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The Botetourt County Fair returns this weekend. Events begin Friday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. and continuing Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Buchanan Town Park.

Botetourt County Fair this weekend

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Livestock, local fare, and friends return for a fun weekend in Buchanan this

The Botetourt County Fair takes place this Friday from 5:30 until 8:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. The event centers on the preservation of the past, promotion of the present, and education of the future of agriculture with a goal to hold and promote a county fair each year to serve as its primary medium to achieve its mission.

Organized through the Botetourt County Fair Association, Inc., this annual fair is a free admission event taking place at the Buchanan Town Park in Buchanan. The fair provides an opportunity for kids, young and young-at-heart, to learn more about the rich agricultural heritage of the region from local working farms, 4-H programs, as well as sample local fare, including Botetourt grown products.

This annual event also highlights the heritage of the community, and its ties to agriculture, industry, and businesses. The fair's primary focus is to serve as a showcase of the talents of the youth of the community by providing a means of education, exhibit and competition of the various animal and non-animal projects the youth are involved in.

Amy White, the Buchanan representative on the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors, has witnessed the expansion of the Botetourt Fair over the years. She expressed her excitement for this weekend's event in a recent

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Beaver Dam Farm Sunflower Festival announces 2023 dates

Have you ever wondered what the largest Sunflower Festival and vendor show on the east coast looks like? Now is your chance to find out. Dates have been announced for the Beaver Dam Farm Sunflower Festival

The Beaver Dam Farm Sunflower Festival helps to diversify the family farm income. The farmland was purchased in 1900, was a tomato cannery in 1916 and began as a dairy in 1927. In September of 2019 the farm sold out of the dairy industry and now runs beef cattle and has a hay and straw operation. The farm is still owned and operated by the family today.

In 2015, 20 acres of black oil sunflowers were planted. As a result of the beautiful scenery, the following year the fields were opened up for visitors to walk through and adore. Over 20,000 visitors each year enjoy hayrides, farm animals to pet, live music, over 115 handmade crafts, food vendors and 600,000 black oil sunflowers.

During the weekdays, three field trip opportunities for preschoolers, senior citizens and special needs kids and adults are offered. The ever-popular catered sunset dinners in the sunflowers and goat yoga are also top

Once the festival is over, the crowds have diminished and the sunflowers have all dropped their heads, the farm will harvest the seed and bag it into black oil sunflower birdseed.

"Candace Monaghan has done a tremendous job of bringing the Sunflower Festival from a concept just a few years ago to a nationally recognized event that attracts over 20,000 visitors annually from approximately 35



The annual Beaver Dam Farm Sunflower Festival kicks off on Friday, September 8 at 4 p.m.

states," states Ken McFadyen, Director of Economic calculated the festival's annual economic impact at Development for Botetourt County.

The Roanoke Regional Partnership recently

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Reference photo of similar BESS installation in Chisolm, Texas.

Planning Commission to consider major zoning items August 14

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Botetourt County planners have five items up for review at the upcoming August 14 meeting at the County Administration Center in Daleville.

Gateway Grid, LLC requests a comprehensive map amendment and review changing the future use designation of the subject property (49.9 acres off of Lee Highway) to "Industrial," rezoning of the parcel from Business (B-2) to Industrial (M-1), and requests a special exception permit (SEP) for any structure

that may be subject to and exceeds the 45-foot maximum permitted height in the M-1 Use District.

According to the project's description, the proposed project is a stand-alone battery energy storage system (BESS), interconnecting to the adjacent Appalachian Power-owned 230kV transmission lines. Gateway Grid is developing this energy storage project near an intersection of high-voltage transmission lines. This allows the energy storage facility to provide large amounts of power when load requires it and to serve a broad region.

Morgan Myles coming to Daleville Town Center in September

Country music enthusiasts, get ready for an upcoming show as The Daleville Summer Concert Series continues its Friday Country Nights, bringing Nashville recording artist Morgan Myles to Daleville Town

It's safe to say that many folks have either been introduced to or come to associate Morgan Myles with Season 22 of NBC's The Voice. The 36 -year-old singer/songwriter has been pursuing her passion for music in Music City for over 17 years. Morgan is known for her distinctive blend of country, rock and soul. In 2022, Morgan placed third out of 56 contestants on The Voice. In January of this year, Morgan walked out onto the Ryman Auditorium stage to make her Grand Ole Opry debut. She has opened for Blake Shelton, Luke Bryan, Old Dominion, and Kane Brown. Morgan Myles heads to The Daleville Town Center on September 15 from 5-9 p.m.

This event presents an opportunity to witness Nashville-based talent for just \$5 with children 12 and under



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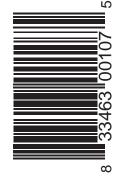
Morgan Myles will appear Friday, Sept. 15, at the Daleville Town Center.

free. For additional event details, visit the Facebook pages (Daleville Town Center or Daleville Summer Concert Series).

The Daleville Summer Concert Series is presented by Bank of Botetourt and Michelob Ultra. Event sponsors include John Alderson Agency, Protos Security, Virginia Mountain Mortgage, Stateson Homes, Daleville Town Center Apartments, Mutual Assurance, Valley Business Front and Better Sofas.

- Fincastle Herald staff report





Groendyk picnic August 26 at Limestone Park

The Groendyk Family Picnic will be held August 26 from 3 p.m.-6 p.m. at Limestone Park in Buchanan. Bring family and a dish or dessert to share. The pool is open and admission price for that is \$4 per swimmer. Come early and make a day of it.

Pass the word along and invite anyone that was ever an employee of Groendyk Mfg. Co., Inc.

For more information, contact Jerrah McKemy,

Rhonda Cox, or Missy Dudley.

- Rhonda Cox

Botetourt Longbeards banquet set for September 14

Botetourt Chapter Longbeards of the National Wild Federation is holding its annual Hunting Heritage/ Gun Bash banquet on Thursday, September 14. The event will be held at the Barn At Back Creek, 528 Back Creek Lane, Buchanan. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be provided.

There will be door prizes, games, a silent auction, and a live auction, suitable for the whole family. Online registration and payment at: https/ events.nwtf.org/460391-3023. Tickets can also be purchased from any Botetourt Longbeards committee member. For more information, call Richard Pauley at 540-

- Botetourt Longbeards





Town of Buchanan makes 'Jeopardy!'

July 28 episode of "Jeopardy!" saw contestants posed with the answer: "Buchanan, in this state, 'is a beautiful storybook town,' per Matthew Ramsey of the band Old Dominion, who grew up there." Returning champion Lucas

Partridge, a school counselor from Vegas, answered correctly,

"What is Virginia?" Partridge received \$600 and control of the board. He went on to win the game.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

Botetourt County Parks & Recreation announces grant opportunity

Botetourt County Parks and Recreation is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 Recreation Incentive Fund

This program offers matching funds to community service groups, individuals, and businesses wishing to make recreation-related capital improvements on property open to the general public. This year a total of \$50,000 of matching funds will be available through the program.

Since the program's inception in 1998, the grant has led to almost \$3 million worth of improvements to recreation property. Some of the completed projects include the installation of AEDs at the Greenfield Soccer Fields and Senior Fitness Equipment installed at Troutville Town Park, Town Park improvements in Buchanan, the purchase of friendship swings at Greenfield Elementary, plus the design and installation of the James River mile marker signage. Local schools and booster clubs have also used grant funding for dugouts, batting cages, scoreboards, refreshment stands, and other recreation/sports amenities to help benefit the students in the community.

The application deadline is Friday, September 15, at 11:59 p.m. The online application can be found by visiting www.bocorecreation.info. Hard copy applications can be found at the Parks & Recreation office located at 16 E. Main Street, Fincastle. For questions concerning the grant, email the Parks & Recreation Department at recreation@ botetourtva.gov or call 540-928-2130.

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Somewhat like an electrical substation, the proposed energy storage facility would be a fenced, unmanned facility which helps to modulate energy on the grid. The facility would pull power off the grid at times of overabundance to store it and would dispatch this power at peak times or whenever needed. Typically, power would be sold in the wholesale energy market or to the local utility. At times, energy storage facilities are acquired and owned by the local utility.

The project's description goes on to read that once operating, energy storage facilities do not generate traffic. They are remotely controlled and monitored 24-7, and individuals would visit the site periodically for routine maintenance. The energy storage facility would not result in any emissions and would not require potable water or sewer service. During operations, the project will not be lit. There will be security lighting at the facility that complies with local lighting standards, but it will remain off unless lights need to be manually turned on for occasional maintenance visits.

A proposed medical facility at 1645 Roanoke Road in Daleville is another item on the agenda. "1645 Roanoke Road, LLC" requests an SEP to help provide specialized services in Botetourt that would operate a diagnostic facility for an ADHD, depression, and anxiety testing and treatment planning. The property's current zoning (B-1) needs special exception to allow for a medical facility. The total space utilized by this use is 2,000 square feet, encompassing the entire downstairs portion of the building.

La Rocca Event Design, LLC requests rezoning for a new "Special Events Facility" in the Valley District on 31.04 acres located at 408 Wendover Road. This request is seeking to rezone the property from R-1 to A-1 with an SEP for the events facility. The existing parcel is the former residence of the Wayne Fralin family. According to the project's description, there are two important notes regarding this proposed event center: (1) the development does not plan to provide parking adequate to serve 250 people onsite and will utilize a shuttle service to reduce the number of vehicle trips, and (2) Valley Road is planned to be the main entrance for the event but Wendover Road will be available and used for staff, service, and private guests.

Founder and Executive Director of the Botetourt Wrestling Club Bobby Stewart is requesting an SEP for

the Botetourt Training Center in Troutville. According to Stewart's request packet, Marlet Group Properties, LLC purchased the Mountain View Plaza shopping center in 2021, renovating a vacant, 18,000-sq.-ft. section between the Dollar General Market and Elite Nails into a fitness

Stewart mentions the "numerous apartments being encouraged, approved, and constructed in the Gateway Crossing Overlay district near exit 150," noting the increase in children living in these new apartments in the

"To this end, our organization must subsidize its costs with solicitations for donations, sponsorships, and fundraising," Stewart said in his request letter. "However, these alone are not sufficient. For this reason, we formally request an (SEP)... to allow for batting cages and charitable bingo (at the facility)."

The Botetourt County Planning Commission will meet Monday, August 14 at 6 p.m. at the County Administration Center. To read the applications on the meeting's agenda, visit https://www.botetourtva.gov/ AgendaCenter/ and scroll down to Planning Commission

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AND TRANSFERS

The following land transfers were recorded in the Botetourt County Courthouse in July. The names of only one seller and one buyer are listed; others may be involved

- Anita B. Aaron to Anita B. Aaron, 1.685 acres, gift deed
 - Dewynn C. Adams to Ryan Jorden Adams, 14.64 acres, gift deed
- Jacob C. Anderson to Robert L. Taylor, 0.181 acre, Daleville Town Center,
- Hannah J. Ashworth to Amy Sloan Encarnacion, lot, Botetourt East,
- Leonard S. Austin to Cathy Austin Perkins, 2.119 acres, gift deed
- Cathy C. Beckner to Lawrence Calvin Camper, trustee, 2 parcels, \$30,000
- Alazia Logan Belk to Adolphus Belk Jr., parcel, gift deed
 - Leo W. Boucher to Wayne Lane, 2.180 acres, \$172,000
- Tyson P. Brummer to Danah Brummer, lot, Steeplechase, gift deed
- Melvin N. Camden to Tommie Lee Smith III, part of lot, \$275,000
- Melville Soyars Carico Jr. to Donald Franklin Taylor, no description,
- Countryside Land Company LC to Jesus Javier Macias Botello, 1.324 acres, \$60,000
 - John B. Crist to Charlotte A. McCann, lot, Brookfield, \$455,000 Aaron Chase Davidson to Matthew Sacra, 2.166 acres, \$335,000
 - Kristin Dooley to Seth Davis, 46.5 acres, \$275,000
 - Odell Drew Jr. to Joel K. Mullen, lot, The Orchards, \$319,950
 - Brandon Scott Evans to RNM LLC, 0.35 acre, \$215,000 William D. Farmer to CFF Properties LLC, lot, Stratford Place, \$12,000
- - Patrick D. Flanagan to Stephen B. Keffer, 1.285 acres, Marquis Estates, Julia Fitch to Peter Jan Roos, unit, Tinkerview Townhouse, \$165,000
- - Matthew W. Flora to Matthew W. Flora, lot, White Oak Estates, gift deed Angela Forbes to Dylan W. Nichols, 0.362 acre, \$150,000
 - Kristie A. Ford to Ankit Shah, lot, Daleville Town Center, \$587,000 Elise Ann Williamson Fulp to Darren M. Jenkins, 3 parcels, \$100,000 Karen Leigh Goodwin to Quick Fix Real Estate LLC, 1 acre, \$68,000
 - Greenmarle Inc. to Arista Troutville LLC, 3 parcels, \$875,000
 - Robert D. Hadley to Donald Degeorgis, 7.309 acres, \$751,000 Frederick L. Hayden Jr. to Jason R. Harris, lot, Botetourt Forest, \$355,000
 - David Wayne Hively to Jeremy Joshua Sturgill, 2.20 acres, \$440,000
 - Ronald D. Hoover to Rose Mary Carter, 2.708 acres, \$330,000 Margaret A. Jones to Mark A. Gumprecht, lot, Orchard Lake, \$620,000
 - Jeffrey S. Linick to George Michael Filz, lot, The Orchards of Ashley,
- John M. Linkenhoker, trustee, to Philip A. Williams, 1.745 acres, \$300,000 Lale G. Lovell, trustee, to Kenneth Ray Bunning, 33.623 acres, \$275,000
- David J. Mays to David J. Mays, 1.00 acre, gift deed Merida LLC to Sunshine Doctors LLC, lot, \$420,000
- MidFirst Bank to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, 0.9226
 - Murray Cider Company Inc. to The Shoppes at Hunting Hills, 84.167
- Daniel K. Myers to Angela D. Myers, 1.253 acres, gift deed Osceola 9 LLC to Palm Way Investments LLC, 87.87101 acres, \$4,000,000
 - Masayo Ozaki to Joshua L. Alley, lot, Oak Wood, \$345,950
- Wilson C. Pasley, special commissioner, to John Thomas Heck, 3 parcels,
- \$720,000 Pennymac Loan Services LLC to Zachary P. Bowyer, lot, Mill Creek Acres,
- William S. Perez to Van M. Lian, 1.31 acres, Deer Haven, \$60,000
- Cecil H. Phillips to Michael Solomon Vaughan, 4.254 acres, Heritage Oaks,
- PMIT REI 2021-A LLC to Susan S. Wilson, 2 lots, \$126,500
- Luis Ranzolin to Aaron C. Davidson, 11.836 acres, \$440,000 Gary L. Roberts to Casey L. Minnick, 2.94 acres, \$315,000
- Brenda Schaeffer to Brenda Schaeffer, lot, Rainbow Forest, gift deed Jerry Lee Schall, trustee, to Dean H. Sachs, lot, \$519,950
- Everett M. Sheppard to Rohankumar R. Nayak, lot, Ashley Plantation, \$662,000
- William Lee Simpson to Jonathan T. Dudley, 1 acre, \$119,000 Earnest Vincent Slusser to Earnest Vincent Slusser, 3 tracts, \$19,300
- Frank Leon Spetich II to Matthew T. Runion, 2 acres, \$340,000
- Stateson Homes to Larry D. McCarty, trustee, lot, Daleville Town Center,
- Jesse L. Snead Stewart to Joshua Rader, 10.733 acres, \$90,000 Victor L. Stewart to Thomas Joseph, lot, Steeplechase, \$620,000
- Charline Kay Sullivan to William R. Sullivan Jr., 2 parcels, gift deed Botetourt County Public Schools to Bobby Martin, 0.472 acres, Santillane,
- Beverly Hall Thomas to Tonia T. Carter, lot, Greenacres, \$0
- Ann David Whitesell to Palm Way Investments LLC, 29.07433 acres, \$750,000
 - Joshua Williams to Williams Properties LLC, lot, Knollwood, gift deed Frances W. Wilmoth to Johnny E. Ruff Jr., 1.0 acre, \$0
 - George Player Wilson III to Kenneth Michael Wilson, 8.083 acres, \$698,000 Susan S. Wilson to Michael Stickley, lot, Subdivision of Harold E. Cook Jr.,
- \$215,000 John David Wine to Joseph A. Overbay, 0.508 acre, The Orchards of Ashley,
- \$105,000



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A meal prepared by Aaron's Smokehouse will highlight locally raised beef from

Chamber hosting annual Ag Dinner at The Preserve August 31

Botetourt Chamber of Commerce is preparing to host its annual agriculture dinner at The Preserve at Crooked Run on Thursday, August 31. In partnership with producers in Botetourt County, Chamber present a smokehouse prepared Smokehouse highlighting locally beef Williamson Farms, and locally raised chickens from Fincastle Farm. The dinner features

a local menu, including products from Homestead Creamery, Layman Family Farms, Ikenberry Orchards, Little Wasprock Farms, and Bryant Orchards. contributing local vendors are Sarah's Petals Cut Flower Farm, Nick of Thyme Bakery and Catering, Three Li'l Pigs Barbeque, Brughs Mill Country Store, Foot of the Mountain Café, Patrick Perkins Photography, Food Lion, and Kroger. Virginia Mountain

Vineyards will providing a selection of award-winning estate wines for guests. The event will include local producer tables sharing their products and information about their business. Mountain Thyme Honey Gifts, Fincastle Farm, and Sarah's Petals will be on display at the event. Virginia Western Community College and The Advancement Foundation will be present as well, with information about their

business development in the agricultural industry agricultural speaker is

that support innovative

Matt Lohr, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, who will speak about issues concerning agricultural industry in Virginia and in Botetourt County. Secretary Lohr notes, "Agriculture and forestry are the first and third largest industries in the Commonwealth, creating an economic impact of over \$103 billion annually. Botetourt County is an important contributor statistic, this accounting for over 550 farms across 89,000 acres."

Director

Executive Botetourt Chamber, Khari Ryder, hopes that this event is "only a catalyst to other informative and educational events for our ag industry. We are looking forward to researching creative ways of promoting and driving agri-tourism through the hosting of this event. With the state, regional, and local focus on agriculture and agri-tourism, this event and our speaker could not have come at a better time. Botetourt County has a long history as an agrarian economy and a rich history of legacy and heritage farms still in operation."

This event is planned the Agriculture Committee that part of the Chamber. Members committee include Emily Bailey, Jenna

Lawrence, Amy White, Kevin Sutton, Scott Stevens, Clayton Taylor, and Granville Grant. Sponsors for the

dinner are First Bank and Trust Company, Bank of Botetourt, Farm Credit of the Virginias, Rockingham Cooperative/ACE Hardware. information about the event can be found at the Chamber's website: www.botetourtchamber.

A portion of the proceeds of the dinner will go to the Future Farmers of America (FFA), benefiting the five chapters in Botetourt According to Kate Stevens, Agriculture Teacher and Advisor, "The chapters students carry the future of our communities. strive to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. These funds will support member opportunities to compete in Career Development Events which sharpen essential skills for career success, to network and build friendships with other young leaders around our State and Country, community through hands-on projects and

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other needs brought to

light by our members."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS OF THE BOTETOURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Pursuant to the provisions of Section 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia of 1950.

as amended, the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors hereby gives notice of public hearings to be held on August 22, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits, in the Botetourt County Administration Center located at 57 South Center Drive, Daleville, Virginia, to consider the requests listed below. Information may be reviewed at the Community Development Office at 57 South Center Drive, Daleville, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Amsterdam District: The Botetourt County Board of Supervisors have author-

ized consideration of a property owner-initiated petition for an amendment to the 2010 Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map #9 in accordance with Section 25-581.3 Comprehensive plan amendment-Owner initiated and Section 25-581.4 Comprehensive plan amendment and review, to amend the future land use designation from Mixed Use Highway Commercial to Industrial / Flex for a 49.9-acre parcel, located on Lee Hwy (US Route 11), approximately 0.10 miles southwest of its intersection with Old RT 604 (SR 811), identified on the Real Property Identification Maps of Botetourt County as Section 101, Parcel 145. Amsterdam District: SR Investments Inc. requests to rezone a 49.9-acre parcel

from the Business (B-2) Use District to the Industrial (M-1) Use District, with possible proffered conditions, in accordance with Section 25-323.- Permitted Uses and Sec. 25-581. - Zoning map amendment—Owner-initiated., as well as a Special Exception Permit pertaining to building height in accordance with Section 25-326(d) Building Requirements and Section 25-583. – Special exceptions of the Botetourt County Code, located on Lee Hwy (US Route 11), approximately 0.10 miles southwest of its intersection with Old RT 604 (SR 811), identified on the Real Property Identification Maps of Botetourt County as Section 101, Amsterdam District: 1645 Roanoke Road LLC requests a Special Exception Permit for a Medical Care Facility, with possible conditions, in the Business (B-1)

Use District and Gateway Corridor Overlay District, at 1645 Roanoke Road, Daleville and identified on the Real Property Identification Maps as Section 101 Amsterdam District: Charles T. & Whitney C. Clemens request to rezone portions of two parcels totaling 25.65 acres from the Residential (R-1) Use District

to the Agricultural (A-1) Use District, with possible proffered conditions and a Special Exception Permit for a Special Events Facility, with possible conditions, at 408 Wendover Road, Daleville and identified on the Real Property Identification Maps as Section 101, Parcel 83 & 84. Valley District: Martlet Group Properties LLC requests a Special Exception Per-

mit for Commercial Recreation Uses, Indoor, with possible conditions, in the Shopping Center (SC) Use District and Gateway Corridor Overlay District, at 2708 Lee Highway and identified on the Real Property Identification Maps as

Section 101, Parcel 175A.

Persons wishing to make comments may attend the hearing, mail their comments to the Botetourt County Administrator's Office, 57 South Center Drive, Daleville, VA 24083, email their comments to lbess@botetourtva.gov, or submit comments through the Citizen Comment Form on our website at www.botetourtva.gov. Comments by postal mail must be received by August 17, 2023 Website and email comments must be received by 9:00 a.m. on August 22, 2023.

> **Gary Larrowe Botetourt County Administrator**

ETTERS TO

Thank you to the supporters of Botetourt **Youth with Character** Academy

Twenty-one rising sixth graders, representing each of the seven elementary schools, attended the Botetourt County Youth with Character Academy held at Fincastle Baptist Church July 11-13. The academy was sponsored by the Botetourt County Character Counts! Leadership

The attendees participated in team building activities at Camp Bethel on the first day of the academy and on other days participated in hands-on activities for each of the six pillars of character. On the third day of the academy, the attendees took Character Counts! into the community by volunteering at the Botetourt Food Pantry, participating in a mock trial led by Judge Paul Tucker, and playing Bingo with the residents at the Brian Center. We would like to thank the following

businesses and organizations who provided funding for the academy: Bank of Botetourt, Botetourt County Town and Country Women's Club, Botetourt Education Association, Botetourt Department, Catawba Recreation Masonic Lodge 342, Daleville-Fincastle Lions Club, Daleville Food Lion, First Bank, and Reynolds Management.

We also appreciate the support of Botetourt County Public Schools for providing transportation for the field trips, to Fincastle Baptist Church for allowing us to use their facility for the academy, to Camp Bethel for providing team building activities and lunch, and to the Botetourt Women's Farm Bureau for providing lunch. Without the support of these businesses

and organizations, the academy would not have been possible.

Wanda Martin, Chairperson Youth with Character Academy

Resolution fails to resolve controversy

"You're on your own." That was the message county leaders delivered to Botetourt parents at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday evening, July 31.

In usual fashion, the board voted 5-0 in favor of a resolution to recommend that the Library Board modify its policies to restrict library access to children over age 13 unless accompanied by an adult or

League for Animal Protection's

Waif of the Week

This resolution comes in response to repeated public demands from county residents that children's books in Botetourt libraries containing graphic, pornographic, and sexually seductive narratives be immediately removed. In opposition are those who condemn any restrictions on content which they invariably characterize as "book banning" and censorship.

In Virginia, library boards no authority to enact policy changes Therefore, the Board of Supervisors resolution—read aloud by each of the supervisors in turn—amounts to nothing more than virtue signaling.

Virtue signaling is the name given to political statements or actions that give the appearance of embracing what is right without actually committing oneself or doing anything substantial. It has become a common tactic of weak-willed politicians and civic leaders who want to mitigate controversy or criticism. But it clearly does not work in this case.

Judging from comments on the Botetourt County Facebook page, there is now more criticism, not less, as a result of the July 31 Board of Supervisors resolution. Most. or all, of the contested books and videos have been placed in public libraries since the county hired Julie Phillips as Botetourt library director Phillips was terminated from her previous post as branch manager of the Pelham Road library in Greenville, S.C., after she advocated for Drag Queen Story Hou events for small children in the Palmetto State. Months later, she was brought here

Contentions over sexually explicit library books are raging in several Virginia counties and states throughout the U.S Growing numbers of states are severing ties with the taxpayer-funded American Library Association for its promotion of child-sexualizing, LGBT-affirming, and gender confusing materials for young children through its Rainbow List. Botetourt residents did not choose

to battle over library books. The issue was forced upon them by the county administration's hiring of an activist as library director. Perhaps this is a good time for Botetourt parents and citizens to consider whether children are worthy of protection and whether public officials have a duty to help them. Compromise is a useful political tool

to bring strong differences of opinion to a peaceful conclusion on many local issues However, Botetourt supervisors may soor learn that moral compromise is never possible where the health and welfare of children are concerned. If they do, they will take the necessary action to prevent children from being exposed to materials that are intentionally designed to steal their innocence and cause

them permanent harm. In any case, steadily

increasing

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Library Buzz



UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS

Improv with Mill **Mountain Theatre**

Thu, Aug 17, 4pm, Fincastle Library Improv is acting and reacting in the moment. Learn how to collaborate and make confident choices. Recommended for tweens/teens.

Self-Defense Class

Thu, Aug 17, 5-7pm, Buchanan Bujinkan Dojo (beside Buchanan Library)

Botetourt Sheriff's Deputy and martial arts instructor Joseph Rae will teach situational awareness and basic self-defense techniques. Wear comfortable clothing/shoes and bring water. Ages 14+; participants under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Program offered by Botetourt County Parks & Recreation. Class size is limited, go to botetourtva.gov/823/ fitness-classes to register.

Puzzle Sale

August 21-25, normal library hours, Blue Ridge Library

Find your next favorite puzzle for 50 cents! Proceeds will benefit library programs and projects through the Friends of the Blue Ridge Library.

BOCO Eclectic Readers Thu, Aug 24, 11am-12pm, Eagle

Rock Library Join a book discussion of "As Bright

as Heaven" by Susan Meissner, a novel about love, loss, and family during the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1918. Coffee provided.

Little Explorers Every Tuesday 10:30-11:30am,

Fincastle Library Every Thursday 10:30-11:30am,

Blue Ridge Library

Bring your toddler to a special

play space so they can explore with

as interact with other toddlers.

StoryTime Weekly, 10:30-11am

Tuesdays - Blue Ridge Library Wednesdays - Eagle Rock Library

Thursdays - Fincastle Library Fridays - Buchanan Library

Improve literacy, motor skills, and school readiness through books, songs, and tactile activities. Activities follow our summer theme of space and time. Recommended for preschoolers.

Kids' Activities

Arts & Crafts: Fridays 2:30-3:30pm, Eagle Rock Library

How to Draw: Fridays 3-4pm, Blue Ridge Library

Art Club: Fridays 3:30-4:30pm, Buchanan Library

Get creative with various artistic activities! Recommended for ages 6-11.

Computer Basics

Mondays in August, Eagle Rock

Tuesdays in August, Blue Ridge

Join Humankind's Chris Becke for presentations with lots of hands-on practice! Laptops provided or bring your own. Registration required, class size limited to 6. Call 540-928-2900

Yoga for Beginners

Tuesdays 10-11am, Eagle Rock

Yoga instructor Kathy Austin guides

attendees through gentle yoga stretches. This program is offered in partnership with Botetourt County Parks & Recreation. Class size is limited, call 540-928-2800 to register.

See our calendar at BOCOLibraries. info for more great events.

Friends of the Eagle Rock Library yard sale August 19

Meet Orville

Orville came to LAP from a shelter in Washington County. This sweet boy was due to be euthanized due to overcrowding. He is very polite and comes when called. He is 2-3 years old.

Send donations to LAP, P.O. Box 561, Fincastle, 24090.

The LAP Shelter is open from 8-11 and 3-5; 540-473-3853.

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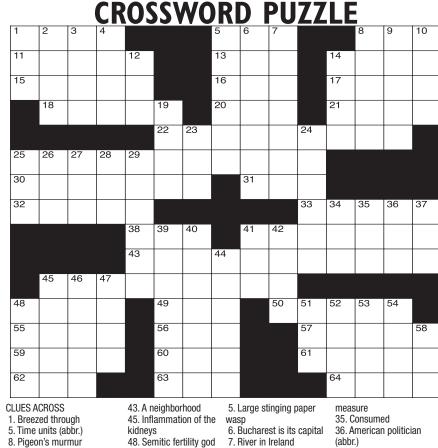
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> Freedom Thursday, Aug. 10 7 p.m. Indiana Jones

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& The Dial of Destiny (2023) Set in 1969, the film follows Indiana Jones and his estranged

goddaughter, Helena, who are trying to locate a powerful artifact before Jürgen Voller, a Nazi-turned-NASA scientist who plans to use it to alter the outcome of World War II. Fri. & Sat.

> Aug. 11 & 12 7 p.m. Sun., Aug. 13 3 p.m. Thurs., Aug. 17 7 p.m.

Botetourt Chamber establishes a new non-profit foundation

The Botetourt Chamber of Commerce has announced the formation of the Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and promoting the mission of the Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce—its core values to advocate, educate, and facilitate. The foundation will offer increased opportunities for and access to resources that can help Botetourt businesses and community in workforce development, business support, and education initiatives.

The foundation also provides a charitable contribution benefit to chamber partners that wish to make a charitable contribution to the foundation, supporting the capacity for chamber initiatives. This will be the first year that the Botetourt Chamber Golf Tournament will be run by the foundation. With support from one of the chamber's primary sponsors, Food Lion Feeds, and additional sponsorship by Winter's Storage, the tournament will now be dubbed "The Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce Foundation Golf Tournament."

'We look forward through the foundation to increase giving and awareness of the pockets of food insecurity in Botetourt County," Chamber Executive Director and Foundation Secretary Khari Ryder stated in a recent release. "For the past three years the chamber has presented \$500 gift cards to Botetourt area food banks, and this year to Craig County as well."

The Foundation welcomes the public's support and donations via PayPal at www.paypal.com/paypalme/ my/profile and on the golf registration site accessible through the chamber website. A Chamber Foundation web page will be accessible soon. For further inquiries, contact the chamber offices in Fincastle at 540-566-

- Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce Foundation,

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\$1,421,956, including a direct economic impact of \$1 million. The 102 vendors last year had sales reaching \$365,500 for the 27 sellable hours the event was open.

Dates and times are: Friday, Sept. 8 - 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 – 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10 – 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 11 - Closed

Tuesday, Sept. 12 – Preschoolers – 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 12 - Private - 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 13 - Seniors - 10

Wednesday, Sept. 13 - 5:30-7:30

Thursday, Sept. 14 - Special Needs -10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 14 – 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15 – CLOSED

Friday, Sept. 15 - PRIVATE - 5:30-

Saturday, Sept. 16 – 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

For more information, visit www. BeaverDamSunflowers.com.

~ Fincastle Herald staff report

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interview. White's been involved with the fair, along with Kate Lawrence (President), Scott Stevens, Emily Bailey, Katherine Carter, and many other helping hands, since the first fair held over a decade ago.

"This event has culminated with our poultry auction where we have our youth showing the poultry that they've raised and selling part of those and it's just a really great event to get these folks into the show ring," White said. "One of the most important things to come from all this is to get our kids in the show ring exhibiting their animals and their projects that they've worked so hard on. The lessons that

these young people learn from these experiences are just immeasurable. I know that from watching other kids. I know that intimately from watching my own kids go through these activities.

She recounted memories of fairs of the past noting fond fair memories that included the rescue of a runaway lamb that was chased through downtown Buchanan, working with all of the partners involved in putting on the event, and her interactions each year with the youth selling their animals.

"[I enjoy] the little moments like watching those kids in the show ring—seeing them smile," White said. "I always try

to talk to the kids that I buy chickens from. They want to know if they can come to my house to see their chickens after I buy and them and I say, 'Of course you can.'

Botetourt County 4-H will have educational and interactive club exhibits on display at this year's Botetourt County Fair. Patrons can learn about 4-H Clubs and receive information on how become involved. Members of the livestock club will have exhibits on display Friday, August 11 in addition to bingo and a Twilight Market showcasing local vendors. Friday night includes special live music by Western Justice and a beer garden. The Botetourt

County Chamber of Commerce Agriculture joins the Committee Friday night festivities to help generate excitement for Saturday.

Saturday's events will include Sheep Shearing and Goat Milking demos, Chicken Bingo, a local food walks, a "Kid's Corral" featuring multiple activities for children and free ID kits provided by the Botetourt County Sheriff's Department, a draft horse pull, the youth livestock show featuring local 4-H and FFA competitors, and a livestock auction.

As in previous years, the poultry and livestock auction takes place after the livestock show on Saturday. Club members

working been have very hard to get ready for this year's fair and are appreciative of the support of the community and buyers that make the show and sale successful. Additionally, there will be the third annual food walk with this year's grand prize being an Etzler ham on behalf of Jay Etzler along with several other prizes. One big change this year is the homemaking tent, known "The Farmhouse," will be located inside of the Wilson Community House on Lowe Street where attendees can experience youth exhibits on display all day

Saturday. For more information botetourtcountyfair. com or find the fair on Facebook at "Botetourt County Fair."

Stockyard Report

Monday's sale at the Roanoke-Hollins Stockyard: 324 Head **Graded Feeder Steers**

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Orchard Hills Church -6032 Cloverdale Rd. next to Read Mountain Fire Station. Worship at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays. Home group Bible studies available throughout the week. Pastor Scott McLucas, 977-6800. To find out more about Orchard Hills Church go to the website at www. orchardhillschurch.org.

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD New Beginnings Assembly of God, 1317 Narrow Passage Rd., 43 North. Sunday School, 10:00a.m.; Worship, 11a.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 6:00p.m., Pastor Steve Tremblay, email: pastorstevetremblay@gmail. com. Everyone welcome.

Troutville Assembly of God, 118 Conner Lane, P.O. Box 728, Troutville, VA 24175, Pastor Dennis Carroll, 540-960-1224, Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Children's Church 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Everyone welcome. **CHURCH OF GOD OF**

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Prophecy - (formerly Flatwoods COGOP & Fincastle COGOP), Roanoke & Academy Streets, Fincastle, Va 24090, Sunday School 10:00 AM, Worship 11.00 AM, Sun. Evening 6:30 PM, Wed. Evening 7:00 PM, Pastor Peggy Brown, 540-992-**INDEPENDENT**

BAPTIST Colonial Baptist Church -

221 Hillcrest St., Blue Ridge, VA 24064. Phone 540-977-5683. Senior Pastor Joel A. Wegner; Sunday: 9:30 a.m., Sunday School & Adult Bible 10:30 a.m. Fellowships; Worship (Nursery, Tots' & Children's Church) - broadcast on Facebook Live; One Sunday evening worship per month at 6 p.m. Wednesday schedule during the school year: 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Adult Prayer & Bible Studies; 6:45 p.m. WOL Teens, 7 p.m. WOL Gopher Buddies & Olympians (Age 3-Grade 6), 7 p.m. MERGE (College Age). E-mail: office@ cbcblueridge.org; website: www.cbcblueriage.org: On Facebook, Instagram, YouTube Crossroads Baptist Church -1128 Wheatland Rd., Buchanan, Pastor Elmer Clemons, 761-5074 Home, Sunday School 10:00 A.M., Morning Worship, 11:00 A.M., Sunday Evening 6:00 P.M., Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 6:00 P.M.

Church-Faith **Baptist** 4258 Botetourt Rd., 4 miles N. of Fincastle; Dr. John W. pastorteacher, Reynolds, jwr56fbc@Yahoo. 473-2325, com. Sunday School, 10 AM; Worship, 11 AM. Wed. Bible study, 7 PM. fincastlefaith.com. Lapsleys Run **Baptist** Church- Rev. David W. Halsey, Sr., Pastor. 608 Zion Hill Road, Fincastle. 540-556-3504. Worship: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 11:00a.m. New Hope Baptist Church-

2315 Blue Ridge Blvd. (US 460), 977-6610, Pastor David McNeill: Sunday School, 9:45AM; Worship, 10:45AM, 7PM; Wed., Bible Study 7PM; Kings Kids, 7PM; Daycare and Preschool, Mon-Fri. 6:30AM-Valley View Baptist Church-

17471 Main St., Buchanan; Rev. Daniel Boone, 254-2760 (church), 254-2570 (H). Sunday School, 10 AM; worship, 11 AM, Sunday Evening, 6:30 PM; Wednesday: Prayer and Youth Ministries, 7 PM, Word Of Life youth ministry for 4 year olds-12th grade Wednesdays at 7 **SOUTHERN BAPTIST**

Bonsack Baptist Church 4845 Cloverdale Rd. (Alt. 220) Dr. Chris Cadenhead, 977-5701, Sunday School, 8:30a.m. and 11a.m.; Worship 9:45a.m.;

Wed. Bible study, 6 p.m. Buchanan Baptist Church -19730 Main Street, Buchanan, Sunday Bible Study for all ages 9:45 a.m.; Worship at 11

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Bible Study and activities for all ages. Facebook - Buchanan Baptist Church; Web Site buchananbaptist.com; Phone -254-2253, Pastor - Darrell Naff; Minister of Music - Stephen Harris

Daleville Baptist Church-Corner of Valley Rd. and Orchard Dr., 992-1570; Senior Pastor Wes Belcher; Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Youth 6:30 p.m., Children (age 4-5th grade) 6:45 p.m., Bible study & prayer 7:00 p.m. Fincastle Baptist Church-

Located at 7330 Roanoke Rd., Fincastle, Rt. 220, 1 mile south of Fincastle, 540-473-2861; www.fincastlebaptist.org; Sr. Pastor Kevin B. Cummings. Sunday Mornings, we offer a dual Bible Study/Worship Service at both 9:00 am and 10:45 am. On Wednesday evenings, we offer events for the entire family: Kids Club (3 years-5th grade) 6:15-7:30 pm; Middle School Ignite (Grades 6-8) 6:15-7:15 pm; Adult Bible Study 6:30-7:30 pm; Ignite High School Group (Grades \9-12) 7:45-8:45 pm; and childcare (birth-36 months).

Forest Grove Baptist Church-693 Mt. Moriah Rd. (Rt. 681), Eagle Rock, Rev. Jerry Marsh, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:35 a.m., Wed., Bible Study 7 p.m. Glade Creek Baptist Church

- 3148 Webster Road, Blue Ridge, Virginia 24064. Pastor Steve McChesney. Phone 540-977-1686 or 540-798-7462. Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m., to include Chidren's Church. Wednesday evening Worship and Bible study begins with a meal at 6:30 p.m. Mill Creek Baptist Church

-11475 Lee Hwy., Fincastle, 992-3474. Danny Quirin, Pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday night activities begin at 6pm: Bible study, children and youth activities, choir and handbell rehearsals follow. office@ millcreekbc.com **Pleasant Hill Baptist Church**

4930 Country Club Road (corner of Country Club & Haymakertown Roads), 540-992-5556. Pastor Danny Barham. Sunday School, 10 Worship Service, 11 a.m. Worship can also be viewed online at the PHBC Facebook page or on Youtube (PHBCtube). Other activities and schedules can be found at www.phbcweb.com. Springwood Baptist Church -

88 Copps Hill Rd., Buchanan; Rev. Mike Anderson, 540-819-4616, Email pmike09@ outlook.com. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.: worship 11 a.m.: Wednesday night bible study will be held every first and third Wednesday of the month from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Troutville Baptist Church

-P.O. Box 309, Troutville, VA 24175; 992-1026, Pastor Dr. Jeff Ritchey. Sunday School 9:45 AM; Worship 11 AM. Wednesday: Adult Prayer & Bible Study, 6:30PM; Youth & Children Activities 6:30PM. Zion Hill Baptist Church-

Intersection of Zion Hill Road and Old Fincastle Road. Pastor Donald Goforth (540) 884-2285.Sunday School -10 AM Worship 11AM. Youth Activities (grades 6-12) and Kingdom Kids (preschoolgrade 5) Wednesdays at 5:30 CHURCH OF THE

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Almighty God is the One who spoke the universe into existence. He directs the hearts of kings (and other political figures). Nothing happens outside of His knowledge and His Sovereignty. We may be discouraged at the outcome of an election, a judicial ruling, or even the passage of legislation, but God is not surprised or discouraged. We can relax knowing that no matter who is leading the country, God is still in control.

Prayer Suggestion: Ask God to guide your political lead-

Quicklook: Jeremiah 27:1–11

24085. Interim Pastor Dreama Osborne. 884-2292 (church), 540-597-8272 (cell). Sunday School, 10 AM; worship, 11 AM; Ladies' Aid meets 2nd Thurs. monthly. Mt. Joy Church of the

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Brethren, 3732 Breckinridge Mill Road, Fincastle Virginia 24090, Pastor Dr. David A. Tozar, Worship service 11:00am every Sunday, Potluck Luncheon every 3rd Sunday of the month. Troutville Church of the

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Woodland Rd. Troutville, VA. Corner of Blacksburg/ Country Club Rds., 3.5 miles W. of Fincastle; 992-1008. Sunday School, 10AM; Worship, 11AM, Wed. Prayer Meeting 7PM (Call for more information).

PRESBYTERIAN Buchanan Presbyterian Church -19559 Main St. Buchanan. 540-254-1390.

Donna Hopkins Britt, Pastor.

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Church - 108 E. Back Street, Fincastle, VA 24090. Reverend David Dickerson is the minister with the Worship Service held from 10:30 – 11:30 Sunday mornings. Services are now being held in the sanctuary with no restrictions... unvaccinated individuals are still requested to wear their masks. The service will also be live-streamed via Facebook at (https://www.facebook.com/ fincastlepresbyterianchurch). New members are welcome to join our hand bell and vocal choirs. (No musical experience is required...just a desire to worship the Lord and to have fun!) The church is handicapped accessible. For more information: fincastlepresbyterianchurch@ gmail.com or (540)473-2042.

Gala Loop Road, Eagle Rock, VA 24085. Rev. Emily B. Hook, pastor, 804-516-6552. Sunday School at 10 a.m. each Sunday. Morning Worship & Praise at 11a.m. each Sunday. Communion once each quarter. Virginia Presbyterian Church - 918 Pico Road, Buchanan, 24066. Worship 9:30 a.m. (nursery provided), Sunday

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Church – 14565 Church St. Eagle Rock 10:15 AM; Glen Wilton UMC, Main St. Glen Wilton, 9:00 AM; Shiloh UMC, Shiloh Rd, Eagle Rock, 11:15 AM. Pastor Ray Sandifer (540) 525-0258. Fincastle United Methodist

Church - Sunday School at 9 a.m. in the Family Life Center. In person services Sunday, 10 a.m. in the sanctuary, 136 S. Church St., Fincastle. Pastor Reverend Jim Bollinger, office, 473-3001. E-mail: office@ fincastleumc.org. St. Mark's United Methodist

Church - 19 Cedar Ridge Drive, Daleville, Pastor Samuel Plymale, 992-3030. Worship Times: Praise and Worship Service at 9:00, with Blended Worship which celebrates Communion on the first Sunday of every month, with music led by our Praise Band. Traditional Worship Service at 11:00am. Traditional worship often with presence of the choirthis service is live streamed and celebrates Communion on the first Sunday. Children and Youth Ministries meet for Sunday School at 10Am each Sunday! Shipyard Youth meets every Sunday 4 to 6pm unless we are doing a special monthly mission. Frogs and Tadpoles

the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month from 4 to 6pm! Trinity United Methodist Church - 19637 Main St., Buchanan; Rev. Doug Mitchell, 254-2475 (O). Sunday School, 9:45AM, worship 10:30 AM.

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BITUARIES

Bruce, Douglas F.

Douglas F. (Doug) Bruce, 60, of 2014. Upon retirement, he took

home on Friday, August 4, 2023, at the VA Medical Center in Salem.

He was born July 2, 1963, in Cook County, Ill., to Bill and JoAnn Bruce. He was the older brother of David, Carlyn Bruce Ruble and Debra

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, DeeDee, and their son, Daniel.

Other survivors are Carlyn and Ricky Ruble, Kimberly Bruce, Jarod Manness, Kaitlin Manness, Hope Bruce and Bill Bruce, and the entire Mays family in Eagle Rock.

Doug was a veteran of the U.S. Army with duty posts in Germany and Virginia. Upon his discharge he started his career in Corrections at Camp 25 in Troutville. In 1994, he transferred to the Botetourt County Sheriff's Office where he started as a jail officer and then promoted to a road deputy. Doug was one of the original 18 Émergency Response Team officers and was also a K-9 officer to Deputy Torro. Doug retired from law enforcement in October

Eagle Rock, departed his earthly a break from life for a couple of years and then worked

for Excel Trucks in Roanoke as a parts delivery person. In the past few years, he enjoyed yard work, gardening, cooking, just tinkering around and for the last five years, his constant companion, JoJo, our German Shepherd. Memorial services

will be held Thursday, August 10, 2023, at the Chapel of Botetourt Funeral Home, 14920 Lee Highway, Buchanan, VA. Visitation will be from 3 p.m.-5 p.m. with the memorial service starting at 5 p.m.

Doug has requested that in lieu of flowers, please consider St. Jude Children's Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., or New Freedom Farm, Buchanan. The family is gathering at Grandma Mays' home, 189 Branch Road, but enter by way of 181 Mountain Road, Eagle Rock. Those wishing to send a condolences, please do so at www. botetourtfuneralhome.com or 540-884-2276 or 540-254-3000.



Dye, Melissa

Melissa "Missy" Dye, a lifelong resident of the Roanoke Valley, shed

her earthly pain and departed this world for heaven on August 3, 2023. She had a 12-year journey with cancer, which she handled with unparalleled dignity and grace. Missy grew up in alem, and graduated from Glenvar High School and Virginia Community Western College.

Missy was a lover of all things related to genealogy and history. Much to the chagrin of her sister, many shopping trips included a detour to a graveyard or abandoned building to feed her desire for all things historic. Her son has inherited her love of history. She loved all animals and had a special affection for cats. She pondered becoming a veterinarian for a short while, and even worked at an animal clinic as a teenager. However, she changed direction when she realized the many unglamorous things that happen in a vet's office. She was an organizational expert, and could make an itinerary for any event, large or small, and no detail would be overlooked. Missy enjoyed the beach, especially Hilton Head. The beach and ocean would refresh her soul. She could host a dinner party that would make Martha Stewart envious. She loved her family most of all, and she enjoyed spending time with them whenever possible.

Missy was preceded in death by her grandparents. She is survived

by her husband of almost 17 years, Brad, and their son, Jordan. She is also survived by her parents, Rick and Cheryl Wood; sister and brother-inlaw, Suzanne and Zach Caldwell: brother-inlaw and sister-in-law, Tim and Amy Dye; nephews Ben, Luke, and Sam Dye and Lane

Caldwell; and lifelong best friend, Amy Campbell.

The family would like to thank

the staff at Lewis Gale Medical Center, Dr. William Fintel, and Dr. Andrew Fintel for their exceptional care. A special thank you to an extraordinary nurse, Anita Geiger, whom was surely selected by God to be on her care team. A celebration of Missy's life was

held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 8 at Rader Funeral Home, Daleville with Pastor Chris Cadenhead officiating. Burial was in Mt. Union The family received Cemetery. friends at the funeral home 6-8 p.m. Monday. In lieu of flowers, please consider

a donation in her memory to the Southwest Virginia Wildlife Center, 5985 Coleman Road, Roanoke, 24018. Online condolences may be

made and service live stream will be found at www.rader-funeralhome. com/tributes/Melissa-Dye.

St.Clair, Ronald D. Ronald D. St. Clair, 78, of was a member of St. Mark's United

Daleville, passed away Monday, July 31, 2023 at Carrington

Place of Botetourt. Ron was born in

Roanoke January 29, 1945 and lived in the area all of his life. He was the son of the late Sullivan B. and Retta C. Huffman St.Clair.

with Ron served distinction in The United States Army

during the Vietnam Conflict, receiving the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device 1960, Military

Order of the Purple Heart, among

other awards and citations. He

Methodist Church, enjoyed fishing, hunting, racing, and retired as a vault

manager for Wells Fargo/Loomis after 35 years of service. In addition to his parents, Ron was

preceded in death by his brother, Bernard Wayne St.Clair. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Cathy L. West St.Clair; daughter and son-

in-law, Renee and Lynn Evans of Wirtz; granddaughters, Kayla (Andrew) Dressler and MaKenzie

Sarver (Ryan Deisher); great-grandchildren, Mason, Rhylee,

Houston, Theo, Ellie, Judith, and

A celebration of Ron's life was held at 11 a.m. Friday, August 4 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Daleville with Pastor Samuel Plymale officiating. Burial with full military honors was in Old Dominion Memorial Gardens. Ron's family received friends at Rader Funeral Home, Daleville,

6-8 p.m. Thursday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Colesville Road, Suite 100, Silver Spring, Md. 20910.

Online condolences be made to the family at www. rader-funeralhome.com/tributes/

Waid, Meredith Beckner the vestry of St. Mark's, including

July 15, 1929 – July 20, 2023 Meredith "Reedie" Beckner Waid, 94, of Fincastle, passed

away July 20, 2023.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Gordie Ferrell Beckner and William Edward Beckner of Bedford; and Robert Waid, her husband of 67 years. She is survived by her daughters, Bobbie Bowman and husband

Bowman, Mitchell and Sally Waid; and her son, Fulton Waid and wife Ulli Waid. She is also survived by grandchildren, Meredith Bowman Shelton (David Shelton), Robert Waid Bowman (Joanna Wood Bowman), Roseanne Bowman Jacob (Peter Jacob), Mitchell Bowman Jr.

(Jessica Gisclair), and Lucas Waid. Surviving great-grandchildren are Aaron Shelton, Katherine Bowman, Palmer Waid Bowman, Archer Benjamin Bowman, Andrew Jacob (Julianne Rainone Jacob), and Ali Jacob (Adam Draper); and a greatgreat-granddaughter, Marlowe Jacob. Reedie served the community in

many ways: as a fire spotter, Fincastle Rescue Squad volunteer, served on terms as Senior Warden, St. Mark's Episcopal landscaping,

co-founder of The Botetourt Food Pantry, Meals on Wheels volunteer, past Chairman of Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare and a volunteer for the local Red Cross Blood Drive. She and a friend made regular visits to Alderson Correctional Institute,

a federal prison in West Virginia, to provide support and encouragement to female inmates. She was a Marriage Commissioner for the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the Mayor of Fincastle for two terms.

The family would like to express our appreciation to Reedie's wonderful caretakers for their continuous love and support: Debi Phelan, Keith Cook, Becky Gay, and Barbara "Sam" Starkey.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Botetourt Food Pantry, St. Mark's Episcopal Church or the Town of Fincastle's Big Spring Garden project. A private memorial service is planned.

HURCH NEWS

Back-toschool sale at Cloverdale **Thrift Store**

The Cloverdale Church of the Brethren Thrift Store is having a back-toschool sale. All children's clothes and shoes are half off. Shorts and capris are 50 cents.

Eagle Rock Clothes Closet August hours

The Clothes Closet at Eagle Rock United Methodist Church will be open Wednesday, August 9, 5-6:30 p.m.; and Saturday, August 12, 9 a.m.-noon. Free clothing will be available to men, women and children. The Clothes Closet is a ministry of the Eagle Rock United Methodist Charge. For more information, call Brenda Spangler, 884-

Buchanan Food Pantry open Saturday The

Buchanan Presbyterian Church Food Pantry will be open on Saturday, August 12 from 9-11 a.m. Volunteers from Buchanan Baptist Church distribute food curbside to anyone in need in Botetourt County. The church is located at 19559 Main Street, Buchanan.

Mt. Olivet **Summer Bazaar August 12**

The Summer Bazaar at Mount Olivet United Methodist Church will be held on Saturday, August 12, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., serving breakfast and lunch. Items made by the Mount Olivet Quilters will be for sale, along with a bake sale, canned jams and jellies and a yard sale. Spaces for yard sales are \$5. The church

is located at 26310 Lee

Highway, Buchanan.

Springwood Food **Pantry open August 19**

The Springwood Baptist Food Pantry will be open on Saturday, August 19 from 9-10:30 a.m. The pantry is located at 88 Copps Hill Road, Buchanan. This pantry is a drive-through pantry, so clients may remain in their cars and volunteers will load the food for them. The pantry is open

each month on the third Saturday from 9-10:30 a.m. It is a partner with Feeding America Southwest Virginia and anyone in need of food is invited.

Pleasant Hill **Baptist upcoming** activities

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church will be raffling off a quilt to raise money for the Playground Fund. The tickets are 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20. Tickets may be purchased by calling the church line at 540-992-5556 or by emailing phbcweb@gmail.com. Pleasant Hill Baptist

Church members will be walking in the Walk to Defeat ALS on September 16 at Green Hill Park in Salem. To join the team, call the church line at 540-992-5556 or email phbcweb@gmail. The PHBC Women on

Mission will meet Thursday, August 17 at10:30 a,m. The guest speaker will be Lisa Miles from Orchard Hills chievement Center. The Joyful Journey The PHBC Food Pantry Travelers of St. Mark's Achievement Center.

will be hold the August Food Box Giveaway on Saturday, August 12 from 9-10:30 a.m. Food boxes may be picked up at the church (4930 Country Club Road, Troutville) or at Eagle Rock Library. The PHBC Quilters

Group meets every Wednesday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. If you are interested in learning this skill or would like to participate, call the church line at 540-992-5556 or email phbcweb@gmail.

Pleasant Hill Baptist will have revival services on Sunday, September 17

20. Dr. Tom Stocks will be

leading the revival each night

September

Wednesday,

at 6 p.m. There will be special music and fellowship nightly.

GriefShare beginning at **Colonial Baptist**

Colonial Baptist Church in Blue Ridge is offering GriefShare, a help and encouragement ministry to those who have experienced the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. Each 90-minute session includes a video seminar, group discussion, and personal workbook. The fall GriefShare Support Group meets weekly from Thursday, August 10, through Thursday, October 26, at 6:30 p.m. Colonial Baptist Church is located at 221 Hillcrest Street in Blue Ridge. Contact the church office at 540-977-5683 or office@cbcblueridge. org for more information.

Villa Heights to celebrate 100th anniversary

Villa Heights Baptist Church will celebrate the 100th anniversary as a church with a special service followed by lunch on Sunday, August 27, at 10:30 a.m. Previous church members and friends are invited to attend. The special guest speaker will be a former pastor, Jake Huffman. For more information, visit the website at: www. villaheights.com.

Joyful Journeys

United Methodist Church See Church, page 8

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in Daleville invite interested persons to join them for two daytrips.

• The Billy Graham Museum and Library, September 19. Cost is \$100 per person. The bus leaves from St. Mark's at 7 a.m., then make a pick-up

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS OF THE BOTETOURT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Botetourt County Planning Commission hereby gives notice of public hearings to be held on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the **Botetourt County Administration Center at 57** S. Center Drive, Daleville, Virginia to consider the requests listed below. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors, which will make a final decision on the request. Information may be reviewed at the Community Development Planning & Zoning Office at 57 South Center Drive, in Daleville from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays and is available online at https://va-botetourtcounty.civicplus.com/ AgendaCenter, by scrolling down to the Planning Commission section.

Amsterdam District: The Botetourt County Board of Supervisors has authorized consideration of a property owner-initiated petition for an amendment to the 2010 Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map #9 in accordance with Section 25-581.3 Comprehensive plan amendment-Owner initiated and Section 25-581.4 Comprehensive plan amendment and review, to amend the future land use designation from Mixed Use Highway Commercial to Industrial / Flex for a 49.9-acre parcel, located on Lee Hwy (US Route 11), approximately 0.10 miles southwest of its intersection with Old RT 604 (SR 811), identified on the Real Property Identification Maps of Botetourt County as Section 101, Parcel

Amsterdam District: SR Investments Inc. requests to rezone a 49.9-acre parcel from the Business (B 2) Use District to the Industrial (M-1) Use District. with possible proffered conditions, in accordance with Section 25-323.- Permitted Uses and Sec. 25-581. - Zoning map amendment—Owner-initiated., as well as a Special Exception Permit pertaining to building height in accordance with Section 25-326(d) Building Requirements and Section 25-583. Special exceptions of the Botetourt County Code, located on Lee Hwy (US Route 11), approximately 0.10 miles southwest of its intersection with Old RT 604 (SR 811), identified on the Real Property Identification Maps of Botetourt County as Section 101, Parcel 145.

Amsterdam District: 1645 Roanoke Road LLC requests a Special Exception Permit for a Medical Care Facility, with possible conditions, in the Business (B-1) Use District and Gateway Corridor Overlay District, at 1645 Roanoke Road, Daleville and identified on the Real Property Identification Maps as Section 101, Parcel 19.

Amsterdam District: Charles T. & Whitney C. Clemens request to rezone portions of two parcels totaling 25.65 acres from the Residential (R-1) Use District to the Agricultural (A-1) Use District, with possible proffered conditions and a Special Exception Permit for a Special Events Facility, with pos sible conditions, at 408 Wendover Road, Daleville and identified on the Real Property Identification Maps as Section 101. Parcel 83 & 84.

Valley District: Martlet Group Properties LLC requests a Special Exception Permit for Commercial Recreation Uses, Indoor, with possible conditions, in the Shopping Center (SC) Use District and Gateway Corridor Overlay District, at 2708 Lee Highway and identified on the Real Property Identification Maps as Section 101, Parcel 175A.

> C. Nicole Pendleton, AICP, CZA, CFM **Director of Community Development**

for people in Rocky Mount. Travelers will spend the day at the museum and library; lunch on your own in the cafe there. The bus will stop for dinner, on your own, on the way home. Suggested tip for the driver is \$3 per person.

The bus will return to St. Mark's by 8 pm. The be found on the church Greer at 540-330-7933. The deadline for registering and payment in full is September 1.

Wohlfhart Haus Christmas Show and Meal, Wytheville, November 15.

registration form can Cost is \$95.50 per person and includes the bus, show, website, stmarksmethodist. and meal. A \$3 tip for the com, or by calling Julia driver is recommended. The bus will leave from St. Mark's at 10 a.m. and return by 6:30 pm. to St. Mark's. The bus will stop at the Lowe's in Salem to pick up at 10:20 a.m. and drop off at 6 p.m. The registration form can be found on the church website at stmarksmethodist.com or by calling Julia Greer at 540330-7933. The deadline is as soon as possible. The theatre says that seating for groups usually begins to fill up by the end of August. The bus will be chartered

from Sunshine Tours. The Joyful Journey Travelers is an outreach ministry of St. Mark's UMC to provide safe and fun trips for senior citizens; however, any age is welcome.

LEGAL NOTICE **TOWN OF FINCASTLE PLANNING COMMISSION**

and 15.2-2204, as amended, this shall serve as notice that the Fincastle Town Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on August 10, 2023 at 6 p.m. in the Fincastle Firehouse for the purpose of soliciting public input on: A proposal to create an Uptown Mixed Use

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 15.2- 2285

Expansion District to extend one block out from the intersection of Main and Roanoke Streets and shall be applicable to properties that have frontage Proposed amendments to the accessory build-

for the purpose of better clarifying several of the terms in the existing ordinance and defining the number of such structures that are allowed. Copies of these proposals can be obtained by contact-

ing or structures ordinance. These amendments are

ing the Fincastle Town Office during regular office hours or by contacting Scott Critzer at 540-473-3377. Scott Critzer - Chairman

Fincastle Planning Commission

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOTETOURT COUNTY **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Pursuant to the provisions of Virginia Code Section 56-575.17 of the Public Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002, as amended, the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors hereby gives notice of public hearing to be held on August 22, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in the Botetourt County Administration Center located at 57 South Center Drive, Daleville, Virginia to receive public comment on proposals to undertake design and construction of a countywide public safety radio system.

The conceptual proposals are open to public review at www.botetourtva.gov and in the County Administrator's Office, 57 South Center Drive, Daleville,

Persons wishing to make comments may attend the hearing, mail their comments to the Botetourt County Administrator's Office, 57 South Center Drive, Daleville, VA 24083, e-mail their comments to lbess@botetourtva.gov, or submit comments through the on-line form on the County website at www.botetourtva.gov. Comments by postal mail must be received by August 17, 2023. Website and emailed comments must be received by 9:00 a.m. on August 22, 2023.

> **Gary Larrowe Botetourt County Administrator**

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF FINCASTLE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia, the Fincastle Town Council will hold two (2) public hearings for the purpose of soliciting public input on the matters referenced below at their regularly scheduled meeting on August 10 at 7 p.m. in the Fincastle Firehouse

Due to a question regarding changes to the advertisement requirements of this Code section this is being readvertised. Pursuant to the terms of the Voluntary Boundary Adjustment agreement entered into between Botetourt County and the Town of Fincastle, the Fincastle Planning Commission has recommended to the Town Council that the Botetourt County R1, R2, R3, R4, B1, B2, A-1, and AR zoning classifications, in their entirety, be incorporated into the Town's zoning ordinance, to be applied to those areas taken into the Town as part of this agreement. These additions to the zoning ordinance will not change the existing zoning on any land in the Town.

Details of these zoning classifications can be found on the Botetourt County zoning ordinance site or by contacting the Fincastle Town Office during regular office hours.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 15.2-2285 and 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia the Fincastle Town Council will hold a public hearing at it's regular meeting on August 10th on a proposal from the Town Planning Commission to adopt a Light Manufacturing zoning classification for the area along route 220 north of the intersection of North Roanoke Street and Rt 220 and on a supporting amendment to the Town Comprehensive Land Use Plan to support such and ordinance.

A copy of this proposed ordinance and amendment may be obtained at the Fincastle Town Office during regular business hours.

Mary Bess Smith- Mayor **Town of Fincastle**

Botetourt County Public Schools Annual Public Notice Career and Technical Education

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- Career Connections
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- Health and Medical Sciences Marketing
- Technology Education Trade and Industrial Education

Dual Enrollment opportunities are available for students who are entering the workforce and/or post-secondary education through agreements with Virginia Western Community College and Mountain Gateway Community College (formerly Dabney S. Lancaster). For more information about Career and Technical Education, call Mike Ketron @ (540) 473-8216.

The Virginia Department of Education and Botetourt County School Board are committed to nondiscrimination with regard to sex, sexual orientaion, gender, gender identity, race, color, national origin, disability, religion, ancestry, age, marital status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, military status, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by law. No person shall be denied educational opportunities solely because of impairment, which is unrelated to the ability to engage in activities involved in the program for which application has been made.

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terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees,

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may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure

sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The

LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com. VA-

sale is subject to seller

confirmation. Substitute

Trustee: Equity Trustees,

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359160-2.

VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Case No. CL23000124-00 **BPTETOURT CIRCUIT** COURT COURTHOUSE, 1 WEST MAIN STREET, #120, FINCASTLE VA

24090.

Commonwealth of Virginia, in re JENIFER M. ARRINGTON and AARON M. MUSSELWHITE, plaintiffs

v. AARON W. SELLS KRISTIN COLLINS, RICK G. WILLIAMS, EVALYN M. WILLIAMS, BENJAMIN I. GIMBERT, ELIZABETH M. GIMBERT, JEFFREY S. WRIGHT, MORGAN R. WRIGHT, AND UNKNOWN PARTIES, defendants TO THE **DEFENDENDANTS AND**

INTERESTED PARTIES, This matter before the **Botetourt County Cirvcuit** Court upon the filing of a Motion for Quiet Title on the 15th day of March, 2023,asking that the Court to confirm the ownership of real property located in Botetourt County known as Tax Map No. 108-1A comprising approximately 5.971 acres, currently titled I ne of Jennifer Arrington and Aaron M. Musselwhite, as more particularly described in the Deed dated July 7, 1997 recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of

that because all parties with a potential claim to said property are unknown and based off the Affidavit filed by Plaintiff's counsel in this case, it is hereby Ordered that this Order of Publication shall be posted as an Order of Publication at The Botetourt Circuit

Botetourt in Deed Book 533.

It appearing to the Court

Page 865.

Court Courthouse, 1 West Main Street, #120. Fincastle, VA 24090, and published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Fincastle Herald, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Botetourt.

Any person with an interest in the aforementioned property should appear. answer or otherwise respond to the allegations set out in the Motion in this matter no later than the 15 day of September, 2023. Entered this 25th day of June, 2023. Joel R. Branscom, Judge I ASK FOR THIS: John K. Prillamen, ESq. VSB #81306 OPN LAW, PLC 3140 Chapparral Drive, Suite 200-C Roanoke, Va 24018 P: 540.725.8194

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Trustee's Sale

1705 Commerce St, Salem, VA 24153

(Parcel ID: 201-7-7)

Default having been made Deed of Trust dated July 23, 2012, in the original principal amount of \$48,910.00 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Salem, Virginia on August 9, 2012, as Instrument Number 120002015, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will sell at public auction on September 8, 2023 at 10:00 AM, in front of the building housing the City of Salem Circuit Court, 2 East Calhoun Street, Salem, VA 24153, the property designated as Lots 19, 20, and 21 in Section 24 of the Map and Survey of the Salem Development Company's land, a plat of which lands is recorded at page 36 1/2 of Plat Book Number 1 of the record of the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the Roanoke County, Virginia. Sale is subject to all prior liens, easements, restrictions, covenants, and conditions, if any, of record, or other matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the premises. TERMS: CASH. A deposit

of \$5,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA lower, will be required of the BY: James E. Taliaferro, II successful bidder at time of sale. Prior to the sale, interested bidders will be required to register with and must present a bid deposit which may be held during the sale by the trustee. The bid deposit must be certified funds and/or cash, but no

cash will be accepted. The successful bidder's deposit will be retained at the sale and applied to the sale price. If held by the trustee, all other bid deposits will be returned to the unsuccessfu bidders. Settlement is to be made within 15 days. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining possession of the property

more than \$9,900.00 of

and for all costs and fees related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Memorandum of Trustee's Sale, available for review upon request before the terms of sale and settlement, A Trustee's Deed will be prepared by Trustee's attorney at high bidder's expense. This is a

communication from a debt collector. Tromberg, Morris & Poulin, PLLC on behalf of Southeast Equity Trustees. LLC and/or Auction.com-VA, LLC, Substitute Trustee(s), 413 Stuart

Circle, Suite 314, Richmond, VA 23220, File No. 23-000322, Tel: 804-525-1570.

Notice is hereby

given to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on August 16th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY

1. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Jesse Spence, property owner, for the issuance of a Special Exception Permit to allow a two family dwelling on the property located at 128 Bellevue Avenue (Tax Map # 78-1-1).

OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:

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consider the request of Helm Building Enterprises Ltd., property owner, for rezoning the property located at 105 St. John Road (Tax Map # 155-3-2) from HBD Highway Business District to HM Heavy Manufacturing.

3. Hold public hearing to

2. Hold public hearing to

consider the request of Doyle Properties, LLC, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 2005 East Main Street (Tax Map # 78-2-2.11) from RSF Residential Single Family to **HBD Highway Business** District. 4. Hold public hearing to

consider the request of Neal Wall, property owner, for rezoning the properties located at 1139, 1133, and 1127 Highland Road (Tax Map # 230-2-7, 230-2-6. and 230-2-5) from RSF Residential Single Family to HBD Highway Business

Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia. At said hearing, parties in

have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE

interest and citizens shall

Executive Secretary Legals -Montgomery

County

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VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No. CL23-346

MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1. CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re COUNTY OF

MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Complainant, v. ANISE KEEN, ET AL RESPONDENT(S) The object of this suit is to:

ENFORCE THE LIEN OF THE Complainant, County of Montgomery, Virginia, for delinguent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Montgomery, Virginia, described as follows:

Tax Map No. 097-A 24 Account No. 011872 All certain tract or parcel of land, with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being on the waters of the

Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, containing 1.46 acres, more or less, further designated as Parcel ID 011872, Tax Map Number 097-A 24. And being the same real

River, in the Shawsville

property conveyed to Sonny S. Keen from Anise M. Keen and Donny S. Keen, by Deed dated August 8, 2005 and recorded August 18, 2005 in the Montgomery County Circuit Court Clerk's Office

as Instrument Number 2005009947. According to a Real Estate Affidavit/List of Heirs filed recorded May 15. 2019 in the aforementioned Clerk's Office as 2019000449, Donny S.

Keen passed this life on March 6, 2019 and his interest would have been transferred to his wife. Anise Keen, by intestate succession. This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 647

t Page 35, Plat Book 211 at Page 389. IT APPEARING that Affidavit has been made and filed stating the due diligence has been used. Without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served,

that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Anise Keen, whose last known address is 1959 Alleghany Spring Rd. Shawsville, Virginia, 24162; Donny S. Keen aka Donny Sherman Keen, who is believed to be deceased

and whose last known

address is unknown; and

that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be

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Circuit Court of the County of Montgomery, Virginia and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause Entered on the 25th day of July, 2023 by

ascertained appear on or

before September 4, 2023

in the Clerk's Office of the

K. Mike Fleenor, Jr. Judge I ask for this: John A. Rife, Esq. (VSB No. 45805)

Taxing Authority Consulting Services, PC P.O. Box 31800 Henrico VA 23294-1800 Phone: (804) 545-2500

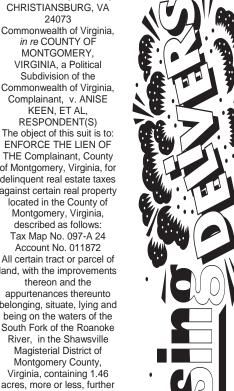
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VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316 Case No.JJ00376703-03 RADOFRD CITY JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT Commonwealth of Virginia,

in re Miranda Sue Simpkins. Toney Lee Martin, Christopher and Christa Simpkins, Tammy Sue Davidson /v. Karen Sue Webb The object of this suit is to: **DETERMINE CUSTODY**

AND VISITATION OF THE MINOR CHILD. It is ORDERED that TONY LEE MARTIN appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before September 22, 2023.

July 21, 2023 Sally Davis, CLERK



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(at Sheetz/Hardees/Walmart), go E on Rt.# 114 for 4/10 mi. to Bellspring Rd., turn L & go 9/10 mi. to Timberlane Dr., turn L & go 3/10 mi. to Woodland Way, turn L & go 1/10 mi. to Home on Right. Note: Limited Parking space – park where you can.

Property cash, check or credit/debit card day of auction.

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TOWN OF VINTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

AND INVITATION TO BID

PROPOSED GRANT OF **INGRESS AND EGRESS** EASEMENT OVER PARCEL 060.15-02-01.00-000 TO VIKING FENCE COMPANY, INC.

AND INVITATION TO BID

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 15.2-2100 et seq., of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the Town Council of the Town of Vinton, Virginia, hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held on

Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. or immediately thereafter, in the Council Chambers of the Vinton Municipal Building, 311 South Pollard Street,

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Vinton, Virginia. The purpose of the public hearing is to consider approving an Ordinance granting an ingress and egress easement over and across parcel 060.15-02-01.00-000 to Viking Fence Company, Inc. in conjunction with the Town's

development of the Walnut Avenue bicycle and pedestrian path. The easement shall be valid for 40 years unless extended. The parcel over

and across which the

easement will run is owned

by the Town. In addition, the Town will publicly receive bids for the proposed easement from other interested parties. Other interested parties must submit sealed bids for the proposed easement in

writing by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 14, 2023, to Antonia Magallon, Town Clerk, 311 South Pollard Street, Vinton, Virginia. Any

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bids received will be opened in public session and marked for identification by the Town Clerk. The Mayor shall cause a brief summary of any such bids to be read aloud in the public

session. The cost of this advertisement shall be paid by the Town which shall be reimbursed by the entity to which the easement is granted. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Copies of the proposed Ordinance and proposed easement may be examined at the office of the

Town Clerk, located in the Vinton Municipal Building, 311 South Pollard Street, Vinton, Virginia, (540) 983-0607, or at the Town's website, www.vintonva.gov. Citizens are invited to attend the public hearing

and comment on the proposed Ordinance and proposed easement. Individuals requiring special

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assistance to attend and participate in the public hearing, or requiring additional information about

the proposed Ordinance or proposed easement, should contact the Town Manager's Office, at 311 South Pollard Street, Vinton, Virginia, (540) 983-0607.

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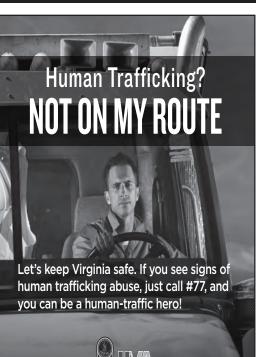
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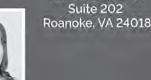
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Sports

Jefferson Forest repeats at Botetourt Metro

The Botetourt Golf & Swim Club was the host course for the third annual Botetourt Metro Golf Tournament last week, and for the second year in a row Jefferson Forest came out on top. The Cavaliers shot a four-player total of 313 to win by five strokes over second place Northside, who shot 318.

Salem was third among the 18 teams at 320, and the two Botetourt schools were next. Lord Botetourt was fourth with 328 and James River was fifth with

Salem's Kathryn Ha was the individual champion with an 18-hole score of 70, one under par on the par 71 Botetourt course. Cody Cox of Jefferson Forest was second, two strokes back, and third place was a tie between Angelina Booan of Hidden Valley and Aidan Andrews of Salem at 75. There were 90 total golfers in the field.

Lord Botetourt's best score was a 79 by junior Hayden Firestone. Also scoring for LB were Jeremy Simmons at 81, Aiden Mitchell at 82 and Dylan Gonce at 86. Garrett Honts also played and shot 88.

James River was led by freshman Landon Bolling, who shot 80, followed by Dylan Hicks at 81. Also scoring were Mason Gilliland at 83 and Haden Parker at 89.

A special award was the Kip Nininger Scholarship. That went to Evan Britton of Lord Botetourt.

Both LB and James River were rained out of matches last Thursday, LB at Hunting Hills and River at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club. River was also weathered out of a Monday Three Rivers District match at Cliff View Golf Club, hosted by

Both teams are scheduled to return to the links on Thursday of this week. James River has a match at the Old Mill course, hosted by Carroll County, and LB will have a home match with Blacksburg at the BG&SC.

Next Monday the Knights are at the River Course for a district match hosted by Radford. Next Tuesday LB is at Franklin County for a Blue Ridge District match.



The Botetourt Golf & Swim Club was the site of the Botetourt Metro Golf Tournament last week. Here, James River's Landon Bolling tees off.

Girls basketball camp in Springwood







James River girls basketball coach Ryan Firebaugh and his staff held a youth camp for girls last week. Here, future Knights practice fundamentals in the James River

PHOTOS COURTESY OF JR BASKETBALL



Hokie fan day is Sunday

The Virginia Tech football team will have the annual "Fan Day" this Sunday in Blacksburg and two Lord Botetourt grads, Hunter McLain (above at practice) and Gunner Givens, will be participating. Both are red-shirt freshmen. Jesse Hanson is also on the roster but he is out for the season with an injury.

OUTDOOR REPORT

Comment on the draft 2023-2032 Virginia Bear Management Plan

The Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) is seeking public review of the draft 2023-2032 Virginia Black Bear Management Plan through September 5, 2023. The first Bear Plan, completed in 2001, has been revised twice through the involvement of public stakeholders and managers of bears in Virginia. Because DWR's mission includes managing "wildlife populations and habitat for the benefit of present and future generations", it is important that the process used to develop and revise the Bear Plan incorporates both public values (e.g., economic, sociological, cultural) and biological considerations.

The revised Bear Plan will guide bear management across the Commonwealth through 2032. This plan describes the history of black bear management, current status of bears and bear management programs, and the future of bear management in Virginia. The plan provides a framework of what

needs to be done and how it should be

Guided by the DWR mission, the Bear Plan includes a mission statement and six goals that address the areas of populations, habitat, recreation, human-bear conflicts, and bear health and welfare. Specific objectives help guide the attainment of each goal. Potential strategies then clarify how each objective could be achieved, but without delving into the operational details. This plan will provide clarity and direction on the goals of bear management in Virginia for the next decade to the DWR Board of Directors, DWR administrators and staff, agency partners, and the public.

Review the draft on the DWR website today at https://dwr.virginia. gov/wp-content/uploads/media/ Draft-2023-2032-Virginia-Bear-Management-Plan.pdf.

- Virginia DWR

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Sports

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Fall sports have scrimmages

With fall sports fast approaching the Lord Botetourt and James River football and volleyball teams will be scrimmaging to get ready for their seasons.

Lord Botetourt will have a football scrimmage Wednesday, at Émory & Henry University against Dobyns-Bennett High School of Tennessee. Dobyns-Bennett is one of the top high schools for football in the state of Tennessee and will be a good test for the Cavaliers, who are expecting another good season as well.

"You have to scrimmage good teams if you want to get better," said LB coach Jamie Harless. "Dobyns-Bennett always has a good

The scrimmage will be game situation, as will the second scrimmage with Jefferson Forest on Thursday, August 17. The varsity will be at home beginning at 6 p.m. The IV team scrimmages at

Jefferson Forest Aug. 16. LB opens at E.C. Glass on Friday, August 25.

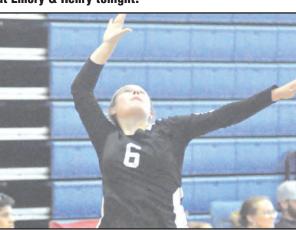
James River also had a football scrimmage moved, but that is going the other direction. River was scheduled to scrimmage at Rockbridge this Friday, but instead the Knights will host Nelson County and Gretna in Springwood. The jayvees will open the scrimmage at 6 p.m., followed by the varsity against Nelson, then the varsity against

The Knights will play a benefit game on August 18 at Bassett. They open the season on August 25 at home against Buffalo

The Lord Botetourt volleyball team will have its first scrimmage at Brookville tonight. The Cavaliers will be home for a scrimmage on August 17 against Hidden Valley. Both the jayvee and varsity teams will begin at



The Lord Botetourt football team is getting ready for the coming season. Here, Cavaliers practice on a hot day in Daleville last Friday. The team will scrimmage at Emory & Henry tonight.





The James River football players take a break at a recent practice with temperatures rising. The Knights will have a home scrimmage this Friday.



The James River varsity volleyball team participated in a 12-team jamboree in Salem last week. Here, Knights take on Jefferson Forest in a scrimmage in the Andrew Lewis Middle School gym. The James River jayvee team will participate in a jamboree at Andrew Lewis this Saturday.

team participated in a 12-team jamboree in Salem last Saturday. This Saturday the River James River's volleyball jayvees will play in a

12-team jamboree at Andrew Lewis Middle School in Salem. The jayvees will play Cave Spring, Rockbridge and scheduled to begin at 9

host Salem.

The River varsity is in another jamboree this Saturday in Bassett,

a.m. The regular season opens on Monday, August 21, when the Knights host LB in an intra-county match.

Letters

opposition to efforts by the ALA and the Botetourt library director to sexualize young children would seem to indicate that a final resolution to this controversy yet a long way off.

Timothy Buchanan Buchanan

County should condemn dilapidated building

I'm a lifelong Botetourt citizen and live in Troutville.

I remember the whole stink storm during the Exit 150 road project. Now, years later, visitors to the area using the controversial million dollar roundabout project have to look at that raggedy graffiti truck wash building.

Botetourt County officials are all about appearance. Daleville now has hundreds of millions of dollars worth of construction. But, to get to any of it, you have to look at this dump! Are Botetourt County officials blind? Politicians are too worried about stopping a trail from coming through from Craig County, I

can't even comprehend why the county is letting this dump still stand. There are vacant buildings in Detroit that look better than this dump.

be ashamed of themselves. The owner

Botetourt County officials should

of this place should be embarrassed. This place is an embarrassment to the county. This is the FIRST building people see exiting the interstate, for crying out loud.

I think if this kind of crap keeps going on, we need to vote every official that has anything to do with real

estate out of office. I mean, come on, enough is enough! The county needs to condemn this place. They had no problem running the T/A out of the county, and it was a running/operating, revenue-making business. Priorities! If I had to guess, someone in a county position owns this property, hence the reason nothing is done.

I've seen the county let stupid stuff happen in my 40 years here, this by far is the stupidest thing I have ever seen.

Jimmy Shine Troutville

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