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Craig Child Care Center educating and hiring



COURTESY PHOTO

Kirstin Foster, Laura Wright, Jenna Conway and Teresa Oliver attended the Virginia Association for the Education of Young Children Conference in Richmond March 9-11. The staff learned about new policies in early education on local, state and national levels.

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

Many parents are very happy that Craig County has a childcare center for their children to attend that is local.

Currently, the Craig County Child Care Center is hiring immediately.

"We are happy to be enrolling more children and meeting the growing needs in our community,"

shared Teresa Oliver, executive director. "We are looking for one full time teacher that has a passion for a career in Early Education."

The hours of employment will be Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. and the pay range is from \$12 - \$15 an hour based on the person's education and experience.

Applicants must be

able to pass a background check, drug test and be able to acquire first aid and CPR certifications, as well as complete a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential within six months of employment.

All training and education will be provided by the childcare center.

Benefits available are paid vacation, holidays, sick leave, retirement,

health, vision and dental plans, as an EOE.

Applications are available at the Child Care Center at 100 Brooks Street in New Castle.

Recently, the childcare center sent Teresa Oliver, Laura Wright, and Kristin Foster to the VAEYC (Virginia Association for the Education of Young

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COURTESY IMAGE

Easter is a time many families get together to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, while enjoying the fellowship and food as well as hiding eggs for the kids to find.

Easter events coming up in Craig County

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

There will be lots happening in the next couple of weekends, with Easter just around the corner.

People love to enjoy the special holiday with Easter bunnies and Easter baskets and lots and lots of Easter eggs.

Many also honor the special time of year as their Savior Jesus Christ was beaten and crucified on a cross, and then arose

on the third day, offering the invitation to live with Him forever if they choose to follow Him.

To start the events, on April 6, everyone is invited to join Craig Valley Baptist and Grace Baptist Church for Maundy Thursday. The churches will be hosting a potluck dinner at 6 p.m. with a short worship service following. Maundy Thursday will be held at Grace Baptist Church. "Everyone is welcome to

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Road cleaned by community members



COURTESY PHOTO

Community members from the groups Smoke in Chimneys and the Craig County Public Library organized a cleanup on Route 42, where several helped to make the roads beautiful again. Pictured are Jill Templeton, Ron Kaffen, Ty Walker, Eloise York and Jessie York. Not pictured were Karen and George Barnhart, Susie Kaffen, and Gabe, Silas and Reed Templeton.

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

Craig County is known for its scenic roadways. However, in the last few years there has been more trash thrown out onto the sides of the road than ever before.

Some community members chose to gather and take care of one of their portions of the countryside.

The group Smoke in Chimneys and the Craig County Public Library,

Inc. (CCPL) organized the event.

The idea started when Ty Walker mentioned how the trash bothered him driving into town one afternoon when he was at the library.

"God has given us, the citizens of Craig, stewardship of this land, and it's our job to uphold that to the best of our ability," shared Walker.

Jill Templeton, a CCPL board member, felt the same and they decided it would be a good idea to

tackle the stretch together since it's a windy, difficult area for any one person to clean.

Their goal was to clean up the roadway from the hatchery to the library on Saturday morning, March 25, starting at 10 a.m.

"We had planned to start that morning but bumped it to the afternoon when a downpour gave way to a beautiful spring day," Templeton said.

Twelve volunteers donated their time to both gather the garbage

and drive vehicles with supplies.

"It was warm enough to come across a couple snakes sunning themselves in the road," Templeton shared. "We pulled plenty of cans, bottles, fast food packages, and bags off the ground and bushes. Some of the more interesting items included a mailbox, lottery tickets, a gas tank, and a day pass to the Greenbrier."

While they didn't quite

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COURTESY PHOTO

The Easter bunny will be at Studio Reflections Hop & Shop event on Saturday, April 8, with Liv Alive Photography.

Studio Reflections will offer Hop & Shop event

Pam Dudding
Contributing writer

Easter is right around the corner and so is the Easter bunny at Studio Reflections, along with vendors who will be selling their items and making people beautiful.

On Saturday, April 8, starting at 11 a.m., Studio Reflection's Hop & Shop event will bring a fun day for all, ending at 6 p.m.

Wilson will be styling and cutting hair, offering a 10% discount off appointments for that day. Also, she will be offering free brow waxes.

She has also invited other vendors to attend, including:

LivAlivePhotography, Olivia Slusher, will be set

up with the Easter bunny to take pictures

South of the Mason Dixon, Brittany Austin, will have her customized t-shirts, cups, keychains, koozies, earrings and more.

Thrifty Mama, Lindsay Hall, a fan favorite of Craig, will have gently used thrifted clothing

Paparazzi jewelry including necklaces, earrings and bracelets

To add to the day's fun event, she is having an Easter scavenger hunt.


"I am going to hide eggs around town, on Main Street and at Food Country. Hunt for one egg that will be located around town and if it has a number in it bring it to the salon to be entered to win a \$50 gift card," Wilson shared. "There is a limit

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Reader captures double rainbow



COURTESY OF BARBIE WINSTEAD

Barbie Winstead said that she was able to capture a picture within that “Golden Hour” on her property. “It lasted about 10 minutes, but it was breathtaking. I’m so happy that I captured it and can share it with you all,” she said.

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make it all 3 miles, they were able to clean both sides from the hatchery to the overlook and one side almost to town.

They explained that in some places, they would take a step and feel a layer of trash under the leaves.

“We made some progress, but there is more out there,” said Templeton. “It made my day when someone stopped to say thanks and to have such a good group of people pitching in.”

After the day’s event, lots of orange bags dotted the side of State Route 42. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) provided the signs, bags and vests. VDOT also picked up all the bags a few days later. Their goal is to finish the job and continue to clean Craig County.

If people are interested in helping in the future, they can contact the library at 540-864-8978.

Community members commented on Facebook. “Thank you to all who cleaned up route 42 mountain yesterday. I for one really appreciate all



COURTESY PHOTO

Jesse and Matt York loaded their bags up with trash off of Rt 42, keeping Craig County clean.

you did.”

“Oh, my goodness that’s awesome!” “That’s amazing! Great job!”

“You all did a great job. Thank you!”

“Everyone talked about how beautiful Meadow Creek is running along

the road, a view you don’t normally get to see,” said Templeton. “Our goal was to make Craig County an even prettier place to be.”

Upcoming public meetings in Craig

April 17

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.

April 18

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

April 19

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

May 15

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.

May 16

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May 17

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attend and enjoy some good food and fellowship with one another!” the church shared. Craig Valley and Grace Baptist will also be having Easter sunrise service together on April 9 at 7 a.m. at Grace Baptist Church. After the sunrise service, there will be breakfast for everyone. Following the breakfast, Grace Baptist will have its normal 10 a.m. worship service and Craig Valley will be having its normal 11 a.m. worship service.

New Castle Christian Church will have its annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 1 at 3 p.m. It is open to ages 1 year to fifth grade. Lots of eggs will be hidden for each age group and there will be prizes. Pastor Bill Frazier will be conducting the community sunrise service at 7 a.m. at Huffman Cemetery at Chestnut Grove Church on Rt. 42.

Lighthouse Baptist Church is having its Easter egg hunt on Saturday, March 31 at Fenwick Mines again this year. The Easter egg hunt event will begin at 5:30 p.m. and after there will be free hot dogs served to all under the pavilion. Pastor Lee Looney shared, “Join us on Easter

Sunday at an early 9 a.m. service. We will have a small breakfast afterward at 10 a.m., Sunday School and we will also have an 11am service where we will be doing our Easter program.”

Level Green Church will have an Easter egg hunt at 2 p.m., after its spring fellowship meal.

The New Castle United Methodist Church will be hosting its annual Holy Week services. This year there will be special services on Thursday, with Tim Vernon as the speaker and Pastor San Kang will speak on Friday, as well as its Sunday service.

Walton Church will have sunrise service at 7 a.m. and at 10 a.m. an Easter celebration. The church shared, “We would be so honored if you would join us as we celebrate the Lord’s Resurrection.” The Easter egg hunt will be held on Saturday, April 8 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

On Saturday, April 8, Studio Reflections will be hosting a special Hop & Shop, with vendors and the Easter bunny will also be there, with Liv Alive Photography taking pictures. Also, Tracy Wilson will have an Easter egg hunt in

Roanoke College, Virginia Tech partner on accelerated pathways in computer science, computer engineering

The partnership gives Roanoke College students direct admission into master’s degree programs

Roanoke College and Virginia Tech announced last week that they have entered a partnership aimed at benefiting students in science fields. Additionally, the hope is that the partnership will serve as an engine for economic, workforce and educational development in Virginia.

The two agreements that make up the partnership will allow Roanoke College students to pursue graduate programs at Virginia Tech and facilitate an early transition to graduate school.

The announcement comes amid a larger

investment being made by state leaders, employers and philanthropic donors to grow Virginia’s workforce in high-priority tech fields. The Tech Talent Investment Program has marshaled more than \$2 billion to date to support initiatives designed to more than double the number of students statewide who are earning computer-related degrees and capitalize on major opportunities such as the Amazon HQ2 project in Northern Virginia.

The new Direct to Tech program provides Roanoke College students direct admission into Virginia Tech Master of Engineering programs in either computer science and applications or computer engineering upon graduation from Roanoke College. Direct to

Tech is open to all Roanoke College seniors with a 3.0 GPA, regardless of major, who have completed certain required courses. The partnership will reduce the timeline for admission and give students an early transition into the Virginia Tech graduate programs, which are delivered from the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus in Northern Virginia. The first building of the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus, located just outside the nation’s capital, opens to students in fall 2024. Students currently enrolled in Innovation Campus master’s degree programs are attending classes at the university’s Falls Church location.

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CRAIG COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Craig, Virginia will hold a public hearing to receive public input regarding a proposed amendment to **Article II. Election Districts Precinct Boundaries** § 18-28.- Election district Boundaries of Craig County Code of Ordinances, Redistricting Craig County to Establish Boundary Lines for Each Election District; to Name each Election District; and to establish Polling Places in each Election Precinct. (No Changes in the current district boundaries are anticipated as a result of redistricting).

The public hearing will be held Thursday, May 4th, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in the Craig County Courthouse, on Main Street, New Castle, Virginia. Anyone having questions regarding the above may contact the County Administrator’s office (540) 864-5010, located at 108 Court Street, or mailed to P.O. Box 308, New Castle, Virginia 24127.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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 **April 6th, 2023 at 6:00 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	
Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency (LATCF-ARPA)	\$188,545
Craig Co Public Schools	
CARES Act- ESSER	\$ 64,414
Emergency Connectivity Funds (ECF)	\$ 72,496

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“This program will provide students with the opportunity to take advantage of the best that Roanoke College and Virginia Tech have to offer. We’re thrilled that Roanoke is the first college in Virginia to sign on to this program. The Roanoke College and Virginia Tech partnership is about access for our students and opportunities for their incredible futures,” Roanoke College President Frank Shushok Jr. said. “Maroons and Hokies are celebrating, and the pathways and possibilities to and from Roanoke College are even stronger. This is a tremendous arrangement and partnership for us, for Virginia Tech and for the commonwealth.”

A second agreement between the two schools allows Roanoke College students to take advantage of an accelerated 4+1 undergraduate/graduate program in computer science or computer engineering at Virginia Tech. This partnership enables students to take courses that apply toward a bachelor’s degree at Roanoke College and an accelerated master’s degree at Virginia Tech. This means students can earn a Bachelor of Science in four years, then complete the master’s with just one additional year at Virginia Tech. This program is open to any Roanoke College computer science major who has earned at least

a 3.3 GPA and completed certain courses, including Calculus II, as part of their undergraduate degree.

“We are thrilled to partner with Roanoke College to launch our first Direct to Tech program and additional 4+1 opportunities,” Lance Collins, vice president and executive director of the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus, said. “The Innovation Campus is dedicated to increasing opportunities for underrepresented students while expanding access to tech talent in the national capital region. We look forward to welcoming Roanoke College graduates to our Master of Engineering program.”

As part of both the Direct to Tech and accelerated 4+1 agreements, Roanoke College students will not have to pay application fees or submit GRE scores to Virginia Tech. For the 4+1 program, Virginia Tech may provide significant financial support for students, particularly through state and industry funding earmarked to support women, underrepresented minorities, first-generation students and veterans.

The institutions said the Direct to Tech and 4+1 agreements are effective immediately.

-The New Castle Record

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COURTESY PHOTO

Studio Reflections Hop & Shop event will be fun for the community. Participants can get a free brow wax, shop at the different vendors that will be there, get their picture taken with the Easter bunny and enjoy a town egg hunt with prizes.

of one egg per person!” Pictures with the Easter bunny are digital by Liv Alive Photography and will be walk-ins. They will be one picture for \$5 or three for \$10. Those with questions, should contact her via Facebook.

Studio Reflection’s current salon hours are, Sunday and Monday:

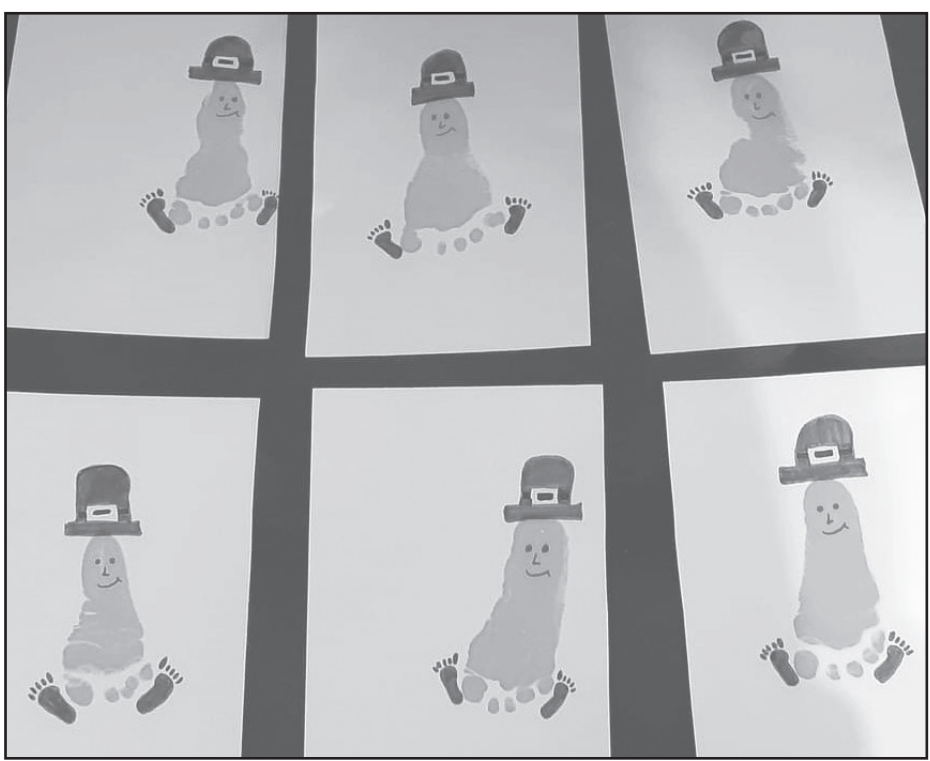
closed, Tuesday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday-Friday: 12-8 p.m. (walk-in hours are from 12-2 p.m.) and Saturday: 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

“We offer a variety of services like coloring, womens/mens/children’s haircuts, highlights, balayage, smoothing hair treatments, facial

waxing, brow tint/lamination, and more!” Wilson said. “The only thing we do not offer is perms and relaxers.”

When asked why Wilson chose to have this event, she responded, “To bring the community together and bring something new and fun to Craig County!”

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COURTESY PHOTO

The kids at CCCC enjoy learning and get to dabble in artwork. Parents complimented the teachers on Facebook about how proud the kids are to bring them home. For March, they made a happy footprint St. Patrick’s picture.

Children) Conference in Richmond, Virginia March 9-11.

The staff learned about new policies in early education on local, state and national levels.

Oliver shared that they also attended continuing educational seminars in early education.

“The trip was paid for by the Mixed Delivery through United Way of Roanoke Valley,” Oliver said. “The childcare center partners with UWRV in the Mixed Delivery Grant, which this year funded 10 slots at the childcare center (10 children received free childcare Monday - Friday).”

She added, “We anticipate continuing to partner with Mixed delivery

again next year. We will begin enrolling children for Mixed Delivery, Head Start and Early Head Start in early August and you may contact the center if interested in starting a child.”

“Jenna Conway, Deputy Superintendent of Division of Early Childhood Care and Education, spoke about the strides the state is taking to ensure that a high-quality early education is available to all children throughout the state at an affordable rate,” Oliver said.

The Craig County Child Care Center currently has openings in the three- and four-year-old classrooms.

They have a wait list for all classrooms for the infants, toddlers, twos and school kids.

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1. Millisecond

5. Narcotic drug

11. Accident

14. Formal submissions

15. Popular 70s rock band

18. Discourage from doing

19. More socially elite

21. Arid

23. A way to look

24. Heroes

28. A surfer rides it

29. Potato state

30. Insect repellent

32. Cool!

33. Have already done

35. Collegiate women's fraternity

36. To the ___ degree

39. Gasteyer and de

Armas are two

41. Blood type

42. Looked over

44. Language of Cameroon and Chad

46. Species of armadillo

47. Touch softly

49. Part of your upper body

52. Large, stocky lizards

56. Lack of social or ethical standards

58. Congressman

60. Unofficial force

62. As a result of this utterance

63. A main branch of Islam

CLUES DOWN

1. Woman (French)

2. Province of Pakistan

3. This (Spanish)

4. Transportation device

5. Greater in importance or priority

6. The human foot

7. Within 8. Consumed

9. Respectful Malaysian term

10. Therefore

12. Ceased to exist

13. Type of macaroni

16. English composer

17. Wooded tract

20. Tall, slender-leaved plant

22. 36 inches

25. Take too much (abbr.)

26. Allow

27. Individually

29. Journalist Tarbell

31. Bar bill

34. Hong Kong food

stall: ___ pai dong

36. Not messy

37. Species that includes reed mace

38. Former MLB catcher Ed

40. Northern U.S. state

43. Wilt

45. Commercial

48. Bolivian river

50. Nursemaid

51. A car needs four

53. Guns (slang)

54. American state

55. Clusters of fern fronds

57. Body part

58. A person's brother or sister

59. Breed of sheep native to Sweden

61. Of I

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OPINION

News from the 9th Parents' Bill of Rights



Morgan Griffith
Representative

Over the past few years, there has been an alarming trend of parents being forcibly shut out of their children's education by certain school districts.

I've recognized the urgency of correcting this issue.

Parents are the people primarily responsible for directing their children's education and they have rights.

That's why I voted in favor of H.R. 5, the Parents Bill of Rights Act, which passed the House of Representatives in a 213-208 vote. The legislation makes clear the rights of parents!

It also makes clear to schools their duty to parents and the limits to their authority when parents are making decisions for their children.

This legislation is critical for our families.

There has been a rise in divisive ideology, like critical race theory, and sexually explicit information being taught in our schools, many times without the approval of parents.

While it may take a village to give a child a well-rounded raising, it does not give the village a right to inculcate children with a world view in opposition to parental wishes.

One democratic lawmaker recently said that if parents haven't completed their own high school education, they are unqualified to make education decisions for their children.

What an alarming, in-

appropriate, and classist sentiment. Parents have every right to decide if controversial information is to be taught to their children and at what age. Parents and/or legal guardians make medical decisions for their children every day without formal medical training, obviously they can make decisions on their children's education.

Speaking of medical decisions, some schools have even gone so far as to shut parents out of decisions relating to their children's health care and safety, ones that have life-long consequences. This is unacceptable.

Further, following the outbreak of COVID-19, school administrators made the decision to close many of our country's schools, moving them online. These school closures dragged on and parents objected. It was to the detriment of our children.

According to the Institute of Education Sciences, roughly half of America's students began the 2022 school year behind in at

least one subject, 13% higher than the national average in a typical year prior to COVID-19.

There has also been a sharp rise in depression and anxiety in children from extended lockdowns and forced remote learning. In 2021 and 2022, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and the Children's Hospital Association, declared a "national state of emergency" in response to this troubling trend.

Many parents have understandably become upset by the way certain school systems have handled these issues, voicing their concerns at school board meetings.

Even this has been met with resistance.

In October 2021, the National School Boards Association called on President Joe Biden to use federal agencies to stop "threats and acts of violence" on school officials during school board meet-

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Interview with a book lover

Library Corner

Raven Meadowbrook

"My earliest memories include highlights of going to the big public library every week with my brother and my mom." Seeing the tall rows of books that went on and on was an impressive sight, Carol recalled. She remembered that they had to be on their best behavior to be able to check out books. She would always choose a huge stack and her mother would have to whittle it down to only three books to "leave some for the other children to read." These formative memories bring lessons of borrowing and returning things, taking good care of things that are borrowed and the terrifying idea of having to pay a fine for overdue books out of her allowance.

Carol believes that libraries are more important than ever right now because of the change in technology. A librarian is not just a nice lady who checks out books but someone who can help you download books to a phone or a kindle, someone who can help you fill out a job application online, or do research on the internet. They must be highly trained in technology and stay current on accessing all forms of media. Technology makes libraries more important for their role in coaching and navigation.

Carol read all her favorite childhood books to her own daughter who is now an avid reader. Because of long commutes, they both enjoy audiobooks. One can check out audio books from the library on CD or subscribe to the LIBBY app for checking them out to your phone from various libraries. Carol likes her Audible subscription which has a fee but she can get current books and not have to wait for them. She said, "I can hear an interview with someone who has just written a book, and go get it on Audible right away. If I like it, I often buy the print copy so I can refer back to it or loan it to a friend."

There are so many ways to enjoy books. Your librarian can help you get started. It is especially important to bring children to a library. Help them know that a library is not just a place at their school but that it is an important part of a town and that grown-ups love books too. Even a small library like ours will seem large and wonderful to them. For many of us, that early childhood step of choosing your own books from a library forges a path of lifelong learning and delight in the art of storytelling.

Library news:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the trash clean-up. It surely brings awareness to the volume of trash that has been thoughtlessly pitched out of vehicles and it makes our roadsides look so much better!

April 22 is SWAP day at the library.

Stay tuned for BIG news about this year's Friends of the Library event coming up in May.

Mental health through the public health lens

In March we marked the third anniversary of the first confirmed case of COVID in Virginia and shared the good

news that our levels of lab-confirmed cases and hospitalizations have now stabilized at low levels. As COVID is

likely to continue to be with us, we will remain vigilant while using the tools of surveillance, testing, vaccination, and treatment to manage the routine aspects of living with the disease.

At this crossroads, we surveyed our newsletter readers to learn what they consider to be the most serious non-COVID public health issue that we face. While topics such as chronic disease and cancer

received many votes, the issue that rose to the top of the list for most readers was mental health. The votes for mental health combined with the votes for substance use accounted for over 40% of the 1500 votes that were cast.

Poor mental health can lead to financial, emotional, and physical strain that can create and

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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:

TRAFFIC SHIFT ON WILDWOOD ROAD: Expect a traffic shift with narrow width on Wildwood road after exiting I-81 southbound heading towards Salem. Southbound and northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows possible at Route 311.

WORK ZONE SPEED: With narrow spacing in lanes due to barrier walls, lack of shoulders and lane shifts in various locations, drivers should adhere to posted 60 mph speed limits in the work zone and allow space when following a vehicle.

RAMP CLOSURES: Ramp closures are possible during nighttime hours, 12 a.m., to 5 a.m. Drivers should watch for message boards dates and times the ramp will be closed.

LANE CLOSURES: Alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, are possible. Lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet.

Northbound lane closures from I-81 mile marker 136 to 141.

Southbound Lane closures from I-81 mile marker 141 to 136.

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.

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.

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.

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 PAVING OPERATIONS – Weather permitting, crews will be performing paving operations along Interstate 81. Right and left lane closures may be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours, 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Drivers should watch for moving vehicles and equipment. Expect possible delays.

I-81 BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 170 to 95, 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 WILLIAM-

SON 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.

On Monday, March 27 through Thursday, March 30, nighttime left lane closures may be in place on the northbound and southbound lanes.

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. Drivers should expect intermittent flagging operations on Wise Avenue when necessary. The project is expected to be completed in summer 2023.

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ROANOKE CITY

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THREE WAY STOP: Stop signs will be in place on each road approaching the intersection. This means drivers on Buck Mountain Road who do not stop currently will be required to stop while the intersection is under construction.

FLAGGING OPERATIONS: Throughout the life of the project, flaggers may control traffic between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily so motorists should expect delays.

TRAFFIC SHIFTS: In addition, drivers should also be alert to traffic shifts and changing traffic patterns while the roundabout is under construction.

BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY CLOSURE – The Blue Ridge Parkway will be repairing slope failures and a

CHANGE: Northbound traffic is switched to the northbound lane of 13th Street. Southbound traffic will still be detoured around the work zone.

ROANOKE COUNTY

SECTION OF STARKEY ROAD WILL CLOSE FOR RAILROAD CROSSING REPAIRS - Weather permitting, the section of Route 904 (Starkey Road) between Route 613 (Merriman Road) and Route 2017 (Knights Bridge Drive) in Roanoke County will be closed to through traffic starting March 28. This section of Starkey Road is expected to remain closed for two to three days while Norfolk Southern makes repairs to an at-grade railroad crossing. The repairs and road closure are unrelated to the nearby roundabout construction project at Buck Mountain Road. Message boards will alert drivers to seek alternate routes. Motorists can detour as follows: From Route 221, use Ranchcrest Drive to Merriman Road and then Chapparral Drive to Penn Forest Boulevard. From Route 220, take Buck Mountain Road to Starkey Road. The work is scheduled to be completed by March 31.

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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 summer 2023.

BOTETOURT COUNTY

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 April 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. Jacking project is underway through April 7 with work being performed during overnight hours, 9 p.m. to 4 a.m., Sunday through Thursday. Drivers should expect delays due to slow rolls being in place for up to 10 minutes at a time with lane closures periodically. Message boards are present to alert and update drivers. Expected completion in summer 2023.

PAVING OPERATIONS – Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight or nighttime hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

ROUTE 42 – Paving operations with flagging will be performed between Route 667 and Route 622.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

ROUTE 8 PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS – On March 13, work began 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 shoulder and lane closures to be in place with flagging operations between the hours of 9:30 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 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 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 late spring 2023.

T R A F F I C 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.

PAVING OPERATIONS – Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight or nighttime hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

ROUTE 11 – Paving operations with flagging will be performed between Route 838 to 0.12 mile north of Route 1039, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

ROUTE 813 BRIDGE REPAIRS – On March 20, work will begin to repair the bridge on Route 813 (Stones Keep Lane) that crosses over the Roanoke River. The bridge is located approximately .13 mile east from the intersection of Route 813 and Route 460E/11N. Drivers will experience daytime alternating single lane closures across the bridge with flagging operations in place. Expected completion is November 2023.

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LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST

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Legals - Botetourt County

be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagor or the Mortgagor's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwvsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwvsales.com. VA-358737-2.

Legals - City of Salem

Notice

is hereby given to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on April 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:
1. Consider the request of OVB Investments LLC, property owner, to designate the Old Virginia Brick sign located at 2500 West Main Street, Tax Map # 175-2-3, as a landmark sign.
2. Consider the requests of Patane, LLP and Walter S. Kearns, Jr. and Laurel P. Kearns, property owners, for rezoning the properties located at 1640 Roanoke Boulevard (Tax Map # 222-2-6) and 1630 Roanoke Boulevard (Tax Map # 222-2-5) from RB Residential Business District to LM Light Manufacturing District. Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia. At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA
BY: James E. Talaferro, II
Executive Secretary

Legals - Town of Vinton

Order of Publication
Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 Case No. **CL23000348-00**
ROANOKE COUNTY Circuit Court, 305 EAST MAIN STREET, SALEM, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re MAILEIGH MCKENNA REDMOND v. MAILEIGH MCKENNA CULVER
The object of this suit is to: NAME CHANGE OF MINOR IT IS ORDERED THAT RANDOLPH ALLEN REDMOND JR appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before April 27, 2023 @ 11:00 AM.
MARCH 15, 2023 Benjamin Guerrant, DEPUTY CLERK

Legals - Town of Vinton

Order of Publication Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code Ann. §§ 8.01-316, -317 Case No. CL23-344
ROANOKE COUNTY Circuit Court, Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Elizabeth Paige Lyles v. Cody Chandler Lyles
The object of this suit is to: obtain a decree of divorce pursuant to Virginia Code Sec. 20-91(9)(A). It is ORDERED that Cody Chandler Lyles appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before MAY 9, 2023.
March 15, 2023 Jennifer Vest, Deputy Clerk

Legals - Town of Vinton

LEGAL NOTICE Town of Vinton: Gus Nicks Boulevard Midblock Pedestrian Crosswalk Project Between: Glade Creek Greenway Trailhead Parking And: West Madison Avenue

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Between: Dillon Drive And: McDonald Street
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ings. Accordingly, Biden's Attorney General Merrick Garland instructed to the FBI to investigate. Following, the FBI's Counterterrorism Division created a "threat tag," equating concerned parents to domestic terrorists. Outrageous!

Congress needed to act. H.R. 5 recognizes and restores parents' rights through five pillars: the right to know what's being taught in schools and to see reading material; the right to be heard; the right to see school budget and spending; the right to protect their child's privacy; and the right to be updated on any violent activity at school.

During the consideration of H.R. 5, I voted for an amendment for a Sense of Congress that the U.S. Department of Education eventually should be eliminated.

I believe taxpayer money is mostly wasted on bureaucrats in the Department of Education. In

FY 2021 alone, they spent over \$2.4 Billion on "salaries and expenses." This money should be redirected to local schools.

In eliminating the Department, we can put in place protections to ensure existing education funding is dispersed appropriately around the country, through the states, while also maintaining protections for students.

Among these protections is ensuring that Title I funding remains, which provides critical funding for economically disadvantaged students, and for programs like free lunch and reduced lunch at schools. Additionally, we must maintain protections for our physically and mentally impaired children under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

These changes, and this bill, will create better options for students and parents.

Health from page 4

exacerbate physical illnesses. According to a 2019 study in the medical journal, The Lancet, mental illness can reduce life expectancy by 20 years.

In Virginia, state-funded mental health services for residents are primarily provided through community service boards and acute care psychiatric facilities. Although local health department offices do not typically receive funds to provide direct mental health services, we partner with many community-based partners and healthcare professionals to increase awareness of mental health issues, reduce stigma, and reduce health disparities with the goal that every resident receives the treatment they deserve and need.

Stress has a direct impact on mental health. April is National Stress Awareness month, a time to reflect on the negative impact of stress. Stress can provide motivation to meet deadlines, but living with stress for a long period can cause harmful consequences such as sleeplessness, rapid heart rates, and depression. These in turn can lead to the need for more medical care, or worse, open the door to substance use as a coping mechanism.

Here are some tips that can help minimize stress and reduce its negative health impacts:

Be aware of your emotions and how your body feels. Recognize in your mind the times when you're having excessive stress and what might be causing it. Sometimes simply acknowledging that a situation is stressful can provide relief and allow you to take steps to deal with it.

At times the source of stress is within our control to address or will ease with time. However, if the cause of stress is long-lasting or outside our reach,

some options that have been shown to reduce stress include exercise, meditation, working on being more organized, and doing things that you enjoy, such as hobbies.

Try to eat healthy, well-balanced meals, get plenty of sleep, avoid excessive alcohol, and eliminate any tobacco and substance use.

Ask for help. The first step is recognizing when you need more help and not being embarrassed to seek support. If you are thinking about suicide, talk to a psychologist, social worker, or professional counselor. Ready to make the call? A national helpline for treatment and referrals is available at 800-662-HELP.

RCAHD staff will continue to work with partners to address and improve policies for better community mental health through the public health lens. To learn more about public health efforts, visit our website to sign up for our newsletter at vdh.virginia.gov/Roanoke.

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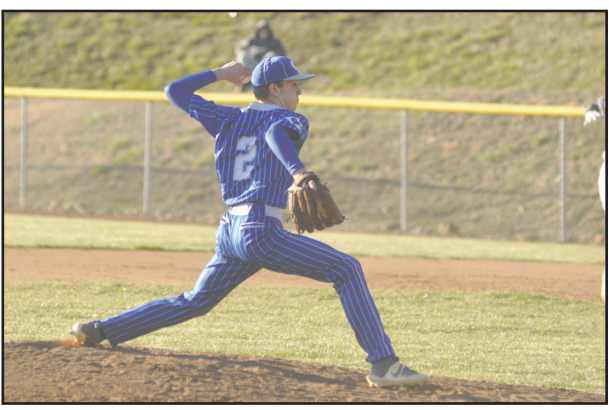
Daileigh Donithan takes a big rip at the plate.



Annabelle Gregory slides safely into second.



Corey Smith(#18) is Craig's new baseball coach.



Jaycob Wolfe pitches against Glenvar.

The Craig County sports teams are off this week but they'll be returning next week with a full slate of action.

On Monday, April 3rd, the baseball and softball teams will host Eastern Montgomery in New Castle at 5 pm. Also on that day the soccer team is scheduled to play at East Mont under new coach Dalton Henderson.

A week from today, on Wednesday April 5, both the baseball and softball teams will host Giles at 5 pm.

The baseball team had three games last week and won one and lost two. The Rockets opened the week at Glenvar and dropped a 7-0 decision to the Highlanders. Jaycob Wolfe pitched for Craig and had four strikeouts

while taking the loss. Glenvar scored two runs in the first, two in the second, two in the fifth and one in the sixth.

Glenvar pitcher Ashton Meadows took a no-hitter into the sixth inning but Craig's Cameron Huffman broke up the no-hit bid with a clean single to right. The Rockets drew three walks as Zach Peters, Drew Duncan and Luke Potter also reached on bases on balls.

On Thursday the Rockets lost at Parry McCluer, 14-4, but they bounced back to put 20 runs on the board Friday in a 20-3 win over Class 5 William Fleming.

Wolfe pitched the first three innings and picked up the win and Isiah Wenthe came on in relief and pitched two innings. The game

was halted due to the 10-run rule after five frames. Offensively, Drew Duncan was on fire with a double, a triple and five runs batted in. Matthew Lucas, Zach Peters and freshman Joseph Charette had multiple hits for the Rockets and Lucas scored three times. With the win the Rockets are now 1-3 on the season.

The softball team had one game last week, a 16-1 loss at Glenvar. Craig County was first to score in the third inning when Kallie Fisher walked, advanced to second on a passed ball, then scored on a Glenvar error to give the Rockets the lead.

Glenvar got the bats going in the bottom of the third, with back to back singles followed by a run scoring double off Craig pitcher Sara Jones. The Highlanders went on to score six runs in the inning, then put 10 more on the board in the fourth to end the game. Jones was saddled with the loss and Glenvar's Abby Teubert picked up the win, going all five innings on the mound and pitching a five inning no hitter. She allowed no hits, walked one and had 10 strike-outs. "Monday's loss was very disappointing having seen the girls do well defensively against Alleghany," said Rockets coach Elaina Wolfe-Carper. "Sara Jones pitched a great game, we need to make defensive plays behind her and get our bats going."



Cameron Huffman takes a cut for the Rockets.



Kallie Fisher catches the ball at second against Glenvar.



Karly Potter catches a pop-up at first base.

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ROCKET BASKETBALL PLAYERS TAKE POST-SEASON HONORS



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These Craig County basketball players recently took home post-season honors from the just completed season. Left to right; senior Annabelle Gregory and freshman Daileigh Donithan were second team All-Pioneer District for the girls, CCHS Athletic Director Carrie Hutton is in the middle while Zach Peters(fourth from left) was second team All-Pioneer District for the boys. Junior Matthew Lucas, far right, was named to the All-Pioneer District first team and also took second team honors on the All-Region 1C team.