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Buchanan celebrates 'Mountain Magic'

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The Town of Buchanan celebrated its 29th annual Mountain Magic in Fall festival at the town park over the weekend. Visitors made their way through the numerous vendors, classic cars, and delicious foods throughout the day.

Bluegrass bands took to the stage performing as visitor brought their lawnchairs to sit back and enjoy the tunes performed by Rebecca Bryant, Mill Creek Band, Barry & the Mudflaps, Blue Connection and the Virginia Carolina Band.

Ă classic auto and tractor show saw vehicles

from the past and present on display. Community members weaved their way around Lowe Street, looking under the hoods and remembering the days when some of the vintage show cars roared down Botetourt roads.

Vendors sold their wares that included handmade crafts and baked treats, fall and Christmas décor, and also ceramics, windchimes, and bird houses. Members of local community organizations were also present sharing information about their

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Buchanan's Mountain Magic in Fall took place last Saturday at the town's park.



This year's fall festival had all of the baked goods for visitors to enjoy.



One of the event's younger car enthusiasts examines one of the classic cars on display at the car show.



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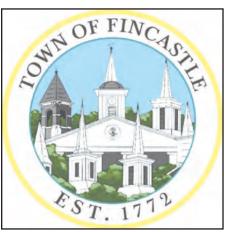
Vickie Vines (left), Nancy Epperly, Sherry Sink, and Pat Shotwell with the Special Events Committee sold new t-shirts at their booth.

Fincastle Town Council will introduce new council member, hear from VDOT about secondary roads this Thursday

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Fincastle Town Council will meet this Thursday at the Fincastle Volunteer Fire





Department Training Room at 7 p.m.

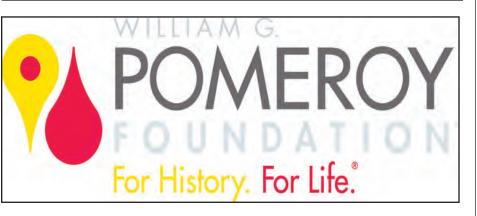
Council will welcome its new member, James C. Reynolds, to complete the term of Richard Flora, who resigned from the position in July. Reynolds stood before the Clerk of the Count on Sept. 27 taking over the role as Town Council member.

Jim Reynolds, a resident of the Santillane subdivision, was selected by Council to fill this position. He and his wife Betty have lived in Fincastle for seven years. Reynolds is a graduate of Randolph-Macon College and is the retired President and Owner of Reynolds Grain Company in Vinton. He served as Past President of the Daleville-Fincastle

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Lions Club, and is a member of Fincastle United Methodist Church, where he serves on church council. Reynolds is a board

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The Botetourt Historical Society, Inc. receives funding for much-needed technology upgrades

Since its founding in 1966, Botetourt County Historical Society (BCHS) has amassed a large collection of artifacts that document the 253 years history of the county. Until now, the society had no means of digitizing photos or documents to help with both research and preservation efforts. In June, the society applied for a grant through the William G. Pomeroy Foundation. BHCS was awarded \$5,000 to help with the costs associated with the purchase of

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Wadsworth, played by David Boyer, reveals the reason all have been invited to Boddy Manor to Jeremy Teubert as Professor Plum (left), and Colonel Mustard, played by Mark Noell.

'Clue' opens on the Attic stage Thursday

Attic Productions is pleased to announce the opening of a new production, "Clue On Stage," based on a screenplay by Johnathan Lynn, with script by Sandy Rustin. This show will be presented at Attic's D. Geraldine Lawson Performing Arts Center, 7490 Roanoke Road, Fincastle, October 12-16 and 19-22. Thursday and Friday shows begin at 7:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday matinees begin at 2:30 p.m.

A legendary murder mystery takes the stage in "Clue On Stage" with a cast of talented actors, state-of-the-art set design and special effects, and a captivating story that will leave you on the edge of your seat. Join the cast on a journey of intrigue and suspense, where you'll have to uncover the truth about the murder and try to solve the case before the night is over – with a chance to win prizes. Get experience the thrill of playing detective.

Based on the iconic 1985 Paramount movie which was inspired by the classic Hasbro board game, "Clue" is a hilarious farce-meets-murder mystery. The tale begins at a remote mansion, where six mysterious guests assemble for an unusual dinner party with murder and blackmail on the menu. When someone turns up dead, they all become suspects. Led by Wadsworth – the butler, Miss Scarlett, Professor Plum, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Mrs. Peacock and Colonel Mustard race to find the killer as the body count stacks up. Clue is the comedy whodunit that will leave both cult-fans and newcomers in stitches as they try to figure out...who did it, where, and with what!

Adult tickets are \$15, students and groups of 10 or more are \$12 when paid in cash or by check at the box office. A \$2 convenience fee per ticket will be added if paying with a card.

Tickets may now be purchased on the Attic Productions website by visiting www.atticproductions.info. For questions or assistance with purchasing tickets call the box office at 540-473-1001. Volunteers are staffing the box office on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Leave a message at other times and your call will be

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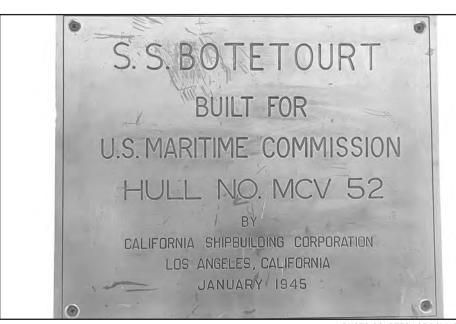


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The S.S Botetourt. (APA-136) was a Haskell-class attack transport ship named after Botetourt County. This bronze plaque reads "Built for U.S. Maritime Commission, Hull No. MCV 52 by California Shipbuilding Corporation, Los Angeles, California, January 1945."

The ship transported cargo and troops during WWII (1945-1946) to the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre. Later she was assigned to Operation Service in Korea, the Far East and Europe (1950-1956). Her crew included 86 officers and 1,475 enlisted men aboard a well-armed Victory ship. She was scrapped in 1974.

John Robert Graham, Jr. (1955-2019) donated this plaque to the Botetourt County Museum of History and Culture. John was on the Botetourt County Historical Society & Museum, Inc. Board of Directors and helped to create the Civil War Trail in Botetourt.

- Botetourt Museum of History & Culture

Book sale at Blue Ridge Library

Friends of the Blue Ridge Library are having a used book sale from October 19-21. Hours for the sale are: Thursday, October 19, 5-8 p.m.; Friday, October 20, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, October 21, 10 a.m. -2 p.m. Most hardcover books are priced at \$1 each and most paperbacks are priced at 50 cents each. Saturday is bag sale day when customers

may fill a bag with books for just \$3.

All proceeds from the sale are used to support the library including the Summer Learning Challenge and other programs and items that are not included in the library's budget. For further driving directions, call the library at 540-928-2900.

at 28 Avery Row just off US 460 about

half a mile east of the Bonsack Walmart.

The sale will be held at the library

- Fincastle Herald staff report

RRESTS

The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for October 2-8:

- Justin D. Larkin, 38, of Daleville, drunk in public, October 3
- Michael D. Huff, 33, of Troutville, driving under influence, October 5
- Timothy L. Bennett, 42, of Eagle Rock, malicious wounding, October 8

Jose Abel Hernandez-Morales, 32, of Roanoke, malicious wounding, child abuse, two charges of assault, drunk in public, October 8



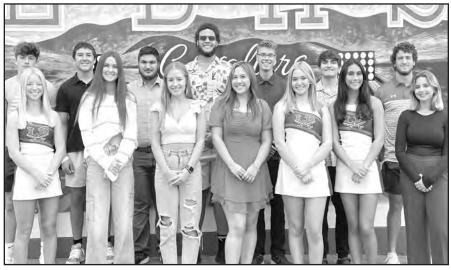
Botetourt County Homecoming Courts



Homecoming Weeks finished up for both Botetourt County high schools last week. Left, Lord Botetourt's DJ Toliver and Grace Thomas were announced as Lord Botetourt's 2023 Homecoming King and Queen last week.

The prior week, Trey Jackson Taylor and Alexis Chocklette were crowned James River's 2023 Homecoming King and Queen.

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Lord Botetourt High School 2023 Homecoming Court: (front row) Briana Keith, Reagan Meade, Maisey Cook, Grace Thomas, Avery Michalski, Laila Alam, and Kylie Hamilton; (back row) Aaron Lyle, Aaden Thomas, Charles Kumar, DJ Toliver, **Casey McFarling, TJ Piluso, and Samuel Groote**



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PHOTO COURTESY OF JRHS James River High School 2023 Homecoming Court: (front row) Alise Orent, Alexis Chocklette, Drew Whitson, Elle Norris; (back row) Damien Mitchell, Trey Taylor, **Paul Theimer (not pictured: JJ Halsted)**

Food Pantry receives donation from Buchanan Lions



PHOTO COURTESY OF BUCHANAN LIONS CLUI

The donation check was presented to the Food Pantry Committee by (from left) Lions Brenda Elliott, Jessie and Mike Burton, Sherry Crumley, chair of the Food Pantry Committee, Trisha Kidd, Lions President Pat Jasper, and Barbara Stull.

When Buchanan Lions Club members see a need, they respond. Buchanan Lions support the local Food Pantry, which is run and coordinated by the Buchanan Presbyterian Church. The Food Pantry distributes food twice a month.

The Lions of Virginia Foundation, Inc. (LOVF) has a matching grant program, with a category for Humanitarian Needs. The Buchanan Lions saw the need at the Food Pantry and donated \$1,200 with their application for a grant. The matching grant was approved, and on Thursday, October 5, the Food Pantry

was presented with a check from LOVF for \$2,400.

Lions Club members support the pantry individually, but as a club, members help with distribution six times a year. At the last distribution, 37 sets of food were handed out, supporting more than 80 people. An average set of food for one family includes canned goods, cereal, milk, eggs, and frozen meat.

To join in supporting the Food Pantry, contact either the Buchanan Lions or the Buchanan Presbyterian Church for more information.

- Buchanan Lions Club

Botetourt County Library announces change in operating hours

Due to library staffing limitations and long-time traffic patterns, current operating hours will change at the Eagle Rock Library branch.

Starting November 1, the Eagle Rock Library

branch located at 55 Eagles Nest Drive, Eagle Rock, will be closed on Saturdays. Since the branch's opening in 2010, Saturdays have been the least-utilized day at the Eagle Rock Library, so the library

expects a very minimal impact on community usage. The change in hours allows the library to reallocate staff time to days and times with higher

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The Eagle Rock Ruritan Club has partnered with the Compress & Shock Foundation and Botetourt Fire and EMS to bring an adult and pediatric CPR/ AED class to the Eagle Rock Elementary School at 3 p.m. October 15. That is the 2nd annual Restart a Heart Day, with organizations across the nation holding similar community-based classes. The class is specifically designed to educate the public to act quickly in the event there is a cardiac arrest, to start CPR and use an AED if it is available. The Ruritans welcome anyone aged 13+ years and will have stations available for practicing skills that are accessible for anyone.

The Eagle Rock Ruritan Club will qualify for an AED to be placed in the Eagle Rock Community Center if there are at least 35 participants in the course on October 15. Please register at this link:

https://www.compressandshock.org/event-details/

eagle-rock-elementary-school-3-00-pm

Eagle Rock Ruritan Club news

At the September meeting of the Eagle Rock Ruritan Club, the guest speaker was Erin Slusser-Pease, current president of the Eagle Rock Elementary School PTA. Erin enthusiastically presented some of the initiatives that are planned by the PTA this school year. She also challenged the Eagle Rock Ruritan Club as well as individual members to partner with the PTA in its various efforts to provide the best elementary school experience possible for the students there. Erin suggested that Ruritan members might begin by joining the PTA and taking advantage of the many opportunities to be an active part of what is happening at Eagle Rock Elementary.

Club President Beth Leffel reminded members of the great opportunity to participate in the CPR and AED class to be held at 3 p.m.. on October 15 at the Eagle Rock Elementary School. Admission is free but registration is necessary. The goal is to get at least 35 participants in the class so that the Eagle Rock Community Center might be equipped with a free AED unit. If you would be willing to participate in the class, contact Beth Leffel at leffel4botetourt@gmail.com.

The Eagle Rock Ruritan Club always invites others in the community to help make improvements in the wonderful community. The club also offers the Eagle Rock Community Center for use by individuals and groups for a nominal fee to help with utilities. Call 540-884-2775 to make reservations. The club meets at 6:30 p.m. each third Tuesday.

~ Eagle Rock Ruritans

Bingo will benefit Glebe Benevolent Fund, Daleville/Fincastle Lions Club

An afternoon of bingo to benefit The Glebe Benevolent Fund and the Daleville/Fincastle Lions Club will be held on Saturday, October 14, at 11 a.m. The doors will open at 10:30 a.m. at The Glebe, 200 Glebe Boulevard, Daleville. All bingo prizes will be Pampered Chef and Thirty One

products, with a cover-all grand prize valued over \$90.

Tickets are sold in advance for \$35 (\$40 at the door), which includes a buffet lunch, by contacting Lowell Skelton at 540-420-2427 or Diane Taylor, 540-520-7967.

For parking, go to the right of

the main building entrance and park on the lower lot. A shuttle will be provided so residents to not lose their parking spaces. There will be door prize drawings

and a 50/50 drawing. There are 20 rounds of bingo, a door prize ticket, plus a cover-all (black out) round for

the grand prize included for \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. Additional bingo cards, cover-all cards, and door prizes tickets will be available for purchase.

- Daleville/Fincastle Lions Club



PHOTO COURTESY OF JAMES RIVER EQUIPMENT

James River Equipment launches October fundraiser for Susan G. Komen Foundation

ASHLAND - James River Equipment, a leading provider of John Deere agricultural and construction equipment, is proud to announce its October fundraiser in support of the Susan G. Komen Foundation's mission to combat breast cancer. Throughout the entire month of October, James River Equipment will be running an exciting fundraising campaign centered around a customwrapped pink Gator Utility Vehicle raffle.

James River Equipment has wrapped a John Deere Gator Utility Vehicle in a striking pink color to symbolize support for breast cancer awareness. Raffle tickets for a chance to win this unique vehicle will be available for purchase at all 46 James River Equipment construction and agriculture locations throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia from October 1st through October 31st. Each raffle ticket is priced at just \$25.

their tireless efforts to find a cure for breast cancer," said Michael Board, Marketing Director at James River Equipment. 'We invite our customers, friends, and community members to join us in this meaningful campaign. Together, we can make a real difference in the lives of those affected by breast cancer.'

Raffle tickets can only be purchased in-store and the lucky winner of the custom-wrapped pink Gator Utility Vehicle will be drawn on November 3rd, 2023. Make sure to mark your calendar and keep an eye out for the announcement of the winner. 100% of every dollar raised during this campaign will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation to support their crucial work in breast cancer research, advocacy, and patient support. Visit your nearest James River Equipment dealership to buy your tickets and support this vital cause. For more information about the fundraiser, please visit JamesRiverEquipment. com/WeDigPink.

Greenfield students train to be flag attendants

Deputy Nick Harper, the School Resource Officer for Greenfield Elementary, trained fourth and fifth grade flag attendants this week. Training included protocol for raising and lowering both the United States and Virginia flags, folding and storage of the flags and procedures for raising the flags to half staff. Pictured standing from left to right with Dep. Harper are Greenfield student leaders Vivian Estes, Kyra Lake, Cooper Pritt and Gavin Hill.

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Lord Botetourt FFA helps with Toys 4 Bot-E-Tots fundraiser

The Lord Botetourt FFA Chapter helped with the Toys 4 Bot-E-Tots poker run benefit on September 23 at Fincastle Baptist Church as a fundraiser. The chapter helped set up the door prizes and silent auction table. FFA members also served food for the pork chop dinners that included pork chops, baked potatoes, cole slaw (provided by Three Lil' Pigs Barbecue), rolls, and drinks.

"I thought that everything went well today, we made good sales and everyone seemed happy. Everyone worked really hard. I really enjoyed helping in the serving line putting meals together in the boxes," said Chapter President Allyshia Morris.

Student Advisor Elizabeth Hodges said,



LB FFA members at the fundraiser included (in front of the table) Kevin Gibson and Austin Williamson; and (behind the table): Allyshia Morris, Zachary Odell, ana Cavinder, Gracie Truax, and Elizabeth Hodges.

River "James Equipment is honored to support the Susan G. Komen Foundation in

~ Fincastle Herald staff report

think it was a great fundraiser and a lot of great people helped out for a great cause."

The members set the serving line up in an assembly line fashion. The members' duties were to put the food items into takeout boxes and bag them if they had multiple meals. At the end of the line, FFA members made sure that everyone got a drink with their meals.

Lord Botetourt had eight members total at Fincastle Baptist Church: Allyshia Morris, Austin Williamson, Tristan Marshall, Gracie Truax,

Kevin Gibson, Sylvana Cavinder, Zachary Odell, and Elizabeth Hodges.

- Lord Botetourt FFA Chapter

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Buchanan Food Pantry open Saturday

The Buchanan Presbyterian Church Food Pantry will be giving out food curbside on Saturday, October 14 from 9-11 a.m. Volunteers from Buchanan Baptist Church will be assisting those in need. Food items will include bread, milk, frozen meat, canned goods, cereal and other everyday items. The church is located at 19559 Main Street, Buchanan.

Christmas sale at Cloverdale Thrift Shop

Cloverdale Church of the Brethren Thrift Store is having a Christmas sale through October gift items, jewelry, Christmas sweaters and lots of decorations. Fall and winter clothes are available for the entire family. The shop open every Saturday from 9 to 12; donations are welcomed.

Hayride, cookout at Galatia Presbyterian

Galatia Evangelical Presbyterian Church invites you to the annual hayride and hot dog roast on October 14 at 4 p.m. at the Gala Riverfront Campground. In case of rain, it will be at the Gala Pavilion across from the church at 78 Gala Loop Road, Eagle

Rock.

Please bring a dish or dessert to share, hot dogs and buns are furnished. Also, bring a folding chair for yourself. There will also be a bluegrass band.

Indoor yard sale upcoming at Mill **Creek Baptist**

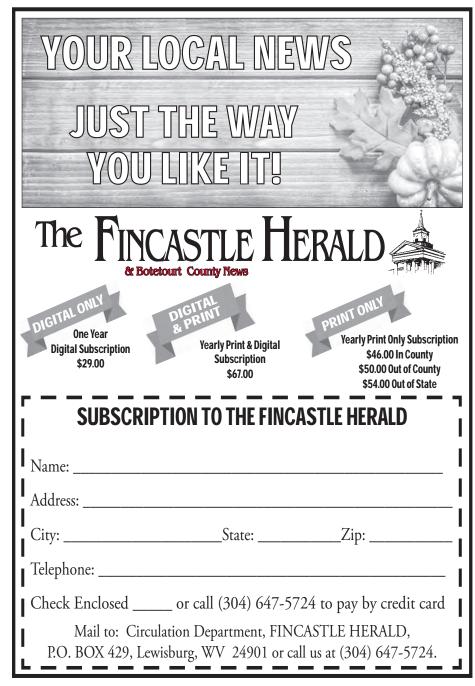
The Dominican Republic Mission Team at Mill Creek Baptist Church will be hosting an indoor yard sale Friday, October 13, 5-8 p.m., and Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., in the fellowship hall at the church. Dinner will be available on Friday to eat in or take out - Petros, hamburgers, hot dogs, pork BBQ, strawberry shortcake, and homemade desserts. Breakfast and lunch will be available on Saturday.

Proceeds will benefit the team's work at a preschool, church and community in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic where the group has been involved since 2012.

First Baptist Church of Fincastle to celebrate 192nd anniversary

First Baptist Church of Fincastle, where the Rev. Montie E. Brown Sr. is pastor, will celebrate its192nd anniversary on Sunday, October 15, during the 11 a.m. service. Minister Marilyn Brown, Associate at Hill Street

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UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS

Did you know...

Every library branch has a meeting room that can be reserved by the public during the library's normal hours. Use is free for non-profit or community groups, and \$25 (for every 4 hours) for businesses or for-profit groups. Great for HOAs, book clubs, homeschool groups, remote worker meetings, employee training, and more. Check out the rules for use and make a reservation at BOCOLibraries.info > "Reserve a Meeting Room."

Senior Bingo

Thu, Oct 12, 11am-12pm, Eagle Rock Join this fun social activity! Provided in partnership with Botetourt County Parks & Recreation. Recommended for seniors.

Your Historic Property and How to Save It

Thu, Oct 12, 4-5pm, Fincastle

Do you have a historic house, barn, or other structure? Mike Pulice from the Department of Historic Resources will discuss how property owners can preserve structures, what resources are available, incentives for preservation, and how to begin the process.

Botetourt Trails: On and Off the Beaten Path

Sat, Oct 14, 10:30-11:30am, Fincastle Sat, Oct 14, 12:30-1:30pm, Eagle Rock Learn about hiking safety and local trails. Stay tuned for a group hike at Roaring Run after the series! In partnership with

Botetourt County Parks & Recreation.

Life of Sorrow: The Life and Times of Carter Stanley

Thu, Oct 19, 6-7pm, Eagle Rock Gary Reid will present a one-man performance with storytelling and music to bring to the life the saga of an Appalachian mountain music treasure.

Wings of Fire

Tue, Oct 17, 6-7pm, Fincastle Wed, Oct 18, 4-5pm, Blue Ridge Fri, Oct 27, 2:30-3:30pm, Eagle Rock Enjoy trivia and activities from this popular children's book series. Longtime fans and newbies welcome! Recommended for ages 9-13. Call 540-928-3005 to register.

Spooky Storytelling

Sat, Oct 28, 6-9pm, Troutville Town Park (or YMCA if bad weather)

Great for families! Enjoy spooky stories, bounce house, Halloween games, face painting, pumpkin painting, and more. Food trucks will be onsite, and school-age children get free hot dogs and hamburgers from the Kiwanis Club of Botetourt. Kidfriendly storytelling begins at 6:00pm, with Victoria Town, Joelle Shenk, and Al Chewing. At 8:00pm, Kim Weitkamp will tell extra-scary stories for adults (if you let the kids stay, you have been warned).

StoryTime

Weekly, 10:30-11am Tuesdays - Blue Ridge Wednesdays - Eagle Rock Thursdays - Fincastle Fridays - Buchanan Improve literacy, motor skills, and school readiness through books, songs, and tactile activities. Recommended for preschoolers.

Kids Activity Club

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30pm, Fincastle Fridays, 3:30-4:30pm, Buchanan (Art Club)

Fridays, 2:30-3:30pm, Eagle Rock

Fridays, 3-4pm, Blue Ridge (How to Draw) Dive into arts, crafts, and fun activities with a weekly theme! Recommended for ages 6-11.

Teen Time

Thu, Oct 19, 4:30-5:30pm, Eagle Rock & Fincastle

Tue, Oct 10 & 24, 4:30-5:30pm, Buchanan Mon, Oct 16 & 30, 4:30-5:30pm, Blue Ridge

Tweens/teens meet twice each month for socializing and fun activities, such as crafts and escape rooms. Recommended for ages 13-17. Call 540-928-2800 to register.

Chess Club

Tuesdays 10:30am-12pm (adults) and 4-5:30pm (teens), Eagle Rock

Tue, Oct 10 & 24, 5:30-6:30pm (teens), Blue Ridge

Learn and improve your chess game. Call 540-928-2900 to register.

Find even more events at BOCOLibraries. info.

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community demand. The branch will open on occasional Saturdays for special events. The library seeks to better align its resources with community needs.

Learn more about Botetourt County Libraries and online

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Supports Don Obenshain for supervisor

As a resident of the Fincastle District, I would like to urge my fellow citizens to vote for Don Obenshain for district supervisor.

I am very concerned with the escalating growth in the county, especially the Daleville area. Our current administration doesn't seem to care about the traffic problems they have created.

I feel Mr. Obenshain will objectively listen to residents' concerns before approving every new subdivision, apartment complex, and development sent before the board.

Please join me in voting for Don Obenshain for Fincastle District Supervisor on November 7.

Sharon Porter Troutville

Writer says property rights under attack in Fincastle

I would like to comment about a recent article in The Herald that referenced a Fincastle Town Council meeting that had an unmentioned Fincastle Planning Commission meeting prior to it.

In this Planning Commission meeting, there was a public hearing about the proposal to make an ordinance that made any building over 100 years old an historic structure. While the town is allowed by state code to do this does not mean they have to do it. There are many things that, while legal to do, does not make it right to do.

While this ordinance has been modified regarding the age of structures, it is following a process that is less up front or clear than if it was proposed by the state or national historic societies, mainly notification of any affected property owner in advance of the pending historic designation. There is also the problem and question of what the scoring criteria would be and there is none. So other people will decide what you can do with your property. No one, not even The Herald, has mentioned that it could take you up to a year to get a permit to demolish a structure and they are implementing an arbitration clause in this ordinance. Property rights are under attack in Fincastle.

One item they quickly pointed out was this only applies to demolition of structures, nothing else. Do not be fooled, this is how it starts! Once they have the ordinance in place they will amend and add to it for what kind of roof, siding, fence, or addition you will be able to have if you own one of the affected structures.

There are many voluntary ways to accomplish what the Planning Commission and Town Council wish without passing an ordinance. I don't think I have seen any public campaign to get property owners to put voluntary preservation covenants on older structures that are deemed as worthy. Do the Planning Commission or Council members have preservation covenants placed on their property? Those would do more than any ordinance that can be changed.

Now again they claim this is only for demolition; however, we really cannot take their word for it. When the town took over the surrounding area to expand, they claimed there would be no changes to the zoning. The town just finally adapted the zoning classification of their annexed property into town code and now they announced at the last meeting their next project to attack property rights in Fincastle will be to do away with A-1 agriculture that it does not fit what they think the town should be. This clearly demonstrates that the Planning Commission has an elitist agenda with no regard to the effects it has on the average town resident, including those who were not in the town to begin with, that they now want to change zoning on so many of them.

I urge the residents of the town to pay attention to your local politics before it's too and property rights are taken from you.

There is nothing wrong with historic conservation, but it should not be at the expense or rights of others. If people in town really want to be historic maybe they should rip the plumbing and electricity out of their homes put a privy in the back yard and get water from the

Big Spring. Clay Fitzgerald Fincastle

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resources at www.bocolibraries.info.

- Botetourt County Communications



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League for Animal Protection's

Waif of the Week

Maren is a beautiful, playful girl! She was well taken care of but unfortunately was a little too frisky with the cats. She is spayed, up-to-date on vaccines, heartworm negative and on prevention.

The LAP Shelter is open from 8-11 and 3-5; 540-473-3853. Send donations to LAP, P.O. Box 561, Fincastle, 24090.

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A Haunting in Venice Thurs.,Oct. 12 7 p.m.

Practical Magic

(1998) Two witch sisters, raised by their eccentric aunts in a small town, face closed-minded prejudice and a curse which threatens to prevent them ever finding lasting love. (1 hr., 44 min.)

> Fri. & Sat. Oct. 13 & 14 7 p.m. Sun.,Oct. 15 3 p.m. Thurs., Oct. 19 7 p.m.

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Brethren

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.

Family fellowship time at Troutville

Family fellowship time at Troutville

Church of the Brethren begins at 5

p.m. on October 22, and includes

the 21st century. The county's long

history encompasses so many, that it's

more important than ever to make

sure that our pieces are both accessible

to those outside of the county as well

as preserved for many more years to

is thankful to William G. Pomeroy

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Church

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Baptist Church Roanoke, will be the guest speaker. Refreshments will be served directly after the service in the fellowship hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

Springwood Food Pantry open October 21

The Springwood Baptist Food Pantry will be open on Saturday, October 21 from 9-10:30 a.m. The pantry is located at 88 Copps Hill Road, Buchanan. This pantry is a

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equipment that will allow items in the society's permanent collection to be digitized.

The Botetourt County Historical Society, Inc. is deeply grateful to the William G. Pomeroy Foundation for the consideration of this project and allowing the BCHS to take its mission to a new level that will help expand access to materials.

BCHS Executive Director, Lynsey Crantz Allie stated, "While the digitization of our collection will take time, we are so very excited to finally begin work to bring our collection into

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member of Historic Fincastle, Inc., and also has served on the town's planning commission.

We want to thank Richard Flora for his insights and guidance during the time he served on Town Council," Fincastle Mayor Mary Bess Smith shared in a recent email. "We appreciate Jim's willingness to serve, and look forward to his continued contributions to our community on

council."

Additionally, a VDOT representative will be on hand to discuss the process of getting town roads accepted into the secondary system of state highways.

A public hearing is on the agenda as the town's Planning Commission continues its efforts to clarify specific ordinances in town. Thursday's hearing will be about a proposed ordinance establishing procedures

Mayor Smith has also asked council to Virginia Department of Housing and as official representatives when filing for

planning grant applications and providing additional information, if required.

There will also be updates from council regarding Big Spring Park, the CDBG Planning Grant, and upcoming street closures during the First Bank Fall Run, and Tinsel Trail.

To read more in this month's meeting agenda packet, please see townoffincastle. org/agenda-minutes-packets.php.



Baptist

Springwood

returned as soon as possible.

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Buchanan. Everyone is welcome.

food, fellowship, and a movie. The

church is located at 5133 Lee Highway

Mt. Joy hosting Cowbell Service

in Troutville.

Baptist

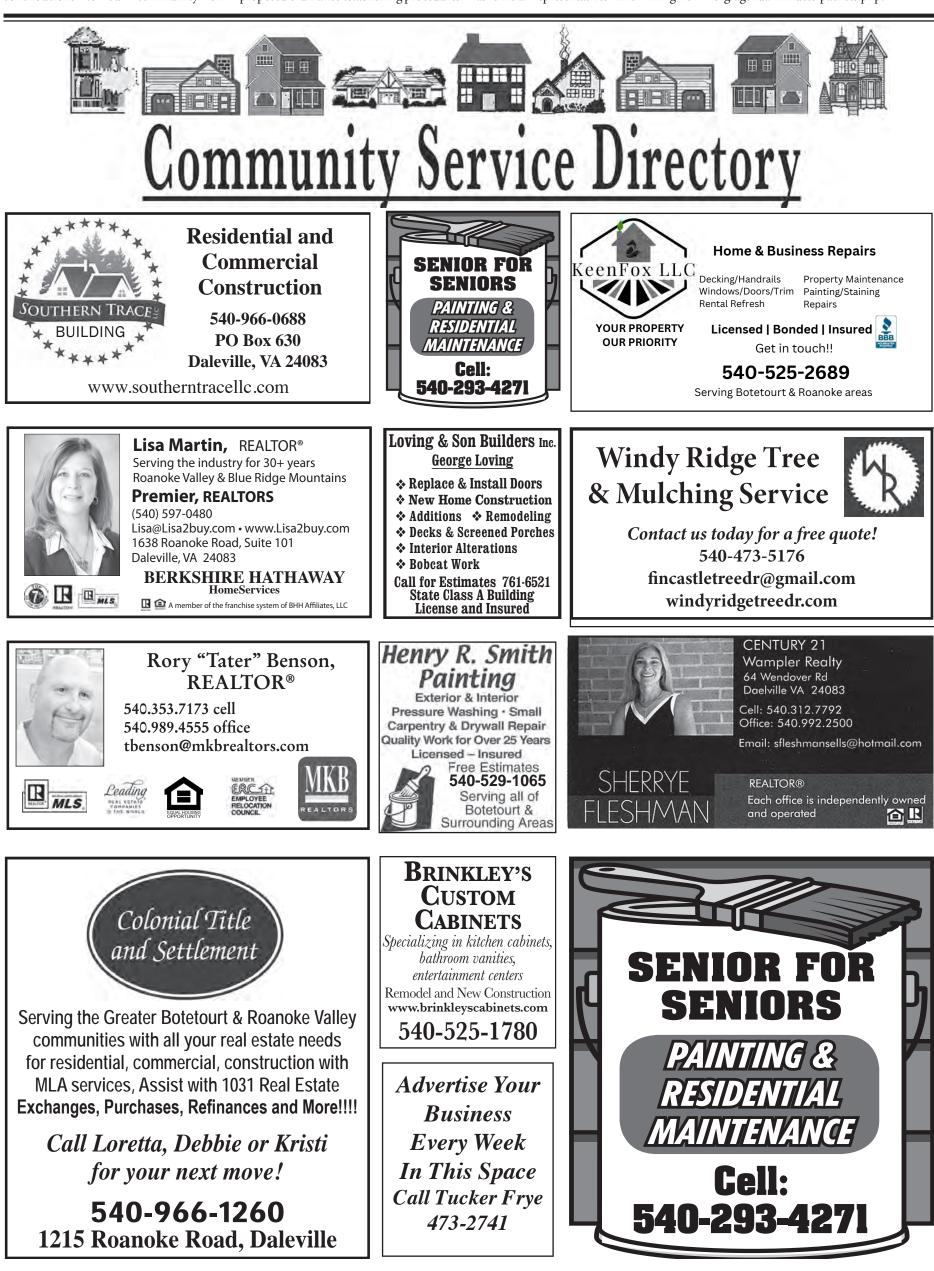
This show is produced by special arrangement with the Araca Group, Work Light Productions, and Michael Bana/Lively McCabe Entertainment.

Partial funding support comes from the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

- Attic Productions



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come."

ongoing project.

prior to the issuance of a demolition permit for any historic buildings within the town limits that was built prior to 1900.

vote on a formal a resolution considering an agreement between the town and the Community Development, authorizing the town manager and town mayor to act



ANGLICAN

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 PROPHECY

Botetourt Church of God of 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, 540-992-3696.

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 Fellowships; 10:30 a.m. 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@ website: cbcblueridge.org; www.cbcblueridge.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. Reynolds, pastorteacher, 473-2325, jwr56fbc@Yahoo. 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 Sunday McNeill; School, 9:45AM; Worship, 10:45AM, 7PM; Wed., Bible Study 7PM; Kings Kids, 7PM; Daycare and Preschool, Mon-Fri. 6:30AM-6PM. 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 p.m.

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

Extraordinary Gratitude

Read 1 Samuel 1:1 through 3:21

Nancy attempted to read her toddler's favorite bedtime story while Davy snuggled close, but her tears kept blurring the pages as she read about the childhood of Samuel the prophet. She couldn't imagine doing what Samuel's mother, Hannah, had done—leaving her young son at the temple to serve God. What extraordinary gratitude for the gift of a child.

"I prayed for this child, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him. So now I give him to the Lord" (1 Samuel 1:27–28).

Nancy and her husband couldn't imagine ever letting go of their only child. So it came as a shock when Davy began sensing a call from God to become an Air Force pilot. A military career was the last thing his parents would have chosen. Yet, when they sought the Lord's guidance, He confirmed the call. By faith, they released Davy to God's will out of gratitude for His gift of a child.

Davy went on to become an honored officer whose glowing faith is winning souls to Christ.

Thought for Today: By releasing our children to Jesus' care, we free them to shine for Him.

Quicklook: 1 Samuel 1:17– 28

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 Brethren- 2565 Buffalo Rd., 10 miles N of Buchanan, 254-2298. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m. Pastor Michael Tabor, (540) 309-7595. Pleasant Dale Church of the 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 Brethren - 5133 Lee Hwy., 992-1571; Terry R. Johnson, Pastor; Don Obenshain, Choir Director. Sunday Morning Sunday Services: School, 10 am; Worship Service, 11 am. Sunday Night Meetings: Rainbows, 5:30 pm; Christ Seekers, 6:00 pm. Wednesday Night Meetings: Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Choir practice, 7:00 pm. Family Fellowship Time will be held each 3rd Sunday of the month. Handicap Accessible. Our email address Troutvillecob@hotmail. is: com.

follow the instructions. We believe in the inspired Word of God which is as relevant today as it was when it was written. We believe the Holy Spirit is a gift to every Christian upon their response to the Gospel as demonstrated by the 3000 obedient souls in (Acts 2:38). We believe Jesus is the only author of our salvation. (Acts 4:12) Have you been looking for a church family that is progressive, outside the box thinkers, led by the Holy Spirit into all truth. (John 16:13). You will know we are His disciples by our love for one another. (John 13:35) Real time contact thru our website via email.

ECKANKAR

Eckankar, the Path of Spiritual Freedom, is a simple teaching that focuses on the Light and Sound of God to help people find more love in their life. The Roanoke Eckankar Center is located at 1420 3rd St. SW, Roanoke, VA 24016. A spiritual event is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 a.m. Since contracting COVID-19 may still be possible, please take the health steps that are best for you. It is appreciated that by attending you are taking responsibility for your own health. Visit www. eck-va.org, www.meetup.com/ Roanoke-Spiritual-Experiences * Group* or call 540-353-5365 for other Eckankar programs and for more information about how the teachings of Eckankar can lead you to spiritual freedom.

EPISCOPAL St. Mark's Episcopal Church –111 S. Roanoke St., Fincastle. P.O. Box 277 Fincastle, VA 24090. The Rev. G. Willis Logan, Rector. 473-2370. Worship in the sanctuary and by Zoom on Sunday mornings at 10:00am, with Adult Education on Sunday mornings from 9:00 to 9:50am. Evening Prayer is Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm by Zoom. Brown Bag Bible Study on Thursdays at 12 noon in the Ministry Center and by Zoom. Links for Zoom can be found on our website, www.

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. background checked with approved teachers, Choir practice at 9:30 a.m. Worship at 11 a.m. with children's nursery with background checked approved staff. Videotaped services can be viewed on YouTube. The Food Pantry is open from 9-11 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. AA meetings are held on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Handicap accessible. Facebook page or website: www.buchananpresbyterian. org. Contact www.admin@ buchananpresbyterian.org

Fincastle Presbyterian Church - 108 E. Back Street, Fincastle, VA 24090. The 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. information: For more fincastlepresbyterianchurch@ gmail.com or (540)473-2042.

Galatia Evangelical Presbyterian Church - 78 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 School, 10:30 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

ChurchoftheTransfiguration– 7624 Roanoke Rd., Fincastle, VA 24090; Fr. Paul Lagco. 473-2656. Saturday Mass at 4:30pm & Sunday at 8:30am; Christian formation after Mass

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 a.m. Wednesday Fellowship Meal at 6 p.m. followed by – 4930 Country Club Road (corner of Country Club & Haymakertown Roads), 540-992-5556. Pastor Danny Barham. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; 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 PM.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Cloverdale Church of the Brethren–4708 Read Mtn. Rd., 992-1060; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m.; Wed. (Sept.-May), Family Dinner, 6 p.m., Bible study, 6:45 p.m. Preschool, after-school care & summer day camp for preschool and elementary age children. Patrick Starkey, Pastor; Shawna Burkhart, preschool director. Mt. Bethel Church of the Brethren– 10603 Narrow Passage Rd., Eagle Rock. PO Box. 183 Eagle Rock, VA

CHURCH OF CHRIST Dale Ridge Church of Christ -

7165 Cloverdale Rd., Roanoke, 24019; beside the Botetourt Athletic Club. Leave message 992-4385. Sunday Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m. Please come visit us in person or get to know about us first by visiting our web page: daleridgechurchofchrist.net. Updated each week with a new sermon by Mike Mazzalongo, four minutes of video showing our nearly six acres of land and our beautiful, functional inside facilities, articles, events, news from Christian sources around the world and here locally plus much, much more. See how many ways Dale Ridge is "Reaching Out There" to the Roanoke Valley with the "Good News of Jesus. By clicking on "visit us virtually" real time access to our Worship services is available via your computer, a tablet or smartphone: Just stmarksfincastle.org. LUTHERAN

Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS) 9068 Cloverdale Road, VA; Troutville, Paul Workentine, Pastor: Worship Sunday at 10:00 AM. Sunday School at 11:30 AM. Info and calendar at oslroanoke.com. Phone: 540-977- 4888. Mailing address PO Box 916, Blue Ridge, VA 24064.

Wheatland Evangelical Lutheran Church- 1560 Wheatland Road, Buchanan, 24066; 540-254-1605. Sunday worship service, 10:30 a.m. (in person or parking lot, tune car radio to 88.9 FM). The Rev. Chuck Miller, 540-589-7553. Facebook, http:// www.wheatlandlutheran.org; teemwheatland@gmail.com

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DENOMINATIONAL

Grace Bible Church of Botetourt – 148 Amsterdam Rd. (beside the south lane of 220 in Amsterdam, 1.5 miles north of LBHS). Sunday Worship, 10 a.m. Pastor Jay Robinette - 855-4620.

Mt. Carmel Church, 6 miles south of Eagle Rock at intersection of Rt. 43 and 688; pastor, Richard Ronk; phone # (540) 884-3653; Sunday School at 10:00 A.M., Worship at 11:00 A.M., Wed. Prayer Meeting at 7:00 P.M., 4th Sunday Evenings at 7:00 P.M.

Woodland Church-A Place

Where You Can Grow – 45 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

BuchananPresbyterianChurch –19559Main St.Buchanan.540-254-1390.Donna Hopkins Britt, Pastor.

on Sunday.

UNITED METHODIST Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church– 3936 Beaver Dam Road, just off Springwood Road, Springwood. Rev. Morris A. Bennett. Sunday School, 9:15 a.m. followed by Worship, 10 a.m.

Eagle Rock United Methodist 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 choir-this 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 Childrens Ministry meets on 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.

www.fincastleherald.com

BITUARIES

Downey, Elotia Marita

Elotia Marita Downey, 73, of 300 of nieces and nephews; special friend, Revere Street, Clifton Forge, Va. died Sunday, October 1, 2023

at LewisGale Hospital -Alleghany, Low Moor.

Elothia was born April 15, 1950 in Covington to the late Freeman Armentrout and Garnett Ardelia Downey. She served in the United States Army and was a retired No. 2 paper machine operator for Westvaco. She was a member of the Church of

God of Prophecy of Covington. She was a hard worker, enjoyed yard work and music, and loved her dogs.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Esolde McCulley.

She is survived by her brother, Ezekiel Dovenda Downey of Clifton Forge; a special cousin, Amy Tingler; a number



Robin Allen; and favorite neighbors, Susan and John Riley, and Leslie Hayslett.

> A funeral service was conducted on Friday, October 6, 2023 at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Nicely Funeral Home, Clifton Forge Pastor Teddy with Bias officiating. Interment was in Central Advent Christian Cemetery, Clifton Forge. The

family received friends on Friday from 12:30 p.m. until the time of service. The family suggests memorial tributes take the form of contributions to The Alleghany Humane Society, 9313 Rich Patch Road, Covington, 24426. To send condolences to the family online, please visit www.nicelyfuneralhome. com.

Hamm, David G.

79, of Troutville, passed away Sunday, September 24, 2023 at

Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Big Dave was born January 19, 1944 in Saltville, Va. and lived in Botetourt County most of his life. He was the son of the late Vester T. and Mary E. Blevins Hamm.

Dave retired as machinist after 23 years of service from

Norfolk Southern Railroad. He was a beef cattle farmer and enjoyed horseback riding, fishing, and bluegrass music. He served as president of the Craig County Horseman's Association for 10 years.

In addition to his parents, Dave was preceded in death by his sisters: Joyce Coffee and Carolyn Witt. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Mary Trent



David G. "Big Dave" Hamm, Sr., Hamm; sons: David Jr. (Genie) Hamm of Troutville and Matt (Aimee) Hamm

Bent Mountain; of grandchildren: Tabitha (Jared) Varney, William (Rachel) Ball, Grace Ball, Chase (Kaila Blackstone) Hamm, Kendall Hamm, and Kellen Hamm; greatgrandchildren: Mary Collins Varney, Hazel Varney, Isaac Ball, and Raleigh Grace Hamm; numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A celebration of Big Dave's life was held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Öctober 7 at Rader Funeral Home, Daleville with Pastor Chris Kingery officiating. The family received friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service. Online condolences may be made to the family and service livestream may be found at www.rader-funeralhome. com/tributes/David-Hamm.

Keim, Janis Ann

Janis Ann Keim, 67, of Penrose, N.C., passed away on Monday, September 25, 2023.

Surviving are her beloved wife, Cindy Ann Thomas, Penrose, N.C.; brother, Will Keim, Santa Rosa, Calif.; brother and sister-in law, Wally & Lori Keim, The Woodlands, Texas; nieces, Kaley McMillan, Tori Ward, Nikki Keim, Jenny Richards and their families, all of Texas; brother-in-law, Willis



continued to enjoy upon retirement.

Janis and Cindy officially tied the knot on Janis' birthday in 2015, celebrating with family and friends the following summer. Hosting get-togethers, their dogs, spoiling exploring the mountains, hiking waterfalls and traveling together were among Janis and Cindy's favorite shared activities. They recently celebrated

the Botetourt County Chorus. She used her Master of Education degree from Radford University to guide and support her students.

Martha's love for her family was immeasurable. She is survived by her sons, Robert H. (Bob) Murray, III (Kirsten) and Todd Murray (Tamara), and her daughter, Kay Murray Logan (Paul). She will be deeply missed by her grandsons, Robert H. Murray, IV, Steven Murray (Lauren), Ben Murray, Will Murray, and granddaughters, Annabelle Logan and Emily Logan.

Martha's faith was an important part of her life. She dearly loved her church family at Troutville Baptist Church where she was an active member for more than 70 years and served as a Sunday School teacher and Adult Choir Director. Her family will be forever grateful for the loving care and support she received from the congregation.

A celebration of Martha's life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 14 at Troutville Baptist Church, 5520 Lee Highway, Troutville. Burial will be at Troutville Cemetery. The family will receive friends 4-6 p.m. Friday, October 13 at Rader Funeral Home, 630 Roanoke Road, Daleville.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Martha Murray's memory may be made to Troutville Baptist Church, 5520 Lee Highway, Troutville, 24175. Online condolences may be made to Martha's family at www.rader-funeralhome.com/ tributes/Martha-Murray.

Reed, William Harvey

William Harvey "Bill" Reed passed away peacefully on October 2, 2023

at Hickory Hill Retirement following Community an extended battle with Alzheimer's Disease.

Bill was proceeded in death by his parents, Prince Wyatt and Elizabeth Deel Reed of Botetourt County; as well as two sisters, Margaret Hatcher from Troutville and Mary Jo Myers (Jerry) from Blackstone, Va.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 64 years, Lois Hottle Reed; a son, Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Michael Wyatt Reed of Wake Forest, N.C.; daughter, Melissa Lynn Reed (Michael Compton) of Richmond, Va.; grandchildren, William Reed (Wake Forest, N.C.), Corporal Christopher Reed (Fort Bragg, N.C.), Abigail Hall (Jonathan) of Richmond, and Adam Compton of Dubois, Wyo.; and sisters Shirley Witt (Roanoke), Rachel Ayers (Buchanan), Jean Shell (Roanoke) and Juanita Whorley (Roanoke).

Bill, or "Buster" as known to many, graduated in 1956 from Troutville High School. Following graduation he worked for the Bartlett Tree Company until his 1958 entry into the Virginia Army National Guard. He was one of the "Original 31" of what is now known as MATES, Fort Pickett, Va. He rose to the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 4 before final retirement in 1995.



"Chief" Reed was a friend and mentor to many and most famously known as the leader of the famed

"Reed's Rangers" – a team that is still held in high reverence today. Following retirement Bill and Lois lived their dream - travelling the country and eventually settling on Buggs Island Lake where sunset cruises and family gatherings were the priority. Both were also

heavily involved in the various outreach programs of Bethesda Baptist Church. They were also active volunteers for Community Memorial Hospital in South Hill. Bill was always lending a helping hand to friends and neighbors; widely known for his ability to fix or repair practically anything thrown his way. His "piddling" saved neighbors countless dollars.

The family will receive friends from 12:30-2 p.m. Wednesday, October 11 at Crowde-Hite-Crews Funeral Home, 1504 North Mecklenburg Avenue, South Hill, Va. Services will be held following visitation at the same location at 2 p.m. with full American Legion Post 79 Military Honors. The family suggests donations be made to any Alzheimer's Research Organization. Online condolences may be made through the website, www.crowderhitecrews.com. Crowder-Hite-Crews Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the Reed family.

Carol was preceded in death by

her two beloved daughters: Monica

Stevens, Carol Showalter

Carol Marie Showalter Stevens, 72, of Troutville, passed away October 4, 2023.

born Carol was November 7, 1950 in Staunton, Va. and has lived most of her life in Botetourt County where she and her husband raised two daughters, Bethany and Monica. She was the daughter of Ruth Evelyn (Cline) and Edwin Clearance "E.C" Showalter, who survive. Carol was a graduate of Radford University with a Master's Degree in Education. She worked for Eagle Rock Elementary and Troutville Elementary schools as a first and third grade teacher. Carol also worked with special education students in her time as a teacher. She had been a member at St. Mark's United Methodist Church for many years and most recently had been active in helping out with the GriefShare meetings at the church. Carol enjoyed knitting as a pastime as well as serving her church community and she also loved going to Cracker Barrel on Wednesdays with her close friends Trudy and Peggy.



in 1997 and Bethany Lea Stevens in 2018. In addition to her parentsn E.C. and Ruth Evelyn Showalter, she is survived by her loving husband of 49 years, Michael Ray "Mike" Stevens of Troutville; sisters and brotherin-law, Linda (Joe) Sullivan of Haymarket, Va., and Lois Ann Showalter of Monterey, Va.; and good friends, Valarie Rhodes of Portland, Ore., Peggy Lootens of Trouville, and Trudy Trammel Fincastle. A service honoring Carol's life will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday October 12, 2023 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 19 Cedar Ridge Drive, Daleville. A visitation will be held at the church from 12-2 p.m. before the service. Burial will take place immediately following the service in Daleville Cemetery. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.rader-funeralhome. com.

G. "Ranse" Ransone, Jr., Asheville, N.C.; their two much loved Samoyeds, Luna and Daisy; and many cherished friends, neighbors and chosen family.

Janis was preceded in death by her parents, John H. and Mamie Smith Keim of North Manchester, Ind.

Janis was born in Plymouth, Ind., in 1955 and grew up in North Manchester. She graduated from Indiana University and completed graduate school at Indiana State University, where she and Cindy met in 1980. Janis and Cindy moved to Boone, N.C., in 1984, where Janis earned her EDS at Appalachian State University, taught high school math abd managed the computer labs at ASU. The couple moved to the Kansas City, Mo., metro area in 1995. Janis worked in technology support at the Kansas University Medical Center and State Street Bank & Trust Co. before she and Cindy moved back to the North Carolina mountains in 2006. Janis then started her own computer consulting firm while pursuing her interests in photography and gardening, which she

their 42nd anniversary with a two-week trip to Alaska. Many of Janis' passions are chronicled in her photographs on her three websites:

LifesCanvasPhotography.com, WesternNCWaterfalls.com and DiscoverOurNationalParks.com.

A celebration of Janis' life will be held at a later date.

The family would like to thank Janis' teams at Hope Women's Cancer Center, Mission Hospital and The Elizabeth House at Four Seasons for the care and compassion extended to Janis and her family during her illness.

Remembrances may be made to The Four Seasons Foundation (www. fourseasonsfdn.org/ways-to-give/), Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation (www. brpfoundation.org/donate) or Hope Chest for Women (www.hopechestforwomen. org/donate).

To leave a memory or condolence for the family of Janis Ann Keim, go to "Obituaries" at www.mooreblanchard. com. Moore-Blanchard Funerals & Cremations served the family.



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Murray, Martha Mitchell

Martha Frances Mitchell Murray, 94, of Troutville, passed away on Friday, October 6, 2023.

The beloved mother and grandmother (Nana) was born on August 28, 1929, in Edwight, W.Va. She was the only daughter of the late Samuel E. Mitchell and Phyllis C. Mitchell. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Hale Murray, Jr., and brothers, Stewart C. Mitchell, Arthur R. Mitchell and Samuel E. Mitchell, Jr.

Martha dedicated her life to family, education, and music. After graduating from Radford College, she began her 41-year teaching career in Franklin County, followed by Bramwell, W.Va., Roanoke County, extended Troutville High School, and



then Lord Botetourt High School, where she retired as Director of Guidance. She inspired her students to pursue their passion for music and brought joy to countless lives through her work as a choral director. Martha's love for music

beyond the classroom, as she was an avid pianist, musician, and singer. She also directed and organized Broadway musical plays and directed



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Contact Tucker Frye: (cell)540-309-9485 or email: tfrye@ourvalley.org

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THE FINCASTLE HERALD - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023

Magic from page 1



Last Saturday's event celebrated the town's 29th annual fall festival.



Dozens of classic cars were on display last weekend along Lowe Street last Saturday during Buchanan's Mountain Magic in Fall.



Wild Haven Designs' Jessi Ferguson was on hand along the rows of numerous vendors.



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Taylor, Thomas Edward

away Tuesday, October

3, 2023. Born November 12, 1946 to Leo and Della Campbell Taylor, John Henry was the youngest of his deceased parents and siblings, Wesley Edward "Nubbin" Taylor, Eva Mae "Sallie" Harris (Harry B. Harris, Jr.), and Betty Jean Welch (Louis E. Welch). Also

preceding him in death were his wife, Joan Wright Taylor in May 2000; wife, Rebecca Wright Taylor on June 26, 2023; step-children, Chris and Rebecca Weeks; and special nephew, Nicki B. Harris on September 26, 2018.

John Henry is survived by two daughters, Charlotte Taylor (Will) Hill and Ellen Taylor; granddaughters, Samantha Lynn Hill and Stephanie Gean Sloan; special nieces and nephews; Vicki Harris (James B.) Eubank, Sandra Welch (Forrest) Thrasher, Brenda Welch (Donnie) Barger, and Tammy Taylor (Kenneth) Hyden; great-nephews and nieces, James Edward Eubank and Family; Ryan Thrasher and Family; Jaylen Hyden; and Brandon Taylor; special cousins, Cleatus (Joyce) Newcomb, Shirley Beckner Bryant, and Norma Newcomb Broughman; and sister-in-law and special friend, Helen Wright McCullough.

John Henry proudly served with the Buchanan Volunteer Fire Department for over 25 years

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fellowship hall. No tickets will be pre-sold, nor are reservations being taken for meals. Dinners are available until the food is gone on a first-come, first-serve basis. The community is invited to this event. Proceeds from this dinner will be donated to the Springwood Baptist Food Pantry.

St. Mark's UMC Trunk-or-Treat

Have some Halloween fun at St. Mark's United Methodist Church's Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday, October 28 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's UMC is located at 19 Cedar Ridge Drive in Daleville. In case of bad weather, Trunk-or-Treat will be

Pumpkin Roll Lady, Appalachian Trail Club, Co., Ferguson Family Moonlight Mountain The Stags Path, author Provisions, Blue Ridge Buchanan David Roberts, holiday Designs, Improvement wreaths, The Pampered and more. Town Society, Buchanan Lions Chef, Artsy Garmets, Club, The Fuller Picture Photography, The Salty Bee, Anna's Creations, Blue Ridge Essence, Bierer's Customs, Farm Fresh, Ann's Apple Butter, Nature's Designs, Homes for Heroes, Mountaineer Munchkins Homestead, Rustic House, R.W. Furman woodworking, Tellus Threads, Jovial Toad, Slimmtar Creations, NadsForte, Roanoke Valley Friends of the NRA, The Mossery, Nancy's Hidden Gems, M.D. Designs, The Bridge Christian Academy, Vintage By Design, Spring Branch Sillyheadz Farm, Hats, Criss Cross the Globe, Francis Family

Farm, Natural Bridge

Thomas "John Henry" Edward alongside his brother, Nubbin, where Taylor, 76, of Buchanan, passed they were both lifetime members.

He retired from James River Limestone Co. with 10 days shy of 41 years. John Henry was a dedicated UVA sports fan and also played various sports locally on both school and church sports teams, especially basketball and softball. He is lovingly remembered as a gentle, patient,

and humble person who always put the needs of others before himself.

John Henry and Becky were blessed with amazing medical care from Blue Ridge Cancer Center and Special Care Units at Roanoke Memorial Hospital. These last remaining days, he was able to spend time at home with the special care from Good Samaritan Hospice.

Sincere gratitude from John Henry and his family for all the friends and neighbors who have shared nothing but kindness, love, and prayers throughout the illnesses of John Henry and Becky.

Visitation will be held from 1-2:30 p.m. with a few loving words spoken about John Henry to close that time at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at the Buchanan Chapel of Botetourt Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Good Samaritan Hospice, 2408 Electric Road, Roanoke, 24018. Online condolences may be made at www.botetourtfuneralhome.com or 540-254-3000.

held inside the Family Life Center. Everyone is encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes and bring a container for treats.

Daleville Baptist Fall Festival, Trunk-or-Treat

Daleville Baptist Church will host a Fall Festival & Trunk-or-Treat on October 29th from 3-5 p.m. on the church grounds, 375 Orchard Drive, Daleville. Activities will include bounce house, hayride, cake walk, face painting, games, hot dogs and candy. This is a free event for the whole family.

Apple Cider Doughnuts,

Buchanan will hold their Fall Town Cleanup on October 21 from 8 a.m.

until 2 p.m. A dumpster

will be available on the

town parking lot at the

Town Park on Lowe Street

for Buchanan residents.

Please bring proof of town

residency (water or tax

bill or driver's license).

Each residence may bring

two pickup truck loads,

or, four car loads for free.

Loads above that will be

\$5 per car load and \$10

for a pickup truck load.

For additional cleanup

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Music for the Wind windchimes were handmade by Lisa Wine and available during the festival.

respective groups.

Some of the vendors on hand at the event included: Virginia State Parks, Mountain

Thyme Honey & Gifts, Natural Bridge Ruritan's, Music for the Wind windchimes, Wild Haven Designs, Don Obenshain

FINCASTLE PLANNING COMMISSION AND COUNCIL NOTIFICATIONS

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 15.2-2285 and 15.2-2204, as amended, this shall serve as notice that the Town Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 6 p.m. at the Fincastle Firehouse for the purpose of making a recommendation on a previously advertised proposal and public hearing held to establish a procedure and requirements prior to issuing a demolition permit.

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 15.2-2285 and 15.2-2204, as amended, this shall also serve as notice that the Fincastle Town Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the Fincastle Firehouse for the purpose of soliciting public input on:

A proposed ordinance which, in accordance with Section 15.2-2306 of the Code of Virginia, will establish the procedure and requirements prior to the issuing of a demolition permit by the Town Planning Commission for any historic building within the Town of Fincastle, which was built prior to 1900. This proposed ordinance shall only apply to primary buildings. It does not apply to accessory structures such as sheds, garages, or storage buildings.

Copies of this proposed ordinance can be obtained by contacting the Fincastle Town office during regular office hours. Questions related to this proposed ordinance may be directed to Scott Critzer- chairman of the Fincastle Planning Commission at (540) 473-3377.

Mary Bess Smith – Mayor Town of Fincastle

Supervisor, This for and That, Blue Ridge Ouilts, Moon Barn Blosson Farm, Bibbiti Bobbiti Bostics, Glitz N

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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **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 October 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., in the Botetourt County Administration Center at 57 S. Center Drive, Daleville, Virginia to consider the request listed below. Information may be reviewed at the Community Development Planning and Zoning Office at 57 South Center Drive, in Daleville, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Blue Ridge District: Six Forty requests a Special Exception Permit, with possible conditions, for a private school in the Residential (R-1) Use District on and adjacent to 2941 Webster Road, identified on the Tax Maps as Section 109, Parcels 127, 128, 129.

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 online form on our website at www. botetourtva.gov. Comments by postal mail must be received by October 19, 2023. Website and email comments must be received by 9:00 a.m. on October 24, 2023.

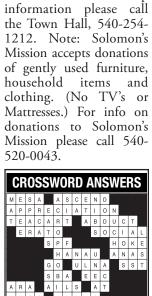
Gary Larrowe Botetourt County Administrator

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Stockyard Report

Monday's sale at the Roanoke-Hollins Stockyard:

No report was received from the stockyard this week.



TOWN OF FINCASTLE **REQUEST FOR APPLICANTS FOR THE** TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION

There is currently a vacancy on the Fincastle Town Planning Commission. Appointments to the Commission are made by Town Council. Applicants must be residents of the Town of Fincastle.

Anyone interested in applying for this position is asked to submit a letter of intent along with any relevant qualifications to: Mayor, C/O Fincastle Town Office, P.O. Box 250, Fincastle, Va. 24090 or email to: townmanager@townoffincastle.org.

The deadline for submission is 1 p.m. on October 12, 2023.

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(Only 530 Hours), Trucks, Visit www.CircleCAuction.com to Register & Bid! Auction Begins to Close Wednesday, October 25th at 7:30 pm Preview will be Tuesday, October 24 th from 12-6 pm or By Appointment by Contacting Cody Manspile. Auctioneer at 540-784-9254 Pick-up will be Thursday. October 26 th from 12-6

> pm by Appointment VA AF#2908001046

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1-15) from HM Heavy Manufacturing District to **RSF** Residential Single Family District.

If approved, Salem Citv Council intends to adopt the ordinance(s) associated with the above item(s) on first reading, with a second reading of those ordinance(s) at a subsequent meeting. 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 interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said reauests.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY. H. Robert Light Clerk of Council

Legals -Montgomery County

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104

Case No.CL23000992-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re NANNIE FAY LONG. THOMAS LONG AND EDWARD LONG v. NONE It is ORDERED that CATHY HUGHES appear at the

above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before **OCTOBER 20, 2023** @8:30 AM. SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 ROBERT M.D. TURK, JUDGE TIFFANY M. COUCH, CLERK

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals This is to give notice that the New River Valley Regional Commission (NRVRC) under 24 CFR part 58 has determined that the following proposed action under the Appalachian Regional Commission POWER grant program and the Department of Housing and **Community Development** Project (22-PW-02A) is located in the 100-year floodplain and a riverine. and the NRVRC will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating the action in the

floodplain/wetland and the potential impacts on the floodplain/wetland from the proposed action, as

required by both Executive Order 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20

Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands. The proposed project area includes the development of an enhanced concrete boat launch on the bank of the New River in Montgomery County. The project area is approximately 1.7 acres, located entirely within the 100-year Floodplain and partially within a riverine.

The project provides enhanced motorized and non-motorized boat access to the New River at the most utilized boat launch in Montgomery County, thus expanding the recreational opportunities and access for Montgomery County

residents and tourists. This project will benefit the livability of our region and the burgeoning outdoor recreation economy. The Montgomery County boat launch at Whitethorne is

one of four new/enhanced boat launches that will extend the existing 37 miles of the New River Water Trail (Giles County) to the rest of the region, totaling 61 miles upon completion.

The project includes several related components: enhancements/expansion of current boat launch with

Tax Map/Parcel Identification Nos. 20 A 10. 20 A 11, 20 A 11B, 20 A 12 CRAIG COUNTY, VA

In execution of a credit line deed of trust dated September 14, 2017 (the "Deed of Trust"), recorded in the Office of the Circuit Court of Craig County. Virginia, as Instrument No. 170000518 (Book 206, Page 101), the undersigned substitute Trustees, any or all of whom may act, will offer for sale in front of the Craig County Courthouse. 182 Main Street, New Castle, Virginia, on November 4, 2023, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., property located at or near 13978 Potts Creek Road, Paint Bank, Craig County, Virginia, which property is more particularly described

as follows: All those three (3) certain tracts or parcels of real property, situate in Craig County, Virginia, containing

164.314 acres, more or less, and being comprised of Parcel A, containing 67.836 acres, more or less, Parcel B, 21.25 acres, more

or less, and Parcel C, 75.328 acres, more or less. as more particularly shown upon that certain J. Brad Smith, LS, survey of said Tracts, dated May-June 2015 and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Craig County, Virginia, in Deed Book 198, at pages 478 and 479, and further being Parcels I, II, and III conveyed unto Judith Smith Bess by Karen Smith Denny, et ux., by Deed dated December 15, 2015, and of record in Craig County Deed Book 198, at page 482.

Parcel C subsequently was subdivided into Tax Map Nos. 20 A 11 and 20 A 11B These two tracts will be sold as one (1) parcel. This sale is subject to all liens, easements, restrictions, conditions, and reservations of record affecting the title to the property hereinabove described, to the extent any

Employees, directors and officers of Farm Credit of the Virginias, ACA, and their immediate family and companies in which they have an interest are not eligible under federal regulations to purchase this property at foreclosure.

Bryson J. Hunter, Peter M. Pearl, and Brian H. Richardson, Substitute Trustees For Information Contact: Bryson J. Hunter bhunter@spilmanlaw.com Spilman Thomas & Battle. PLLC P.O. Box 90 Roanoke, Virginia 24002 540-512-1800 Telephone

Legals - City of Salem

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the

provisions of Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2309 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, on October 25, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, to consider the following applications. Request of GKM Properties, LLC, property owner, for a variance from Section 106-202.3(A) of the City of Salem Zoning Ordinance pertaining to site development regulations, for the property located at 800-802 Maryland Avenue, Tax Map # 147-2-1. The petitioner is requesting a variance of twenty-five (25) feet of frontage and twenty-five (25) feet of lot width. At this hearing, all parties in interest will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and show cause why such requests should or should not be

granted. For additional





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LB hosts Blue Ridge Invitational on beautiful fall day at Greenfield

James River's Aiden Bartilis races in the Eastern

Montgomery Invitational at Camp Alta Mons, placing



Ella Johnston of Lord Botetourt rounds the final turn in last Saturday's Blue Ridge Invitational varsity race.

The Louisa County boys and Christiansburg girls came out on top in the varsity races when Lord Botetourt played host to the annual Blue Ridge Invitational cross country meet last Saturday. James River also competed among over 30 schools that sent runners to the meet.

"Saturday ended up being a great day to race," said LB coach Elizabeth Wilson. 'Our course is not easy. It is filled with many challenging hills, but makes for a great course."

Louisa won the boys varsity race with 67 points, followed by Christiansburg with 73 and North Cross with 85. Lord Botetourt was sixth among 15 varsity boys teams with 152 points and James River took 11th with 278. Ethan Thorne of Clover Hill was the individual winner

at 16:12.

Tristan Marshall was Lord Botetourt's top finisher with a time of 18:34 for 19th place. Rye Jackson was 23rd at 18:44; also scoring for LB were Preston Vaughn, John Moughrabi and Joel Butler.

31st overall.

'Our runners looked strong and trained for our course," said Wilson.

Aiden Bartilis led James River with a time of 20:21 for 51st place, followed by Tristian Capo-Lopez in 56th. Also scoring were Braden Jones, Silas Whitson and Mark Voight.

In the girls varsity race, Christiansburg won with 41 points and Louisa was second with 56. Glenvar took third with 83 and LB was sixth among nine varsity teams. Kerrigan Chaney of North Cross won the race in 18:39, two minutes and one second faster than runner-up Lillian Liles of Louisa.

Ella Johnston led the LB girls with a time of 24:37, good for 29th place. Madeleine Gantzhorn was next in 34th and also scoring were Alexa Carillo, Elizabeth Meadows and Ember Wiley.

James River did not have a full team but entered two girls in the 5,000meter run. Drew Whitson was 72nd at 30:47 and Riley Persinger was 74th at 31:39.

Louisa's boys won the 3,000-meter middle school race and LB's Nathan Moser was 13th and Archer Lee was 15th among 130 middle school runners. Valley Blaze won the girls middle school race and Maddie Davidson of James River finished fourth.

James River also competed in the East Mont Invitational in Shawsville last

HOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

LB boys are off and running at the Blue Ridge Invitational at Greenfield Saturday.

week, hosted by Eastern Montgomery High School. The Patrick County boys and Christiansburg girls were team winners in the varsity competition.

The James River boys were eighth and again Bartilis was the top runner with a 31st place finish. Capo-Lopez was 40th, Jones was 48th and Whitson and Silas Miller also scored. Two girls ran for River with Georgia Miller finishing 33rd and Persinger 58th.

Today, Lord Botetourt will run in a four-school race at the Salem Municipal Golf Course in Salem. The Spartans are the host team and Glenvar and Cave Spring will also be running.

Both Lord Botetourt and James River are entered in the annual Metro Cross Country Meet in Blacksburg next Wednesday, October 18.

River will host Radford in volleyball Thursday

The James River girls will host Radford in a Three Rivers District volleyball match on Thursday in Springwood. The girls were scheduled to host Riverheads in a nondistrict match Tuesday but results were too late for publication.

The Knights come into the week at 9-7 after splitting two Three Rivers District matches last week. Both were five-sets marathons that went down to a fifth set to 15.

River opened last week with a loss to Alleghany at home. The Knights had a one set lead twice and had the Cougars on the ropes in the fourth set but let them get away. The final score was 17-25, 25-19, 9-25, 26-24 and 15-12.

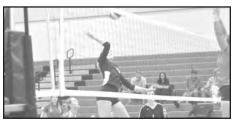
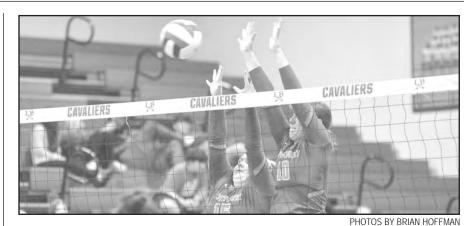


PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN Caitlin Canada of James River goes up for a kill.

point wins in each of the first two sets, 26-24 and 29-27. Carroll evened up by winning the next two, 25-17 and 25-21, but the Knights pulled out the fifth and deciding set in extra points, 16-14. Carroll actually scored more points than River, 115-111, but the Knights



Skylar Morris (15) and Emma Rice (10) set up a block against Byrd.

LB girls lead the BRD in vollevball

"This was a very competitive match," said River coach Linsey Firebaugh. "The girls came out strong and battled all night and just came up a little short. We were very successful from the service line keeping them out of system, we had a total of 12 aces. Our defense was also solid with us having 76 digs which created offensive opportunities.'

Konner Myers had five of River's aces and also had 21 digs. Caitlin Canada led the team with 15 kills while Ava Thacker had a dozen kills and 18 digs. Brea Anduiza had 36 assists and 17 digs.

On Thursday of last week the girls hosted Carroll and bounced back with a five-set win. River jumped on top again with two-

scored them at the right times.

"We were very effective from the service line, having a total of 12 aces and as a team our serving percentage was 94.5 percent," said Firebaugh. "Defensively, we had five players with 10 or more digs. Every set was competitive and both teams gave 100 percent."

Ripley Barry had 15 kills to lead the Knights in this one. Myers had 26 digs and Anduiza dished out 45 assists to go with 21 digs

After Thursday's match with Radford the Knights will wrap up the regular season next week with trips to Patrick County on Tuesday and Glenvar on Thursday, October 19.

Young Cavaliers connect on a bomb

The Botetourt Cavaliers recently played Salem in the 10-and-Under recreation football league at Spartan Field in Salem. Here, quarterback Nate Wilson (left) uncorks a pass that Jesse Grooms (right) hauled in for a long gain against the Salemites.





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Horton scores two TDs for 5-0 JMU

Lord Botetourt graduate Zach Horton is a junior tight end on the 5-0 James Madison University football team. The Dukes return to action this Saturday with a home game against Georgia Southern at noon on ESPN2 after a bye last week. In their last game, on September 30, Horton caught two touchdown passes, including one for 66 yards, in JMU's 31-23 win over South Alabama in Harrisonburg.



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The Lord Botetourt girls remained unbeaten in Blue Ridge District volleyball with wins on back-toback nights last week. The Cavaliers took a 6-0 district record to Northside for a match Tuesday but results were too late for press deadlines.

Tuesday, Last 3, the October Cavaliers opened a with back-to-back a three-set win over Staunton River in Daleville. The Cavs dominated the match, 25-7, 25-19 and 25-10.

"We did a good job controlling the match against Staunton River," said LB coach Julie Conner. Becca Huddleston led with 10 kills while Emma Rice and Gracelynn Clark had eight each. Erica Gergely contributed five kills, eight digs and a pair of aces, Skylar Morris had 31 assists and two aces and Madilyn Winterton had three kills, 10 digs and an ace.

The Cavaliers were back on the home floor a night later to face William Byrd and LB won again in three against a solid Terrier team, 25-20, 25-13 and 25-15.

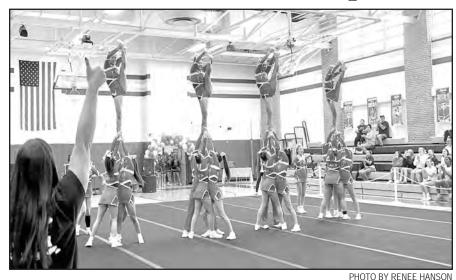
"We passed well against Byrd," said Conner. "It was nice

to finish out the week with two district wins.

Huddleston had 15 kills in this one while Rice had eight. Morris had 31 assists, Gergely had five kills and nine digs and Bria Harvey and Maddie Caron had a dozen digs each.

With the two wins Botetourt improved to 13-4 overall. The Cavs host William Fleming on Thursday and next Tuesday the Cavaliers make the trip to Rocky Mount to face Franklin County. The Eagles come into the week at 8-8 overall but they have just one district loss, to LB in their first meeting in Daleville.

Cavaliers win Glenvar competition



The Lord Botetourt cheerleaders not only place in took first their division but were crowned "Grand Champions" at the

"G-Town Throwdown" cheerleading competition at Glenvar High School last Saturday. The girls will compete at Stuarts Draft tonight, Pulaski on Saturday and next Wednesday, October 18, they'll be at William Byrd for the Blue Ridge District competition.

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Knights have a bye this week in football



Evan Byers of James River passes against Radford.

The James River football team will have a bye this week and the Knights can probably use a week off after taking on Radford last Friday. The undefeated Bobcats shut out River, 55-0, in Radford.

"They were who we thought they were," said River coach Tim Jennings. "Hard to even come close to mimic that level of speed and athleticism in practice. They did a really good job of maximizing their strengths and capitalizing on our mistakes, and unfortunately we made a few."

The Bobcats scored all 55 points in the first half, including 35 in the first quarter alone. Radford quarterback Landen Clark ran for scores of five and 23 yards and threw a 13-yard TD pass in the first quarter, then completed a 46-yard TD pass just seven seconds into the second period.

"They're going to be a tough team to beat," said Jennings. "They can run the ball well enough to keep you invested in the box, but Clark can put the ball pretty much anywhere he wants through the air. If you can get some pressure on him, he can make big plays with his feet as well. He's definitely a weapon for sure."

The Knights are still missing some key players due to injuries and they were no match for the Bobcats. River had just one first down and 34 total yards for the game compared to Radford's 288 yards. Gabe Staton led River with eight total tackles on defense.

River will be off this week before returning October 20 at Glenvar. The Knights' next two opponents are Glenvar and Alleghany and they play each other this week, giving Jennings a perfect scouting opportunity.

"We'll spend the week just trying to get better, that's it really," he said. "Not so much worrying about who we're playing, but who is playing for us. If we can't execute our game plan, and that's been pretty difficult as of late, it really doesn't matter who the opponent is.

¹ We started the year off wanting to work toward being the best version of us. I don't want that to have been the team that played Parry McCluer (a 41-15 win) a month ago, so we just need to work to get better."





LB's Cody McConnaughey (9) breaks a tackle in last Friday's win.



LB's Gavin Walker makes a tackle.

Cavaliers will be in Vinton for big football game with William Byrd

The Lord Botetourt football team will be in Vinton Friday to take on William Byrd as they try to get over the .500 mark. Not for this season, but for the history of the school.

LB defeated Staunton River in Daleville last Friday, 62-6, and with the win the Cavaliers evened their all-time football record at 330 wins and 330 losses in total games since the start of the program in 1959. With a win this week LB will be back over .500 for the first time since 1966.

This week's game won't be easy. Byrd is 5-1 and having their best season since 2018. They were 7-4 that year in Jeff Highfill's last year as Terrier coach and haven't won more than four games in a season since Brad Lutz took over the following year. Botetourt has won the last six meeting with the Terriers.

"They have a good football team," said Botetourt coach Jamie Harless. "They have a three-year starter at quarterback and some talented kids, including a kid who moved in from New York."

Walter Barrows is a speedster who moved in from New York and he scored two touchdowns in Byrd's 27-21 win over William Fleming last week, including the winning score in overtime. Byrd's only loss thus far has been a 14-10 loss to a strong Christiansburg team.

Meanwhile, the Cavaliers are also 5-1 and haven't lost since opening night in Lynchburg when they fell to a solid Class 4 E.C. Glass team, 14-7. The Cavaliers have scored over 50 points three times this year, including 62 in a total rout of Staunton River last Friday.

"They were missing their quarterback and that really played in our favor," said Harless.

Botetourt led 35-6 at the half. Kendall Howard had a 15-yard TD run to open the scoring followed by a five-yard run by TJ McGinnis. Eagle Josh Kelly broke loose for an 80-yard TD but LB countered with three more scores in the second quarter on threeand eight-yard runs by Jakari Nicely and a 45-yard run by Tristan Overbay.

Nicely ran for 39-and 84-yard TD runs in the third quarter to set the clock running continuously and he finished with 233 yards rushing on 18 attempts. Overbay had 91 yards on seven carries, McGinnis had 61 on 10 and Quinton Jones had 39 yards on three attempts, including a 23-yard score. Botetourt had 483 yards rushing for the game and did not attempt a pass. Cade Lang ran a recovered fumble 30 yards for a fourth period score.

With the win the Cavaliers remained in third place in the Region 3D rankings behind Magna Vista and Christiansburg. LB has a 23.16 rating while Byrd is right behind them in fourth at 23.0, so this is a big game for both teams.

"They have a solid football team," said Harless. "If we're going to win we're going to have to go over there and play our best game."

River's Camden Saunders pulls in a pass.



Gabe Staton (52) of River blocks a Radford extra point attempt.





Cavalier TJ McGinnis breaks free for a long run.



PHOTOS BY JIM & REGINA DEVINNEY DJ Toliver (75) blocks for Tristan Overbay against Staunton River.