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Craig Valley Baptist Church dedicates new digital sign

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Members of Craig Valley Baptist Church gathered Sunday, June 1, to officially dedicate their new digital sign, a project aimed at improving communication with both the congregation and the greater New Castle community.

Pastor Scott Gabrielson led the ceremony at the church, located on Route 311, and praised the sign as a valuable new tool for sharing important announcements, weather updates, and the church's Gospel message.

The fully digital LED sign was installed with the approval of the New Castle Town Council. The display was provided by Time Technologies of Roanoke, while church members Barry and Mike Francisco constructed the masonry base.



The new sign was officially dedicated on June 1.

Church leaders expressed gratitude to all involved in the project and gave thanks to God for making it possible. Craig Valley

Baptist is a cooperating member of the Southern Baptist Conservatives of Virginia, a statewide fellowship of more than 900

churches. Sunday services are held at 11 a.m., and all are welcome to attend. Free parking is available.

Craig County gears up for Fourth Annual Independence Day Parade



The crowd at the Farmers Market after-party.

The Fourth Annual Craig County Independence Day Parade is set to take place on Friday morning, July 4. The parade will kick off from the Craig County Fairgrounds at 10 a.m. and make its way down Rt. 311 to the Courthouse on Main Street. Following the parade, award ceremonies and contests will be held at the Farmer's Market on Middle and Main Streets in New Castle.

This year's returning contests include "Best Beard," "Best Homemade Patriotic Hat/Bonnet," and both adult and children's Watermelon Eating contests. A special thanks goes out to New Castle Food Country management for their generous donation of watermelons.

The parade is sponsored by the Craig Valley Chapter, National Daughters of the American Revolution. The chapter has secured all necessary permits for street closures and has arranged for guest judges, prizes, and announcers. Appreciation is also extended to the Craig County Farmers Market for allowing the use of their facilities. Nonprofit organizations are welcome to use the market stalls for fundraising or selling food and beverages.

This year's theme is "Great Moments in American History." Parade participants and spectators are encouraged to showcase their creativity by representing significant moments from the past 250 years. Everyone is invited to wear their Red, White, and Blue to support this community event. While there is no participation fee, donations are welcome.

The Craig Valley Chapter is excited to announce that the Parade Grand Marshal will be Jamie Ratliff, a recent graduate of Craig County High School and recipient of the DAR Good Citizen Award last December. Jamie will lead the parade and assist with the presentation of awards at the Farmers Market.

It's not too late to join the parade! For rules, details, and questions, email Craig Valley DAR at CraigValleyChapterNSDAR@gmail.com or text or call Tina Crawford at 540-765-9913.

-Submitted by Craig Valley DAR



Local VFW post won the Most Patriotic Cup in 2024 for their entry "Washington Crosses the Delaware."

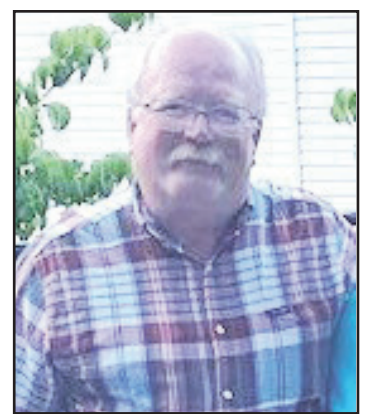
Hurst remembered as a steady hand behind the scenes of community news

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Gerald Linden "Lynn" Hurst, the longtime general and advertising manager for Virginia Media's newspapers of which The New Castle Record is a part of, is being remembered by colleagues as a dedicated leader, a caring friend, and an "old school newspaper man" who worked tirelessly to keep the presses running on time. Hurst, 65, of Roanoke, died

unexpectedly on June 13. Over the years, he worked in advertising and management roles at several local papers, including The Roanoke Times, Bedford Bulletin, Vinton Messenger and Salem Times-Register. Most recently, he served as general manager for the Salem-based Virginia Media group.

While his professional focus was on advertising, production and operations, his impact extended well beyond the back room. Those who worked



Hurst COURTESY PHOTO

alongside him remember his unwavering presence in the office, his loyalty to his team, and his devotion to his family—including his cherished dog, Beanie.

"Lynn was a hard-working advertising director who was proud of his family, loved his motorcycle and especially his dog, Beanie," said Meg Hibbert, former editor of The Salem Times-Register and The New Castle Record. Debbie Adams, a staff writer for The Vinton

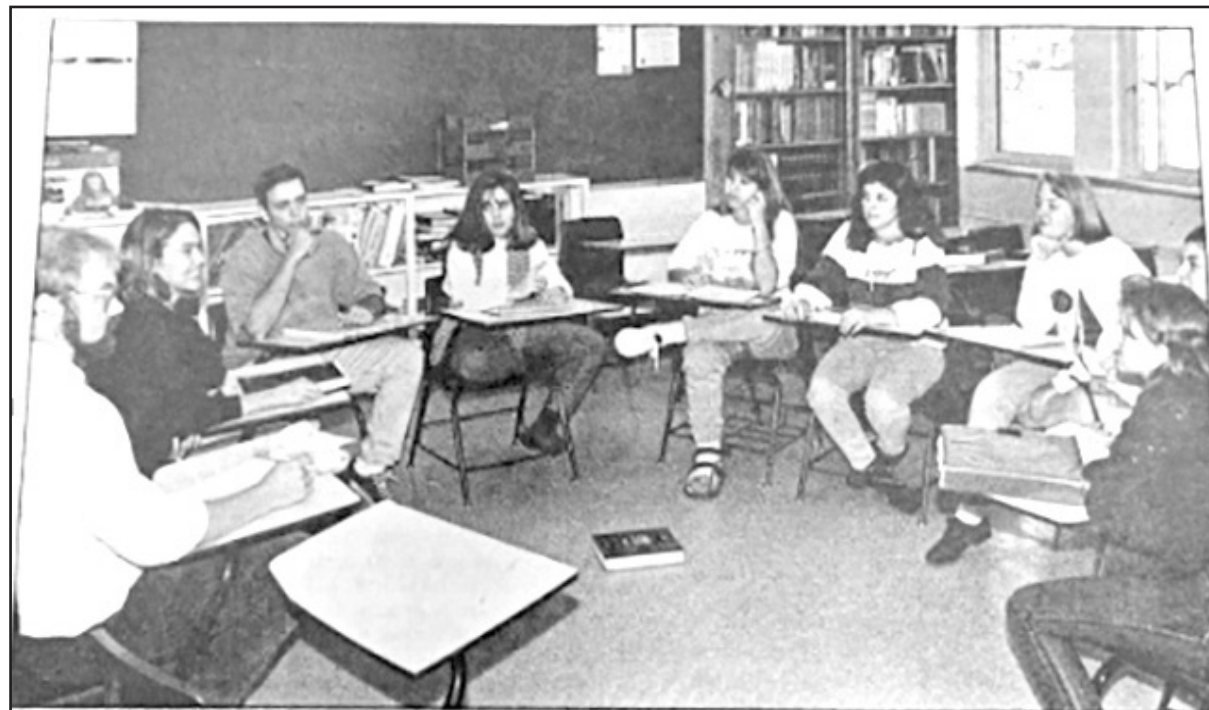
Messenger, recalled Lynn's early encouragement when she first began writing for the paper after retiring from teaching.

"Lynn was the General Manager, and he was endlessly patient in teaching me what I needed to know, in answering the most basic of questions, and in always encouraging me," she said. "He truly cared about his work and producing a good paper. He was endlessly kind and always treated me like a

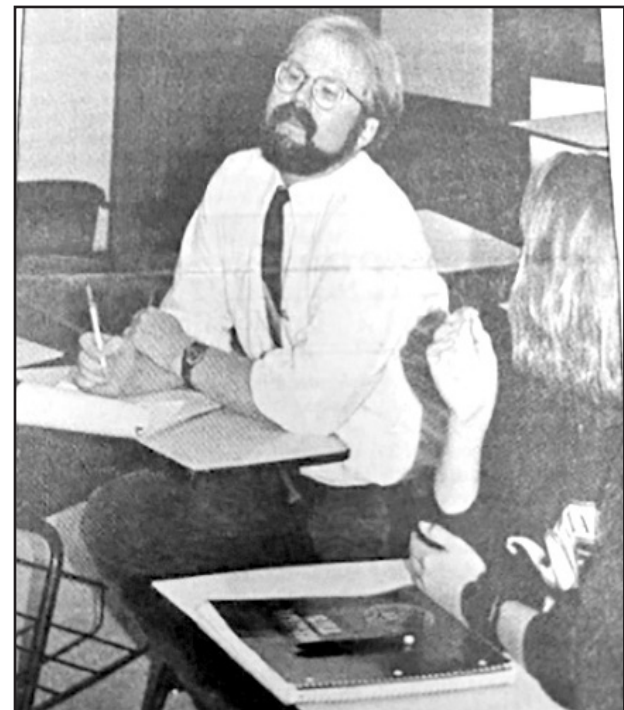
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FROM THE ARCHIVES

Fourth Estate comes to CCHS



Advanced Composition teacher John Bolte and class members Kelly Robinson, Josh Evans, Jessica Huffman, Chris Hyler, Mandy McGuire, Shelly Lester, Nicky Ledford and Brandi Huffman will be the staff of the new student newspaper at Craig County High School. The new class is structured in a workshop and discussion format. Publication of the first issue of the paper is slated for near Thanksgiving.



Teacher John Bolte said he is going to let the Advanced Composition class present itself, then he will write down what happens.

FROM THE NCR ARCHIVES

By Christian Moody, Editor
From the October 5, 1994 edition of *The New Castle Record*

Student publications at Craig County High School have consisted solely of the yearbook since the days of News Castle High, but that is about to change. Sometime near Thanksgiving - an exact date has not been penciled in - a student newspaper will be printed.

Will it be the Craig Beacon? The Rocket's Red Glare? The CCHS Post? No one knows; the name has yet to be decided on, and when it is, it will be a guarded secret until the day it hits the halls of the school.

Then, and not a day before, everyone will know the moniker of the newest scoop sheet in the high school.

This year the school has a class which can make the paper a reality. Former Principal Brian Green wanted a student newspaper at CCHS. He has some support, English teacher John Bolte thought the idea was good, and the school administration agreed. So a class was formed at the high school which would handle the responsibility of publishing the paper. It is not, however, strictly a newspaper class.

Advanced Composition is the title. The course encompasses much more than news writing or production. Lately, the class has studied poetry. They write and read and have discussions about literature and the art of writing. It's not a scene reminiscent of many newsrooms. What it will look like as a deadline approach remains to be seen. One of the goals of class members is to get a newspaper through production and into the hands of the students.

Bolte was assigned to teach the class. He said the class is not structured like a standard lecture style English class.

"It's more of a workshop atmosphere," Bolte said. "They're creating the course themselves, and I'm writing down what happens."

The students can read or work on the project at hand, or gather in a circle for discussion. One of the main topics of discussion is what the newspaper will look like and what the content of the paper will be. There are still several decisions to be made on those points.

There will be only five issues this year, meaning one per six weeks. That doesn't seem like much, but it will take a lot of work to pull it off. The students are learning that.

And content itself poses problems - after six weeks, some of the news will be old news. What will be the news? Will it be a rehash of club meetings and trips? Will it explore issues facing the students? Will it be proactive?

Mostly, these answers will be provided by the students when they start writing stories for the newspaper.

Junior Josh Evans is one of the aspiring journalists (more of a columnist with an appreciation for the original thinkers of our past) who will be a key player in this project.

"It's not going to be a miniature version of the yearbook," he said. Taking nothing away from the yearbook, he does not want the newspaper to encapsulate an event and leave it at that. He wants the paper to report the news and explore the issues.

When the county's director of tourism, Diane Lee, wanted a press release written about the festivals this month, she approached the Advanced Composition class and Evans wrote the piece. It appears on the front page of this issue.

He is also working on the PTSA calendar with class member Nicky Ledford.

The students in the class are bound by a love of writing, and a desire to be a better writer. They evaluate each other and work together to not only hone their skills, but make the projects in the class a reality.

The good part for the students is the class meets every day, the bad part is it's only for 45 or so minutes long.

Kelly Robinson said the time is important.

"I don't get that much time to write other than here. I think it's great," she said.

But Evans said the time is precious. "It's kind of hard to channel all of my creative abilities into 45 minutes of the day," he said.

Another aspect of the class is it will never be the same twice, hence it can be repeated for credit. Advanced Composition might be completely different - certainly the newspaper will have different content - next year, so students who want to sign on again can do so.

For the first year of so, while the paper is in its development stages, Bolte said the staff won't be divided into different departments such as editorial, advertising, and circulation. He said he wanted all of his students to participate in each phase of the production of a newspaper.

Other projects planned in the advanced composition class include publishing a semi-annual literary magazine and recording folklore and oral histories of the region.

So far, Bolte and the students like the way the class and plans for the paper are going.

The proof will be in the finished product.

-Prepared by Shelly Koon

\$1 billion available for U.S. livestock producers affected by drought

WASHINGTON — Virginia cattle farmers affected by prolonged drought in 2023 and 2024 may be eligible to receive financial support from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins announced that the USDA is providing \$1 billion to livestock producers to cover grazing losses caused by drought or wildfire events. Funds will be distributed through the Emergency Livestock Relief Program.

The USDA Farm Service

Agency will leverage existing Livestock Forage Disaster Program data to streamline payment calculations and expedite emergency relief and disbursements. Payments will automatically be issued to producers with an approved LFP application on file with FSA.

Due to anticipated high demand, payments will be factored at 35% and if additional funds remain, FSA may issue a second payment.

Virginia's cattle producers were hit hard by drought last summer, as many struggled with stressed, parched

pastures—particularly in the Shenandoah Valley.

"I've been farming all my life, and last year was the toughest year for drought that I can remember," said Chuck French, a Shenandoah County cattleman and president of Shenandoah County Farm Bureau.

French's pastures "depleted pretty quickly" during mid- to late-June, forcing him to graze fields he normally grows and stockpiles for winter. And although he had a decent spring hay harvest, his second cutting during July was dismal, causing him to

"put cattle on feed earlier in the season."

"I was fortunate that I didn't have any wells go dry, but I had some neighbors that had well issues," he added.

French said disaster assistance like the LFP is vital to helping farmers offset financial hardship and economic impacts caused by abnormally dry conditions and other weather catastrophes.

"It's an excellent program," he said.

To qualify for payments, livestock producers must have suffered grazing losses

in a county rated by the U.S. Drought Monitor as having a D2-level drought for eight consecutive weeks. Or, they must have had a D3 or higher level of drought intensity during the normal grazing periods in 2023 or 2024 or both calendar years.

To learn more about the ERLP, visit bit.ly/3ZoENo1.

This is the first of two planned rounds of assistance through ERLP. A second round offering assistance for flood-impacted producers is set to be announced later this summer.

-Virginia Farm Bureau

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friend, not an employee."

Adams also remembered his personal warmth. "The first time I met him, I felt like I had known him forever. I most remember the days he would stop in Vinton for Fall Festival, the Dogwood Festival, or another event to help man the Vinton Messenger booth and share stories about his family—especially his wife and beloved daughter—along with tales of his dog, fishing, and Smith Mountain Lake."

Tucker Frye, who worked in advertising with Hurst, shared his own personal memories: "I worked with Lynn for over 10 years and you could count on certain things. He would always have a Coke nearby and when he brought his dog in he was a much happier person to deal with. I will miss you and hope you are keeping an eye on the deadlines for us."

Michael Showell, publisher of Virginia Media, called Hurst "a force to be considered."

"Lynn was an old school newspaper man. He took his responsibilities seriously, attention to detail and above all deadlines were paramount to him,"

Showell said. "He protected those that reported to him by ensuring that nothing would interfere with them getting their job done on time and at the highest level of quality possible."

That same dedication was evident to others on the team.

"He was always in the office and present when decisions needed to be made," said Debbie Nixon, longtime graphics coordinator and designer. "He made sure everything was running smoothly and that the newspapers always looked good coming off the press. He routinely would ask me how my family was doing and how my mother (she was in her 80s) was feeling. He genuinely cared and it meant a lot to me."

Nixon added: "He would also talk about his family and especially Allison, who he adored. He was a really good person and I was glad to have known him and to call him my friend."

Brian Hoffman, sports editor for The Salem Times-Register, also recalled Hurst's steadiness and humanity.

"He was always in the office during working hours and made sure things were running smoothly," Hoffman

said. "I'll never forget the time he called me into the office right when the insurrection was starting on January 6. We sat there and watched on his computer in disbelief."

"He loved his dog Beanie and when he brought Beanie to the office everyone just adored him. He would curl up under my desk and if Lynn couldn't find him that would be the first place he would look," Hoffman said. "Most importantly, he was a good guy."

Kathy Hunter, Virginia Media's executive business director, summed it up simply: "Lynn was dedicated to this company from daylight till dark. We were not only co-workers but friends. He had a true passion for his job and family. I will truly miss him."

Matt de Simone, editor of The Fincastle Herald and The Vinton Messenger, expressed gratitude for his mentorship. "I learned a lot from him while working in the Salem office, and I'll always be grateful for the time we worked together," he said. "Wishing peace to Lynn's family and all who knew him."

Ed McCoy, former executive editor

of Virginia Media, appreciated Hurst's professionalism and respect for editorial independence.

"Lynn was great to work with as a publisher," McCoy said. "He understood the separation of the reporting and advertising sides of the several community newspapers that are part of our family, which made the editors' jobs much easier. Most folks never see the backroom work that it takes to produce a publication. Lynn was masterful in orchestrating that work."

Born Dec. 6, 1959, in Alexandria, Va., Hurst spent most of his life in Roanoke. He loved riding his motorcycle through the mountains, fishing on Smith Mountain Lake, and spending time with his family. He was preceded in death by his mother, Patsy Hurst Neely, and his beloved dog, Beanie. He is survived by his wife, Faye; daughter, Allison; father, Wayne Hurst; and three brothers.

Services were held June 19 and 20 at Oakey's Vinton Chapel and Old Dominion Memorial Gardens.

As one colleague wrote: "He was a really good person... and I was glad to call him my friend."

Recipe of the Week



Shelly Koon
Contributing
Writer

I just love onions in all their shapes, forms and tastes. I know... The tomato and the potato are worldwide and the vegetables grown in the largest quantities. However, the onion is still, by far, the vegetable that is most widely used. Onions really don't get the credit they deserve! They're the backbone of flavor in most dishes, whether they're minced for soups, stew or casseroles, chopped or sliced and served raw on salads, sandwiches and even burgers.

I've been an onion girl pretty much my whole life. Things locked into place when my mom went through a whole-baked onion phase at some point in my childhood. She would bake onions whenever we had hamburgers or on special occasions, steak.

Whether they're made into onion rings, caramelized in French onion soup, served raw on salads or as pickled onions on my sandwiches, I love them all. As far as I'm concerned, most savory dishes can be made better with some onions.

Onions are a staple in many cuisines, known for their flavor and potential health benefits. They are a nutrient-rich vegetable belonging to the Allium family, which also includes garlic, shallots, and leeks. Onions are grown as bulbs, typically in temperate zones, and come in various colors and sizes. The onion is full of nutrients including vitamins B and C, and fiber. Onions have been linked to potential health benefits, including supporting heart health, potentially reducing cancer risk, and boosting immunity.

Most researchers agree the onion has been cultivated for 5000 years or more. Since onions grew wild in various regions, they were probably consumed for thousands of years and domesticated simultaneously all over the world.

Some random onion facts: Someone who is alliumphobic has a fear of onions in general, and certainly wouldn't eat them. Onions were often buried with Egyptian dead, its concentric rings symbolizing eternal life. Ancient Greek athletes ate lots of onions, thinking it would balance their blood and increase their athletic ability. According to Turkish legend, when Satan was cast out of heaven, garlic sprouted where he first set his left foot and onions where he set his right.

There are multiple types of onions. Red onions are

milder than yellow onions, with a shiny purple skin and red-tinged flesh. The most commonly known are yellow onions. They have a pale golden skin and greenish-white flesh. White onions, also known as "sweet onions," have a mild flavor and a white or pale-yellow flesh. A sweet variety known for its large size and mild flavor are Vidalia onions. Shallots are a smaller, botanical variety of the onion which was classified as a separate species until 2011. They have a more delicate flavor often used in French cooking. Scallions (green onions) are young onions harvested before the bulb begins to grow.

This week I am including two recipes. One for the baked onions my mom used to make and one for Tennessee Onions, a creamy cheesy casserole made with sweet onions. Both make great side dishes for any meat.

Tennessee Onions

Ingredients
Cooking spray
3 pounds Vidalia or sweet onions (about 4 large), cut crosswise into 1/4-inch-thick slices
1 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard powder
1 teaspoon garlic powder
1 teaspoon smoked paprika
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper (optional)
4 ounces mild cheddar cheese, shredded (about 1 cup), divided
4 ounces smoked Gouda or cheddar cheese, shredded (about 1 cup), divided
1 1/4 ounces grated Parmesan cheese (about 1/3 cup store-bought grated)
4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) unsalted butter, diced
2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley leaves, for garnish (optional)

Directions
Heat the oven to 350°F. Lightly coat a 9x13-inch baking dish with cooking spray. Separate 3 pounds sliced Vidalia onions into rings and place in a large bowl. Add 1 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt, 1 teaspoon dry mustard powder, 1 teaspoon garlic powder, 1 teaspoon smoked paprika, and 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper, and toss to coat.

Arrange half of the onion rings in an even layer in the baking dish. Sprinkle evenly with 2 ounces shredded mild cheddar cheese and 2 ounces shredded smoked Gouda cheese (about 1/2 cup each).

Arrange the remaining onions on top and sprinkle with the remaining 2 ounces each shredded mild cheddar and smoked Gouda. Sprinkle evenly with 1 1/4 ounces grated Parmesan cheese. Scatter 4 tablespoons diced unsalted butter on top.

Cover the baking dish with aluminum foil. Bake until

the onions are softened and the casserole is bubbling, about 45 minutes. Uncover and bake until the cheese on top is melted and browned in spots, about 30 minutes more. Sprinkle with 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley leaves if desired.

Baked Onions

4 medium yellow onions
2 tablespoons olive oil
salt and ground black pepper to taste
2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

Gather all ingredients. Adjust the oven rack to the lowest position; preheat the oven to 425 degrees F (220 degrees C). Peel onions and cut in half. Toss onion halves with oil and season generously with salt and pepper. Place onions, cut-sides down, on a rimmed baking sheet. Roast in the preheated oven until onions are tender and the cut surfaces are golden brown, 25 to 30 minutes. Remove from the oven and adjust seasonings if necessary. Drizzle with balsamic vinegar to serve.



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Upcoming public meetings scheduled in Craig County

July 3
Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting will meet at the Craig County Courthouse at 6 p.m.

July 8
Economic Development Meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., at the Craig County Administration Building.

July 15
Tourism Commission Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Craig County Administration Building.

Aug. 7

Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting will meet at the Craig County Courthouse at 6 p.m.

Aug. 12
Economic Development Meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., at the Craig County Administration Building.

Aug. 19
Tourism Commission Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Craig County Administration Building.

Sept. 4
Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting will meet at the

Craig County Courthouse at 6 p.m.

Sept. 9
Economic Development Meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., at the Craig County Administration Building.

Sept. 16
Tourism Commission Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Craig County Administration Building.

-The New Castle Record

OBITUARIES

Hurst, Gerald Linden "Lynn"

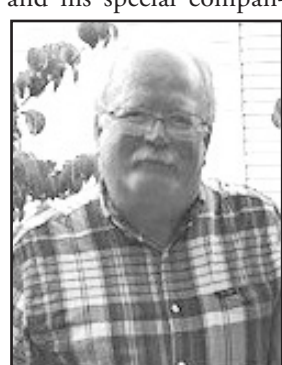
December 6, 1959 – June 13, 2025

Gerald Linden "Lynn" Hurst, 65, of Roanoke, Va., passed away unexpectedly on Friday, June 13, 2025. Lynn was born on December 6, 1959, in Alexandria, Va., but lived most of his life in Roanoke. He spent many years working in advertising at local newspapers, including the Roanoke Times, the Bedford Bulletin, the Vinton Messenger, and, most recently, the Salem Times Register as General and Advertising Manager.

He loved riding his motorcycle in the mountains, fishing on Smith Mountain Lake in his boat, the taste of an ice-cold Coors Light, and, above all, his family.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Lin-

den and Ruth Hurst of Pearisburg, Va.; his maternal grandparents, Edd Thomas and Viola Virginia Fuller of Speedway, WV; his beloved mother, Patsy Hurst Neely of Roanoke, Va.; and his special compan-



ion, Beanie.

He is survived by his wife, Faye Hurst of Roanoke; his daughter, Allison Hurst (Giulio) of Chicago, Ill.; his father, Wayne Hurst (Peggy) of Haymarket, Va.; his

brothers, Tim Hurst of Roanoke, Christopher Hurst (Jennifer) of Haymarket, Va., and Thomas Hurst of Mt. Pleasant, SC; his close friend, David Marshall of Lignum, Va.; and many dear cousins.

A visitation was held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 19, 2025, and the funeral took place at 10 a.m. on Friday, June 20, 2025, both at Oakey's Vinton Chapel, 627 Hardy Road, Vinton, VA 24179. Burial followed the funeral service at Old Dominion Memorial Gardens, 7271 Cloverdale Road, Cloverdale, VA 24019. Condolences may be shared with his family at www.Oakeys.com.

Arrangements by Oakeys Funeral Service - Vinton Chapel, Vinton, VA (540) 982-2221.

Paitsel, Margaret Dove

Margaret Dove Paitsel, 83, of New Castle, VA, was called home on June 15, 2025. She was born on April 16, 1942, to the late James Edward Paitsel and Alva Hutchinson Paitsel. Margaret was a homemaker and a caregiver to the many children in her family and to her mother and sister before their passing. Margaret was a kind soul, and those that knew her always spoke of her joy, gentleness, and faith in the Lord. Much like her mother, Alva, she enjoyed the flowers in her garden, watching the hummingbirds that came to visit, and listening to all of her favorite TV preachers. She was a prayer warrior and always prayed diligently for her loved ones.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded

in death by an infant brother, Delbert; sisters, Ruby St. Clair, Lucille Huffman, Shirley Paitsel; nephews, Kenneth James "Jimmy" Paitsel, Jr, Gary Huffman, Junior Huffman, and Teddy Kendall; niece, Sherry



Ann Toler; godson, Joshua Humphries; and a host of extended family members including several brothers and sisters-in-law, including Wendall Medley, Leonard Ray,

and Linda Paitsel. She is survived by her siblings, Kenneth Paitsel, Sr., Harriet Medley, Oneta Paitsel-Toler, Diane Ray; nieces, Angela Kendall, Tammy Medley, Amanda Hicks; numerous nieces, nephews; including a special relationship with her niece, Patsy Van Dyke; and great nieces and nephews, including Josh, Alisha, Alex, Aaron Andrew, Aria, and Pheobe.

A funeral service to celebrate her life was held at 3:00 PM, Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at the Paitsel Funeral Home Chapel in New Castle, with Pastor Loraine Taylor officiating. Interment will follow at Huffman Memorial Park.

Friends visited with the family from 2 PM until the hour of the service.

USA Cycling Endurance Mountain Bike National Championships courses revealed

ROANOKE –The official courses for the 2025 USA Cycling Endurance Mountain Bike National Championships were revealed by Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge, Roanoke County, and the City of Roanoke on June 17 at Elmwood Park. The championship races will take place at Carvins Cove, Elmwood Park, and Explore Park from July 14 – 20. Over 1,900 elite cyclists are expected to participate.

"We're excited to bring our very biggest National Championship to Roanoke, and to continue building on its identity as such a special community for bike racers and recreational cyclists alike. The beauty of the roads and trails, and the Virginian hospitality

makes it a total joy to be back," said USA Cycling CEO Brendan Quirk.

To support the local cycling community and sustainability efforts, USA Cycling is partnering with the Local Organizing Committee's Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge Foundation to add a \$10 trails fee to each participant's registration. The money will directly support local trail building and maintenance efforts.

"Being selected to host this national championship is a true honor for Roanoke and the entire region. This choice cements Roanoke's reputation as a top-tier mountain bike destination. We are thrilled to welcome all the athletes who are journeying from

around the country to compete here in the Blue Ridge Mountains," said City of Roanoke Mayor Joe Cobb

"It's special to see Olympic-level athletes on the same trails our residents enjoy every day," said Roanoke County Board of Supervisors Vice-Chair Phil North. "It highlights the world-class quality of our outdoor amenities and gives us a chance to showcase the best of our region—where mountains meet adventure."

USA Cycling CEO Brendan Quirk added, "We're so grateful for Roanoke's commitment to the sport of cycling. Its investments in supporting USA Cycling National Championships and in the Virginia's Blue Ridge TWENTY28

team over the years have established it as one of America's most important communities for road, mountain, cyclocross and gravel cycling."

Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge President Landon Howard said, "This world-class event would not be possible without the collaboration between the City of Roanoke, Roanoke County, and their fantastic parks and recreation teams. Thanks to our community's passion and hard work, over 1,900 athletes and their families will get to experience why Virginia's Blue Ridge is America's East Coast Mountain Biking Capital."

-The Salem Times-Register

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143 TO 151 – The I-81 widening project is underway with survey and preparation work. Shoulder strengthening work will require northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime hours. Barrier wall installation expected in late summer or fall. The expected completion for this project is summer 2031.

- **WORK ZONE SPEED:** Drivers should adhere to posted 60 mph speed limits in the work zone and allow space when following a vehicle. Speed reminders are posted for drivers.

- Belle Haven Road – Drivers may see periodic daytime flagging operations in place.
- **LANE CLOSURES** - Periodic right and left lane closures in place during nighttime hours 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., on northbound and southbound I-81

- **RAMPS** - Ramps on I-81, northbound and southbound, may be narrowed at exit 150, 146 and 143.

- **DETOUR SIGNS:** While detour signs are in place on I-81 and routes around the project such as Route 11 and Plantation Road, these do not designate a permanent or scheduled detour. The signed detour route is suitable for all traffic during incidents including tractor-trailers and other large vehicles. These signs are used for traffic incident detours only.

I-81 NB & SB DECK OVERLAY AT PEAK CREEK MILE MARKER

95.7 - Repair work is underway on the northbound and southbound bridges on I-81 over Peak Creek near mile marker 95.7. This repair work will require nighttime single lane closures for the duration of the project. Lane closures may occur nightly from Sunday night through Friday mornings between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. For the deck overlay process, lane closures may be in place between Sunday nights through Friday mornings. For the southbound lanes these will occur between the hours of 7pm and 10am, and for the northbound lanes between the hours of 6pm through 9am. Details on these closures will be listed below on a weekly basis. Estimated completion is Summer 2025.

- Alternating nighttime northbound and southbound left and right lane closures may or may not be in place from mile marker 96 to 94 during the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. while other work on the project continues.

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. 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.

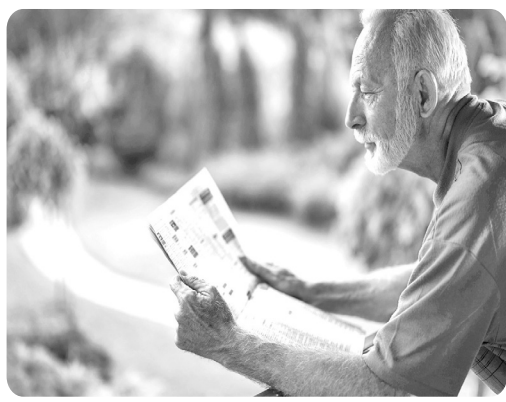
- **LANE CLOSURES:** Nighttime right and left lane closures may be

in place on I-81 northbound or southbound between mile marker 106 and 104 from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

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CRAIG VALLEY BAPTIST

Pastor Scott Gabrielson, church phone 864-5667, 171 Salem Avenue, Food Pantry available (M,W,F) 9am-noon. Sunday School 10am, Worship 11am, Mondays 6:30pm Men and Ladies Bible Study, Wednesday: Bible Buddies 6:30pm, Bible Study 7pm. craigvalleybaptist@gmail.com

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Legals - Botetourt County

Order of Publication

Case No. **CL16-916-01**
VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT
COURT FOR THE
COUNTY OF BOTETOURT
In re: Abigail Rose Bryant
(DOB: 02/19/2015)
**ORDER FOR
PUBLICATION**
This Day came Christopher
M. Di Risio, counsel for the
Intervenor, Andrew
Vandegrift and James
Tracy, and filed a Motion for
Order of Publication, and a
hearing shall be held in this
Court, 205 North Roanoke
Street, Fincastle, Virginia
24090 on October 7th, 2025
at 1:00 PM, or as soon
thereafter as they may be
heard.
NOW, THEREFORE IT IS
HEREBY ADJUDGED,
ORDERED, AND
DECREED, that Phillip Eric
Bryant appear at the
hearing and be heard as to
why the Motion to Intervene,

Legals - Botetourt County

Motion for Appointment of
Guardian ad Litem, or
Motion to Amend Custody
of the minor child, should
not be granted. Failure to
appear shall waive any
objection to the heretofore
mentioned Motions.
THE CLERK OF COURT IS
DIRECTED to send a
certified copy of this Order
to the Fincastle Herald, to
P.O. Box 127, Fincastle,
Virginia 24090 to be
published once per week for
four consecutive weeks, to
be posted at the front door
of the Courthouse, and a
copy mailed to counsel, and
the parties to the matter at
their respective address of
record.

This cause is continued on
the docket of this Court.
Entered this 17th day of
June, 2025.
Honorable Joel R.
Branscom, Judge

I ASK FOR THIS:
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Counsel for Intervenor

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 1572 Little Catawba Creek, Troutville, VA 24175

In execution of a Deed of
Trust in the original principal
amount of \$146,818.00
dated May 25, 2021
recorded among the land
records of the Circuit Court
for Botetourt County on May
26, 2021 as Instrument
Number: 210002890, the
undersigned appointed
Substitute Trustee will offer
for sale at public auction, at
the Main entrance of the
courthouse for the Circuit
Court of Botetourt County, 1
W Main St, Fincastle, VA
24090 on July 28, 2025 at
3:30 PM the property
described in said deed of
trust, located at the above
address and briefly
described as: Being Lot No.
3, according to the Map of
Duffield Estates, made by
Charles R. McMurray,
C.L.S., dated September
10, 1980, and recorded in
Plat Book 10, Page 75.

Tax/Parcel ID#: 85A(1)3
Tax ID: 25649.
TERMS OF SALE: A
bidder's deposit of
\$10,000.00 or 10% of the
sale price, whichever is
lower, will be required in
the form of a certified or
cashier's check. Cash will
not be accepted as a
deposit. Settlement within
fifteen (15) days of sale,
otherwise Trustee may
forfeit deposit. Additional
terms to be announced at
sale. This is a
communication from a debt
collector. This notice is an
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and any information
obtained will be used for
that purpose.
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Substitute Trustee: ALG
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Legals - Craig County

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CRAIG COUNTY

JOHN N. SPICER,
TRUSTEE, *Plaintiff*
v.
BRIAN VAVALA
and
CHELSEA RICK
and
JOSEPH S. HILL
AUDREY E. HILL,
Defendants.
Case No. CL 25-112
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to
finalize accounting for
Foreclosure Sale Property
known as
2288 Northside Road,
Newport, Virginia, in Craig
County, Virginia, also
referred to
as Lot Number Three (3),
containing 29.204 acres and
designated as Tax Map
Number 115-A 17C, cannot
conveniently be made as
Defendant, Brian Vavala,
has not been seen nor
heard from, and
whose whereabouts are
unknown to all of the parties
hereto, and that the best
interests of all interested
parties would be
promoted by the surplus of
funds due to Defendant,

Legals - Craig County

Brian Vavala, be deposited
with the Circuit Court of
Craig County, Virginia and
move forward with the
Final Accounting of
Foreclose Sale.
An affidavit having been
made and signed that Brian
Vavala, is an individual
whose last known address
and whereabouts are
unknown, it is hereby
ORDERED, that the said
party appear on or before
July 21, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.
and do whatever is
necessary to protect his
interest for his surplus
funds.

It is further **ORDERED** that
this Order of Publication be
published once a week for
four (4) consecutive weeks
in *The New Castle Record*,
a newspaper of general
circulation in the
County of Craig.
ENTERED THIS 5th DAY
OF June, 2025
Judge
I ask for this:
John N. Spicer
(VSB # 68845)
SPICER, OLIN &
ASSOCIATES, P.C.
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Blacksburg, VA 24060
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j.spicer@spicertlawfirm.com
Plaintiff

Legals - City of Salem

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia
VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-
316-317, 20-104
Case No. CL25-750
VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT
COURT FOR THE
COUNTY OF ROANOKE
COUNTY OF ROANOKE,
VIRGINIA, Complainant, vs.
LAURA S. MARTIN,
et al, Respondents.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

TO: THE RESPONDENTS:
The object of this suit is to:
enforce the lien for taxes
assessed by the County of
Roanoke, Virginia against
certain real property
designated as Tax Map
Parcel No. 055.04-02-
12.00-0000.
An affidavit having been
made and filed that
diligence has been used
without effect to ascertain
the location of Laura S.
Martin and that there are
or may be persons with an
interest in the subject
property, including heirs,
devises, and successors in
title of Laura S. Martin, who
may be deceased, whose
names and addresses are
unknown, it is hereby
ORDERED that each of the
parties appear on or before
July 30, 2025, and do
whatever is necessary to
protect their interest in said
land.
It is further **ORDERED**,
pursuant to VA. Code Ann
§8.01-321, that this Order of
Publication be published
once a week for two
successive weeks in the
Salem Times Register, a
newspaper of general
circulation I the County of
Roanoke, and that a copy
be posted at the front door
of the Courthouse in County
of Roanoke, Virginia.

Entered this 11th day of
June, 2025.
Honorable James R.
Swanson, Judge
I ASK FOR THIS:
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OPN Law
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Roanoke VA 24018
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Counsel for Complainant

Order of Publication Commonwealth of Virginia

VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-
316-317, 20-104
Case No. CL25000749
VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT
COURT FOR THE
COUNTY OF ROANOKE
COUNTY OF ROANOKE,
VIRGINIA, Complainant, vs.
W. PHILLIP OBENSHAIN,
et al, Respondents.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

TO: THE RESPONDENTS:
The object of this suit is to:
enforce the lien for taxes
assessed by the County of
Roanoke, Virginia against
certain real property
designated as Tax Map
Parcel No. 038.16-01-
08.0000.
An affidavit having been
made and filed that
diligence has been used
without effect to ascertain
the location of W. Phillip
Obenshain and that there
are or may be persons with
an interest in the subject
property, including heirs,
devises, and successors in
title of W. Phillip Obenshain,

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who may be deceased,
whose names and
addresses are unknown, it
is hereby **ORDERED** that
each of the parties appear
on or before July 30, 2025,
and do whatever is
necessary to protect their
interest in said land.
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Counsel for Complainant

Legals - Montgomery County

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG TOWN COUNCIL

The Town of Christiansburg
Town Council will hold a
Public Hearing on Tuesday,
July 8, 2025, at 7:00 PM in
the Council Chambers of
the Christiansburg Town
Hall, 100 E. Main Street,
Christiansburg, Virginia
24073. The purpose of the
public hearing is to receive
public comments
concerning:
A. Conditional Use Permit
request by Main Street
Preservation LLC, Property
Owner, and Joseph L.
Simmons, Applicant, to
allow residential use,
specifically the
construction of ten (10)
townhomes, in the General
Business District (B-3) on
property located at 511
Roanoke Street, identified as
Tax Parcel 528--(35)-1
(Parcel ID 031706), and
consisting of approximately
of 1.008 acres. The property
is designated as
Business/Commercial on
the Future Land Use Map of
the 2013 Christiansburg
Comprehensive Plan.
A copy of the applications,
the Town's Zoning Map,
Zoning Ordinance, and
Future Land Use Map may
be viewed in the Planning
Department Office, 100 E.
Main Street, Christiansburg,
VA 24073 during normal
office hours of 8:00 a.m. –
5:00 p.m. Monday through
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Contact Retta Jackson,
Planning Director, at (540)
382-6128, ext. 1120 or by
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rjackson@christiansburg.org
g, with any questions or if
you require reasonable
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Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia
VA CODE
§ 8.01-316,
Case No. JJ020233-10-00,
Case No. JJ020233-11-00
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
JUVENILE AND
DOMESTIC RELATIONS
DISTRICT COURT,
55 EAST MAIN STREET,
SUITE 1,
CHRISTIANSBURG, VA
24073
Montgomery County DSS
v.
Amanda Dawn Linkous and
Gary James Robertson, III

The object of this suit is to:
Terminate the parental
rights of Amanda Dawn
Linkous and Gary James
Robertson, III, to the minor
child Kaiden James Linkous
pursuant to Section 16.1-
283 of the Code of Virginia;
specifically, that said
parents have failed to
maintain continuing contact
and plan for the child's
future and have failed
without good cause to
remedy the circumstances
that led to the child's
placement in foster care.

It is **ORDERED** that
Amanda Dawn Linkous
AND Gary James
Robertson, III appear at the
above-named court and
protect his or her interests
on or before August 5,
2025.

Entered May 19, 2025
Amie Blankenship, clerk

Legals - Montgomery County

Order of Publication Commonwealth of Virginia

VA CODE
§ 8.01-316,
Case No. JJ020484-09-00,
Case No. JJ020484-10-00
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
JUVENILE AND
DOMESTIC RELATIONS
DISTRICT COURT,
55 EAST MAIN STREET,
SUITE 1,
CHRISTIANSBURG, VA
24073
Montgomery County DSS
v.
Amanda Dawn Linkous and
Gary James Robertson, III

The object of this suit is to:
Terminate the parental
rights of Amanda Dawn
Linkous and Gary James
Robertson, III, to the minor
child Renesmee Marie
Robertson pursuant to
Section 16.1-283 of the
Code of Virginia;
specifically, that said
parents have failed to
maintain continuing contact
and plan for the child's
future and have failed
without good cause to
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Entered May 19, 2025
Amie Blankenship, clerk

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE OF IMPROVED REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT: 5396 GRAYSONTOWN ROAD, RADFORD, VA 24141 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

Tax Map# 125-A-29
Parcel ID: 004043
IN EXECUTION OF A
DEED OF TRUST IN THE
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL
AMOUNT OF \$79,500.00,
DATED THE 24TH DAY OF
MARCH, 2010,
RECORDED IN THE
CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE
CIRCUIT COURT OF
MONTGOMERY COUNTY,
VIRGINIA, AS
INSTRUMENT NO.
2010002193. DEFAULT
HAVING OCCURRED IN
THE PAYMENT OF THE
NOTE SECURED
THEREBY, AND AT THE
REQUEST OF THE
HOLDER OF THE NOTE,
THE UNDERSIGNED
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE,
WILL OFFER FOR SALE
AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT
THE ENTRANCE OF THE
CIRCUIT COURT COUNTY
OF MONTGOMERY,
LOCATED AT: 55 EAST
MAIN STREET,
CHRISTIANSBURG, VA
24073, ON 30TH DAY OF
JUNE, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M.,
THE REAL ESTATE WITH
IMPROVEMENTS
THEREON, LYING AND
BEING SITUATE IN THE
RINER MAGISTERIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
COUNTY OF
MONTGOMERY, STATE
OF VIRGINIA AND MORE
PARTICULARLY
DESCRIBED AS
FOLLOWS:
All of Lot 2, as shown on
the map entitled, "Plat Showing
Relocation/Vacation of Lot
Lines for Carl N. McNeil,"
prepared by Highland
Surveys, dated 7 October
2002, Plan No. P-7687, a
copy of which map is of
record in the Office of the
Clerk of the Circuit Court of
Montgomery County,
Virginia, in Plat Book 23,
Page 361, and to which
map reference is made for a
more particular description
of the property.
Tax Map Number: 125-A-29
Parcel: 004043
Address: 5396
Graysontown Road,
Radford, VA 24141
SALE WILL BE MADE
SUBJECT TO ALL
EXISTING EASEMENTS
AND RESTRICTIVE
COVENANTS AS THE
SAME MAY LAWFULLY
AFFECT THE REAL
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BIDDER'S DEPOSIT OF
TEN PERCENT (10%) OF
THE SALES PRICE, WITH
FULL SETTLEMENT TO
BE MADE WITHIN
FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM
DATE OF SALE.
ADDITIONAL TERMS MAY
BE ANNOUNCED AT THE
TIME OF SALE.
THIS NOTICE IS AN
ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A

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INFORMATION OBTAINED
WILL BE USED FOR THAT
PURPOSE.
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TIME OF SALE: 10:00 AM

By: Daniel D. Hamrick,
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FOR INFORMATION
CONTACT:
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for
Daniel D. Hamrick, P.C.,
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Legals - City of Salem

Salem VA Planning Commission

Notice is hereby given to all
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City of Salem Planning
Commission, at its regular
meeting on July 16, 2025, at
7:00 p.m., in Council
Chambers, City Hall, 114
North 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 J Cline Properties LLC,
property owner, to rezone
the property located at 106-
110 Butt Hollow Road (Tax
Map #174-1-7) from BCD
Business Commerce District
to LM Light Manufacturing
District with proffered
conditions and to request
the issuance of a Special
Exception Permit to allow
athletic instruction services.

2. Consider the request
of McJohn Investments
LLC, property owner, for the
issuance of a Special
Exception Permit to allow a
telecommunications tower
on the property located at
319 Rowan Street (Tax Map
#232-1-1).

3. Consider the request
of Brad Graham Real Estate
LLC, contract purchaser, to
rezone the property located
at 638 Dalewood Avenue
(Tax Map #33-2-3) from AG
Agricultural District to RSF
Residential Single-Family
District and to request the
issuance of a Special
Exception Permit for 638,
672 and 696 Dalewood
Avenue (Tax Map #s 33-2-
3, 33-2-2 and 33-2-1) to
allow their inclusion in the
Cluster Housing Overlay.

4. Consider the request
of ABoone Real Estate Inc.,
contract purchaser, to
rezone the property located
at 1002 Newman Drive (Tax
Map #58-1-1) from LM Light
Manufacturing District with
proffered conditions to RMF
Residential Multi-Family
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Copies of the proposed
plans, ordinances or
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 Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Council of the City of Salem, at its regular meeting on Monday, July 14, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers, 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 the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA: Consider the request of R & S Investments LLC, property owners, for the issuance of a special exception permit to allow a retail sales, smoke shop for the property located at 132 Electric Road (Tax Map #80-2-1). 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 COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY: H. Robert Light Clerk of Council

Legals - Craig County

1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, all creditors of Dallas Lee Fisher, Jr., and all persons in any way interested in his estate are hereby notified that I have fixed the 23rd day of July, 2025 at 10 o'clock a.m., at my office at 13 South Roanoke Street, Fincastle, Virginia as the time and place for determining an account of the debts and demands against said Dallas Lee Fisher, Jr., or his estate, the priorities among them, and the names of the persons to whom they are due. All creditors of Dallas Lee Fisher, Jr., deceased, and persons interested in his estate should appear at the time and place named, or any other time or place to which the proceedings may be adjourned, and protect their interest. Given under my hand this the 16th day of June, 2025. Malcolm McL. Doubles Commissioner of Accounts

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Legals - Montgomery County

Order of Publication
 Case No. **CA25000006-00 COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA CODE 1-211 1, 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court**
55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073

ADDRESS OF COURT Commonwealth of Virginia, in re. DAVID PRINE v. COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

The object of this suit is to: ADOPTION OF ANA MARIA GUTIERREZ CORREA

It is ORDERED that NELSON DE JESUS GUTIERREZ PINO appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before. AUGUST 20, 2025 6/18/2025 Honorable K. Mike Fleenor, Jr. Judge

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Hutton hands AD baton to Fisher next week after 10 years serving Rocket student athletes



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Carrie Hutton is leaving her position as school athletic director after 10 years.



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Carrie Hutton at the B'nai B'rith banquet with Craig nominees Layla Dooley and Jaycob Wolfe.



PHOTO BY CHELSEA LOUTHEN

Hutton was nominated by the school principals for the Virginia High School League Special Recognition Regional Award, and in a vote of the athletic directors Carrie was selected the winner. Carrie(left) was presented the award by CCHS principal Susan Stimeling.



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Carrie loves the kids and the feeling is mutual.



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The school honored their outgoing athletic director with "Carrie Hutton Day" in May.



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Craig County native Jimmy Fisher, who is also the football coach, will be replacing Hutton as athletic director.

Brian Hoffman Sports Editor

Carrie Hutton will be in the same office at Craig County High School next week but she'll have a different position. Carrie is leaving her position as athletic director to become the Division Attendance Secretary.

After 10 years as AD Carrie will be handing the baton to Jimmy Fisher on July 1. She's been a popular member of the athletic staff and widely recognized for her outstanding work, including being named the Athletic Director of the Year for the Pioneer and Mountain Empire Districts. While she's enjoyed her time in the position she feels it's time to move on.

"I loved my job but I just feel it's time for someone else," she said. "I'm here every weekend and in the school until late, and I want to be able to take off and spend some time with my kids and grandchildren."

Carrie has touched the lives of just about everyone who has grown up in or moved into Craig County. She was born here, one of 10 children raised by her grandparents, and life wasn't always easy. "We grew up poor," she said. "We got a dollar for our birthday and we learned at an early age that if you want something you have to work for it. Those lessons they taught us are why I strived to do well."

Carrie Giebner graduated from old New Castle High School in the Class of 1981. She played volleyball, basketball and softball for the Rockets and grew to love sports at a young age.

"I grew up with it," she said. "I've always loved sports."

She took some classes at Virginia Western after high school and eventually found her way back to the school, which was now the new Craig County High School. Carrie had a variety of jobs, including substitute teacher, cafeteria worker, Special Education

Paraprofessional, secretary and wherever else a willing worker was needed. She got back into sports when Geoff Boyer asked her to be on the volleyball staff in 2002.

"For 10 and a half seasons she was my JV coach, and I took over varsity the next season until I returned in 2017," said Boyer. "She was amazing to coach with, a super role model for the girls and a huge support for me as well. Despite me taking her best players every season, she reached 100 wins before me and earned a higher winning percentage. It's no secret that for the past decade she has run the front office and been in charge of all the athletic duties, teams, players and coaches, but some may forget how great of a coach she was."

In 2015 Bo Trumbo left his position as athletic director and Carrie took over that role. She's been at it for 10 years and it's been a joy to her and everyone she touches.

"I've always enjoyed the kids and I like meeting people," she said. "I've enjoyed interacting with the coaches and other athletic directors and the officials. I've met so many nice people in this job."

And those folks will be quick to praise Carrie as one of the best athletic directors in the whole Roanoke Valley, if not the state of Virginia. She always had a smile and willingness to do whatever was needed, whether it be to take the microphone at a game, drive the bus or just be there to make sure everything was running smoothly.

"Carrie is truly going to be missed," said Craig softball coach Elaina Wolfe Carper, who also played sports for the Rockets as a student. "I don't think most people realize just how many moving pieces Carrie juggled - scheduling, transportation, officials, weather delays, and more. Her dependability and support made a huge difference for me and, most importantly, our student-athletes."

Rocket basketball coach Ryan Frazier echoed that sentiment.

"I think what stands out to me about

Carrie was her willingness to do whatever is needed," he said. "She truly put the kids first, from driving all over the state and to different states, to helping pick up trash after a late game during the week. She did whatever was necessary to keep things moving, always working and willing to help. I really enjoyed my time working with her in the AD position."

Carrie was great in dealing with parents, something many athletic directors struggle with. She has three children who played sports for Craig County. Matt is now 36 and lives in Winchester with his wife, Lucas is 34 and has given Carrie two precious grandchildren with his wife while living near Raleigh, NC and Grace is 27 and lives in Craig County. Grace still holds school records for 45 points scored in a basketball game and most kills in a volleyball game. It was a joy to Carrie to be on the staff when Grace played volleyball.

"Carrie Hutton and I go way back," said current volleyball coach Suzanne (Gans) Crawford. "She attended every single one of my high school volleyball games, either home or away, from 1998-2002."

"I also had the privilege of working with Carrie helping her coach when our daughters played together. When I became the varsity volleyball coach I would often go to Carrie for encouragement and guidance, and she would always provide me and my team with uplifting and positive energy. Carrie has, and always will be, such an influential part of the Craig County volleyball program. Her love for the game and the kids is undeniable. I am privileged to have worked with her and learned so much from her throughout the years."

Carrie hasn't ruled out returning to the staff at some time down the road. For now, however, she'll settle into her new position knowing Fisher will be a capable replacement as AD. Like Carrie, Jimmy is a New Castle native

who bleeds blue.

"I feel like I'm leaving things in good hands," said Hutton.

Fisher will have his hands full. He's already the football coach and a history teacher at the high school, and he's juggled a successful real estate business with those responsibilities.

"Carrie's done a wonderful job," said Fisher. "The first time they asked me to replace her I turned it down. I'm going to have to cut back on the real estate because there's a lot of stuff I want to get done."

Fisher is a 1985 graduate of New Castle High School, where he played football for Charlie Darling and basketball for Roger St. Clair. Like Carrie he's worn a lot of hats, including taking the recreation team to the Sandlot Super Bowl and returning to the high school to build the football team into a Pioneer District contender. Jimmy has high hopes for the team this fall despite declining numbers at the high school.

Fisher will run the athletic department out of the football office, allowing Carrie to stay in the same office she occupied as AD. She'll still be around.

"I'll still see the kids but it won't be the same," she said.

The folks at Craig County showed their love and appreciation for Hutton with a recent "Carrie Hutton Day" at the high school in May. She arrived at school to find a big banner proclaiming the honor along with balloons, gifts, a cake and a luncheon.

"It was a big surprise," she said. "It made me feel like I truly did something good for these kids and Craig County High School."

That was never in doubt.

"Carrie has been a big part of the many successes here at Craig County," said Boyer. "She's the epitome of why Craig County is so special. She treats everyone like family and does what it takes to make others achieve their best."