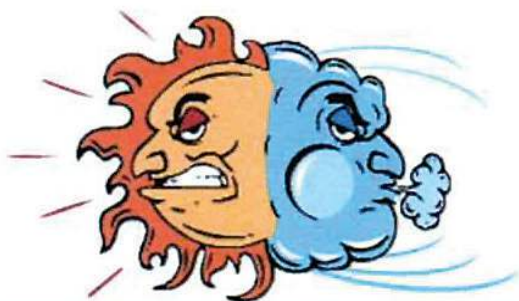




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Senators join regional leaders to talk housing

By **WILLIAM PAINE**
The Patriot

United States Senator John Warner and Virginia State Senator Travis Hackworth visited the James Hardie manufacturing facility on Wednesday to address housing shortages in the state of Virginia. In addition to news media, the James Hardie conference room was filled with local mayors, town council members, county supervisors and members of non-profit organizations that deal with housing issues.

Senator Mark Warner is touring locations from southwest Virginia to Hampton Roads this week to promote some of his legislative initiatives. His Pulaski visit focused on the Low-Income First Time Homebuyers (LIFT) act, which is designed to help first time homeowners pay a 30-year mortgage in 20 years' time.

"Homeownership is one of the key ways Americans build capital

and wealth," Warner stated in his press release. "Unfortunately, racism and systemic discrimination in our housing laws have put this opportunity out of reach for far too many families of color. The LIFT Act will help narrow the racial wealth gap by allowing qualified home buyers to build equity – and wealth – at twice the rate of a conventional 30-year mortgage."

Pulaski County Administrator Jonathan Sweet opened the meeting by emphasizing that housing was both a challenge and an opportunity for the growth potential of Pulaski County.

"The respective leadership of the New River Valley have identified housing constraints and lack of available and affordable housing stock, as one of the major barriers in solving our businesses' and industries' current and future workforce needs."

Sweet went on to detail some of the barriers to new construction, which include high interest rates

and supply chain issues, before touting the county's plans for repurposing three school buildings that have fallen out of use.

"Pulaski County, in coordination with our town's leaders, are currently working with private developers to push forward the retrofit of three former schools and that combination will provide approximately 225 new senior, affordable and market rate housing units," Sweet explained. "The former Dublin Middle, Pulaski Middle and Claremont Elementary school are adaptive reuse projects that require meaningful amounts of public private collaboration."

Sweet then announced that the New River Valley Regional Commission and the Regional Housing Trust Fund recently received \$1.8 million in funding for new housing projects in Pulaski and Montgomery Counties. About half of that will go towards

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Dublin Council talks budget, ARPA and publishing delinquent tax lists

By **DAVID QUESENBERRY**
The Patriot

At its regular meeting on Thursday, August 17th, the Dublin Town Council received reports on the year-end performance of the 2022-2023 budget as well as ongoing projects of the Town.

Town Manager Tye Kirkner told Council that General Fund Revenues had come in at 124 percent over estimates, while Enterprise Fund Revenues had come in 111 percent over estimates. Expenditures for the General Fund were 112 percent over estimates, but Enterprise Fund Expenditures were 68 percent of estimated expenditures.

The 68 percent figure for Enterprise Fund Expenditures he said, meant that the Town did not spend all the funds that were originally

appropriated due to the use of ARPA funds and generally favorable conditions the Town experienced during the fiscal year.

Kirkner explained that the Town's ARPA funds, \$2.6 million in total, were required to be fully dedicated for use by December 2024. The funds he added were all dedicated for specific projects.

One example of the Town's use of ARPA funds was the Meter Replacement Project with an estimated cost of \$850,000 to \$1,000,000 dollars. The funds could not be placed into the budget, because they were part of dedicated reserve funds for the meter replacement.

Kirkner added that two other projects were entering their final engineering phase in preparation for going out to bid. The projects would eliminate 3,000 to 4,000

feet of four-inch water lines. The Town he added, had been making great strides regarding its utility systems.

In addition, Kirkner said that the Town had also experienced success with paving and repair of streets. He suggested that a "pot-hole list" be created with citizen assistance that would be used to schedule street repairs. Presently, those streets that had been "cut up" or in bad shape were prioritized for repair.

Council next heard presentations about several ongoing and proposed projects.

Darrin Cullip, Utilities Superintendent updated Council on the Meter Replacement Project. He said that he anticipated that he would be getting with the meter firm sometime over the next two

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Dublin

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weeks about the installation of the remote read water meters.

The tower unit used for remote meter reading had not yet been received, but the Town would have a drive by unit that would be used to read the meters in the field until the tower was placed in service.

Cullip said the project would require approximately 2,600 meters to be installed. Most of the meters would require new transmitters or other modifications.

Kirkner added that a notification would be sent to residents informing them of the meter in-

stallation and also to collect information on the lead-copper status of water lines to conform with the new Lead-Copper rules for service lines to residences.

Council reviewed a proposal for publishing lists of delinquent property and personal property taxes. Rebecca Wright, Treasurer, told Council that the list would extend back three years. Following a brief discussion, staff was to research the cost of publication and survey other localities regarding their publication of delinquent tax lists.

Kirkner told Council that the Town had the ability join a set off debt collection program with the Virginia Department of Taxa-

tion. This would allow the Town through the Department, to apply unpaid bills to the state tax refunds and lottery winnings of delinquent taxpayers and recover the funds.

The Town would join the program upon receiving approval from the state Department of Taxation. No action of Council was needed since the program was already established.

In a related matter, Council considered changes regarding the Town decal. Since enforcement has become more difficult and collections had fallen by half, Kirkner proposed that the sticker fee of \$20 be added to the personal property tax. Given the timing of the tax cycle, the billing would

begin in December 2024. Council would need to approve an ordinance to make the change.

Kirkner also briefed Council on recent facilities improvements and industrial park projects. The projects involved upgrades to the Town Center building, Fire Station and continuing work on the Industrial Park.

Council unanimously approved a resolution authorizing a health insurance credit program for eligi-

ble and current retirees, effective September 1, 2023.

Council also recognized Town employees Chris Vaughn, Charlie Collins, and Pam Olverson for their work on street and administrative projects.

Council's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of the Dublin Town Center.

Pulaski man charged with attempted murder

From Pulaski Police Department

On Aug. 8, 2023 Officers from Pulaski Police Department were called to the area of S. Madison Ave. and 4th St. SE in reference to a fight in progress. When officers arrived on scene, they determined that a male had been struck with a board during the fight. Officers also learned that the suspect had thrown a large rock at the victim, which missed and struck a window, causing property damage.

Officers located and arrested the suspect, Junior Michael Stone of Pulaski, who was still in the area of the altercation. The victim

did not sustain any significant injuries during the attack and was able to restrain Stone until just prior to officers arriving on scene. During the investigation, officers determined that Stone and the victim know each other and that a protective order had previously been in place between the two, but had since expired.

After consultation with the Pulaski County Commonwealths Attorney's office, Stone was charged with attempted murder and property damage. This is an ongoing investigation and no further information will be released at this time.

Wythe man held in Lone Ash shooting incident

From Wythe County Sheriff's Office

On Sunday at 12:34 a.m., the Wythe County Sheriff's Office received a call about a female that had been shot on Lone Ash Road in the Barren Springs community. When deputies arrived they found a 16-year-old female with a gunshot wound to the chest. The victim was taken to a hospital in Roanoke and is listed in stable condition.

Deputies were able to deter-

mine Gilmer Wyatt Eversole age 22 from Wytheville, Virginia was handling a 9 mm handgun. The firearm discharged striking the victim in the chest.

Gilmer Wyatt Eversole was charged with the following:
18.2-51 Unlawful Wounding
18.2-56.1 Reckless Handling of a Firearm
18.2-388 Public Intoxication

Gilmer Wyatt Eversole was held without bond in the New River Valley Regional Jail

All Fatz locations closed

The Greeneville Sun newspaper in Greeneville, Tenn. reported Wednesday that all Fatz Café locations – including the one in Dublin – have been closed.

The newspaper reported that Fatz had filed for bankruptcy prior to the closing.

According to the Fatz website, there are 18 locations in South Carolina (8), Tennessee (3), Georgia (1), North Carolina (5) and the Dublin location in Virginia – the company's northern-most location and only location in the Commonwealth.

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transforming the Claremont Elementary School building into an apartment complex with 106 new senior housing units.

“Owning a home is the American Dream,” said State Senator Travis Hackworth, who represents Virginia’s 5th District. “I know this sounds a little crazy, but I would rather have housing than I would jobs in the county. People will drive to jobs. They live in a community that has housing. That’s where they spend their money. That’s where the real estate tax is and that’s where their kids go to school.”

“The housing market has changed so much in the last decade,” said Hackworth, who is a Class A contractor. “I remember when I first got into the housing market, you could build for \$75 a square foot turnkey. So, if you was building a 1000 square foot house that would be \$75,000. Today we are looking at prices starting at \$175 to \$225 per square foot. That jumped up tremendously in the last 6 or 7 years.”

Hackworth went on describe how rural communities in particular face infrastructure challenges, as the cost of drilling water wells and installing septic systems is far greater now than it was just a few years ago.

To counter the high cost of developing new land, Hackworth suggested that counties purchase parcels of land and make them ‘build ready’ by installing needed infrastructure. This, Hackworth claimed, would attract prospective home buyers and promote development.

“There’s no silver bullet,” said Hackworth. “It’s going to take a lot of people and a lot of partnerships to solve this conundrum. Using these old schools, that’s a perfect example of revitalizing space that is there to be used for multifamily or for senior housing. Housing does not have a political affiliation. So that’s why we’re here today. It’s not ... it’s not one sided. It’s the American dream and we all work toward that.”

“Travis doing a great job,” said Senator Mark Warner as he came to the podium. “When we first started to get to know each other,

he put heart and soul into trying to help some of the communities in Buchanan County, who got hit not once but twice with flooding.”

Warner then praised local leadership.

“I want to commend Pulaski County because I can’t think of any other jurisdiction in Virginia that’s doing three school conversions,” said Warner. “That is creative, innovative, and gosh darn smart. “

Warner went on to review some of the COVID era legislation he voted for, as well as some of the more recent bills he signed under the Biden administration, including the latest infrastructure bill and the Inflation Reduction Act.

“The one area we’ve done virtually nothing is housing,” said Warner. “If anything, we’ve retreated. We have not seen any kind of meaningful low-income housing or multifamily on any basis at all for close to 15 years.”

Senator Warner stated that the Historic Tax Credit, which has been used often in Pulaski County, was due to be renewed and expanded and that Opportunity Zones, an idea originally proposed by Senator Tim Scott, should be reimplemented.

Warner then went on to promote the LIFT Act, which he is sponsoring along with fellow Senators Ralph Warnock (D-GA), Tim Kaine (D-VA), Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), Joh Ossoff (D-GA) and Congressman Emanuel Cleaver (D-MO).

“The key to wealth accumulation in this country is homeownership and we’ve seen the levels of homeownership drop dramatically,” said Warner.

The LIFT Act would establish a program at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, in consultation with the U.S. Treasury, to sponsor low fixed rate 20-year mortgages for first-time, first-generation homebuyers. To qualify, these homebuyers must have incomes equal to or less than 120 percent of that area’s median income. Under the plan, the Treasury would subsidize the interest rate and origination fees associated with these 20-year mortgages, so that the monthly payment would be similar to a normal 30-year Federal Housing Administration (FHA) insured mortgage.

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administration and the way that Biden is destroying our states, our cities and our country, Americans will not tolerate it anymore.”

Reynolds said that Iowa “is located at the intersection of two major interstates, and it is a pathway for Mexican cartels and human traffickers to go from Mexico to the Midwest.” Iowa also has seen a 500% increase in the

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U.S. Senator Mark Warner and Virginia State Senator Travis Hackworth come to James Hardie to talk about housing issues in Virginia. From left: Senator Travis Hackworth and Senator Mark Warner

lower interest rate for those who qualify for the LIFT program, a new homeowner will pay roughly the same amount for their 20-year mortgage, as they would normally pay for a 30-year mortgage, thereby building their equity in the house at an accelerated rate.

Warner did not mention the estimated costs of implementing the LIFT Act nor did he speak about how the U.S. Treasury would fund this program.

Mark Warner wrapped up his

speech on housing by promoting the Live Here Grant Program, which would provide a tax credit plan for employers who give employees assistance in making the down payment for a new home.

A discussion session followed the speeches. Chamber of Commerce President Bill Cunningham asked about interest rates, while Darlene Burcham, the Town Manager of Pulaski, added her opinions about housing by stressing the need for available rental properties, as well as new home own-

ership.

After the discussion period ended, Senator Warner and his entourage, who had come from Abingdon that morning, left for their next scheduled talk at the Carroll County Fair.

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Governors on border security: ‘Americans will not tolerate it anymore’

By Bethany Blankley

(The Center Square) – Four governors expressed their continued commitment to secure the southwest border and support of Texas Gov. Greg Abbott at a meeting Monday in Eagle Pass, Texas.

Joining Abbott were governors Kim Reynolds of Iowa, Jim Pillen of Nebraska, Kevin Stitt of Oklahoma, and Kristi Noem of South Dakota. They’ve all sent their National Guard troops to Texas to participate in Abbott’s border security mission, Operation Lone Star. In total, troops from 15 states are currently serving in Texas participating in OLS, bbott said.

When all states expressing support for Texas are included, they total 25.

“Half the states in America are banding together to secure a border that President [Joe] Biden has abandoned. ... From the northern border to the southern border, governors are coming together to push back against the Biden administration.”

When asked by The Center Square if Abbott knew if this was the first time in Texas history that 25 governors had come together to help secure the border, he replied, “This is the first time I’m aware of. It shows the unity we have in this country among governors. ...

“Every state in the United States is a border state. Look at what’s going on in New York. Look at what’s going on in Illinois. They may be Democrat governors and Democrat mayors but they’re fed up as much as Republicans are with the Biden

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DONALD DUANE BRATTON

Donald Duane Bratton, age 68 of Pulaski passed away Saturday, August 19, 2023 at the Lewis-Gale Hospital, Pulaski. Born July 10, 1955 in Pulaski he was the son of the late David Daniel "Bobby" Bratton & Delores Draper Burton. He was also preceded in death by his brother, David Douglas Bratton.

Donald is survived by his Children – Dewane Bratton – Pulaski, Kimberly Delores (Andrew) Tessar – Floyd Grandchildren – Kinleigh Hardin, Kaithon Hardin and Kolton Tessar Sisters – Audrey "Lou" Bratton – Pulaski, Betty (David) Whited – Dublin Special Nieces – Tish Thomas, Haylea Whited/Gardner Nephew – Keith Bratton Special Uncle – Bob Burton The family will be having private services for Donald. To sign his online guestbook, visit www.bowerfuneralhome.com Bower Funeral Homes, Pulaski is handling the arrangements for the family.



BARBARA SUE PETTY

Barbara Sue Petty, age 70 of Pulaski passed away Sunday, August 20, 2023 at the Lewis-Gale Medical Center in Salem. Born October 2, 1952 in Pulaski, she was the daughter of the late Buford & Alberta Virginia Turner Petty. She was also preceded in death by her brothers, Charlie, Mickey, Mike and Pete Petty.

She is survived by her Husband – Charles Frederick Bell – Pulaski Son – Riner (Jessica) Wade – Dublin Stepson – Chuck (Ashley) Bell – Dublin Grandchildren – Jordan Tabor, Shali Wade, Emmy Wade, Sophie Wade and Sydney Bell Great Grandchildren – Alayna Tabor and Daniel Tabor Sister – Ruth Petty – Pulaski Sister-in-law – Bertha Petty – Pulaski Nieces and nephews

Funeral services will be held Thursday, 1:00 p.m., August 24, 2023 at the Bower Funeral Home-Chapel, Pulaski. Interment will follow at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, Dublin.

The family will receive friends Thursday, August 24, 2023 one hour before service time at Bower Funeral Home, Pulaski.

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

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

DREAMA D. COX

Dreama D. Cox born March 13, 1932, age 91 of Pulaski VA departed this life on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at Skyline Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Floyd.

She was preceded in death by parents Evelyn and Ray Tilley, grandson Jarrod S. Weatherford and her beloved canine friends Reebok and Daisy.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Beth-Anne Weatherford, one daughter, Shelley Weatherford, a brother and sister-in-law, Mike and Cheryl Tilley, three great-grandchildren and long-time friend Pat East.

A private graveside will be held at Highland Memory Gardens. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Humane Society of Pulaski.

Arrangements provided by Norris Funeral Services, Pulaski Chapel. Online condolences may be sent by visiting www.stevens-funeralhomepulaski.com

Celebration of Life for Shirley Taylor

Please join us in remembering and celebrating the life of Shirley Taylor (Card) on August 26, 2023 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at New Life Church of the Nazarene, 45 Jefferson Avenue South, Pulaski, VA 24301.

THOMAS EDWARD TABOR, III

Thomas Edward Tabor, III, 97 of Hillsville, passed away on Monday, August 21, 2023 at his home. Mr. Tabor was born in Pulaski, Virginia to the late Thomas E. Tabor, Jr. and Blanche Miller Tabor. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his step-mother, Charlotte Tabor; and siblings, James Tabor, Elizabeth Payette, and Mary Rosebro. Mr. Tabor graduated from Virginia Tech in 1954 with a BS in Animal Science. He started his career with Montgomery County extension service and retired in Carroll County after 30 years of service with the Virginia Cooperative Extension. Up until his passing he enjoyed his family, farm and cattle.

Survivors include his wife, Alene Sink Tabor; children, Anne T. Price (Randall) and Tommy Tabor (Mary); grandchildren, Christopher Price, Andrew Price, Thomas Tabor (Amanda), Jake Tabor, and Zachary Dalton; and great-grandchildren, Ava Tabor and Alyza Tabor.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 26, 2023 at the Hillsville First Baptist Church at 11:00 AM with Pastor Ryan Mills and Dr. Lawrence Childs officiating. Burial will follow in the Newbern Cemetery in Dublin. The family will receive friends at Vaughan-Guynn-McGrady Chapel on Friday, August 25, 2023 from 6:00 until 8:00 PM. Memorial donations may be made to the First Baptist Church in Hillsville,

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DORIS LEE PRATT SURFACE

Doris Lee Pratt Surface, age 95 of Pulaski, died Saturday, August 19, 2023, at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital. She was born in Ceredo, West Virginia on September 18, 1927, and was the daughter of the late Ruby Workman Pratt and the late Victor Lewis Pratt.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Pulaski. She enjoyed working in the garden and nurturing her flowers and eliminating every weed. She traveled on numerous trips with Sherry and Robbie Linda and Posey, Dorothy and Lonnie. She loved to crochet and knit; she made numerous quilts for all children and grandchildren. She and her husband loved to make and refinish furniture. Working puzzles and playing cards gave her much pleasure, especially when she would beat Robbie and Harry. She took care of many neighbors for years.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband: Harry Surface; sister; Iris Jean Arthur and brother-in-law, Don Arthur; sister Alice Douglas and brother-in-law, Junior Douglas; nephew Lloyd Douglas and stepmother; Dorothy Pratt Napier.

She is survived by a brother, Lewis Pratt and his wife Vanessa; sister; Virginia Lois Pratt Gower; daughter: Linda Payne and her husband Posey; granddaughter Sherry Boone and her husband, Robbie; Grandson: Mike Payne and his wife Reyn and great-grandchildren: Campbell, Elise and Anderson; daughter: Nancy Ridley and her husband Dennis; grandson: Bo Ridley and his wife Holly; and great-grandchildren; Bryce, Josh, Jackson, and Ava; grandson; Justin Ridley and great-granddaughter: London; brother-in-law: Earl Surface and his wife Elizabeth. Nieces: Donna Sue Vanhoose and Alice Jean Carley; and nephews: David Allen Douglas and Gary Arthur.

Funeral services will be held Friday, August 25, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. at Seagle Funeral Home, with Pastor Terrie Sternberg officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday, one hour before the service. Burial will follow at 3:00 p.m. at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

If you wish, in lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution may be made to the American Legion in Pulaski, or the Hospice/Palliative Care at Roanoke Memorial Hospital. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.seaglefuneralhome.com Arrangements by Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. 540-980-1700



IN LOVING MEMORY OF REV. JOSEPH (J.B.) BUFORD SHELTON 1945-2023

Rev. Joseph Buford (J.B.) Shelton, 77, of Hiwassee Virginia, peacefully passed away on July 15, 2023.

Rev. Joseph (J.B.) was born in his family home in Hiwassee, VA on November 18, 1945 to Rev. J.E. and Lummie Shelton of Hiwassee, Virginia. He attended Dublin High School. On January 16, 1965, he married his wife Shirley of 56 years and they resided in Hiwassee, VA. In 1989 they moved to Christiansburg, VA. He was employed by Odell Construction out of Hiwassee, VA. At the age of 28, Rev. Joseph Shelton went into full-time ministry and founded Faith Revivals where he evangelized in all 50 states. In 1990 he founded Missionaries to America where he spread the gospel among the missionary fields. He pastored many churches in Virginia, West Virginia, and Las Vegas, Nevada. He was a member of the Mark IV Quartet from Hiwassee, VA and played on the Grand Ole Opry. He was a singer and songwriter. He loved Gospel music and had a talent for many instruments.

Rev. Joseph (J.B.) is preceded in death by his loving wife, Shirley Shelton of Virginia, special son, Jeffery Vickers of Virginia, youngest son Elisha Shelton of Arizona, his parents Rev. J.E. and Lummie Shelton of Virginia, and many of his siblings, Clyde Clifton Shelton, Dorthy Louise Shelton, Hoover Shelton, Pauline Landreth, Moody Shelton, Imogene Mabe, Geraldine Russell, and Leslie Shelton.

Left to cherish his memory are his children: Dwight Shelton and spouse Lisa Shelton of North Carolina, Joey Shelton and spouse Lisa Shelton of Virginia, Ember Shelton of Virginia, Craig Shelton and spouse Michele Shelton of Arizona, William (W.S.) Shelton and spouse Angela Shelton of both Virginia. Special son Jerry (J.W.) Ashburn of Virginia. Special daughter-in-law Melissa Vickers of Virginia and daughter-in-law Jolynn Shelton of Washington. Numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Siblings: Brother Johnny and spouse Brenda Shelton of Virginia, Sister, Daphne McPeak of Virginia, Sister-in-laws, Betty and Jeanie Shelton of Virginia

Services:

Friday, September 1, 2023: 6pm-8pm family will receive friends and family for fellowship.

Saturday, September 2, 2023: Celebration of Life at 1:00pm

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FRANKIE WHITAKER MILLER

Frankie Whitaker Miller, age 89 of Pulaski, died Sunday August 20, 2023 at Pulaski Health and Rehabilitation Center. Arrangements are pending with Seagle Funeral Home, Pulaski. www.seaglefuneralhome.com 540-980-1700

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The family of Dorothy Pratt Cash (DOT), who passed away Aug. 3, 2023, would like to express their gratitude for all expressions of sympathy including food, flowers, donations and visits from all of her friends. Dwight Haynes provided such a meaningful and comforting message, and personal family support. The memories shared by Sherry Boone were so special – Dot would have been so proud. We would also give a special thanks to Traci Delap, her caregiver and to all of the staff and friends at Commonwealth Senior Living.

We would also like to express our gratitude to Seagle Funeral Home for the donation of "Plant a Tree" and special granite remembrance plaque. We appreciate the excellent care they provided which exceeded all of our expectations. Seagle Funeral Home was great with their assistance with all of the arrangements for the service. A special thanks to Matt Stevens for visits, special care and guidance.

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PATRICIA MARIE QUINN DISHON

Patricia Marie Quinn Dishon was born August 17, 1941 to the late John F. Quinn, Sr. and Ruth Marie Novack Quinn in Baltimore, Maryland. She passed away on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at Lexington Health Care. She leaves to cherish her memory three sons: N. Lonnie (Lori) Dishon, Jr., Roy D. Dishon and Kenneth D. Dishon; four daughters: Kathleen Lynn Coe, Ronny Jean Dishon, Judy (Eric) Walker and Christy M. Dishon; two brothers, John F. (Gale) Quinn, Jr. and Daniel M. Quinn; a sister, Ruth A. (Lester) Thompson; 16 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Family will receive friends on Friday August 25, 2023 from 6:00pm-8:00pm at Roberts Funeral Service, Lexington, N.C.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, 11:00 A.M., August 26, 2023 in the Bower Funeral Home Chapel, Pulaski. Burial will follow in the Dishon Family Cemetery, Snowville.

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

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Shelton

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with celebration dinner to follow at the fellowship hall.

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VIOLET ANN WALLS SURRATT

Violet Ann Walls Surratt, age 91 of Pulaski, passed away Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at the Highland Ridge Center in Dublin. She was born May 15, 1932 in Fries, Virginia to the late Louis Walls and Mary Etta Draughn. In 2011 her beloved husband of 61 years, Chester Darrell “Chet” Surratt, preceded her in death, as did their son, Paul Keven Surratt (2018) and her brothers, Jerry Lee Childress of Dublin and Monty Anthony “Sam” Childress of Poolsville MD.

Violet Ann and her husband owned and operated C & A Cleaning Service for 29 years in Pulaski. Throughout her life she devoted her love and energy to helping both family and friends when there was a need. Her door and heart were always open.

She is survived by son George Allen and wife Barbara of Galax; four grandchildren David Allen Surratt, Jason Paul Surratt, Paul Kevin Surratt II and Phillip Young; daughter-in-law June Anderson Surratt of Speedwell; sister-in-law Loretta Horne Surratt; brother Arvin Daniel “Ronnie” Childress and wife Jan of Sacramento CA; and many cherished nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday 10:00 A.M. August 30, 2023 in the Bower Funeral Home Chapel, Pulaski.

Violet Ann will be laid to rest beside Chester at the Surratt Cemetery in the Sylvatus Community, Carroll County, Virginia. <https://www.newriversnotes.com/surratt-cemetery/>

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Border

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amount of fentanyl being seized, a 100% increase in meth, and drug related deaths have increased by 35%, she said, “and we’re 1,000 miles away from Eagle Pass.”

Pillen said he was “in disbelief” about the misrepresentation by the media and others of the buoys placed in the Rio Grande River to deter illegal border crossings.

“The buoys act as a deterrent,” Pillen said. He also said he couldn’t believe the misrepresentation about those illegally entering the U.S.

“We are fighting the cartels,” he said. “They are trying to kill our kids. That’s one thing we can surely agree on in the United States is our kids? Right?”

“What we’re literally witnessing is a war zone, and it is astonishing to watch it perpetuated by

our president,” Noem said. She first sent National Guard troops, she said, because she recognized what was happening “was a war. They are threatening our sovereignty right now. The cartels are out for blood, and they are facilitating the trafficking of our children every day. That’s what I find so shocking is the lack of humanity in these policies. These policies are inhumane of what they’re doing to people and to families.”

The Biden administration has said it’s border policies are more humane than former President Donald Trump’s. The administration also has said the border is secure.

The governors in Eagle Pass Monday disagreed.

Stitt said, “The chaotic scenes at the southern border are a stark reminder of the consequences of disastrous open border policies.” What’s going on “has nothing to do with immigration,” he added. “You don’t have a brain if you don’t think we don’t need to secure our border. The terrorists coming through, the criminals; it’s got to stop.”

All of the governors, except for newly elected Pillen, had sent troops and assistance to support

Abbott’s efforts. They did so after he sent an SOS in May requesting help from fellow governors.

The states who’ve so far sent National Guard troops and law enforcement support include Arkansas, Florida, Iowa, Idaho, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

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Second Quarter Accomplishments

In April, I reflected on what we have been able to accomplish in the House of Representatives during the first three months of the year. Now that it is August, let's look back through the rest of spring and summer.

Legislation Passed

My legislation, the HALT Fentanyl Act, to permanently schedule fentanyl analogues, passed the House in May with bipartisan support, with a vote of 289-133. It is now pending in Senate. I hope they will vote on this important legislation soon.

Also in May, House Republicans passed H.R.2, the Secure the Border Act, in an effort to combat the humanitarian crisis at our southern border. Unfortunately, Biden Administration policies have led to increased rates of human and drug smuggling. They have also led to an historic



Morgan Griffith

9th District Representative

number of unaccompanied minors living in our country, many being exploited and abused (see below). The House Republicans' bill will

force the Biden Administration to restart the construction of the border wall, deploy needed technology to increase security to both the southern and northern borders, and provide funding to increase the number of border patrol agents. It will also strengthen current law aiming to protect unaccompanied children from human trafficking.

In late April, House Republicans passed H.R.734, the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act of 2023, legislation to ensure that women and girls have a fair playing field in sports by guaranteeing that schools adhere to Title IX's recognition of biology and genetics of an individual at birth. This bill is about fairness, which is why I was an original cosponsor. Women fought for years for equal opportunities in sports. Why should women be forced to sacrifice playing time and scholarship opportunities? They shouldn't.

The House has also passed other impactful legislation, like the fiscal year (FY) 2024 National Defense Authorization Act, the Federal Aviation Administration Reauthorization bill, and the FY 2024 Veterans Affairs appropriations bill.

Committee Work

The Energy and Commerce (E&C) Committee has worked hard on issues within its jurisdiction.

As Chairman of the E&C Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee, I have held 13 hearings since the beginning of April. One focus of the subcommittee is to provide oversight of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

We have worked to hold HHS responsible for their abject failure to competently manage the record number of unaccompanied minors in this country. While we may disagree on what brought these kids to the U.S., once we have taken responsibility for these children, we have a moral obligation to ensure they have the care they need.

We have also explored emerging public threats like antimicrobial resistance (bacteria that is resistant to antibiotics) and how phage therapy (the process of using viruses that kill or weaken bacteria by attacking the bacteria) can combat this growing problem.

I am also a member of the Health Subcommittee and Energy Subcommittee. In the Health Subcommittee, we have held hearings covering our country's overdose crisis, a serious problem in our district and our nation. We also continue to look for ways to lower our health care costs, whether that be Medicare or prescription drug costs.

On the Energy Subcommittee, we have held hearings about the need to secure our nation's power grid, a real problem in the age of ever-increasing cyberattacks.

We have also looked at all of the above solutions in energy, including the future of nuclear energy in the United States. Nuclear energy is a dependable energy source and with the advent of small modular nuclear reactors, it is a potentially more significant electric provider for the future. That does not mean that we, and the rest of the world, will not need thermal coal.

I also serve on the House Administration Committee. The Committee continues to examine our country's elections and voting processes. In July, Committee passed the American Confidence in Elections (ACE) Act, which included my NO VOTE for Non-Citizens Act. The bill reaffirms it is a crime for non-citizens to vote in our federal elections and withholds some federal dollars from state/local jurisdictions that allow non-citizens to vote in their elections.

The Committee has also done oversight work over the U.S. Capitol Police (USCP), bringing in the USCP police chief, inspector general, and police board. I am investigating the sweetheart retirement deal granted to former Assistant Chief Pittman, which was revealed to the public through our hearings.

There is more work to be done between now and the end of the year. I will continue to take our Fightin' Ninth values to Washington.

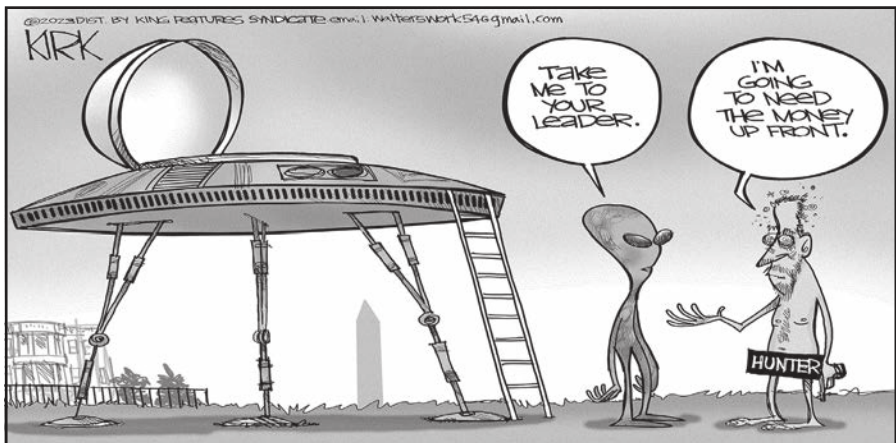
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Hamilton's Economic Plan for Prosperity

Without looking into your wallet or purse, turn to your breakfast companion and tell them whose face is on the \$10.00 bill. If you guessed Alexander Hamilton, you're correct. Amazingly, Hamilton would rise from near poverty as a fatherless child in the West Indies to become one of America's influential Founding Fathers.

When orphaned at age 13, he was sent to Elizabethtown, NJ to attend school and was fortunate to be tutored by a Jewish schoolmistress in the Decalogue in Hebrew. The Decalogue includes the Biblical Books of the Law and the Ten Commandments. Later, Hamilton attended Kings College, founded to honor the "King of Kings" (now known as Columbia University).

During his college years, he wrote pamphlets refuting the Westchester Farmer, who advocated loyalty to the British government, stating: "The Sacred Rights of Mankind are not to be rummaged for among old parchments or musty records."



OPEN FORUM

Righteousness

Dear Neighbors:

Recently, a Pulaski pastor preached a sermon to his congregation inviting them to have a conversation about righteousness, particularly in relation to the upcoming school board election. He went on to define righteousness in terms of reinforcing certain understandings of gender and sexuality that exclude and dehumanize specific members of our community. As ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we welcome the invitation to conversation, but we wholeheartedly disagree with and wish to dispute how this pastor defined righteousness.

From a Biblical standpoint, righteousness is clearly defined as embodying justice, mercy, and humility (Micah 6.8) and a commitment to showing loving kindness to our neighbors of every identity (Matthew 22.36-40; Galatians 5.22-23; Colossians 3.12-13). As people of faith, we are continually admonished in scripture to respect ALL people and treat ALL people as God's beloved children. Scripture consistently affirms that ALL people have been created in the image and likeness of God and are, therefore, worthy of love and honor (Genesis 1.26-27). The idea that any person should be marginalized, dismissed, or discriminated against is contrary to the central teachings of the Bible and the Christian faith. It's also deeply unAmerican.

This nation was founded on the revolutionary idea that ALL people are created equal and endowed with the inalienable rights of life, liberty, AND the pursuit of happiness. Though our complicated and painful history as a nation testifies to the ways we have failed to live up to those high ideals, it cannot negate the fact that these concepts are at the very heart of what it means to be an American. To argue otherwise is to reject the very foundation of what it means to be a free and fair people.

While there are those among us who would argue that this nation was founded on Christian principles and that the current challenges we face are due to a rejection

One Nation Under God

By Danielle Reid

They are written, as with a sunbeam, in the whole volume of human nature, by the Hand of the Divinity itself, and can never be erased or obscured by mortal power."

Some of his accomplishments include Revolutionary War hero, co-author of The Federalist Papers, co-drafter of the Constitution and first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury. Like so many of our other Founding Fathers, Hamilton was a multi-talented individual of whom it was said: "Hamilton...at once had the breadth of mind to grapple with the machine of government

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of those ideals, the truth of the matter is that our founders were diverse in their religious and philosophical views. They recognized and strived to honor this diversity. These earliest American leaders were also exceedingly clear that religion should NEVER be forced upon anyone and should certainly never be used as a test of worthiness to serve in leadership. Those who seek to make their understanding of Christianity the foundation of governance, either on a local or national level, are betraying the very principles that have made this nation great. They are advocating for a form of Christian Nationalism, which is neither Christian nor patriotic.

As we seek to make our community a better place to live and raise families, may we embody the active righteousness that transcends fear and prejudice and honors all people of all creeds, of all colors, of all nationalities, of all identities, and of all abilities, no matter how they identify or who they love. This is the foundation of righteousness that invites all of us to join together in pursuit of a more perfect union.

Sincerely,
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Election Letter Policy

The Patriot will accept Open Forum letters on the upcoming November election through Friday, Oct. 20 at 5 p.m. All letters MUST include the name of the writer and a daytime phone number for verification. While we strive to publish all letters we receive as they are submitted, we do reserve the right to edit any letter and we do not guarantee all letters will be published. We plan to publish letters through Friday, Oct. 27. No letters will be published on Friday, Nov. 3.

The Patriot



Rich Lowery

Editor, National Review

How Eric Adams has vindicated immigration restrictionism

The public intellectual Irving Kristol famously said that the definition of a neoconservative is "a liberal who has been mugged by reality."

By the same token, the definition of a convert to immigration restrictionism is a big-city mayor dealing with a surge of illegal immigration in his city.

In his desperate pleas for federal help to deal with about 100,000 migrants who have come to New York City since the spring of 2022, Mayor Eric Adams is vindicating the hawkish position on immigration with almost every utterance.

All that it has taken to explode the lazy cliches that have defined the progressive position on the issue is a heavy flow of illegal immigration.

If immigration is an unalloyed good, this influx should be a boon to New York City and its future. Why stop at 100,000 if the city could have 200,000, or 300,000? If immigration has no cost, why is New York spending \$5 billion this year absorbing this flow?

According to Adams, New York City "is being destroyed by the migrant crisis."

There you have it -- immigration, in and of itself, has the power to bring a great city to its knees.

Long gone are the days when Adams pledged during his campaign to "lift up immigrants as high as Lady Liberty lifts her torch in our harbor, as a beacon of hope for all who come to our shores." Now, he sounds a lot like Donald Trump, or a late Roman emperor getting undone by an influx of Vandals and Goths.

New York has been actively discouraging immigrants, or, to use the progressive line, "slamming the door on new migrants." Flyers distributed by the city at the border say, "Housing in NYC is very expensive," and no one can say that isn't truth in advertising. "Please consider," the message pleads, "another city as you make your decision about where to settle in the U.S."

In other words, why not try Philadelphia?

What Adams is learning is that the key questions when it comes to immigration are: how many, from where, with what skills, and what will they do once here.

The fact is -- as border areas already realized -- low-skilled migrants with few connections in the community showing up en masse constitutes an intolerable fiscal and social burden.

It is true that there are unique circumstances at play for Adams. Asylum seekers can't work until their applications have been considered for six months; New York City has a right-to-shelter law that has added to the expense.

If asylum seekers, many of whom are making bogus claims, were instantly handed work permits, though, it'd be another incentive for illegal immigration. And even places without New York's shelter laws are strained by the arrival of the Biden-era illegal immigrants and have been

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USPS posts another quarterly loss adding to more than \$87 billion in losses

By Brett Rowland

(The Center Square) – The U.S. Postal Service reported a \$1.7 billion loss in the third quarter adding to ongoing losses for the once self-sufficient agency.

The U.S. Postal Service, an independent federal establishment that is mandated to be self-financing, said the third quarter losses were “almost exclusively to the non-cash impact of the Postal Service Reform Act in April 2022.” The act removed the Postal Service’s obligation to pre-fund retiree health benefits and eliminated all previously imposed pre-funding requirements that remained unpaid, among other changes. The law

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as a whole...no American equaled him in administrative genius and few surpassed him in maturity of judgment.”

As a prolific writer, he outlined basic military strategy for the colonists, the brilliance of which was demonstrated by the fact that General Washington appointed him, at age 20, as his aide-de-camp with a rank of Lt. Colonel in 1777. Hamilton also served with Lafayette as commander of the Light Infantry Corps – which like our contemporary Marines, consisted of young, agile, proven fighters.

Hamilton returned to New York where he married Elizabeth Schuyler, daughter of General Schuyler. In this season of his life he studied law, philosophy and economy, attended the Constitutional Convention, and along with John Jay and James Madison, wrote 53 of the 85 essays comprising The Federalist Papers. You may recall that the Federalist Papers were used as a campaign for educating the public about the Constitution. He also became leader of the Federalist Party, owner of the newspaper “The Gazette of the U.S.” and founder of the “Christian Constitutional Society.”

On September 11, 1789, President Washington again called on Hamilton to serve his country as the first Secretary of the Treasury. At that time, there was no central monetary system so one of Hamilton’s first accomplishments was to establish a national bank, “The Bank of the United States,” chartered in Philadelphia in August, 1791. He also set up the govern-

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declaring states of emergency.

The wave of migrants over the last couple of years aside, immigrants to the U.S. are heavily reliant on public resources since they tend to be poor and have low levels of education. An analysis of Census Bureau data by the Center for Immigration Studies shows that 58% of households in New York State headed by immigrants use at least one welfare program. Even if illegal immigrants aren’t technically eligible for some of these programs, their U.S.-born children are. And as we see in the current crisis, if people show up who need housing, medical care, and education, no one is simply going to say no.

was intended to improve the Postal Service’s financial sustainability.

“Continued rising costs in several areas of our business pose a challenge,” Chief Financial Officer Joseph Corbett said in a statement. “We continue to manage the costs within our control, such as by reducing work hours by 6 million hours compared to the same quarter last year and by focusing on transportation and other operating costs.”

Postmaster General Louis DeJoy said the Postal Service continues to face inflation and other pressures.

“Our team is working hard to reduce our cost of performance which is helping to offset still sizeable inflationary and econom-

ment minting of coins and introduced paper currency.

Considered the founder and chief architect of the American financial system his duties were extremely varied and made him one of the most important and powerful men in government – and often unpopular. His duties included: Digest and prepare plans for the improvement and management of the revenue and support of the public credit; receive, keep and disburse monies of the U.S.; collect customs duties and excise taxes; run the lighthouse services; start a land survey program; provide for mail service; and provide medical care for seamen.

Hamilton believed that a diverse economy would make the nation wealthy and fulfill the potential of its citizens. He built a foundation of principles of public economy, beginning with the premise that our future credit would depend on how we met the debt produced by the Revolution and that “...to justify and preserve confidence, to promote increasing respectability of the American name, to furnish new resources, to add to security against attack...these are the great and invaluable ends to be secured by a proper and adequate provision...for the support of public credit.”

As a Christian, Hamilton set standards of honesty and punctuality and made it possible for America to move into an envied position of excellent credit. When faced with a duel initiated by Aaron Burr, Hamilton chose not to fire his pistol at Burr, resulting in Hamilton’s early death. In a letter to his wife, Eliza,

To his credit, Mayor Adams has been focusing more attention on the federal failures at the border, but a key component of the Adams immigration plan was blocking federal enforcement.

Now, immigration enforcement by the feds isn’t such a bad thing. What New York City is seeking, after all the rote invocations of the Statue of Liberty, is fewer migrants competing with people already living in the city for resources and attention.

That really shouldn’t be too much to ask. Welcome to reality, Mayor Adams.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

ic pressures,” he said in a statement. “We are setting the stage for long-term financial sustainability as we continue to modernize our processing, transportation, retail and delivery networks.”

Congress designed the U.S. Postal Service to be self-sustaining, but in fiscal year 2007, expenses overtook revenue. This has led to losses of \$87 billion through 2020. The agency is further saddled with \$188 billion in unfunded liabilities and debt, according to a 2021 report from the U.S. Government Accountability Office.

The U.S. Postal Service is the largest postal service in the world, delivering an estimated 49% of all mail sent globally.

Hamilton wrote, “The scruples of a Christian have determined me to expose my own life to any extent, rather than subject myself to guilt of taking the life of another. I charge you to remember my Eliza, you are a Christian...Fly to the bosom of your God and be comforted. With my last idea, I shall cherish the sweet hope of meeting you in a better world.”

No doubt Hamilton would be distraught, knowing that his beloved country was \$32.7 trillion in debt with a debt-to GDP ratio of approximately 128.13 per cent; and that each individual’s share of that debt is \$97,595. The debt per taxpayer is a whopping \$253,686! With Uncle Joe’s “Digital Dollar” looming in the near future, “We the People” could sure use some of Hamilton’s wisdom in once again building a foundation of public economy and excellent credit.

To visit the U.S. National Debt Clock go to: <https://www.usdebt-clock.org/>

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Re-Elect Chris Stafford

To the Editor,

On behalf of the citizens of the Cloyd District of Pulaski County, which serves Fairlawn and the New River Community, I would like to personally endorse Chris Stafford for re-election.

Chris was elected last November to fill the remaining term of Joe Guthrie who went to work for the Governor in the Virginia government offices. Chris has proven himself in less than a year in many ways.

First and critically important is his willingness to be among the people of the Cloyd District and demonstrate that he is unafraid to both be with the citizens, but also listen to their concerns.

The Cloyd District is the fastest growing area of Pulaski County. We have several new businesses in Fairlawn especially. We maintain in this district that Fairlawn is NOT part of Radford. Chris, who grew up in Fairlawn is aware of the pride we all have for the rich history we share since the area exploded in the early 40’s when people moved here to make the Radford Army Ammunition Plant a success.

The area has grown in which our predecessors would be both proud and amazed. We need Chris Stafford to represent us on the Board of Supervisors to give a clear and dynamic voice when important decisions are made. He has the experience necessary and is recognized for his work with the County School System.

As with the Cloyd District representatives of the past, Joe Sheffy and Joe Guthrie, a Political Party is not the issue. Chris believes his first loyalty is to his wife and family, then to his Church, and then service to the people of the Cloyd.

Dear Friends,

I urge you to vote Chris Stafford for Re-Election to the Cloyd District of Pulaski County.

Danny Collins
Fairlawn

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Menagerie art show opens at Fine Arts Center

By WILLIAM PAINE
The Patriot

The 2023 version of Menagerie art show opened recently with an artist's reception at the Fine Art Center's headquarters on West Main Street in Pulaski.

The Menagerie 2023 exhibit features art produced in a variety of different mediums. There are numerous acrylic and oil paintings, photography prints, a stained-glass piece and even a display of digital daguerreotypes featuring felines. This year's show displayed the work of 13 artist who live in the New River Valley.

The opening was well attended and many of the artists with works on display were on hand to talk about their art.

Melanie Robinson, who gives classical violin lessons, as well as working as a fiddle instructor for the Greater Pulaski Junior Appalachian Musicians, has several paintings on display. Robinson, just recently decided to expand her artistic horizons and take up painting.

"I saw some fluid art in a coffee shop and I was drawn to it and decided that maybe I could

do that," Melanie recounted. "I read a lot of books and watched some things about it. When I see my friends walking by my house, I go out and drag them inside and say Look at this! What do you think? What do you think? Fortunately, they've been kind enough to give me their honest opinion. It's an interesting way to put paint on a canvas and the paint has a mind of its own. So, I'm on a journey, and it's fun, fun, fun, fun."

Since beginning her latest artistic endeavor, Melanie Robinson has produced 120 of these fluid art paintings and has even founded her own company called, 'I Luv Color.'

'Hoplites,' an oil painting by Ken Smith, depicts a couple of ancient Greek soldiers seemingly between battles. Smith, who teaches Graphic Design at Radford University and lives in Pulaski, displayed a series of landscape paintings at a previous F.A.C. exhibit.

"This is what I usually do," said Smith of his painting. "It's usually WWII stuff but this is a little deviation. I like to depict soldiers and their equipment and stuff. I do sell some occasionally. My bigger



Photos by William Paine/The Patriot

Kelly Prim wins Peoples Choice Award for 'By Bread'



Deanne Lane - Collage



L.S. King and her digital daguerreotypes

paintings are expensive and I sell one of those every now and then. I usually do them for the covers of publications or covers of board games and stuff like that. Then I sell the prints later."

Zach Brodie, who has two photography pieces on display entitled 'Strawflower' and 'Coneflower,' was a student of Smith's at Radford University. Brodie uses colored gels and a special photographic technique to produce his images.

"This is macro photography," Brodie explained. "This isn't just one image. This one here, 'Strawflower,' is a stack of 60 images. This is necessary because when you're doing macro photography, your depth of field is really shallow. So, if you took just one shot, you have just a very small portion of this in focus and the rest of it would be blurry. So, you have to take that many images and stack them digitally on the computer to get it all in focus and get the detail out."

L.S. King, an artist who makes her home in Pulaski, displays a series of three digital daguerreotypes at the F.A.C.s Menagerie. Interestingly, these ancient looking images all feature feline faces. These antiquated looking kitty portraits are named after

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Menagerie

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cat themed 19th Century fairy tales. King has plans to expand on her digital daguerreotype idea but has yet to reveal her future intentions.

Another artist, Cheyenne James, also let her love of the feline affect her artistic ambition. James, originally from Winchester but currently taking classes at R.U. to attain her doctorate in psychology, took a series of photos of her cat, Little Brat, for the show.

“For me, photography is really capturing a single moment,” said James. “I was just trying to capture my cat in the moment and show different sides to his personality.”

Deanne Lane of Radford started making collages last summer. “My mom was an artist and when she passed away, I just wanted to still have that connection,” said Lane. “She taught me how to do this so I decided to try it myself and I’ve entered three shows and I’ve gotten in all three, which I am astounded at.”

Ashleigh Hillen of Ashe County N.C. is currently earning her M.F.A. in painting at Radford University and has five, attention grabbing paintings at the Menagerie.

‘Bones and Flowers #4’ is an acrylic painting made on a black velvet canvas, which depicts brightly colored cow skulls intertwined with equally colorful floral designs.

“My family hunts and my mom bleaches the deer skulls and afterwards she paints them with intricate details,” Hillen explained. “I think it’s got a happy vibe. Skulls don’t have to be death and bad.”

At the other side of the gallery, two of Hillen’s paintings with a similar theme hang side by side. These paintings are indeed striking, as they include the figures of several nude women, all of whom, are said to represent the artist herself.

In the painting entitled, ‘Inside and Out,’ a naked woman is seen emptying what appears to be a vodka bottle in one hand while

holding a teddy bear in the other. The nude woman in the painting is positioned beside a window with a man playing piano flanked by two cats (there is no shortage of cat imagery in the Menagerie).

“There’s a lot of things going on here,” said Hillen. “I’ve been processing a lot of childhood trauma and a lot to do with my relationship with addiction, my family and things like that, This is a painting that kind of represents past and the present and the future is on the inside. This is my positive happy life versus like my past.”

‘Rummy on the Table’ depicts two nude ladies sitting across from each other, one smoking a cigarette and another playing cards. Still another naked lady is doing chores in the kitchen.

“That’s three Me’s,” said Hillen. “This is a this is a replica of my grandfather’s kitchen and we used to sit around chain smoking and playing cards in the house. It’s also a play on still lifes. So, instead of beautiful items it’s Mountain Dew and cellophane and pocketknives and bills and another deer jaw ... the stuff of life. It’s three different versions of myself just waiting around, stuck in this room in a kind of limbo.”

During the opening, F.A.C. Executive Director gave the People’s Choice Award to Kelly Prim for her art entitled, ‘By Bread’ in the Repurposed, Recycled and Reimagined art show, which took place earlier this year.

The Menagerie art exhibit will be open to the public until show closing on Saturday, October 7.

Featured Artists or Menagerie 2023 include:

Zack Brodie
Steven Dinero
Lucy Gilmore
Ashleigh Hillen
Cheyenne James
L.S. King
Deanne Lane
Cassandra Mechling
Melanie Robinson
Ken Smith
Terrie Sternberg
Susan Trulove



First row left to right: Hubert Barton, Eleanor Simpkins Speed, Margaret Groschlose Martin, Pat Thompson Saunders, Janet Ferrell Whitt, Diane Stancill Hall, Mary Jane Bradley Burn, Laura Sutphin Moore, Paula Stout Richardson, Judi Landrum Eanes, Wanda Franklin Lawson, Larry Walker, Barry Cohen, Rickey Sims. Back row: Brouck Sleight, Jack Vest, Mickey Renegar, Tom Howell, Wanda Taylor Humphrey, Ed Greene.

RHS Class of ‘63 reunites

Recently, approximately half of the known remaining classmates and guests of the RHS Class of 1963, enjoyed attending their 60th reunion at the Radford Recreation Hall. LINDY’S a local caterer fixed a buffet dinner for everyone. It was a great place to take time to visit and talk with classmates.

Added touches to the afternoon were our songs of the 50’s and 60’s. A big surprise waiting for the attendees in front of the Rec Hall

was the sight of member-owned and restored “vehicles of our time!” The classmates appreciated Larry and Wanda Humphrey, Tom and Karol Howell, Larry and Brenda Walker, and Rickey and Joyce Sims for this display from our past.

Extended activities of the reunion included attending the Summer Concert Series at Glencoe Museum, Doowop and MoTown Soul music performed by The Tee

Tones.

The culminating activity was at BT’S Restaurant for breakfast on Sunday.

Classmates in attendance agreed that the 60th RHS Reunion was our best one, so far.

We had time to visit with each other and enjoy the city that we all shared growing up.

Submitted by: Janet Ferrell Whitt

Corporate jet ski race challenge issued

Pulaski County is set to host the American Jet Ski Association’s (AJSA) Championship Race on Saturday, September 9th.

Preceding this major professional event, Pulaski County, in concert with the AJSA, has organized a jet ski competition on Friday, September 8th, to help raise funds for the Pulaski County ACCE program (Access to Community College Education) through New River Community College.

Ahead of what is shaping up to be one of the largest jet ski competitions in the country, community members from area businesses, industries and institutions, along with neighboring local governments and county departments, the teams will compete head-to-head in a timed-course jet ski challenge.

“This is a great way to bring our business community together, to support the Pulaski County ACCE program, to network, to team build and to be a part of making history with our first AJSA Championship Race taking place here at Claytor Lake”, stated Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator and NRCC Board Member. “We are excited that so many of our business and institutional leaders value these types of unique experience opportunities, and understand the benefits it has to their respective organization and to our community.”

The Pulaski County / AJSA Corporate Jet Ski Challenge on Friday, September 8th, will consist of individual teams that compete to see what corporate/institutional-sponsored team completes a fixed-buoy

course in the fastest time by taking an average of the three fastest times from each team. There will be awards given out by the AJSA for the winning team, along with second and third place recognition. A sit-down jet ski and all necessary equipment to ride will be provided as part of the team entry and participation. Teams will simply need to register and arrive to participate and enjoy. It is recommended teams plan to make a day of the networking and team building opportunity. Team tents and chairs are encouraged.

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Cougars open 2023 season at old rival Northside

Pulaski County Public Schools

Pulaski County will travel to Roanoke Friday for the season opener with a familiar opponent, the Northside High School Vikings.

The Cougars hold a 23-14 game advantage over the Vikings, including the last three meetings and six of the last eight. Last year was a convincing 43-0

win for Pulaski County.

Their first matchup was in 1974, resulting in a 15-26 loss. Dave Brown was the head coach for the Cougars. Jim Hickam was the head coach for the Vikings. The two had regularly faced off as head coaches, with Hickam serving as the head coach of Pulaski High School and Brown the head coach at Dublin High School before the two former high schools

consolidated and Brown got the lead job. Pulaski High School actually won the final meeting between the two former county high schools, with the Orioles coming out on top 16-11.

Head Coach Scott Fisher is entering his eighth season as the leader of the Vikings. He has an overall record to this point of 35-30. His two best seasons were 2018, where the Vikings finished

11-2 before falling in the third round of the playoffs, and 2019, when the Vikings finished 9-4 and fell in the third round. Last season the Vikings finished a disappointing 0-10 with a team of many young, inexperienced players. That team also suffered six shutouts. A large portion of those players are back for this season, and they are expected to be very much improved.

“We saw some things that we were happy with after watching the film from Friday against Radford, but we also saw a lot of things we need to work on,” Cougar Head Coach Cam Akers said. “Northside is going to be better and we know that. They are working hard and their kids are going to show a ton of im-

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COUGARS WIN ‘BATTLE OF BRIDGE’

By RODNEY YOUNG
The Patriot

The “Battle of the Bridge” as some call it saw the homestanding Pulaski County Cougars come away with a 10-7 victory over the Radford Bobcats.

All the scoring came in the first half.

The Cougars drove the opening possession to the Bobcat 15 yard line. Bryant Nottingham would cap off the seven minute and 48 second drive with a 32-yard field goal.

Radford would answer quickly as QB Landen Clark took the snap, went off tackle and raced 44 yards to paydirt. Luciano Pugliese’s point after made it 7-3. The Bobcats had answered the Cougars’ long scoring drive with a touchdown in just 47 seconds.

The score remained 7-3 until quarterback Chris Gallimore sneaked in from three yards out and Nottingham’s kick saw the Cougars go up, 10-7 with 4:17 left in the first half.

Radford would drive to the Pulaski County 14 yard line, but Clark was downed on the next play at the Cougar 11 yard line as time ran out in the first half.

Both teams would use their second string and others for the second half with a continuous running clock.

The closest anyone came to scoring occurred with under four minutes left in the game.

Radford QB Sincere Taylor would hit Jalen Hendricks for a 60-yard touchdown, but the officials would rule Hendricks stepped out of bounds at the Cougar 35, and the drive ended a few plays later.

The Bobcats would once again drive with under one minute to go, but a Taylor to Hendricks pass would see Hendricks



Brian Bishop/The Patriot

Caleb Cregger (85) goes up in front of Bobcat Bryant Weaver to breakup this Radford pass play.

being tackled inside the Cougar 10 as the clock hit all zeros to end the game.

“We played an unbelievable first half,” said Cougar head coach Cam Akers. “The guys have worked hard all week and I’m proud of them, but we had too many penalties and that has to be cleaned up.”

The Cougars were called for 12 penalties for 80 yards.

Trevor Gallimore had 82 yards rushing on 18 carries. Chris Gallimore had 56 yards on six rush-

es. Marcus Reed and Chase Lawrence both caught two passes each. Lawrence for 28 yards and Reed for 17.

Radford head coach Michael Crist said, “We dropped too many passes and missed too many opportunities. Our young guys played a lot as they are learning. We didn’t execute tonight.”

Clark rushed for 66 yards on three carries and freshman Wil-

liam Dehart-Lewis had 46 yards on seven carries. Clark threw for 105 yards, while Max Kanipe caught three passes for 79 yards.

Pulaski County will open their season on the road next Friday as they travel to Northside, and Radford will host George Wythe.

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WEEK 1 Schedule

Week 1 of the region’s high school football games for Friday, Aug. 25:

Pulaski County at Northside
Narrows at Auburn
Blacksburg at Giles
Craig County at Bland County
Carroll County at Grundy
Floyd County at Christiansburg
Fort Chiswell at Rural Retreat
Galax at Glenvar
Western Albemarle at Cave Spring
Lord Botetourt at E.C. Glass
Patrick Henry at Brookville
Liberty at William Byrd
Marion at Chilhowie
Liberty Christian at Salem
Grayson County at Allegany (Sparta, N.C.)
Eastern Montgomery at Holston, 7:30 p.m.
Ge. Wythe at Radford, 8 p.m.
Hidden Valley at Wm. Fleming, 8 p.m.

Note: All games start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Ticket purchases for the Northside game

Tickets will be sold at the gate and can be purchased ahead of time on Ticket Spicket.

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Reporting directly to the County Administrator, the role will be an initial two (2) year contract with the option of a third year, subject to progress and performance.

The successful candidate will be required to live in or relocate within a 45-minute travel distance of Pulaski County, Virginia in order to assume on-site responsibility for the development, implementation and management of our fire, EMS and emergency management services.

Proposals are due no later than 2:00 pm on Friday, September 29th. Any proposals received after this deadline may be returned to the offerer unopened. The County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, and/or divide any project into sections.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (small or minority and/or women owned firms) are encouraged to submit proposals as well as MBE/WBE firms.

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Inquiries and requests for proposal packets should be addressed to:

Tammy Nichols
Human Resources Director
County of Pulaski
143 Third Street, NW, Suite 1
Pulaski, VA 24301
540-994-2406
540-980-7717 (FAX)



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Virginia Tech quarterback Grant Wells

Wells to start for Hokies

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BLACKSBURG – On a live stream interview via Triumph NIL on Wednesday, Virginia Tech football head coach Brent Pry announced who will start under center against Old Dominion in the season opener – Grant Wells.

Wells, who started all 11 games last season, returns after putting up 2,171 passing yards and nine touchdowns, and will have plenty of playmakers to spread the ball to, including three wideouts that were named to the Reese's Senior Bowl watch list.The complete depth chart for Tech will come out early next week following Pry's press conference.

The Hokies will face the Monarchs on Saturday, Sept. 2 in Lane Stadium at 8 p.m. ET.

LEGAL NOTICE



Public Notice Pulaski County Planning Commission

The Pulaski County Planning Commission will host a public hearing to consider two applications for the Month of September. In accordance with the Code of Virginia, the Planning Commission will host a public hearing on this petition at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12, 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 applications;

- Rezone Application submitted Debbie Gardner, rezone of Tax Map 091-001-0000-0055,55A from Low Density Residential (LR) to Commercial (CM) located at 3163 Greenbriar Road, Draper VA, 24324 Draper District
- Proposed text amendments to the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). Article 5, 7,10, and 11
- 15.2-22-32 Substantial Accord of Comprehensive Review for new AEP Substation located at Tax Map #076-001-0000-0049, 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, Suite 1 in the Town of Pulaski or by phoning (540) 980-7710.

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Applications received by 7:00 PM on Monday October 2, 2023 may be eligible for a mobilization bonus. See the EVA posting for additional information, including contract requirements.

Questions can be directed to the Christiansburg Residency from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday – Friday. Phone: 540-381-7201 Email: SalemDistrictSnow@vdot.virginia.gov

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Brian Bishop/The Patriot

Cougar fullback Trevor Gallimore looks for an opening for some of his game-leading 82 yards rushing.



Brian Bishop/The Patriot

Cougar head coach Cam Akers talks with his senior tight end Marcus Reed.

Bridge

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Rushing - PC - T. Gallimore - 18-82, C. Gallimore 6-56, Lawrence 5-23, Thompson 6-11, Schneider 2-8, Price 2-6, Underwood 2-5, Nottingham, 3 - (minus 1)	Receiving - PC - Reed 2-17 yds., Lawrence 2-28 yds.
Rushing - Radford - Clark 3-66, Dehart-Lewis 7-46, Taylor 6-32, Ferguson 2-3, Grubb 2 - (minus 4)	Receiving - Radford - Kanipe 3-79 yds., Hendricks 3-75, Woodward 1-26, Weaver 1-4, Young 1-2
PC - 44 rushes - 190 yds., Radford - 20-143 yds.	First Downs - PC - 11, Radford 12
Passing - PC - Nottingham - 3 of 4- 37 yds., C. Gallimore - 1 of 2 - 8 yds., Schneider 0 for 1 - 0 yds.	Penalties - PC - 12 -80 yds, Radford - 6-40 yds.
Passing - Radford - Clark 4 of 10 - 105 yds., Taylor 5 of 9 - 81	Fumbles/lost - PC 1/1, Radford 0/0
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Cougars

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provement this season. We need to worry about doing our jobs, cutting down on the mistakes and penalties, and being physical. Our players need to be focused and do their jobs. We're not going to have any easy games this season. Everybody will be better than they were last season. I've been happy with our team's efforts to this point, but we absolutely have to get better every day. We also need to continue to develop our younger players, because at some point we're going to need them to step up."

The Cougars are coming off a 4-6 season in 2022, with losses in their final three games to Graham, Patrick Henry, and Christiansburg. That final record does not, however, tell the entire story.

Their first loss of the season came at the hands of Tennessee high School. The Cougars led late in the game, but the Vikings were driving. Brett Jones intercepted a deep pass in the endzone, which should have given the Cougars the ball at their own 20-yard line with time running out. Instead, a flag thrown on the Cougars for a side-line warning, the first of the game, and somehow allowed Tennessee to keep the ball. The flag should have been a warning for Pulaski County, and the Cougars should have had the ball. Instead, the Vikings maintained possession, were given 15 yards, and scored a few plays later to seal the win.

Their second loss came to the Cave Spring Knights. The Cougar offense was off all night, and that turned into a 2-12 loss. The third loss was a lopsided 14-49 game against Salem.

After getting their fourth win of the season over Blacksburg the following week, Pulaski County faced a problem that had very few answers. Injuries to key players left the Cougars. A 14-41 loss to Graham was followed by a 27-56 loss to Patrick Henry.

Things were looking tough for Pulaski County heading into their game against Christiansburg. The Cougars spotted the Blue Demons a few touchdowns early, but slowly began to crawl out of the hole they had created. With time running out, the Cougars earned a stop and scored to move the game to 31-34 in favor of the Blue Demons. Another stop gave the Cougars hope, but the clock ran out on the game and season.

The Cougars will take the field this season using a rotation at quarterback. Senior Chris Gallimore (6'1", 220), who has played that position for the past two seasons, and sophomore Bryant Nottingham (6'1", 154) will rotate as needed. Each offers different options, but the key will be to keep them as fresh as possible while they both also rotate on defense.

Junior Isaiah O'Dell (6', 176) will likely be pulled into a running back spot, due to an injury to senior Brett Jones (5'9", 170) that will force him to miss his senior year. O'Dell will be in the mix at the A-back position with senior Tyler Underwood (6'1", 210) on one side and junior Chase Lawrence (6'1", 181) on the other.

The slot backs will be a combination of junior Trevor Gallimore (5'10", 192) and sophomore Savion Thompson (6', 183) who

Meet The Cougars Coaches, Players

This is the first installment of our weekly "Meet the Cougars" feature in which we go a little farther in introducing the Cougar players and coaches beyond just what position they play or coach.

played on the JV line last season.

Senior Marcus Reed (6'3", 202) should be a big target as a wide out, along with junior Tanner Mace (5'11", 156).

Several key players were lost to graduation across the offensive front, forcing a revamping of that group. Some positions are still going to be handled by more than one player, as those key players are going both ways.

The center position will be manned by sophomore Blake Ratcliffe (6', 211). The guard spots will be handled by junior Noah Hinkley (5'8", 253) and junior Aiden Moore (5'9", 268). The tackles will be a combination of senior Jack Allen (6'2", 218), junior Hunter Hill (5'10", 205), and sophomore Chase King (5'11", 193).

The defensive unit will see senior Duncan Umberger (5'5", 233) in the middle. Jack Allen and junior Gavin Lytton (5'8", 169) will handle the tackle duties on one side. Aiden Moore will line up on the other side. Lytton performed well in the Radford scrimmage, and could see significant time this week.

The outside linebackers will see a four-man rotation. Senior Marcus Reed and senior Chris Gallimore will handle one side. Savion Thompson and freshman Parker Price (6'1", 186) will handle the other. The inside linebackers will be seniors Tyler Underwood and Nick Woolwine (6'1", 186).

In the secondary, the free safety will be Chase Lawrence. The strong safety will be Isaiah O'Dell. The corners will be a rotation of Bryant Nottingham, senior Trey Landreth (6', 161), and Tanner Mace.

Nottingham will handle the kicking and punting duties. The holder on field goals and extra points will be Isaiah O'Dell. The long and short snappers will be Chris Gallimore or Chase Lawrence.

"Our team is young in spots, but I've been pleased with our work ethic," Coach Akers said. "They come to work each day with a purpose and they're learning. We've always said football is about blocking and tackling, and it really is just that simple. Friday night it starts to count. We're excited to get this season started."

Game time Friday at Viking Stadium is set for 7 p.m.



Assistant Coach
Greg Allen
 Coaches Outside Linebackers
 Wife: Kim Allen
Children: Adam, Drew, Jack
 Lives in Dublin
 18 Years in Coaching
 Outside of football, Greg likes to read
 He is a Pulaski County graduate
 Greg is a UVa and Dallas Cowboy fan
 As a coach, the thing he likes most is his relationships with players and being in a position to positively impact their lives.
Future plans: Live happily each day and enjoy each and every moment. *"Peace is Every Step"* - Thich Nhat Hanh



Nicolas Woolwine
Age: 17
Grade: 12
Parents/Guardians: Hope and Michael Woolwine
Siblings: Madison Woolwine
 Lives in Dublin
Favorite Subject in School: History
Hobbies/Things you do outside football: Work
Positions: Inside Linebacker, Tight End
Other sports: None
Like most about football: playing
Favorite college, pro teams: Florida, Pittsburgh Steelers
Future plans: College



Trey Landreth
Age: 17
Grade: 12
Parents/Guardians: Mike and Teresa Koert
Siblings: Madison Koert
 Lives in Draper
Favorite Subject in School: Welding
Hobbies/Things you do outside football: Hunting, fishing, being with friends
Positions: Wide Receiver, Cornerback
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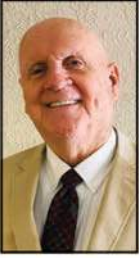
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Teach Me Your Word O Lord

Terry McCraw

Jesus Raises The Dead

Part I

Jesus raised 3 individuals from the dead. Today we’re going to be studying about His raising of the daughter of Jarius. Jairus was the father of a 12-year-old girl whom Jesus raised from the dead. Jarius was a well-known religious leader. He came to Jesus, pleading with Him to come to his home and heal his only daughter, who was near death. He humbled himself before Jesus, falling down at His feet expressing faith in Jesus’ ability to heal his child. Mark 5: 21-23. “And when Jesus was passed over again by ship unto the other side, much people gathered unto Him, and He was nigh unto the sea. And behold there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jarius by name. And when he saw Jesus, he fell at His feet. And besought Him greatly saying, my little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay Thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.”

Jairus was the father of a 12-year-old girl whom Jesus raised from the dead. He was well-known as a religious leader. Jarius came to Jesus, pleading with Him to come lay His hands on his only daughter, who was near death. He humbled himself before Jesus, falling down at His feet. Jarius expressed faith in Jesus’ power to heal his child, and Jesus followed him home. Jarius was full of faith, knowing that if Jesus laid hands on the child, she would be healed.

Jarius was desperate. He loved his daughter very much. She was so sick she was at the point of death.

Jarius called upon Jesus, the living son of the living God, to confront what the apostle called death. Death is the last enemy of mankind. Jesus himself conquered death and opened up the way for you and I to conquer death also. Death is not the final curtain call for a born again believer in Christ Jesus. We shall live on, in a resurrected body and spend eternity with our blessed Lord.

Jesus told Martha who had lost her brother Lazarus to death, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whosoever believeth in me shall never die.” He said that knowing that one split second after we close our eyes in death, we’ll step through the veil into everlasting life. Death is just a transition from one life into another better life. When the other Lararus, who was a poor beggar died, the angels of God carried his soul into the paradise of God and into the eternal presence of God.

Verse 24 says, “And Jesus went with him; and much people followed Him, and thronged Him.” Where ever Jesus went, great crowds followed, because they wanted to see and experience another miracle from this miracle worker. No one ever left the presence of Jesus still sick and afflicted. Many times, the people brought their sick and infirmed to Jesus and Jesus healed them every one.

Now what we need to get into our hearts and minds today is that Jesus is no respecter of persons. What he had done for others, he will do for us, if we exercise our faith and believe Him for a miracle. I love that old gospel song. “It is no se-

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Church Directory

<p>Draper Valley Baptist Church 3200 Lee Highway Draper, Va. 24324 Pastor: Alan Pearce Service Times: Bible Study Sunday, 10 a.m. Sunday Worship, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening, 5 p.m. email: drapervalleybc@gmail.com www.drapervalleybaptist.org</p> <p>Grace Baptist Church 552 E. Main Street Dublin, Va. 24084 Pastor: Doug Testerman 674-1762 Primary Services: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Sunday worship Sunday Night Power Hour, 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesday Night 7 to 8 p.m. Grace Kids and Teens Bible Study</p> <p>Open Door Baptist Church 4576 Miller Lane Pulaski, VA 24301 Pastor: Rev. N.K. Howlett Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday Night, 7 p.m. Phone: 980-2046</p> <p>Draper Methodist Church 3080 Greenbriar Road Draper, VA 24324 Pastor: Lee Wiggins Email: office@draper-methodist-church.com Primary Service Times: Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m.</p> <p>Christ Episcopal Church 144 North Washington Ave., Pulaski P.O. 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cret, what God will do, what He's done for others, He'll do for you; With arms wide open, He'll pardon you, for it is no secret, what God will do."

Whether you need a physical healing or a spiritual healing, Jesus can and will do for you, what He has done for millions before you.

D. L. Moody said, "There are three kinds of faith in Christ. 1. Struggling faith, like a man in deep water desperately swimming. 2. Clinging faith like a man hanging on the side of a boat. And Resting Faith, like a man safely within the boat and and is able to reach out with a hand to help someone else get in.

Jesus can perform a Miracle of raising the dead, then surely He can take care of our problems no matter what they may be.

The bible says starting with verse 27, And he suffered no man to follow Him, save or excepting Peter, James and John the brother of James. And He cometh to the house of the ruler of the Synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly. And when He was come in He saith unto them, "Why make ye this ado and weep? The damsel is not dead, but sleepeth."

Jesus wouldn't allow the doubters and the naysayers to accompany Him into the room where the child lay. Doubters and Naysayers have no faith and when we are asking God for a miracle, we certainly don't need them around, lowering our faith. Peter, James and John had great faith because they knew that Jesus had the power over death. They knew that Jesus had the keys to both life and death. So Jesus allowed these who were rich in faith to accompany Him, along with the two parents of the child, into where the child lay.

Continued in Part II.

Bible Trivia

1. Is the book of Ahijah (KJV) in the Old or New Testament or neither?
 2. Which book may be summarized as "Yes, salvation is by faith, but faith without action is useless"? Romans, Titus, James, Jude
 3. Who platted the crown of thorns that Jesus wore? Herod, Soldiers, Pontius Pilate, Priests
 4. From Ecclesiastes 3, there is a time to weep and a time to? Laugh, Hate, Speak, Lose
 5. In Jeremiah 3:8, to whom did God give a bill of divorce? Adam/Eve, Egypt, Boaz/Ruth, Israel
 6. Paul was born in Tarsus of ...? Cilicia, Berea, Cana, Gath
- ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) James, 3) Soldiers, 4) Laugh, 5) Israel, 6) Cilicia**
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by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

Psalms 27:9

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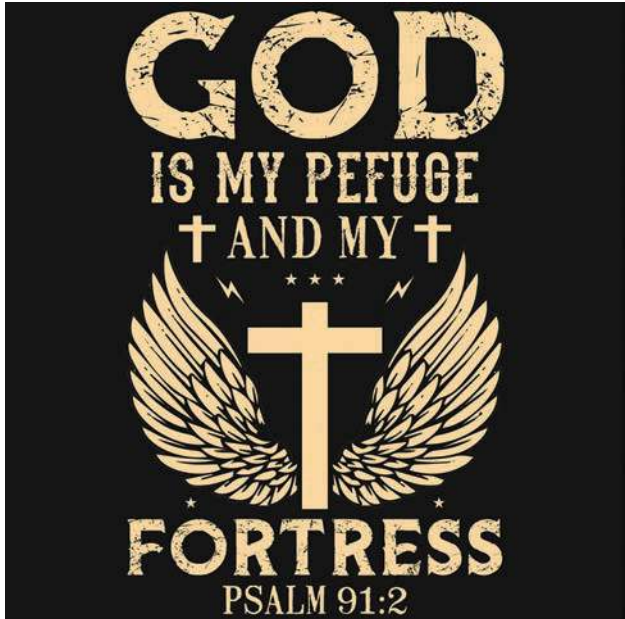
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D Y D P R O M E N T
W R I E E S F O S Y
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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*...They learn to be idle,
wandering about from
house to house, and not
only idle but also gossips
and busybodies, saying
things which they
ought not.*

1 TIMOTHY 5:13



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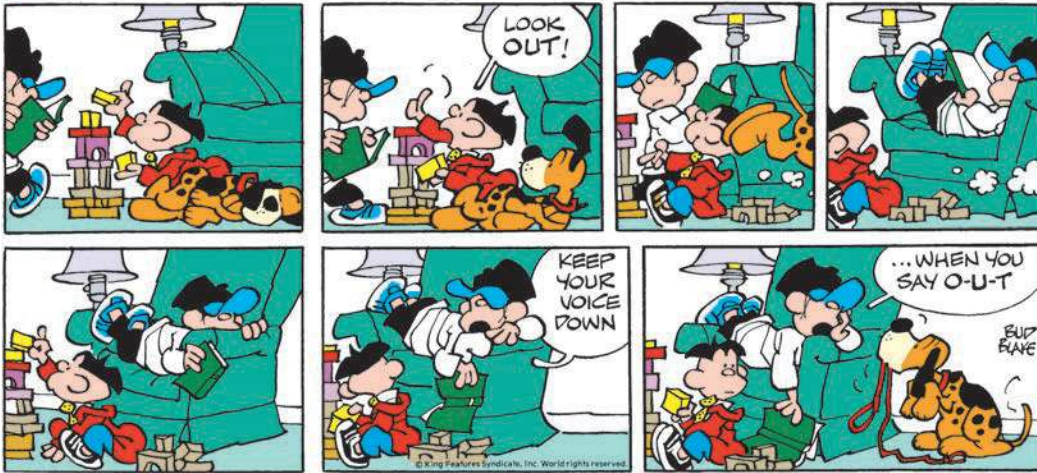
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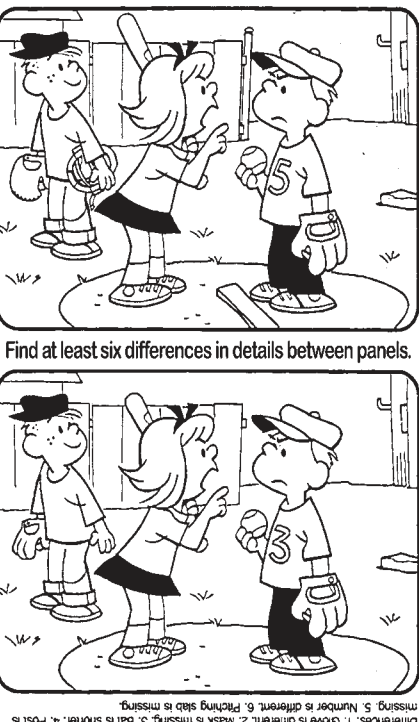


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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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: F equals N

XG QAM XFJRZBRS H NXPP
SRDXLBXFJ HNR PXFLAPF, OCHB
OAMPS BCHB DIAUXSR QAM OXBC?
SXRBIHQ GXURI.

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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!

Laud
MERIDA
Mourn
MANTLE
Quiet
TODEMS
Falter
CUHRL

TODAY'S WORD

"Honey, I found out what keeps my budget from working. Your _____."

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Rescue
- 5 Ozone, for one
- 8 Protracted
- 12 Carolina college
- 13 Roswell sighting
- 14 Falco of "The Sopranos"
- 15 "Game on!"
- 17 Snitch
- 18 Service charge
- 19 Rowing need
- 20 Road curves
- 21 Schlep
- 22 Deity
- 23 Everglades wader
- 26 Cure-all
- 30 Bump into
- 31 "Terrifi!"
- 32 Astronaut Armstrong
- 33 Tennis tactic
- 35 Tea biscuit
- 36 Present location?
- 37 Expected
- 38 Thesaurus compiler
- 41 Drone
- 42 Airline to Sweden
- 45 Awestruck
- 46 "We should discuss this"
- 48 Actress Gilpin

DOWN

- 1 Narcissist's love
- 2 Sheltered
- 3 Cast a ballot
- 4 Em halves
- 5 Soviet labor camp
- 6 Miles away
- 7 Tofu source
- 8 #1 hit by

- 9 Rhyming tributes
- 10 Egyptian river
- 11 Hair hoops
- 16 Sulk
- 20 A billion years
- 21 Words at the start of a lesson
- 22 Talk on and on
- 23 Ambulance VIP
- 24 Earth (Pref.)
- 25 Gym unit
- 26 Skillet
- 27 Biz bigwig

- 28 Aachen article
- 29 Pub pint
- 31 Repair
- 34 Cauldron
- 35 Totals
- 37 Hollanders
- 38 Engrossed
- 39 Curved molding
- 40 Impale
- 41 Coop group
- 42 Long tale
- 43 Friend
- 44 Aspen gear
- 46 Meadow
- 47 Vat

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top ten

MOST POISONOUS PLANTS

- 1. Castor Bean Plant
- 2. Deadly Nightshade
- 3. Rosary Pea
- 4. Suicide Tree
- 5. White Snakeroot
- 6. Oleander
- 7. Water Hemlock
- 8. Devil's Helmet
- 9. Hemlock
- 10. Jimson Weed

Source: Dengarden

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. MOVIES: In which U.S. state does the movie "Field of Dreams" take place?
- 2. FOOD & DRINK: What is sauerkraut?
- 3. ACRONYMS: What phrase does the acronym GPS stand for?
- 4. GEOGRAPHY: The country of Guyana lies on which continent?
- 5. TELEVISION: What is the pub where characters in "The Office" gather after work?
- 6. SCIENCE: How many karats are in pure gold?
- 7. PSYCHOLOGY: What is the fear represented by autophobia?
- 8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How big is a newborn kangaroo?
- 9. AD SLOGANS: What product is advertised as "the snack that smiles back"?
- 10. LITERATURE: Who wrote "The Canterbury Tales"?

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WORD LADDERS

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

APACE

SHARK

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INCOME
Today's Word

SCRAMBLERS
1. Admire 2. Lament; solution
3. Modest; 4. Lunch

WORD LADDER
Answer
APACE, SPACE, SPARE
SNAKE, SNARK, SHARK

Americanisms



"Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go."
— T.S. Eliot

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Solution time: 23 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

CryptoQuip
answer
If you ingested a bill depicting Abe Lincoln, what would that provide you with?
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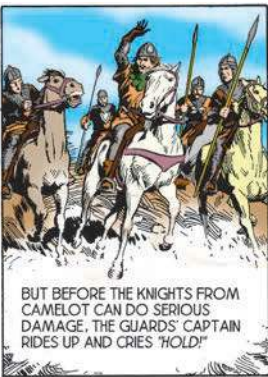
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Aug. 26

Free Dinner and Movie Night
Belspring Baptist Church will present a “Free Dinner and Movie Night” this Saturday, August 26. The Hot Dog Dinner will be at 7 PM and the movie, “The Jesus Revolution” will begin at 8 PM. The movie will be outside, weather permitting, so feel free to bring a chair and come and join us. The church is located at 6887 Depot Road in Belspring, VA

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.

Aug. 28

Board of Supervisors Meeting
Monday, August 28, 2023, Pulaski County Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting, Board Room, Pulaski County Administration Building, 143 Third Street N.W., in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia; Executive Session, 6 p.m., Open Meeting, 7 p.m. (Contact: Ashley Edmonds, Clerk,

143 Third Street N.W., Suite 1, Pulaski, VA, 24301, 540-980-7705, aedmonds@pulaskicounty.org). The Board of Supervisors is the governing body for Pulaski County and is responsible for the budget and concerns of its citizens.

Aug. 29

Economic Development Authority Board meets
Tuesday, August 29, 2023, Economic Development Authority Board of Directors Meeting, 10:00 a.m. (Contact: Megan Bird, Clerk to the Board, 143 Third Street N.W., Suite 1, Pulaski, VA, 24301, 540-980-7705). The Economic Development Authority serves as the economic development arm of Pulaski County working with local industries and providing building spaces to local employers.

Sept. 4

Town of Dublin holiday schedule
Dublin Town Offices will be closed Monday, September 4th for Labor Day. Garbage scheduled for pick-up on Monday, September 4th will be picked up on Tuesday, September 5th.

Sept. 8

EmPOWERINT Domestic Violence Survivors and Their Advocates...Finding a Path Forward
Free Zoom Webinar
Sept. 8, 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Attendees will learn about domestic violence issues faced by our community and where victims can find resources.
Register at Webinar Registration - Zoom (zoomgov.com)

Oct. 6

22nd Annual Domestic Violence Conference
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Fee: \$40 More info. and to register, visit <https://svlas.org/event/beyond-skin-deep/>
More info, contact Gary Cody, gcody@svlas.org
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Oct. 20-21

Crafts Fair

First Dublin Presbyterian Church, ECO at 409 Church Street, Dublin will hold a Crafts Fair on Oct. 20 and 21. Crafters and vendors are welcome. Please contact 540-505-4079 for booth reservations. \$25 for one day, \$35 for both days. An early set-up time will be available on Thursday, Oct. 19 for inside booths upon request. Food and baked goods will be available for purchase.

Nov. 9

S.O.S. – Signs of Strangulation Conference
November 9th, 9am – 4pm FREE Registration
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Nov. 11

Community Prayer and Praise Service
First Dublin Presbyterian Church, ECO at 409 Church Street, Dublin will hold a Community Prayer and Praise Service from 6 to 8 p.m. Special music performances and hymn singing will highlight our evening of prayer, praise and worship. Refreshments and a time of fellowship will close out the service.

On going:

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

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

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Celebrate Recovery

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

Heritage Cares Food still distributing food

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

Pulaski’s Heller enrolls at James Madison

HARRISONBURG, VA -- Pulaski, VA resident, Sydney Heller, has enrolled at James Madison University for the fall 2023 semester. Heller has selected Health Sciences - BS as a major.

Pulaski’s Reese enrolls at James Madison

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