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Ag Day in Eagle Rock this Saturday

Celebrate local agriculture in Botetourt County this Saturday, September 21, at the Eagle Rock Library. Join Botetourt County Libraries and community partners that include master gardeners, Botetourt County Extension, CAMS and JRHS FFA, Jeffery's Funny Farm, and Eagle

Rock Wildlife. Ag Day will also feature agriculture demonstrations, STEM activities for the kids, and information about how the community can be a part of preserving natural resources, growing food, and more. Hot dog lunch meals will be available from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Bingo

sessions begin at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The Eagle Rock Library is located at 55 Eagles Nest Drive. For more news and information from Botetourt County Libraries, visit BOCOLibraries.info. - Fincastle Herald staff report

Fincastle Town Council receives audit results, discusses RVTPO boundary fitting



PHOTO BY MATT DE SIMONE Corbin Stone of Robinson Farmer Cox Associates gives an audit presentation to Fincastle Town Council last Thursday night.

Matt de Simone mattdesimone@mainstreetnewspapers.com

Fincastle Town Council heard an audit presentation from Corbin Stone, CPA of Robinson Farmer Cox Associates, during council's regular monthly meeting in Fincastle last Thursday night. According to Stone, the audit "went well" with the town receiving "an unqualified/unmodified opinion." The audit was completed this past spring with the town's financial statements being "materially correct" and in good order. Stone's firm performs an audit of the town's General Fund and Water and Sewer funds annually.

Stone went over some of the numbers and nuances in the town's financial statements. The town's general fund balance at the end of the year was \$335,000 with assets and liabilities increased over prior years. Stone explained to council that the impact of the Big Spring Park grants causes these balances to increase until the funds can be spent for approved projects. In addition, the Water and Sewer Fund has also increased due to ARPA funds that were not expended as of the end of the accounting period. Stone recommended that the town See Council, page 10

Captain Dillow graduates from the FBI National Academy

The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) has announced that Captain David Dillow has successfully graduated from the 291st session of the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va. The 291st session of the National Academy consisted of men and women from 47 states, the District of Columbia, and Guam. The class included members of law enforcement agencies from 26 countries, seven military organizations, and seven federal civilian organizations. Captain Dillow joins a group of law enforcement professionals who have undergone one of the most rigorous and respected training programs in the world.



PHOTO COURTESY OF BCSO Captain David C. Dillow

The FBI National Academy, internationally known for its academic excellence, offers 10 weeks of advanced communication, leadership, and fitness training. Participants must have proven records as professionals within their agencies to attend. On average, these officers have 21 years of law enforcement experience and usually return to their agencies to serve in executive-level positions. Captain Dillow's participation in the 10-week program exemplifies his

dedication to personal and professional development as well as his commitment to providing the highest level of service to the citizens of Botetourt County. "This accomplishment is a testament to Captain Dillow's hard work, leadership, and commitment to the law enforcement profession," said Sheriff Matthew Ward. "His completion of the FBI National Academy will not only See Dillow, page 10

NFF 'Bluegrass Beats for Brave Hearts' gala Oct. 5

Advertisement for New Freedom Farm's First Annual Gala: BLUEGRASS BEATS FOR BRAVE HEARTS GALA A NIGHT OF HONOR AND CELEBRATION October 5th, 2024 from 5:30pm-10pm Limited Tickets Sold \$45.00 per person includes Riley Specialty Act Famous Trick Rider on a Mustang Fabulous Buffet by Aaron's Smoke House and Live Music by Blue Connection, Dancing and a Silent Auction

New Freedom Farm (NFF), a nonprofit organization located in Buchanan, recently announced a "Bluegrass Beats for Brave Hearts" gala event October 5 that the organization promises to be "an unforgettable evening that brings together (NFF's) community to celebrate and support (NFF's) vital work." This year's gala features a lineup of performers, beginning with Riley Specialty Acts giving a trick riding

demonstration, followed by a buffet catered by Aaron's Smokehouse. The night will be filled with lively music from the Blue Connection Band, dancing, and a silent auction. A limited amount of tickets will be sold for this spectacular event. No tickets will be sold at the gate, advance ticket sales only, so pre-register early at (540) 855-1158; visit the website at www.newfreedomfarm.org. Proceeds from the event will directly

support New Freedom Farm's annual operating budget, enabling the organization to continue providing essential services to those who have served the country and communities. For more information about New Freedom Farm, visit newfreedomfarm.org. The farm is located at 6118 Lithia Road, Buchanan, and is open Wednesday-Friday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. - Fincastle Herald staff report

Town of Fincastle public hearing concerning Heritage Market rezoning Oct. 2

Fincastle's Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on October 2 at 7 p.m. in the Fincastle Firehouse Training Room at 25 Vine Street for the purpose of soliciting public input on a rezoning

application from the Heritage Market. The property is located on the west side of Roanoke Road. The application is to rezone both lots from "A-1 Agriculture" to "B-1 Business" for the purpose of the

construction of a new Heritage Market specialty grocery operation. Information about this can be obtained by contacting the Fincastle Town Office during regular office hours

or by contacting Scott Critzer at 540-473-3377. - Fincastle Herald staff report

Event schedule for Sept 20 (Martin & Kelly 5-9PM), Sept 21 (Botetourt Farmer's Market 8:30 to NOON), and Oct 5 (Out of Spite That 80's Show 5-9PM). Includes Daleville town center logo, QR code, and barcode.

Botetourt County History



This salt cellar was recently donated to the Botetourt County Historical Society by Deborah Hedrick, who grew up in Fincastle. It is thought to be made of uranium glass and is very unique. Uranium glass,

also known as Vaseline glass, dates back to the 19th century and gets its distinct greenish-yellow glow from uranium oxide. It was popular in decorative items until the 1940s. The glass glows under UV light but is safe

PHOTO COURTESY OF BCMHC to own and admire. This piece is on view alongside other decorative glass in the museum's Parlor Gallery downstairs.

- Botetourt County Museum of History & Culture

'Life and Times of Carter Stanley' at Attic Saturday

Attic Productions in Fincastle is hosting a performance of a one-man play called "A Life of Sorrow, the Life and Times of Carter Stanley" on Saturday, September 21, at 2:30 p.m.

The program uses a mix of storytelling and music and is the story of one man's musical journey from the Clinch Mountains of Virginia, around the world, and back home again.

All tickets are \$15 when paid by cash or check at the door and will be general admission. Tickets may be purchased at the door or on the Attic Productions website by visiting www.atticproductions.info. Carter Stanley



PHOTOCOURTESYOFATTICPRODUCTIONS
Roanoke actor Gary Reid

was the front man for the legendary Stanley Brothers duo. "A Life of Sorrow" is the creation of Roanoke actor Gary Reid. A bluegrass enthusiast and historian for over 45

years, he is regarded as the foremost authority on the music of the Stanley Brothers.

- Attic Productions

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Music and food at the Historic Fincastle Festival

The Historic Fincastle Festival is known for many things and two of the favorites are food and music! On Saturday, September 28, from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., three music stages will be filled with local musicians.

On the front steps of the courthouse, the schedule will include:

9:30-10:00 David Austin; 10:00-11:00 Henry Downing Band; 11:15-12:00 The Botetourt Ensemble of FUMC; 12:30-2:00 Red Hands (old time/roots music); 2:15-3:30 Buddy and the Blackjacks. Sound will be provided by Steve Hartman, Hartman & Sons.

At the corner of Church Street and Murry Street, local music teacher Mike Lee will showcase a talented line up of students throughout the day which will include: 10:00, Avery Saunders; 11:00, Kaeli Berry; 12:00, Austin Myers; 1:00, Justin Broughman; 2:00, Alexis Chocklette. Sound for this stage will be provided by Mike Lee.

On Main Street, beside the History Museum, there will be a smaller venue. Come by, have a seat and listen to local musicians and singer/songwriters. If you have a new song you would like to share, bring your instrument.. This schedule will be flexible and allow for guest performers to stop by and play a tune. Performers will include:

9:30-11:00 varied music, including open jam, David Austin (original songs), and drop in musicians; 11:00-12:00 Trey Saunders (ETSU student, bluegrass, old time, country; 12:30-1:15, Eric Burton (local singer/songwriter). Sound for this stage will be provided by Eric Burton.

This year's festival music is sure to entertain and inspire. Come by and enjoy the sounds of local musicians who have strong ties to Botetourt Country.

Along with music, there will be many festival foods to enjoy! Brian and Kitty

See Festival Music, page 5



Mike Lee

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LAND TRANSFERS

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

- Michael A. Angelillo to Eric Thorne, lot, Hickory Hills, \$450,000
- Arista Troutville LLC to Troutville Dev LLC, 3 parcels, \$1,700,000
- Matthew F. Barber to Neil Dunlap, lot, \$315,000
- Mickey R. Barber to Justin Young, 8 acres, \$90,000
- Blue Ridge Area Properties to John F. Busic, 6.395 acres, \$570,000
- Melvin L. Brookman Jr. to Daniel Lawson, 5 acres, \$425,000
- Nicky Ray Byer to Phillip J. Thompson, 2.366 acres, Town of Buchanan, gift deed
- Nicky Ray Byer to Nicky Ray Byer, 2.812 acres, Town of Buchanan, gift deed
- C&A Management to Vicki A. Cooper, 4 parcels, gift deed
- Elaine D. Campbell to Paula J. Persinger, 2 parcels, \$7,000
- Paige R. Charboneau to David B. Chang, lot, Apple Tree Village, \$550,000
- William Lewis Conner to Debra P. Conner, 2 parcels, \$200,000
- Frederick A. Coots III to Frederick A. Coots III, 2.250 acres, gift deed
- Countryside Land Company to Home Front Homes, 2 lots, Thorneblade, gift deed
- Countryside Land Company to Four Fifty Five, lot, Thorneblade, \$32,900
- Winifred K. Crawford to Teresa Diane Garrett, tract, Ridgeway Acres, gift deed
- Elizabeth C. Crofton to Kelley Emenecker, 49 acres, \$475,000
- CWRM Real Estate to Anthony Lovell, half of lot, Town of Buchanan, \$200,000
- D&S Developers to Jamie Lynn Smith, 1.0274 acres, Walnut Manor, \$524,900
- D and T Residential Properties to Aino Linn Floderus, 3.589 acres, \$579,500
- Cheryl J. Day to Heather Marie Whitmore, 1 acre, gift deed
- Dream Homes Properties to Ashok Tiwari, lot, Orchards of Ashley, \$0
- Robyn Smith Ellis to Fralin Investment Group, 1 acre, \$190,000
- J. Scot Finley, trustee, to James C. Bowman Jr., unit, Tinkerview Townhouse, \$185,000
- J. Scot Finley, trustee, to Mounir Melki, unit, Tinkerview Townhouse, \$200,000
- Four H Investments to Steico Inc, three parcels, \$787,000
- Fralin Properties to David M. Spradlin, lot, \$95,000
- Dylan Grant to George Raymond Puckett Jr., 0.446 acres, \$107,500
- F. Wayne Graves Jr. to RYT LLC, 2.5 acres, \$60,000
- H & L Construction Compnay to R Fralin Construction, lot, The Orchards of Ashley, \$88,270
- Ramona Tomerlin Harlow to Tori Kemper, 2.063 acres, \$59,999
- Henry A. Hartge Jr. to Ricky Lonker Jr., lot, Orchard Hill, \$400,000
- Randall R. Hill to Robert Harold Sisk, 1.161 acres, Santillane, \$705,000
- Elizabeth C. Hopkins to Joseph W. O'Conner Spagnolo, 19.50 acres, \$350,000
- Justin L. Huffman to Caleb W. Prather, lot, Appletree Village, \$340,000
- James River Assets to Isaac Jones, portion of lot, \$315,000
- Joseph A. Kirkpatrick to Jennifer Marie Meadows, lot, Santillane, \$420,000
- Seth R. Konopasek to Phyllis W. Evans, lot, \$8,500
- Seth R. Konopasek to Bala Prakash Raavi, 2.1 acres, \$7,000
- Seth R. Konopasek to Katrina Utermark, 0.07 acre, \$1,000
- Seth R. Konopasek to Patrick Harris, 1 1/2 lots, \$2,450
- Seth R. Konopasek to Dustin Graham, lot, \$1,300
- Seth R. Konopasek to Sage English, parcel, \$7,500
- Seth R. Konopasek to Imadeeldin Farhoud, parcel, \$6,750
- Seth R. Konopasek to Orchard View Farm and Cattle Co., parcel, \$1,200
- Seth R. Konopasek to Howard P. Mallory II, 0.262 acre, \$900
- Seth R. Konopasek to Orchard View Farm and Cattle Co., parcel, Fincastle District, \$800
- Seth R. Konopasek to West Oak Properties, parcel, Fincastle District, \$800
- Kelly William Kreyling to A and J Developments, 0.374 acre, \$15,500
- Jay A. Lanz to Charles A. Blankenship, lot, Steeplechase, \$445,000

- John C. Laughlin to James Beckner, 3.908 acres, \$125,000
- Donald D. Long to Marlene Lynn Wertz, lot, Blue Ridge Heights, gift deed
- Malcolm E. Maclean to Donald A. Sowash Jr., 5.804 acres, \$255,000
- Mary C. Micek to Dustin Davis, 5.893 acres, \$415,000
- Mitchy LLC to Erika R. Hamilton, 2 lots, Rainbow Forest, \$315,000
- Andrew M. Neville to Lisa M. Reed, 2 lots, Town of Buchanan, \$8,250
- Sharon Kaye Norris to Guy R. Rogers, 5.261 acres, \$610,000
- Lorain D. Norvell to John E. Norvell Jr., 85.339 acres, \$45,000
- Larry O'Conner to Roger Brogan, 0.635 acre, gift deed
- Joseph A. Overbay to Mark A. Eades, lot, Orchards of Ashley, \$679,000
- Pamela Sue Paderick to Grace Rental Property, 2 parcels, \$180,000
- Bland A. Painter III to Gateway Circle Properties, 5 parcels, \$0
- Ruby B. Painter to Eula J. Sears, unit, Tinkerview Townhouse, \$210,000
- Eleena Mohler Patterson to Jordan Grey Watson, 0.4395 acre, \$224,950
- Lanear Perdue to Bria Lashae Stephens, lot, Rainbow Forest, gift deed
- Christine P. Powell to Cory Jay Richards, lot, Apple Tree Village, \$368,000
- Michael J. Prease to Tasha Ann Snavelly, 77.14 acres, \$400,000
- Michael James Prease to Bradley Adam Wickline, 2 parcels, \$600,000
- Lucy E. Price to Jennifer Mary Maddox, lot, Stonebridge Estates, \$399,950
- Reese Construction of Virginia to Allen Checca, lot, Medallion Hills, \$500,000
- Andrew J. Sartorius to Kathryn F. Riley, 1.94 acres, Fox Heights Subdivision, \$236,500
- Matthew T. Schall to Andrew J. Sartorius, 2.308 acres, \$394,000
- Charles N. Schwallenberg to Kevin R. Nicely, unit, Tinkerview Townhouse, \$130,000
- Wanda A. Carter Shackelford to Bruin Holdings, 2 parcels, \$160,500
- Sherry Jean Shaw to Michael McCaleb, three parcels subject to reservation of life estate in parcel III, \$203,155.09
- Ronnie L. Smith to Kevin C. Carroll, portion of lot, Waterfall Lake, \$379,000
- Southeast Equity Trustees to H&M Commercial Properties, lot, Rainbow Forest, \$205,000
- Stateson Homes to Jacob Bryant, lot, \$348,685, Daleville Town Center, \$348,685
- Stateson Homes to Macauley Whiting III, lot, Daleville Town Center, \$343,080
- Stateson Homes to Andrew Gross, lot, Daleville Town Center, \$299,900
- Stateson Homes to Dustin Hassell, lot, Daleville Town Center, \$371,725
- Stateson Homes to Ryan Bennett, lot, Daleville Town Center, \$346,170
- Stateson Homes to Rodney Lane Turbak, lot, \$427,715
- Michael L. Sykes to Thomas B. Patsel, 12.36 acres, Penn Development, \$645,000
- Tederick Miller Investments to William Weier, 15.004 acres, \$85,000
- Ricky T. Wade to FCHB Inc., 3.9 acres, \$110,000
- Karen H. Waldron to Ronald Lake Waldron, lot, Rainbow Forest, gift deed
- Alan F. Wilhelm to Don Alexander Wilhelm, two parcels, gift deed
- Witt Ranch Properties to Spring Alissa Witt, two parcels, gift deed
- Spring Alissa Witt to Witt Ranch Properties, two parcels, gift deed
- Dana L. Worley to Heather Marie Whitmore, one-half interest in 1 acre, \$50,000



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Library BUZZ

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS AT BOTETOURT LIBRARIES

Ag Day
Sat, Sep 21, 10am-2pm, Eagle Rock
Celebrate local agriculture and our rural community! Butter-making, falcons, trucks, Bingo, and hot dog dinners. Rain date October 5.

Rain Barrel Workshop
Sat, Sep 28, 10am, Blue Ridge
Build your own rain barrel to take home. Instruction and materials provided at no cost by the Roanoke Valley-Allegheny Regional Commission in partnership with Mountain Castles Soil & Water Conservation. Space is limited; call 540-928-2900 to sign up.

Life of a Revolutionary War Continental Soldier
Wed, Oct 2, 12pm, Buchanan
Historic interpreter Jeff Briggs wears recreated period clothing and uses various items from the Revolutionary War period to discuss what life was like from a Patriot's perspective.

Art Club
Fri, Oct 4, 3pm, Buchanan
Engage your creativity and find your inner artist with hands-on projects. Casual atmosphere, drop in anytime during the event time to enjoy warm tea, relaxing music, and at-your-own-pace art activities. Scalable for all ages.

Eclectic Readers
Thu, Sep 26, 11am, Eagle Rock
The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls
Fri, Sep 27, 11am, Blue Ridge
The Fraud by Zadie Smith
Wed, Oct 2, 12pm, Buchanan
Theme: Narrative Cookbooks
Thu, Oct 3, 6:30pm, Fincastle
The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri
Wed, Oct 9, 10:30am, Fincastle
The Sentence by Louise Erdrich
Discuss books and authors with fellow readers.

Find even more events at BOCOLibraries.info.

BUCHANAN EVENTS

LEAP Farmer's Market
Oct. 4 - 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Resource Center

Feeding SWVA Mobile Market
Oct. 30 - 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. - Resource Center

Magic Mountain in Fall
Oct. 5 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Buchanan Town Park

Halloween
Oct. 31

Buchanan Clean-Up Day
Oct. 12 - 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Town Park parking lot

Learn more information by visiting www.townofbuchanan.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader responds to last week's letter

Regarding Mr. Stutes' Letter to the Editor last week, he stated he doesn't know anyone who supports the effort to remove obscene books from our libraries. Our group went door-to-door last summer with our petition to remove those books. Despite covering only a small part of the county, we collected over 1,300 signatures from voter-aged residents. Most residents were unaware of what's in the books in question.

The "shame," however, is with those who do know and will do nothing

about it. Even the recommendation to move objectionable books out of the reach of small children - a practice in libraries in other localities - has been rejected by the county.

Our BRACE group is not connected to any "outside" groups. We are regular residents of the county who are passionate about protecting the innocence of children. When did that become a "fringe and extreme" position? As Mr. Stutes suggested, we too "hope that our fellow citizens will pay VERY close attention to all local elections."

Charles Rubl
Fincastle

School Board recognizes August Employees of the Month; Superintendent recognized by FFA



PHOTO COURTESY OF BCPS
BCPS Superintendent Jonathan Russ received the State FFA Degree from members of the Lord Botetourt Chapter of FFA.

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The Botetourt County School Board recognized its August Employees of the Month at its regular monthly meeting last Thursday in Fincastle.

Ronald Young, a custodian at Cloverdale Elementary School, received a certificate of recognition from the board. Superintendent Dr. Jonathan Russ shared a statement by

one of Young's nominations - "Mr. Young goes out of his way to make sure every teacher and student has everything they need to succeed... He is always connecting with students and staff. He goes above and beyond for Cloverdale Elementary."

Kristi Martin, a fourth grade teacher at Breckinridge Elementary, also received a certificate. Russ read a statement about Martin's

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League for Animal Protection's Waif of the Week
Cassie

Cassie joined the LAP family on August 13. She is 8 months old, spayed, HW negative and appears housetrained. She is about 40 pounds and will not get much larger.

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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ARRESTS

The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for September 9-15:

- Nicholas G. Palmieri, 34, of Roanoke, domestic assault, September 9
- Zachary L. Blankenship, 28, of Blue Ridge, escaping from custody, September 9

- Timothy D. Brandt, 60, of Buchanan, driving under the influence, making telephone threats, September 11
- Joshua M. Oyler, 37, of Troutville, drunk in public, September 15
- Omar Malaga-Ceballos, 32, of Roanoke, domestic assault, September 15

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1. One of the four Vedas
5. Part of (abbr.)
8. At the peak
12. African antelope
14. Expression of satisfaction
15. Yankees' ace
30. Make very happy
31. Binary compound of hydrogen with a metal
32. Albanian currency
33. Subatomic particle
34. Type of salt
39. 007's creator
42. Emerging
44. Railroad flare
46. Observed
47. Capable of reproduction
49. Indicates adjacent to
50. Legendary Notre Dame coach
51. Not wide
56. An embarrassing mistake
57. Pearl Jam's debut album
58. Denotes passerine birds
59. Stumble
60. Midway between east and southeast
61. W. Indian trees
62. You
63. Pigeon
64. Be aware of

CLUES DOWN
1. Crease
2. "Honey" actress Jessica
3. Broad volcanic crater
4. Product safety watchdog
5. Southern Colombian city
6. Part of a church
7. Perceptible by touch
8. Pronounce not guilty of criminal charges
9. Hairpiece
10. Variety acts
11. "Mystic River" actor
13. Remove salt
17. Went out with
24. Type of bread
25. Popular Eagles song
26. Philosophy degree
27. Yes vote
28. Passports and licenses are two
29. No seats available
35. Pounds per square inch
36. A way to launch an attack on
37. The lowest cardinal number
38. Popular Miller beer
40. Pokes holes in
41. Closest to
42. Folk singer DiFranco
43. Rivne's former name
44. Flat ruler
45. Lacking the means to do something
47. Cockatoo
48. Dred Scott decision deliverer
49. Explosion exclamation
52. Canadian flyers
53. Houston university
54. At some prior time
55. Red, swollen mark

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You Gotta Believe
A Little League baseball team of misfits dedicate their season to a player's dying father. In doing so, they accomplish the impossible by reaching the World Series finals in a game that became an ESPN instant classic.

Friday, Sept. 20
7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 21
7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 22
3 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 26
7 p.m.

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nomination, "Mrs. Martin is new to us this year and has fit in beautifully and is an amazing addition to an already amazing team. Her passion for learning is contagious and her classroom is an absolute joy daily."

Russ also received the honorary State Degree from Lord Botetourt High School's Future Farmers of America (FFA) Chapter for being a great supporter of agricultural education. The State FFA Degree is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon an individual by the FFA.



Cloverdale Elementary Teacher Kathy Firestone, Ronald Young, and Valley District School Board representative Tim Davidick



Breckinridge Elementary School Principal Wyatt Turner, Kristi Martin, and Fincastle School Board representative Dana McCaleb

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Festival Music from page 3



The Botetourt Ensemble of FUMC



Eric Burton



David Austin

Weikel will once again be next to the courthouse providing a variety of options, including funnel cakes. Ferguson Family Provisions will be providing several options, along with their popular seafood tacos. Teen Challenge will be serving hot dogs with all the



Buddy & The Blackjacks

fixin's. Several new festival food vendors this year will include the Countryman Jamaican Food Truck and the Hangry Food Truck, which will be set up at the corner of Church Street and Murry Street. As you walk and eat your way around the festival, don't forget to add



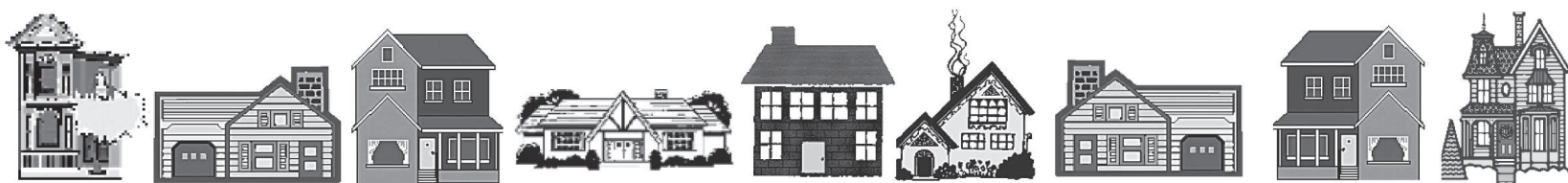
Henry Downing Trio

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Festival hours are 9 a.m. -4 p.m.

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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 Sundays at 11:00a.m.

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

Sackville 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 -88 Cops 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.

Mt. Bethel Church of the

I Need Help

Read Psalms 11:1 through 18:50

Many of the Psalms are full of praise to God. We sometimes visualize David as peacefully strumming a harp as he quietly watches a flock of sheep grazing on a grassy slope. Psalm 13 presents a different picture.

David apparently had doubts, troubling thoughts, and enemies. Things did not always go well for him. In the first part of this psalm, David, in authentic transparency, expressed some real concerns. He apparently had enemies who were getting a little too close for comfort. The amazing part is how, in spite of the chaos around him, David made a decision to trust God.

But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation (Psalm 13:5).

Everything does not always go well for us either. We face challenges that seem overwhelming, and we do not always see a clear path through the jungle of everyday life. But God is our Source of help, and we can trust Him to get us through!

Prayer Suggestion: Father, I do not feel up to the task that is before me at times, but I have decided that I will trust You.

Quicklook: Psalm 13:1-6

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!

Trinity United Methodist Church - 19637 Main St., Buchanan; Rev. Doug Mitchell, 254-2475 (O). Worship, 9:45AM, Sunday School 10:30 AM.

OBITUARIES

Johnsen, William Charles

William Charles Johnsen, 79, passed peacefully on the evening of Friday, September 6, 2024, at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital.

Born to Haywood and Evelyn in Brooklyn, N.Y., William grew up a few hours north in the countryside of Accord with his twin brother, Robert, and sister, Diane.

William was a veteran of the United States Army, where he was a Hawk missile technician. He earned his Bachelor's Degree at the University of Plattsburgh and Master's Degree at the University of Albany. He returned to the U.S. Army as a civilian where he enjoyed an illustrious 35-year career that began at West Point and reached a pinnacle at the Pentagon. He was a 9/11 survivor and retired in 2008.

Following his retirement, he moved with his wife of 54 years, Linda Louise, to the Roanoke Valley. William and Linda wanted to be closer to their daughter, Ashleigh Fisher, and son-in-law, Barak, and ... a few years later ... his grandson, Nate.

Nate is the absolute pride and joy of William, who enjoyed watching his grandson play soccer, baseball and basketball when he was not losing to Nate in board games like "Sorry" or reading Nate bedtime stories.

Linda preceded William in death by two years. William is survived by his son, Michael Chad Johnsen; his daughter's family, Ashleigh, Barak and Nate; his brother, Robert (Mary Ann) Johnsen; and sister, Diane Cook. William also is survived by his wife, Xueming Sun, who has been by his side for the past year.

William's life was celebrated at 2 p.m. on Saturday, September 14, 2024, during a memorial at Christ Lutheran Church, 2011 Brandon Ave. SW, Roanoke. A visitation was held at the church one hour prior to the memorial service.

Memorial donations in his name may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Condolences may be shared with his family by visiting www.Oakeys.com. Arrangements were by Oakey's Downtown Chapel, Roanoke, (540) 982-2100.

Sanderson, Daniel Lee

Daniel Lee Sanderson, 40, of Buchanan, passed away Saturday, September 7, 2024.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Angela Thompson; and grandparents, Harold and Norma Thompson.

He was a James River High School graduate and employed by Williams Brothers Tree and Lawn Service.

He is survived by his father and step-mother, David and Cheryl Sanderson; daughter, Anna Sanderson; son, Aden Sanderson; numerous aunts and

uncles, including especially Danny and Marsha Sanderson and Cindy and Chipper Harper; and numerous cousins.

Visitation was held Thursday, September 12, from 1-2 p.m., with services at 2 p.m. in the Buchanan Chapel of Botetourt Funeral Home with Pastor Daniel Boone officiating. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery. Online

condolences may be made at www.botetourtfuneralhome.com or 540-254-3000.



CHURCH NEWS

Fincastle Clothes Closet open Saturday

Fincastle United Methodist's Clothes Closet will be open on Saturday, September 21, in the Family Life Center at 137 S. Church Street, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Donations of toddler-teen fall and winter clothing are especially needed.

Free Community Dinner Tuesday in Fincastle

Everyone is welcome to the free Terrific Tuesdays Church and Community Dinner at Fincastle United Methodist Church's Family Life Center, 137 S. Church Street, on Tuesday, September 24. Dinner will be served from 5:30-7 p.m.

Service of Prayer at Fincastle Presbyterian

Fincastle Presbyterian Church will be holding a Service of Prayer for Wholeness and Healing at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, September 25. This is a special service of prayer, music, silence and scripture. This is an opportunity to gather in Christian community and draw closer to God as we offer prayers for individuals, our local community, our country and our world. Following the service we will gather in the fellowship hall for a light supper. All are invited. The church is at 108 E. Back Street.

Woodland Church Homecoming September 29

Woodland Church is celebrating more than 125 years of history by having a Homecoming service followed by a catered dinner on Sunday, September 29, at 10:30 a.m.

The homecoming is for friends, family, and those looking for a

church to call home. There will be music, videos of Woodland's history, greetings from missionaries, etc.

Woodland Church is located at the corner of Country Club and Blacksburg Roads; information at Woodlandchurchbc.com.

Please RSVP to: email-pjbrodsky@gmail.com or call 540-473-2738 and leave a message, so organizers can plan for the meal.

Bonsack UMC celebrating 150th anniversary

Bonsack United Methodist Church is celebrating its 150th anniversary. All are welcome to the final special services, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

- 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

Trinity UMC celebration October 26

Everyone is invited to join Trinity United Methodist Church for the 100th anniversary celebration of the reconstruction of the church building. Activities will begin at 10 a.m. and last until 2 p.m. on the church grounds at 19637 Main Street, Buchanan on Saturday, October 26. Activities will include games, free food, music and other surprises.

Sale at Cloverdale Thrift Store

Cloverdale Church of the Brethren Thrift Store is celebrating fall and winter with a large selection of clothing and accessories for the entire family at very reasonable prices.

'Celebrating Fincastle Churches' will feature St. Mark's Episcopal



Botetourt Music Academy students with Anna Preston, director. PHOTO COURTESY OF HFI

Historic Fincastle, Inc. will be hosting the fourth in a series of "Celebrating Fincastle's Historic Churches - 2024" on Sunday, September 29 at 4 p.m. It will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 111 S. Roanoke Street, Fincastle, in the sanctuary.

The history of the church will be given by the Rev. Willis Logan. St. Mark's is the oldest "congregation" in Fincastle, counting when it was part of the Anglican Church of England. The music will be performed by two of the children's

choirs of the Botetourt Music Academy (BMA). The BMA began in the fall of 2021 with a grant from the National Episcopal Church's Roanridge Grant. This grant supports long-lasting projects in rural areas that will benefit the broader community. Though sponsored by the Episcopal Church and rehearsals are at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Fincastle, BMA is simply an outreach for the community at large, regardless of school system or faith. BMA is under the

direction of Anna Preston. Two of the choirs will be performing on September 29: the Piccoli Choir (ages 5-7) and the Cantabile Choir (ages 8-12). They will be celebrating music that has honored churches for centuries.

All are invited for an afternoon of history and music. A love offering will be received to help support this musical program.

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Dudley wins book award

Local writer Cathy D. Dudley recently won an award for her children's book, "Faith, Family, & Fun." Her book was chosen as a Finalist by Reader's Favorite, a website operated by authors for authors, in the category of "Children - Religious Theme." The book is composed of 14 lessons that focus on God's love. Each of the stories takes everyday situations and ties them into a focus on the gospel.

Dudley has a book signing Saturday, October 19, at the Valley View Barnes & Noble from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Her award-winning books "Faith, Family, & Fun" and "Toddler Theology" are now available on Amazon.

- Fincastle Herald staff report



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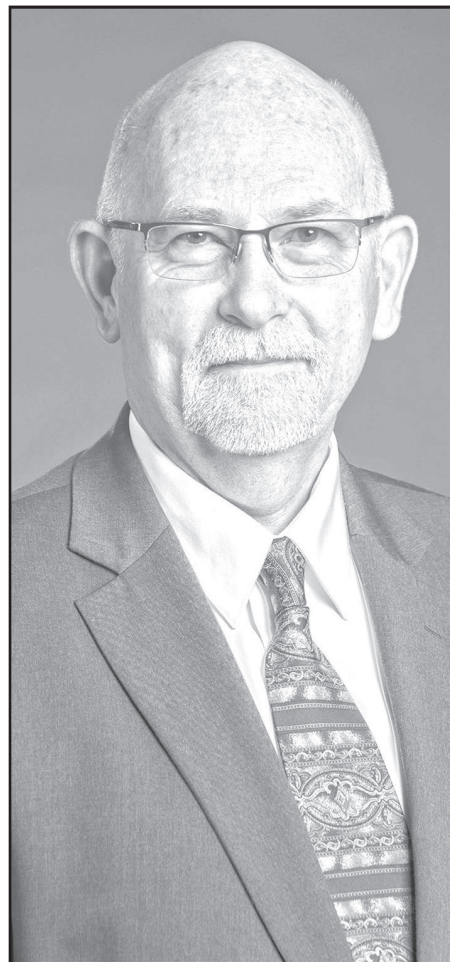
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Botetourt County launches 'Getting to Know BOCO' initiative

Botetourt County recently announced the launch of its "Getting to Know BOCO" initiative during the county's celebration of Civic Engagement Month this September. The initiative's theme is "live, work, play, and give back," and the county invites everyone – residents, businesses, and visitors alike – to dive in and Get to Know BOCO by:

- Asking Questions
- Utilizing the new chatbot feature at www.botetourtva.gov.
- Subscribing to the brand-new digital newsletter (launching

September 18, sign up by visiting <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/iMVHTC6/gettingtoknowboco>.

- Signing up for notifications and news from the county at www.botetourtva.gov/notifyme
- Watching "Ask the Expert" videos
- Validating rumors at www.bocofacts4u (2024 VACO Award-Winning Project!)

Local government employees often serve as the backbone of a community, working tirelessly to ensure that essential services are provided and that residents and businesses

are well-supported. Their efforts go a long way in making Botetourt County a great place to live, work, play and give back. "Getting to Know BOCO" is the county's one-stop shop to answer questions and help simplify complex government issues. Visitors on the website may click a link to ask questions as well as learn more about the "BOCO Storytellers Initiative," and even nominate someone that you think deserves a "BOCO Brag." "The goal of 'Getting to Know BOCO' is to provide more transparency to the

public about how local government works as well as humanizing those that provide government services," says Director of Communications Tiffany Bradbury. "The heartbeat behind this initiative is to provide exemplary customer service for our community as well as support the men and women that work hard for our county every day." Learn more by visiting [//www.botetourtva.gov/gettingtoknowboco](http://www.botetourtva.gov/gettingtoknowboco).

- Fincastle Herald staff report

Lions support local author

Representatives of the Daleville-Fincastle Lions met with local author Rachel Edwards on August 24 and presented her with their annual financial award. Rachel's first novel, "Lighting the Candle," was published at the age of 16 when she was attending James River High School. Rachel is currently a junior at

Hollins University majoring in Creative Writing with a minor in Business and is also working on her second novel. Pictured (from left) are Lion Mike Jackson, Lion Bill Walker, and Rachel Edwards.

- Daleville-Fincastle Lions Club



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WRE offering after-school Weekday Bible Club

Beginning in the first full week of October, the Botetourt County Council of Weekday Religious Education (WRE) offers an after-school Weekday Bible Club at Breckinridge, Cloverdale, and Eagle Rock Elementary Schools. (A similar after-school club is being offered at the other four elementary schools, sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship.) If you would like to enroll your third, fourth, and fifth grade students in the Weekday Bible Club, enrollment forms are available by calling or texting to 540-797-6675 or by emailing roja.mcrae@gmail.com. The forms give instructions on how to return

them and complete the enrollment. Weekday Religious Education (WRE) has been active in Botetourt County since 1936. That year, the Botetourt County Council of WRE began offering a weekly Bible Class to elementary students in the classroom during the school day. When WRE was no longer allowed in the public school classrooms sometime during the 1970s, WRE converted a school bus into a portable classroom which traveled from school to school offering the Bible Class to students who (with parental consent) were permitted

See Bible Club, page 10

Red, White, and Blue Jeans Fundraiser Oct. 6 at Virginia Mountain Vineyards

The Botetourt Democratic Committee will hold its Red, White, and Blue Jeans Fundraiser at Virginia Mountain Vineyard on Sunday, Oct. 6, from 3-6 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person, and include hors d'oeuvres, speakers, and a silent auction. Wine and non-alcoholic beverages will be for sale. The speakers are Ken Mitchell, Democratic congressional candidate for Virginia's Sixth District; Lily Franklin,

campaign coordinator for Harris/Waltz and Kaine; and Lynlee Thorne, Rural Ground Game. RSVP by Sept. 29 to demsbotetourt@gmail.com. Make checks payable to Botetourt County Dems for tickets (or donations) and mail to P.O. Box 712, Fincastle, 24090 or cash and checks will be accepted at the door.

- Botetourt Democratic Committee

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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 on Saturday, October 12, 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 \$100. Tickets are sold in advance for \$40 which includes a buffet lunch, by contacting Lowell Skelton at 540-420-2427 or Diane Taylor, 540-520-7967. Due to renovations, the event will not be in the same room and seating is limited to 30 players, so get a ticket before they

are sold out. To park, go to the right of the main building entrance and park on the lower lot. A shuttle will be provided so residents do not lose their parking space. 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 \$40 in advance. Additional bingo cards, cover-all cards, and door prizes tickets will be available for purchase.
- Fincastle Herald staff report

Botetourt County Parks & Recreation announces grant opportunity

Botetourt County Parks and Recreation is now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 Recreation Incentive Fund Grant. This program offers matching funds to community service groups, individuals, and businesses wishing to make recreation-related capital improvements on property open to the general public. This year a total of \$50,000 of

matching funds will be available through the program. "We're thrilled to keep working with our community and local groups to make recreation in Botetourt County even better. Thanks to these partnerships, we've seen some amazing upgrades to our parks and spaces. So, let's keep the creativity flowing! We can't wait to see what

exciting projects come our way this year," says Victor Morales, Director of Botetourt County Parks and Recreation. Since the program's inception in 1998, the grant has led to almost \$3 million worth of improvements to recreation property. Some of the completed projects include the installation of AEDs at the Greenfield soccer fields and senior



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fitness equipment installed at Troutville Town Park, Town Park improvements in Buchanan, the purchase of friendship swings at Greenfield Elementary, plus the design and installation of the James River mile marker signage. Local schools and booster clubs have also used grant funding for dugouts, batting

cages, scoreboards, refreshment stands, and other recreation/sports amenities to help benefit students in the community. The application deadline is Monday, September 30, at 11:59 p.m. The online application can be found by visiting the BOCO Recreation Incentive Fund page. Hard copy

applications can be found at the Parks & Recreation Office at 16 E. Main Street, Fincastle. For questions concerning the grant, email the Parks & Recreation Department at recreation@botetourtva.gov or call 540-928-2130.
- Botetourt County Communications

Community Movie Night Friday at Breckinridge



GRAPHIC COURTESY OF BRECKINRIDGE PTA

The Breckinridge Elementary School PTA is hosting its second annual Community Movie Night on Friday, September 20. The movie was voted on by the students and they chose "Inside Out 2." The event opens at

6:30 p.m. and the movie will start at 7:30 p.m. The PTA will have a bake sale and "Food On the Go," a local food truck, will be on site. Outside food and drinks are allowed. The community is encouraged to bring their lawn chairs

and blankets for a fun night out. This event is free admission.
- Breckinridge Elementary PTA

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Upcoming BCHS lecture Sept. 18

The Botetourt County Historical Society (BCHS) will hold another history lecture in their recent series this evening, September 18, at 6 p.m. taking place at the historic Wilson Warehouse in Buchanan. Records dating back to 1812 were recently discovered in the warehouse's attic containing information about the John S. Wilson Company. Stephen Davis of the Buchanan Town Improvement Society will give a presentation about these documents and tie them in with the history of the canal and warehouse. The Wilson Warehouse is located at 421 Lowe Street in Buchanan.

- Fincastle Herald staff report

Historical Documents found at Wilson Warehouse

Recently, records dating back as far as 1812, were discovered in the attic of Buchanan's 1839 Wilson Warehouse. Untouched for at least 50 years, were business ledgers of the John S. Wilson Company as well as mill records, personal records, turnpike records, civic organization minutes and more. Stephen Davis will give a presentation about these documents & tie in history of the canal and the Warehouse.

September 18, 2024
6:00pm
Wilson Warehouse

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Historic Fincastle Festival Saturday, September 28, 2024 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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LBHS FFA announces new officers

After careful evaluation of written applications, conducting interviews and holding an officer training session, six students were announced by their teacher and adviser Stuart Byrd as the Lord Botetourt FFA 2024-2025 chapter officer team.

This year's officer team will be made up of Nicholas Morris, Sentinel; Justin Saunders, Reporter; Abby Perkey, Treasurer; Olivia Cook, Secretary;

Nevaeh Lawson, Vice President; and Sylvana Cavinder, President. The officers were announced at the regional COLT Conference where they were trained in various leadership skills and learned the importance of serving their community and fellow FFA members.

The chapter's year has already begun, and members are as busy as ever. After competing at the 98th State FFA Convention, they

attended the Botetourt County Fair, where they sold pork chop sandwiches with the Botetourt County FFA Alumni Association; volunteered at the Roanoke County Farm Bureau Annual Dinner; sponsored the annual back-to-school cookout for all new and returning FFA members at Lord Botetourt; and directed traffic for the first two home football games.

- LBHS FFA



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LBHS FFA officers are (from left) Nevaeh Lawson, Olivia Cook, Keller Cooley (State Vice President from Sherando High), Justin Saunders, Sylvana Cavinder, Abby Perkey, Braelyn Durbin (State Treasurer, James Wood High) and Nicholas Morris.

Students invited to Botetourt Beyond Borders next trip

Botetourt Beyond Borders has announced its next opportunity for student travel in June 2026. On the next adventure, the group will travel to Europe's Mediterranean coast and visit four countries: Spain, Italy, France, and Monaco.

Botetourt Beyond Borders is a group established by three veteran high school Spanish teachers. The group's main purpose is to travel with students abroad and allow them to experience new cultures and lands. This group is not affiliated with

Botetourt County Schools

Anyone interested in sending their high school student is invited to an informational meeting on Thursday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Blue Ridge Library Community Room. If you cannot make the meeting, email

melissaamos211@gmail.com. Blue Ridge Library is located at 28 Avery Row, Roanoke.

- Botetourt Beyond Borders

Bible Club

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to walk from the classroom to the bus at the curb in front of the school to receive biblical instruction.

In the next phase of WRE in the 1980s, the "Blue WRE Bus" was replaced when the Botetourt County Council

of WRE purchased portable classrooms for each of the (then) six elementary schools in the county and secured permission to place the portables on private property adjacent to each school. When Greenfield Elementary School was built, once again the

Blue WRE Bus was driven to private property near the school each week.

That system was in place until COVID in 2020, and since that time WRE has not been able to resume Bible classes during the school day. The decision

was made to resume WRE as an after-school Weekday Bible Club. If you are interested in learning more about the Weekday Bible Club, please call, text, or email as listed above. WRE feels fortunate to be able to rent space and offer the

Bible Club in the public school setting.

- Botetourt County Council of WRE

Council

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produce adjusted interim budgets, to re-allocate expenses between line items as the fiscal year progresses.

Jonathan Stanton of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Transportation Planning Organization (RVTPO) gave a presentation

about a recent RVTPO study area boundary adjustment and how it may affect Fincastle and the implications involved in this adjustment.

According to information provided by Stanton to council, Metropolitan Planning

Area (MPA) boundaries (the "TPO Study Area") are adjusted following each decennial census (10 years). Updates are required to at least encompass the urbanized area as defined by the census. These updates should also encompass any area expected to become urbanized within the

next 20 years. Boundaries may account for regional economic development and growth forecasting areas.

Stanton provided council with a map of a proposed MPA boundary adjustment and what it could look like in the area with a boundary extending just north of

the Town of Fincastle. The town has until 2026 to make its decision on whether or not to agree to join the TPO.

The RVTPO representative feels that there isn't a downside for the town to join the TPO, although it may be possible the town could be excluded from rural grants. Stanton said that is "relatively minor" to some of the benefits of being a part of the TPO.

Council agreed to further discuss the matter of joining the TPO before making any decision. Mayor Mary Bess Smith noted that one of the most important transportation issues for the town is the construction of the Springwood Road extension/bypass project, which is not included on the current map. Council voted to continue discussions on the matter in order gather information before making a final decision about the TPO. One advantage to joining the TPO would be having corridor studies that would lead to reducing speed limits and other roadway issues in town.

The RVTPO is the "transportation side" of the planning of local transportation projects originally created in the 1970s to plan

regionally for roadway networks and roadway construction. They act as a "passthrough" for federal dollars to localities to be spent on roadway projects. The RVTPO currently covers parts of Botetourt County, Roanoke County, Roanoke City, Vinton, and Salem.

The MPA is the area served by the RVTPO with boundaries that impact TPO study area funding resources. Areas which fall within the MPA boundaries may be classified as "urban" and may be eligible for different federal grants and funding streams. Localities which fall within the MPA boundary have representation in the Roanoke Valley TPO.

The next steps in this process could potentially see the RVTPO receiving recommendations from the town. Once a final MPA boundary is approved, the geospatial file and formal letter will be sent to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and forwarded to the governor for approval. Once approved, the revised boundary will be shared with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN OF FINCASTLE PLANNING COMMISSION

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 15.2-2204, as amended, and Sections 601 - 603 of the Town Zoning Ordinance, this shall serve as notice that the Town of Fincastle Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on October 2, 2024, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Fincastle Firehouse located at 25 Vine Street, Fincastle, for the purpose of soliciting public input on:

A rezoning application from the Heritage Family Market for property located on the west side of Roanoke Road (Rt. 220), identified as tax parcels 73 (2)13 and 73 D (1)1. Both lots are currently owned by Santillane, LLC. The application is to rezone both lots from A-1 Agriculture to B-1 Business, with possible proffers, for the purpose of building a new building for the operation of a specialty grocery.

Information about this can be obtained by contacting the Fincastle Town office during regular office hours or by contacting Scott Critzer at 540-473-3377.

**Scott Critzer - Chairman
Fincastle Planning Commission**

NOTICE

The next regular meeting of the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024, beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Botetourt County Administration Center at 57 South Center Drive in Daleville, Virginia.

For information regarding this meeting, please see www.botetourtva.gov or contact the County Administrator's Office at 540-928-2006.

Town of Troutville Employment Opportunity

The Town of Troutville is seeking a new Park Manager. This position is responsible for overseeing and performing duties necessary to operate and maintain the Town Park of the Town of Troutville. This is a part-time position with a schedule that is both flexible and will have some variations from time to time. The following are duties and responsibilities but are not limited to other tasks as needed:

- Keep the Park Safe
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 - Trim Bushes
 - Weed Flower Beds
 - Clean Shelters
 - Clean Bathrooms
 - Clean Showers
 - Empty Trash
 - Open/Close Park
 - Visual Inspections
 - General Maintenance & Repair
 - Perform & Log Routine Maintenance
 - Provide Monthly Report to Town Council
- Please forward a resume to:
Town of Troutville, P.O. Box 276, Troutville, VA 24175

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

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 15.2-2272 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 2:45 p.m. in Room 212 of the Botetourt County Administration Center at 57 S. Center Drive, Daleville, Virginia, to consider the request listed below. Information may be viewed at the County Administration Office at 57 South Center Drive, in Daleville, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, and is available online by scrolling down to the Board of Supervisors section at: <https://va-botetourtcounty.civicplus.com/Agenda-Center>.

Consideration to vacate a 20-foot public storm sewer easement located within the 45-foot right-of-way of Boxwood Lane so that the road may be accepted into the secondary state system of highways.

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 Thursday, September 19, 2024. Website and email comments must be received by 9:00 a.m. on September 19, 2024.

Gary Larrowe
Botetourt County Administrator

Dillow

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benefit our department but will also enhance the safety and security of our community."

Captain Dillow is the son of Peggy Dillow and the late David R. Dillow of Troutville. He graduated from Lord Botetourt High School in 1992 and is a graduate of Virginia Western Community College and Bluefield College attaining a Bachelor of Criminal Justice. Captain Dillow began his career with the Botetourt County Sheriff's Office in 2000 after serving in the United States Marine Corps.

"Captain Dillow's expanded knowledge, and training will further strengthen our department's service, leadership, and security initiatives for the citizens of Botetourt County," Sheriff Ward said.

- Botetourt County Sheriff's Office

Stockyard Report

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Legals - City of Radford

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Knights fall at Parry McCluer, 34-7, have home opening game this Friday

It wasn't a happy homecoming for James River football coach Tim Jennings as the Knights fell to his alma mater, Parry McCluer, by a 34-7 count in Buena Vista last Saturday. It was the first time in the last four meetings the Blues defeated River.

"They're a much better team than they've been," said Jennings. "They played a lot better than we did Friday night."

The Blues played "Parry McCluer football" in the first half, controlling the ball for 19 minutes with sustained drives and taking advantage of turnovers. They scored on their first drive, then scored on a "pick six" interception return and a fumble return of 85 yards for a killer score.

"It was 18-0 just like that, and then they had another long drive," said

Jennings. "They kept converting on third and fourth and long. We couldn't get our defense off the field."

River finally got in the red zone late in the half but couldn't punch it in and trailed 26-0 at intermission. The Knights' only score came on a 27-yard run by Gavin Binns with just over seven minutes left in the third period. River forced two fumbles but couldn't take advantage.

"We'd take two steps forward and three steps back," said Jennings. "They're a ground-and-pound team. We knew what they were going to run but we just didn't execute to stop them."

Binns was a highlight for River, rushing 12 times for 97 yards with three rushes of over 20 yards. Pierce Woodyard completed seven of 11

passes but for only 29 yards. Kody Park passed once for 34 yards.

On defense, Efraim Echavarria led the team with 13 tackles, including five solos. Ryder Ward had three tackles for losses with a sack.

The Knights are now 1-2 and have played all three games on the road. They finally get a home game this Friday when they host Staunton High. Staunton comes to town at 1-2 as well with a win over Rockbridge County and losses to Madison County and Central of Woodstock.

"Hopefully, it will help us to play at home," said Jennings. "Staunton is athletic and has good team speed. They want to spread you out, but if we don't take care of ourselves it doesn't matter what the other team does."



River quarterback Pierce Woodyard hands off to his brother Maddox (2).



Gavin Binns bursts through traffic for good yardage.



PHOTOS BY LEIGH DOWNEY
Stephen Wheeler (77), Caleb Kinion (60) and Jayden Alston (58) block for the Knights in last week's game with Parry McCluer.

Unbeaten Cavaliers host Bruins in volleyball Thursday



LB's Becca Huddleston hits a spike against Cave Spring.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

The Lord Botetourt volleyball team remained undefeated with a three set win at Abingdon on Monday. The Cavaliers downed the Falcons 25-14, 25-17 and 25-13.

"I'm proud of our girls for getting the job done on the road," said LB coach Samantha Wilkins, who has yet to lose a match as head coach. "We played a tough region team but we did a great job passing on serve receive and on defense that allowed us to be aggressive and run our offense to get the win in three."

Becca Huddleston led the Cavaliers with 11 kills. Skylar Morris was high with 36 assists and Bria Harvey had 30 digs for the girls. Erica Gergely had six kills and 22 digs.

With the win the Cavaliers improved to 6-0 on the season. Last week at home they disposed of Cave Spring in three sets in Daleville. LB won 25-19, 25-21 and 25-19.

Huddleston had a dozen kills and two blocks in this one while Gergely had nine kills and eight digs. Morris dished out 34 assists.

LB is back home Thursday to host 4-3 Blacksburg. Next Monday they return the trip to Cave Spring and, a day later on September 24, they open their Blue Ridge District season with a game against Staunton River in Moneta.

JRHS golfers shoot best round of the season



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Mason Francis putts for James River.

The James River golfers hosted Glenvar in a non-district match at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club Monday and the Knights shot their best round of the season. River shot a 329 to down the visiting Highlanders, who carded 335.

The Knights were led by sophomore Landon Bolling, who shot four-over-par 75. Sophomore Mason Gilliland shot a

78 and sophomore Mason Francis had a personal match best, shooting an 82. Freshmen Elizabeth Johnson shot her best as well with a 94.

"This is a great time for the team to be peaking," said coach Donna Cox.

The Knights will compete in the sub-region match on Monday, September 30, at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club.

River runners are ninth at Augusta Invitational

The James River boys and girls both finished ninth in the Augusta Invitational cross country meet, hosted by Wilson Memorial High School last Saturday. The Turner Ashby boys and Waynesboro girls were team winners as 29 schools sent runners to the meet.

Aiden Bartilis had the best finish for James River with a 24th place in the boys race, followed closely by Braden Jones in 28th. Also scoring for the Knights were Mark Voight in 46th, Tristian Capo-Lopez in 59th and Barrett Pace in 81st.

For the girls Sarah Laughridge was first across the line with a 54th place finish. Also scoring were Kaylee Dunbar in 59th, Holly Weddle in 69th, Jordyn Ives in 70th and Jacey Walker in 73rd.

In the girls middle school race Maddie Davidson was second while Zoey Serrano took 19th.

The Knights are back in action this Saturday when they run at the Jackson River Sports Complex in a meet hosted by Alleghany.



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James River's Sarah Laughridge finished 54th at the Augusta Invitational Saturday.

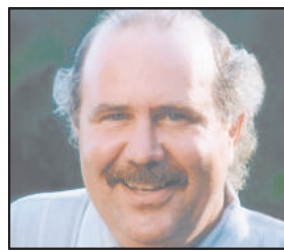
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Cavaliers wake up with win over Pulaski County



Quinten Jones (0) follows Seth Reiter (11) after intercepting a pass and taking it to the end zone Saturday.



Tristan Overbay finds some running room for a 72-yard touchdown run.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN
Conner Dowdy is behind the defense for one of his two touchdown receptions against Pulaski County.

For one reason or another the Lord Botetourt football team has played on Thursday night, Friday night, Saturday afternoon, Saturday night and Monday night in recent years, but last weekend was a first. The Cavaliers played at 11 a.m. in Dublin last Saturday and had no problem waking up with a 54-21 win over host Pulaski County.

The Cavaliers were scheduled to play on Friday night but a social media threat forced Pulaski County to close schools and postpone the football game. It was rescheduled for Saturday morning at Kenneth J. Dobson Stadium.

"I don't know why they scheduled it for the morning," said LB coach Jamie Harless, who conducted a walk-thru practice in Daleville Friday evening. "You know how hard it is to try and get kids up on a Saturday morning."

Apparently the Cavaliers had no trouble waking up, as they scored three first quarter touchdowns to take control of the game. It didn't take LB long to get on the board as Tristan Overbay found a big hole off the right side of the line and raced 72 yards for a touchdown just 51 seconds into the game. Dean Webb's kick made it 7-0 just minutes after the Dublin McDonald's stopped serving breakfast.

The Cougars answered in less than two minutes to tie the score at 7-7 on a one yard run, but from that point it was all Lord Botetourt. Quinten Jones picked off a pass and took it 50 yards to the house for a "pick six" with four minutes left in the quarter, then Garrett Lonker found Conner Dowdy behind the Cougar secondary for a 38-yard score with 44 seconds left in the quarter. The point after failed but LB led 20-7 after the first period.

Lonker found Dowdy again for a touchdown pass with 3:36 remaining until halftime. This one went for 66 yards and gave LB a 27-7 lead.

"They were keyed up to stop the run," said Harless. "Conner has great vision, and when the defensive back got spun around he just got lost."

On Pulaski's first play after the kickoff, Seth Reiter recovered a fumble and the

Cavs punched in another score on a seven-yard run by Jones with 50 seconds until halftime. The two-point conversion failed but LB had a commanding 33-7 lead at the half.

Pulaski cut the lead to 33-14 in third period but LB answered with Jones' third TD of the game on a 14-yard run. Overbay then went over from 23 and it was 47-14 after three quarters.

With the game in hand the two teams traded fourth period scores. LB's came on an 80-yard run for Overbay, as he scored his third touchdown of the game and amassed 241 rushing yard on 13 carries, an average of over 18 yards per attempt. Jones had 87 yards on 10 carries.

Lonker and Angel Rigney split time at quarterback and combined for seven completions for 182 yards. Dowdy had 110 of those yards on three receptions and Overbay had 62 yards on two catches, giving him 303 yards of total offense for the game.

"We've played two quarterbacks before many times," said Harless. "It makes them (the opponent) have to prepare for both."

With the win LB improved to 2-1 on the season and the Cavaliers are back home this Friday to host Appomattox. The Raiders won state championships in 2019 and the '21 spring COVID seasons and have made the playoffs 11 straight years in Class 2. They've played LB twice with a 35-14 win over the Cavs in the fall of 2021 followed by a 35-3 Cavalier win in 2022. They did not play last year as the game at Appomattox was postponed by a bomb threat and LB was awarded a forfeit win when the Raiders could not agree on a makeup date and surrendered.

This season the Raiders have opened the season with three losses for the first time since 1995, falling to Buckingham County, Rustburg and Heritage. Last week at home they lost to Heritage, 48-0, and they've been outscored 138 to 33 in their three games.

"They run the triple option and they're a difficult team to prepare for," said Harless.

Knights host volleyball tournament Saturday

The James River volleyball team will host the "Knights Invitational" tournament in Springwood this Saturday, September 21.

Each team is guaranteed five matches and there is a championship bracket and a consolation bracket where the two pools will mix together. Teams competing this Saturday include Alleghany, Franklin County, Appomattox, Rustburg, E.C. Glass, Salem, Parry McCluer and host James River.

The Knights opened their Three River District season with a three set win and a three set loss last week. The Knights took three from Floyd County, then dropped three to Alleghany.

The girls won in Springwood against Floyd, 25-12, 25-10 and 25-10, as Caitlin Canada hammered 13 kills. Jadyn Miller had six aces and Brea Anduiza handed out 22 assists.

"We were able to serve well so they could not run their offense," said River coach Linsey Firebaugh. "We received a lot of free balls which we were able to be aggressive and swing away."

On Thursday at Alleghany the

Knights dropped three to the Cougars, 25-21, 25-20 and 25-14. Konner Myers had 16 digs.

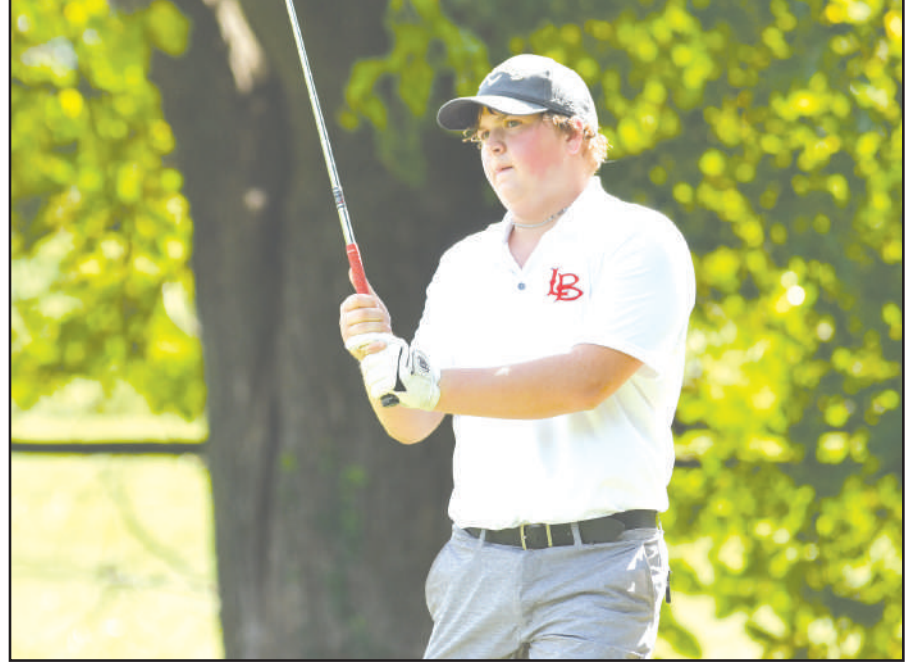
"Even though the first two sets we struggled offensively we competed well," said Firebaugh. "However, in the last set they were able to run their offense easily and we could not stop them."

The girls had a non-district match at home against Riverheads on Monday and River swept the season series from the Gladiators, winning in three. They dominated in a 25-13, 25-10, 25-14 match.

"We served well and we made it hard for them to run their offense," said Firebaugh.

Canada had 10 kills to lead the Knights. Anduiza had a strong all-around match with 18 assists, nine kills and five serving aces.

With the win River improved to 5-3 and the Knights were scheduled to play Carroll County in a district match in Hillsville Tuesday. After Saturday's tournament in Springwood they return to action next Tuesday, September 24, when they go to Radford.



LB's Garrett Honts hits an iron shot.

PHOTO BY SUZANNE WITCHER

Last round of Blue Ridge golf moved to Monday

Due to an extended period of rain in the forecast Tuesday's Blue Ridge District golf mini-match has been postponed until next Monday, September 23. The match is at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club and will be a nine-hole match.

The match, to be hosted by Lord Botetourt, is the final

round of the six-round district tournament and the Cavaliers have an insurmountable lead. Botetourt's 72-hole total of 1,207 is 85 strokes better than second place Franklin County and Botetourt has won all five rounds thus far. Also, LB's Alisa Davidova is the individual leader by a

healthy margin.

"Our golfers have been playing well all season and haven't paid much attention to the district scores," said coach Todd Smith. "Each one just wants to beat their previous score. The goal is always to be playing your best at the end of the season, so hopefully we can keep getting better."



Konner Myers is ready to receive a serve for River.

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LB harriers lower times at Hidden Valley

The Lord Botetourt cross country team competed in the "Clash with the Titans" race at Hidden Valley High last Saturday and had a solid day on the Roanoke County trails.

"We ran this race as a workout, and the team crushed it," said coach Elizabeth Edmonds. "All our runners beat their times from last year, even with us not racing."

Ethan Thorne took second place with a time of 16:41. Next were Preston Vaughn, Joel Butler, and John Moughrabi, all within 24 seconds of each other, and rounding out the varsity were Garret and Nathan Moser, also working together and crossing the finish line within 15 seconds of each other.

The boys team placed sixth out of 15 teams. Blacksburg was the team winner.

The LB varsity girls were led by Anne Thorne, coming in third by five milliseconds with a time of 20:08.72 to 20:08.67 for second place Abigail Rhudy of Tazewell. Thorne was followed by Madeleine Gantzhorn, Ember Wiley, Madeline Moore and Riley Sink. Blacksburg also won the girls varsity race and LB was eighth.

"As a whole, our entire team ran faster times than last year, which gives us a lot of confidence heading into the race season," said Edmonds.

The team is scheduled to run in a race hosted by Alleghany this Saturday at the Jackson River Sports Complex.