

McCleary Elementary honors Grandparents' Day



Gary and Deborah Moore enjoyed having lunch with their granddaughter second grader, Payton.

Pam Dudding

Contributing writer

There always seems to be a close tie between many kids and their grandparents and since Sunday was Grandparents' Day, McCleary Elementary School decided to host a grandparents luncheon where they could join their grandkids in the lunchroom in honor of the holiday.

Three days were set aside for this event. On Monday, Sept. 11, Pre-K and kindergarten, Tuesday, 2nd and 3rd grade and Wednesday the 4th - 5th

grade.

Principal Kellie Stevens and School Nutrition Director Sherry Crowder were on the same page as both had been thinking about what the school could do, when they finally talked, plans were already in the making.

Letters were sent home with their students, inviting grandparents to the school.

On Monday, the parking lot started filling up early as Stevens stood at the door, welcoming everyone to come in. Each day, grandparents were welcomed at the door.



PHOTOS BY PAM DUDDING Eddie Wright shared lunch with second grade granddaughter, Adalyn.

"There are almost as many grandparents as there are kids here!" one teacher exclaimed. "This is a wonderful event.'

Stevens shared that on Monday, one student even cried when their grandparents had to leave.

Smiles, laughter and an ambiance of sincere joy filled the Craig County Schools cafeteria each day.

"These kids are behaving so well!" Stevens exclaimed.

"We need to invite them more often!" she added with a chuckle.

Many grandparents met their child

at the doorway and went through the line with them to enjoy a meal and time together.

It was apparent that stories were being told by the children to the grandparents as their little arms were flying and facial expressions matched each explanation. Grandparents smiles and intensity in listening seemed to be at an all-time high.

As the event ended each day, many hugs and kisses that were exchanged, with some kids holding the hands of

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Football field in need of robot painter

Pam Dudding **Contributing writer**

Craig County Schools now have a new Bermuda grass football field; however, it is in need of a different source of painters.

"We have the most



CRAIG COUNTY ROCKETS FOOTBALL

Friday Sept 1, HOME GAME

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beautiful football field now, but we have the most amateur painters including myself," Coach Jimmy Fisher said as he recently addressed the Craig County School Board. "In fact, at one of our alumni games someone asked who painted the lines. It was me, but I was by myself, and it took eight hours to paint them, so it wasn't great."

He explained that the old model paint machine which they have been using for the last two years is now broken and the parts are on back order.

In previous years, maintenance painted the field until the coaches had to take over

Fisher noted that he has reviewed some options for the school, as it takes several volunteers (which are not always easy to get or be able to rely on due to family responsibilities), as well as many hours to complete the job.

The first one, Fisher said "did a beautiful job but was ridiculously expensive." The paint lasted for a few weeks and the second one did the same but was less expensive.

Fisher talked to other sports coaches as well as

PHOTO BY PAM DUDDING

Football Coach Jimmy Fisher explained to the Craig County School Board the lengthy expense of the current way they are having to paint the football field as well as the many man hours with numerous volunteers it takes each time. He requested financial assistance to purchase a robot which can do many more things than just paint the lines, to enhance the future looks of CCPS new field and maybe even other areas of the schools.

the Booster Club about funding this for themselves, however, was informed by the previous interim superintendent that they could not.

Therefore, Fisher chose to present the need to the school board.

"When I took this job, I said that I would come back for two to four years, and this is my third year. I'm not going to be here super long,

and I want to make this job attractive for the next person," he shared. "We have had so many coaches over the last several years with no continuity and that is why the program hasn't done well in those years in my belief. We have pretty much turned over everything in the previous two years."

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Friday Sept 29, HOME GAME

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RUNNER	Maggie Underwood	-
RUNNER	Jennifer Underwood	

Friday, Oct 8th, HOME GAME

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Friday, Oct 8th, HOME GAME

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COURTESY PHOTO

Craig County Booster Club needs community boost

The Craig County Booster Club raises money for Craig County Public Schools Athletic Department with fundraisers, however they need more community participation. President Dina Hutchison stated that they have paid to have helmets reconditioned, cheerleading uniforms purchased and funded the porta-potties trying to fulfill requests, also hoping to contribute to two scholarships this year. They are extending their invitation to Craig County residents to help by joining the club at the monthly meetings, each third Monday at the school cafeteria, or to help with financial donations or to volunteer at the games. Attend the meeting or connect with any of the officers, Dina Hutchinson-president, Jasmine Brownvice president, Amanda Lucas- secretary or Angie Spence- treasurer. This is the current volunteer schedule for the Rocket football games.



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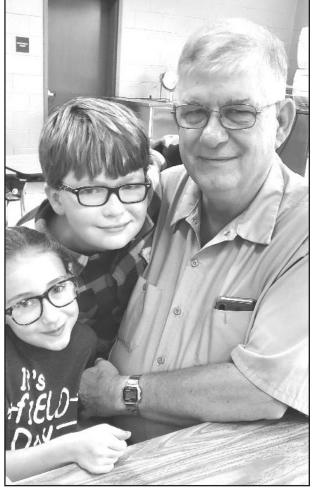
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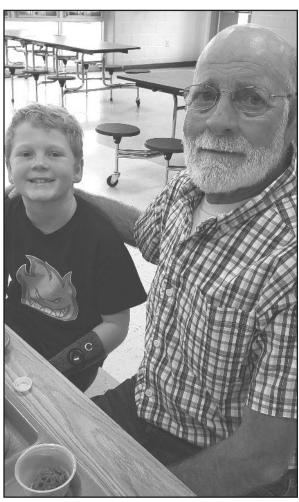
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Fourth grader Makenzly said her grandparents joining



Frank Reynolds joined his grandkids, Mason and Mia, Frank Rose said he was happy to join his grandson, on the special day.



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their grandparents to the

her made her happy.

last second. "We are hoping to continue this type of event and are working on having a Veterans Day luncheon," Stevens shared. "The kids can invite any Veterans, not just family."

"I keep hearing of how Craig County schools used to be so supported by the families with many attendees," Stevens said. "I am hoping to get that back in the schools again with more and more events like this."

As the kids lined up to leave the rooms, some

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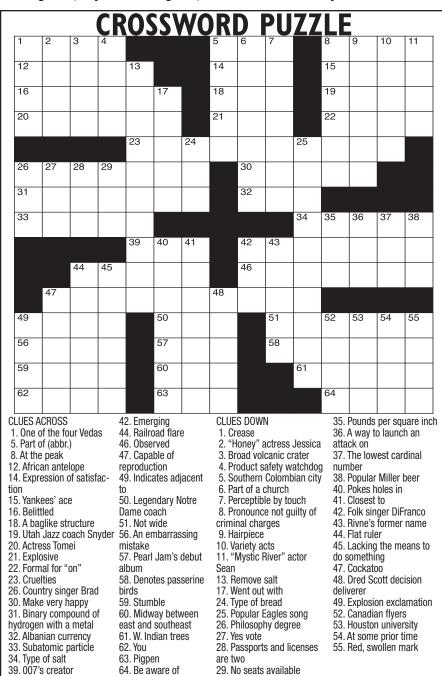


When the plans were made to honor grandparents and the letter was only sent a week prior to their luncheon event, the staff was elated to see the huge number of grandparents that attended those three days.





Principal Susan Stimeling took time to join her grandchildren. Willow kindergarten, Layla - second grade, Charlie - third and Kally - fourth.



Lucas, a fourth grader, was happy his grandma showed up for him.

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UPINION

News from the 9th: More Audits Coming from the IRS



Even the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recognizes that more audits are coming. They admitted as much on September 8, 2023.

Since taking office more than two years ago, President Biden, Administration, his Democrats and in Congress have made it their mission to supercharge the IRS.

Last year, Democrats in Congress passed the so-called 'Inflation Reduction Act" (IRA), which allocated \$80 dollars billion in funding mandatory to the agency (the IRS previously requested this funding in conjunction with President Biden's first budget proposal). More than half of that funding was specifically intended to hire 87,000 new IRS agents.

Republicans in including Congress, myself, as well as many Americans around the country, have raised concerns about this new funding and the hiring of so many new IRS agents, fearing that the agency will use these funds to target low- and middleincome families and small businesses.

Unlike wealthy people and big businesses, American average and families small businesses cannot afford lawyers to deal with an intrusive IRS. They likely file their taxes themselves and now the agency will have tens of thousands of new agents breathing down their necks.

When allocating the new money to the IRS, Democrats claimed that the agency would be targeting wealthy taxpayers and large corporations who they said are cheating on their taxes, and that families, people, and small businesses making under \$400,000 wouldn't see an increase in audits.

I, like many, have found this claim to be dubious.

When Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen was called before House Ways and Means Committee in March, she testified that, "IRA resources will not be used to increase the share of households and small businesses earning less than \$400,000 that are audited, relative to historic levels."

I'd like to note, while some small businesses may gross more than \$400,000 a year, most of these mom-and-pop shops only take home a small fraction of their gross income.

Yellen Secretary certainly chose her words carefully that day.

If you listen closely, I

believe you will hear that she gives the IRS two outs if they raise audit rates, by both saying the share won't change relative to other groups being audited, and that it would be compared to historic levels which means rates can depend on certain years.

More recently, on September 8, the IRS put out a statement that saying they were putting in place additional "safeguards" to ensure taxpayers making less than \$400,000 wouldn't face more audits.

But why are new "safeguards" being put in place now if the agency does not expect to increase audits on average American families and small businesses?

Hmmm...

Even more concerning, since the passage of the IRA, the IRS has not submitted to Congress a detailed plan on how they will use the \$80 billion in new funding.

Instead, the agency has sent Congress a series of lackluster outlines of their activities, raising even more questions about how Americans' tax dollars will be spent.

But wait, it gets worse! The IRS wants even more money.

The agency asked Congress for another \$43 billion, of which \$29.1 billion would be used to 'continue IRA funded enforcement and

compliance initiatives.' What are

these enforcement and compliance initiatives? We still don't know.

And don't forget about how Democrats changed the minimum threshold for reporting money transfers made on third-party settlement organizations to \$600, essentially giving the IRS and Big Tech a mandate to scrutinize individuals, small business owners, and just about anyone who uses money transfer apps.

Payments made on apps like Venmo, PayPal, and Square between roommates or friends will be reviewable by the IRS next year.

This new requirement would also affect individuals hoping to unload their used goods or sell their handmade works on online platforms like eBay, Etsy, and Poshmark.

If you want to sell your used stereo equipment or sell a handmade quilt, why does the IRS need to know?

There should be a threshold, but \$600 a year? I think not. (It's currently \$20,000.) I guess to Democrats if you "Venmo" more than \$600 a year, you are either wealthy or a big business.

Republicans are committed to finding ways prevent average to Americans and businesses from being burdened by a behemoth IRS. Only the Sheriff of Nottingham could like this policy.

Unlike the villain in the Robin Hood legend, in January the first piece of legislation we passed with our new Republican majority was to rescind this new Democrat-driven \$80 billion in funding for the IRS.

You can be a Friend of the Craig Library

Library Corner Marge Lewter

On Sept. 11 2023 sale, library activity dedicated friends gathered to get an update on the 10 a.m.-3 p.m. upcoming fall events. There was a great County many more library some friends out there who things! want to help and stay informed. The vital to our essential our patrons.

functions. on the BIG AG Raffle fill a bag with books for to be drawn at Fall only \$5. Products Festival. donated include home grown meats, Lamb beef, honey, Jams, Friends of the Library eggs, and Christmas group and plans to products. There are work closer with the two winning food school library. baskets. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. library where we can Support your library call on you for help and get a chance to from time to time. It's win! (You do not need a great way to make to be present at the new friends! Contact festival to win.) Stop the library for info: in at the library to get craiglibrary@swva. a ticket.

ticket. org. Here's a summary of Look for library the upcoming events: events

a.m.-2 p.m.

Country Bazaar at your friends.

Bethel Church, Route 42, Books, raffle tickets, barn quilt display and chili!

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a.m.- 5 p.m. Fall Festival: Books, raffle drawing, Yard Children's

Nov. 18, Saturday

Swap Day, Craig Library. turnout of 18 people Books, Theme: Warm who filled the dining winter outerwear and room at the Old Brick holiday décor all for Hotel. One thing we free. Bring your stuff know is, there are to give away and get new-to-you

Ongoing:

Ellen Coleman support of the Friends Kindle program makes of the Library is kindles available for

First Friday Book Be sure to get in sales: every first Friday,

Barn Quilts for booksfrom contact Martha Dillard: community members barnquiltsforbooks.com

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on our Oct. 7, Saturday 9 Facebook page and please share these with

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Constitution Week is Sept. 17-23. Craig Valley DAR members placed an exhibit featuring a Constitution poster and materials in the lobby of Craig County High School. Included is a framed copy of the Preamble and the Constitution Week Proclamation adopted by the Craig County Board of Supervisors on Sept. 7, 2023. Craig Valley Daughters also donated books to the McCleary library and provided teaching aides to two fifth grade teachers and the middle school civics teacher. Gift packs with pocket Constitutions, American flags, bookmarks and pens were supplied to their students. The community is encouraged to fly their American flag and appreciate the rights and privileges granted by the Constitution to "We the People." -Submitted by Craig Valley NSDAR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Craig County Board of Supervisors and the Craig County Planning Commission will conduct a joint public hearing on OCTOBER 5 th , 2023 at 6:00 p.m. or soon thereafter at the Craig County Courthouse to consider the updated Craig County Comprehensive Plan per Code of Virginia §152.2-2223. The Comprehensive Plan provides direction and guidance in making decisions about land use, public services, resource protection and other governmental functions. The Comprehensive plan specifically recommends various development standards throughout the County.

The Comprehensive Plan is available for public review at the County Administrator's Office located at 108 Court Street in New Castle, and on our website at www.craigcountyva.gov. Public comments on the comprehensive plan may be submitted by writing to P.O. Box 308, New Castle, Virginia 24127, by calling 540-864-5010 or at the public hearing.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Craig County will conduct a public hearing on SEPTEMBER 27th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Craig County Court House in New Castle, Virginia to consider the application of Amanda and Jason Lucas of Salem, Virginia, for a "Use Not Provided For" permit. The permit is a request for a private recreational vehicle park to allow up to six campers at property 67-A-7A, Johns Creek Road. This parcel is zoned A1, Agriculture, Limited District and is located approximately ten miles from 311.

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

By Order of the Craig County Planning Commission, in accordance with Code of Virginia, § 15.2-2204

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Upcoming public meetings in Craig County

Community events:

Sept. 23

The Simmonsville Volunteer Fire Dept Chicken Barbecue will take place from 4-6 p.m. The \$12 fee includes chicken, green beans, potatoes salad, dessert and water. Please check in with a Simmonsville Volunteer Fire Department member to get a ticket.

Oct. 7

Grace Baptist Church will hold a movie and hotdog night that will be free to the community. The church will serve hot dogs, chips and have smores at 6 p.m. and the movie "The Star" at 7 p.m. It's scheduled outside, so attendees are encouraged to bring their own chair. If the weather bad, the church will have it inside. The church will show the movie on an 18-foot screen.

Oct. 7

A baseball reunion will be at Waiteville Community Center at 12 p.m. It will be open to all old-timers who played baseball back in the day. A potluck dinner will be held.

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PHOTO BY PAM DUDDING This grandpa has his "quiver full," Colton -fifth, Nolan - third and Emma - fourth grade.



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Ongoing

Every Tuesday, Music Jam at Clifton's Store Building, 158 Main Street from 6-8 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own instrument and chair. Cheese (like Clifton's!) and snacks served. See the progress made and make a donation to complete the renovation of this town landmark. Sponsored by Craig County Historical Society.

Feeding southwest Virgnia will be offering food twice a month on the second and third Wednesday of the month from 3-5 p.m. and 4-5 p.m., respectively. All community members are welcome to purchase fresh produce and other canned and boxed items. EBT recipients receive 50% off their fruits and vegetables.

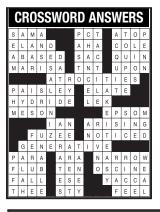
Booster Club of Craig Schools meet on the third Monday of each month in the school cafeteria at 6 p.m. Community members are encouraged to attend and to join to support the kids of Craig County as they need the participation of more people.

Every Friday. Craig County Genealogy Library is open 1 to 4 p.m. 152 Main Street. High school annuals, family histories and genealogy resources. Contact 540-864-7023. -The New Castle Record

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Football

Fisher explained that they have had multiple fundraisers to purchase new and better weight room equipment, as well as many other things for our players. Fisher worked for many of the fundraisers and some as the only adult, with few players.

"I was gone about 15 years and have coached and never had to paint the fields. Here I do," he said. "Some nights it goes well and other nights it does not. You have to paint in the rain, or I'm there until 2am in the morning trying to paint."

Fisher stated that there are now new technologies which can be purchased which use paint robots, though are expensive.

"I see here in our schools that we struggle to have enough money to pay the referees and you have to pay them in advance for the season. Fortunately, this year we received a \$3000 donation from the Moose Lodge, which helped that out tremendously," he continued. "I think that down the line for the future I feel that each year, athletics should be given a little money to start up with so that they don't have to worry about this kind of stuff and that they are able to help with some of these

sport's needs." "We even have to buy our own footballs and many other things through our own fundraising," Fisher said.

"This past weekend a person was paid \$600 to paint the field, but we still had to have eight volunteers here to help. Again, it's not a perfect line," he said.

Principal Susan Stimeling added that the initial \$600 cost was due to the fact that they had to replace all of the markers since putting on the Bermuda grass.

Fisher shared that in 2002 they had installed a lining kit with holes, etc. however, with the installation of the new field that was covered.

"However, this paint machine is spot on. You put the paint in it, hit the button and walk away for two or three hours, repeat once more and it is done." This is a wonderful time save for the coaching staff as the first time for the season takes about 12 hours and every time after that, still with volunteers,

takes about six hours. He noted that the biggest users are football and soccer and spoke

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with the soccer coach. The six-year plan for the robot is \$7,300 per year and Fisher previously suggested football paying \$2,000, Booster paying \$2,000 and Athletics paying \$2,000 and spring sports \$500, however he added, "we could not do it".

What I am saying is for the board to buy this robot and then annually have the sports to pay the athletics division their portions.

The cost of \$31,040 with an annual fee of \$1,790 for the technology and software updates which work off 14 different satellites. (The first \$1,790 is included in the purchase price.)

The other machine costs \$17,000 annually.

Superintendent Huff asked if it had been tested on the new Bermuda grass, but it has not.

Fisher stated that Giles, Narrows and Botetourt as well as other schools all use the robot.

He shared that the robot can also write special messages and do icons as well as different colors with manv templates.

"It'll also write Rockets in the endzone!" he exclaimed with a smile.

Huff added that he could get a machine in the interim, as he has not had time to look at the report to see where the school is financially.

When the board inquired, Fisher added that they also have the volunteers use stencils and sprayed with aerosol cans.

The board will look at the possibility after budget figures are complete, maybe at the end of September or October.

Fisher also addressed the "100-mile charter bus policy" where teams have to charter a bus if their games go over 100 miles.

"It is now \$1,600 for us to charter a bus, and I was wondering with the purchase of the new school buses if using one would be possible?" Fisher asked.

It was shared that they do have newer buses that they can use, but may not have a driver, with the driver policy regulations. The board agreed if it was legally possible to allow the team to use the bus.

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thus expanding the recreational opportunities for City of Radford residents and tourists. This project will benefit the livability of our

region and the burgeoning

124 Radford, VA 24141. 540-639-9313

Attention: Kathleen Armstrong, Regional Planner II/ Community Designer. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9am to 5pm at the above address and electronically by request. Comments may also be submitted via email at karmstrong@nrvrc.org. Date: September 20, 2023

Legals - City of

Council intends to adopt the ordinance(s) associated with the above item(s) on first reading, with a second reading of those ordinance(s) at a subsequent meeting. 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.

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mitigation measures and compliance with state and local floodplain/wetland protection procedures. Sediment and erosion mitigation controls will be utilized throughout project construction/site

disturbance. NRVRC has reevaluated the alternatives to building in the floodplain and wetland and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of

Executive Order 11988 and 11990, are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

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outdoor recreation economy. The City of Radford boat launch at Bisset Park Shelter 3 is one of four new/enhanced boat launches that will extend the existing 37 miles of the New River Water Trail (Giles County) to the rest of the region, totaling 61 miles upon completion The project includes several related components:

construction of a boat launch, extended driveway to parking suitable for vehicles with trailers, and a foot path connecting the

expanded parking to the launch site The NRVRC has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values: Because the nature of the project the boat ramp must be located in the

floodplain/wetland in order to provide sufficient access to the waterway Alternatives were considered and based on land availability and proximity to maintained roads with easy access for boat trailers, the choice of

suitable sites are limited. Additionally, rail right-ofway reduces potential developable land with public access potential along the

river. Alternatively, no action at all will not provide any benefit for the public. Any perceived and/or

realized effects on alternative sites would be similar to any of the effects on current, selected site.

The regulatory agencies involved with the permitting of the boat launch will dictate the least impactful design of the boat ramp

to mitigate adverse effects Mitigation measures include acquiring all necessary permits through the

Army Corp of Engineers, Virginia Department of

Environmental Quality and Virginia Marine Resource Commission. The permits obtained from the regulatory agencies will dictate any requirements for

mitigation measures and compliance with state and local floodplain/wetland protection procedures. Sediment and erosion

Trustee`s Sale

Salem

3430 Craig Valley Dr, New Castle, VA 24127

(Parcel ID: 86 A 10, 86 A 11, 86 A 12)

Default having been made in the terms of a certain Deed of Trust dated July 18, 2005, in the original principal amount of \$88,000.00 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Craig, Virginia on July 22, 2005, in Deed Book 150, at page 542, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will sell at public auction on October 17, 2023 at 1:00 PM, in front of the building housing the County of Craig Circuit Court, 182 Main Street, New Castle, VA 24127, the property designated as Tract No.1 containing 1.40 acres +/-, Tract No. 2 containing 0.22 acres +/and the Alice Q. Lee House Tract containing 0.50 acre, as described on plats or maps prepared by John Max Hancock, Sr., C.L.S. recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 43, Page 201 and in Deed Book 27 Page 400. Sale is subject to all prior liens, easements, restrictions, covenants, and conditions, if any, of record, or other matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the premises. TERMS: CASH. A deposit of \$9,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required of the successful bidder at time of sale. Prior to the sale, interested bidders will be required to register with and must present a bid deposit which may be held during the sale by the trustee. The bid deposit must be certified funds and/or cash. but no more than \$9,900.00 of cash will be accepted. The successful bidder's deposit will be retained at the sale and applied to the sale price. If held by the trustee, all other bid deposits will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders. Settlement is to be made within 15 days. The

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY: H. Robert Light Clerk of Council

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 September 27, 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 Crystal G. H. Lowery, property owner, for a variance from Section 106-202.3(A) of the City of Salem Zoning Ordinance pertaining to site development regulations, for the property located at 1000 block of Ohio Avenue, Tax Map # 197-1-15. The petitioner is requesting a variance of twenty-five (25) feet of frontage, twentyfive (25) feet of lot width and one thousand five hundred square feet (1,500) square feet of lot area. 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 granted. For additional information, contact the Office of the Zoning Administrator, 21 South Bruffey Street,

Salem, Virginia (Phone 3753032).

THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM

BY: Mary Ellen H. Wines, CZA, CFM Planning & amp; Zoning Administrator

Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year/500-year Floodplain and Wetland

To: All interested Agencies. Groups, and Individuals This is to give notice that the New River Valley Regional Commission (NRVRC) has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under the Appalachian Regional Commission POWER grant program and the Department of Housing and Community Development Project (22-PW-02A). The proposed project is located at 5277 Whitethorne Rd

Blacksburg, VA 24060. The proposed project area includes the development of an enhanced concrete boat launch on the bank of the New River in Montgomery County. The project area is approximately .94 acres, located entirely within the 100-year Floodplain and partially within a riverine. The project provides enhanced motorized and non-motorized boat access to the New River at the most utilized boat launch in Montgomery County, thus

expanding the recreational opportunities and access for Montgomery County

residents and tourists. This project will benefit the livability of our region and the burgeoning outdoor recreation economy. The Montgomery County boat launch at Whitethorne is one of four new/enhanced boat launches that will

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas

Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts Rev. 04/02/2014 Appendix 2.E: Final Notice and Notice of Explanation 48 to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains and wetlands it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk. Written comments must be received by the NRVRC at the following address on or before September 28, 2023 New River Valley Regional Commission, 6580 Valley Center Drive Suite 124 Radford, VA 24141. 540-639-9313 Attention: Kathleen

Armstrong, Regional Planner II/ Community Designer. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9am to 5pm at the above address and electronically by request. Comments may also be submitted via email at karmstrong@nrvrc.org Date: September 20, 2023



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BETHEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11599 Cumberland Gap Road/Rt. 42, New Castle, 864-5242; church phone:544-7040 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m., Sunday School 10:30 a.m., Choir Tuesday 7:30p.m., Youth Outreach and Missions Program. Rev. San Kang.

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Pastor Rodney Longmire, Rt. 606, 1981 Caldwell Mt. Rd., New Castle, 540-400-3419. Worship 11:15AM. LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST

Rev. Lee Looney, Rt. 311 N., New Castle. Sunday: Sunday School 10AM, 11AM, & 6PM. Wednesday Bible Study 7PM.

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NASIM FALTAS OWNER

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF VINTON, VIRGINIA

NOTICE OF

Legals - Town of Vinton

receive public comments in the Council Chambers of the Vinton Municipal Building, located at 311 South Pollard Street, Vinton, Virginia, concerning the proposed amendment to the Town of Vinton's FY 2023-2024 budget to appropriate funding for several capital improvement projects, including Mountain View Road, parking lot construction, economic development incentives, and community blight abatement and acquisition in the total amount of \$1,833,750.00 in the Capital Fund. State law requires a public hearing to be held whenever a proposed budget amendment exceeds 1% of the locality's total budget. Any additional information on this public meeting is available in the Town Manager's Office, located in the Vinton Municipal Building, (540) 983-0607, Persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate at this public meeting should contact the Town Manager's office at

concerning the proposed granting of a Lease to ANBAJA Enterprises, Inc. (Twin Creeks Brewing Company) for a portion of a 10" wide public alley located to the rear of 109 and 111 South Pollard Street. The Town will provide a real estate lease agreement for one (1) year and provide for up to four (4) additional one-

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Vinton

vear renewals. A complete copy of the proposed Leases and additional information concerning this public meeting is available in the Town Manager's Office, located in the Vinton Municipal Building, (540) 983-0607. Persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate at this public meeting should contact the Town Manager's office at (540) 983-0607.

> Antonia Arias-Magallon Town Clerk

Services Needed Salem Area

TOWN OF VINTON **ADVERTISEMENT** FOR SNOW

Services Needed Salem Area equipment owners to sign

up for the rental of their equipment with operators for SNOW & ICE **REMOVAL** purposes in Salem Residency which includes the counties of Roanoke, Botetotourt and Craig during the winter of 2023-2024. Price per hour shall include operators, fuel, tire chains, supplies and required insurance. VDOT will need dump trucks, pickups with plows, motorgraders, backhoes, dozers, track loaders, tractors. rubber-tire loaders and farm tractors. All

equipment shall be equipped for night work and be in good mechanical condition to ensure a safe and dependable 24/7 operation. VDOT reserves the right to determine acceptability of equipment

size and condition for the task. Contractors submitting prices meeting the requirements of the Agreement may be contracted with and may be eligible to receive a mobilization payment and a

minimum guaranteed payment for the season.

Contractors must submit their application on the electronic M7B bidding site at https://plow4va.com/. All new and returning Contractors must be active in the Virginia eProcurement Portal (eVA) in order to do business with the Commonwealth of Virginia (https://eva.virginia.gov).

Services Needed Salem Area

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electronic M7B bidding site at https://plow4va.com/. All new and returning Contractors must be active in the Virginia eProcurement Portal (eVA) in order to do business with the Commonwealth of Virginia (https://eva.virginia.gov).

Applications received by 7:00 PM on Monday October 2, 2023 may be eligible for a mobilization bonus. See the EVA posting for additional information, including contract requirements. Questions can be directed to the Christiansburg

Services Needed Christiansburg Area tractors, rubber-tire loaders and farm tractors. All equipment shall be equipped for night work and be in good mechanical condition to ensure a safe and dependable 24/7 \mathbf{P} 65

PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that the Vinton Town Council will hold a public hearing at its meeting on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard,

The Town Council of the Town of Vinton, Virginia, hereby gives notice of two public hearings to be held on Tuesday, October 3, at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is to

(540) 983-0607.

Town Clerk

Antonia Arias-Magallon

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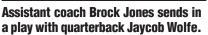


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PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN The Rockets are in formation as they enter the stadium.

FOOTBALL GAME IS POST-PONED UNTIL OCTOBER 23

A rash of injuries forced Craig County to postpone last Friday's home football game with Montcalm. The game has been rescheduled for Monday, October 23, at Mitchell Field.

"We were not able to play this past week because of all the injuries," said Craig coach Jim Fisher. "Nothing that should keep anyone out for the long haul but we have multiple kids out with shoulder injuries, an ankle sprain, concussion, etc. We were only able to practice one day last week, down three starting linemen and having to try and put together a group to play this week."

This Friday Fisher is hoping the Rockets are healed up enough to play at Twin Valley. Craig is scheduled to

travel to Pilgrims Knob for a battle of two of the smaller schools in the state. The Panthers are off to a 1-2 start with a 28-16 win over Phelps High of Kentucky and losses the past two weeks to Montcalm of West Virginia, 54-0, and Northwood, 43-6.

"I don't know much about Twin Valley, they have yet to trade film with us," said Fisher on Monday. "They folded last year so they are fighting numbers like us. They run the Wing-T and the kids in that part of the state always play hard. We are hoping to patch together and move kids around to different positions to be able to play this week. Hoping to get a few cleared as the week progresses."

The Rockets are currently 1-1.

CARILION CLINIC vs **LEWIS-GALE CHARITY** SOFTBALL GAME **SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 1**

The Salem Red Sox will host the 6th Annual Carilion Clinic vs. Lewis Gale Charity Softball Game at Carilion Clinic Field, the home of the Salem Red Sox, on Sunday, October 1st.

Admission is five dollars at the gate, cash only, and kids under 10 are free. Gates will open at 1 pm and the game will start at 2 pm.

Physicians, nurses and administrators will suit up for each hospital during the nine-inning contest. Proceeds from the "Homers for Hearts" game between the area's two largest health care providers will benefit the American Heart Association.



Craig's Carter Calfee makes a spectacular catch in the Rockets' game with Auburn.

ANOTHER BUSY WEEK FOR VOLLEYBALL TEAM

The Craig County volleyball team will have another busy week as they play three matches in four days. Craig had three matches last week and went 1-2 on the week.

Tuesday, On September 12, the Rockets played a Pioneer District doubleheader at Highland County. Each match was best-of-three with all three sets to position," she said. "She 25. In the first game covered defensively and the Rockets won the did great on her serving. first set, 25-10, but lost two, 25-12 and

it up in the second and third games, only losing by three points in the second game and seven in the third game."

The girls showed good ball movement despite Suzanne having to make some adjustments.

"I had to move some players around and Jenna Boitnott did exceptionally well on the weak side hitting

"I also had to play Cheyanne Bell an the way around on the rotation. She did great with passing and attacking the ball.' Freshman Kailyn Jones had a good game at the net. and put the ball where several blocks. Also, our hitters, but she also Thursday. attacked on the net and did very well."



ine next 25-13.

The Rockets battled back to win the next match and come out even on the night. The Craig girls won 25-17 and 25-23 to earn the split.

On Thursday of last week the Rockets traveled to Narrows for another Pioneer bout and lost in three sets, 25-9, 25-22 and 25-18, against a formidable Narrows team. Coach Suzanne Crawford was pleased with the effort in the match.

"This was a great game for us," said Crawford. "We started off slowly but we picked

lost 25-15, 25-18. This week the

"She was aggressive Rockets played at North Cross School in Roanoke it needed to be," said for the second time this Crawford. "She had season on Monday, but results were too late for Maggie May was publication. Two district very aggressive on the games follow, with a trip serving line and setting. to Bath Tuesday and Not only did she set Eastern Montgomery on

Next Monday, September 25, the girls The jayvees also are scheduled to play at played at Narrows and Roanoke Valley Christian, followed by a trip to Parry McCluer on September 28.

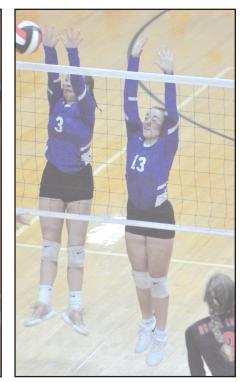


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Craig coach Suzanne Crawford talks things over during a time out.



out a serve.



Daleigh Donithan of the Rockets digs Layla Dooley and Randalyn Taylor go up for a block.



Maggie Mays sets one up for the Rockets.

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