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The Botetourt County Board of Supervisors learned last Tuesday that mobilization on courthouse renovations will begin in early 2025.

Board receives courthouse build update

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Recent progress on the eventual renovations to the Botetourt County Courthouse brought forth an update at last week's Botetourt County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Botetourt County Capital Projects Manager Rich Evans gave the board report about the ongoing negotiations and recent agreements involving the renovation project. Most notably, the project will finally see some movement at the turn of the year following another set of bid negotiations that will continue until sometime in November.

Over the last two years, progress on the renovations has slowed. The county removed the project's original contractor (KNA Contracting) last year. The original project was set to be completed in two phases. The first phase was moving the historical files out of the courthouse, setting an infrastructure to tear down

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Datapath and county reach land lease agreement for communications tower construction

Botetourt County continues work on replacing the aging public safety emergency communications system. At last Tuesday's meeting of the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors, the board unanimously approved a land lease agreement with Datapath Wireless Group, LLC for the build of a new communications tower on county-owned land at the landfill on Catawba Road.

Emergency Systems Communications Manager Matthew Hinkle noted during his presentation to the board last week that this agreement is "step one of

many steps" brought to the board for approval.

The board approved a contract with Motorola Solutions Inc. to replace the aging emergency communications system last December. As a part of the contract with Motorola, the county is responsible for constructing a communications tower at the landfill property owned by the county, according to the meeting's agenda packet.

County staff negotiated an agreement with Datapath Wireless Group to construct the communications tower

with no capital outlay from the county. Datapath will lease approximately one acre of land from the county for the construction of the new tower. The county will lease space from Datapath on the tower for the new emergency communications system. In addition, Datapath will lease space on the tower to third-party wireless carriers.

Datapath will lease the approximately one acre of land for \$1,000 per month. The initial term of the lease is for 20 years with an option for four five-year extensions.

The county noted that it

will lease tower and ground space from Datapath on the parcel, for the emergency communications system, at a rate of \$3,250 per month. The initial term is for 20 years with an option for four five-year extensions.

Benefits of this arrangement with Datapath are:

- The county will be able to lease space on a tower that is strategically located for the maximum effect of the emergency communications system without a large capital outlay from taxpayers.
- County residents and visitors in the Catawba



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The county learned last spring that work will soon begin on the first of three new emergency communications towers in Botetourt. Here, the location of the first tower on county-owned land at the landfill on Catawba Road.

area, to include portions of the Appalachian Trail, will receive greater cell phone coverage as wireless carriers co-locate on the tower. The expanded cell phone coverage will

increase public safety by allowing callers to reach E-911 during emergencies.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

A 'Sleeping Giant' in Buchanan: State Champion tree discovered

On the grounds of the historic Wilson Warehouse in Buchanan resides a hidden treasure - the largest English Elm tree in Virginia, recently designated the state's champion by the College of Natural Resources and Environment at Virginia Tech.

Working with Virginia Tech's Dr. Eric Wiseman and intern Tiffany Harris, the Buchanan Town Improvement Society, owner of the Wilson Warehouse, was pleased to receive this designation. The discovery came about after the organization worked with Virginia Tech landscape design students this spring. Those students developed landscaping plans for the Wilson Warehouse to present to the organization.

Town Improvement Society President Steve Grigg, a Virginia Tech horticulture graduate, a former Virginia Society of Landscape Designers member, and licensed

tree expert, knew that they had something special at the Wilson Warehouse. Grigg reached out to Virginia Tech to verify what the tree was.

The tree is estimated to be 125 years old. It

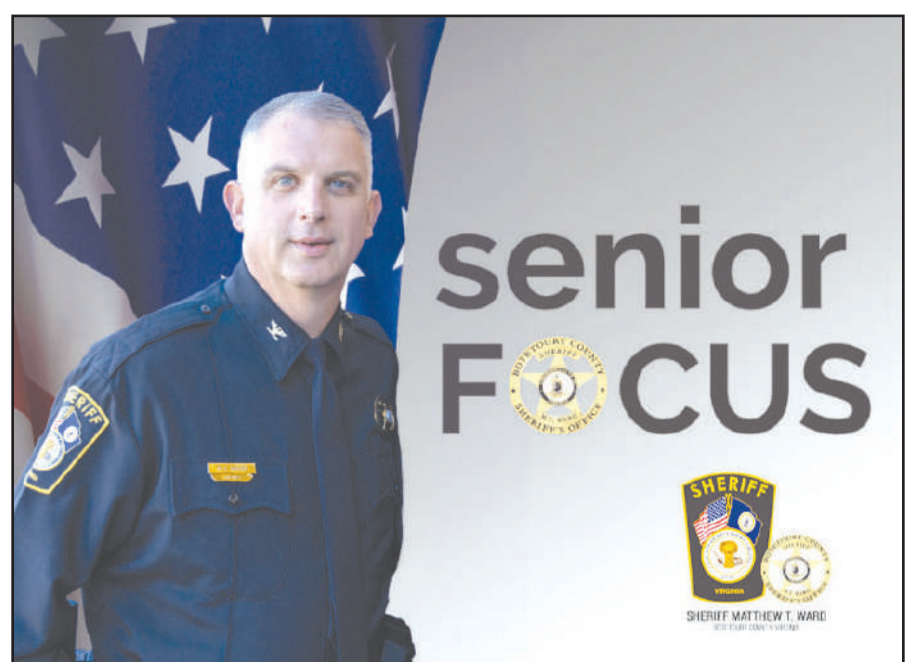
has a circumference of 17.4 feet, a height of 81 feet and crown of 81 feet. The tree is healthy and remarkably free of Dutch Elm disease.

A link to the Wilson

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Senior Services Day this Friday

The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office along with area churches and partners will be holding a Senior Services Day on Friday, September 6, at Harvest Ministries Church, 909 Blue Ridge Boulevard in Blue Ridge, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Senior Services Day is focused on raising awareness of the numerous services and resources available to the 50+ community. Seniors will be able to visit with the many public and

private services tailored to support the aging population. Representatives from various local organizations will also be on hand to answer questions and provide assistance.

Unlike Senior Social events no presentation will be given at the Senior Services Day event. A free lunch of hot dogs, chips and slaw will be provided. No prior registration is

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Botetourt County History



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This traditional rectangular wooden washboard has galvanized steel ridges for scrubbing clothes. It is a "Standard Family Size No. 25" manufactured by Carolina Washboard Co., Raleigh, N.C. It was donated to the Botetourt Museum of History & Culture by Patty King. Before the invention of the washing machine in the early 1900s, the washboard was an essential tool. The exact date washboards were invented is unknown,

but in 1797 American James King received the first known patent. Recently, washboards have been used to make music. Educational tours will be given to all Botetourt fifth grade students in late September through early October. This artifact, along with others, is often discussed by the Education Committee.

- Botetourt County Museum of History & Culture

ARRESTS

The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for August 26-28:

- John A. Clemons, 42, of Roanoke, grand larceny, obtaining money by false pretenses, giving false identity to law enforcement, August 26
- Brittany N. Chambers, 36, of

Buchanan, malicious wounding, August 27

- Brandon L. Dillard, 23, of Lynch Station, drunk in public, August 27
- Linwood L. Smith, 37, of Covington, grand larceny, August 28
- Troy S. Harlow, 52, of Buchanan, simple assault, August 28



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Plane crashes in Botetourt Sunday morning

Fincastle Volunteer Fire Department - Company 4 was dispatched for a possible airplane crash on Sunday morning. As shared by the department in a social media post on Sunday, the station's rescue engine responded to the 400 block of Shawnee Trail where it located a small passenger aircraft that had crash-landed in a field.

Crews located two patients still

inside the aircraft and assisted with their removal. One patient was flown by Carilion Clinic Lifeguard 10 to Roanoke Memorial Hospital; the other patient was transported by ambulance.

After hazards were mitigated, the scene was turned over to Virginia State Police for investigation.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

Personal property tax relief act for 2024 approved by Board of Supervisors

The Botetourt County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the Personal Property Tax Relief Act (PPTRA) read by County Finance Director Tony Zerrilla at last week's meeting that establishes the percentage reduction for personal property tax relief at 42% for Botetourt County for the 2024 tax year.

According to the meeting's agenda notes, in December 2005, the board adopted ordinance amendments regarding the PPTRA. These amendments addressed the new reimbursement method for car tax relief for vehicle values from \$1,001 to \$20,000, with no taxing of vehicles having a value of \$1,000 or less. A state block grant (\$3,418,137.01) has been received annually each year since 2006; this amount will remain unchanged in future years unless General Assembly legislation is enacted. This fixed amount has served to reduce the state's subsidy from a targeted 70% (prior to 2006 under the Car Tax Program) to a smaller percentage.

In determining how to distribute relief among county taxpayers, the board adopted the Specific Relief Method in December 2005. This method gives localities the option to apply state relief on a per-vehicle basis and show the specific amount of relief on each tax bill. This method is reflected in the

county's current billing format.

This year, based upon projected vehicle values and the amount of tax relief to be provided by the state, the county's reimbursement is projected to be 42% based upon providing county citizens with the \$3.4 million state block grant. For 2023, the approved relief percentage was 41%, with the taxpayer portion set at 59% of the full tax amount.

Therefore, the tax burden to Botetourt County citizens based on this year's recommended relief percentage versus last year's recommended percentage decreases from 59% to 58%. The 2024 relief (42%) and taxpayer portion (58%) percentages take into consideration the impact of changes in used car values, an increase in the number of qualifying vehicles, and a decrease in the assessed values base.

This calculation is mandated by the Virginia General Assembly. Team members involved in this task were the Treasurer and Commissioner of Revenue. As required by the state, the Board of Supervisors is required to annually adopt a resolution setting the percentage reduction in personal property for that year.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

9-11 Memorial Walk this Saturday

Sirens and Salutes, a local non-profit organization committed to honoring and memorializing first responders and veterans, will hold its fifth annual 9-11 Memorial Walk at Buchanan Town Park this Saturday. Opening remarks will commence at 8 a.m. and will be followed by the walk from 8:46-10:28 a.m. All Botetourt community members are invited to join Sirens and Salutes in honoring the memories of the police officers and first responders who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

Sirens and Salutes recently delivered

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Fincastle Town Manager **Melanie McFadyen**



PHOTOCOURTESY OF TOWN OF FINCASTLE
Ed Bordett (left) and Barry Rakes cut the ribbon on the nature trail.

Town of Fincastle cuts the ribbon on Big Spring Park

The Town of Fincastle held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Big Spring Park nature trail last Saturday. Mayor Mary Bess Smith and Town Manager Melanie McFadyen gave remarks and thanked

the community and the individuals who worked on the trail since the project began in 2023.

In 2021, the town was awarded two grants (one from the Virginia Outdoors Foundation, and one from

the Virginia Department of Conservation) and put them toward the completion of the Big Spring Park nature trail.

Last spring, the town

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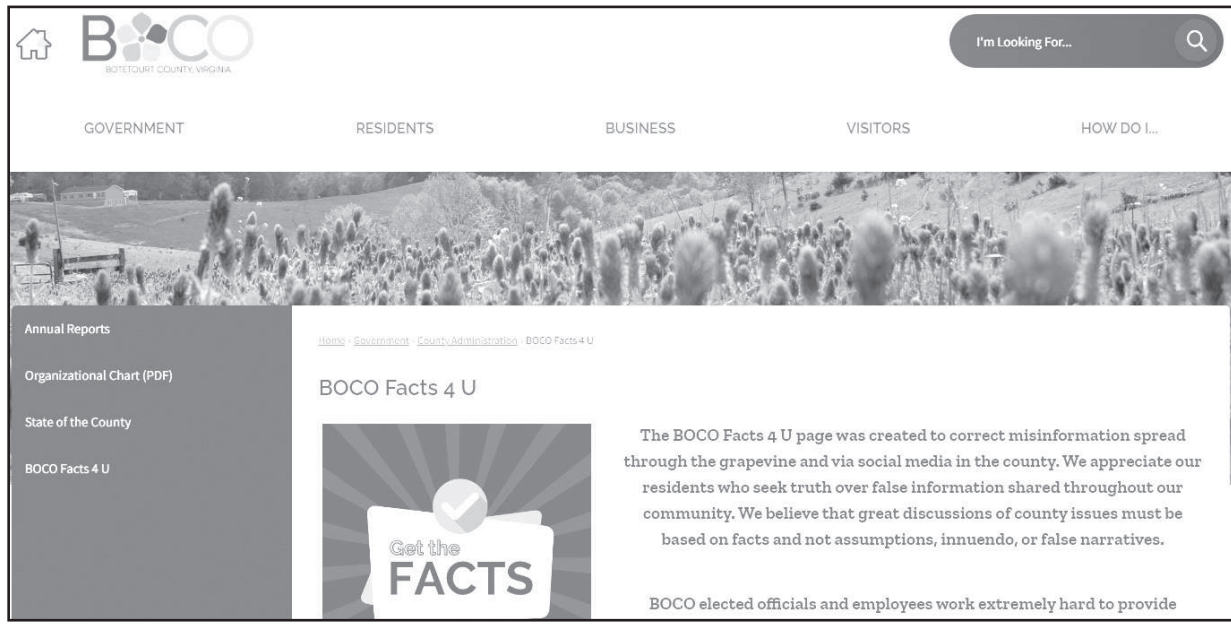
Botetourt County receives state recognition VACo Award for BOCO Facts4U initiative

The Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) has announced the 45 recipients of the 2024 Achievement Awards, which recognizes excellence in local government programs. Botetourt County is being recognized for the BOCO Facts4U initiative (www.botetourtva.gov/817/BOCO-Facts-4-U).

The BOCO Facts 4U page was created in March 2024 to correct misinformation spread through the grapevine and via social media in the county. The county appreciates its residents who seek truth over false information shared throughout our community and believe that great discussions of county issues must be based on facts and not assumptions, innuendo, or false narratives.

The Botetourt County Office of Communications led this initiative to control rumors and false claims. They began by researching what other localities were doing and reached out to counterparts in Salisbury, N.C., who had launched a rumor control website. After discussing their successes and potential pitfalls, Communications Director Tiffany Bradbury recommended launching a similar site for Botetourt County to county administration and elected officials.

The goal of the page is not to address every rumor but to focus on issues brought up by numerous individuals. Recognizing the importance of effective public engagement, especially in an era where misinformation is easily accessible and spreads at the click of a button, the county is committed to providing accurate information



BOCO Facts 4U website (www.botetourtva.gov/817/BOCO-Facts-4-U)

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to our residents, businesses, and visitors. Botetourt County administration takes pride in its efforts to showcase Botetourt County as an exceptional place to live, work, play and giveback.

Read the full awards submission at www.vaco.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/

BotetourtBOCOFacts4U.pdf. VACo received 145 submissions from governmental organizations throughout the Commonwealth.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

Local collection services awarded 'franchise areas,' board raises rate



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The Botetourt County Board of Supervisors recently awarded five waste collection services "franchise areas" to provide services beginning January 1, 2025. Deputy County Administrator David Moorman provided information regarding the recent decision during last Tuesday's meeting in Daleville.

Moorman explained that local curbside waste collection services are provided for and regulated through a competitive franchise system. Every seven years, the county issues a Request for Proposals (RFP) from private collection companies to provide curbside waste collection services to residents and businesses.

Based on the proposals received and interviews, the committee recommended the award of franchises as follows:

- Area 1 (Blue Ridge) - GFL Environmental
- Area 2 (Troutville) - Kessler's Garbage Service
- Area 3 (Fincastle) - Kelley's Garbage Collection Service
- Area 4 (Buchanan) - C&S Disposal
- Area 5 (Eagle Rock/Oriskany) - WasteCo

In addition to awarding franchises, the county regulates how much collection companies may charge customers. The current maximum allowable monthly charge is \$22. Based on company proposals and inflationary increases over the past seven years, the committee recommended that the

board establish a maximum monthly collection rate of \$24 for the new franchise term.

The county is divided into five franchise areas and collection companies were invited to apply to serve one or more franchise areas. Botetourt's current collection franchises terminate December 31, 2024.

Six companies submitted proposals. Proposals were evaluated by an evaluation committee consisting of Moorman, Supervisors Walter Michael (Blue Ridge), and Brandon Nicely (Fincastle) with assistance from Solid Waste Manager Greg Hannah and support from Purchasing Manager Kim Hartman. The committee interviewed representatives of all six companies. The companies were: C&S Disposal, GFL Environmental, Kelley's Garbage Collection Service, Kessler's Garbage, Service Meridian Waste Virginia, and WasteCo.

Additionally, these haulers will also collect recyclable materials at no additional charge to residents. The county will continue to encourage participation in this service, as shared by Moorman.

Fincastle Supervisor Brandon Nicely added, "It went really well. Very professional. It's amazing that we have private contractors and very little complaints. Hats off to them."

Blue Ridge Supervisor Walter Michael noted the "seamless process" when making the decision of which franchises to award the private collection companies.



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Pictured at the Food Pantry presentation, from left, are Lion Eric Whalen, Food Pantry Co-Chair Kathy McClung, Food Pantry Shift Supervisor Karen Beasley, Lions Club Secretary Lowell Skelton, Food Pantry Co-Chair Martha Rodgers and Lion Pat Tayloe.

Lions donate to the Botetourt Food Pantry

At their regular work day on Saturday, August 24, at the Botetourt Food Pantry in Fincastle, the Daleville-Fincastle Lions Club made a \$9,000 donation to the Food Pantry. This donation was funded as by \$3,000 from the local Daleville-Fincastle Lions Club and \$6,000 from a grant received from the Lions of Virginia Foundation.

The local Lions Club has worked at the site with Food Pantry Shift Supervisor Karen Beasley since September 2020. She is retiring from the Food Pantry after more than 25 years of service there. The Lions

Club would like to say "thank you" to her and wish her well in her retirement.

The local Lions Club will also be doing the vision screening for the Botetourt County Public Schools this year.

Anyone who would like to get involved with a service club with the motto "We Serve" may contact President Scott Johnston at sjohnston@rvfd.org or Secretary Lowell Skelton at lskelton0169@jetbroadband.com.

- Daleville-Fincastle Lions Club

Botetourt County Democratic Committee meeting September 9

The Botetourt County Democratic Committee will hold its next meeting on Monday, September 9 at the Pomegranate Event Center, 106 Stoney Battery Road, Troutville. With elections right around the corner, the meeting will include campaign updates in Virginia and other important

information. Light refreshments and fellowship begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the business meeting and speakers beginning at 6:45 p.m.

- Botetourt Co. Democratic Committee

DAR: Our Patriot Ancestors

Roger Gregory

In recognition of the upcoming 250th celebration of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, the DAR America 250! Committee of the Botetourt County Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is placing a spotlight on members' Patriot ancestors who helped the country achieve American Independence. Roger Gregory is the Patriot ancestor of associate member Alice Sue Hodge.

Roger Gregory was born on May 1, 1729 in King and Queen County, Va., to Richard Gregory and Agnes West Gregory. He was first married to Mary Cole Claiborne in 1756 and had six children. Mary died in 1771. In 1776, he married Frances Garland Lowry of Lunenburg County, Va., and had three more children.

Roger Gregory was a magistrate in



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King William County in 1764, 1766, and 1771. He moved to Lunenburg about 1775 and supplied beef to the army. He moved to Mecklenburg County prior to 1784 where he served as justice of the peace in 1784, was a member of the House of Delegates in 1786, and sheriff of Mecklenburg from 1799-1801.

Roger died on October 2, 1803 in

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks Senator Head for speaking out

Thank you, Senator Chris Head, for calling out the inappropriate books for children in our county libraries at the August 27 Board of Supervisors meeting. It's clear you've done your research and then had the courage to speak out.

This issue is not about parental rights or about the First Amendment protecting other viewpoints with which one disagrees. This is about books for teens and children that are harmful, which seek to destroy their innocence and even pave the way for them to be victimized.

Yes, teens and children will unfortunately discover things that are inappropriate on the internet if they have access. But our community should not be forced to be complicit and pay for these materials with our tax dollars.

See for yourself. Go to WeAreBRACE.org and look at examples from some of the books.

*Charles Ruhl
Fincastle*

Reader thanks Senator Head for comments

I would like to thank Senator Head for speaking at the Board of Supervisors meeting concerning the inappropriate children's books in the Botetourt County libraries.

Senator Head spoke for me and many of my friends. This battle has been going on for too long with no changes by the county. In fact, there has been no compromise in any way. I feel like the supervisors are not listening to their citizens' concerns. Again, thank you, Senator Head.

*Rick Porter
Troutville*

Buchanan Deserves a Future

With the impending elections, it is important for all citizens to take note and to participate. The candidates running for a seat on the Buchanan Town Council or for mayor should first be congratulated for being willing to put their hat in the ring and wanting to serve. Thank you all for that.

But also, they should be willing to

put forth and publish, on social media and in local papers, their platforms. Just what are the candidates' qualifications? What do they bring to the table? What work experience do you have that can convey to running a town government, what specific certifications, experience in budget and grant preparation do you have, what level of leadership, management or sales experience do you have that can convey to running a town?

Incumbents who are running should be able to show what you have contributed to providing a better quality of life for the residents and stakeholders of the town. What matrix or documentation can you provide to demonstrate that?

What are your visions for the town? What do you see are the biggest obstacles for the town to achieve success? What is the biggest potential or resource the town has to expand on? What is the plan to revitalize Main Street and other commercial and residential areas?

Put it in writing! Let everyone know what they are voting for, not just who!

Buchanan is at a crossroads. Citizens have proven they are willing to participate in trying to achieve success in and for the town. There are three notable groups striving for success. The Recreation Economy in a Rural Community (RERC) has spent hundreds of hours in volunteer time to create outdoor economic avenues for the town. The town theater is about to undergo a major renovation. This renovation will draw all types of cultural events to the town. In addition, the Buchanan Town Improvement Society, which owns the Historic Wilson Warehouse, has made progress in restoring the property and grounds providing the community a venue for educational and cultural events and other gatherings.

The missing link has been a viable, dynamic, visionary town government. A government that can keep employees, create and maintain a positive work environment and create a positive image of and for the Town of Buchanan. A government that is not afraid to ask for assistance and to openly cultivate and seek mutually beneficial relations with other governments, whether local/state or federal, institutions and the private sector.

This election is a crossroads. It is time for Buchanan citizens to demand and expect excellence and innovation from

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NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS AT BOTETOURT LIBRARIES

Ag Day

Sat, Sep 21, 10am-2pm, Eagle Rock
Celebrate local agriculture and our rural community! Learn how you can preserve natural resources and grow your own food. See and touch trucks and equipment, meet a falconer and his falcons, watch demos of butter-making, meet the FFA and other local organizations, and more! Join 30-minute Bingo sessions at 11:30 and 12:30 (space is limited). The Friends of the Eagle Rock Library will sell hot dog dinners from 11am-1pm, with proceeds benefitting library projects. Rain date October 5 - see Botetourt County Libraries social media for updates if the weather looks iffy.

Therapy Dog Sessions

September 9, 16, 23, and 30
4:30-6:30pm, Blue Ridge
Therapy dog Indy loves stories! Sign up for a 15-minute session to read to Indy and her handler, Debra Spradlin. Best for ages 6-12. Registration required; call 540-928-2900 to sign up.

Life of a Revolutionary War Loyalist

Tue, Sep 17, 4pm, Fincastle
Historic interpreter Jeff Briggs wears recreated period clothing and uses various items from the Revolutionary War period to discuss what life was like for a colonist loyal to the King of England. Great for the whole family.
Sensory Storytime
Wednesdays 6pm, Fincastle
Enjoy books, songs and tactile activities that build literacy, motor,

and social skills - especially designed for children with special needs. Best for preschoolers.

StoryBrush: Artistic Writing for Kids

Wednesdays 3:30pm, Fincastle
Dive into a guided art activity, then build a story around your art. Every month follows a theme or type of art/story. August: Fantasy Genre. September: Nature/Animals.

Fairy Tales StoryTime

Fri, Sep 6, 3pm, Blue Ridge
Fri, Sep 13, 10:30am, Fincastle
Wed, Sep 18, 2:30pm, Eagle Rock
Spark your imagination with the classic story, "The Three Little Pigs." Kids will enjoy songs, sign language, story, and hands-on activities. Best for ages 4-8.

Theater Workshops

Every Wednesday, September 11 - October 16
6-7pm, Blue Ridge
With theater coach Kerry Williams, take this 6-week workshops series to cover different aspects of theater, including character development, character studies, performing, and dialog coaching. Best for ages 7-12. Space is limited; call 540-928-2900 to sign up.

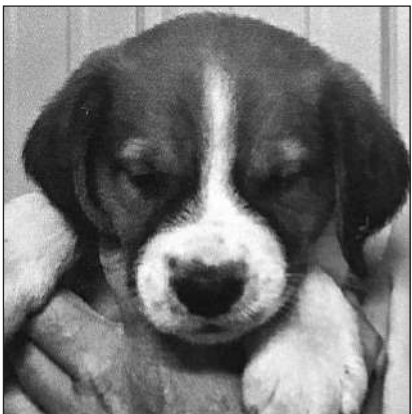
Eclectic Readers

Wed, Sep 11, 10:30am, Fincastle
The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George
Discuss books and authors with fellow readers.

Find even more events at BOCOLibraries.info.

League for Animal Protection's Waif of the Week

Flynn



Flynn was brought in with his four siblings. He is 9 weeks old and has been dewormed and given appropriate vaccines. Adopter will be required to neuter by 6 months of age and must sign a neuter contract.

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12. A way to disfigure
13. Positioned
14. Tall tropical American tree
15. Large deciduous trees
16. ___ and ends
17. Part of a machine
18. Brews
19. One who leads prayers in a mosque
21. Indian state
22. Partisans
27. Top lawyer in the land
28. Former Dodgers MVP
33. Title for women
34. Heated and allowed to slowly cool
36. Copycat
37. Sounds
38. One-time Israeli diplomat Abba
39. Part of (abbr.)
40. Hateful
41. Collide
44. European football heavyweight
45. One who works for you
48. Song
49. Ancient marvels
50. Bridge building degree
51. Delivery boys

CLUES DOWN
1. Continent
2. Submissive
3. There's a lot in a bowling alley
4. Sun up in New York
5. Court decision ___ v. Wade
6. Finish line
7. Young women
8. Hives of activity
9. Hyman Roth's right-hand man Johnny
10. Eastern U.S. river
11. Popular cooking ingredient
12. Greek mythological princess
14. Scent for men
17. Cost, insurance and freight (abbr.)
18. Once more
20. Irate
23. Triangular spaces above a door
24. Norwegian playwright and poet Henrik
25. Atomic #58
26. Patti Hearst's captors
29. Natural logarithm
30. Talk incessantly
31. Went by
32. Strives
35. Fall back
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40. Former 'Double Dare' host Summers
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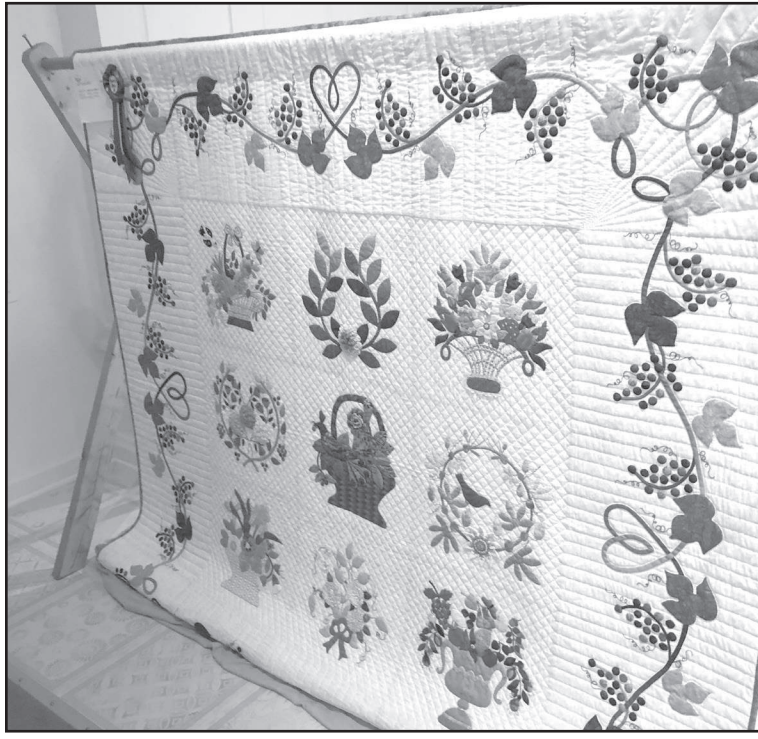
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Quilt Show part of upcoming Fincastle Festival

Once again this year, the Historic Fincastle Fall Festival will host the 2024 Quilt Show in the sanctuary of the Old Fincastle Baptist Church on the corner of Main and Church Streets. The church is presently a private home but the sanctuary, featuring the original stain glass windows and pews will showcase the beautiful artistry of pieced quilts. As the windows were carefully pieced from cut shapes of glass and soldered together to form designs, these quilts are pieced together from cut shapes of fabric and carefully sewn together. One art form, two different mediums, beautiful art the result.



Quilts displayed in past shows



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The show is Saturday, September 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. At 12 noon on the steps of the Courthouse, two very special quilts will

be presented to two of Fincastle's veterans and HFI members. These quilts are a part of the Quilts of Valor program.

All are invited to the presentation.

Anyone interested in displaying a quilt(s) may look on the hisfin.org

website and look for Quilt Show. The registration form and all information can be found there for printing convenience.

Visitors to the Fincastle Festival are encouraged to take a moment from the fun of the festival and walk inside the church to

view these beautiful quilts and vote for their favorite.

- Historic Fincastle, Inc.

Fish Fry September 13 in Fincastle

The Knights of Columbus will have a fish fry on Friday, September 13, 5-7 p.m. at Church of the Transfiguration, 7624 Roanoke Road, Fincastle; eat-in or take-out, \$12, ages 7 and under are free.

The meal will consist of two filets of lightly breaded flounder or six chicken nuggets (reserved for children or adults who do not want fish), sweet cornbread, crispy fries, creamy coleslaw, and choice

of one dessert. A 50/50 drawing will be held. No advance ticket sales.

Proceeds to benefit several Botetourt County charities: Greenfield Elementary Backpack Ministry, Botetourt Food Pantry, Botetourt Resource Center and other local charities. For more information, call 540-904-3126.

- Knights of Columbus

Botetourt Chorus beginning rehearsals for fall concert

The Botetourt County Chorus will begin rehearsals on Monday, September 9 at Ebenezer United Methodist Church at 85 Nace Road, Troutville at 7 p.m. All singers are welcome. There are no auditions.

The fall concert will be held on November 17, under the direction of Stephen Harris and accompanist Naomi Rock. The title of the fall concert will be "Giving Thanks." Anyone interested is invited to

join the chorus.

For more information, contact Faye Bolt at 540-798-4049 or Kristie Claytor at 540-556-1563.

- Botetourt County Chorus

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constructed an outdoor classroom, and installed a white board for use by the students at Breckinridge Elementary.

Along the way, the town benefited from several Eagle Scout projects—constructing signs, fences, and gates for the park.

Following the ceremony, the delayed July 4th fireworks celebration commenced at Breckinridge Elementary School.

- Fincastle Herald staff report



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Botetourt Worship Directory

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.

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@cbcblueridge.org; website: 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.

Faith Baptist Church- 4258 Botetourt Rd., 4 miles N. of Fincastle; Dr. John W. Reynolds, pastor- teacher, 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 Sunday at 11:00a.m.

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

SOUTHERN BAPTIST

Bons 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 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 9:15 AM, Worship 10:30 AM; Wednesday: Prayer & Bible Study - 6:30 PM, Youth - 6:30 PM

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 Children's Church. Wednesday evening Worship and Bible study begins with a meal at 6:30 p.m.

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

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church - 4930 Country Club Road (corner of Country Club & Haymakertown Roads), 540-992-5556. Pastor Danny Barham. Sunday School, 10 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 - 88Copp's 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 (preschool-grade 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

Honor in Work

Read Proverbs 5:1 through 8:36

In past generations, parents taught their children the value of hard work and faithfulness to their families. People had at least one job. When a person lost a job, he worked very hard to get a new one as soon as possible. He knew hard work honored his family and God.

Maybe times and values have changed, but today it seems like more and more young adults would rather not work at all. An entire generation of young people have been lured away by different types of leisure activities. Scripture warns against neglecting one's work:

A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest—and poverty will come on you like a thief and scarcity like an armed man (Proverbs 6:10-11).

God created people to work hard with the giftedness and talents He gave us. Like no other generation in the world, we have access to education and job training to prepare us for our work. It is good for parents to provide for the needs of their family through the work God has provided.

Prayer Suggestion: Thank God for your talents and abilities and for the work He has placed before you.

Quicklook: Proverbs 6:6-11

Brethren- 10603 Narrow Passage Rd., Eagle Rock. PO Box. 183 Eagle Rock, VA 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 Rd, Fincastle, Rev. Dr. David A. Tozar - pastor, Sunday worship at 11am, preceded by coffee fellowship at 10:30, Bible Study Sunday at 6pm, 5th Sunday Potluck luncheon, Handicap Accessible, Contact Pastor Davd at dtozar9@yahoo.com. Follow on Facebook, Sunday worship and Thursday Bible study stream live.

Troutville Church of the Brethren - 5133 Lee Hwy., 992-1571; Terry R. Johnson, Pastor; Don Obenshain, Choir Director. Sunday Morning Services: Sunday 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 is: Troutvillecob@hotmail.com.

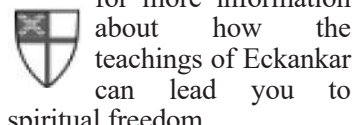
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EPISCOPAL

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.stmarksfincastle.org.

LUTHERAN

Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS) - 9068 Cloverdale Road, Troutville, VA; Paul Workentine, Pastor; Worship Sunday at 10:00 AM. Sunday School at 11:30 AM. Info and calendar at osroanoke.com. Phone: 540-977- 4888.

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

NON-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.

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 6:30PM. Website: woodlandchurchbc.com. E-mail address: woodlandchurchbc@gmail.com.

PRESBYTERIAN

Buchanan Presbyterian Church - 19559 Main St. Buchanan. 540-254-1390. Donna Hopkins Britt, Pastor. Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. with background checked 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. 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 Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, Supply Minister, Lori Turner, Music Director. Worship service in the Sanctuary and via Live Streaming (<https://www.facebook.com/fincastleresbyterianchurch>) at 10:30 AM. Adult Sunday School offered at 9:30 AM. Fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning service. Bell choir practices after Sunday Fellowship, often providing special music in our services. For more information please email fincastlepresbyterianchurch@gmail.com or call 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

Church of the Transfiguration- 7624 Roanoke Rd., Fincastle, VA 24090; Fr. Zaverio "Xavier" Banasula. 473-2656. Saturday Mass at 4:30pm & Sunday at 8:30am; Christian formation after Mass 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!

Eagle Rock Ruritan Club news

The Eagle Rock Ruritan Club members received an encouraging report from Eagle Rock Elementary School from the Principal Kara Halsey at the August meeting. The math and reading scores were at 90 percent last year. The school received the highest achievement award from the state because it met all the academic and attendance needs.

Halsey indicated that Eagle Rock Elementary School wants to expand its after-school outreach opportunities. Presently, there is a running club that meets on Mondays, training kids for the Fincastle 5K in mid-October. There is a Weekday Bible Club on the horizon for this school year. The Bible Club is scheduled to begin October 7. ERES is looking for folks who are passionate about a particular sport or other learning opportunity and would be willing to lead an after-school club in that area.

The ERES Fall Festival October 25 will be an apple butter making experience. People are needed to peel apples the day before and contribute baked goods the day of the festival.

ERES always welcomes volunteers to tutor and to read and to be generally a

community partner.

The Ruritan Club thanks Erin Slusser Pease, chair of the Public Services Committee, for inviting Halsey to speak on behalf of ERES. Pease reminded Ruritan members that the ERES PTA welcomes new members and membership renewals are \$5 per person.

The Ruritan members appreciated and enjoyed the bountiful meal provided by Mt. Bethel Church of the Brethren.

Audrey Clark, chair of Community Engagement, reminded members that the Ruritan Club will sponsor a table emphasizing agriculture and science at a community event at the Eagle Rock Library on Saturday, September 21.

Bill Critcher, chair of Citizenship and Patriotism, reminded members that there is an election coming up in November. Volunteers are welcome to help with early voting as well as working the polls on Election Day.

Barbara Holiday, chair of Environment, scheduled a litter pickup for September 19.

Under Social Development activities:

- Members learned that a Community Hymn Sing was held at Mount Carmel Church on August 11. The next Hymn Sing at Mount Carmel is



ER RURITAN CLUB
Eagle Rock Elementary Principal Kara Halsey

scheduled for November 10 at 6:30 p.m.

• Senior Focus Day, for Botetourt citizens 50 or older, sponsored by the Botetourt Sheriff's Office, will be held at Harvest Ministries, 909 Blue Ridge Boulevard, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on September 6.

3. Everyone is welcome to the next bi-monthly Community Potluck Meal at the Eagle Rock Community Center on Monday, September 9 at 12 noon.

4. The LEAP Food Truck will be at the Eagle Rock Community Center the first and third Fridays from 11 a.m. to 12:30p.m.

Finance Committee Chair Donna Vaughn announced that the fish fry has been postponed until Spring.

Members also thank Priscilla Vaughan for painting the Welcome to Eagle Rock sign at the James River bridge.

As always, the meeting closed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

CHURCH NEWS

Shiloh UMC holding dedication Saturday

Shiloh United Methodist Church on Shiloh Road, Eagle Rock, cordially invites the public to attend the dedication of the new church roof. The church was built in 1870 and holds many fond memories for so many. The dedication will take place in the church sanctuary, followed by refreshments in the Shiloh Community Center, on Saturday, September 7 from 3-5 p.m. Mark your calendar now to attend.

Springwood Baptist Homecoming September 15

Springwood Baptist Church invites you to the 192nd Anniversary Homecoming service on Sunday, September 15.

Homecoming worship service will be from 10:30 a.m. until noon, led by Pastor Mike Anderson, with special music by the Springwood Baptist Choir. There will be a potluck lunch, so bring a dish or two to share. There will be no Sunday School that morning.

Family Fellowship at Troutville Brethren

Troutville Church of the Brethren will have its Family Fellowship on September 15 at 5 p.m. Activities will include food, fellowship and a movie. All are invited. The church is located at 5133 Lee Highway in Troutville. For more information, call 540-992-1571.

Bonsack UMC celebrating 150th Anniversary

In September, Bonsack United Methodist Church will celebrate its 150th anniversary. All are welcome to the special services, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

- September 8: Guest preacher, the Rev. Tim Craft; dedication of new

playground (bring a lawn chair if you are able); light lunch provided

- September 15: Guest preacher, the Rev. Tim Tate, brunch provided

- September 22: Guest preacher, the Rev. Doug Forrester, Valley Ridge District Superintendent; special music; lunch provided by Pastor Rob

- September 29: The Rev. Rob Lough will preach at the final 150th Anniversary celebration service, appetizers served after worship

Summer sale at Cloverdale Thrift Store

Cloverdale Church of the Brethren Thrift Store is having a summer sale – all clothes and shoes are half-off the original thrift price. There is an enormous selection, come check it out.

Help St. Mark's pack meals for Rise Against Hunger

St. Mark's United Methodist will be hosting a meal packing for Rise Against Hunger on Saturday, September 7 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Since St. Mark's started working with Rise Against Hunger as of this packing on September 7, members will have packed 300,000 meals that have gone to hungry people in many countries. The church needs 100 volunteers to make this happen on September 7 and invites the community to join for this meal packing. There are jobs for all ages. If you and your family would like to help, contact susanbwagner59@gmail.com.

Pleasant Hill food distribution September 14

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church will have food box distribution on Saturday, September 14, from 9-

10:30 a.m. Food boxes will be available at the church, 4930 Country Club Road, or the Eagle Rock

Library. Boxes are free and will be given out till gone.

'Clean Out the Garage' sale in Buchanan



FILE PHOTO

The Friends of the Buchanan Library will hold a "Clean Out the Garage" bag sale on Friday, Sept. 6, and Saturday, Sept. 7, in the Carson Memorial Rescue Squad Building, across from the Buchanan Fire Department at 19673 Main Street. Hours both days are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All books, CDs and DVDs are just \$1 per bag. Puzzles are half price. All "yard

sale" items are free.

The Carson Building was a former automobile dealership and thanks to the generosity of the building's owner, it has been home to the Friends of the Buchanan Library for several years. Come early for best selection and help "Clean Out the Garage."

- Friends of the Buchanan Library

Botetourt Retired Educators meet September 9

The Botetourt Retired Educators will meet on Monday, September 9, at the Family Life Center, Fincastle United Methodist Church, 137 South Church Street, Fincastle. All retired school personnel living in the area are invited to participate. Dues (\$35) may be paid at any meeting.

Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. with the meeting starting at 11 a.m. The women of the church will provide lunch at a cost of \$18. Donations of paper products, personal care items and pet food will be collected for the Botetourt Food Pantry.

Current members should receive an email

or a phone call about the meeting. Anyone interested in attending the meeting should contact Susan Martin (susanmartin730@gmail.com or 540-473-2636) by Tuesday, September 3. New members always welcome.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

Botetourt Longbeards banquet/gun bash September 19

The Botetourt Longbeards Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation will host its annual fund-raising banquet/gun bash on Thursday, September 19. Again this year, the event will be held at The Barn

at Back Creek, 528 Back Creek Lane, Buchanan. Tickets can be purchased from any Botetourt Longbeard committee member. There will be games, live auction, silent auction and fun for all. A meal will be served, and

doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Online registration is available at <https://events.nwtf.org/460391-2024>. Any questions, call Richard Pauley at (540) 254-2564.

- Botetourt Longbeards

Eagle Rock Friends of the Library will meet September 16

The Eagle Rock Friends of the Library will hold its September meeting on Monday, September 16, at 5 p.m. at the Eagle Rock Library. All are welcome

to attend and consider becoming a Friend; members only may vote.

- Eagle Rock Friends of the Library

Community Meal Monday in Eagle Rock

The next by-monthly Community Potluck Meal at the Eagle Rock Community Center will be Monday, September 9 at 12 noon. Everyone is

welcome to bring a favorite dish and join the fellowship.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

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PHOTO COURTESY OF SIRENS AND SALUTES

Bill Price (right) of Sirens and Salutes recently delivered 23 gift bags to Carrington Place on behalf of the organization.

23 gift bags to the resident veterans and first responders at the Carrington Place in Daleville. Included in the gift bags were chips, cookies, crackers, sodas, bodywash, lotion, deodorant, and quilted "thank you" hearts made by Brenda Beckner of Buchanan. Sirens and

Salutes drops off care packages for them every three to four months to thank them for their service. To find out more about this or to donate to their charity, visit www.sirensandsalutes.org.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

Letters from page 4

its elected officials. Again, I applaud all who are running and greatly appreciate your willingness to serve. Thank you. But what do you bring to the table? Where is your published platform? If you have one, advertise where it can

be found.

Buchanan deserves a future. That future is now!

Steve Grigg
Buchanan

DAR from page 3

Mecklenburg County and is buried with his second wife and a son and daughter-in-law in Phillips Finch Cemetery, Mecklenburg County, which is no longer kept up.

Roger's son William is also a direct ancestor of Sue Hodge. In William's obituary quoted in the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. V, p. 143, it reads, "Died Jan. 21, 1840, age 73, William Gregory, Sr. of 'Elsing Green,' King William County, a Justice for 50 years and a

member of the House of Delegates, ...descended from ancestors of more than ordinary celebrity in England and maternally from John West, Governor of Virginia...." This last statement also refers directly to Roger Gregory and his mother, Agnes West.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a non-profit, non-political organization open to any woman who has lineage to a Patriot who contributed to the success of the American

Revolution. Founded over 125 years ago, it is focused on service to the community and fosters Patriotism, Education and Service.

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Register now for First Bank Fall 5K and 10K

First Bank is now accepting registrations for its 38th Annual Fall Run to be held on Saturday, October 19. The race, featuring 5K and 10K events, winds through the historic Town of Fincastle.

“Hosting the largest event held in the Town of Fincastle each year takes a great amount of teamwork among the community,” said Todd Ross, Roanoke Valley Market president. “The race would not be possible without the support from Botetourt County Public Schools, the Town of Fincastle, our volunteers, and the race participants. We also want to thank Botetourt County and our first responders who help make this event a

success.”

Online registration is available through RunSignUp.com. Everyone who registers by the October 5 early registration is guaranteed one of the custom long-sleeve shirts featuring a new design each year. The cost to enter is \$15 for students age 17 and under and \$35 for adults 18 and older who register prior to October 5. After October 5, all registrations are \$40.

First Bank also announces the addition of a Pup Run/Walk. The registration for a friendly pup is \$10 with any paid adult runner registration. Pups will receive a bandana for participating. Dog biscuits and water bowls will be available along

the race course.

The First Bank Fall Run starts at 9 a.m., beginning at Central Academy Middle School, extending through the Town of Fincastle, and ending back at Central Academy for an awards ceremony and refreshments. Custom medals and trophies are also presented to the top individual; first, second, and third place runners in adult and youth age groups; as well as runners who compete in elementary, middle school, high school, and open teams.

“We always look forward to the excitement among all the runners, but especially the elementary school teams

who compete for trophies for their school,” said Ross.

First Bank presents \$2,000 in scholarships each year to students from James River and Lord Botetourt who have participated in a previous Fall Run. The 2024 recipients were Drew Whitson of James River High School and Erna Dietrich from Lord Botetourt.

For additional information about the First Bank Fall run, email 5k10krun@fbvirginia.com or visit https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Fincastle/FirstBankFallRun.

- First Bank

Tree from page 1

Warehouse English Elm on the “Big Trees of Virginia” website is: <https://bigtree.cnre.vt.edu/detail.cfm?AutowildforPrimaryKey=3270>. A QR Code is also provided. The public is invited to visit the tree at any time at the Wilson Warehouse at 421 Lowe Street in Buchanan.

The Town Improvement Society is working to protect the tree and ensure its future. Donations to the Wilson Warehouse Tree Fund are gratefully accepted by check payable to: Town Improvement



Tree info via QR code above. GRAPHIC COURTESY OF BUCHANAN TOWN IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY wilsonwarehouse.org; Facebook: Buchanan Town Improvement Society.

- Town Improvement Society

Chicken BBQ at Buchanan Moose Lodge September 7

Buchanan Moose Lodge 2182 will have a chicken barbecue fundraiser on Saturday, Sept. 7. Serving will begin at 1 p.m. The meal will consist of a chicken half, green beans, macaroni salad, and a roll for \$15; desserts extra. Proceeds will go to help fund future

charities that the Moose helps support. Tickets are available in advance or at the door. Call 540-537-3357 or 540-537-3373 for tickets or information.

- Buchanan Moose Lodge


Courthouse from page 1



A look at preliminary construction that began in 2022.



PHOTOS BY MATT DE SIMONE



**PUBLIC NOTICE
FOR
NOVEMBER 5, 2024
GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS**

In-Person Early Voting Dates: Friday, September 20, 2024 – Saturday, November 2, 2024 @ 5:00 pm. All qualified, registered voters are eligible to vote early during this time

Location: Department of Elections & Voter Registration Office
2 East Main Street, Fincastle (corner of Roanoke & Main Streets)

Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm (Closed Monday, October 14, 2024)

Saturday Hours: Saturday, October 26, 2024, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Saturday, November 2, 2024, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm (Final day of early voting)

Deadline to register or update registration: Tuesday, October 15, 2024
5:00 pm for in-person registrations;
11:59 pm for online registrations

Deadline to request a Vote By Mail ballot: Friday, October 25, 2024 at 5:00 pm
NOTE: Vote By Mail ballot is the same ballot used for Early Voting and at polling locations on Election Day

Vote By Mail Drop Locations:

- Department of Elections & Voter Registration Office
2 East Main Street, Fincastle (corner of Roanoke & Main Streets)
Dropbox slot for marked Vote By Mail ballots located in vestibule of office entrance
- Voters may personally deliver their marked ballot to the Department of Elections & Voter Registration Office during regular business hours. (Hand-delivered ballots can only be accepted from voter ballot issued to. All others must go in drop box or need to be mailed.)
- All polling locations on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2024, from 6:00 am – 7:00 pm

Traci S. Clark
Director of Elections & General Registrar
Botetourt County, Virginia

the old courthouse, and physically moving the Breckinridge Law Office building (the former location of the county history museum) to the west of courthouse square.

On August 15, the county and architecture/engineering firm Architectural Partners agreed on a contract to combine both “phases” that will save the county some costs from the original plan. Evans

shared with the board that he asked for a specific breakdown of all of the items, and then took out all items from the proposal he or the county could complete including access control to the temporary courthouse and audio/video part of the project that wasn’t completed.

Architectural Partners, who designed the project, requires two months to combine the drawings and have everything ready

to put out to bid. On October 15, the project is expected to go to bid, with a 30-day bid period to four prequalified general contractors. Evans shared with the board that he has worked with each of the contractors over the years and has “great confidence in all of them.”

From there, the bid would be accepted around November 15, followed by an 18- to 24-month construction period following the county’s negotiations with the general contractor (30 days). Mobilization on construction is expected to begin in early 2025, depending on when the old law offices/hotel/museum building is relocated.

“The general contractor will get (the old law offices) ready to move, and then Wolfe Movers will move it,” Evans explained in a recent interview. “Wolfe tells (the county) what we need to do to prepare


that building, which is part of the bid document. The general contractor will have historic masons come in and brace up that building.”

Once the building is braced for a move, Evans explained, a small road will be constructed around the backside of the Old District Courthouse followed by setting a foundation for the new location of the law offices prior to Wolfe’s arrival. Then, the building can be moved and mobilization of courthouse construction can begin.

Evans recently shared that he has notified the contractors. “The bids are coming. They should be ready for it. Typically, you do these bids in 45 days. I’m trying to save any time I can. Two of the contractors have bid on this (project, phase A) once before, so they know exactly what they’re looking at. So, 30 days is reasonable, instead of 45.”

Currently, the courthouse renovation project is set for completion somewhere around the end of fall to late 2026.

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| Goats | \$145.00-\$165.00 |
| Sheep per lb. | \$83.00-\$182.00 |
| Graded Steers | |
| 400-499 | \$262.00-\$331.00 |
| 500-599 | \$256.00-\$279.50 |
| 600-699 | \$230.00-\$257.00 |
| 700-799 | \$238.00 |
| Graded Bulls | |
| 400-499 | \$261.00-\$287.00 |
| 500-599 | \$251.00-\$260.00 |
| 600-699 | \$239.00 |
| Graded Heifers | |
| 400-499 | \$231.00-\$255.00 |
| 500-599 | \$240.50 |
| 600-599 | \$211.00-\$229.25 |
| 700-799 | \$216.00 |
| Kill Cows | |
| | \$70.00-\$134.00 |
| Kill Bulls | |
| | \$147.00-\$163.00 |

PUBLIC NOTICE BOTETOURT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

The Botetourt County School Board will hold a Regular Meeting on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m., immediately followed by the closed session. The public session begins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at 143 Poor Farm Road, Fincastle, Virginia with a physical quorum present and electronic access through www.bcps.live.

Citizens wishing to address the School Board are asked to complete a Request to Speak form prior to 10:00 a.m. September 12, 2024 at: <https://forms.gle/9vZoPXyxZR8bgEoQ6> or by contacting Susan Albert, School Board Clerk, at (540) 473-8263 or by email at salbert@bcps.k12.va.us.

TOWN OF TROUTVILLE TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Troutville Town Council will meet on September 6, 2024, at 6 p.m. for a work session to discuss town business.

The meeting will be held in Council Chambers at the Town Office.

Mike Mansfield
Mayor

CROSSWORD ANSWERS



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Legals - Botetourt County

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. **CL24-191**
VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia,
Complainant,
v.
JANIS DEE HARLOW AKA JANIS D. HALE, ET AL.,
Respondent(s).
Case No. CL24-191
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The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Botetourt, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, described as follows:

Tax Map No. 27A(3/4 Account No. 18156

All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being in the Fincastle Magisterial District, County of Botetourt, State of Virginia, and being known and designated as Lot No. 44 of the Sarah E. Finney Addition to Eagle Rock.

And being the same property conveyed to Janis Dee Harlow aka Janis D. Hale from Dee Landis Windsor by Deed dated April 26, 2000, and recorded September 22, 2000, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, in Deed Book 588, at Page 1508.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described.

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Janis Dee Harlow aka Janis D. Hale, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 3719 Southway Drive SW, Apt. 69, Roanoke, Virginia 24014; John Hale, whose last known address is 6844 Conner Road NE, Copper Hill, Virginia 24079; Kathleen A. Harlow, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road, Fincastle, Virginia 24090; Jazzmine F. Harlow, Minor, whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road, Fincastle, Virginia 24090; Noah S. Landram, Minor, whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road, Fincastle, Virginia 24090; Rebecca L. Harlow, whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road, Fincastle, Virginia 24090; Nathan L. Harlow, whose last known address is 388 Mountain Road, Eagle Rock, Virginia 24085; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

ORDERED that the Parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before October 21, 2024 in the Clerk's Office of the County of Botetourt, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in 99/4this cause.

Entered on the 26th day of August, 2024.
Tommy Moore
Clerk

Legals - Botetourt County

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Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. **CL24-231**
VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY
SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC
Plaintiff(s),
v.
ESTATE OF WANDA P. MCKINNEY
and
UNKNOWN HEIRS OF WANDA P. MCKINNEY
Defendant(s).
Case No.: CL24-231
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
Petitioner, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC ("Commonwealth"), by counsel, and upon its Affidavit of Order of Publication requesting an Order of Publication, and IT APPEARING that the object of this suit is quiet title to the property located at 222 Cove Mountain Road, Buchanan, Virginia 24066 ("Subject Property"); and
IT APPEARING that Wanda P. McKinney, the record owner of the Property, is deceased and no estate has been opened or List of Heirs or Real Estate Affidavit filed in the land records of this Court; and
IT APPEARING that due diligence has been used to locate Defendants Estate of Wanda P. McKinney or the Unknown Heirs of Wanda P. McKinney ("McKinney Parties Unknown"); and IT APPEARING that the last known address for Wanda P. McKinney is 222 Cove Mountain Road, Buchanan, Virginia 24066; and
IT APPEARING that it is timely and appropriate that this Court enter an Order allowing for service upon the Defendants be completed pursuant to Virginia Code §8.01-316 by Order of Publication in a newspaper with general circulation in and published in and approved by the Circuit Court for Botetourt, Virginia, and it is therefore,
ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that an ORDER OF PUBLICATION, be and hereby is to be published in *The Fincastle Herald* once a week for four successive weeks in order to perfect service upon Defendants Estate of Wanda P. McKinney and the Unknown Heirs of Wanda P. McKinney; and it is further
ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that all Defendants be placed on notice that a Petition is pending in the Circuit Court of Botetourt, Virginia, namely *Specialized Loan Servicing UC v. Estate of Wanda P. McKinney, et al.*, to quiet title to the property located at 222 Cove Mountain Road, Buchanan, Virginia 24066; and it is further
ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED, that McKinney Parties Unknown must on or before the 18th day of October, 2024, make known to this Court any objection they may have to the Complaint, and claim any defenses to the pending action otherwise an order will be entered in favor of Plaintiff, and it is further
ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that the Clerk of this Court send notice of this service to Defendants Estate of Wanda P. McKinney and Unknown Heirs of Wanda P. McKinney at the last known address of address of Wanda P. McKinney, 222 Cove Mountain Road, Buchanan, Virginia 24066; and it is further
ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that *The Fincastle Herald* shall file an affidavit of publication with the Clerk of this Court attesting to the dates of publication, attesting that the notice was published at least once a week for four successive weeks.
Dated this 8th day of August, 2024.
Joel R Branscom,
Judge of the Botetourt County Circuit Court.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF PROPERTY

8415 Flag Lane, Roanoke, VA 24019
Tax Map No. 106-191, Parcel ID 30488

In execution of a Deed of Trust dated November 13, 2020, in the principal amount of \$115,548.92, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 200005614, Woods Rogers Vandeventer Black PLC, Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the Botetourt County Circuit Court, 1 W. Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, on September 12, 2024 at 12:00 noon, the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in Botetourt County, Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:~

Beginning at the intersection of the extreme southern corner of Tax Parcel No. 106-193, the western corner of Tax Parcel No. 106-194, and the extreme northern corner of the property herein conveyed thence proceeding S. 47 degs. 15' 00" E. 234.50 feet to a point; thence S. 36 degs. 54' 23" W. 105.89 feet to a point; thence N. 47 degs. 15' 00" W. 245.21 feet to a point; thence N. 42 degs. 42' 42" E. 105.34 feet to the place of BEGINNING and containing 0.5801 acres, as more fully shown on "Resurvey for Anthony W. Smith Showing Tax No. 106-191 located along Flag Lane", dated November 3, 2019, a copy of which is recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, with the Deed at Instrument No. 200003069, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference hereto. TOGETHER WITH a fifteen (15) foot non-exclusive, appurtenant, right of way over Flag Lane as more fully shown on the aforesaid plat of survey.

TERMS: Cash - Bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sales price by cashier's or certified check may be required. Balance of purchase price shall be due and payable not later than ten (10) days after sale.

WOODS ROGERS VANDEVENTER BLACK PLC, Substitute Trustee

For Information Contact: Woods Rogers Vandeventer Black PLC, P.O. Box 14125, Roanoke, VA 24038-4125, Telephone: 540-983-7729

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF

3314 Blue Ridge Blvd, Blue Ridge, VA 24064

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$332,323.00 dated October 1, 2021 recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for Botetourt County on October 1, 2021 as Instrument Number: 210005222, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction, at the Main entrance of the courthouse for the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, 1 W Main St, Fincastle, VA 24090 on October 7, 2024 at 12:30 PM the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address and briefly described as: Located in Botetourt County, State of Virginia:

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James River falls to Buffalo Gap in football season opener

The James River football team got the season off to a rough start with a 41-3 loss to the Bison in Buffalo Gap last Friday. The Knights couldn't solve the single-wing offense the home team employed.

"Rough night in Swoope," said River coach Tim Jennings. "They run that single wing and they ran it much better than what we saw on film. And they were so much more physical than we were. We're going to have to play much more physical football."

The Bison led 25-3 at the half as the only points River put on the board was a field goal by sophomore Knox Taylor. That came after the Knights recovered a fumble on the Buffalo Gap three with a little over half the first quarter gone. River failed to punch it in but Taylor kicked a 20-yard field goal to cut the lead to 6-3 at the time.

That would be River's last points of the game, although Gavin Binns had two long touchdowns called back by penalties, a 64-yard run and a 55-yard reception. Binns ended up rushing for 37 yards on 11 carries.

"We just didn't execute our game plan," said Jennings. "Whatever we did, they had an answer for. They were substantially better than last year."

Ryder Ward led River's receivers with four catches for 30 yards. Quarterback Pierce Woodyard rushed seven



Gavin Binns picks up good yardage for River.

times for 22 yards.

Buffalo Gap also had a big advantage in time of possession. They recovered two on-sides kicks.

"We weren't able to track time of possession, but they easily held a three-to-one advantage," said Jennings.

Defensively, Jayden Alston led the Knights with five solo tackles and 10 assists.



PHOTOS BY LEIGH DOWNEY

Efraim Echavarria (50) holds on to make the tackle at Buffalo Gap.

River will try to pick up their first win this Friday when they go back on the road to play Randolph Henry in Charlotte Court House. River beat the Statesmen in Springwood last year, 34-16, and RHHS lost their opener to Nelson County last week.

"We need to play a lot more physical this week," said Jennings.

Lord Botetourt, James River will run in 'Knights Crossing' Saturday

Green Hill Park in west Roanoke County will be the site of the annual Knights Crossing cross country event, conducted by Cave Spring High School. It's a full day of racing and one of the largest events of the entire season.

This year's Knights Crossing includes teams from 108 high schools, including Lord Botetourt and James River. Most of the schools are in Virginia but there are 15 teams coming from North Carolina, West Virginia, Tennessee, and Kentucky. There will also be over 60 middle schools represented.

"We are very excited about this year's invitational," said Cave Spring coach Tommy Maguire. "We have well over 3,000 runners entered to race. This will be our biggest Knights Crossing Invitational yet and one of

the largest athletic events held in the Roanoke Valley this year."

This year's event looks to be one of the fastest times in the 20 years of the Knights Crossing. According to the entries on the men's side, 13 runners have broken 16 minutes for 5K and 70 under 17. On the women's side, four runners have broken 18 minutes for 5K with 21 under 19 and 46 under 20.

The course will open at 7 a.m. Saturday with packet pick-up and Open Race registration. The first race is the Joe LaRocco 5K at 8 a.m. and races run through the final event at 2:30 p.m.

Saturday's schedule is as follows.

- 8:00 am Joe LaRocco (open) 5K Team Race for men and women
- 8:30 am Coaches Meeting at the stage

9:00 am Elementary School Championship 1K Race - (Boys/Girls)

9:15 am Open Race Awards

9:30 am Girls Middle School Championship 4K Race - (Medals to Top 25)

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The "Red" race is for Virginia public schools and all out of state teams

10:45 am Girls Red Race 5K - (Medals to top 25)

11:30 am Boys Red Race 5K - (Medals to top 25)

The "Black" race is for all Virginia public and all private schools!

12:00 pm Girls Black Race 5K - (Medals to top 25)

12:45 pm Boys Black Race 5K -

(Medals to top 25)

The "White" race is for Virginia public schools runners and all out of state teams not entered in the "Red" race!

1:15 pm Girls White Race 5k - unlimited

2:00 pm Boys White Race 5k - unlimited s

The "Gold" race is for all Virginia public and all private schools' runners not entered in the "Black" race

2:30 pm Girls & Boys will race together in Gold Race 5k - unlimited.

Lord Botetourt and James River were scheduled to run in the "Bengal Clash" last Thursday at the Smith River Sports Complex in Martinsville, but that race was postponed due to extreme heat. It was rescheduled for Tuesday of this week, but results were too late for publication.



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Cavaliers drop football opener in overtime



Triston Graves (7) jumps on the E.C. Glass ball carrier as Cody McConnaughey (9) hangs on by the ankles.



Quinten Jones (0) tries to get away as a Hilltopper grabs his jersey.

PHOTOS BY JIM & REGINA DEVINNEY

It was a frustrating night in Daleville last Friday when Lord Botetourt opened the 2024 high school football season against visiting E.C. Glass. The Cavaliers lost a game they felt they should have won, falling 11-8 to the Hilltoppers in overtime.

"We should have won 35-0," said disgruntled LB coach Jamie Harless. "Our kids played their guts out and showed the best effort I've seen from our team in years. I'm disappointed in the outcome, but I'm proud of our kids."

The Cavaliers had three touchdowns called back in this

game, including one with just 48 seconds left in regulation of a tie game. Botetourt was called for seven holding penalties and over a dozen overall after having just three penalties of any kind called on them in their two scrimmages combined. The Cavaliers also missed two field goals.

"We had almost 400 yards of offense and I don't think they even had 100," said Harless. "We moved the ball."

Botetourt scored first when Quinten Jones capped off a 50-yard drive with a nine-yard scoring run with less than a minute to go in the first half. The extra point kick

missed but Glass was off-sides, so LB elected to go for two with the ball on the one and a half yard line. Tristan Overbay then punched it in for an 8-0 halftime lead.

Glass tied the game with 50 seconds left in the third quarter on a 53-yard TD pass and this time LB was off-sides on the two-point conversion attempt. The Hilltoppers converted to tie the game at 8-8.

Botetourt had a great chance to win the game in regulation but Overbay's TD run was called back by a penalty in the final minute of the fourth quarter. The Cavaliers tried a 38-yard field goal with four seconds on the clock but it was

determined to be wide left.

"It missed by a gnat's (behind)," said Harless. "At least that's what they said. The ball was 10 or 15 yards above the upright so it was really hard to tell."

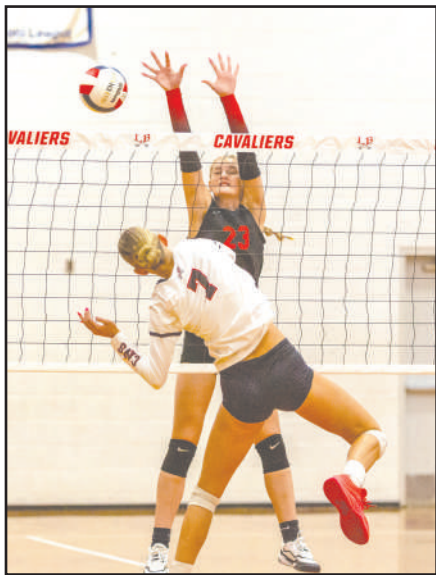
That sent the game into overtime and Botetourt had the ball first. The Hilltoppers held the Cavs on four downs, then kicked a field goal on first down to win the game.

Botetourt had two 100-yard rushers despite scoring just eight points as Jones had 107 yards on 17 carries and Overbay had 105 yards on 23 attempts. Angel Rigney completed two of four passes for 45 yards in

his first game as a Cavalier. Cody McConnaughey had one catch for 33 yards and Conner Dowdy had a 12-yard reception.

Botetourt will try to even the record this Friday when the Cavaliers host Blacksburg. The Bruins snapped a 29-game losing streak in the third game of last season and finished 2-8, losing 83-6 to LB in the process. They opened this season with a 32-12 win over Giles last Friday.

"They're much better than they've been," said Harless. "They have two running backs who aren't bad and a pretty good fullback, and they look much better as far as executing."



Botetourt's Becca Huddleston (7) spikes one past River's Caitlin Canada (23).



Alicia Holmes (11) spikes one between River blockers Brea Anduiza (5) and Sydnee Breeding (12).

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Cavaliers down River for Wilkins' first win

It wasn't Samantha Wilkins' first volleyball win on the LB bench, but it was her first win sitting on the end when the Cavaliers defeated visiting James River in the first match for both county schools last week.

Wilkins, a longtime assistant to Julie Conner, slid into the drivers' seat this year when Conner resigned her position. She opened her era with a win as LB defeated a game James River bunch in three sets, 25-19, 25-23 and 25-18 in Daleville.

Becca Huddleston led the Cavaliers with 15 kills. Bria Harvey had 10 digs and Skylar Morris dished out 36 assists.

"We played scrappy defense and

served aggressively, we just had too many hitting errors to be able to compete," said River coach Linsey Firebaugh.

River bounced back with a win at Bassett on Thursday of last week. The Knights downed the Bengals in three sets, 25-18, 25-15 and 25-15.

"It was a slow night," said Firebaugh. "We fought through the lack of energy and pulled out a win."

Lord Botetourt and James River were scheduled to play a rematch in Springwood on Tuesday of this week but results were too late for publication. On Thursday the Cavaliers go to Blacksburg and Bassett will return the trip to Springwood to meet the Knights.

Knights play at Olde Mill today

The James River golfers will have a Three Rivers District match today at the Olde Mill Golf Club in Laurel Fork. The match will be hosted by Patrick County.

Last Thursday the Knights were in Roanoke County for a match hosted by Glenvar at the Hanging Rock Golf Club. It was a nine-hole match due to extreme heat, and the match was interrupted by thunder for 30 minutes about an hour in.

As usual, Floyd County had the low score. This time the Buffaloes carded 146 over nine holes to finish first. Radford was second at 159 followed by host Glenvar at 162,



Mason Gilliland of James River tees off at Hanging Rock.

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Alleghany at 166, Carroll County at 167, Patrick County at 171 and James River finished at 175.

Hunter Crist of Radford was medalist with a nine-hole 33 and four golfers shot 37, three of whom play for Floyd. River's low score was 40 by both Mason Gilliland and Landon Bolling. Mason Francis shot 46 and Elizabeth Johnson came in at 49 for the Knights.

Cavaliers have healthy lead after three rounds of BRD golf

The Lord Botetourt golfers continue to pull away in the Blue Ridge District season tournament as they won the round for the third time last week. The Cavaliers carded a four-player 149 in a nine-hole match at the Hanging Rock Golf Club in Roanoke County.

LB's round was seven strokes better than Franklin County, who came in at 156. William Byrd was third at 162, followed by Northside at 168 and Staunton River at 179.

After three rounds and 47 holes the Cavaliers now hold a 59-stroke lead over Franklin County for the season series, 742 to 801. Byrd maintained third place at 826 with Northside at 847 and Staunton River at 895.

Individually, Alisa Davidova of LB continued her fine play with a four under par 31 to take medalist honors at "the Rock." Also scoring for the Cavaliers were Hayden Firestone at 39, Aidan Mitchell at 40 and Jeremy Simmons with a 42. Davidova leads the individual standings and LB has four of the top five spots with Mitchell third, Firestone fourth and Simmons fifth.

This week the BRD tour hits Blue Hills for a Tuesday match that was too late for press deadlines. The Cavs have

a non-district match at Blacksburg Thursday and next Tuesday it's back to the BRD battles with a match at Mariners' Landing.



Alisa Davidova of LB putts at Hanging Rock last week.

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Former Cavalier Givens plays for Virginia Tech



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Former Lord Botetourt Cavalier Gunner Givens takes a photo with a young fan during Virginia Tech's recent Fan Appreciation Day. The Hokies have their home opener this Saturday against Marshall after dropping the season opener to Vanderbilt in Nashville last weekend, 34-27 in overtime.