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School Board readying for new school year

Pam Dudding
 Contributing writer

With summer almost over and the new school year just around the corner, the Craig County School Board has worked diligently through the summer to get things done.

At their June meeting, music teacher Alyssa Schulke and her student Jordyn Price played and sang Wagon Wheel.

Superintendent Jeanette Warwick shared, "We love to showcase the talent of our students! What a great way to open our School Board meeting."

Three Craig students partici-

pated in the Blue Ridge Regional Art Show that is sponsored by the Virginia School Board Association. The Art teachers from each school pick one student to go Regional. They were: McCleary - Maggie Underwood in 5th; Middle - Carson Mabes - 7th grade; and high school was Callie Musselwhite in 10th grade.

They were proud to announce that Carson Mabes also placed third in the Blue Ridge region.

"Her artwork will be displayed this next year in our school board office," Warwick said. "I want to thank Mrs. Frazier and Ms. Lance who were the teachers and have done an outstanding job with

these students."

The School Board wishes to appoint a student representative to sit on the School Board. The principal will recommend two students and one will be elected. They plan to meet with the high School classes and explain the role before receiving applications from the students.

The Board voted on an Annual Agreement they submit to the Virginia High School League, of whether to give permission to play on a Sunday in emergency situations, such as games being canceled, rained out, etc., espe-



PHOTO BY PAM DUDDING
 Music teacher Alyssa Schulke and one of her students, Jordyn Price, played and sang Wagon Wheel to begin the monthly school board meeting.

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PHOTO BY ALEXANDER SHEDD

The newly completed traffic circle at Hanging Rock.

Businesses relieved as Hanging Rock traffic circle opens

- Drivers should still expect nighttime lane closures for final touches -

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Construction is finally wrapping up on the new traffic circle at the intersection of Routes 311 and 419 at Hanging Rock. While some lanes are still being finished, the traffic circle is now open for regular commuters.

"It was a huge pain in the neck," said Mona, an associate at the Hanging Rock Xpress Stop. "Business was slow... but it's picked back up since the circle opened."

The intersection sees major daily traffic as part of the regular commute for those coming to and from Craig County. VDOT estimates that approximately 14,000 vehicles use this intersection every day. The addition of the large traffic circle has been difficult to adjust to for some.

"People don't know how to use the traffic circle," Mona added, gesturing toward the VDOT crews still finishing their work in the heat. "They go in the wrong way... how can you not see the 'Do Not Enter' signs?"

"It hit us big," commented Orange Market's Bob Pinnell. Referring to the market's

full parking lot, he continued, "See these cars? There'd only be maybe two out there during the construction. Gas was hit hard too. It was rough... Coming from [the direction of the Hanging Rock Battlefield Monument], it's the difference of ten minutes to two minutes."

VDOT previously stated that the goal of the project was to "construct a roundabout that will enhance safety, improve traffic flow and cost less to build and maintain. The project will also improve and resurface the nearby park and ride lot, add paved shoulders for bicycle use and pedestrian crosswalks to connect to the Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail." VDOT has also added on the official webpage for the project that, although the circle is now open, "drivers should still expect nighttime lane closures with flaggers between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday around the roundabout for final paving, pavement marking and sign installation."

The \$2.4 million dollar contract for the project was awarded to Roanoke contractor E.C. Pace in February.

Perkey's pop-up market a huge success



Dawn Perkey and her husband David were excited to open their parking lot to their first Pop-up market which brought in several vendors. Perkey sold out of her homemade items quickly.

Pam Dudding
 Contributing writer

Few people know just how much talent is in Craig County. When the Artisan Center was open, they were able to help us see just how many crafters and artists we are blessed with.

Dawn Perkey and her husband David recently purchased the old JC's Depot building across from the fairgrounds. Though their business, Lemon and Vale Bakery, is not yet ready to open its doors, they have met many other crafters in Craig.

Therefore, they chose to have a "Pop-up market" to share their parking lot with and invite them to sell their wares as they sold their baked items.

As Dawn and David opened their parking lot to the other vendors, they were surprised to receive such a grand turnout.

Perkey's first Pop-up Market on Saturday, July 9, brought people in from the time the vendors were set up. She collaborated with some incredibly talented local artisans, who had beautiful handmade items to sell and were delighted to participate.

"We were beyond pleased with the turnout," Dawn shared. "I saw many familiar faces, had great conversations about the bakery to be and met a lot of locals I had not met before as well as others that visited from Botetourt, Roanoke and as far as Rocky Mount and Alleghany County!"

"David and I thought it was such a great idea and opportuni-



Nicole Zimmerman, Mountain Hokie Artist, showed her talent in her beautiful quilts and other items she had for sale.



PHOTOS BY PAM DUDDING
 Karen Brickey hand makes beautiful cards, small purses for gift cards and accessories as well as creative recipe books.

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Paint Bank FD revives 4th fundraiser

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

Many people in small towns rely on annual functions to bring joy and social activity to their communities. The Paint Bank Fire Department was able to bring back their annual July 4 dinner and fundraiser this year and people “came out of the woodwork to attend.”

When volunteers were asked at 11:30 how things were going, there was a little disappointment in the air, as not many people had shown up for their dinner and auction.

However, by the time noon came, there were so many people standing in the dinner line that they were afraid they would run out. (One lady noted though that they had prayed over it, so God would multiply, and He did as everyone was served and even got to purchase the things left over.)

The dinner consisted of either ham or fried chicken, two sides, a roll and a drink. Many of us purchased additional sides, as there were so many delicious choices to choose from.

Volunteer Tammy Hale shared that this was the first 4th dinner since the pandemic, adding, “We use the

funds from this for daily operations for the year such as electric, phone and internet, heating oil, repairs, fuel for vehicles and general expenses, food and drinks for extended fire calls.”

She shared that they planned the event before gas prices went so high. “We really thought it being a long weekend most people would go out of town,” Hale said.

Their chicken and ham was cooked at a local deli in Union and the rest of the food was donated by members and the community.

“They do an awesome job and are great cooks!” Hale exclaimed.

When it was time for the auction, it seemed that the little trailer that held their donations had an endless supply.

“Some businesses gave, but a lot of the ones who donated in the past have closed. Again, members and the community stepped up donating for our cause,” Hale noted.

Hale shared, “The best part of the entire day was the people. Without their support we could not do this. People just step right in and help us where needed.”

Tallying the money they raised takes a couple of weeks. The department felt,

however, that this year’s “may top the charts” from previous events of \$8000.

This year they had three raffles, the dinner, auction and donations. They are looking to spend the money to buy new extrication tools.

When asked what their current needs are, they quickly replied, “People.”

“We need more members so the EMTs and firefighters are not doing two to three different jobs,” they said. “We need people on the administrative end, building upkeep, and vehicle maintenance.”

They noted that this is a national problem too in paid and volunteer areas.

“We wish to thank the community, businesses from Craig, Alleghany, and Roanoke counties, our community, and all those that came to visit us on the 4th!” they shared.

Hale added, “This year’s crowd was the biggest I have seen since being a member in 30 plus years. Also, people have been so gracious to us in the past two years in donations, that we are financially stable and able to pay our expenses, though fire and rescue equipment is rather expensive.”

“We extend a big ‘Thank you’ to everyone!” they added.



The Paint Bank Volunteer Fire Department was elated to bring back their annual 4th of July dinner and auction. The line continued for over an hour as people stopped by to buy their delicious dinner. There were so many options, it became difficult to choose, so many of us bought extras!



PHOTOS BY PAM DIDDING

The PBVFD relies on their annual auction to help offset their expenses at the Fire Dept. This year, they were overwhelmed with donations from the community and businesses near and far who helped to make this year’s fundraiser a “record” for their books.

Green Hill Highland Games return to Roanoke Valley

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The Green Hill Highland games, an annual celebration of Scots-Irish Celtic culture which includes traditional highland athletics and music, will return to the Roanoke Valley for its 12th year after taking two years off due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The festival will take place all day on August 27 at Green Hill Park in Salem.

“It’s free to the public,” noted Chad Clark, the volunteer organizer of the event through Roanoke County Parks & Recreation. Clark took over organizing the event in its third year and has seen it grow from a small athletic event into a rich cultural festival with over 4,000 people in attendance at its last date in 2019.

“One big misconception that some people make is that, although my background is in athletics, one thing I try to push at the festival is the music side,” said Clark.

“We have a great Celtic rock band named Syr for the headlining act; we have two pipe-and-drum corps as well—Virginia Highland Pipes & Drums and Shenandoah Pipes & Drums—and we’ll have the local traditional Celtic band Kinfolk performing, as well as Scottish and Irish dancers on the main stage.”

In addition to music, the Green Hill Highland Games will feature around 20 Celtic clan organizations in attendance as well as a number of Celtic-themed vendors. The athletic competitions will include traditional Scottish events including the caber toss, a log-throwing event known far and wide to anyone familiar with highland games; stoneput, an event not unlike Olympic discus or shot put throwing; and the sheaf toss, in which athletes use pitchforks to throw weights over a crossbar, among other events. Additionally, the Roanoke Men’s and Women’s Rugby Clubs



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROANOKE COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION

Virginia Highland Pipes & Drums will perform at the upcoming Green Hill Highland Games.

will be holding competitions.

“I am a huge proponent of women’s sports, of women getting a fair shake, and for me it’s just an absolute honor to have the Roanoke Rugby

Club women’s side out there on the field,” said Clark. “These women are awesome athletes; the dudes better step up their game, because the women have definitely upped the stakes.”

Two athletes attending the games, Jonathan Harding of Pulaski, Va., and Emily Adams of Lynchburg, Va., are top-competing highland games athletes worldwide. “We are very lucky in our region to have the athletes that we do,” Clark com-

mented. “We have two of the best athletes in the world, one male and one female, and they live less than an hour from here.”

Clark, a Roanoke Valley native, is a highland games athlete himself and participates in the event. However, his personal tie to the Highland Games goes much deeper. “It’s my baby,” he said sincerely. “It’s a way for me to give back to my sport, a way for me to give back to my community and the valley... I’ve learned a lot

of lessons the hard way over the years, and when you learn lessons the hard way that’s why it becomes even more your baby. When I first took it over, it was literally just athletics, so from just athletics to 4,000 people, and really seeing your baby grow, you just want it to continue to grow and succeed.”

More information on the upcoming Green Hill Highland Games can be found on their official Facebook page.

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 - Whale ship captain
 - Queen who tested Solomon
 - Good Gosh!
 - A gangster's girlfriend
 - Unstressed-stressed
 - Draw through holes
 - Old Italian monetary units
 - Musical Clapton
 - Ceremonial staff of authority
 - Fabrics of camels or goats
 - A very large body of water
 - Basics

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PUBLIC HEARING

The Craig County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing (which may be continued or adjourned) in the County Courthouse in New Castle, Virginia at 7:00 p.m. on August 4th, 2022 (or as soon thereafter as the matter is heard during the Board of Supervisors meeting) to receive comments on a proposed resolution entitled:

TAX YEAR 2022 (FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023)

The purpose and intent of this notice is to establish tax rates for Tax Year 2022, (Fiscal Year 2022-23), to support and fund the budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

	CURRENT FY 2021-2022	PROPOSED FY 2022-2023
Personal Property	\$ 3.50 per \$100 assessed value	\$ 3.50 per \$100 assessed value

By Order of the Craig County Board of Supervisors

The Commonwealth of Virginia's Official Opry set to perform in Natural Bridge

Submitted by Appalfolks of America Association

The Virginia Opry, the Commonwealth of Virginia's official Opry, will perform "Patsy Meets Elvis at The Virginia Opry" at Natural Bridge Historic Hotel and Conference Center on Fri., Aug. 12, at 7:00 p.m.

Michael Hoover, world champion Elvis tribute artist from Stafford, Va., and Denise Glass, a Patsy Cline tribute artist from Jonesville, Va., will perform the show that is unique in that the show was inspired by the fact that the last photo Patsy Cline added to her photograph album was a photo of Elvis.

Hoover has taken his "Memories of Elvis" trib-

ute show to Mexico, Canada and overseas where he has toured in Nova Scotia, Europe and Japan. He has been a frequent performer on Carnival Cruises, and he performed live concerts for five consecutive days at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta.

He has also shared the stage with such notables as Reba McEntire, Diamond Rio, KC and The Sunshine Band, Chubby Checker, Jerry Lee Lewis, The Jordanares and the late Charlie Daniels.

Glass has performed her "Tribute to Patsy Cline Show" at the Lee Theater in Pennington Gap and at The Historic Masonic Theatre in Clifton Forge.

Combined, Hoover and Glass present memories of both Patsy and Elvis via

sharing renditions of their hit records while weaving a narrative about the two music legends. Both make costume changes during the show and pay tribute to the two stars who died so young.

Both Glass and Hoover and members of Doug Lester's four-piece band that tours with Hoover are members of The Virginia Opry. The show will be held in Washington Hall adjacent to the hotel.

Tickets are \$20 when purchased in advance and \$25 at the door, and groups of 10 or more can purchase discount tickets in advance at \$15 each. The ticket price for children 12 and under is \$10.

Tickets may be purchased online by visiting www.naturalbridgeva.com

which will connect with www.virginiaopry.com or purchase by visiting the Virginia Opry's website directly.

Natural Bridge Historic Hotel and Conference Center is located at 15 Appledore Ln. in Natural Bridge. The telephone number is (540) 291-2121.

WKEY Big Country 103.5 in Covington is the radio home of The Virginia Opry that is based in Clifton Forge, and The Virginia Opry has 57 members and 10 bands. More than 3,000 have attended The Virginia Opry's shows in 2022.

Hunt Brothers Pizza has been a sponsor of numerous shows performed by The Virginia Opry since the country music show



made its debut on Oct. 17, 1992 at The Historic Masonic Theatre that Appalfolks of America Assoc. owned at the time when it was operating as the Historic Stonewall Theatre. Appalfolks donated the

theatre to the Town of Clifton Forge in 2003 after having restored the facility from a twin-cinema to a performing arts center that featured a professional dance studio on the top floor.

Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions (VAPDC) elects new president and Board of Directors

Submitted by the VAPDC

The Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions (VAPDC) elected a new Board of Directors at its annual Summer Conference held July 20-22, 2022 in Staunton.

At its annual business meeting during the conference, Lou Ann Wallace (Cumberland Plateau Planning District Commission) was elected President, and Dwayne Tuggle (Central Virginia Planning District Commission) was elected First Vice President. Also elected were Patrick Mauney (Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional

Commission) as Second Vice President and Kevin Byrd (New River Valley Regional Commission) as Secretary/Treasurer. Allen Kimball (Kim) Callis (Southside Planning District Commission) will serve as Immediate Past President.

Prior to being elected President, Lou Ann Wallace served as First Vice President of the VAPDC Board of Directors. She is a member of the Executive Board of the Cumberland Plateau PDC and also serves on the State Water Control Board.

Dwayne Tuggle is in his third year on the VAPDC Board, having previously

served as director. He has been Mayor of the Town of Amherst since 2016.

Patrick Mauney has been with the Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission for more than 16 years, the last six as Executive Director.

Kevin Byrd was appointed as Executive Director of the New River Valley Regional Commission in 2009 and has served as Secretary/Treasurer of VAPDC since 2010. He also is a Past President of the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO).

Elected as Directors for 2022-2023 were: Josepha Bol-

ling-Thompson, Mount Rogers Planning District Commission; Jennifer Bowles, West Piedmont Planning District Commission; Robert Crum, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission; Brandon Davis, Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission; Deborah Gosney, Southside Planning District Commission; and Jordan Miles, Commonwealth Regional Council.

Planning District Commissions were enabled by state legislation in 1968 and most were established the following year. There are 21 PDCs and Regional Commissions in Virgin-

ia made up of elected officials and citizens appointed by local governments. The purpose of Planning District Commissions is to encourage and facilitate regional solutions to problems of area-wide significance. This is done by promoting the efficient development of the physical, social and economic policies of all districts by assisting local governments to plan for the future. The PDCs of Virginia joined together to create the Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions in 1987 to share best practices and further regionalism across the Commonwealth.

OBITUARY

Crawford, Helen Louise

Helen Louise Crawford of New Castle, born September 15, 1925, went to be with her Lord on July 19, 2022, but lives on in our hearts.

Survived by her two daughters, Linda Oiler (Joe) of New Castle and Nancy Ellett (Rick) of Smith Mountain Lake, three sisters Emma Walton of Richmond, Carula Hodges of Buchanan, Darline Trail (Leo) of Richmond, one brother Carl Booth (Gerri) of Georgia, three grandchildren, Chris Rose (Jessie) of New Castle, Amy Rose Witmer (Phil) of Smith Mountain Lake, and Mary Beth Davis (Rick) of Lynchburg, six great grandchildren, Cooper Rose and Madalyn Rose of New Castle, Brody Witmer of Smith Mountain Lake, Luther Davis, Anthea Davis, and Alfred Davis of Lynch-



burg, numerous cousins, nieces and nephews, local friends and special friends from Berkshire.

Proceeded in death by her husband, Ashby Crawford, and her daughter, Louise Obenchain and son-in-law Percy (Mack) Obenchain, her mother Lilly Pearl Booth, father Alec Booth, sisters Hazel Booth, Earline Hodges, Shirley Atkins, and Virginia Crowder.

Visitation was held Sunday, July 24, 2022, from 2:00 P.M. until 3:00 P.M. at Paitzel Funeral Home, 286 Main Street, New Castle, Virginia, with a service at Paitzel Funeral Home at 3:00 P.M. with Kenny Davis officiating then proceeding to the graveside at Crawford Memorial Cemetery 17 Sage Brush Lane, New Castle, beside Paxton Chapel Church.

VDOT Road Watch

Submitted by VDOT

CRAIG COUNTY (UPDATED 6-24-22) * ROUTE 311 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER MEADOW CREEK - On March 17, temporary signals began to control traffic across the bridge and will be in place throughout the project. Construction will begin on the northbound side of the bridge and once completed, work will switch to the southbound side. In addition, a section of Route 646 (Allen Street) between Route 650 and Route 311 will be closed during construction and a signed detour will be in place. All traffic will be

detoured to Marshall Street and Kanawha Street to access either 311 or the homes located off Allen Street. Speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph in the work zone with a width restriction of 9 feet. Drivers should expect delays and allow extra travel time through the work zone. Weather permitting, the bridge is expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2022.

INTERSTATE 81 (UPDATED 7-22-22) * INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT EXIT 137 TO EXIT 141 - A \$179 million design-

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COUNTY OF CRAIG, VIRGINIA PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to Section 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held by the Craig County Board of Supervisors on the proposed County Budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2022-23 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023). The Public Hearing, which may be continued or adjourned, will be held August 4th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter is heard during the Board of Supervisors meeting at the Craig County Courthouse in New Castle, Virginia.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public review at the County Administrator's Office in the County Administration Building, New Castle, Virginia.

PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT FY 2022-23 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR:

County of Craig	
American Rescue Funds	\$996,637
EMS grant	\$ 63,345
EMS aid to locality funding	\$ 30,000
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Where the Crawdads Sing

Delia Owens took the literary world by storm with her 2018 novel *Where the Crawdads Sing*, and it was little surprise when the book got picked up to be adapted as a movie. *Where the Crawdads Sing* has been playing at local theaters and fans of the book are flocking to the movie. Reese Witherspoon is a producer on the mystery drama after selecting the book for her Hello Sunshine Book Club, and now audiences are about to see the struggles of Marsh Girl Kya play out on the big screen.

Daisy Edgar-Jones stars as Kya Clark, a girl who is forced to grow up early and learn to survive on her own in the North Carolina marsh

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after being abandoned by her parents and siblings. Kya finds herself a suspect in a murder in a strange twist of events.

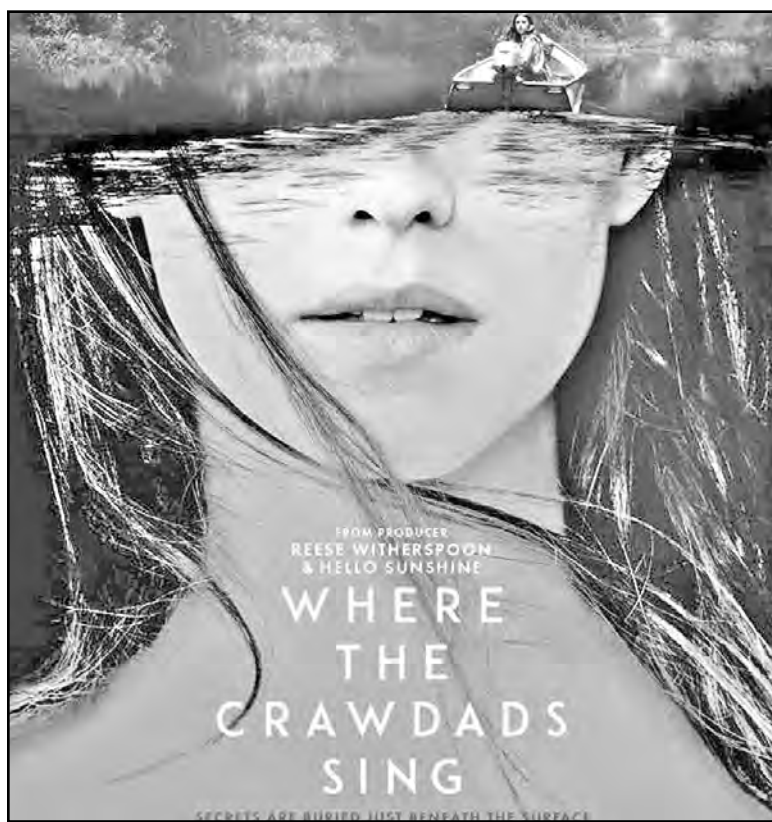
It is a captivating story of human strength and human nature set on the rural coastal South.

If you have not read *Where the Crawdads Sing*, you can check it out at the Craig County Public Library. It makes a great summer read. Then go see the movie. You will know so much more

about the characters after having read the book.

Most people like a book better than its movie counterpart because the movie is never portrayed just as we imagined the book. Sometimes the story changes a little too. But yes, always do go and see the movie anyway, for sometimes it deepens the story and sets it into a different part of our brain with the images we see on the big screen.

Enjoy a summer read by stopping by and getting a book from our collection of thousands. Be sure to ask for the key to the book barn to check out the donated titles reaching from floor to ceiling. The price is right and the reads are priceless.



School Board

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cially tournaments.

“Historically I have brought this to the Board for your input. Up until now, we have not issued permission for that,” Warwick said.

The Board did not want to require students to participate on the team when many go to church or have family functions. If they are on a team, they are required to choose.

Debbie Boitnott shared, “Most games are not played during church hours, but when you are in tournaments, and you get rained out then they can still choose to play or forfeit.”

Athletic Director Su-

san Stimeling shared, “This would be a last-minute decision to be made. We are a church community and appreciate that it is brought to our board. I would want it to be up to the coaches, the team, and parents.”

She noted that at the end of soccer and baseball season, with all the rain, it was very difficult to get all the games in which had been postponed.

Powers asked if it could be requested that if it was an “emergency,” that the game not start until after 1 p.m.

Bellasai also added that there would be no disciplinary action taken then against any student who chose not to

play on a Sunday.

“I personally think that we shouldn’t do it. It opens a door later on to cause a bigger problem. You don’t have to put any child in that spot. We have six other days to make up. I think we can give one day for students to be in the house of the Lord with family. I think it is something we should keep as we are a tight-knit community and we should give the Lord what is His,” member Kevin Altizer said.

Marsden added that even at 1 p.m., for a family to get out of church and try to feed their family before a 1 p.m. game, would be difficult, especially if played out of town.

Warwick repeated that historically, CCPS has not played on Sundays, and it has not caused problems. The Board chose not to adopt Sunday play.

The Board had requested outside Engagement and Exit surveys, which are administered in the fall and spring. Individual survey answers are not shared, only an overview. The cost would be \$8200, annually. There is the possibility of a discount if the company joins in with a consortium.

“It would give us a lot of visibility of finding issues that staff members may have,” Bellasai said. “It is a significant amount but when we consider it is to improve retention, it is worth it.”

Warwick shared that Title II funding can be used for this, however with the members research, and the current exit surveys conducted which go directly to the superintendent in a self-addressed

stamped envelope, the decision was made to keep an anonymous in-house survey and to reject this expensive option.

Warwick will share those with the Board once all are compiled.

Warwick shared the updated plans with no masks and social distancing at this point or contact tracing, which will be placed on the website.

The athletic handbook was updated with VHSL information and Principal Susan Stimeling added that she added a link so that parents could also have that access. Stimeling added that she felt the meetings with parents and coaches to do the updates was very successful and would like to continue that process in the future, adding any other students and parents.

Warwick added that the student handbook was also updated.

“One of the nice things this year is that Ms. Crowder has just received notification that we will be under the eligibility provision which means none of our students will be charged for breakfast or lunch,” Warwick announced. “That is going to be a great benefit to all of our children, pre-K through 12.”

“The community eligibility provision has been available to school systems for a number of years, but we have not qualified before because of our reduced lunch rate, but we now qualify,” she added. “They can get a hot breakfast and lunch every day and not worry if they have the money. However, this

Board has always been very generous as we have never denied a child a meal and found ways to cover the cost.”

Warwick went on to discuss the Code of Conduct guidelines.

“Last year the Virginia Department of Education in school divisions gave us a model to follow based on legislation. It is looking at behaviors, in trying to do teaching and not having students constantly out of school. This handbook is levels of behavior to assist in guiding the principals in directions to take when things occur. This is in line with the DOE conduct and meant to be a guide for administration and parents to understand the different options that could occur if a student has one of these discipline issues.”

She added that now, there is a separate Code of Conduct which helps teachers, staff, administration, and parents to have a very clear understanding of each disciplinary action.

“These are actions we can take before we move to sending students out of school,” Warwick said. “There are some infractions that will warrant an out of school suspension, but the purpose of these policies is to keep kids in school as much as possible.”

The Board still retains the rights to hear appeals of long-term suspensions.

The Board named Trace Bellasai and Faye Powers as their delegate and assistant to attend the meeting in Williamsburg to represent CCPS.

Warwick announced that

Samuel Foster is no longer with CCPS, and Heather Duncan was chosen as the new Superintendent Designee.

Warwick wished to follow up from June’s meeting about the Safety Committee, sharing that she keeps in consistent contact with Sheriff Craddock and in determining a school safety committee, appointed by the school board.

The Board discussed staff representation, parents, formal military personnel and other communities as members of people, to be voted on at the August meeting.

“If we appoint one faculty member or teacher, their job will be to reach out to the others for their input,” Warwick added.

It is listed on the website for parents or others who may be interested.

School safety is being set as a priority and Maintenance director Gills is double checking all entry and exits. Warwick added that drills and crisis plans will be covered again before the students return with teachers and staff. Additional safety ideas have also been discussed.

The decision to have their annual “Load the Bus” event at Food Country was made on Saturday, July 23. Warwick had not yet gotten approval to have one at Wal-Mart in Salem, as they have done in years past; however, she heard later that they could on Saturday, July 30.

Community members are encouraged to attend the August School Board meeting in the school auditorium on August 9 at 5:30 p.m.

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Pop-Up Market from page 1



Timber Ridge Woodworks had exquisitely designed kitchen wares with different woods that he had handmade.

ty to give back to the community," Perkey shared.

Though the weather forecast prevented a few vendors from attending, they still had seven other artisans to join them. There were beautiful items to view and purchase, including handmade quilts and purses, delicately made wooden kitchen items, colorfully decorated cards, creative earrings and jewelry, and of course baked goodies.

"I personally wish I had had more baked goods as I sold out too early, but the weather forecast had me concerned," Dawn shared.

Due to the huge success, they are already planning on another Pop-Up market for Saturday, August 13, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

There is no cost for artisans to participate in the market and they already have added another three to their list for the next one, and looking for more.

If someone is interested in joining, they can message them on their Lemon & Vale Bakery facebook page or email at Lemonandvalebakery@yahoo.com.

"I can't express how grateful we are to the community for their sup-

port. Our goal to provide a space for the Artisans to be seen was far exceeded. It was a busy day, so being able to watch them interacting and conversing about their crafts, hearing how well their day went and to see the excitement and smiles on their faces as well as hearing their gratitude for hosting them means the world to us," they shared. "We value Community over Competition by supporting and lifting one another up. That's what community means to us, and we're humbled to be part of such a wonderful community."



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From the time the Pop-up Market opened, the community swarmed in to enjoy the event. The next one will be held on August 13.

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build project to widen both directions of I-81 between mile markers 136.6 and 141.8 from two to three lanes is set to begin. Starting in February and continuing into the early summer, work will be performed on the inside and outside shoulders along a five mile section of both northbound and southbound Interstate 81 in Roanoke County and the city of Salem. The shoulders will be built up before barrier wall can be installed for road crews to work behind. Barrier wall will be installed along the shoulders in the spring and summer. Two lanes of I-81 traffic in each direction will remain open during the project with periodic lane closures scheduled during nighttime hours or outside of peak travel times as needed. Drivers can expect the following lane closures and upcoming impacts on northbound and southbound I-81:

ROUTE 635 (GOODWIN AVENUE) CLOSURE – As part of the ongoing I-81 project from exit 137 to 141, Route 635 (Goodwin Avenue) will be closed beginning July 11 where it runs underneath I-81. It will be closed for approximately 30 days for reconstruction to accommodate the widening of the interstate. Drivers will need to seek alternate routes as traffic will not be able to pass underneath the interstate during this time.

BARRIER WALLS: Barrier wall installation is

in process. Nighttime lane closures will be in place and lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet.

From mid-March until mid-June, nighttime right lane and shoulder closures between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday

From mid-May to mid-June, alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday

Nightly lane closures may be in place along the right lane with possible nightly ramp narrows as needed for guardrail and shoulder strengthening.

Northbound I-81 lane closures from mile marker 138 to 142

Northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows possible at Route 311.

The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 off-ramp intersection at Wildwood Road and adding interchange lighting at exits 137, 140 and 141 are also included in the project. Expected completion in early 2026.

(UPDATED 7-22-22) * **I-81 TROUTVILLE REST AREA CLOSURE** - The Troutville Rest Area located on southbound Interstate 81 near mile marker 158 in Botetourt County is currently closed from late May 31, 2022 until September

2, 2022. Signage indicating the closure has been posted in the rest area. During the closure, a temporary concrete barrier wall will be installed in front of the facility. The rest area facility, ramps and parking lot will be closed to the public. This project will extend the ramp into the rest area by 500 feet and the ramp out of the rest area by 2,100 feet. It will also include expanding the truck parking area at the facility by about 10-13 spaces. Work is expected to be completed in early fall 2022.

REST AREA OPTIONS: While the Troutville Rest Area is closed, southbound I-81 drivers can use the Fairfield Rest Area at mile marker 195 in Rockbridge County or

the Radford Rest Area at mile marker 108 in Montgomery County. In addition, the Troutville Weigh Station, located on southbound I-81 at mile marker 149, will have portable toilets and parking will be temporarily available for commercial vehicles.

(UPDATED 7-22-22) * **INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION EXIT 141 TO EXIT 143** – A project to widen the lanes on I-81 in Roanoke in both northbound and southbound directions between Exit 141 to Exit 143 has been underway. All lanes now open and will remain open through winter with periodic lane closures at night as needed. The final surface paving and markings for

northbound will resume this summer. Drivers can expect rough pavement. Estimated completion date of the project is summer 2022.

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Public comment on the disposition of property may be submitted in writing to the County Administration Office, P.O. Box 308, New Castle, Virginia 24127, by calling 540-864-5010, or in person at the public hearing.

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The Craig County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing **Thursday August 4th, 2022 at 7 pm**, at the Craig County Courthouse in New Castle, Virginia, to consider the disposition/ FOR SALE of property, **Tax Parcel 47-A-38**, Camp Mitchell Property located off of State Route 689 Camp Mitchell Road. The 9.6900 acre known as Camp Mitchell -Little Mountain, 495 Camp Mitchell Road, New Castle, Virginia 24127.

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Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. Code Ann. §§8.01-316,-317 Case No. 22-7 Botetourt County Circuit Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re James Daniel Hull, Amy Diane Hammond, Stephen Holloway Hammond v. James Brandon Hull The object of this suit is to: Adopt James Daniel Hull by stepparent, Stephen Holloway Hammond. It is ORDERED that James Brandon Hull, whose location is unknown appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before August 15, 2022. Signed and dated- Tommy L Moore, Clerk 06/24/2022

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY IN RE: ESTATE OF ROBERT STUART NOEL, DECEASED ESTATE OF DORIS JEAN HILL NOEL, DECEASED NOTICE Having been requested to do so by Roger S. Noel, administrator for the estates of Doris Jean Hill Noel, Deceased and Robert Stuart Noel, Deceased, and in accordance with Section 64.2-550 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, all creditors of Robert Stuart Noel and Doris Jean Hill Noel, and all persons in any way interested in his or her estates are hereby notified that I have fixed the 24th day of August, 2022 at 10 o'clock a.m., at my office at 13 South Roanoke Street, Fincastle, Virginia as the time and place for determining an account of the debts

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and demands against said Robert Stuart Noel and Doris Jean Hill Noel or his or her estate, the priorities among them, and the names of the persons to whom they are due. All creditors of Robert Stuart Noel, deceased and Doris Jean Hill Noel, deceased, and persons interested in his or her estate should appear at the time and place named, or any other time or place to which the proceedings may be adjourned, and protect their interest. Given under my hand this the 20th day of July, 2022. Malcolm McL. Doubles Commissioner of Accounts

Legals - City of Radford

ABC NOTICE

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Legals - Montgomery County

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Case No. CL22000756-00 Complainant, v. Mimia Lee Moore, ET AL., Respondent(s). ORDER OF PUBLICATION The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Montgomery, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Montgomery, Virginia, described as follows: Tax Map No. 406-4 90-93 Account No. 008301. Beginning at a point on the east side of Peach Street corner lot number ninety-four (94), Midway Heights, which beginning point is 125 feet south of the Intersection of Peach and Oak Streets; thence from said beginning point and with the line of lot number ninety-four (94), S 74° 00' E 200 feet to a point, common corner of lots numbers ninety-four (94), ninety-three (93), one hundred fifty-six (156) and one hundred fifty-seven (157); thence with the lines of lots numbers one hundred fifty-seven (157), One hundred fifty-eight (158). One hundred fifty-nine (159) and one hundred sixty (160), S 18° 00' W 100 feet to a point, common corner to lots numbers one hundred sixty (160), one hundred sixty-one (161), ninety (90) and eighty-nine (89), N 74° 00' W 200 feet to a point on the east side of Peach Street, thence with the east side of Peach Street, N 18° 00' E 100 feet to a point, corner to lot number ninety-four (94), the point of the beginning, and being all of lots number ninety (90) ninety-one (91) ninety-two (92) and ninety-three (93) as shown and designated on a map of Midway Heights, which map is of record in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, in Deed Book 140, page 497. And being the same property conveyed to Ira J. Moore and Mimia L. Moore by Rickey L Stowers and Karen M. Stowers by Deed dated October 29, 1985, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia on November 15, 1985. This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and

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reservations of record which affect the property herein described. IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identities and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known address for the Respondents herein are as follows: Mimia Lee Moore, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 3055 Peach Street, Christiansburg, Virginia 24073; Ira J Moore, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before August 12, 2022 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause. Entered on the 6th day of July, 2022. K. Mike Fleenor, Jr., Judge I Ask For This: John A. Rife, Esq. (VSB No. 45805) Taxing Authority Consulting Services, PC P.O. Box 31800 Henrico, Virginia 23294-1800 Phone: (804)545-2500 Facsimile: (804)545-2378 TACS No.: 647066

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“THE LAST INNING” for high school ballplayers will be at Salem Memorial Ballpark this Saturday

Salem Memorial Ballpark will be the site for “The Last Inning” this Saturday, an annual event celebrating recently graduated high school senior baseball players. Two seven inning games will be played with teams comprised of players who graduated in the spring of this year.

This annual event was initiated in 2020 when the COVID pandemic cancelled the high school season. It gave the seniors a chance to get on the field, and it was such a success it was decided to make it an annual event for senior players. The event is sponsored by the Salem Red Sox and the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame. There is no charge for the players and the event is free to the public.

Players are divided into four teams and each will receive a shirt with their team color, uniform number and name. The players will wear their team hats and either white or

gray pants. All area teams were invited to send players. Craig County seniors were invited to play but no one responded.

The first game is scheduled for 4 pm with the Red team meeting the Green team. The Red team will have players from Franklin County, Lord Botetourt, Alleghany and Smith Mountain Lake Christian Academy. Coaches are Barry Shelton from Franklin, Seth Bradley from Alleghany and Tanner Holt from SMLCA.

The Green team is comprised of players from Northside, Salem, Auburn and North Cross. Coaches are Kelly Dampeer and Trent Cundiff from Northside, Wes McMillan from Salem and Scott Smith from North Cross.

Following the Red versus Green game the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame will present the Posey Oylar Scholarship and the Kelvin Bowles Scholarship. Also, the seven

finalists for the Ray Bellamy Award, honoring the High School Player of the Year, will be presented a framed certificate and the overall winner will be announced.

Game two, between the Navy Blue and Gray teams, will begin following the award presentations and a “spruce up” by the grounds crew.

The Gray team is comprised of players from Cave Spring, William Byrd, Hidden Valley, Jefferson Forest and Eastern Montgomery. Hidden Valley’s Randy Boone, Jason Taylor of William Byrd and Ricky Lonker of Cave Spring will be the coaches.

The Navy team will have players from Blacksburg, Christiansburg and Glenvar. Coaches, all from Christiansburg, are Dale Nelson, Tom Meadows and Roy Jones.

As mentioned, there is no cost to attend the games and concessions will be available.



Motor Mile Speedway Announces the Biggest Purse in Track History

Motor Mile Speedway invests in its own future and announces the largest purse in the history of the track, over \$50,000! This includes \$5,000 to win in the Sportsman division and \$10,000 to win in the Late Model Stock Car division, on Saturday October 8, 2022. Green flag is at 5:00 pm.

Late Model Stock Car entries are expected from all over Virginia and the Carolinas, including track champion and Martinsville 300 winner Mike

Looney, reigning track champion Kres VanDyke, 2021 national champion Peyton Sellers, and more. Rising star Kyle Dudley does double duty as he readies his Late Model and Sportsman cars.

Motor Mile Speedway has one of the strongest classes of Sportsman cars, with Carl Budzefski leading the points. He’ll be joined in October by local star Daryn Cockram and a field of winners, including Jamie Sweeney, Brad Foy, and many more. These local stars

will be challenged by South Boston points leader Kyle Barnes, and an expected field of stars from South Boston, Kingsport, Dominion, and more for the 100 lap tilt.

Pole awards and contingency programs will be announced in the months leading up to the event. Mark Ebert, President and CEO at Motor Mile Speedway and the Rusty Wallace Racing Experience, said, “We’ve been looking for the opportunity to add a signature race at Motor Mile

since we took over. When the CARS Tour race was changed, we saw an opportunity for a big year-end race on October 8th. We’ve been in contact with a bunch of the Late Model teams, and it looks to be a good weekend for them. We look forward to a great field of cars in both the Late Model and Sportsman divisions.”

Jeff Roark, the Speedway’s General Manager, said,

“This is going to be a chance for us to really feature

all that we offer here at Motor Mile. We’re going all out with the VIP menu for this race, including shrimp cocktail, crab cakes and steak tips. It’s going to be an amazing event with some of the best racing you’ll ever see.”

A complete list of all the upcoming events, and discounted advance tickets at the Motor Mile Speedway and Rusty Wallace Racing Experience, can be found at

<https://www.motormile-speedway.com/>



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Craig County’s Mike Looney, the Motor Mile Speedway track champion and Martinsville 300 winner, will be out to win the largest purse in the history of the track this fall.