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Demolition Derby competition going to a new level

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

More and more guys and gals are fixing up old cars and enjoying the fun that the old-time demolition derby sport offers.

However, this year, a new derby contest was started by Dustin Price called "Metal Carnage TV."

"I started it on YouTube and the points series are judged by finding the best driver in each class," Price explained.

The points are earned by drivers placing in their wins. First gets five, second gets three and third and Mad Dog get one point each.

This year's contest included derbies in New Castle, New River Valley Fair, Patrick County, Danville Fair, Russell County Fair and a few others.

Explained Price, "Well, with our points series ending last night in New Castle Derby, I'd like to introduce our first ever Metal Carnage TV 2021 Champions. Donnie 'Trouble-Maker' Fisher in the full-size and the Mad Dog himself Chad McDowell in Lucky 13 in compacts."

Lori Fisher, Donnie Wayne's



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Donnie Wayne Fisher earned first place full-size car champion in the Metal Carnage TV 2021 points series that ended at the New Castle Derby. Event organizers shared, "Donnie 'Trouble-Maker' Fisher in the full-size and the Mad Dog himself Chad McDowell in Lucky 13 in compacts." From left to right, BJ Oliver, Donnie Wayne Fisher "Trouble-maker" and his sidekick, "Little Trouble-maker."

wife, shared, "My big champion then my little champion!"

"I may get aggravated at times, but I enjoy watching you do something that you love. You always put on a good show and are the best derby driver I have seen in the

12 years I've been doing this with you," she said before adding, "I always support you and you have the best sportsmanship with every other driver in that ring. Your heart is

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PHOTOS BY PAM DIDDING

When Santa Clause surprised local children, squeals of excitement were heard multiple times over. All were excited to see Santa on Halloween.

Halloween enjoyed throughout Craig County



Zacharay and Amelia took Della on her first Halloween at the Fairgrounds as a cute little stinker where many people had decorated their vehicles and handed out candy.

CCPS excited about new HVAC units and renovations

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Samuel Foster has continued with the follow-up with the ESSER funds allotted for facility upgrades at Craig County Public

Schools.

Foster reminded that Board that in April, CCPS had a company to come in and tour the building to start the proposal stage of how to do upgrades in the schools.

The ESSER monies are predominantly used for improvements to HVAC in the facilities in order to combat Covid.

"We looked at six different areas for the projects: the auditorium, gymna-

sium, locker rooms, media center, cafeteria and kitchen and the nurses' area and waiting room," he explained to the Board "Part of the problems we are running into is that our HVAC systems are old and at the end of life. Our maintenance has difficulties in maintaining them, running out of parts and the freon is the old freon which is no longer made. There are a myriad of reasons to do these upgrades. It is a good time to do this with the additional funding."

Foster defined terms used in the verbiage of the upgrades.

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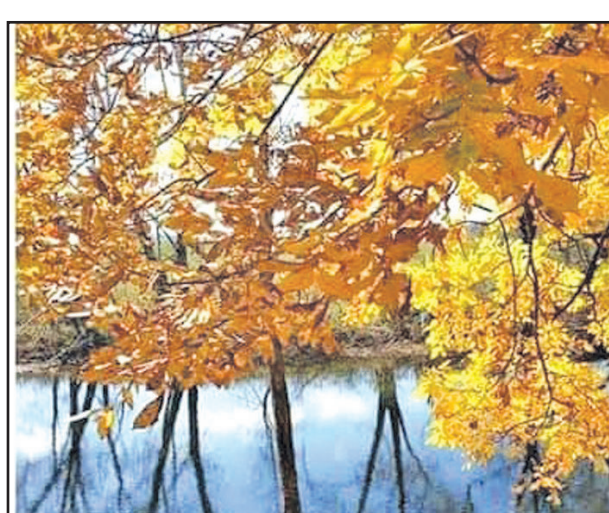
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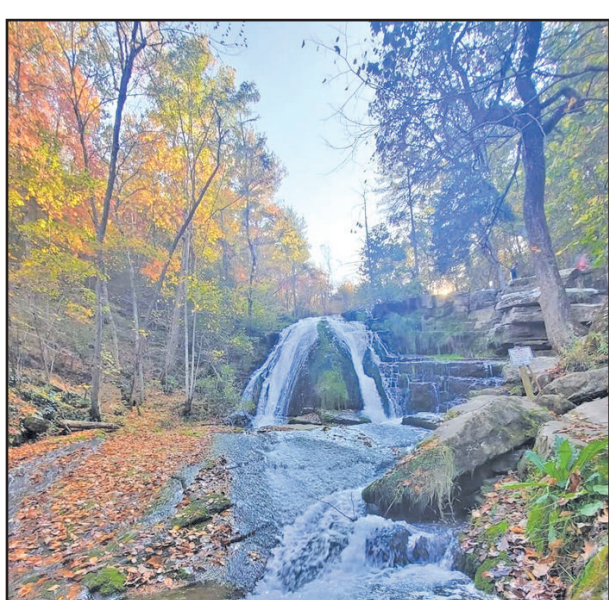
Samuel Foster recently shared new updates on construction for school HVAC installations in addition to the gymnasium, auditorium, kitchen, nurses clinic and locker rooms.

Fall Drive Peak Week



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Fall in Craig County is what causes many to call it "God's Country." Kitten Williams caught this beautiful picture earlier this week of God's promise sign over Craig.



Many hike up to Roaring Run during this time of the year. Jordan Francisco and her family recently did just that, capturing gorgeous colorful pictures with the stream as a centerpiece.

VFW seal speaks loudly for our military



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The VFW seal, the insignia of their organization, is 1,000 years old and is an "artistic representation of service stripes," which holds deep meaning to military servicemen and women.

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

When duty calls, many honorable men and women have responded to serve, and continue to do so in the United States of America.

When one speaks to a Veteran, most will tell you how proud they are to have served their country. Their heartfelt demeanor shines through like a medal that's just been polished.

In Craig County, we are blessed to have many who have served in the Armed Forces.

We also have a group of local Veterans who belong to the Veterans

of Foreign Wars, VFW Craig Valley Post 4491.

In looking at the VFW seal, or the Cross of Malta, it seems quite detailed. Then, in looking at its meanings, it becomes apparent that every detail was thought through completely.

We see that the VFW insignia is the eight-pointed Maltese Cross on a background of radiating solar rays. Upon the Cross is superimposed the Great Seal of the United States, encircled by the name of our organization.

On the international VFW site, they share

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY

The Craig County Public Library is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The library is located at 303 Main St. in New Castle. For more information, call (540) 864-8978 or visit www.craiglibrary.org.

Study from 7 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. at 118 Main Street in New Castle.

EVERY FRIDAY

Craig County Genealogy Library open every Friday 1 to 4 p.m. 152 Main Street. 540-864-7023

EVERY SATURDAY

Overeaters Anonymous (OA) meeting. 11 a.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, located at 2011 Brandon Avenue in Roanoke. Contact 540-293-4065 for more information.

EVERY SUNDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous meeting. 8 p.m. at New Castle Fire Hall.
•The New Castle

Christian Church, located at 282 Salem Ave, is pastored by Sheldon Cosma is having services at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., with communion at each, and is on Facebook Live at 9 a.m.

•St. John's Catholic Church, on Route 615, is having virtual masses at 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. by Father Steve McNalley. They are also live on Facebook. For more information, contact (540) 864-8686 or send an email to stjohnnewcastle@tds.net.

SECOND MONDAY

•Paint Bank Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m. at the Paint Bank Fire Department. Call 897-5346 for more information.

•Craig County Public Library Board of Trustees

meeting at 6 p.m. at the library.

THIRD MONDAY

Town of New Castle Council Meeting at 7 p.m. inside the New Castle Town Hall, located at 339 Market Street.

SECOND TUESDAY

•Craig County School Board meets at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Media Center.
•Mountain Lodge 140 AF&AM, 7:30 p.m. at Lodge Hall, 255 Main St.

THIRD WEDNESDAY

The Botetourt/Craig/Roanoke Farm Service Agency County Committee

meets each month at 10 a.m. at the Bonsack USDA Service Center. Please call one day before the meeting date regarding possible cancellation information 540-977-2698, Ext. 2. The Bonsack USDA Service Center is located at 36 Executive Circle, Suite 1, Roanoke, VA 24012. All County Committee meetings are open to the public.

FIRST THURSDAY

Craig County Board of Supervisors meets at 6 p.m. at the Craig County Courthouse.

EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

Everyone six months

and up should receive a flu shot each year. A parent or guardian must accompany those under the age 18. Insurances will be billed. People are encouraged to bring their insurance card and not attend if they have COVID-19 like symptoms. The curbside clinic schedule is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only. For more information, contact 540-864-5136.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Craig Valley Baptist Church will be holding a coat drive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in their church parking lot. Anyone who is in need of a coat for this winter may come by and grab a coat(s).

Citizens launches advanced Wi-Fi for internet service, powered by Plume HomePass®

Citizens Telephone Cooperative (Citizens) recently announced a new Wi-Fi offering designed to give customers control over their home Internet network.

Marketed as Citizens Advanced Wi-Fi, this new suite of services - powered by Plum® HomePass™ - leverages adaptive Wi-Fi and provides customers with an easy-to-use app for managing their home network,

which includes monitoring of data usage, setting parental controls and access permissions for devices, creating guest logins, and more.

The system guards against cyber threats, can block unwanted content, and through sophisticated Artificial Intelligence, can immediately identify and lock down any infected devices to prevent them from infecting the wider home network. The system

also provides peace-of-mind by leveraging Wi-Fi-enabled devices to detect motion within the home through the Sense™ service.

"This product has features that many of our customers have been asking for. We are so excited to offer Advanced Wi-Fi powered by Plume HomePass." stated Lori Saltus, EVP of Citizens Customer Relations and Marketing.

The iconic Plume-designed pods eliminate hard-wired devices throughout the home and the system continually optimizes to adjust to the unique needs of every home and every device to serve the best Internet signal possible. From the HomePass app, the owner can view the 'health' of their network, monitor usage, set priorities for devices, and much more. Citizens' Advanced Wi-Fi is designed to

adjust to the activity to deliver in-home performance beyond the capabilities of standard Wi-Fi systems.

For more information about Citizens' Advanced Wi-Fi, visit <https://citizens.coop/citizens-advanced-wifi> or contact 540-745-2111.

Submitted by Lori Saltus

VFW Seal

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that the VFW seal, the insignia of their organization, is 1,000 years old.

It is an "artistic representation of service stripes, easily recognizable insignia indicative of military service," worn on most service uniforms.

Every detail in the VFW insignia has some definite meaning. The Cross, the rays and the seal together "symbolize the character, vows and purposes distinguishing the Veterans of Foreign Wars as a vigorous order of men who have traveled far from home to fight for the principles to which they are pledged."

•The first and learner of the two service stripes represents their

steadfast entry into their second century of service to America's veterans, service members and their families

•The second, broader stripe represents their first storied century of service, spanning back to 1899

•The bold letters and sharp angles of this text represent the strength and stability of their organization, and the clarity with which they diligently work to fulfill their mission

•The use of vibrant red represents the danger their members have faced, the bloodshed they experienced and the energy with which the organization operates

•The gallant gold represents their mem-

bers' achievements, acts of valor and the unique VFW eligibility status they've earned and "epitomizes their gold standard of service"

•The custom uppercase letters were especially designed with an extended width to symbolize an organization that is well established. Combined with a tight letter spacing, these letters visually build a solid and confident block that reflects the unified culture of their organization

•In addition to the direct metaphor of the stripes, the visual progression leading to the build of the letter "V" represents their sustained and forward movement into achieving the VFW's mission

•In order to bring the acronym and title together, the gold stripes and the "V" from "VETERANS" have been carefully drawn to align on the same axis, emphasizing the element of continuity

•Between the eight points of the Cross the Veterans of Foreign Wars has added the sun's rays. These emphasize the vigor and warmth with which the present-day brotherhood is pledged to defend the nation and to extend its mercy

•Over the Cross of Malta is superimposed the American eagle. Everyone recognizes this as the sacred symbol of a proud nation whose men through many generations have fought and sacrificed to preserve our way of living

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States was founded in 1899, but the Cross of Malta was created hundreds of years ago by a group of men known as the Crusaders. The story is compelling.

"Those men were warriors who campaigned, fought and willingly sacrificed their lives in defense of human liberties," the site explains. "Those early warriors served mankind in many other ways - always under the sign of the Maltese Cross, the symbolic banner of their own choice."

The meaning of the Cross of Malta dates back to nearly a thou-

sand years ago when the Crusades waged in the Middle East. The Malta Cross became the insignia of the Knights of St. John, "the world's first great brotherhood of men pledged to chivalry."

History notes that during the 11th, 12th and 13th centuries, the Knights of St. John also fought gallantly, far from their homes, in defense of religious freedom. At the same time, they administered to the sick, the needy and to the poor.

The Knights of St. John were men from all walks of life, noblemen and priests, artisans and laborers.

"Regardless of their birth, they were brothers bound by a common oath of unity, bravery and service to mankind," the VFW site states. "Together, they waged many fierce battles against intolerance. They carried their crusades across deserts and seas, into the Holy Land, Cyprus, Rhodes and Malta."

These crusaders adopted the Cross of Malta as their insignia because its eight points symbolized the beatitudes prescribed in the Sermon on the Mount in the Bible, which are; (1) blessed are the poor in spirit, (2) the meek, (3) the pure, (4) the merciful and (5) the peacemakers (6) blessed are they that mourn and (7) seek righteousness and (8) they who are perse-

cuted for righteousness' sake. Therefore, Cross of Malta had a religious origin.

It is believed that the Knights of St. John also made it the battle standard for all men, women, and children struggling against oppression.

"The things for which the crusaders fought a thousand years ago are identical to the present-day principles of Democracy - freedom, justice and tolerance," it shares. "These are the reasons why a handful of American fighting men who founded the Veterans of Foreign Wars selected the Cross of Malta as their insignia. They were establishing a new brotherhood of crusaders from all walks of life who have gone into battlefields around the world to fight for human rights."

The Veterans of Foreign Wars is chartered by the Congress of the United States.

"Article I of the VFW Constitution also states that, 'The objective of the order shall be fraternal, patriotic, historical and education; that its members shall preserve and strengthen comradeship; that they shall maintain allegiance to the government of the United States and fidelity to its laws; that the members shall foster true patriotism, extend American freedoms and defend this nation from all enemies. When a person joins the Veterans of Foreign Wars they vow in the presence of Almighty God and the members of this Order' to maintain loyalty to the government, to the VFW, and to their fellow comrades."

When the new member is given the Cross of Malta, they become part of a great brotherhood of overseas veterans.

"Men and women qualified to wear the VFW emblem have earned it honestly, and they wear it proudly," the VFW shares.

For many, it seems to "tell their story when they cannot."

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- Partner to flows
- "Snow" in Welsh
- Famed Mexican painter
- Song
- ticks outward from the crown
- Doddering
- Resist authority (slang)
- Antsy
- Wrath
- Spills the beans
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- The woman
- One has 24 hours
- It can sting
- Astronomy unit
- Halfway
- Chinese dynasty
- Australian river
- Software to transfer audio (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

- One point east of southeast
- Italian monetary unit
- Warship prison
- Tropical American tree
- Alias
- Normal or sound powers of mind
- English county
- Not compatible with
- Female deer
- Not late
- La ___ Tar Pits, Hollywood
- "Jupiter's Legacy" actress Leslie
- Impudence
- Advises
- Founder of Babism
- A baglike structure in a plant or animal
- Male parent
- A type of plug
- Capital of Vietnam
- Fungal disease
- Shelter
- Finished
- Excrete
- Unhappy
- Partner to cheese
- Coffee receptacle
- Spend time dully
- Makes full
- Snake-like fish
- Take in solid food
- ___ student, learns healing
- A way to take away
- Impart a lesson to
- "Transformers" actress Fox
- Spiritual leader
- Every one of two or more things
- Indian city
- 17th stars
- Weapon
- Amounts of time
- Isodor ___, American Nobel physicist
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Witness

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Gleaners pick farm-fresh produce for Virginians in need

Farmers are helping food banks offer clients fresh, regionally grown food by allowing groups to glean after they harvest. At Parker Farms, 30 volunteers from Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church recently gleaned dozens of bushels of sweet corn after the biggest ears had been harvested by Parker Farms employees. They combed the fields for smaller, but equally nutritious, ears left behind by the harvesting equipment.

The church's pastor, Father Brian Bashista, said the charitable hands-on experience goes beyond writing a check. "We've had it on our heart to farm-glean for a couple

years and finally connected with the wonderful folks here," he said. "There are very generous farmowners who allow this to happen."

With such abundance in this country, Bashista said, it's amazing how much goes to waste.

It's a simple concept - there is enough fresh produce for food-insecure Virginia families. But complex logistical challenges can prevent perishable items from getting from farms to plates.

Food banks historically have stocked products that are shelf-stable. Yet more than 1 million Virginians who are most likely to experience food

insecurity are at higher risk of diet-related illnesses such as diabetes and heart disease, according to the Federation of Virginia Food Banks.

"Increasingly, we're seeing the connection between health outcomes and diet," said Katie Mandes, director of marketing and strategic initiatives for the federation, an organization serving food banks statewide. "We are pushing hard to create a more nutritious diet for those who visit food banks. However, the turnaround time has to fall into place with fresh food that requires refrigeration, so there are a lot of logistical components."

The federation's seven

food banks work with 1,500 partner agencies like community and church pantries that pick up the food for local distribution. Behind the scenes, food-sourcing specialists, growers and gleaners coordinate with a flurry of phone calls and countless volunteer hours to make it happen.

Mandes said the food bank world previously relied on grocery store donations of excess fresh product, but pandemic-related supply chain problems cut into that source. "One of the lessons we learned because of the pandemic—if you can have fresh food that is local there is less opportunity for that supply to be

interrupted."

Ramping up efforts to work with the farming community to source fresh food has become a priority for the federation. Its leaders work with legislators to develop policy tools that help farmers offset the costs of gleaned produce, like the Virginia Ag Food Assistance Program bill signed by Gov. Ralph Northam in June. The legislation works in tandem with Virginia's food crop donation tax credit by making funds available to farmers for harvesting, processing, packaging and transporting surplus product.

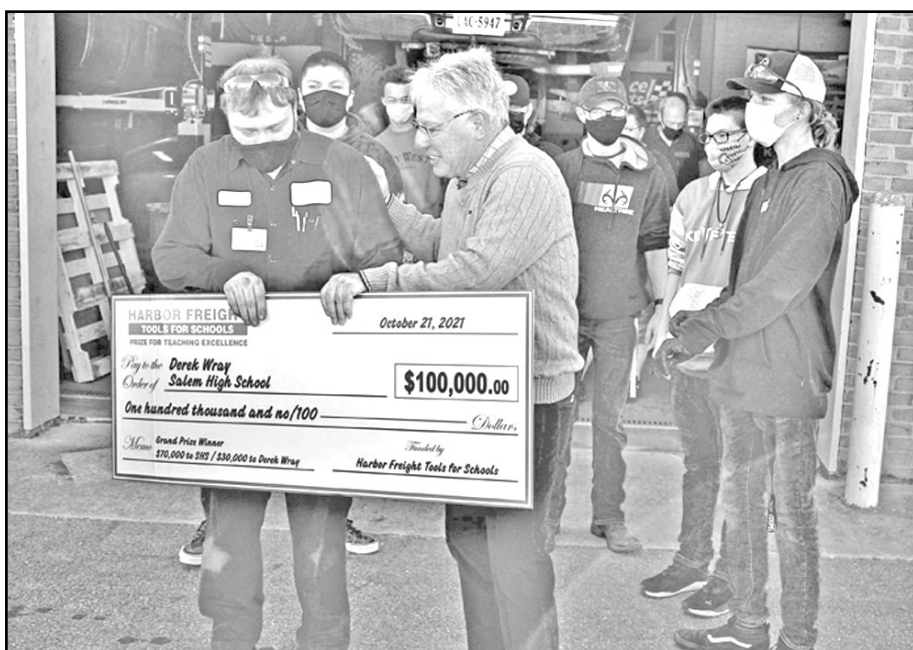
"Farmers are often willing to donate their excess product, but it's not free,"

Mandes explained. "We'd love to see the farming community plant extra crops in advance, where a percentage goes to food banks."

Healthy Harvest Food Bank's agricultural gleaning program reaches up to 60,000 individuals annually through an extended distribution partnership with Feed More, Virginia Peninsula Food Bank, Blue Ridge Area Food Bank and Food Bank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore. Each year, the organization saves 450,000 to 650,000 pounds of fresh produce from being plowed under.

Submitted by
Katie Mandes

Salem High School educator earns Harbor Freight prize for excellence Derek Wray is one of three grand prize winners out of more than 700 applicants



Bob Kilmer, Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Education Advisor, presenting the \$100k check to Derek Wray.

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There are thousands of educators across the country teaching auto diesel and technology on the high school level. Three of them, Jeffrey Bertke of Pique, Ohio; Scott Burke of Lakewood, Colorado, and Salem High School's own Derek Wray, recently won the Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Prize for Teaching Excellence Award for \$100,000.

Eric Smidt is the founder of Harbor Freight Tools. In 2017, he started the Schools Prize for Teaching Excellence program to recognize teachers who inspire students to learn skilled trades that will prepare them for life after graduation.

This year's grand prize attracted more than 700 applications from all but one state and included three rounds of judging, each by an independent panel of experts from education, industry, trades, philanthropy and civic leadership.

In his prize application, Wray wrote, "I feel like if I can do right by my students and give them the most up to date training and the most professional and personal education that I can, then the results will be measured by their employment and their successes in their own

careers. It also can be measured by the fact that companies will hire my students again and again, so we can repeat the process year after year."

On October 28, Wray was presented with a check during a surprise ceremony on the campus. Wray's high school skilled trades program received \$70,000, while Wray received \$30,000 for the occasion were city council members, board members, students and various school officials.

To say that Wray was surprised would be an understatement. "I am still stunned and in disbelief. I knew something was going on when the bay door went up and I saw all of those people, but this is more than I could have imagined," he said.

During the ceremony, Bob Kilmer, Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Education Advisor, provided some remarks, stating, "High school skilled trades teachers and their programs are an essential part of addressing the skilled trades worker shortage. These dedicated educators make a huge difference in the lives of young people every day, setting them on a course for a meaningful career and to make a difference in their community."

The advisory board that Wray assembled for his class consists of direc-

tors, shop owners, managers, technicians, former students and administrators from the school. In addition to guiding the training program, the advisory board also shapes that curriculum so Wray can educate his students on the most relevant and necessary information.

This year, two of Wray's students registered for post-secondary technical training at an automotive and diesel school, five students are working at apprenticeships at independent repair facilities and two students currently work as apprentices at car dealerships.

Prior to getting an unexpected call from the then-school principal 17 years ago which led to his employment at Salem High, Wray worked as the foreman at an independent repair shop. Five years ago, he was named the Salem School Division's Overall Teacher of the Year.

Never in his wildest dreams did Wray think he would earn such a prestigious honor. I am optimistic, he said, that the program can use some of the money to acquire a Tesla so students can learn more about electric vehicles. "This is tremendously humbling," he added.



Ivy Pressendo, Manager of School Partnerships and Scholarships for TechForce Foundation, congratulating Wray on his accomplishment.



City of Salem School officials were present during the surprise ceremony. Left to right across, Bridget Nelson - assistant principal, Sara Epperly - assistant principal, Curtis Hicks - superintendent, Andy Raines - school board member, Derek Wray - \$100,000 winner and Artice Ledbetter - school board vice-chair. Left to right kneeling, Jeff Bird - assistant principal, Jamie Soltis - assistant superintendent and Scott Habeeb - principal.



Ivy Pressendo and Bob Kilmer with Derek Wray and some of his current students.

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OPINION

When it is Darkest by Rory O'Connor

It is a common and harmful misconception that talking about suicide might 'plant the idea'. Here, Rory O'Connor, author of *When It Is Darkest: Why People Die by Suicide and What We Can Do to Prevent It*, explains why that's not the case – and offers tips for speaking about it to loved ones, should you ever need to.

I recently took part in the British DJ Roman Kemp's BBC documentary *Our Silent Emergency* on mental health and suicide prevention, which saw Roman travel up and down the country, meeting people who have been suicidal or lost a loved one to suicide, as well as speaking to those working at the frontline, supporting people in crisis. The program was personal for Roman, as he was trying to come to terms with the death by suicide of Joe, one of his closest friends. He also talked movingly about his own mental health struggles, and came to Glasgow to meet me to try to make sense of the tragedy of suicide.

In the film, Roman met a group of young people whose mantra, when it comes to discussing suicide, is 'Always ask twice'. This is

such a brilliant message, as it is so easy to simply say 'I'm fine' when asked 'Are you okay?' on the first occasion, but it is much more difficult to dismiss if you are asked 'Are you really okay?' a second time. Asking twice transcends a specific and harmful myth related to suicide: that asking a friend or family member about suicide plants the idea in someone's head.

I know, from 25 years of working in suicide research and prevention, that this is a widely held myth, still today. So, let's be crystal clear: asking someone whether they have thoughts of suicide does not plant the idea into their head. Rather, it could be the start of a life-saving conversation that gets them the help or support that they need.

Of course, asking the question is scary, and our biggest fear is that the answer comes back as yes. In my experience, as long as we ask the question sensitively and respond with compassion, we will not do any harm. Indeed, often the person feels an incredible sense of relief that someone has noticed that they are struggling.

Something I believe firmly is something I said both in the film and in my

book: that suicide is preventable right up until the final moment. This is such an important message, because the reality is that suicide is never inevitable, and although it can be so difficult to see a time when their mental pain will end when someone is in the depths of despair, it can and will end.

My heart breaks, however, for the 800,000 people across the globe each year whose pain becomes so overwhelming that suicide is their permanent means of ending their pain. If you are struggling, please try to hold on to life, as thoughts of suicide come in waves of intensity, which means that they do dissipate, becoming more manageable with time. Also, there is support out there, so please reach out. In *When It Is Darkest*, drawing upon people's real-life stories as well as the latest research evidence, I try to convey the waxing and waning nature of suicidal thoughts and the pathways to suicide.

If you are concerned about a friend's or a family member's wellbeing, I'd really encourage you to ask someone directly about suicide. This is especially important if they are talking about feeling trapped,

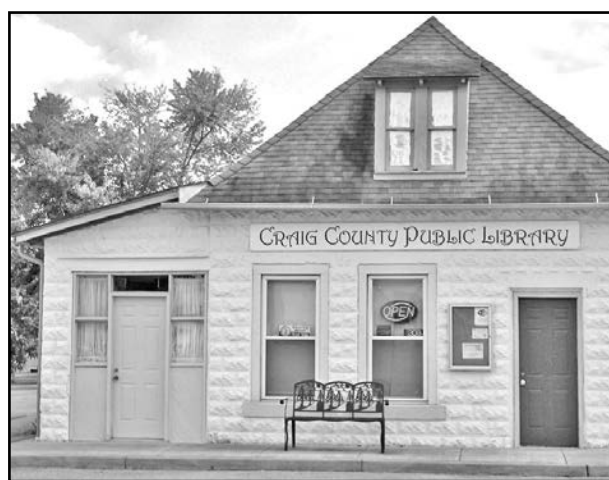
defeated or a burden to others – as these are warning signs for suicide.

Here are a few tips which I discuss in the book which may be helpful to bear in mind when asking about suicide:

- Try not respond with shock, or disbelief and try not to minimize how they are feeling if they disclose suicidal thoughts or feelings. People who are suicidal often conceal their pain and feel a sense of shame, so anything we can do to help them to feel more connected, valued and less stigmatized could be life-affirming.

- You don't need to solve their problems; simply listening and showing compassion can be so important and containing. It is also worth remembering that recognizing their pain, validating how they are feeling and acknowledging that it must be difficult for them can be so powerful.

- If they do disclose that they have thoughts of ending their life, consider asking them if they are able to keep themselves safe and encourage them to seek help, perhaps from a professional if they are in acute distress. (If not, ask them to contact their GP or if it is okay for you to do



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The Craig County Public Library is at 303 Main Street.

so – and if the person is at imminent risk of suicide, don't hesitate to contact the emergency services.)

Finally, I have lost count of the number of people I've met who have asked the 'Big S' question ('Are you thinking of suicide?'), and despite being reticent to do so at the time, are now convinced that if they had not, their loved one would be dead.

So, please reach in. If you are concerned about a loved one, ask them directly whether they are having thoughts of suicide; it genuinely could save their life. But also, please look after yourself and your own mental health; we cannot support others if we don't

take care of ourselves.

Library News:
November 6, Saturday 10-3, Swap Day at the Library. Theme is Holiday Decorations and Winter Warmth. Bring items to give away or come and take what you need. There will be a book give away also on that day.

Nex Trex Recycling Challenge - Oct 15 through April 15. Email the library at craiglibrary@swva.net to join the recycling challenge team. Otherwise bring clean and dry grocery bags, bread bags, and bubble wrap to the Swap-Day on Nov 6 for the team to collect. Thank you!

Library Board Meeting: Nov. 8 at 6 pm @ Library

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Vaccines for ages 5-11

Last week the Food and Drug Administration approved a COVID-19 vaccine for children ages 5-11 years old. At the time of writing this column, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) will meet soon to consider this recommendation. If the ACIP and the director of the Centers for Disease Control recommend this vaccine, parents may be able to get their children vaccinated later this week. Here are a few common questions that parents may have about the vaccine:

Dr. Cynthia Morrow
Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts Health Director

IF COVID-19 DISEASE IS LESS SEVERE IN CHILDREN, WHY SHOULD I GET MY CHILD VACCINATED?

Even though children are far less likely to become severely ill with COVID than adults, in the United States, over six million cases of COVID have been reported in children, almost 70,000 children have

been hospitalized, over 5000 children have developed multi-system inflammatory syndrome, and approximately 800 children have died from COVID-19 so far during the pandemic. Furthermore, children can spread the disease to friends and family.

IS THE COVID VACCINE FOR CHILDREN AGED 5-11 YEARS THE SAME DOSAGE AS THE COVID VACCINE FOR ADULTS?

No. Only a third of the adult dose was needed to generate the same antibody response as in

adults. Younger children will be getting this smaller dose delivered via smaller needles for smaller arms. Side effects are no different than in adults. Like other eligible groups, younger children will need to receive two doses of the vaccine 21 days apart to be considered fully vaccinated.

WHERE CAN MY CHILD GO TO RECEIVE A COVID-19 VACCINE?

The rollout for children will largely be through our Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts' (RCAHD) Community Vaccination Center at Valley View Mall. They will provide COVID-19 vaccine to children ages 5 to 11 by appointment only to start. We hope to offer walk-in vaccinations as soon as feasible. In addition, some pediatric and family medicine prac-

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Campus community pays tribute to Buriak

Dozens of American flags flapped in the brisk autumn breeze the afternoon of October 26 on the campus on Roanoke College, as people came out in droves to pay tribute to Naval Air Crewman 2nd Class James P. Buriak '12. Buriak died Aug. 31 in the crash of an MH-60S U.S. Navy helicopter embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln. The helicopter crashed into the sea while conducting routine flight operations off the coast of San Diego.

Members of the campus community gathered at multiple spots on campus as a motorcade returned Buriak's body to Salem. People also gathered near the Cregger Center as the motorcade arrived on campus and others stood at the intersection of Market and Clay streets as the motorcade passed by. Virginia State Police led the motorcade, assisted by the Salem Fire Department, Roanoke College Campus Safety and Salem Police.

The Buriak family invites the community to a gathering to remember and honor Buriak. It was held on Saturday, Oct. 30, at 1 p.m. at Olin Hall Courtyard with a time of remembrance and thanksgiving at 1:30 p.m. Drinks and small bites were provided until 4 p.m.

Buriak was a 2012 graduate of Roanoke College and the son of Jim Buriak, who retired earlier this year as athletic trainer and associate professor of health and human performance. AWS Buriak, a graduate of Salem High School who majored in sports management at Roanoke, was 31.

Buriak is survived by his wife, Megan, and young son, Caulder, as well as his parents, Jim and Carol Buriak, and his sister, Laura, and brother-in-law, Erik Zickefoose. A fundraiser has been created to support his wife and son during this tragic loss.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Submitted by Roanoke College As the motorcade passed through Market and Clay Streets, members of the Salem community and beyond gathered to pay their tributes to James Buriak.

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tion cost (based off of established tables)

- Potential cost – due to covid and lack of supplies, there is a significant increase, as much as 30 percent

- Davis Bacon Act - related to wages specifically for people who work in the electrical trade

"If you take the normal cost, add 30 percent for the Covid, another 15 percent for Davis Act, then add contingencies (the average is to add 15 percent for unknown expenses that may occur and 25 percent for soft costs such as administrative fees), you will get the estimate. However, if we wait until 2022, there could be another 5 percent increase," Foster explained. "With all these numbers, an informed decision could be made."

He explained the proposals for each project which includes potential costs associated with COVID-19, inflation and unknown expenses;

- Auditorium – Remove and replace existing HVAC rooftop unit and HVAC control system. Remove and replace the existing seating, remove and replace flooring finishings, paint wall and ceiling surfaces, and remove and replace materials on the front of the stage. Estimated cost: \$310,000 to \$662,000

- Gymnasium – Remove and replace existing heating and ventilation system and HVAC

control system. Include air conditioning in the new system. Temporarily remove bleachers, remove existing deteriorated rubber flooring, clean and paint all wall, ceiling and exposed roof structure, install new maple sports flooring including ADA accessible transition and re-install bleachers. Estimated cost: \$572,000 to \$1,220,000

- Locker Rooms – Remove and replace existing heating, ventilation system and HVAC control system. Make alternations to the layout of the locker rooms, showers and toilets for improved visibility, accessibility, social distancing and privacy. Replace lockers. Estimated cost: \$256,000 to \$546,000

- Media Center/ Library – Remove and replace existing HVAC rooftop unit and HVAC control system. Estimated cost: \$50,000 to \$107,000

- Cafeteria and Kitchen – Remove and replace the existing HVAC rooftop units and HVAC control system. Estimated cost: \$126,000 to \$269,000

- Nurses Clinic and waiting room – Remove and replace the previously added partition walls in clinic waiting room. Replace associated electrical elements in walls. Add separate HVAC rooftop unit to serve only the clinic and waiting room. Replace HVAC in CCHS administrative area. Estimated cost: \$106,000

to \$227,000

In speaking with the architects at Thompson and Litton, Foster explained that they propose to group the projects together by trade, in order to maximize the efficiency of the work and to minimize costs.

Therefore, it is suggested to group together the HVAC projects, the auditorium, gymnasium, media center/library and the cafeteria/kitchen and in a second group, the auditorium, gymnasium, locker rooms, nurses clinic and waiting room.

Foster gave the example that a crane will have to be used to install the HVAC roof systems.

"Therefore, if we only have to use one crane for the four systems, we can save money," he said.

Foster explained to move forward, they have to have completed architectural diagrams for each project, so they can obtain accurate biddings.

- Project 1 – HVAC improvements at CCMS/CCHS: Construction documents for bidding and construction purposes including drawings and specifications, construction contract bidding and award and construction contract administration. Fee: \$79,140

- Project 2 – Alterations and renovations: Construction documents, price analysis, construction contract administration and

construction details and specifications for pricing and construction by local Va. Department of General Services (DGS) Job Order Contract (JOC) contractor. Fee: \$79,370. Note: JOC contractors must follow certain pricing and procurement procedures to help keep costs low

The projected timeline for the projects are:

- October 12: School Board approval for Thompson & Litton as architect and project manager, and provide construction documents, contract bidding and award, construction contract administration.
- 1- HVAC improvements (auditorium, gymnasium, media center, cafeteria CCHS administration area) \$79,140 for design and administration.
- 2- Renovations (auditorium, gymnasium, locker rooms, and nurses clinic) \$79,370. for design and administration

- October 2021: Purchase orders and contract documents are signed

- April 2022: 180-day deadline for T & L to have documents prepared for bidding. This assumes timely reviews and responses by CCPS

- May 2022: Bids secured for construction

- June 2022: Renovations and construction begin

"If we do not do this, then it will have to be extended into the

future and then we would have to start from scratch," Foster said. "We already have T & L and the main component of the project."

He noted that they are not committing to a contractor to do the work yet.

Foster explained they could then start the projects under way and the major reasoning for using T&L is because they are familiar in working with schools.

"In every discussion I have had, it has been about how we can make this efficient for the school system and how can we save the school system some money, so they are trying to work with us, knowing that we are small, and we do not have a lot of staff to be able to do addition tasks," Foster said. "They are working hard for us and what they will give us is a good product."

"Many contractors work with huge school divisions with much greater budgets than ours," Warwick added. "They are currently working with Radford City schools and have completed other work for us previously."

Warwick also noted that McCleary's HVAC are almost new.

The Board discussed the options and verified Foster's reported facts and approved T & L.

The Board is excited about the projects being in motion.

Vaccines from page 4

tices and pharmacies will also have vaccine available for children in this age group.

Appointments will not be available for this age group until the vaccine is authorized by the CDC. Families are encouraged to first contact their child's medical provider for an appointment. Providers will also be found through vaccinate.virginia.gov or by calling 877-VAX-IN-VA. Locally individuals call our hotline with any questions: 540-613-6597.

MY CHILD IS AFRAID OF NEEDLES AND GETTING VAC-

CINES CAN BE AN ORDEAL. IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO TO CALM THEM AHEAD OF GETTING THEIR SHOT?

One idea is to practice at home with pretend shots and say, "It will hurt a little bit but then it will be all better. Let's put a Band-Aid on it!" Prepare them that nurses and staff will likely wear masks and maybe face shields.

We encourage all parents to consider getting their children vaccinated as soon as they are eligible to be vaccinated. Over the past nine months, we have seen that COVID-19 vac-

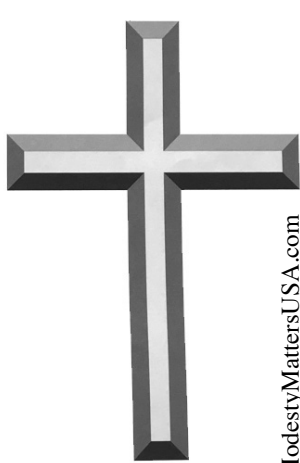
cines are safe and effective. By vaccinating our children, we are protecting their health and the health of our community. As the holidays approach, what a wonderful gift we have to be thankful for!

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SCC encourages Virginians to prepare for shopping for health insurance during open enrollment

Virginia consumers will soon have an opportunity to shop for health care coverage for the 2022 plan year through HealthCare.gov. Virginians can shop for insurance on the website during open enrollment, which runs November 1, 2021, through January 15, 2022. Special enrollment periods are also available for people who experience certain qualifying life events.

Visit healthcare.gov/glossary/special-enrollment-period/ to learn more. "For 2022 and 2023, Virginia consumers will continue to shop for health care coverage on HealthCare.gov, the federal health insurance platform," said Victoria Savoy, director of the Virginia Health Benefit Exchange (Virginia Exchange). In the meantime, the Virginia Exchange continues its transition toward becoming operational as a state-based exchange after plan year 2023.

Whether changing health insurance plans or purchasing a new plan, the SCC encourages Virginians to review their coverage needs and thoroughly explore all their options. Consumers should understand their health coverage options – whether choosing a plan on the federal health insurance platform during open enrollment or another option elsewhere.

"Not all health plans are created alike, and some are not insurance," said Virginia Insurance Commissioner Scott A. White. He encourages Virginians to fully understand the coverage, costs and protections before signing up for any health plan. "Understand enrollment periods, what plans must cover to comply with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and where to turn for legitimate information. If you have questions, the Bureau of Insurance (Bureau) can help."

Consumer protection laws govern some types of health coverage such as plans purchased through an employer or through the health insurance marketplace.

Other types of plans, like health care sharing ministries and discount plans are not insurance and do not offer the same protections as ACA-compliant plans.

Short-term, limited-duration health insurance plans are not available through the health insurance marketplace, but they are regulated health insurance plans. Short-term plans often cover less than ACA-compliant marketplace plans, may deny eligibility for coverage or exclude services because of pre-existing conditions; they also may apply dollar limits on the amount paid in coverage benefits.

Whether shopping for health insurance on or off the exchange, the Bureau and the Virginia Exchange encourage careful consideration of the health care services you and your family will need prior to signing up for any plan. Questions that you should consider include:

Does the plan cover the services my family needs or are there limits to the benefits available under the plan?

Are doctors and medications my family needs covered by the plan?

What are the monthly premiums and other costs of using health services such as co-pays, co-insurance and deductibles?

During open enrollment, consumers should keep the following in mind:

In Virginia, HealthCare.gov is the official website to enroll in ACA plans. (Español: cuidadodesalud.gov/es/).

Although you don't have to use HealthCare.gov to enroll in an ACA plan, you must enroll through HealthCare.gov to receive financial assistance.

The open enrollment period for buying a 2022 ACA plan (whether through HealthCare.gov or outside HealthCare.gov) begins November 1, 2021, and ends January 15, 2022.

Look for a disclosure indicating whether the health plan complies with the ACA.

Do not provide personal information or send money in response to unsolicited calls or emails purporting to offer health care plans or assistance.

Members of the health insurance marketplace will not call to sell you health insurance. Be wary of telemarketers cold calling you from the "marketplace," "national enrollment center," "national healthcare center" or other official-sounding name to sell you health insurance, especially outside the open enrollment period.

To verify that an insurance agent, agency or company is licensed in Virginia, visit the Bureau's website at scc.virginia.gov/boi/ConsumerInquiry/default.aspx.

For free help understanding your options, find an application assistant or a healthcare navigator at coverva.org/en/find-help-in-your-area (Español: coverva.org/es/find-help-in-your-area).

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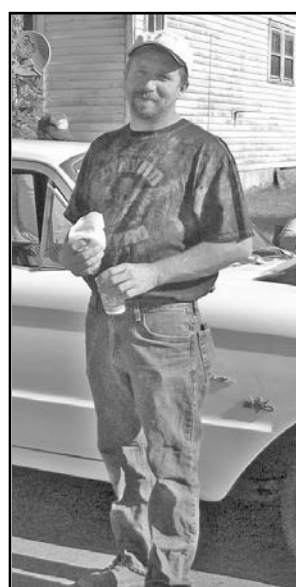
OBITUARY

Rieley, Michael Wayne

Michael Wayne Rieley, 55, of New Castle peacefully passed away on Sunday, October 24.

Michael was preceded in death by his grandparents, Betty and Leonard Bartlett; and his stepson, Whitney Huffman.

Those left to cherish Michael's memory are his mother, Brenda Welch (Harry); his sisters, Sonya Paxton (Charlie) and Tammy Booth (Mark); brothers, Benjamin Welch and Jack Welch (Donna); his nephew, Mike Crawford (Ashley) and Travis Welch; his



nieces, Madison Paxton, Megan Welch, Kristin Foster, and Laura Wright; his step-daughter, Miranda Huffman; his best friend since childhood, Wayne Kendall; special friend Debbie Mayo; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were held on Friday, October 29, at Paitzel Funeral Home. Visitation began at 6 p.m. and memorial service began at 7 p.m.

Arrangements made by Valley Funeral Home of Roanoke, Virginia, 540-562-1182.

Derby

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so big in everything you do with these derbies! I'll always be your biggest fan! I love you. Ohio, here we come, I guess."

Sammy Huffman said, "Yeah buddy! You've come a long-long ways since that little fart that would aggravate the dickens out of me and Scott working on our derby cars, to the little fart that left the wagon in neutral to keep me stuck to the Cheese that I know now. Wish I could still run with you, but I can say some of the best times I've had have been working on and destroying cars with you, old buddy."

Bub Ponton responded, "Congratulations, buddy on a great year! I have always enjoyed

watching ya run! You have always been very passionate about it and always helped everyone else also. I am thankful for your friendship buddy. You're like a brother to me. Thanks for always letting me tag along for all the years and raising me during the summers!! Love ya buddy. Well-deserved champion!"

Brad Holt added, "Well deserved championship! I appreciate all the help and bruises I've gotten from you. Haha! Always a good time!"

Next year's contest starts in February at the Blue Ridge Bash in Wytheville. Drivers can connect with Price on Facebook or with his Vice President, Josh Meadows.

"This is our first year doing the points, but we wanted to know who the best derby driver in Virginia is," Price said.

"Thanks to Dustin Price for all the great videos that he does and for this nice trophy," Donnie Wayne shared, "I can't wait until the Blue Ridge Bash! February 19 will be here soon. Thanks to all the other drivers and great people that do this sport."

Price concluded, "Thanks to everyone for supporting us drivers always putting on a show. Hopefully in 2022, we can add more derbies to the list to open the championship to more people. Congratulations champions, one heck of a year!"

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Chad "Cheese" McDowell in his Lucky 13 took first place in the Metal Carnage TV 2021 compact car points series. BJ Oliver and Chad McDowell are pictured together.

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Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ014314-06-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Eli Commonwealth v.
Unknown Father
The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Eli Fowler. It is ORDERED that Unknown Father appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

10/18/2021
Jessica Hall
Deputy Clerk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ014314-04-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Eli Commonwealth v.
Fowler, Jerry
The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Eli Fowler. It is ORDERED that Fowler, Jerry appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

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Case No. JJ014314-05-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Eli Commonwealth v.
Linkenhoker, Olivia Sink
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Case No. JJ014315-06-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Nicholi Commonwealth v.
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The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Nicholi Fowler. It is ORDERED that Unknown Father appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

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Legals - Botetourt County

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ014313-03-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Lula O Commonwealth v.
Fowler, Jerry
The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Lula Fowler. It is ORDERED that Fowler, Jerry appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ014313-04-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Lula O Commonwealth v.
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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ014302-04-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Wright, Cooper Solstice Commonwealth of Virginia v.
Martin, Holly Isabella
The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Cooper Wright. It is ORDERED that Martin, Holly Isabella appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

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Legals - Botetourt County

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ014302-05-00
Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Wright, Cooper Solstice Commonwealth v.
Wright Jr, Gary Robert
The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Cooper Wright. It is ORDERED that Wright Jr, Gary Robert appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

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Legals - City of Salem

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
VA. CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104
Case No. CL21-404
Salem Circuit Court 2 E. Calhoun Street, Salem, VA 24153
Isaias Rosa da Silva v.
Victoria Nichole Davis
The object of this suit is to: Obtain a divorce
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October 4, 2021
Stacy L. Owen
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Legals - Montgomery County

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ004795-06-00
Floyd County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Floyd County DSS v.
Christian Knode
The object of this suit is to: Terminate the residual parental rights of Christian Knode, legal parent of Gabriel Knode a minor, in that said parent has, without good cause, failed to correct the conditions which resulted in the child entering foster care and it is not reasonably likely that they will be able to do so in a reasonable amount of time, failed to maintain continuing contact with the child and substantially plan for the child's future. Residual parental rights include, but are not limited to the right to visitation, consent to adoption, the right to determine religious affiliation, and the responsibility for support. The termination of your residual parental rights will permanently end all of your rights and responsibilities to the child named in the petition. It is ORDERED that Christian Knode appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before December 6, 2021.

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ROCKETS WILL FINISH THE REGULAR SEASON WITH TWO FOOTBALL GAMES ON THE ROAD



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Jon Hutchinson leads the blocking as Dylan Crawford carries the ball.



Brayden Frango is ready to take the snap from Jon Hutchinson.

The Craig County football team will be trying to make the Virginia High School League Region 1C playoffs this week as they wrap up the regular season with two games on the road. The Rockets were scheduled to play at Bath County on Tuesday, and they go to Covington on Friday.

Coming into the week Craig County held the ninth spot in the region rankings with the top eight making the playoffs. Tuesday's results were too late for publication, but

Craig was favored against 0-7 Bath, the 12th ranked team. Then it will be off to Covington Friday to take on the seventh ranked Cougars at Casey Field. If Craig can sweep the two games this week they should be in.

"It will be tight, but I'm pretty sure we'd be in if we win them both," said coach Jim Fisher. "I know we have to win them both to have a chance."

The Rockets came into the week at 3-5 after splitting two games last week, defeating Montcalm but

falling to Narrows. The Rockets jumped out to a 28-0 halftime lead against Montcalm and won going away, 40-8.

The Rocket defense looked good most of the night, holding Montcalm to 93 total yards. The Generals gained 80 of their 93 yards on one third quarter drive, twice converting on fourth and long to keep their only sustained drive alive.

Craig's defense was led by Dylan Crawford with 11 tackles, including a sack and two tackles for

losses. Cameron Shell also had a big night on defense with nine tackles, including a sack and a tackle for loss.

The Rocket offense was rolling in the ground game against Montcalm. The hometown boys ran 47 times for 386 yards. Crawford led the way on offense as well with 202 yards on 17 carries with scoring runs of 55 yards, 20 yards and seven yards. Brayden Frango had 66 yards on 10 carries with two touchdowns and he also scored a pair of two-

point conversions. Zach "Pudgie Train" Peters had 67 yards on eight carries and Trevyn Francisco added 22 yards on three carries, including a five yard touchdown run.

Last Friday at home Narrows, the sixth ranked team in Region 1C, took a 38-6 win over the host Rockets. Craig had a tough time scoring in the red zone as the Rockets fell to 3-5 on the season.

"We had trouble getting in the end zone," said Fisher.

Crawford led Craig

with 77 yards rushing and had another good game on defense. The Craig touchdown came on an eight yard pass from Peters to Frango in the fourth quarter.

This week's Tuesday game at Bath is a make-up game. The Chargers cancelled on short notice prior to the October 22nd date.

"I hated to miss that Friday at Bath," said Fisher. "It was the first time we had everyone available and nearly 100 percent."



Mason Huffman picks up yards for the Rockets.



Matthew Lucas is open for a pass.

VOLLEYBALL SEASON ENDS WITH LOSS IN TOURNAMENT

The Craig County volleyball season came to end last week when the Rockets lost to Covington in the Pioneer District tournament. The host Cougars took a three set win in Covington.

The Craig girls gave

a strong effort before coming out on the short end of a 25-19, 25-13, 25-20 score. Covington would go on to make the Pioneer District championship game and lose to Narrows in four sets.

Kaylee Stroop finished her last game with

19 assists, five kills, four blocks and eight digs. Hannah Caldwell had 10 kills, five blocks and four digs in the loss to Covington while Annabelle Gregory had two kills, two aces and 25 digs. Kylee Clifton had five kills, a block, a pair

of aces and 10 digs, Jennifer Fitzpatrick had two kills and six digs and Lily Hutchison had two blocks.

"The girls gave it all they had," said coach Suzanne Crawford. "The seniors played hard and we played well.

They played hard, smart and all heart and as a coach that's all you can ask for."

This was Suzanne's first season as head varsity coach for the Rockets.

"Congratulations to these ladies for their

hard work," said Crawford. "This was an amazing first year as varsity coach and I am going to miss these seniors terribly. However, I do look forward to building a strong program and know we have the ability to do that."

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The Craig County girls huddle around coach Suzanne Crawford during a timeout.

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