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Craig County Library Director Letha Hibbits was treated to a tour to the Dolly Parton headquarters in Sevierville, Tennessee as a welcome to Craig coming aboard Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

Dolly Parton Imagination Library coming to Craig

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

The joy of reading a book seems to be entering homes again and the Craig County Library has been working diligently to bring the infamous Dolly Parton Imagination Library to Craig and they have finally succeeded. "Lynda Harrell was really instrumental in getting the program implemented for us," Letha Hibbits, director, shared.

Harrell connected with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library for Virginia and reached out for funds to outlets to handle the rest of the cost, sharing that Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative opened their arms for the project. Children from birth to age 5 qualify for this free program.

To participate in the

program, parents can sign their kids up at the Craig County Library or go to the website at www.imaginationlibrary.com and follow the prompts. The child will receive their first book in about six weeks and after that, a book a month. At age 5 they "graduate" from the program and receive their graduation book.

Each month, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library mails a high quality, age-appropriate book to all registered children, addressed to them, at no cost to the child's family.

"Inspired by her father's inability to read and write, Dolly started her Imagination Library in 1995 for the children within her home county to foster a love of reading among her county's preschool children and their families by

providing them with the gift of a specially selected book each month," her website shared. "Today, her program spans five countries and gifts over one million free books each month to children around the world."

They noted that countless parents have shared how excited their child is when their new book arrives each month and the children in Craig that have already signed up are excitedly awaiting their first book.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library goal is to inspire a love of reading by gifting books free of charge to children through funding by Parton herself and partnering with local community businesses.

"When I was growing up in the hills of East Tennessee, I knew my

dreams would come true. I know there are children in your community with their own dreams," Parton shared. "They dream of becoming a doctor or an inventor or a minister. Who knows, maybe there is a little girl whose dream is to be a writer and singer! The seeds of these dreams are often found in books and the seeds you help plant in your community can grow across the world."

Parton is known for an "always-keep-dreaming mindset" and wishes to instill that in kids.

By mailing high quality, age-appropriate books directly to their homes, Parton wanted children to be excited about books and to feel the magic that books can create. In creating her Imagination Library, Parton shares that it was important to her to ensure that every child would have books, regardless of their family's income.

Today, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library sends more than one million books per month to children around the world "inspiring them to Dream More, Learn More, Care More and Be More."

"We are so excited to have this available to our community," Hibbits shared. "Every child can get a jump on reading and sent straight to their home."

Those with a child who is 5 or younger can visit the Craig County Library or go online and sign up the child for their free book of the month from Dolly Parton.

Annual Chili Cook-Off set for Feb. 25



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Craig Valley Baptist Church will be hosting their 5th Annual Chili Cook-off on Feb. 25 at the church from 5-7 p.m. All churches are encouraged to bring up to five chili pots for the contest. Top three winners receive trophies, and the first-place winner church takes the big trophy to their church for a year. The community members are invited to attend, to judge and enjoy a free meal.

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

On a cold winter day, there is nothing more satisfying than a bowl of steaming hot chili with a side of homemade cornbread.

The Craig Valley Baptist Church is hosting its 5th Annual Church Community Chili Cook-Off to encourage people to get their crockpots out and start cooking.

The community is also invited to join in.

"Besides the competition, there will be a great free meal for people to enjoy," organizer Rich Martindell shared. "Anyone can come and eat chili and participate in the voting. The only thing you need to bring is your appetite!"

There will be free hotdogs available, along with drinks and desserts. Also, cornbread and the usual chili accoutrements will be there.

The guidelines are:

- Each church may enter up to five chilis for the competition.
- Each chili will be presented for tasting on tables in the competition area.
- Upon entering the competition area, everyone will be given a voting ticket
- You will be able to taste the chilis at your own pace.
- Place your ticket in the container by the chili you judge as the best.

The chili with the most tickets will be deemed the champion, and the next two in second and third place.

In the event of a tie, such as they had last year, a mini re-tasting will be held by those present, with the chilis involved in the tie (with new vote tickets distributed).

"The Championship Trophy Cup will go to the church of the winning chili cook-off chef, to be displayed until the next chili cook-off in 2024," organizer Richard Martindell shared. "There will also be individual trophies given to the top three chili cook-off chefs."

The contest time will start at 5 p.m. and be completed by 7 p.m.

Their hopes are to have many participants to enter this year in this fun and tasty event.

The competition will be held at the church on 171 Salem Avenue (on Route 311 across from The Park), in New Castle. Those who are attending may enter the side door on the left side of the church.

To enter the contest, or to ask questions, contact the church and leave a message at (540) 864-5667 or visit their website at <http://www.craigvalleybaptist.com>.

"The real goal of the cook-off is to encourage churches in the area to do things together and have a good, spirited competition and Christian camaraderie," Martindell said. "As you know, there are some really good chili chefs in Craig County's churches."

Craig County locals share their thoughts about Valentine's Day

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

The stores in Craig County are decorated with hearts and have aisles of candies, cookies, decorations, cards and special gifts for that "someone" that each person wishes to touch on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14.

Valentine's Day is named after a saint, St. Valentine. It is said that he was persecuted and jailed and fell in love with his jailer's daughter who visited him in prison. Before he was put to death, on Feb. 14, he sent a letter to the girl and signed it, "from your Valentine."

After that, the day was honored by people sending cards to their love.

In asking around to see what some "older" people shared about their feelings about Valentine's Day, here are some comments:



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Brenda Lipes shared that she married her high school sweetheart, Brian and have been married for 34 years.

"I don't consider myself old, but I have been married for 34 years to one man. I consider this a special day to draw attention to people you love so you can express

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Those interested can connect with the team through Facebook or pick up a gram at the school offices.

CCHS football team is selling candygrams

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

Valentine's Day is a special holiday for many people; a day to display love for that special someone.

This year, the Craig County Rockets football team is helping their classmates show their love by offering "Candy and Kindness Candygrams" to the students at the three schools.

Anyone can purchase one for only \$1 each. Also, family members can go online and copy them, fill them out and

send them to the school.

The candygrams are also available for pick-up at the McCleary Elementary School or Craig County High School offices.

Those interested may send as many as they'd like.

The football team will then deliver them on Feb. 14 to the students in their classes.

All proceeds will support the Craig County High School varsity football program.

They will be available for viewing on Facebook.

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DATE	TOUR	PER PERSON PRICE	DATE	TOUR	PER PERSON PRICE
Mar 10 – 12	Philadelphia Flower Show	\$750	Aug 21	Bristol Casino/ Bristol, VA	\$50
Mar 11	Highland Maple Festival	\$90	Aug 24 -26	Strasburg Railroad/ Red Caboose Hotel	\$985
Mar 18	Highland Maple Festival	\$90	Aug 26	Mitchie Tavern/ Swannanoa Mansion	\$95
Mar 18	Asheville Outlets/ Spring Shopping	\$85	Aug 27 – Sep 6	West Coast Baseball	\$4,750
Mar 18	"Ain't To Proud" / Stephen Tanger Center	\$195	Sept 2	North Carolina Zoo/ Asheboro, NC	\$90
Mar 20	Bristol Casino	\$50	Sept 3 – 5	Wind Creek Casino/ Bethlehem, PA	\$540
Mar 20 – 26	Spring Training/ Florida	\$1,965	Sept 6 – 9	Creation Museum/ Ark Encounter	\$865
Mar 25	Vintage Market Days/ Charlotte, NC	\$80	Sept 7 – 10	Myrtle Beach, SC	\$1,070
Apr 2 – 4	Wind Creek Casino/ Bethlehem, PA	\$540	Sept 8 -10	Washington, D.C / Mount Vernon	\$625
Apr 7 – 13	Charleston/ Savannah/ Jekyll Island	\$2,430	Sept 8 – 13	Las Vegas & Grand Canyon Fly / Land	\$2,805
Apr 7 – 8	"Moses" / PA Dutch/ Lancaster, PA	\$490	Sept 9 -16	Trains of New England	\$2,905
Apr 8	Biltmore House & Gardens / Festival of Flowers	\$175	Sept 10 – 16	Best of Ozarks/ Branson/ Eureka Springs	\$1,690
Apr 8	"Aladdin" / Belk Theatre / Charlotte, N.C	\$200	Sept 11 – 23	Nova Scotia / New England in the Fall	\$3,065
Apr 13 – 29	Great Southwest California	\$4,045	Sept 14 – 16	"Moses" / Lancaster, PA / PA Dutch	\$735
Apr 14 – 16	Washington, D.C/ Cherry Blossom Festival	\$640	Sept 15 – 16	Gandy Dancer/ Tygart Flyer	\$480
Apr 15	"Hamilton" / Altria Theatre/ Richmond, VA	\$255	Sept 16 – 22	New England in the Fall	\$1,685
Apr 17	Bristol Casino/ Bristol, VA	\$50	Sept 16 - 27	America's Southwest Land / Fly	\$4,350
Apr 22	Biltmore House & Gardens / Festival of Flowers	\$175	Sept 18	Bristol Casino/ Bristol, VA	\$50
Apr 23- 26	VA Military Tattoo/ Mermaid Bash	\$1,315	Sept 19 – 23	Vermont in The Fall/ Stoweflake Lodge	\$1,910
Apr 24 – May 3	Texas "Lone Star State"	\$2,435	Sept 19 – 25	Mystery Tour...	\$1,830
May 6	Billy Graham Library/ Stowe Botanical Gardens	\$90	Sept 23	Andy Griffith's "Mayberry Days"	\$85
May 6 – 16	Tennessee Music Pathways	\$4,840	Sept 23 – 24	Washington Nationals Baseball	\$585
May 9 – 12	Tulip Festival/ Holland, MI	\$940	Sept 29 – Oct 1	Neptune Festival/ Virginia Beach, VA	\$685
May 10	Andy Griffith "Mayberry" Mt. Airy, NC	\$85	Oct 1 – 5	Niagara Falls / Toronto	\$1,365
May 10 – 13	Creation Museum / Ark Encounter	\$865	Oct 2 – 8	New England in the Fall	\$1,685
May 11 – 13	"Moses" / Lancaster, PA / PA Dutch	\$735	Oct 3 – 6	Rockin' the Boardwalk/ Virginia Beach, VA	\$1,190
May 12 – 14	New York Springtime	\$1,200	Oct 5	Cass Railroad / Cass, WV	\$195
May 13	North Carolina Zoo/ Asheboro, NC	\$90	Oct 6 – 7	"Moses" / PA Dutch/ Lancaster, PA	\$490
May 15	Bristol Casino/ Bristol, VA	\$50	Oct 6 – 8	Nashville/ Music City USA	\$1,005
May 20 – 21	Tangier Island	\$470	Oct 7	Billy Graham Library / Stowe Botanical Gardens	\$90
May 21 – 26	Oklahoma Oil/ Osage Nation/ Pawhuska, OK	\$1,405	Oct 7	Bushy Mountain Harvest Festival	\$75
May 26 – 28	Nashville/ Music City USA	\$1,005	Oct 9	Cass Railroad / Cass, WV	\$195
May 27	Mitchie Tavern / Swannanoa Mansion	\$95	Oct 10 – 14	Haunted Halloween/ Boston & Salem	\$1,370
Jun 4 – 7	Resorts Casino & Hotel / Atlantic City, NJ	\$765	Oct 11 – 17	Pioneer Women/ Magnolia Market	\$1,930
Jun 5 – 8	I Love Lucy/ Pennsylvania Grand Canyon	\$1,165	Oct 14	New River Gorge Bridge Day/ Fayetteville, WV	\$100
Jun 6 – 10	Two Stadiums/ Philadelphia/ Baltimore	\$1,480	Oct 14	Carolina Balloon Festival / Statesville, NC	\$85
Jun 9 – 11	Washington D.C / Mount Vernon	\$625	Oct 17 – 20	Oktoberfest in Helen, GA	\$1,290
Jun 9 – 19	Nova Scotia/ Atlantic Provinces of Canada	\$2,650	Oct 23	Bristol Casino/ Bristol, VA	\$50
Jun 15 – 20	White Mountains/ Purple Moose	\$1,825	Nov 3 – 5	Sunshine Tours/ Family Reunion	\$900
Jun 15 – 21	Mackinac Island / Michigan	\$2,030	Nov 9	Southern Christmas Show/ Charlotte, NC	\$90
Jun 18 – 24	Best of the Ozarks/ Branson/ Eureka Springs	\$1,690	Nov 9 – 12	Biltmore House / Smoky Mountain Christmas	\$1,435
Jun 18 – 24	Niagara Falls/ Montreal/ Toronto/ Quebec	\$1,755	Nov 10	Southern Christmas Show/ Charlotte, NC	\$90
Jun 19	Bristol Casino/ Bristol, VA	\$50	Nov 11	Southern Christmas Show/ Charlotte, NC	\$90
Jun 25- July 13	Hitching a Ride on Route 66	\$4,905	Nov 11	Concord Mills / Bass Pro Shop/ Charlotte, NC	\$85
Jun 26 – 29	Gilded Age of New York	\$2,035	Nov 12 – 18	Florida Keys/ Sunset Celebration	\$3,235
Jun 29 – July 2	Grandkids of Country Music/ Clarksville, TN	\$1,105	Nov 13	Bristol Casino / Bristol, VA	\$50
July 1 – 8	Summer in New England/ Martha's Vineyard	\$1,990	Nov 22 – 25	Macy's Thanksgiving Parade/ New York	\$1,580
July 1 – 10	Hawaii Honolulu/ Waikiki / Aloha	\$5,050	Nov 26 – 29	Wind Creek/ Bethlehem/ New York	\$900
July 2 – 6	Niagara Falls USA / Erie Canal	\$1,470	Nov 29 – Dec 4	Currier & Ives Christmas/ Burlington, VT	\$1,910
July 2 – 16	Canyonlands / Scenic Tour	\$3,655	Dec 1 – 3	Christmas at Myrtle Beach	\$660
July 2 – 30	Alaska/ Canada's Yukon/ Motorcoach	\$7,700	Dec 1 – 3	Radio City Christmas / New York	\$1,365
July 7 – 10	Atlanta Motor Speedway	\$1,020	Dec 1 – 3	Christmas Opryland Hotel	\$1,215
July 10 – 26	Yellowstone T.V Series Tour	\$6,425	Dec 2	Christmastown USA / McAdenville, NC	\$75
July 16 – 19	Wind Creek/ Bethlehem/ New York City	\$900	Dec 2	Premium Outlets / Charlotte, NC	\$85
July 17 – 20	Red Neckin' Toe Tappin/ Pigeon Forge, TN	\$1,490	Dec 2	Grove Park/ Gingerbread House	\$165
July 21 - 23	Nashville/ Music City USA	\$1,005	Dec 3 -7	Bavarian Holidays / Frankenmuth	\$1,090
July 24	Bristol Casino/ Bristol, VA	\$50	Dec 4 – 8	Christmas Mystery Adventure	\$1,345
July 24 – 27	New York Baseball/ Yankees vs. Mets	\$1,160	Dec 5	Tanglewood Park/ Christmas Lights	\$85
Aug 1 – 20	San Francisco/ California / Pacific NW	\$5,050	Dec 5 – 7	Blue Christmas at Graceland	\$1,460
Aug 3 – 5	"Moses" / Lancaster, PA / PA Dutch	\$735	Dec 6 – 10	Boston's Gingerbread Christmas	\$1,295
Aug 5 – 6	Tangier Island	\$470	Dec 7 – 8	"Miracles of Christmas" / Lancaster, PA	\$490
Aug 8 – 12	Wind Creek/ Encore / Maryland Live Casino	\$1,015	Dec 8 – 10	Radio City Christmas/ New York	\$1,365
Aug 13 – 17	Elvis	\$1,375	Dec 8 – 10	Christmas Opryland Hotel	\$1,215
Aug 13 – 16	Resorts Casino & Hotel/ Atlantic City, NJ	\$765	Dec 9	Biltmore House & Gardens Christmas	\$230
Aug 13 – 24	America's Northwest Land/ Fly	\$4,895	Dec 10 – 16	Joyeux Noel/ Louisiana	\$1,870
Aug 16 – 18	Choo Choo Ch' Boogie / Rocky Gap Resort	\$965	Dec 16	Biltmore House & Gardens Christmas	\$230
Aug 19 – 20	Great Smoky Mountains Railway	\$575	Dec 26 – 31	Christmas Disneyworld/ Universal Sea World	\$1,900

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OBITUARY

VIERS, HUBERT

Hubert Viers, 91 of New Castle, VA, (formally of Oakwood, VA) passed away Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023. He retired from Norfolk and Western with over 38 years of service. Hubert was an avid beekeeper, gardener and outdoorsman. His love for God and the Church span over 60 years. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Terry Lynn Viers; parents, Anee and Clementine Viers; and brothers, Lucien and Mason Viers. He is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Beatrice Viers; son, Charles Alderson (Kathy) Viers; daughter, Sherry Robin (Wendell) Crowder; grandchildren, Jamey Charles Viers, Charles Jackson "CJ" (Stacey) Crowder, Christopher Lucas (Kara) Viers, Matthew Thomas Holden, Jesse Alan Crowder; great granddaughters, Aubree, Emmy and Ada Viers; Allie and Cora Crowder, Brother, Ralph Viers; and many nieces, nephews, brothers and sisters in Christ. Hubert served in the Army from 1952 to 1954. The family would like to thank the caregivers from Lewis Gale Hospital and Amedysis Home Health Care for their kindness and compassion. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m.



Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023 at Paitself Funeral Home with Minister Pat McPeck officiating. Interment will follow at Crossroads Church Cemetery with Military Rites performed by VFW Post # 4491. The family received friends 6-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, 2023, at Paitself Funeral Home. Arrangements by Paitself Funeral Home: www.paitselfh.com.

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yourself when you may not say I love you ever day throughout the year. Some people have a hard time expressing themselves and this is a way they can because of a day created solely to express love for not just your partner but to everyone. Yes, it was a day created by the card company and some guys think just a scam to make them spend money, but in the end this simple day is a day of love. I married my high school sweetheart, Brian. He was the class of 1983, and I was 1986." – Brenda Lipps "Robert and I will be married 33 years this coming Valentine's Day. We also dated for six years beforehand. This day means everything to



Lisa Gibson and her husband Robert have been sweetly married for 33 years and dated six years before they got married. "I couldn't think of a more perfect day to express my love for this man, he is my everything!" she shared.

me. This is the day of LOVE, and I couldn't think of a more perfect day to express my love for this man. He is my everything! He turned 63 in January. I will be 63 in April. I don't feel old!" – Lisa Gibson "It is a time to renew our love for each other and exchange our cards and box of candy. I have known my husband, James, for 67 years and married for 65. We have two wonderful children, including you, Miss Pam. Have a beautiful granddaughter, Olivia, who has blessed us with four great grands. We love our family time and get together as much as we can. We will be celebrating our son, Rick's birthday on February 14 as well. Togetherness is our way of showing love." – Betty Dudding "To be determined." – Marion Bo Trumbo



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"I have known my husband James for 67 years and we have been married for 65!" Betty Dudding shared. "Togetherness is our way of showing love."

Upcoming public meetings scheduled in Craig County

Feb. 11

Little World Qualifier ACH&BGA Hound Competition and Showcase will be held Feb. 11 with the Bench Show starting at 6 p.m. and the Hunts starting at 7:30 p.m. at 184 Hill Top Trail in New Castle by the Southwest Virginia Hills and Hounds Association. Those interested must register before event at worldhunt.org or contact Jonathan Huffnagel at (540)864-5842.

Feb. 15

A CPMT meeting at CPMT – Department of Social Services will be at 1 p.m.

Feb. 18

A rabies drive-through clinic will be on Feb. 18 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Craig County Fairgrounds. The cost will be \$15 per dog or cat. It will be administered by Dr. Marge Lewter and hosted by the Craig County Rescue Squad. Call 540-864-5115 for more info.

Feb. 20

The New Castle Town Council will meet from 7-8 p.m. at the New

Castle Town Hall at 339 Market Street in New Castle.

Feb. 21

Rep. Morgan Griffith will hold a citizen comment period from 9-10:30 a.m. in the courthouse breakroom.

Feb. 25

A wild game dinner will be Feb. 25 at 5:30 p.m. at Roanoke Moose Lodge #284. It will be hosted by Catawba Valley Baptist Church for their youth. The evening includes a dinner, giveaways, raffles, a silent auction and the infamous live auction. Purchase tickets at CATAWBAVALLEYBC.ORG.

March 15

A CPMT meeting at CPMT – Department of Social Services will be at 1 p.m.

March 20

The New Castle Town Council will meet from 7-8 p.m. at the New Castle Town Hall at 339 Market Street in New Castle.

-The New Castle Record

Governor releases human trafficking prevention report

RICHMOND – During Human Trafficking Month, Gov. Glenn Youngkin announced last week that the Commission on Human Trafficking Prevention and Survivor Support released their report on human trafficking in Virginia.

On his first day in office, Youngkin reaffirmed Virginia's commitment to combat human trafficking by creating the Human Trafficking Commission through Executive Order 7.

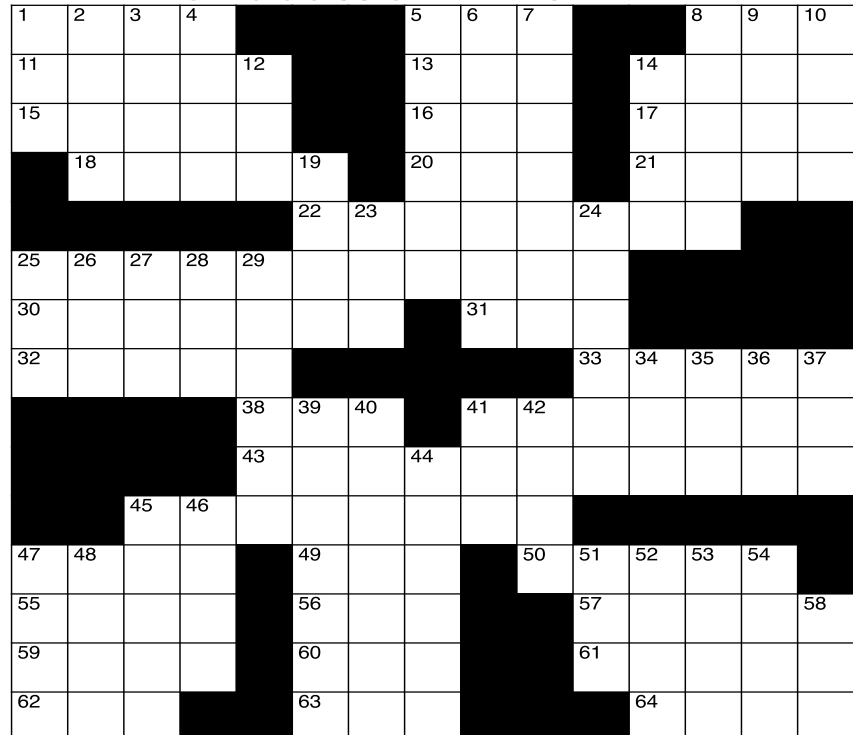
The commission's recommendations focus on reducing the number of human trafficking incidents, as well as identifying solutions to fight human trafficking in the commonwealth. "During human trafficking month, my administration is expanding our efforts to eradicate human trafficking, the modern-day slavery of our

time, in Virginia once and for all. The critical collaboration between the commission and my administration has fostered new state roles to address human trafficking and legislation born of commission recommendations. Thank you to the commission for your important work and reports, we are one step closer to removing this evil from the commonwealth," said Youngkin. "Eradicating human trafficking in the commonwealth remains at the center of our service, and we laud the many dedicated parties working tirelessly on this most important issue," said First Lady Suzanne S. Youngkin. "The commission was established following the continued increase of human trafficking cases both nationally and in Virginia. Comprised of survivors, law enforcement professionals, and practitioners who deliver services and resources

to victims, the commission was chartered to take a broad look at historic trends and provide recommendations to combat this heinous crime. Human trafficking remains a priority amongst the unfinished work in society to ensure the respect and inalienable rights of all people throughout the world," said Commission Chairman Michael K. Lamonea. "I applaud all the work that has been done by our sex trafficking coordinator. We must take every action to make resources about trafficking are available in the commonwealth," said Director of the Department of Criminal Justice Services, Jackson Miller. On Dec. 15, Youngkin proposed over \$1 million annually to create 10 new full-time positions at the Virginia State Police, including two human trafficking analysts.

-The New Castle Record

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. Functions
 - 5. Records electric currents associated with contractions of the heart
 - 8. Trigonometric function (abbr.)
 - 11. Secret political clique
 - 13. Type of gibbon
 - 14. Nocturnal S. American rodent
 - 15. Famed American playwright
 - 16. Mesopotamian goddess
 - 17. Abba ____, Israeli politician
 - 18. Long ridge of gravel and sediment
 - 20. A place to stay
 - 21. Actor Idris
 - 22. One who behaves in a rebellious way
 - 25. A way to measure movement
 - 30. Distinguish oneself
 - 31. Type of drug (abbr.)
 - 32. Basketball great Baylor
 - 33. Masses of salivary matter
 - 38. Calls balls and strikes
 - 41. Plant that grows along the ground
 - 43. A recreational activity in the air
 - 45. Consumes too much
 - 47. Island nation
 - 49. Pistol
 - 50. Mixtures of soul and calypso
 - 55. Ancient Greek City
 - 56. Similar
 - 57. Roughly trimmed tree trunk used in a Scottish game
 - 59. Semitic fertility god
 - 60. Born of
 - 61. Frogs, toads, tree toads
 - 62. School in the northeast (abbr.)
 - 63. Soviet Socialist Republic
 - 64. "____ the Man" Musical, baseball player
- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Fiddler crabs
 - 2. Discount
 - 3. Partner to "flows"
 - 4. Ethnic group of Laos
 - 5. Beloved "Seinfeld" character
 - 6. Book of tickets
 - 7. The last name of "Hermione"
 - 8. Type of TV package
 - 9. Helps to heal a cut
 - 10. Town in Galilee
 - 12. Actor Horsley
 - 14. "Hocus Pocus 2" actor Ed
 - 19. Bird-loving group (abbr.)
 - 23. They respond when someone is sick
 - 24. Emerged
 - 25. Midway between south and southeast
 - 26. Monetary unit of Afghanistan
 - 27. Unit of work or energy
 - 28. Indicates near
 - 29. Famed river
 - 34. For each
 - 35. News organization
 - 36. CNN's founder
 - 37. They ____
 - 39. Areas off to the side
 - 40. Satisfies
 - 41. A spare bed
 - 42. Legendary singer Diana
 - 44. Frothy mass of bubbles
 - 45. A kind of sorcery
 - 46. River in South Africa
 - 47. Philippine Island
 - 48. County in China
 - 51. S. American plant
 - 52. Beverage containers
 - 53. Edge
 - 54. Protein-rich liquids
 - 58. Moved quickly on foot



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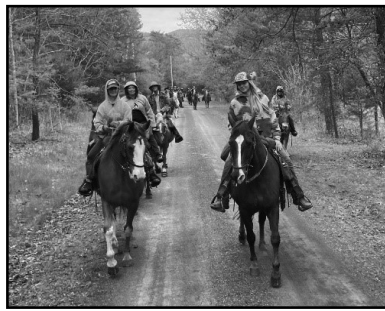
OPINION

BCH Eastern Divide Chapter: 2022 Annual Report

We began the year by partnering with another Virginia chapter at an educational Booth at the Great American Trail Horse Sale in Lexington, Virginia. In late April, we hosted a statewide camporee weekend near the Jefferson National Forest for 3 days of riding and the 1st annual Chili cook-off. Between riding and the campfire, we picked up a dozen bags of trash in a hunters parking area in Lignite.

We continue to do trail maintenance at our adopted White Cedar Horse Camp in Jefferson National Forest. The Carvins Cove Trail system is heavily used by bikers but several BCH members clear large trees from the trail whenever needed. We had our annual summer picnic and trail ride at the New Castle Gliderport where we had e-bike and glider training for the horses. They all passed with flying colors! A statewide fundraising opportunity drew a large group of volunteers to assist with the Horse and Hound Festival at Peaks of Otter Winery. The proceeds are donated to several animal organizations including Bach Country Horsemen of Virginia. Late summer brought us to our sister chapter at Virginia Highlands to volunteer for the Iron Mountain Jubilee Endurance ride. There, we were support team for the event and had time to spend with each other out of the saddle! Except, that is, for some of our members who were entered in the ride. Those received cheers as they passed us in the trail. Our chapter continues to be active in local projects including the completed McDonald Hollow trail system. We have been asked to represent equestrians on the New Castle Botetourt Scenic Rail Trail committee. We took a horse and calves to the Newport Tree farm for their October Pumpkin patch event for educating children about horses and bicycles. At the Christmas party, everyone received blaze orange vests to stay safe since Virginia now allows hunting on Sundays. In conclusion, the Eastern Divide Chapter continues to be proactive in maintaining and creating trail systems that have the interests of equestrians included. We advocate for educating the public on sharing the trail with safety in mind.

-Marge Lewter



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Three ways to give back

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News from the 9th

Morgan Griffith

Representative

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, we saw a sharp rise in remote work, or telework. We were living through unprecedented times. Telework became an option for many, allowing workers to do their jobs, to the best of their ability, from home.

That was then. It's been three years since the start of the pandemic, and it is largely behind us.

Most Americans have returned to work in person as they had done before COVID-19. Unfortunately, the federal workforce in large measure hasn't followed suit.

During President Biden's State of the Union address last March, he said, "People working from home can feel safe and begin to return to their offices. We're doing that here in the federal government. The vast majority of federal workers will once again work in person."

But this hasn't been the case. According to a Federal Times report from October, just 1 in 3 federal workers had returned to work in person full time in 2022.

Before the pan-

demic, only about 3% of federal employees teleworked daily. In their most recent report on telework, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) said that nearly half, or 47%, of federal workers currently teleworked routinely or situationally in Fiscal Year 2021, which ended Sept. 30, 2022. Too many people around the country, those in the 9th District included, have seen the real-world effects of federal workers not being in their offices.

Seniors have waited on the phone for hours to talk to someone from the Social Security Administration about receiving their benefits as they have been unable to talk to someone in person. In part because the agency has kept their offices largely closed to the public.

Many veterans have waited for months to get their medical records from the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC), part of the National Archives. At one point, the center had a backlog of approximately 500,000 requests for records. One constituent requested medals and records from the Navy in August of 2020 through our office. Despite numerous follow-ups, the response from the NPRC was that they were backlogged. In May of 2021, he died. We received

the medals and records a year later in May of 2022. Because of closures to passport offices around the country, in-person appointments have mostly disappeared, leaving people with the inability to get a new passport in a timely manner.

In one case we had a constituent reach out for help after realizing his passport was expired. Because of staffing issues and backlogs, the regional passport agency could not provide an appointment due to limited appointments. After reaching out to all the passport agency acceptance centers in the country, the only available appointment was in Aurora, Colorado.

Obviously, federal workers aren't supposed to take home your tax return, passport application, or Social Security records.

It's time for federal workers to actually return to work so that they can more adequately serve the needs of the American people.

When Republicans took control of Congress, we ended proxy voting, which allowed Members of Congress to phone in their votes. More discussions to improve legislation occur in hallways, stairwells, and elevators than ever occurred on a zoom meeting with 30 people. The same is true for federal workers. More collaboration on solving problems will occur when they actually work together in the office.

Unfortunately,

while Republicans have tried for months to get information from the Biden Administration on how telework has decreased federal agencies' ability to perform their duties, the Administration has not responded.

We can no longer wait on the Administration. We have to push them. Accordingly, just a few days ago I voted in favor of the Stopping Home Office Work's Unproductive Problems Act, or the SHOW UP Act.

The SHOW UP Act, which passed the House largely along party lines, requires federal agencies to return to pre-pandemic levels by reinstating telework policies that were in place on Dec. 31, 2019.

The bill would also require federal agencies to submit a study to Congress looking at the effects of telework, whether it improved or harmed agency effectiveness.

If an agency can demonstrate to Congress that they are able to perform better with telework, while also lowering agency costs and ensuring agency network security, increased telework can be considered as an option.

Bottomline, we must do what we can to best serve the needs of our fellow Americans by promoting productivity and effectiveness in our federal workforce.

I believe that is returning to work in person.

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INTERSTATE 81

INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT EXIT 137 TO EXIT 141 – A \$179 million design-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:

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. 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.

I-81 NORTHBOUND AT EXIT 105 NEW RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Traffic on northbound I-81 has been switched onto the newly constructed bridge over the New River at the Montgomery/Pulaski County line. The old bridge is being demolished. Lane and shoulder closures may be in place near exit 105. Lane closure may be in effect during the week from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Shoulder closures may be in effect at any time during the week. Slow rolls may be performed on I-81 in the north and southbound lanes from mile marker 98 to 109. Speed limit is reduced to 60 miles per hour in the work zone. Shoulder closures will remain in place though the duration of the project. Project completion is estimated by summer 2023.

SLOW ROLLS: A slow roll operation may be in place daily, Monday through Friday, between mile marker 101 and 105 northbound and between mile marker 109 and 105 southbound, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. **ROUTE 605:** Alternating lane closures and flagging operations will be present on Route 605, located under the New River Bridge, for work overhead on the bridge.

LANE CLOSURES: Nighttime alternating lane closures will be in place on I-81 northbound between mile markers 104-106 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. **SLOW ROLLS:** Slow rolls may be utilized periodically on both the northbound and southbound lanes from mile marker 98-109 for

structural steel deliveries and setting beams. **I-81 BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS** – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 138 to 152, right and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

INTERSTATE 581 ROUTE 581 BRIDGE WORK OVER WILLIAMSON ROAD – Bridge work is underway on Route 11 (Williamson Road). Intermittent and alternating lane closures between the intersections with Rutherford Avenue and Wells Avenue are still possible. Intermittent daytime and nighttime lane closures between the intersections above may still be required utilizing flagging operations. Any impacts to I-581 will be minimal. Expected completion Spring 2023.

I-581/220 EXPRESSWAY PAVING OPERATIONS – Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

I-581/220 LANE & RAMP CLOSURES FOR PAVING AND MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS IN ROANOKE COUNTY – Weather permitting, crews will be milling and paving along Interstate 81. Right and left lane closures will be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours. Drivers should expect possible delays.

ROANOKE CITY

13th STREET SE IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETOUR – A project to improve a portion of 13th Street SE in Roanoke is underway. Located in a residential neighborhood just east of downtown Roanoke, this project will improve traffic flow and connectivity along 13th Street SE from Tazewell Avenue to Norfolk Avenue. The project entails reconstructing about 0.2-mile of 13th Street as an improved, two-lane roadway with 10.5-foot-wide

travel lane and a raised median. A new roadway will extend 13th Street to Norfolk Avenue and the intersection at 13th Street and Wise Avenue will be reconfigured to include a roundabout. Bike lanes, sidewalks, crosswalks and curb and gutter will also be added. Southbound 13th Street traffic has a detour in place using Norfolk Avenue onto 12th Street to Tazewell Avenue. This detour will be in place throughout the duration of this project. Signs will be posted to designate the detour route. Northbound 13th Street will remain open to traffic. Flaggers may be possible and the speed limit through the work zone is 25 mph. The project is expected to be completed in summer 2023. **TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGE:** Northbound traffic is switched to the northbound lane of 13th Street. Southbound traffic will still be detoured around the work zone.

ROANOKE COUNTY

BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY CLOSURE – The Blue Ridge Parkway will be repairing slope failures and a culvert failure at mile marker 127.9. A 15-mile stretch of the Parkway, mile marker 121.4 to 136, will be closed to all uses including cyclists, pedestrians and drivers. Detour signs to detour traffic around the Bent Mountain section of the Parkway will be in place. Traffic will be rerouted to Route 220 south to Route 419 north to Route 221 south. Traffic traveling north on the Parkway would be reversed. The detour is expected to be in place until 2023.

BOTETOURT COUNTY

ROUTE 616 CLOSURE – On Feb. 27 at 8 a.m., Route 616 (Blue Ridge Springs Road) will be closed to traffic to for a bridge replacement over the Branch of Glade Creek. The bridge is located 1.05 mile from



Route 460 and 0.55 miles from the dead end. A detour will be in place. The bridge is scheduled to reopen by the end of the day on March 2, 2023.

DALEVILLE INTERSECTION PROJECT FOR FIELDSTONE DEVELOPMENT ACCESS – Lane closures northbound and southbound on Route 220 in Daleville will be in place for construction of a median with crossover, a right turn lane and a new traffic signal. This work is associated with construction of the Fieldstone Development. Lane closures will be set up on various days in early 2023.

ROUTE 11 BUCHANAN BRIDGE PROJECT – A construction project on the Route 11 Bridge in the Town of Buchanan is underway. Water Street is closed for the duration of the project and drivers should expect periodic lane closures with flagging operations to be in place during daytime hours. Message boards are present to alert and update drivers. Expected completion in summer 2023.

ROUTE 611 (GREYLEDGE ROAD) – A 1.5 mile section of Route 611 (Greyledge Road) is closed due to flooding that damaged the roadway. Extensive repairs will be needed and a detour will be in place. There is no estimated time for the road to reopen.

CRAIG COUNTY

ROUTE 311 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER MEADOW CREEK – Temporary signals 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 com-

pleted, 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 late spring 2023.

TRAFFIC SWITCH: Traffic is using the southbound lane to the northbound lane while work continues. Southbound lanes are closed. Temporary traffic signals will continue to direct traffic and message boards will notify drivers.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

ROUTE 8 PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS – Work will soon begin to construct Pedestrian Improvements on Route 8 in Riner. The work zone will begin at the intersection with Route 669 (Union Valley Road) and will end at the current site of the Atlantic Union Bank. Drivers should expect lane closures with flagging operations between the hours of 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. through the start of the project until May 24, end of the school year. Once the school year is complete, lane closures will expand in hours to 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Expected completion is late summer 2023.

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, 20-104 Case No. CL23-40 ROANOKE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT 305 E. MAIN STREET, SALEM, VA 24153 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re CHLOE GRACE DUNN v. The object of this suit is to: change the minor's name. It is ORDERED that MICHAEL MATTHEW DUNN appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before March 14, 2023 @2:30pm. JANUARY 11, 2023 STEVEN A. MCGRAW, clerk

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Order of Publication

VA Code Ann. §§8.01-316, -317 Commonwealth of Virginia City of Radford Circuit Court located at 619 2nd Street # 149 Radford, VA 24141 Case no. CL22-6839 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Estate of Charles Preston Hall, DECEASED. The object of this suit is to: Establish a copy of a will as the true Last Will of Charles Preston Hall. It is ORDERED that any interested children/

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descendants of Charles Preston Hall appear in the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before February 28, 2023 Entered: 12/20/22 by: Melissa White, Deputy Clerk

Order of Publication Commonwealth of Virginia

VA Code §§ 8.01-316,-317 Case No. CL23-6883 City of Radford Circuit Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Robert A. Jones, Jr. v. Victor Carter, et al. The object of this suit is to: Quiet the title to 530 W. Rock Road, Radford, VA 24141. It is ORDERED that heirs of Charles Jones, deceased appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before MARCH 15, 2023. JANUARY 27, 2023 REBECCA PRICE Deputy Clerk

Notice of Availability of a Supplemental Environmental Assessment

(SEA) at the Radford Army Ammunition Plant (RFAAP) for Construction and Operation of an Energetic Waste Incinerator/Contaminated Waste Processor RFAAP announces the availability of an SEA and draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) for the construction and operation of an Energetic Waste Incinerator/Contaminated Waste Processor, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The SEA proposed action is not expected to have any significant environmental effects. Therefore, preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not anticipated. The SEA and draft FNSI are available for public review at: Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library, 125 Shelman Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073. All comments must be submitted by March 10, 2023. Comments can be submitted in hard copy to: RFAAP, C/O Ms. Pamela Diloia, acting Public Affairs Officer, Route 114, P.O. Box 2, Radford, VA 24143-0002, or by email to: Pamela.j.diloia.civ@army.mil

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, 20-104 Case No. CL23-40 ROANOKE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT 305 E. MAIN STREET, SALEM, VA 24153 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re CHLOE GRACE DUNN v. The object of this suit is to: change the minor's name. It is ORDERED that MICHAEL MATTHEW DUNN appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before March 14, 2023 @2:30pm. JANUARY 11, 2023 STEVEN A. MCGRAW, clerk

NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING TO: CITY OF SALEM REAL ESTATE OWNERS

The Board of Equalization for Real Estate Assessments in the City of Salem will meet on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Salem Civic Center located at 1001 Roanoke Blvd, Salem, Virginia. The Board will continue its meeting from time to time thereafter, by adjournments, at and for such time or times, at the same place or such other place or places, as may be designated and deemed necessary by the Board to accomplish and complete its task of equalization of real estate assessments and to discharge the duties imposed by law upon the Board. Said meeting will be adjourned on April 25, 2023, unless the powers of the Board are extended by order of the Circuit Court for the City of Salem. The purpose of the Board meeting is to equalize property assessments in the City and to hear and give consideration to all complaints of any inequalities in such assessment so that the

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burden of real estate taxation shall rest equally upon all owners. At its meeting, the Board will hear and decide all inequality protest complaints, whether made by property owners, the City, or any taxpayer, on appeal to this Board by property owners. The Board may equalize any assessment by raising, or lowering assessments fixed by the Assessor, in proper cases, in order to make assessments uniform in the City as far as practicable. If you wish to discuss the assessment with the Board, call (540) 375-3058 for an appointment by February 24, 2023. The Assessor is required by law to prepare necessary papers for the Board and for the property owner who wants to appeal to the Board of Equalization. Information pertaining to the Assessor's valuations, along with forms for appeal to the Board of Equalization may be obtained from the Assessor's office by calling (540) 375-3058, or online at www.salemva.gov. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION OF REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CITY OF SALEM Norman J. Beamer Kathy Fitzgerald Wendell Ingram Jr. David Prosser Janie Whitlow

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Council of the City of Salem, at its regular meeting on February 13, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers of the City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing to consider the sale of the property located at the 1900 block of Mill Lane, Salem, Virginia, Tax Map # 179-2-1.1, consisting of 12.2807 acres. Questions concerning the proposed sale may be addressed to the office of the City Manager, City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, Salem, Virginia, at 375-3016. At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said request.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA H. Robert Light Clerk of Salem City Council

Zoning Administration NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2309 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, on February 23, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, to consider the following applications. Request of the City of Salem, property owner, and Roanoke County, project administrator, for a variance from Section 106-226.7 of the Code of the City of Salem, to allow construction of the greenway trail, extending from the existing trail on Salem City owned property (Tax Map # 178-4-1) near Kingsmill Drive to the Roanoke County owned property (Parcel ID # 056.01-01-17.00-0000) near Riverside Nursery. Section 106—226.7(A) states that no new construction shall be permitted, except where the effect of such development on flood heights is fully offset.

Request of the City of Salem, property owner, for a variance from Section 106-226.7 of the Code of the City of Salem, to allow the bridge widening of Apperson Drive Bridge along with incidental greenway trail work on and near the 1600 block East Riverside Drive (Tax Map # 259-2-1). Section 106—226.7(A) states that no new construction shall be permitted, except where the effect of such development on flood heights is fully offset. At this hearing, all parties in interest will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and show cause why such requests should or should not be

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granted. For additional information, contact the Office of the Zoning Administrator, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375-3032). THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM BY: Mary Ellen H. Wines, CZA, CFM Zoning Administrator

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TRUSTEES SALE OF 146 HANNAH CIR AKA RR 2 BOX 1482, NEW CASTLE, VA 24127

TRUSTEES SALE OF 146 HANNAH CIR AKA RR 2 BOX 1482, NEW CASTLE, VA 24127
In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$165,000.00, with an annual interest rate of 3.000000% dated March 6, 2006, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the COUNTY OF CRAIG as Deed Book 154, Page 537, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction all that property located in the COUNTY OF CRAIG, on the courthouse steps at the front of the Circuit Court building for the County of Craig located at 303 Main Street, New Castle, Virginia on March 14, 2023 at 3:00 PM, the property with improvements to wit: 5.00 ACRE AS DESCRIBED ON PLAT RECORDED IN CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CRAIG COUNTY, VIRGINIA IN DEED BOOK 135, PAGE 266 Tax Map No. 35-2-2 THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale. Loan type: Conventional. Reference Number 17-265489. PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION OF VIRGINIA, Substitute Trustees, C/O LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, 10021 Balls Ford Road, Suite 200, Manassas, Virginia 20109 (703) 449-5800.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316 CRAIG COMBINED COURT- JUVENILE Case No JJ002185-16-00 Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re EVANS, JACOB LUCAS The object of this suit scheduled to be heard on February 17, 2023 in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court for Craig County located at 182 Main Street, New Castle, Virginia 24127 is to terminate the residual parental Rights of the father of Jacob Lucas Evans thought to be either Ryan Quinlin, Mark Evans, Kevin Scott Minnix, or Unknown Father pursuant to Virginia Code Sections 16.1-283 B and C, and which child is five (5) years of age and was born to Katlin Daniel Evans. Residual parental rights are defined in Section 16.1-228 of the Code of Virginia (1950, as amended) as the rights and responsibilities remaining with a parent after the parent loses custody of a child, including but 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. The ties between you and your child are severed forever and you become a legal stranger to the child. It is ORDERED that UNKNOWN FATHER appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 02/17/2023 10:30AM signed by Patty Taylor, Clerk 12/19/2022

Public Notice Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a

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draft Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of treated wastewater into a waterbody in Craig County, Virginia. PERMIT NO.: VA0091324 NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY: Department of Wildlife Resources - Paint Bank Fish Cultural Station, 14505 Paint Bank Road, Paint Bank, VA 24131 DEQ CONTACT: Lynn V. Wise, (540) 597-0300, lynn.wise@deq.virginia.gov, 901 Russell Dr, Salem, VA 24153 The full public notice is available at <https://www.deq.virginia.gov/permits-regulations/public-notices/water/virginia-pollution-discharge-elimination-system-vpdes>.

Legals - Roanoke County

Public Notice Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the continued release of treated wastewater into a water body in Roanoke County, Virginia. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: February 9, 2023 to March 11, 2023 PERMIT NAME: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater issued by DEQ pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Roanoke Moose Lodge #284, PO Box 538, Salem, VA 24153; VA0077895 FACILITY NAME AND LOCATION: Roanoke Moose Lodge #284 STP; 3233 Catawba Valley Drive, Roanoke County. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Roanoke Moose Lodge #284 has applied for reissuance of a permit for the private Roanoke Moose Lodge #284 STP. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage wastewaters from the Lodge at a maximum rate of four-thousand seven-hundred gallons-per-day into a water body. Septage from the treatment process septic tank will be disposed by transfer and further treatment at the Roanoke Regional Water Pollution Control Plant. The facility proposes to release the treated wastewaters in Masons Creek in Roanoke County in the Roanoke River watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: physical and chemical properties, nutrients, organic matter, solids, and bacteria. HOW TO

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COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing on the draft permit by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. DEQ must receive hand-delivery and postal mail by close of business and email and fax comments by 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requester, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit. CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Susan Edwards; Blue Ridge Regional Office, 901 Russell Drive, Salem, VA 24153-3068; Phone: (540)795-9749; E-mail: Susan.Edwards@deq.virginia.gov; Fax: (540)689-4178. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

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CRAIG GIRLS OPEN PIONEER HOOPS AT COVINGTON

The Craig County girls finished winless in Pioneer District basketball games so they'll go to Covington for the first round of the district tournament. The Rockets will play at Covington next Monday, February 13.

"Covington is a team that we most certainly can play with, and we have a great chance to win," said Craig coach Brock Jones. "We will focus all week on stopping their best player, Lauren Bragg. We will create a game plan and try to take her out of the game and force someone else to beat us. She had 21 the first game and 16 in the second. The main thing is we must box her out. If we box her out and hold her to under 10 points I believe we win the game."

If the Rockets win they would play in the district semifinals on February 16 at the sites of the higher seeds. That would put Craig against either Eastern Montgomery or Parry McCluer, who come into the week tied at the top of the standings with 7-1 records each in Pioneer District games. They will play at James River next Monday to determine the regular season champion and top seed for the tournament. The semifinal winners get an automatic bid to the region tournament.

The Rockets finished the regular season at 1-15 after dropping their last two games



Hannah Ratliff pushes the ball for Craig.



Brooklyn Cayton studies a foul shot.

last week. Last Monday at Giles they gave the host Spartans all they could handle before falling, 53-49. Craig trailed by just two at the half, 25-23, and the game was close to the final buzzer.

"We should have won," said Jones. "We played extremely well as a team."

Freshman Kallie Fisher led the Rockets with a full stat line. Kallie had 15 points, seven rebounds, six steals and four assists.

"I told Kallie this is the expectation from here on out and into the future," said Jones. "She has to be a 'score first' person looking to attack the rim like she did. She played really well and I am super excited for her to have a breakout game to build her confidence moving forward."

Senior Annabelle Gregory had 12 points, 12 steals, four assists and seven rebounds.

"Annie is our energizer bunny," said Jones. "She

plays at 100 miles per hour every game and she sets the tone for us offensively when we can get out in transition and look to attack before the defense gets set up."

Madison Underwood chipped in eight points and 10 rebounds. Hannah Ratliff had nine points, four steals and six boards.

"We continue to not shoot very well from the field as a team," said Jones. "We shot 24 percent from the field compared to their 36 percent. We got more shots on the rim that didn't fall, but we did score twice as much against them as what we

average for the year. The girls played extremely hard and pushed the ball and ran, as we wanted too."

On Friday the girls wrapped up the regular season with a 55-23 loss at Narrows. Craig shot just 14 percent in this one and that makes it tough to win. "Nothing went our way," said Jones. "At one point in the game we had five straight offensive rebounds on one possession, and we couldn't finish it off. We shot extremely bad in this game; the girls were aggravated at half time because shots weren't falling. We talked about playing hard on defense and how some games that's the bad luck you draw, and it surely was this day."

Sophomore Gracie Huffman was pulled up from the jayvee team as Craig had to cancel the jayvee game due to a sick player who couldn't make the trip. That left the Rockets with only four jayvee girls and, after getting pulled up to the varsity, Huffman led the Rockets with five points while Brooklyn Cayton, another sophomore, had four.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN
Madison Underwood looks to throw an outlet pass.



John Stafford is the new baseball coach at Craig County.

The ground hog predicted six more weeks of winter but that won't stop the Craig County baseball team from getting out the gloves and bats to prepare for the coming season. The Rockets have a new coach this year, as John Stafford takes over from last year's interim coach, Zachary Peters.

Stafford is a 1995 graduate of Northside High School and a middle school English and Social Studies teacher at Craig County. He graduated from Mary Baldwin College and his first teaching job was at Franklin County High School where he was a special education teacher and was on the football staff.

Before Mary Baldwin

STAFFORD IS NEW CRAIG COUNTY BASEBALL COACH

Stafford played baseball at Delaware Tech, a nationally ranked junior college in Georgetown, Delaware. His sophomore year Del Tech went to Millington, Tennessee and finished fourth in the 1998 Division II World Series. Del Tech won the World Series in 2001 and coach Curtis Brock, who mentored Stafford, has been inducted into numerous Delaware and Maryland Halls of Fame after retiring from over 30 years of coaching in 2018.

As far as baseball coaching experience, Stafford was an assistant at Mount Airy High School in North Carolina.

"I have quite a bit more football coaching experience and I feel like it will translate well to baseball," he said. "I know the off-the-field and organizational principles are the same in any successful high school sports program. Our goal is to

provide a structured and organized baseball program while supporting instruction and academics in the classroom."

Stafford takes over a team that went to the Region 1C tournament last spring after finishing fourth in the Pioneer District under Peters, who stepped in to somewhat "save" the program. The Rockets missed the entire 2020 and 2021 seasons due to a combination of COVID and lack of boys coming out for the team. Peters, who is not a teacher at the school, stepped up to coach last year and took the Rockets to the region tournament, where they lost to defending state champion Auburn. Craig has a good nucleus returning from that team.

"We have quite a bit of experience coming back from last year's team," said Stafford. "We have a few seniors we plan to build around and a core of juniors

who played extensively last season that I'm already counting on to be impact players for us this year. We also have a group of sophomores with game experience and a couple freshmen competing to fill out the lineup, so we definitely should have some depth from top to bottom coming into the season."

Jason Lucas, who assisted Peters last year, will return in an assistant coaching role.

"Coach Lucas has extensive experience with these particular players and that is a huge help for me coming into the season," said Stafford. "He has been through our league and knows the players and teams we will be playing. We are blessed to have his experience to lean on. I am working with administration and the community and alumni to fill out our staff with a couple more coaches."

ROCKET BOYS PLAYING FOR 4th SEED IN DISTRICT

The Craig County boys' basketball team will wrap up the regular season this week needing a win or two to grab the fourth seed in the coming Pioneer Tournament.

Craig comes into the week with a 3-7 Pioneer record and two games left, at Covington Monday and at Highland tonight, Wednesday. Bath County is also 3-7 and has split two games with Craig. The Chargers play 8-2 Parry McCluer and 1-10 Eastern Montgomery this week.

Highland is 3-8 and the Rams have one game left, against the Rockets tonight in Monterey. Highland beat Craig the first time around, in New Castle, by two points, 62-60, and the Rockets felt like they should have won that game. They'll need to turn that score around tonight to have a shot at fourth place in the district.

"We still have control of our seeding but need to be ready to go this week, as it is a make or break week for us," said Craig coach Ryan Frazier.

The district tournament begins next Monday, February 13, and if the Rockets can grab the fourth seed they'll host the fifth seed in the opening round. The second and third seeds also get home games while top-seeded Narrows, who has yet to lose a Pioneer game, gets a first round bye. Covington and Parry McCluer were battling for the second seed coming into the week while East Mont will be the seventh seed with just one district win to date.

The district semifinals are February 16 at the higher seeds, and the championship is February 17 at the higher seed. There is also a third-place consolation game that night.

The Rockets dropped to 3-15 overall when they lost three home games last week, beginning with a 64-38 loss to Giles on January 30. Matthew Lucas had 20 points, Hayden Reynolds had eight and Zach Peters scored six. Craig fell behind by 16 at the half and never recovered.

On Friday first place Narrows came to New Castle and took a 74-48 win over the Rockets.

"We came out timid against Narrows and didn't make them work for anything," said Frazier. "We had a goal this time to make sure that they knew they were in a game and that we would fight hard until the end, even if the final score didn't show it. Narrows has one of the better players in the area in Kolier Pruett and we knew we would have trouble slowing him down and we did as he scored 37 points."

While Craig lost by 26, the score doesn't show the whole story. The Rockets led by three after the first quarter and trailed by just three at the half before Narrows pulled away after intermission.

"Our boys played hard and with passion and I am very proud of that display against the best team in the district," said Frazier.

Lucas finished with 26 points and eight rebounds while Peters had three points and 10 assists and played a really good first half, getting the ball where it needed to go. Reynolds finished with eight points, Talon Ritter had five and Drew Duncan scored four.



Talon Ritter is open for a short shot.



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Hayden Reynolds puts up a shot against Giles.

On Saturday afternoon the Rockets played host to Montcalm in a non-district game and lost 59-49. The game was tied after one quarter before Montcalm opened an eight point lead at the half.

"This was another game the boys showed a lot of heart, being down by as many as 20 before cutting lead to seven in the fourth

quarter," said Frazier. Lucas had 27 points while Reynolds had 14, 12 of which came on four three-pointers. Peters had five points and six assists while Jaycob Wolfe came up with nine rebounds despite dealing with some sickness.

Prior to the game Craig honored the team's two seniors, Peters and Austin Hickson.



Jaycob Wolfe brings the ball up for the Rockets.