



Fincastle Town Council approves new location for Heritage Market

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One of Fincastle's favorite businesses has found a new home in town.

Following a public hearing last Thursday night at October's meeting, Fincastle Town Council approved a rezoning application submitted by Heritage Market for property located on the west side of Roanoke Road (Rt. 220) on two lots located in front of the Santillane subdivision. Both lots were rezoned from A-1 Agriculture to B-1 Business for the purpose of building a new market (specialty grocery). All members of council voted "Yes" with Councilman John Thomas abstaining.

Town Manager Melanie McFadyen went through the application in detail

prior to hearing from the residents in attendance. She included specifics about the entry/exit points of the property. McFadyen also made note of the need for this type of business ("local grocery") in the town's comprehensive plan and shared that this new location of the Heritage Market "meets community need for many years to come."

In the staff report provided at the meeting, the applicant (Heritage) and property owner (Santillane) have proffered conditions designed to minimize the anticipated impact of this commercial addition to the otherwise agricultural/residential area. Proffers state that the market "will close no later than 9:30 p.m. each night." Heritage Market co-owner Tim Weaver shared plans remain to close the store no later



PHOTO BY MATT DESIMONE

Preliminary designs for the new Heritage Market were on display during a public hearing at the October meeting of Fincastle Town Council last Thursday night.

than 5:30 p.m. during the week and will remain closed on Sundays. The total combined acreage of the new market's location will be 5.66 acres, featuring an entrance/exit off of Frontier Way, and parking located in the rear of the new

market.

Weaver stated the market is planned to be three times the size of the current market's square footage with the retail

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The Botetourt County Registrar's Office is located at 2 E Main Street in Fincastle.

Election Day is Nov. 5 – Here's what you need to know

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It's "Decision 2024."

On November 5, Americans cast their votes and decide who will be the 47th President.

At this point, most anyone is clearly aware of the Republican and Democrat vying for the office. It's current Vice President Kamala Harris (D) in a presidential race with former 46th President of the United States Donald Trump (R). Democrat Tim Walz, the acting governor of Minnesota, was selected by Harris on August 6 to be her running mate. One month prior, Trump chose Republican Senator J.D. Vance (Ohio) to join him on the ticket.

Along with the Republican and Democratic candidates, four other presidential

hopefuls join Harris and Trump. Jill Stein (G) is running again in 2024 after she was first selected as the Green Party nominee in 2016.

Chase Oliver (L) ran for Senate in Georgia in 2022. He became the Libertarian nominee in May. Independent candidates Claudia De la Cruz of New York and Cornel West of Oklahoma round out the list of presidential contenders.

Additionally, Virginians will choose the who will fill positions in the U.S. Senate (six-year term) and U.S. House of Representatives (two-year term). Tim Kaine (D) is the incumbent U.S. Senator of Virginia who joined the office in 2012 after a term as governor of Virginia.

Republican Hung Cao, a retired U.S. Navy captain, is opposing Kaine following an unsuccessful run for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives 10th Congressional District in 2022.

In the race to become a member of the House of Representatives 6th Congressional District, incumbent Ben Cline (R), Ken Mitchell (D), and Independent Robert Wells Jr. will vie for the office.

Botetourt County sees the precincts of Fincastle, Troutville, and Buchanan holding elections for local positions. Mayoral elections will be held in two of those. Christopher Witt and Susan Way are running for mayor in the Town of Buchanan, and in Troutville, current Mayor Mike Manfield

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The Sound Track of Fall: Marching Band!

Botetourt County high school marching bands have been hard at work since school released in May planning and preparing their marching programs for this year. Both James River and Lord Botetourt have put together extraordinary shows for this year.

The Marching Knights field show is titled "Unbreakable." Their show explores the concepts of hope, resilience, and human connection. The music was written by Luke McMillan. The drill and color guard choreography were written by Botetourt County's own Thomas Graham and Emilee Graham.

The Marching Knights are under the direction of Robert Chaplin and Lori Wingo. The band started the competitive season at Glenvar's Celtic Classic. The Marching Knights will

be performing at the Cavalier Classic at Lord Botetourt High School on Saturday, October 19, and the Blue Ridge Festival of Bands on Saturday, October 26 at William Byrd High School.

The Marching Cavaliers field show is titled "Black Widows." Their show features music by Blondie, Giuseppe Verdi, Annie Lennox, Amy Winehouse, and Iggy Azalea. The Cavaliers invite listeners into the Black Widow's nest as they use music and drill to showcase one of nature's deadliest spiders. The music was written by Michael Miller, Jason Palmer, and Cole Williams. Percussion arrangements were written by Will Newton and Michael Calamas. The

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PHOTO COURTESY OF HALEY CALDWELL

Lord Botetourt's Marching Cavaliers perform their "Black Widows" field show.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROBERT CHAPLIN

James River Marching Knights percussionists performing during their "Unbreakable" field show.



GRAPHIC COURTESY OF FIRSTBANK
This year's winning t-shirt design by Colonial Elementary School student Scharlotte Rock

First Bank Fall Run this Saturday

The 38th annual First Bank Fall 5K and 10K Run is scheduled for this Saturday, October 19, beginning at Central Academy Middle School and winding through the Town of Fincastle. Registration is available at First Bank Fall 5K & 10K Run (<https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Fincastle/FirstBankFallRun>). Registration closes at 9 a.m. this Saturday.

Local student artists were invited to submit an entry into a contest to design the logo for the race shirt. This

year the winning artist was Colonial Elementary School student Scharlotte Rock. She will receive a \$100 check as her award in addition to having her artwork displayed on hundreds of race t-shirts.

Each year First Bank teams with Mountain Junkies to provide professional chip timing. The chip timing system allows for accurate and almost instantaneous race results. Every bib has a chip attached that begins the runner's time when they

cross the mat at the starting line and ends when they cross the mat at the finish.

On the day of the race the Botetourt County Sheriff's Department closes the streets to keep runners safe. This is an exciting time. Just ask a volunteer why they do it ... I'll bet you will hear from more than one saying, "You just have feel the excitement in the air!" The First Bank race shirts

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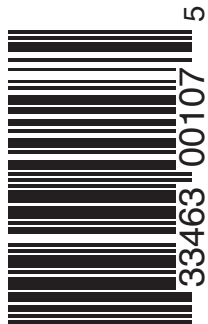
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‘The Miracle Worker’ opens Thurs. at Attic Productions

Attic Productions invites the public to the D. Geraldine Lawson Performing Arts Center, 7490 Roanoke Road, near historic Fincastle and minutes away from Daleville for “The Miracle Worker” by William Gibson. The show runs October 17-24 with performances on Thursday and Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Theatre veteran David Walton, Jr. is directing a talented cast to bring this remarkable story to the Attic stage.

This family drama is based on the true story of Helen Keller, a young deaf and blind girl, and her dedicated teacher, Annie Sullivan, who struggles to reach into Helen’s isolation and bring her into contact with the outside world. Attic is also hosting two shows with sign language interpretation by Andrew and Betsy Quillen on Sunday, Oct. 20 and Saturday, Oct. 26. Questions may



PHOTO COURTESY OF ATTIC PRODUCTIONS
Madeline Bedrosian (left) and Riley Parks rehearse for “The Miracle Worker.”

be directed to Artistic Director Kerry Williams at Krw7447@gmail.com. Adult tickets are \$20, students 18 and under and groups of 10 or more are \$15 when paid in cash or by check at the box office. A \$2 convenience fee per ticket will be added if paying with a card. Tickets may be purchased on the Attic Productions website by visiting www.atticproductions.info. For questions or assistance with purchasing tickets, call the box office at 540-473-1001. Volunteers are

staffing the box office for this show on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3 to 5 pm.. Leave a message at other times and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

This show is produced by special arrangement with Concord Theatricals. Partial funding support comes from the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

~ Attic Productions

School Board recognizes Employees of the Month and CAMS, accepts VSBA awards

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During the Botetourt County School Board meeting last Thursday in Fincastle, the board recognized its recent Employees of the Month.

Ricky Eubanks, head custodian at Eagle Rock Elementary School, accepted his award from the board, while BCPS Superintendent Dr. Jonathan Russ shared a quote from Eubanks nomination, “Ricky goes above and beyond for our building. He helps to mitigate problems that pop up and does so with professionalism and ease. The students and teachers love working with him. He is a valuable and positive member of our staff. We are lucky to have him.”

Russ added, “If you want to see the shiniest floors in town, take a ride up to Eagle Rock Elementary.”

Sarah McLucas, Special Education teacher at Lord Botetourt High School, received her recognition. Russ shared a quote from McLucas’s nomination. “She is new to her role at Lord Botetourt High School and has been working above and beyond to help several students adjust to the pace of their high school workload, being that it is considerably more than they had back in middle school.”

The School Board was recognized by the Virginia School Board Association (VSBA) for its commitment to effective school board governance through participation in the VSBA School Board Academy. Russ explained

that the VSBA recognizes individual participation in VSBA-sponsored events by awarding academy credits. These recognitions are for the credit-reporting period beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

School Board Chair Anna Weddle and Fincastle District representative Dana McCaleb received the Award of Honor and a gold pin. The Award of Recognition went to Vally District representative Tim Davidick, Buchanan District representative Jenny Wilson, and School Board Clerk Susan Albert. Superintendent Russ received the Award of Excellence and a silver pin.

Additionally, the board recognized Central Academy Middle School (CAMS) being named a 2024 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. This honor is awarded to schools that demonstrate overall academic excellence or significant progress in closing achievement gaps among student groups. CAMS Principal Jordan Pinkard received the school’s recognition alongside members of his leadership team Math Department Chair Jane Wolfe, English Department Chair Laura Selkirk, Social Studies Department Chair Rhyanna Moran, Science Department Chair Sam Foster, Physical Education Department Chair Jesse Witt, Assistant Principal Amanda Collins, Department Chair Courtney May, Counseling Department Chair Lance Firebaugh, and Special Education Department Chair Suzanna Mejia.

Botetourt County History

The 1970 publication “Botetourt County History Before 1800” was published by the Botetourt County Bicentennial Commission and the Botetourt American Bicentennial Commission. It is available at the Botetourt Museum of History and Culture and contains a description of the October 10, 1774, Battle of Point Pleasant, or Dunmore’s War. Gov. Dunmore ordered Col. Andrew Lewis to raise troops and march to the confluence of the Ohio and Kanawha Rivers to try to protect the frontier in what was then Botetourt County. The approximately 800 troops came from the Augusta Regiment, the Botetourt Regiment, the Fincastle Regiment, Bedford and Culpepper County. “Though both sides sustained heavy losses, the Indians, defeated, were driven across the Ohio River. The frontier was thereby stabilized for

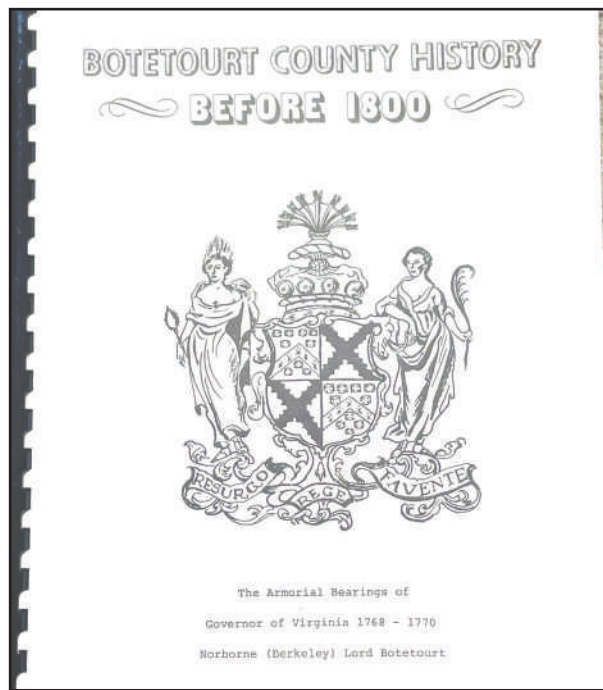


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some three years, enabling Americans to concentrate against the British instead of the Indians.” It is considered the first battle of the American Revolution. Six months and eight days later, on April 19, 1775,

the battle at Lexington-Concord was fought.

~ Botetourt County Museum of History & Culture

Botetourt’s LOVE sign dedication Oct. 21

Botetourt County will officially introduce the county’s newest LOVE sign at the Botetourt Sports Complex this Monday, October 21 at 11 a.m.

For over 50 years, the iconic “Virginia is for Lovers” slogan can be seen on shirts, bumper stickers, and billboards across the country. In 2013, LOVE signs were constructed at Virginia’s welcome centers and state highways. The slogan permeates from the 300+ LOVEworks around the state, LOVE can be found in every corner of the Commonwealth.

To check out Virginia’s list of places where visitors can add more LOVE to



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their vacations, visit <https://www.virginia.org/love/>. Visitors and residents can share their pictures on Facebook at [Facebook.com/VirginiaIsForLovers](https://www.facebook.com/VirginiaIsForLovers) or by tagging @VisitVirginia on Instagram and Twitter and using the hashtag #LOVEVA.

~ Fincastle Herald staff report



Eagle Rock Elementary School’s Head Custodian Ricky Eubanks and Fincastle District School Board representative Dana McCaleb



Lord Botetourt High School Assistant Principal Jimmy Yager, Special Education teacher Sarah McLucas, and Blue Ridge District representative Matt East



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CAMS’s Leadership Team members Jesse Witt, Sam Foster, Rhyanna Moran, Laura Selkirk, Jane Wolfe, and Principal Jordan Pinkard were recognized for being a 2024 National Blue Ribbon School.

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portion doubling in size, including the addition of a café area and a larger parking lot. He noted the need to solve the current issue of potential “dangerous traffic scenario” the market faces during its busy hours.

“The Town of Fincastle really welcomed us in about 12 years ago when we first started talking about this idea,” Weaver explained. “They have supported us in a variety of ways. As we looked at expansion, it felt like (Fincastle) is home and we felt a sense of loyalty to the town. That’s why we found a spot within the town to expand. We also would like to remain loyal to the neighborhood market model. This is an attempt to serve our customers more efficiently, make it a more comfortable shopping experience, and much safer ingress and egress that we have currently.”

Weaver said that the current traffic scenario is worrisome and thought the parking design for the new market location is suitable to solve the current parking issues.

Town Council also heard from Bobby Wampler of Engineering Concepts, Inc. Wampler noted that “this is just the first step” in the market’s relocation and that there is still more design work ahead. He clarified that this project is not in violation of any of the town’s current zoning ordinances.

A Santillane resident said that the traffic from the market would intensify traffic, claiming it was in violation of the town’s zoning ordinance. Another Santillane resident was “appalled” that he thought the project “isn’t following the rules.” He also stated concerns about the traffic and parking being located behind the new market’s location, wanting the entrance/exit to not be located off of Frontier Way.

Bess Madonna, a member of the town’s Planning and Zoning Commission and a Santillane resident, commented that by having a market entrance/exit off of Frontier Way, that would allow another way in or out of the subdivision through the new Heritage parking lot if the main entrance to Frontier Way off of Rt. 220 was blocked by construction or an emergency.

Bob Patterson, president of the Botetourt Education Foundation that owns property in Santillane, asked

why the meeting Thursday was the first time he heard anyone tell the Planning Commission or Town Council that they thought project “isn’t following the rules.” He mentioned hearing from residents who previously stated that they never would have brought a Santillane property if they knew the land neighboring the subdivision would be commercially developed. Patterson asked those individuals, “What in the world would you expect (of a) property off of a four-lane, divided highway that it wouldn’t be a commercial property someday?”

The property is planned to have two access points: a road off of Frontier Way and a right-in, right-out entrance/exit near the southeast corner of the lot onto Rt. 220.

Ashley Mathena of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) shared that the project meets all of VDOT’s requirements and said that she doesn’t see “too many concerns with (potential) traffic.” Mathena went over the spacing requirements and site distance requirements that would allow a right-in, right-out off of Rt. 220. She also shared that the current traffic does not necessitate a need for a crossover on Rt. 220 in front of Heritage’s new location.

Council members shared their thoughts as well. Council member Pamela Binns stated, “I am very grateful for the people who have spoken. I think that the Heritage Market has been a valuable resource to this community and has been a good neighbor. Anyone can drive by its current location and see that it has clearly outgrown where it currently is.

“It is pretty dangerous to try to go down 220 and turn in or, if not turning, waiting to have to turn into a parking space. I think the impact that the Heritage Market has on Fincastle and the surrounding communities is one that is very commendable. If there is a way for us to keep the Heritage Market in Fincastle then we need to move on that opportunity.”

Councilman Jim Reynolds, a Santillane resident, expressed concern about semi-truck traffic coming in and out of the new market’s location. Weaver shared that he expects about a half dozen trucks weekly. While Reynolds admitted that he was once



PHOTO BY MATT DE SIMONE

Tim Weaver (standing) of the Heritage Market in Fincastle speaks with Town Council last Thursday during the public hearing on the relocation of the popular establishment.

“skeptical” about the project and the “valid traffic concerns” from residents, Reynolds said he is satisfied with the planning behind the project. He stated that “this project is good for the whole community.” Reynolds added that he feels there needs to be a proposed 45-mph zone extended out to Brughs Mill Road as the project moves forward, which has been something council has discussed prior to the approval of Heritage’s new Fincastle location.

Mayor Mary Bess Smith doesn’t see the concern about traffic coming to and from Santillane. She said that there would be traffic at the foot of Frontier Way but doesn’t see a lot of traffic beyond that point heading into the Santillane subdivision. Smith reiterated the community’s need for the market, not just in Fincastle, but northern Botetourt as a whole explaining that “something was going there eventually” and feels like Heritage is the “best fit” for that open space.

The Heritage Market is currently located at 36 Botetourt Road in Fincastle, open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Marching Bands

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drill was written by Chris Caldwell and color guard choreography was written by Emilee Graham.

The Marching Cavaliers are under the direction of Chris Caldwell, Assistant Director Jamie Lawson, Percussion Instructors Haley Caldwell and Riley Rothwell, Winds and Visual Instructor Maggie Meade, and Color Guard Instructors Emilee Graham and Sierra Noble.

The Cavaliers have performed at the Montgomery County Showcase Clinic and the Blue Ridge Fall Music Games hosted by Salem

High School. The Cavaliers received Second Place Music, Third Place Guard, First Place General Effect, First Place Visual, First Place Percussion, and First Place Band in Class 3 at the Blue Ridge Fall Music Games. The Cavaliers performed at the George Wythe Band Festival on Saturday, October 12, and will perform at the Cavalier Classic at Lord Botetourt on Saturday, October 19, and the Wildcat Classic at Dan River High School on Saturday, October 26.

- LBHS Band Director
Chris Caldwell

BUCHANAN EVENTS

Pork loin dinner at Limestone Park - October 19 at 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. - Dinners include a pork loin sandwich, slaw, baked apples, dessert and drink for \$12 - Limestone Park

Buchanan Candidate Forum (Mayor, Town Council) – Monday, October 21 at 6:30 p.m. – Buchanan Theatre
Feeding SWVA Mobile Market – Wednesday, October 30 at 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. – Resource Center

Leap Mobile Market – Friday, November 1 at 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. – Resource Center

Planning Commission – Monday, November 4 – 7 p.m. – Town Hall

Election Day – Tuesday, November 5 - Town Hall Closed
Council Work Session – Thursday, November 7 at 7 p.m. – Town Hall

Veterans Day – Monday, November 11 - Town Hall Closed

Town Council Meeting – Tuesday, November 12 at 7 p.m. – Town Hall

Feeding SWVA Mobile Market – Wednesday, November 27 at 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. – Resource Center

Festival of Lights – Friday, November 29 – Town Park

Christmas Market – Saturday, November 30 at 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. – Downtown

Small Business Saturday – Saturday, November 30 – Main Street

Tree Lighting Ceremony – Saturday, November 30 – Main Street

ARRESTS

The Botetourt County Sheriff’s Office reported the following arrests for October 8-13:

- Dane A. Homiczewski, 26, of Roanoke, drunk in public, October 8
- Rene Argueta Heriquez, 51, of Houston, Texas, trespassing, October 9
- Alfredo Caal Toc, 31, of Roanoke, drunk in public, October 12

- Shawna M. Ziegler, 63, of Roanoke, domestic assault, October 12
- Fredy W. Ico-Gualna, 23, of Roanoke, driving under the influence, October 12
- Derico J. Saunders, 52, of Roanoke, simple assault, strangulation, October 12
- Allan J. Weeks, 24, of Blue Ridge, domestic assault, October 13

Auction Notice

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF A PETITION OF APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL TO REVISE ITS NET METERING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO § 56-594 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUR-2024-00161

On August 30, 2024, Appalachian Power Company (“APCo” or “Company”) filed with the State Corporation Commission (“Commission”) a petition (“Petition”), pursuant to § 56-594 E of the Code of Virginia (“Code”) and the Commission’s order in Case No. PUR-2024-00047 (“Net Metering Order”), for approval of proposed revisions to its net energy metering (“net metering”) program. The Net Metering Order required APCo’s Petition to address, analyze, and provide prefiled testimony and data to support certain items identified therein as they relate to net metering, consistent with the requirements of Code § 56-594 E. This included, in part, a proposed rate structure related to net metering to govern compensation related to all eligible customer-generators, eligible agricultural customer-generators, and small agricultural generators, except low-income utility customers, that interconnect after the effective date established in the Commission’s final order in the net metering proceeding. The Company asserts that its Petition and supporting direct testimony address each of the required net metering considerations laid out in the statute and in the Commission’s Net Metering Order. Pursuant to Code § 56-594 E, the Commission must issue a final order regarding the Petition no later than 12 months after this proceeding commences.

In its Petition, APCo proposes to close its current Rider Net Metering Service (“Rider N.M.S.”) to all new customer-generators as of the rate effective date set in this case and introduce a new net metering credit compensation structure, designated Rider N.M.S. II. Under proposed Rider N.M.S. II, APCo proposes to charge customer-generators for all metered energy the Company provides during each monthly billing period at standard tariff rates and to credit customer-generators for all the metered energy the Company receives at an avoided cost approved by the Commission. The Company represents that only customer-generators whose electric generating facility receives a Certificate of Completion after Rider N.M.S. II would become effective will be subject to this proposed rate structure, while existing Rider N.M.S. customer-generators and those who submit applications and receive a Certificate of Completion before Rider N.M.S. II takes effect will be grandfathered under the current Rider N.M.S. for up to 25 years. APCo states that under the proposed Rider N.M.S. II, all metered energy delivered to the Company’s distribution system via the meter installed at a customer-generator’s premise will be credited to the customer-generator’s monthly bill at the Company’s avoided cost rate, summarized in the table below:

Rider NMS II Avoided Cost Component Rates (\$/kWh)						
Customer	Voltage Level	Energy	Capacity	Transmission	Ancillary Service	Total Energy Credit
Residential	Secondary	\$0.0372	\$0.0037	\$0.0068	\$0.00150	\$0.0492
Commercial, Industrial	Secondary	\$0.0372	\$0.0038	\$0.0074	\$0.00150	\$0.0501
Commercial, Industrial	Primary	\$0.0357	\$0.0038	\$0.0071	\$0.00144	\$0.0480
Commercial, Industrial	Sub-Transmission	\$0.0353	\$0.0038	\$0.0071	\$0.00142	\$0.0476
Commercial, Industrial	Transmission	\$0.0348	\$0.0037	\$0.0070	\$0.00140	\$0.0469

The Company represents that the changes proposed in Rider N.M.S. II will appropriately credit net metering customer-generators for the energy they deliver to the grid at the avoided cost to non-participating customers, while ensuring they are paying for the distribution, transmission, and capacity facilities and other services that they rely on when they are not self-generating in full or using the Company’s infrastructure to export excess energy.

The Company states that using its economic modeling and analytics software, it has concluded that the economic impacts of net metering within APCo’s service territory vary. The Company represents that the current net metering rate structure, in place under Rider N.M.S., credits customer-generators with “full retail rate” netting, which compensates customer-generators for energy delivered to the grid at a rate that exceeds the value provided to the grid by their renewable energy systems. APCo states that it is proposing a cost-based compensation structure which the Company asserts would render the need for a net metering cap unnecessary. The Company states that if the full retail rate compensation is maintained as it currently is, there will be inequitable cross-subsidization. APCo asserts that if the full retail rate compensation is maintained, then the Commission should consider reducing the current six percent cap on net metering.

The Company requests that the Commission approve its proposed revisions to its net metering program and Rider N.M.S. and the Company’s proposed Rider N.M.S. II.

TAKE NOTICE that the Commission may design rates in a manner differing from that shown in the Petition and supporting documents, and thus may adopt rates that differ from those appearing in the Company’s Petition and supporting documents.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing that, among other things, scheduled a public hearing on APCo’s Petition. On May 20, 2025, at 10 a.m., the Commission will hold the telephonic portion of the hearing for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses. On or before May 13, 2025, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission’s website at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting; (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov; or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141. This public witness hearing will be webcast at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting.

On May 20, 2025, at 10 a.m. or at the conclusion of the public witness portion of the hearing, whichever is later, in the Commission’s second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, the Commission will convene a hearing to receive testimony and evidence related to the Petition from the Company, any respondents, and the Commission’s Staff.

To promote administrative efficiency and timely service of filings upon participants, the Commission has directed the electronic filing of testimony and pleadings, unless they contain confidential information, and has required electronic service on parties to this proceeding.

Electronic copies of the Petition may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company: Noelle J. Coates, Esquire, American Electric Power Service Corporation, 3 James Center, 1051 East Cary Street, Suite 1100, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or njcoates@aep.com. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies of the Petition and other documents filed in this case from the Commission’s website: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

On or before May 13, 2025, any interested person may submit comments on the Petition by following the instructions found on the Commission’s website: scc.virginia.gov/cascomments/Submit-Public-Comments. Those unable, as a practical matter, to submit comments electronically may file such comments with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2024-00161.

On or before February 11, 2025, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling. Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel. The respondent shall send a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (“Rules of Practice”), any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2024-00161.

On or before March 11, 2025, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission, at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling, any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. Any respondent unable, as a practical matter, to file testimony and exhibits electronically may file such by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Each witness’s testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. All testimony and exhibits shall be sent to the Company, Staff, and all other respondents. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Commission’s Rules of Practice, as modified herein, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2024-00161.

Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by the Commission’s Order for Notice and Hearing, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission’s Rules of Practice.

The Company’s Petition, the Commission’s Rules of Practice, the Commission’s Order for Notice and Hearing, and other documents filed in this case may be viewed on the Commission’s website at: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

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Did you know that you can get FREE online tutoring through the library? See bocolibraries.info > Online Resources to access HelpNow, which offers online tutoring and resources for homework help and test prep for grades K - college. Live certified teachers available 7 days a week, 2-11pm.

Spooky Storytelling in the Park

Sat, Oct 19, 5-8pm, Troutville Town Park (or Botetourt Family YMCA if raining)
Bring the whole family for an evening of spooktacular stories and fun! Start out with games and crafts for kids, followed by family-friendly storytellers Joelle Shenk (5:30pm), Clint Atwood (6:15pm) and Megan Hicks (7:15pm – scarier stories, let younger kids stay at your own risk!). Meet local organizations and grab some cocoa. BYO chairs and blankets if you're not crazy about cold bleachers.

StoryTime

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30am, Blue Ridge
Wednesdays 10:30am, Eagle Rock
Thursdays 10:30am, Fincastle
Fridays 10:30am, Buchanan
Enjoy books, songs and tactile activities that build literacy, motor, and

social skills. Best for preschoolers.

Beginning Engineering

Tue, Oct 22, 4pm, Buchanan
Wed, Oct 23, 4pm, Eagle Rock
Thu, Oct 24, 4pm, Blue Ridge
Get hands-on experience with electrical projects that focus on safety and real-world engineering skills. Presented by engineer David Sproles. No prior experience required. Best for ages 10+. October's project: Blinking Lights.

Zombie Makeup

Thu, Oct 24, 4:30pm, Blue Ridge
Learn how to create a zombie look with makeup. Best for ages 12-18.

Eclectic Readers

Thu, Oct 24, 11am, Eagle Rock
The Night Watchman by Louise Erdrich
Fri, Oct 25, 11am, Blue Ridge
The Librarianist by Patrick DeWitt
Discuss books and authors with fellow readers.

Garden Club: Composting

Mon, Nov 4, 3pm, Eagle Rock
Learn backyard composting methods from Tim Miller of Mountain Castle Soil & Water.

Find even more events at BOCOLibraries.info.

Book sale at Blue Ridge Library

Friends of the Blue Ridge Library will be holding a book sale October 17-19. The sale begins Thursday, October 17, from 5 to 8 p.m. and continues Friday, October 18, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday, October 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
There will be a large variety of books for sale. Hardcover books are priced at \$1 each and paperback books are priced at 50 cents

each. Saturday is Bag Day when shoppers may purchase a bag of books for only \$3. Proceeds from the book sale help the Friends to support library programs such as the annual Summer Learning Challenge or to purchase materials that the library needs, especially those not covered in the annual operating budget.

Blue Ridge Library is located at 28 Avery Row on US 460 east about a half-mile east of the Bonsack Walmart. For directions, call 540-928-2900.

- Blue Ridge Friends of the Library

Camper reunion in Buchanan October 20

Descendants of William H. and Lillie B. Camper will hold their annual family reunion on Sunday, October 20 at the Botetourt Event Center, 14860 Lee Highway, Buchanan. A covered dish meal will begin at 1 p.m.
For more information, call or text Debra Camper Noel at 540-309-3803 or dcnoel@lumos.net.

League for Animal Protection's

Waif of the Week

Toby

Toby came from a rescue in Scott County. He is about a year or so old. He's been neutered, HW checked and has all his vaccines. He's fine with other dogs and is quite a handsome lemon Beagle.

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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CLUES ACROSS

1. A way to communicate

5. Historic city

9. Not the same

11. Hitting a horse to clear a jump

13. One hurt the Titanic

15. Fine dense cloth

16. Architectural structure

17. Where Serena works

19. Stranged instrument

21. Estimate

22. Where sailors work

23. Popular Terry Pratchett novel

25. Popular slow cooked dish

26. Twisted Sister's Snider

27. "Office Space" actor Stephen

29. Put the ball in the net

31. Ancient Greek city in Thrace

33. High school math subject

34. Looked into

36. Rhode Island rebellion

38. A pea is one type

39. You can put it on something

41. Where golfers begin

43. Make a mistake

44. Semitic Sun god

46. Ancient Greek City

48. Beheaded

52. A place to stay

53. Inanely foolish

54. Most unnatural

56. "Dennis" is one

57. Soothes

58. Exam

59. Leaked blood

CLUES DOWN

1. Triangular bone in lower back

2. Building toy

3. Pointed end of a pen

4. Insect repellent

5. College army

6. Highly spiced stew

7. Exploited

8. Main course

9. A bottle that contains a drug

10. The most worthless part

11. Everyone needs one nowadays

12. Japanese wooden shoe

14. Antelopes

15. A way to cut

18. Brooklyn hoopsters

20. Gradually receded

24. Ripped open

26. College grads get one

28. Amino acid

30. Unruly gathering

32. Legislative body

34. Resembling pigs

35. Russian assembly

37. Take over for

38. Put in advance

40. Satisfy

42. Felt

43. Mild yellow Dutch cheese

45. Witnesses

47. Some build hills

49. de Armas and Gasteyer are two

50. Ancient people of Scotland

51. Cheerless

55. Unwell

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Buchanan mayoral candidate shares goals for town

I am running for mayor of the Town of Buchanan in the 2024 election. Because many residents may not recognize my name, I've been asked to share information about myself and my campaign.

I have so many happy memories growing up in and around Buchanan. Even after my parents decided to move to Roanoke County, we were in Buchanan almost every weekend visiting family. Longtime residents will remember my family – Butch and Eunice Barger; Dot, Stull, Johnny, and David Carson; Walter and Jeanne Barger, along with many other aunts, uncles, and cousins. Sixteen years ago, when I decided to move back to Virginia, I could have moved anywhere in the state, but I missed the Blue Ridge Mountains so much and the only place I wanted to live in was Buchanan. Buchanan, no matter where else I lived, has always had a special place in my heart, and I am thrilled that I was able to find a job nearby and move back.

While I have never held public office before, I do feel that I have the knowledge, experience and skills to be a good mayor and to serve the citizens of Buchanan. Early in my professional life I was a Senior Commercial Claims rep investigating accidents and insurance claims. I developed a valuable skill doing that work: listen to all sides of the story, research the facts, and review the applicable laws before making a decision or taking action. I have continued to hone that skill throughout my professional life as a Litigation Paralegal, overseeing a church's community assistance program, technology/business/math teacher, Computer Resource Specialist, and Instructional Technology Coordinator. I believe that being able to see all sides of an issue and understand the legal ramifications of a decision is an essential skill for anyone serving in public office.

During my 30 years in public education, I have developed department budgets, written grants and the financial accounting reports for those grants, developed district Technology Plans as required by the State Department of Education, led committees which developed district-wide technology plans and programs, served as president

of the Shenandoah Valley Technology Consortium, served as the media liaison for a Virginia Beach school, and was chosen to represent Virginia Beach City Schools in a pilot program developed by the State Department of Education and Old Dominion University. I believe I have the leadership skills and experience to lead our town council as they work hard to meet the needs of our town.
My goals –

1. Ensure that town residents are given a forum to express their views and concerns through regular public workshops where citizens can talk about what they want for Buchanan, suggestion boxes, online formats for submitting questions and ideas, updating the website and online calendar of events ensuring that essential information is easily available. I want to make it easier for residents to feel like they have a voice and a part in the future of our town.

2. Encourage and support the development and success of businesses in town. Reinvent our downtown to make it a place to visit again and not just an area to drive through. Hold monthly meetings with local business owners to discuss what the town can do to help them, what's working and what's not working. Develop a guide to starting a business here in town, and encourage the development of a business-to-business organization/team.

3. Work with schools and other organizations to help provide opportunities for our youth to learn the skills and make the connections they need to be successful. Work with the Junior Police Academy to open conversations between teens and officers about the kinds of behavior that can cause them problems and what happens if they choose the wrong behavior. Develop a Youth Town Council where students can develop leadership skills and also feel like they have a voice in town issues that affect them.

My vision for Buchanan is simple – keep our many traditions and the charm of the town, while ensuring our citizens have the services they need, encouraging the development of new businesses, and ensuring the continued success of businesses which are already here. Above all, I want to make Buchanan a wonderful place to live, work, and visit in a way that protects the history of Buchanan without impeding progress.

M. Sue Way
Buchanan

‘Conversations with the Ghosts of Fincastle’ postponed

The upcoming “Conversations with the Ghosts of Fincastle” scheduled Nov. 2 at Attic Productions has

been postponed due to circumstances beyond the Botetourt County Historical Society's (BCHS) control. BCHS shares that it hopes to reschedule the event with Laine Crosby, a renowned investigative medium and author, in 2025.

For more information about Laine Crosby, visit LaineCrosby.com.

Follow BHCS online at bothistsoc.wordpress.com, on Facebook and Instagram.

For more questions, contact Lynsey Crantz Allie at execdirector@bchs@gmail.com or call 540-473-0148.

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7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 18

7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 19

7 p.m.

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3 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 24

7 p.m.

See Answers, page 8

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TUESDAY MORNING CLUB

Tuesday Morning Club donates to LAP

Cheryl Wood (left), a member of the Tuesday Morning Club, delivered a bounty of donations to the League for Animal Protection last week. She is pictured with Shelter Director Pat Shaver. LAP volunteer Poe Cobb helped bring the donations into the shelter in Fincastle.

- Tuesday Morning Club

Low Moor Shooting Range reopened to public

Following repairs to damaged restroom facilities, the USDA Forest Service has reopened the Low Moor Shooting Range to the public. For more information, contact the James River and Warm Springs Ranger District at 540-839-2521, visit the website at www.fs.usda.gov/gwj or follow on Facebook

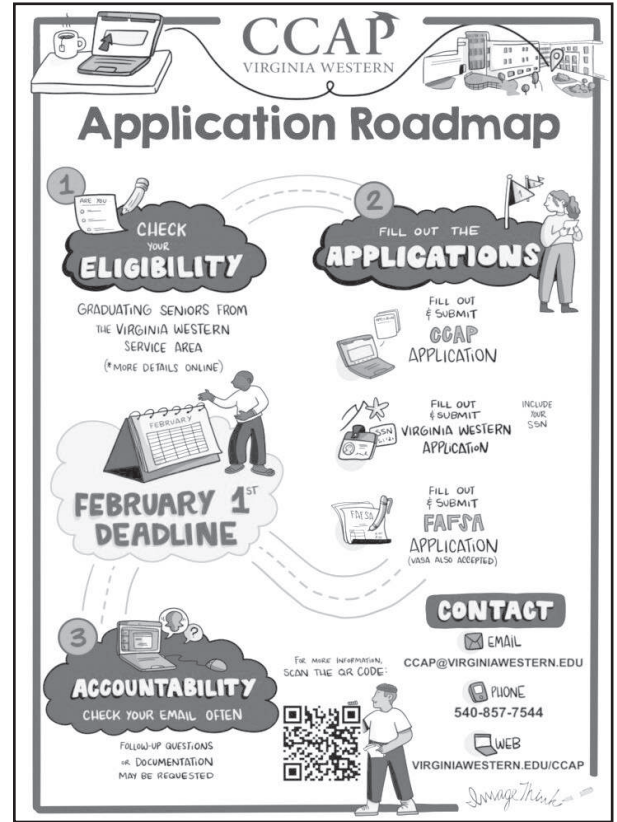
- USDA Forest Service

Virginia Western offers Community College Access Program

Community College Access Program (CCAP) is a public/private partnership that pays the cost of tuition for two years at Virginia Western Community College if a qualified student does not have sufficient financial aid to pay tuition costs. CCAP supports as many qualified students as possible based on student need and funds available for each locality.

As of fall 2024, the CCAP scholarship covers the cost of tuition at Virginia Western for up to two years, including summer between first and second years, while the CCAP student earns either an associate degree, a maximum of two certificates or two job-ready credentials. At the end of the two-year period, CCAP eligibility ends.

CCAP does not pay for textbooks or specific course fees. Students are encouraged to apply for the Educational Foundation's general scholarships for additional support. For application details



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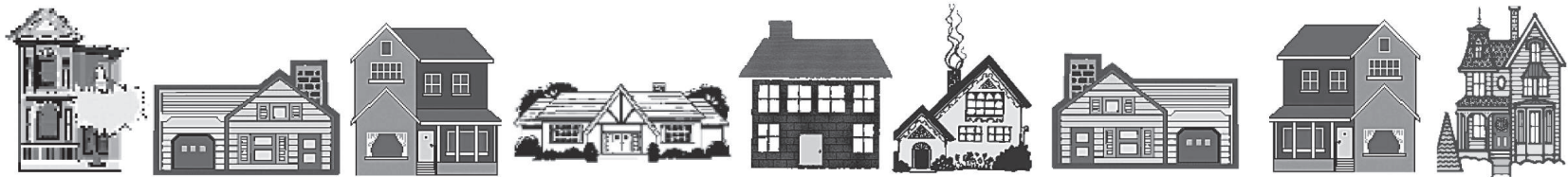
and deadlines, visit www.virginiawestern.edu/scholarships/.

CCAP is a "last-in" scholarship, meaning it covers the gap in funding between any federal/state financial aid a student is awarded and their overall cost of tuition. If a CCAP student is awarded a general Educational

Foundation scholarship, those funds are applied first and CCAP pays for the balance remaining on the student's tuition bill.

For more information, visit www.virginiawestern.edu/ccap/faq/.

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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
Bonsack Baptist Church - 4845 Cloverdale Rd. (Alt. 220) Dr. Chris Cadenhead, 977-5701, Sunday School, 8:30a.m. and 11a.m.; Worship 9:45a.m.; Wed. Bible study, 6 p.m.

Buchanan Baptist Church - 19730 Main Street, Buchanan, Sunday Bible Study for all ages 9:45 a.m.; Worship at 11 a.m. Wednesday Fellowship Meal at 6 p.m. followed by Bible Study and activities for all ages. Facebook - Buchanan Baptist Church; Web Site -

buchananbaptist.com; Phone - 254-2253, 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 Copps Hill Rd., Buchanan; Rev. Mike Anderson, 540-819-4616, Email pmike09@outlook.com. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.: worship 11 a.m.: Wednesday night bible study will be held every first and third Wednesday of the month from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

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

Zion Hill Baptist Church- Intersection of Zion Hill Road and Old Fincastle Road. Pastor Donald Goforth (540) 884-2285. Sunday School -10 AM Worship 11AM. Youth Activities (grades 6-12) and Kingdom Kids (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 Brethren- 10603 Narrow

Facing Change

Read Deuteronomy 9:1 through 11:32

Joe had lived in the country his entire life. Life on his parents' dairy farm was predictable and comfortable. Now he was leaving for college, and a whole new world lay ahead. When Joe's parents dropped him off at the university on orientation day, he reeled from the culture shock. This sure is going to be different, he thought.

The Israelites had a similar experience as they prepared to enter the Promised Land.

The land you are entering to take over is not like the land of Egypt, from which you have come (Deuteronomy 11:10).

After forty years of wandering in the desert, the Israelites were not familiar with cultivating crops. Even their knowledge of Egyptian agriculture, which relied on slave labor and the Nile for irrigation, would provide little help. In their new home, God himself would provide water for their fields and vineyards, as long as they continued to trust Him to do so.

Times of transition can be difficult, but if we rely on God, He will help us navigate each new season of life.

Challenge for Today: Pray for someone you know who is facing a major change in his or her life.

Quicklook: Deuteronomy 11:8-17

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.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Dale Ridge Church of Christ - Will you "come back to the Bible", learn more and follow Him? If you live locally in this beautiful Roanoke Valley or Botetourt County area, there is a Church, you will know it's the ONE when you see the name on the end of the building that reads Church of Christ. 7165 Cloverdale Rd., NW, Roanoke, VA 24019. We offer a free 3 lesson, OPEN Bible course entitled "Back to the Bible." Only available in home or where our Church meets: Sign up now on our website, daleridgechurchofchrist.net

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Eckankar, the Path of Spiritual Freedom, is a simple teaching that focuses on the Light and Sound of God to help people find more love in their life. The Roanoke Eckankar Center is located at 1420 3rd St. SW, Roanoke, VA 24016. A light and sound service is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Since contracting COVID-19 may still be possible, please take the health steps that are best for you. It is appreciated that by attending you are taking responsibility for your own health. Visit www.eck-va.org or call 540-353-5365 for other Eckankar programs and for more information about how the teachings of Eckankar can lead you to spiritual freedom.

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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 oslroanoke.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

Dooley, Shirley Lou

Shirley Lou Dooley, 88, of Troutville went home to be with she loved everyone, especially her family, and you weren't going to tell her bye without a hug! She was the sweetest Mom and Maw Maw in the world and will be missed by everyone who knew her.



She is survived by her son, Cline, and his wife, Jennifer (grandson Cody) of Daleville; daughters, Clinette Wilson of Troutville, Evelyn Sawyer of West Virginia (granddaughter Shawna), and Shirley Dunbar of Florida; many other grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and longtime family friend, Gary Smith.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Lottie Leighton; and her husband, Cline Dooley, Sr.

She loved her soap operas and working puzzle books. Known

The family received friends at Rader Funeral Home in Daleville on Monday, October 14, 2024 from 1 until 2 p.m. A funeral service followed in the chapel of Rader Funeral Home. Burial was in Daleville Cemetery.

Special thanks to the staff at Berkshire Health and Rehabilitation Center in Vinton for taking such great care of Mom for the past several months.

Free Health Fair Friday at Solomon's Mission

Solomon's Mission in Buchanan is having a free Community Health Fair this Friday, Oct. 18 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

information on home health care, hospice, home care and other senior services and resources.

dessert and a drink will be served from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

- Solomon's Mission

A free lunch of soup,

Entries being accepted for Fincastle Christmas Parade



FILE PHOTO

The Fincastle Christmas Parade will be held on December 7 (rain date December 8) at 2 p.m. Those wishing to have entry in the parade should contact Paige Ware at anitapware@hotmail.com or the Fincastle Town Office, 540-473-2200.

Floats, cars, fire department, rescue squads, bands, walkers, trucks, antique vehicles, and scout troops are welcome to

be in the parade.

There are two classes of judging for the floats, religious and non-religious. There are three places in each class and prizes money is given. Each band will receive \$100. Fire departments and rescue squads will receive a donation.

- Submitted by Paige Ware

Community-wide Career Fair at MGCC October 30

Mountain Gateway Community College (MGCC) is holding a Career Fair in partnership with Greater Roanoke Workforce Development Board on Wednesday, October 30, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event will take place inside the Moomax Center on MGCC's main campus in Clifton Forge, home to MGCC's newly updated Career Center.

This Career Fair aims to connect job seekers with local businesses looking to hire, providing a valuable opportunity for networking and career advancement. Employers will begin setting up at 10:30 a.m.

A diverse range of

employers will be in attendance, including but not limited to Bath Community Hospital, ConnectionsPlus Healthcare + Hospice, Highlands Community Bank, LewisGale Alleghany, MAAG Gala, Modine, Peoplelink Staffing Solutions, Rockbridge Area Community Services Board (CSB),

Shenandoah Health and Rehab Center, the U.S. Navy, and Virginia State Parks Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR).

For more information about the Career Fair, contact Rob Cantrell at rcantrell@mgcc.edu.

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CHURCH NEWS

Cedar Bluff Fall Festival Saturday

Cedar Bluff Baptist will host a Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat this Saturday, October 19, from 2-4 p.m. All ages are welcome. More information can be found on the church's Facebook page.

Mill Creek fish fry October 19

Mill Creek Baptist Church will hold its fall fish fry on Saturday, October 19, in the fellowship hall from 4:30-6:30 p.m., dine in or take out. The cost is \$12 for two pieces of fish, parsley potatoes, slaw, and hushpuppies. As always there will be homemade desserts to purchase. Reserve tickets by calling (540) 797-2304. Leave message if no answer and a confirmation call will be returned.

Free movie at Fincastle UMC

Fincastle United Methodist invites everyone to a free family movie on Sunday, October 20, at 2:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center on 137 S. Church Street. "Monsters Inc." will be the movie and there will be free popcorn and drinks. Feel free to come in costume.

Fincastle Clothes Closet open Tuesday

Fincastle United Methodist's Clothes Closet will be open on Tuesday, October 22, in the Family Life Center on 137 S. Church Street, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Donations of gently worn, clean fall/winter clothing and shoes for kids/teens are greatly appreciated at this time.

First Baptist Church of Fincastle celebrates its 193rd anniversary

The First Baptist Church of Fincastle will celebrate its 193rd anniversary Sunday, October 20, at 11 a.m.

"This church has a great legacy and was built on a firm foundation which is Jesus Christ, the Lord," said Minister Dollie Adams. "We are thrilled to extend to you an invitation to this special celebration as we commemorate 193 years of faith, service and our enduring legacy in Christ. The guest speaker for this wonderful occasion will be the Rev. Clinton Crump, who is truly a Man of God. This is not just an anniversary, but

a testament to God's unwavering grace and a reflection of His glory in our lives and community."

Everyone is invited and dinner will be served in the fellowship hall directly after the service.

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.

Eagle Rock Clothes Closet dates

The Eagle Rock Community Clothes Closet at Eagle Rock United Methodist Church, 14565 Church Street, will be open Saturdays, November 2 and 9 from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon, and Wednesday, November 6 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Women's, men's and children's clothing, as well as shoes and toys, will be available at no charge. To make donations or volunteer to help with this mission, contact Pastor Ray Sandifer at 540-525-0258.

Trunk or Treat in Eagle Rock October 26

There will be a Trunk or Treat event in the parking lot of Eagle Rock United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 26 from 4 to 6 p.m., sponsored by local churches. Anyone interested in participating may contact Pastor Ray Sandifer, 540-525-0258.

Daleville Baptist Fall Festival, Trunk or Treat

All are invited to the Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat October 27, 3-5 p.m., at Daleville Baptist Church, 375 Orchard Drive, Daleville.

All activities are free and include a bounce house, hayride, face painting, games, hot dogs and lots of candy.

Trunk or Treat at Troutville Brethren

The Troutville Church of the

See Church News, page 8

LARRY JOINES has been named Oakey's Vinton Chapel Manager.

A native of Chilhowie, Virginia, Larry was recently named manager of our north chapel.

"I enjoy meeting people. I know this is one of the rough times in their life, but I look at it from the standpoint of sort of my ministry in life here on earth to be able to help our families in their time of need."

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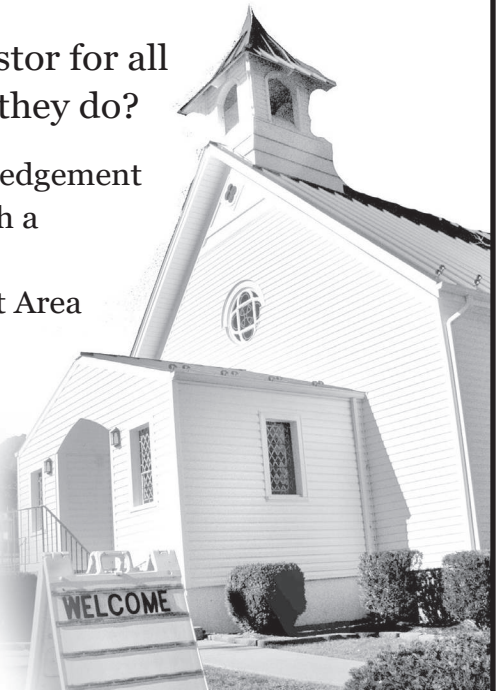
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ADR Cattle Co. ranked eighth in Angus registrations

ADR Cattle Co., LLC, Fincastle, ranked as eighth largest in registering the most Angus beef cattle in Virginia with the American Angus Association during fiscal year 2024, which ended September 30, according to Mark McCully, Association chief executive officer.

Angus breeders across the nation in 2024 registered 302,716 head of Angus



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cattle. “Our association members lead the industry in adopting new technology and breeding the most problem-free cattle for their customers,” McCully said. “Cattlemen across the country continue to find registered Angus seedstock are the most profitable option for their herd.”

~ American Angus Association

Fall Run

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FILE PHOTO

have become famous, and have been spotted on people states away. You'll see locals and children wearing them at the grocery store or around town. The children that participate always

remember it and have their shirts, medals and sometimes even trophies to prove it.

~ Fincastle Herald staff report

Church News

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Brethren is hosting Trunk or Treat on October 31 from 5-7 p.m. The church is located at 5133 Lee Highway in Troutville.

Upcoming concert at Pleasant Hill Baptist

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church will host the Gospel Harmony Boys, a West Virginia-based gospel group, on Sunday, November 3 at 11 a.m. All are invited to worship at Pleasant Hill – gospel-style.

Election Eve Community Prayer Service

Buchanan Presbyterian Church is hosting a non-partisan Prayer Service from 7-7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 4. All are invited to come pray together for leaders, localities, and the next day's elections. The church is located at 19559 Main Street in Buchanan.

Pork BBQ Dinner at Springwood

Baptist

Springwood Baptist Church's Annual Pork BBQ Dinner, sponsored by Aaron's Smokehouse, will be held Saturday, October 26, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the church, 88 Cops Hill Road, Buchanan.

Each meal, priced at \$12, includes two pork barbecue sandwiches, coleslaw, baked beans, and a drink. Desserts will be available for an additional charge.

This is a takeout-only event, with meals available on a first-come, first-served basis. No pre-sold tickets or reservations will be accepted. The public is invited.

Homecoming at Lapsleys Run November 10

Lapsleys Run Baptist Church will celebrate the annual Harvest Homecoming and 156th Church Anniversary on Sunday, November 10. The morning service will begin at 11 a.m. Brother Edgar Freeman will be the speaker. Dinner will follow.

The afternoon service will begin at 2 p.m. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Dwight Steele, Sr., who will be accompanied by the choir and congregation from Pilgrim Baptist Church of Roanoke.

Everyone is invited to attend these and regular services on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at Lapsleys Run Baptist Church, 608 Zion Hill Road, Fincastle.

Donations requested for Springwood Cemetery repair

Springwood Baptist Church has approved a contract of \$5,000 for stonework in the “old” cemetery. Approximately 29 marked stones will be straightened and leveled, along with reassembling many broken stones.

The church respectfully requests donations to this project. Please send donations to: Springwood Baptist Church, c/o Gary Peery, 234 Peery Lane, Buchanan, 24066. In memo of check, state Cemetery Repair.

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.

Election Day

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runs unopposed.

Each precinct will also decide on elections for its respective town councils. In Buchanan, James Manspile, Daniel Bratcher, Edith Austin, Brenda Noszek, and

Brent Witt seek one of two council seats up for election.

Fincastle's Town Council election includes current council member James Reynolds joined by candidates Clay

Fitzgerald, Barry Rakes, John Saunders, Andrew Clemons, and Kathleen Cornelison for three available seats.

Henry Cook Jr., Granville Grant, and Surgeon Vaughan Jr. are up for the three Troutville Town Council positions on the ballot this year. In a Special Election of Troutville's council, Jonathan Simmons is on the ballot for an unexpired term ending on December 31, 2025.

Lastly, voters will have

the chance to vote on a Virginia Constitutional Amendment asking voters if the tax exemption that is currently available to the surviving spouses of soldiers killed in action should also be available to the surviving spouses of soldiers who died in the line of duty.

According to the state, presently, the Virginia Constitution requires that all property be taxed. It also sets out specific types of property that may be exempted

from taxation. Currently, the Virginia Constitution allows the General Assembly to exempt from taxation the principal place of residence of the surviving spouse of any soldier who is determined by the U.S. Department of Defense to have been killed in action. The proposed amendment would expand this current tax exemption so that it is available to all surviving spouses of soldiers who are determined by the U.S. Department of Defense to have died in the line of duty, including those who have been killed in action.

A “yes” vote would allow the surviving spouse of a soldier who died in the line of duty to claim the same real property tax exemption on their principal place of residence that is currently only available to the surviving spouses of soldiers who

are killed in action. A “no” vote will not allow such additional surviving spouses to claim the real property tax exemption.

As a reminder, the last day to request a mailed absentee ballot is Friday, October 25 at 5 p.m. The last day for in-person early voting is Saturday, November 2 at 5 p.m.

The Botetourt County Registrar's Office will be open on Saturday, October 26 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. for in-person early voting. The office will also be open on Saturday, November 2 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. for the final day of in-person early voting.

All voters wishing to vote on Election Day must do so in their assigned precinct based on their residential address. There is no voting in the Registrar's Office on election day. Voters can check the status of their voter registration or find their polling location at vote.virginia.gov.

For more information, including a look at sample ballots in respective precincts, visit www.botetourtva.gov/405/Election-Information.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Botetourt County Library Board of Trustees has a vacancy in the Blue Ridge District effective January 1, 2025, for a four-year term expiring on December 31, 2028. A description of Trustee responsibilities and qualifications can be found online at www.botetourtva.gov/libraryboard. All interested Blue Ridge District residents are asked to submit a cover letter and resume to the County Administrator's Office, by filling out an interest form at

www.botetourtva.gov/libraryboardinterestform

or by visiting Botetourt County Administration at 57 S. Center Drive, Suite 200, Daleville, VA 24083 by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Friday, November 8, 2024. For additional details, contact Julie Phillips, Library Director, at 540-928-2901 or jphillips@botetourtva.gov.

Gary Larrowe
County Administrator

NOTICE

The next regular meeting of the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 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.

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There is also a full basement with outside access. Some personal property will be auctioned as well.

The building is adjacent to a community park and has ample parking. It is located minutes off Route 11 and near the Fairlawn community of New River. The property is convenient to Radford University and the Radford Arsenal.

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Stockyard Report

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500-599 \$211.00-232.00
600-699 \$219.00

Graded Heifers
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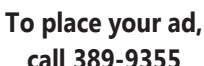
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Maddox Woodyard (2) and Ryan Daniels (8) go high and low on a Bobcat.



C.J. Mullins (55) runs down a Radford ball carrier.



Gavin Binns rushes for a nice gain against Radford.

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James River has bye in football this week

The James River football team is off this Friday as the Knights take two weeks to hone their swords for the final three weeks of the season.

River dropped to 1-6 last Friday when they fell to visiting Radford, 49-7. It was “Hall of Fame Night” in Springwood but the game was decided by the time the new inductees were introduced at halftime, as River trailed 49-0 at intermission.

“We moved the ball decent at times but we had 20-some missed tackles on defense,” said coach Tim Jennings. “This will be a good week to have a bye, we’re a little banged up.”

Starting quarterback Pierce Woodyard missed the game with an injury and his backup, Kody Park, threw five interceptions, including two that were returned for touchdowns.

“It wasn’t all Kody’s fault,” said Jennings. “He stepped up when we needed him.”

Park was 10 for 21 passing for 63 yards. Josiah Merchant had four catches for 16 yards and Ryder Ward had three for 26. Gavin Binns had a good night rushing with 110 yards on 14 carries, including River’s only score late in the fourth quarter.

On defense, Ryan Daniels led the team with seven tackles. Ryder, Jack Beheler and Keegan Price all had tackles in the backfield.

After this week’s bye, things won’t get any easier for the Knights, as they return October 25 with a home game against undefeated Glenvar, then go to undefeated Alleghany. One of the two won’t be unbeaten when they play River as Glenvar is at Alleghany this Friday.

Cavalier volleyball still undefeated as second trip through the district begins

The Lord Botetourt volleyball team is rolling along at 14-0 as the Cavaliers take on the second half of their Blue Ridge District schedule. The Cavaliers opened the second half with a three-set win over Staunton River in Daleville last Thursday.

They beat the Eagles by scores of 25-7, 25-6 and 25-13. Becca Huddleston led the team with nine kills and five aces while Savanna Johnson had six kills, Erica Gergely had five kills and three aces and Skyler Morris dished out 21 assists.

In a prior match last week, Botetourt gave Franklin County their first district loss with a three-set win at LB, 25-13, 25-12 and 25-17. Huddleston had 10 kills and four blocks, Morris had 28 assists and two



Kennedy Fender receives a serve as Madelyn Caron backs her up.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

serving aces and Bria Harvey had 11 digs and a pair of aces.

“We had a strong week of district play,” said LB coach Samantha Wilkins. “Our team has been mixing things up and playing with new lineups and we have done well with the change. We are working very well together

and are preparing for a long three-game week.”

Botetourt was scheduled to play at William Byrd Tuesday, followed by a home non-district match with Abingdon tonight. The Falcons are 13-5.

On Thursday the Cavs will play their third match in as many days when they host William Fleming.

Sandlot football playoffs open this week

Sandlot football playoffs for Botetourt youth teams open this week as teams try to make the Sandlot Super Bowl games on November 2. Playoffs are held for 8-U, 10-U and 12-U teams.

Botetourt has two teams in the nine-team 8-U division. Both open at Bogle Field behind Cave Spring Middle School this Saturday with Botetourt-Phelps playing at 10:15 a.m.

and Botetourt-Barnes at 12:45 p.m.

There are 12 teams in the U-10 division. Botetourt-Reiter will play at 12:45 p.m. Saturday at Northside High’s field. And, Botetourt-Bland will also play but seeding was yet to be determined.

The 12-U division has nine teams. Botetourt-Beavers will open Saturday at 12:45 p.m., and that game will be at Glenvar’s Highlander Stadium.

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became the first athletic trainer at Liberty High School.

In 1993 Tracey was hired at Salem High School to teach Health and PE, coach varsity girls soccer and she took on the role of junior varsity girls basketball coach, serving in that capacity for four years before becoming the varsity girls coach from 1997 to 2007. Over her 14 years at Salem High School Tracey was one of three athletic trainers.

In 2007 she transitioned to Lord Botetourt High School where she taught sports medicine and served as the athletic trainer for 17 years. Throughout this time, LBHS and the community evolved together, allowing her to build many meaningful relationships that facilitated the best care for the LBHS student-athletes. Tracey also worked closely with local physical therapists, chiropractors and Carilion Orthopedics. Together, funds were raised to implement electronic medical record technology (ATGenius) and SWAY concussion baselining to enhance student-athlete

safety.

In June 2023, Tracey and Lord Botetourt High School collaborated with Compress and Shock to secure an AED for the softball facility.

Throughout her tenure, Tracey also worked closely with Roanoke College and Hollins University, serving as a preceptor for 22 college students entering allied health fields. During her 17-year tenure, the development of the Athletic Training Student Assistant (ATSA) program has mentored over 25 LBHS students. In October of 2023 Driscoll was the recipient of the Sabre award.

Goode, a 2014 graduate, had an outstanding high school basketball career, earning numerous accolades and awards throughout his time on the court. His sophomore year saw him achieve 2nd Team All-Region, 1st Team All-District, and recognition on the Sizzling Sophomore All-Timesland team.

In his junior year, Justin continued to excel, earning 2nd Team All-State, 1st Team All-Region, 1st Team All-District, and a

spot on the Kiwanis All-Star Team, as well as 1st Team All-Timesland.

During his senior year, Justin’s talent and hard work reached new heights, resulting in an impressive list of accomplishments. He was named 1st Team All-State, 1st Team All-West Region, 1st Team All-Conference 31, 1st Team All-District, and secured a spot on the Kiwanis All-Star Team. He was honored with several prestigious titles, including VHSCA 3A State Player of the Year, VHSL 3A 1st Team All-State, West Region Player of the Year, Conference 31 Player of the Year, District Player of the Year, and Kiwanis Metro Player of the Year. Justin also earned 1st Team All-Timesland and became Lord Botetourt’s all-time leading scorer with an impressive 1,498 points.

His statistics over the seasons speak for themselves: 405 points, 90 made free throws out of 95 attempts for 94.7%, and 87 assists in 2011-2012; 555 points, 170 made free throws out of 182 attempts for 93.4%, and 83 assists in 2012-2013;

and 538 points, 141 made free throws out of 154 attempts for 91.6%, and 113 assists in 2013-2014, totaling 1,498 points, 401 made free throws out of 431 attempts for a 93.0% success rate, and 283 assists over his entire high school career.

After high school, Justin continued his basketball journey by playing a postgraduate year at Hargrave Military Academy before moving on to play at Rutgers University from 2015 to 2017. In 2020, he graduated from Liberty University with a Bachelor’s Degree in Business Administration and Management.

Jones completed his

LBHS athletic journey from 2008 to 2012. In high school he made history as the first freshman to start varsity football in 10-15 years.

Mike’s wrestling career was a significant part of his high school years. He achieved an impressive record each year, including 37-0 with 32 pins during his senior year, setting a new record of 153-21.

Mike excelled in various local tournaments, winning titles such as Titan Toughman and Big Orange and securing victories in the Blue Ridge District and Region 3 championships. At the state level, Mike showed consistent improvement

and became a VHSL state champion during his senior year.

His achievements also extended to the national level, where he qualified for the prestigious Super 32 tournament. Jones received several awards, including the Jackie Toney Scholarship Award, Kyle Smith Unsung Hero Award and the Stan Parker Memorial Scholarship. He was recognized as the Roanoke Valley Wrestler of the Year in 2012 and received the LB Senior Athletic Award.

Additionally, Mike held the title of Blue Ridge District Wrestler of the Year and Region 3 Wrestler of the Year during both his junior and senior years.

Cheerleaders take first at Stuarts Draft

The Lord Botetourt competition cheerleaders took first place in last week’s competition at Stuarts Draft High School. The girls also took a third place at the Cougar Classic in Pulaski on Saturday, and on Monday they took second at the “G-Town Throwdown” at Glenvar High School.

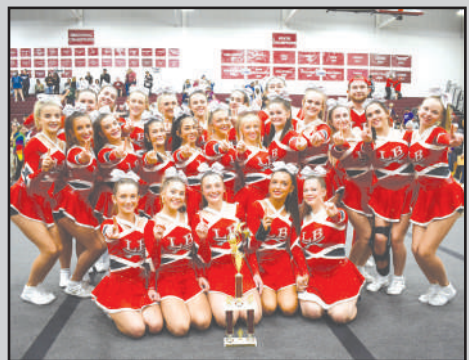


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River's Jacey Walker runs through the sunflowers at Gracely Hill.

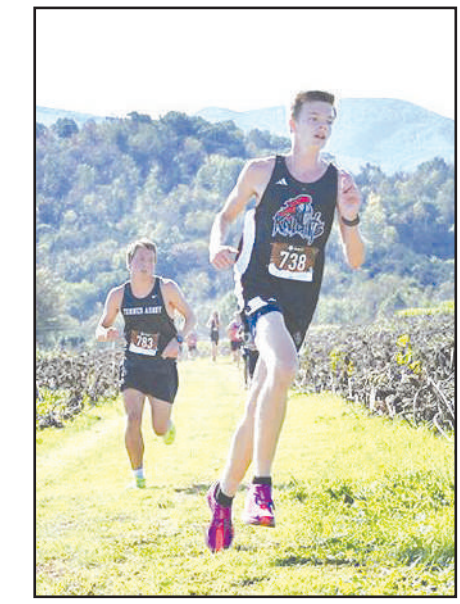
Knights host cross country race at Gracely Hill

The first James River Knights High School and Middle School Invitational was held at Gracely Hill at Beaver Dam Farm last Saturday with 15 teams participating. Beaver Dam Farm is the site for the annual Sunflower Festival.

“It’s a beautiful location with great sight lines for spectators,” said River coach Butch Lewis. “The runners ran through field of sunflowers, which unfortunately had been blown down from the recent bad weather due to Hurricane Helene.”

Turner Ashby won both the boys and girls team titles. In the boys race, Bassett took second and had the overall winner in Thomas Fulcher, who finished the 5K course in 16:59. James River was third, led by Aiden Bartulis. He was followed by teammates Braden Jones, Mark Voight and Tristian Capo-Lopez.

In the girls race, SW Virginia Academy was second to Turner Ashby and Bassett was third. Magdalena Lantz-Trussel of Turner Ashby won the race through the flowers with a time of 21:22.



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Mark Voight of James River runs in last Saturday’s home meet.

For River, Jacey Walker had the best time followed by Jordyn Ives, Holly Weddle and Janiya Falls. Maddie Davidson of James River won the girls Middle School race while Jedidiah John of SW Virginia Academy was the boys Middle School champ.

“We plan on making this an annual affair,” said Lewis. “I’d like to thank Gracely Hill owner Candace Monaghan as well as our sponsors, Bank of Botetourt, James River Drip, Brent Hershey State Farm and Runabout Sports.”

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Cavaliers playing for first place in the region Friday night

Lord Botetourt will play host to William Byrd in football this Friday night and the winner will be next week's top ranked team in the Virginia High School League Region 3D rankings. Game time is 7 p.m. at LB and it will be "Hall of Fame Night."

Byrd and Botetourt come into the game "one-two" in this week's region rankings. Both have 5-1 records but Byrd's rating is 23.0 and LB is second at 22.0. Abingdon, at 6-1, is third at 21.5 and Carroll County rounds out the top four at 21.0.

William Byrd lost for the first time last week when the Terriers fell to undefeated William Fleming, 28-14. The Terriers also lost their standout running back, Jamez Toler, with a broken ankle but LB coach Jamie Harless knows the Byrdmen still have plenty of talent.

"Byrd still has a lot of pieces left," said Harless.

"They're well-coached and they're a very good football team."

The Botetourt-Byrd rivalry has been a good one over the years. Long-time rivals in the Blue Ridge District, Byrd holds a 39-24-1 edge all-time, but since 2018 Botetourt has won six of eight.

Both of those losses were last year, when the Terriers went 12-2 and reached the Class 3 state semifinals. Byrd broke a six-game losing streak to LB with a 16-0 win in the regular season, then beat Botetourt in the region playoffs, 41-14. Both of those games were in Vinton.

This Friday's game is important, because if the two meet again in the playoffs it could very well decide home field.

"Home field is a big deal," said Harless. "This is an important game for us. Byrd presents a lot of challenges."

The Cavaliers are



Garrett Lonker of LB throws a pass against Staunton River.

currently on a five-game winning streak and have shut out their last two opponents. Last Friday night in Moneta the Cavaliers scored all their

points in the second half of a 21-0 win over host Staunton River.

Tristan Overbay scored all three touchdowns on runs of nine, 30 and 65



Quinten Jones (0) tackles a Staunton River ball carrier.



Lord Botetourt's Ryan Quesenberry (63) and Kent Basham (40) double team an Eagle.

yards for the Cavaliers and finished with 202 yards rushing on 19 carries. Quinten Jones had 69 yards on 16 carries and Angel Rigney

had 27 yards on eight attempts.

"Our kids played hard," said Harless. "They gritted it out, I'm really proud of them."

Lord Botetourt runners compete in two events



Lord Botetourt's Addison Purser (169) and Madeleine Gantzhorn (165) run in Salem last week.

The Lord Botetourt cross country team had a busy time last week as the Cavaliers ran in races in Salem and at Northside High School. The Salem race was at Municipal Golf Course.

"Salem was a great day," said coach Elizabeth Edmonds. "We ran it as a workout, but they produced some great times. The course is fast, so we love it every year."

Eric Duncan led the race with a time of 16:45. John Moughrabi was 11th place with 19:14 followed by Nathan Moser and Archer Lee in 14th and 15th place.

Joel Butler rounded out the top five, coming in 16th place with a time of 20:00. The boys team finished second at the meet.

Madeleine Gantzhorn was the top female runner, finishing 5th overall with a time of 23:55. Addison Purser was close behind, finishing in 7th place with a time of 24:29. Ember Wiley and Maddie Moore finished 14th and 16th. The girls team finished third at the meet.

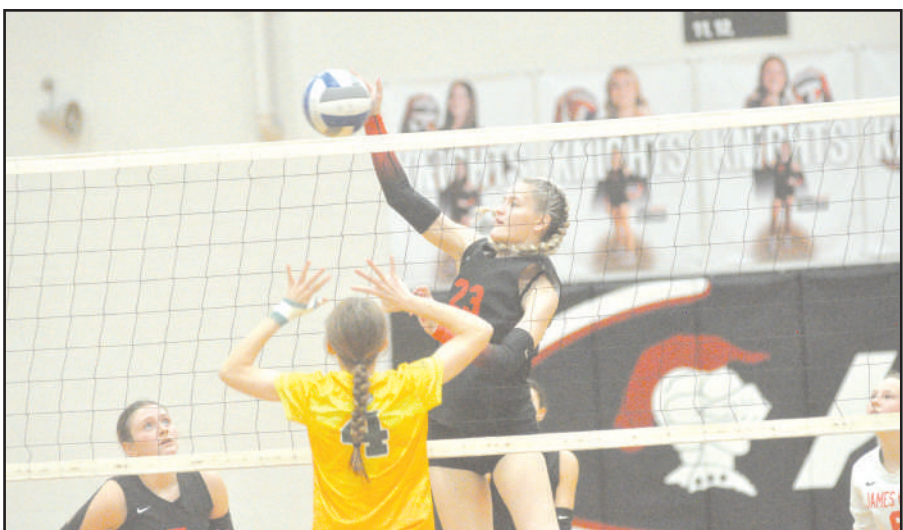
On Saturday the Cavaliers ran at Northside.

"With our schedule not having any off weekends, we have used many races as workouts, so Northside

was another workout in preparation for the Virginia Showcase this coming weekend," said Edmonds.

Duncan won the race and set a new course record with a time of 17:09. Lee also medaled for the team, finishing in 13th place with a time of 20:12. Moser, Joel Butler, and Garrett Sutton rounded out the top 5 for the team. The boys team finished 4th at the meet.

Gantzhorn led the girls team, securing a medal with an 11th place finish. She ran a time of 25:04. Wiley was close behind her, finishing in 18th place at 26:37.



Caitlin Canada goes high for a spike in a recent River volleyball match.

James River will host Radford in volleyball tonight

The James River volleyball team will look to up their Three Rivers District record tonight when they play host to Radford in a big volleyball match. The Knights come in with a 12-7 overall record while the Bobcats are 7-7 but beat River the first time around in Radford.

River split two Three Rivers matches last week. They hosted district leader Alleghany on Tuesday and lost in four close sets, 25-23, 20-25, 25-23 and 25-22. On the night Alleghany scored 95 points and River had 93.

"It was a great night of volleyball," said River coach Linsey Firebaugh. "Both teams played well, but Alleghany came out on top. We played very solid defense and hit well."

Caitlin Canada had 15 kills for the Knights while Ava Thacker had 11 kills and 30 digs. Konner Myers had 28 digs and Brea Anduiza handed out 34 assists.

On Thursday the Knights hosted Carroll County and won in three, 25-14, 25-17 and 25-14. Canada had 10 kills and Thacker had nine.

"We played solid," said Firebaugh. "We served aggressively and kept our errors low. We were able to keep them out of system so they could not run their offense. Overall it was a good night for us."

After tonight's home match with Radford the girls will make up a previously postponed match with Patrick County on Friday. That will also be in Springfield.

LB will induct four into Hall of Fame this week

Lord Botetourt High School will induct four new members into the Athletic Hall of Fame this week, then present them at halftime of the home football game with William Byrd on Friday night. The Class of 2024 includes Jeff Cole, Tracey Driscoll, Justin Goode and Michael Jones.

Cole graduated from Lord Botetourt in 1975 and was actively involved in sports. He played football and ran track throughout his high school years. In football, he achieved several accolades, including being the first player to rush for over 1,000 yards in a season and over 200 yards in a single game. He was also named the school's Most Valuable Player for the 1974 football season and captained the football team in his senior year.

Additionally, Cole received the Cavalier award as the Male Athlete of the Year for 1975 and was named to the top 50 football players in the first 50 years of the school.

In track, Jeff set new school records

in the 880, mile, and 2-mile in outdoor track, as well as in the 1,000 in indoor track during his senior year. He achieved notable rankings in various track events, including first in the Blue Ridge District, second in the region, and third in the state in the 880, and first in the district and second in the state in the 1,000 in indoor track. He also won the 880 at both the Buena Vista and Radford Relays and set meet records for the Cosmopolitan Relay Track Meet in the 880. Jeff was the No. 1 runner in the Timesland in the 880 and also participated in AAU track during his summers.

Following his graduation, Jeff worked for 36 years at Steel Dynamics, previously Roanoke Electric Steel. He and his wife, Beverly, and they have a stepdaughter and three grandchildren.

Driscoll began her career in education and athletic training during the 1992-1993 school year, teaching Health and Physical Education. During this time she

JR golfers finish in top 20 in state golf, LB was set to play in Class 3 Tuesday

Two James River sophomores competed in the Class 2 state golf tournament Monday at the Great Oaks course in Floyd County and both fared well. Landon Bolling was 11th and Mason Gilliland placed 17th.

The two were just one stroke apart with Bolling carding an 80 and Gilliland coming in at 81. McCartney Hinkle of Graham High was the state champion with a one-over-par 73 and Floyd County, a member of the Three Rivers District, was the team champion with a score of 315.

"Both golfers are hungry for state titles," said James River coach Donna Cox. "I know they will continue to work on their game to chase down that dream."



James River's Mason Gilliland shot an 81 to finish 17th in the state golf tournament Monday.

"The future of James River golf is so bright. Three sophomores and one freshman made up our starting line-up this year. We will add into the mix another freshman next year, so the

sky's the limit."

Lord Botetourt made the Class 3 state tournament as a team. The Cavaliers were scheduled to play Tuesday at the Heritage Oaks Golf Course in Harrisonburg.