA Women’s Golf Championship title following a 3-1 victory over USC in the Match Play final on May 24 at Grayhawk Golf Club in Scottsdale, Arizona. After four rounds of grueling stroke play, the Demon Deacons earned the No. 3 seed and had to defeat conference foe Florida State in the quarterfinals and then SEC champion Texas A&M in the semifinals before knocking off the Trojans in the final. The women’s golf title is the first for the ACC since 2019.

Men’s Lacrosse – Notre Dame

Notre Dame won its first national championship in program history, downing Duke 13-9 in an all-ACC final on Memorial Day in Philadelphia. ACC programs (at the time of the event) have won 18 NCAA titles. Current ACC membership collectively owns 26 NCAA championships, including 10 of the last 15 as well as 15 titles since 2000.

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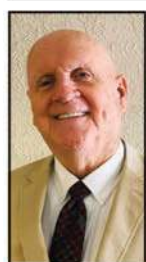
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The Lord is my Shepherd, I Shall Not Want

David the Shepherd King wrote this beautiful 23rd Psalm recognizing the amazing power and presence of the Lord who took him from being just a lowly shepherd boy and anointed him to be the next King of Israel.

A Sunday School Teacher of a Primary Class asked her students one day if anyone could quote the 23rd Psalm. One little girl, 6 years old, raised her hand. So the teacher called her up front to recite it. And here's what she said. "The Lord is my Shepherd, and He's ALL that I want." Out of the mouth of babes. Children sometimes say remarkable and insightful things. When we realize that Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is all that we want, we're going to find out that He's all that we need.

One of the best metaphors in the bible is the comparison of Jesus as the good Shepherd, and we, as the Sheep of His Pasture. (P)

Sometimes in speech, certain words are emphasized, to draw attention to them. As we read the very first verse of this Psalm, I'm going to emphasize some of the words, to expand them for exposition.

It says... THE Lord is my Shepherd.

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"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, is ONE LORD: Besides Him there are no others.: There are many false gods but only One True and Living God. Jesus is the one and only Savior of the world.

Let's change the Emphasis now and say it like this...

The LORD... is my Shepherd. Over 100 times in the Bible Jesus is called LORD. God has made this same Jesus, both LORD and Christ.

We don't have to wait until we get to heaven to call Jesus our LORD. We can and should acknowledge Him as our LORD, right now! Today!!! The LORD is my Shepherd. He became our Shepherd when He found us, wandering and lost, and on our way to a devil's Hell. Our lives had no real meaning or purpose when the Good Shepherd sought us out and found us, where we were, lost and undone, and led us out, and revealed to us our reason for being. We were born to serve the Lord.

He has been our Shepherd ever since the day He saved us from our sins. He has been with us all this time. He is *with us *even now and will be with us every day in our future.

The Lord is MY Shepherd. I'm glad that He was my Daddy's Shepherd, my Mama's Shepherd and YOUR Shepherd. But I'm Glad, most of all, because He is *MY Shepherd. I have a personal relationship with Him. I am His and He is mine. Many reading this post can say the same thing. He is your Shepard too.

If you can't truthfully say that the Lord is YOUR Shepherd, you need to make sure you CAN truthfully say it, before this day is over. All one has to do to be forgiven and saved is to call upon God in the Name of Jesus; confess that you have been a sinner; repent of your sins; ask God for forgiveness and you will be saved from the guilt, penalty, habit and dominion of sin; and become a child of God and

See MCCRAW, page B7

Church Directory

Draper Valley Baptist Church

3200 Lee Highway
Draper, Va. 24324
Pastor: Alan Pearce

Service Times:
Bible Study Sunday, 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening, 5 p.m.
email: drapervalleybc@gmail.com
www.drapervalleybaptist.org

Grace Baptist Church

552 E. Main Street
Dublin, Va. 24084
Pastor: Doug Testerman

674-1762
Primary Services:
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Sunday worship
Sunday Night Power Hour, 6 to 7 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7 to 8 p.m.
Grace Kids and Teens Bible Study

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

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.

Christ Episcopal Church

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

Jordan Chapel Methodist

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

Cecil's Chapel Church

5801 Cecil's Chapel Road
Hiwassee, VA 24347
Worship Service: 9am
Sunday School: 10am
www.facebook.com/cecils.chapel

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

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.

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.

First United Methodist Church

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

Belspring Baptist Church

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

Delton Church of God of Prophecy

4570 Boyd Road, Draper, VA 24324
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deltoncogop@gmail.com (276) 620-3191
Sunday mornings - 11 AM to 12 PM
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6195 Cleburne Boulevard, Dublin
Joe Ratcliff, Pastor
Service Times:
Wednesdays, 7 p.m.;
Sundays, 10 a.m.
(540) 674-9220
Website: www.heritagechurch.net
Facebook.com/
HeritageChurchDublinVA

First Missionary Baptist Church

7318 Manns Drive
Fairlawn, Virginia 24141-8524
(540) 639-5331
email: fmbcl872@verizon.net
Pastor: Rev. Richard A. Goodman, Sr.
Associate Minister:
Rev. Annette Cheek
Clerk: Mrs. Carlotta Lewis
Sundays:
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
The Lord's Supper - Each First Sunday
Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting &
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Draper's Valley Presbyterian (PCA)

2755 Old Baltimore Road,
Draper, VA 24324
Senior Pastor: Rev. Roland Mathews
Interim Pastor: Rev. David Gilleran
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship Service 6:15 p.m.
Wednesday Youth Groups and Adult Prayer
& Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Phone - 540-994-9015
e-mail - drapers.valley@dvpc.org
website - www.dvpc.org
Sunday Morning Worship Live-Stream •
10:30 a.m. (or anytime on YouTube)

Trinity Lutheran Church ELCA

2 Fifth Street, N.W., Pulaski
540-980-3624
Pastor: Rev. Jessica Darty
trinitypulaski@gmail.com
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
(Sept. - May)
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
(June - Aug.)
Sunday Worship Live stream on Facebook
Bible Study: Wednesday, Noon
www.trinitypulaski.org

Trinity United Methodist

Pastor: Judy Yonce
Sunday Worship - 9:45 a.m.
Bible Study - Wednesday, 7 p.m.
528 5th Street, S.E.
Pulaski, Va.
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Grace Ministries Church of God of Prophecy

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Men's & Women's Ministry Wed. 6:30

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Pastor: Jim Linkous
Associate Pastor: T.J. Cox
540-980-5433
www.facebook.com/faithbiblechurch
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Sunday Children's Church: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.
Children's Meal: 6:30 p.m.
Children's and Youth's Group
Classes: 7 p.m.



Dublin Christian Church

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P. O. Box 1330
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(540) 674-8434
www.dublinchristianchurch.com
Greg "Scooter" Breisch
Minister
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Youth and Children's
Meetings 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study, Youth and
Children's Classes 7:00 p.m.

Snowville Christian Church (DOC - Disciples of Christ)

5436 Lead Mine Rd.
Hiwassee, VA 24347
Pastor: Jerry King
Website:
www.SnowvilleChristianChurch.com
(and Facebook)
Office: 540-633-3761
Email:
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email: dublinumc@gmail.com
Sunday Worship Times: 9:00 & 11:00 am
Sunday School: 10:00 am

Max Creek Baptist Church

3000 Old Route 100 Road, Draper, Va. 24324
www.maxcreek.org
www.facebook.com/maxcreekbaptist
Senior Pastor: Mike Coleman
Youth Minister: Charlie Prince
Sunday Services
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
Teen Social and Class: 5 p.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Classes:7 p.m.

Pulaski Church of God

1621 Bob White Boulevard
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Donald Jones
540-980-8880
www.pulaskicog.church
Sunday Services
Sunday Life Groups: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays Midweek Connect: 7 p.m.

Randolph Avenue United Methodist Church

1607 Randolph Avenue
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Elston McLain
Worship Service: 11 a.m.
Phone: (540) 980-8775

Pulaski Christian Church, Inc.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Worship 7 p.m.
Monday Bible Study
7 to 9 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study
7 p.m.

First Baptist Church

220 Magazine Street
Pulaski, VA 24301
540-980-3336
Email: firstbaptist220@gmail.com
Pastor: Rev. Douglas Patterson
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Monday's Child Youth Group, Monday
Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Dora Highway Baptist Church

321 Dora Highway
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor: Harry Gunter
Worship Service: 11 a.m.
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New Hope Chapel

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Pastor Darrell Gray
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Service Times
10 a.m. Sunday School
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Grace Episcopal Church

210 4th Street, Radford, 24141
639-3494
Rev. Deacon William Yagel
Service: 10:30AM Sundays
Email: office@graceradford.org
http://www.graceradford.org
Facebook: Grace Episcopal Church
Morning Prayer services at 8:00am and
10:30am (live stream of service available)

McCraw

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shall inherit eternal life.

Now let's move the Emphasis one more time...

The Lord is my SHEPHERD. He is the Good Shepherd, the Great Shepherd and the Chief Shepherd... We were ALL like little lost lambs, wandering aimlessly around, without direction, in peril, out in the wilderness of sin... and He came seeking after us... and found us where we were... and cradled us up in His loving arms... and carried us into the safety of His sheepfold.

Because the LORD is my Shepherd... I shall not want. *I shall not want for any good thing, in this life, or in the life to come. He meets all of our needs according to His riches in glory... and even gives the desires of our hearts to them that walk uprightly."

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want. I shall not want for rest because He maketh me lie down in green pastures; I shall not want for refreshment because He leadeth me beside still waters; I shall not want for forgiveness because He restores my soul when I wander; I shall not want for righteousness for He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His Name's Sake; I shall not want for companionship or comfort for yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for Thou art with me, Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me; I shall not want for divine protection for Thou prepareth a table before me in the presence of my enemies; I shall not want for the anointing for Thou anointest my head with oil; I shall not want for the lack of any good thing for my cup runneth over; I shall not want for goodness or mercy for goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and finally, I shall not want for an eternal home for I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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The Patriot

Bible Trivia

1. Is the book of Libitaria (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Galatians 5:13, "Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through _____ serve one another." Friendship, Honesty, Love, Hope

3. From 2 Corinthians 3:17, "Now the Lord is that Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is _____." Hope, Freedom, Love, Liberty

4. From John 8:36, "If the _____ therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." Heart, Worship, Celebration, Son

5. From what book's 6:7 does it say, "For he that is dead is freed from sin"? Isaiah, Daniel, Mark, Romans

6. How many times is the word "independence" mentioned in the Bible? 0, 2, 11, 17

ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) Love, 3) Liberty, 4) Son, 5) Romans, 6) 0

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10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm

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1749 Newbern Road
Pulaski, VA 24301
Pastor Frank Peters
Sunday School: 9:45
Worship: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
980-3798

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524 N Jefferson Ave
Pulaski, VA 24301-4618
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Pastor: Timothy Moore
Men's Sunday School: 10 am
Worship: 11 am

Aldersgate United Methodist
1946 Medallion Drive
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Thursday: 7 p.m. Service

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Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at 6:30 p.m.; C3Kids and C3Youth meeting at 6:30 p.m.
Thursday 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

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

Bob White Boulevard Baptist Church
3826 Bob White Boulevard
Pulaski, VA.

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Preaching: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service: 7:30 p.m.
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First Dublin Presbyterian Church (ECO)
409 Church Street, Dublin, Va. 24084
P.O. Box 2027, Dublin, Va. 24084
first-dublin-presbyterian-church-eco.com
Pastor:
Mary Ann Armbrister
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.

New Dublin Presbyterian Church
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Dublin, VA 24084
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
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Psalm 27:2

When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall.

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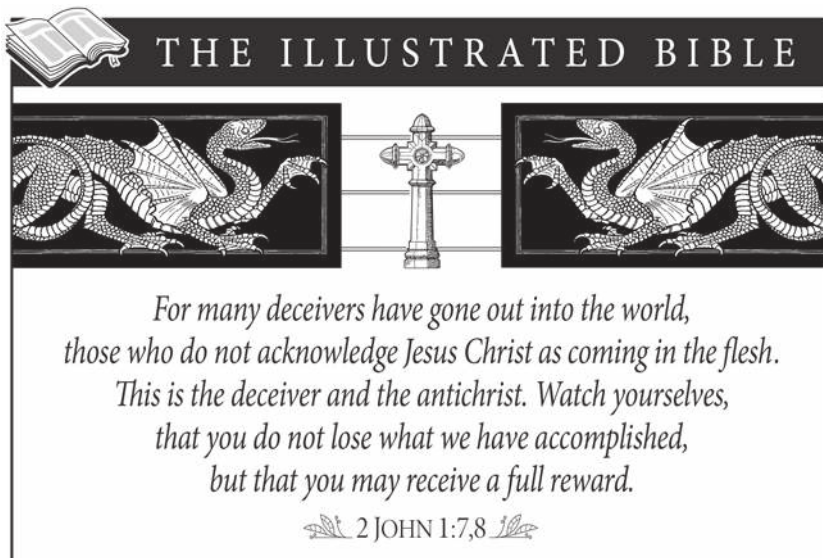
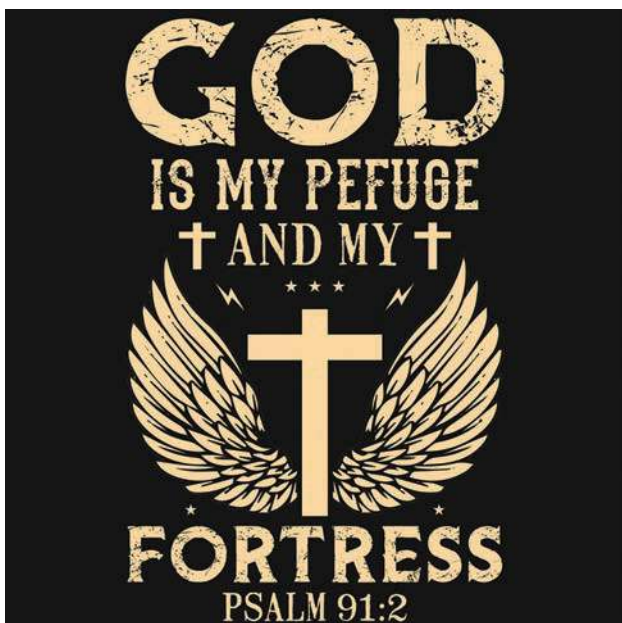
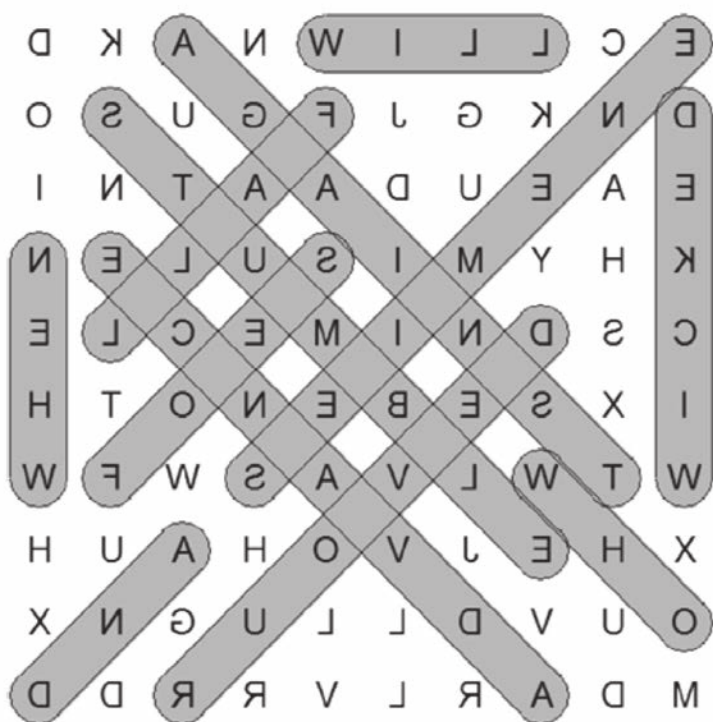
Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram.
They run in all directions — forward, backward, up,
down and diagonally.

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

I TELL YA, SON. HAVING A FAMILY AND RUNNING A FARM IS A FULL-TIME JOB.

WE EACH HAVE JOBS WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR, LIKE A BUSINESS... ANY QUESTIONS?

YEAH, I KEEP TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHERE THE HECK BABIES COME FROM?

THAT WOULD BE YOUR MOTHER'S DEPARTMENT.

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

CAPTAIN FRANK "BUZZ" BOYD IS THE FIRST ASTRONAUT TO MOONWALK ON MARS

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

I'M GREAT AT MULTITASKING...

... I CAN PROCRASTINATE, BE UNPRODUCTIVE AND WASTE TIME, ALL AT ONCE.

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

OLIVE

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

THE MARRIAGE COUNSELOR WAS RIGHT. WE JUST NEED MORE QUALITY TIME! MAYBE NEXT TIME YOU WILL WIN THE COIN TOSS.

CryptoQuip

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

Clue: G equals U

BFWZT FWTF NP COT G.M. QOTWT

LTNLBT FBQFDM LGC PNWCO

CNXM NP TPPNWC: COT ZWTFC

LFYXM WTZYNX.

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SCRAMBLERS

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

Logic ASNORE

Tier EARLY

Grin SKRIM

Group PLANE

TODAY'S WORD

"Tell me all about yourself—your dreams, your ambitions, your _____..."

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Chewable stick

4 Parisian river

9 Chaney of horror films

12 Links org.

13 Leek's kin

14 Rage

15 Food's freshness period

17 Hardly any

18 Call — day

19 Papa Hemingway

21 Boot camp reply

24 Swelled heads

25 Curator's concern

26 Mayo ingredient

28 "Bullitt" director Peter

31 Leeway

33 Hirohito's title (Abbr.)

35 Aspiration

36 Rapper's headgear

38 "Chandelier" singer

40 Stimp's pal

41 Christmas

43 Aged, in a way

45 As a whole

47 Perch

48 Zodiac feline

49 Novel storage area?

54 Buddy

55 Kate's sitcom partner

56 Aussie hopper

57 Fine, to NASA

58 Property claims

59 Chopper

DOWN

1 Family docs

2 "Yecch!"

3 Actress West

4 Sentimental sort

5 Blow up

6 Sundial numeral

7 Type of checking

8 Vigor

9 Biography

10 Raw materials

11 Salamander

16 Fleur-de- —

20 Ham's dad

21 Three feet

22 Slangy suffix

23 Tot's reading material

27 Baseball execs

29 Fencing

30 Fax

32 Manhandle

34 Football, slangily

37 Worldwide

39 Comes up

42 Dangerous bacteria

44 Sports fig.

45 Exile isle

46 Sleuth Wolfe

50 Flamenco cheer

51 Historic period

52 Bagel topper

53 Nemesis

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top ten

Heaviest Organs in the Body

1. Skin

2. Liver

3. Brain

4. Lungs

5. Heart

6. Kidneys

7. Spleen

8. Pancreas

9. Thyroid

10. Prostate gland

Source: BBC's Science Focus

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: What is the name of Samantha's mother in the "Bewitched" comedy series?

2. MOVIES: What is the name of the shark-hunting boat in the film "Jaws"?

3. SCIENCE: What is the most lethal consumed plant in the world?

4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a female goat called?

5. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who served as vice president in Abraham Lincoln's first term as president?

6. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of alcohol is traditionally used in a drink called a sidecar?

7. LITERATURE: What city is the primary setting for Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet"?

8. ASTRONOMY: Which planet in our solar system was the first to be explored by a space probe launched from Earth?

9. MUSIC: In what year did MTV launch?

10. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the famous St. Basil's Cathedral located?

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WORD LADDERS

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

RATED

PALEO

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Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

Answers

Large area of the U.S., where people always put forth tons of effort: The Great Plains region.

CryptoQuip

Answer

RATED, SATED, SAWED

PAWED, PALED, PALEO

SCRAMBLERS

1. Reason 2. Layer; solution 3. Smirk; 4. Panel

Today's Word

SALARY

Answers

1. Endora 2. The Ocre 3. Tobacco 4. A doe or nanny 5. Hannibal Hamlin 6. Brandy 7. Verona, Italy 8. Venus (Mars) 9. 1981 10. Moscow, Russia

Americanisms

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— J. Horace McFarland

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July 8

Family Day at Bread of Life / Assembly of God

On July 8th on Robinson Tract Road in Pulaski, starting at 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be games and prizes for kids. We will show a puppet show at 1 p.m. and will show again at 3 p.m. if necessary. There will be face painting, free, free, food, hot dogs, popcorn, snow cones, peanuts. If it rains we will postpone til Sept. 9 on that Saturday starting at 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Adults that bring their children that day will be eligible for a \$50 gas card. You do not have to be present for the winning, but you do need to be 18 years of age. Please come out and enjoy that day with the kids. Public is invited.

July 9

Gospel Singing

For Memorial Christian Church, 2479 Burleigh Horton Road, Draper, Va. July 9th 2023, Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Gospel Singing by The Gateway Quartet. Come enjoy the singing and fellowship.

Weekly SUDOKU Answer

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

July 13

Joyful Noise Vacation Bible School

Joyful Noise Vacation Bible School, Family Worship Center, 955 Memorial Drive, Pulaski. Thursday and Friday, July 13 and 14 from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, July 15 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Family Worship Center Kidszone. Saturday: Inflatables – bouncy house and water slide, games, hotdogs and drinks. Puppet skits, crafts, music, snacks and lots of fun.

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.

July 29

Draper Valley PH Women’s Fellowship Event

Encouragement For Women Saturday Evening, July 29, 2023 Prayer. Fellowship. Worship Music. Light Refreshments will be served. Special Speaker: Melissa Gaona. Starts at 6:00 P.M.

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)”

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.

Lifestyles Changes

If you are currently trying to lose weight, we may have what you need. Contact Bill Brewer at 540-813-1605.



Raymond F. Ratcliffe Memorial Transportation Museum

11th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament

Friday August 4, 2023
Thorn Spring Golf Course

Four-Person Captain’s Choice

Tee Off: 1:00 p.m. Lunch: 11:30 – 12:45 p.m.

Entry fee includes lunch, snacks, cart, and green fees.

Entry Fee: \$70 per golfer (Team \$280.00)
Mulligans: \$5 per person maximum of 2
1st – 3rd Place Teams

For additional information call 540-980-7381, Or e-mail jjhawley74@gmail.com

Mail this form and your entry fees to:
The Friends of the Raymond F. Ratcliffe Memorial Transportation Museum, P.O. Box 269, Pulaski, VA 24301
Make checks payable to the Friends of the Raymond F. Ratcliffe Memorial Transportation Museum. A 501(c)3 organization.
Please fill in addresses on all players. Thank You!

Four-Person Captain’s Choice Team Name or Sponsor: _____

Player 1 (Captain): _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ e-mail: _____

Player 2: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ e-mail: _____

Player 3: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ e-mail: _____

Player 4: _____ Phone: _____
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Number of Mulligans to be purchased: _____

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