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2022 Dogwood Queen to be crowned on April 30; 10 Byrd seniors vying for title



Sela Beatty



Chloe Harrilla



Micah Kiker



Emilie McCaskill



Jenna Nicely

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The 2022 Vinton Dogwood Queen will be crowned at noon on April 30 at the Municipal Building by Mayor Brad Grose. The queen and her court will then lead the Festival Parade from the Vinton War Memorial down Washington Avenue through the streets of downtown Vinton.

The Dogwood Court is made up of 10 seniors from William Byrd High School, nominated by the faculty. They are interviewed by a panel of judges the morning of the festival who then select the queen.

The young women vying for this year's title of Dogwood Queen are Sela Beatty, Chloe Harrilla, Micah Kiker, Emilie McCaskill, Jenna Nicely, Jaylen Rosser, Mya Rosser, Ashlyn Stover, Madison Tuck, and Victoria Watts. This may be the first Dogwood Court to include a set of twins.

Sela Beatty is the daughter of Letitia Hawkins Beatty and Tim Beatty. She attends both WBHS and the Burton Center for Arts and Technology, studying in the Mass Communications Program at BCAT.

Her high school activities include the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), the Reindeer Club, Terrier TV, the Prevention Club, Student Voice, and Habitat for Humanity. She is a member of Class Council and a Raysac REAL team member. She is Senior Class President, Student Equity President, and Prevention Club President.

Beatty recently signed a letter of intent to continue her education and her athletic career in track at Radford University, where she plans to major in communications. She has gone All State in track and field five times in her high school years. She also competed in the Nike Nationals in Staten Island, New York.

Her hobbies are running, film making, volunteering, and painting. She recently won a Silver Key for one of her paintings "Rise and Shine" in the Southwest Virginia Regional Scholastic Art Competition. She has an Instagram page for her artwork @sela_presents_.

She serves as a gymnastics coach at Prestige Gymnastics Academy and is an intern with the Salem Red Sox as a production crew member.

Chloe Harrilla is the daughter of Sharon and Joe Harrilla. She was voted Top Terrier by the students and faculty at Byrd for 2021-2022, the highest individual honor a student can receive at WBHS.

She has served on Senior Class Council this year, is a member of Beta Club, the FCA, and DECA, and has been a member of the Student Council Association in her sophomore and senior years. She also served as a tour guide for rising ninth graders, and this year was an office runner. She earned the honor of Junior Marshal based on her grade point average in May 2021.

She has been a member of both the indoor and outdoor varsity track team in all four years of high school, and on the volleyball team in grades 10-12. She was named Blue Ridge District Runner of the Year for 2021-2022, an All-State Athlete in 2020-2021, and the 2019-2020 Indoor and Outdoor Field Event Athlete of the Year.

Harrilla has maintained several jobs during her high school years including working currently at the 310 Rosemont Boutique, YMCA

childcare, and Isabel Martinez Cleaning and Organizing Services. In past years, she has been employed at the Vistar Eye Center as a COVID screener and at the Tropical Smoothie Café. She has also given her time as an elementary/middle school meet and youth volleyball camp volunteer.

She plans to earn her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from James Madison University. After working to pay off her student debt, she plans to return to school to specialize as a Mental Health nurse.

Her hobbies include traveling, reading, writing, working out, Crossfit, painting, photography, cleaning and organization, and working in retail.

Micah Kiker is the daughter of Tosha and Joshua Kiker. Her high school activities include playing varsity lacrosse in ninth and 10th grades. She has been a member of Habitat for Humanity the past two years and served as president this year. She has been a DECA member throughout high school and is an officer this year. She is also a member of the Beta Club and the FCA.

She has been dancing with Floyd Ward for 15 years, is a member of her church youth group, and is employed as a manager at Chick-fil-A. She says she loves to travel.

Kiker plans to attend the University of Tennessee and major in Business Administration.

Emilie McCaskill is the daughter of Angela Peterson and Mark McCaskill. Her high school activities include playing varsity basketball for all four years, being captain this year and a 1000-point scorer. She has played varsity tennis throughout high school as well.

She is the Student Council President, FCA President, and a member of the Leo Club and Beta Club. She is also a youth intern at Vinton Baptist Church and an active member of the church serving on the Youth Leadership Team.

Her hobbies include running, playing basketball and tennis, traveling, organizing, and volunteering. She spent part of the summer of 2021 visiting two families in France she met through the Roanoke Valley Sister Cities Program. McCaskill says she learned French before she learned English, due to French au pairs who lived with her family when she was a child.

McCaskill plans to attend the University of Virginia to major in chemistry. Her goal is to attend medical school and become an orthopedic surgeon.

Jenna Nicely is the daughter of Randy and Sherry Nicely. Her high school activities include studying at the BCAT Early Childhood Education program in grades 9 and 10; and being a member of the DECA Club, the FCA, and Beta Club. She has been a member of the Leo Club all four years of high school and serves as president as a senior. She was a member of Teachers for Tomorrow as a junior and did a teaching internship at BCAT as a senior. She has completed teaching internships at East Salem and Herman L. Horn Elementary schools, at TAP Headstart, and is now at Bonsack Elementary.

She has volunteered at the Rescue Mission and the Keystone Community Center. She is involved in the Youth Stick Ministry drama group at Villa Heights Baptist Church. She

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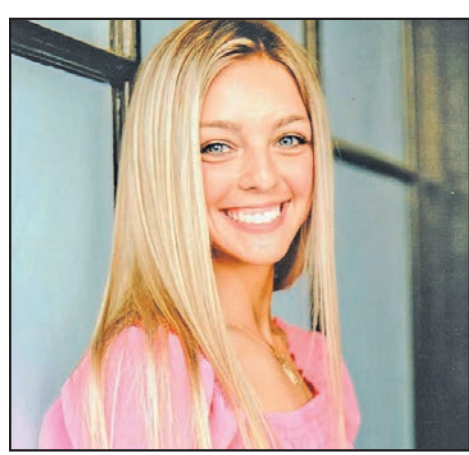
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Chapman named Vinton Police Officer of the Year

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Vinton Police Sgt. Silas Chapman has been named Officer of the Year for 2021. He was recognized by Town Council at its meeting on April 19. Chief Fabricio Drumond commented that this coveted and prestigious award comes with “high value” as it is voted on by Chapman’s peers, his fellow officers in the police department.

In addition, Chapman received the 2021 Leadership Award; Drumond said that receiving both awards in the same year is something that has never happened before.

“Sgt. Chapman is an exemplary officer who demonstrates the distinct pattern of a community servant, coupled with professional development,” Drumond said. Each year “we highlight one individual for high esteem, Esprit de Corp, and the dedication of their own time for the betterment of humanity.”

Drumond shared comments from other officers about Chapman’s value to the department and why they chose him for the award:

“He is known for his reliable work ethic and reports to work, day-in-day-out, without absence. He is a sure leader and serves as an example for every officer. Whether on-duty or off-duty, he always portrays a positive attitude and gives high respect to all his peers.”

“Sgt. Chapman is well-rounded and exceeds the requirements of his duties. He approaches all with fairness, dignity, and exceeds expectations by always being available to assist. He has sacrificed and forfeited his time with his family to ensure the overall success of the department. What is most important is that this officer does everything with no expectation of reciprocity.”

“He is known to step up to any role the department requests of him. During his duties, he maintains a composed demeanor that always

resonates with the officers he serves with. This trait is a great example for those officers who are early in their careers. He possesses all the qualities one would want from their immediate supervisor.”

“During an individual career, you will work with all different types of people. If you’re lucky enough, some distinct individuals manage to leave you with a lifelong impression and sometimes pave the way to the leader or role model you may want to be, or at least the qualities you would want to emulate. Attributes such as kindness, compassion, and supportive attitudes are the needed examples we seek and are generally inspired by. His passion is contagious. Undoubtedly, Sgt. Chapman will leave a lasting legacy with the Vinton Police Department of not only his professional successes, but, most importantly, of how he made us feel. He will leave a legacy that endures beyond his time.”

Officer Brandon Settles was the recipient of the Life Saving Award for 2021.

“On December 22, 2021, Officer Settles responded to an emergency call for a report of an unresponsive female,” said Deputy Chief Tim Lawless. “Initial information revealed that the patient was presently not breathing. Officer Settles arrived on the scene and immediately took action. He recognized the patient had a faint pulse and shallow breathing. While assessing, the patient stopped breathing and a pulse could no longer be found. With the deterioration of the patient’s health, Officer Settles initiated CPR. While performing CPR, the patient was successfully resuscitated and her care was turned over to medical personnel, who arrived and transported her to a local hospital in stable condition.”

“Officer Settles’ decisive actions unquestionably changed the outcome of a service call and gave a community member another chance at life. Often law enforcement officers

are called upon to deal with critical life-altering decisions. In this case, Officer Settles provided extraordinary care in a critical situation.”

Officer Andrew O’Connor was awarded the Certificate of Excellence for 2021. The story of his actions left council members speechless.

“On January 28, 2022, Officer O’Connor investigated a report of grand larceny of tools from a work vehicle,” said Deputy Chief Lawless. “During the investigation, he forwarded critical information, descriptions of the stolen items, and images obtained during his investigation to department personnel. The information he disseminated quickly produced additional information that the vehicle used in the larceny was reported stolen from a neighboring jurisdiction.”

“On that same date, Officer O’Connor responded to a motor vehicle crash and while investigating this unrelated event, he observed the stolen vehicle leaving Lake Drive Plaza. He notified the available units of his observations. The vehicle in question attempted evasive maneuvers to hide from responding officers but was ultimately stopped by a Vinton officer.”

“Despite all the variables, Officer O’Connor completed his motor vehicle accident investigation and responded to the traffic stop. During his investigation, O’Connor located most of the stolen tools from the previous grand larceny and the remaining stolen items were located in a private residence. In addition to the recovered stolen property, the vehicle was able to be returned to the victim of the motor vehicle theft.”

“Through Officer O’Connor’s investigation, he was able to determine that the suspect had just shoplifted items from a business at Lake Drive Plaza, in addition to the passenger being wanted for active felony warrants from two outside jurisdictions.”

“Officer O’Connor’s swift actions while investigating a



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Vinton Police Chief Fabricio Drumond and Deputy Chief Tim Lawless recognized several of their officers who were the recipients of 2021 Police Department Awards at the Town Council meeting on April 19. Shown left to right are Chief Drumond; Officer Chris Shively, who was presented with the Traffic Safety and Enforcement Award; Officer Brandon Settles, who received the Life Saving Award; Sgt. Silas Chapman, who won both Officer of the Year and the Leadership Award for 2021; and Deputy Chief Tim Lawless. Not shown are Acting Sgt. Jeremy Shrewsbury, who received both DUI and Drug Safety awards; and Officer Andrew O’Connor, who was awarded a Certificate of Excellence.

grand larceny and keen observation skills solved multiple crimes in several jurisdictions including two grand larcenies, two felony warrants, and an unreported shoplifting. In addition, a Town of Vinton resident was able to continue earning a living by having his work tools returned, a victim was able to have their vehicle returned, and a Town of Vinton business was not the victim of shoplifting.

“Officer O’Connor’s actions were so exemplary that both drivers involved in the unrelated motor vehicle accident expressed how impressed they were with Officer O’Connor and how he was able to identify a stolen vehicle while investigating their accident.”

Officer Chris Shively was the recipient of the Traffic Safety and Enforcement Award for 2021.

“Two fundamental objectives of traffic safety and enforcement are to promote sustained compliance with traffic laws though deterrence and to prevent hazardous traffic conditions from occurring and therefore reduce the number of traffic accidents,” Chief Drumond said in announcing the award and its importance.

Recent studies on traffic safety indicate that the “perception of police presence alone reduces crime.” Aggressive traffic enforcement decreases motor vehicle collisions, crash fatalities, and fatalities related to speed and

decreased injury severity. The traffic stop is possibly one of the most valuable self-initiated actions that a police officer can perform. It is an easily implemented injury prevention program with an immediate benefit. It is a clear and measurable action that high-visibility traffic enforcement is a necessity, has value, and does make our community safer.”

Acting Sgt. Jeremy Shrewsbury was awarded both the DUI and Drug Safety Awards for 2021, awards which he also won in 2020 and 2019. It was pointed out that every day almost 30 people in the United States die in drunk-driving crashes— one person every 50 minutes.

According to the CDC, in 2016, more than 1 million people were arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or narcotics. The CDC says that a drunk driver will drive 80 times under the influence before their first arrest. It further reported that marijuana users are 25% more likely to be involved in a crash than drivers with no evidence of marijuana use.

Drumond stated, “Tough enforcement of our drunk driving laws is a major contributor to reducing unnecessary and preventable deaths. One of the main goals of drunk driving enforcement is to raise the perception among drivers that if they choose to drive drunk, they will be stopped, investigated, and arrested.”

“As for drug safety, crimi-

nal organizations exploit far too many lives creating debilitating addictions that continue to introduce illegal substances into our communities— at the expense of human lives. No matter how large the odds, how bad the crisis, law enforcement will continue to combat these poisonous substances that hurt so many and influence so much of our crime today



Acting Sgt. Jeremy Shrewsbury, DUI and Drug Safety Award.



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Officer Andrew O’Connor, Certificate of Excellence

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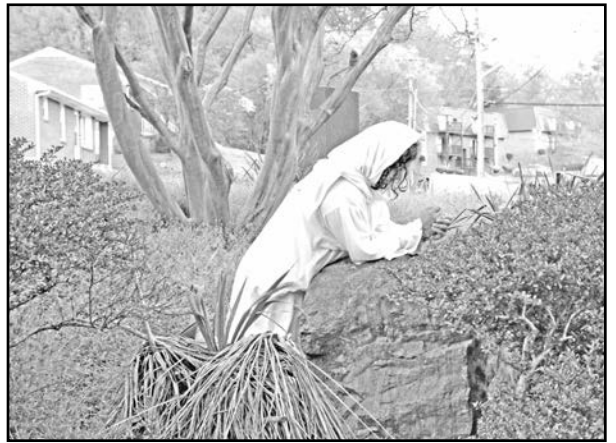
Hundreds view drive-thru Stations of the Cross at Thrasher



Stations of the Cross at Thrasher, the Lord's Supper.



Stations of the Cross, Michelangelo's "Pieta," Mary holds the body of Jesus after He is taken down from the cross



Stations of the Cross, Jesus praying alone in the garden

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The youth and their leaders at Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church in Vinton reminded the community that Jesus is the reason for the Easter season with a drive-thru Stations of the Cross presentation on Good Friday.

About 25 youth and young adults portrayed eight scenes from the last days of Jesus' life beginning with the Lord's Supper and ending with the empty tomb. The event was organized and facilitated by the youth at Thrasher and their leaders, Tina Yates and Bonnie Jones.

Hundreds of visitors viewed the living pictures of Christ's journey to the cross, with a continual line of vehicles streaming through the church's parking lots off Washington Avenue from 8 to 9 p.m. on April 15.

About 20 years ago, Tina Yates, then the Youth Director at Thrasher, came up with the idea of telling the Easter story with a "living storybook" in the Sunday School classrooms at Thrasher based on the Stations of the Cross devotionals.

(The Stations of the Cross are based on the 14-step Catholic devotional which Yates and others condensed down to eight fundamental scenes to help understand God's love in the jour-

ney of Jesus to the cross. The stations serve as a sort of "mini-pilgrimage" along that path, leading to Easter.)

The following year, Yates asked, "If other churches have drive-thru nativity scenes, why don't we do a drive-thru 'Stations of the Cross?'"

The portrayals continued for many years. This year, Yates' son Dustin, asked her to revive the Easter presentation as a sort of farewell as she will be leaving Thrasher this month to become a "Licensed Local Pastor."

The stations have varied a little over the years, but for the 2022 version, the eight stations included the Lord's Supper, Jesus praying alone in the garden, the sentencing of Jesus by Pontius Pilate, the denials of Jesus by Peter, Jesus carrying his cross, the Crucifixion, Michelangelo's famous "Pieta" with Mary holding the body of Jesus when He is taken down from the cross, and finally, the empty tomb of hope.

As with most outdoor events, there were concerns about the weather in the days beforehand, but it turned out to be a beautiful night with warm temperatures, no winds, and a glowing moon.

Each vehicle received a QR Code or CD to listen to an audio presentation on You Tube describing the scene as they moved along, as there were no speaking parts for the youth. Their job was to sit as still as possible and look re-

alistic.

The youth and young adults featured in the scenes included Isaac Anderson, Levi Anderson, Megan Anderson, Eli Crow, Molly Crow, Madison Crow, McKenzie Crow, Dom Crutchfield, Beth Gillespie, Maddie Hamren, Evan Heck, Barbie Hernandez, Luis Hernandez, Vivian Hernandez, Cary Jones, Stella Jones, Cali Levine, Jeni Levine, Anna Martin, Jacob Montague, Kaelan Quinley, Eli Richardson, Ethan Sutton, Hannah Sutton, and Dustin Yates,

Many others of all ages assisted with costumes, sets, props, QR Code and CD distribution and return, and traffic management.

"We want to say a big thank you to all of the adults who helped with the construction of stations and all of the willing hands who showed up Friday night," said Yates and Jones. "And a special thank you to Marie Levine for making our Jesuses look so authentic. She did an amazing job. Such talent!" (There were five different youth portraying Jesus at the different stations. Levine teaches art at Staunton River High School.)

The youth say viewing the Stations of the Cross was a good way to experience what Jesus went through. Yates has said that "you can't really celebrate Easter until you journey with Him to the cross."



Stations of the Cross, Jesus being crucified

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Dogwood Court

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also enjoys going to Liberty University football and basketball games.

Nicely is a member of the Homecoming Court as a senior and named Senior of the Week and Student of the Month.

She plans to attend Liberty University in the fall to pursue a teaching degree.

Jaylen Rosser is the daughter of Erica and Jonathan Rosser. Her activities at WBHS have included basketball, and indoor and outdoor track and field at the varsity level. She is a member of the Beta Club, the Leo Club, Habitat for Humanity, the NAACP Youth Council, and symphonic band. She has volunteered as a junior counselor at Apple Ridge Farm Summer Camp. She sings on her Youth Praise team at Garden of Prayer # 7.

Cooking is one of her favorite hobbies.

Jaylen plans to attend either James Madison University, North Carolina A & T University, or Virginia Tech to major in biology with the goal of becoming a dentist.

Mya Rosser is the daughter of Erica Rosser and Jonathan Rosser. Jaylen is her twin sister.

Mya has played varsity girls basketball and participated in track and field. She is a member of the FCA, Student Voice, the Leo Club, Habitat for Humanity, and the NAACP Youth Council. She has volunteered as a junior counselor at Apple Ridge Farm,

Her favorite pastime is cooking.

She plans to attend either Virginia Tech, James Madison University, or North Carolina A&T to major in kinesiology to become an athletic trainer.

Ashlyn Stover is the daughter of Lisa and Dwayne Stover. Her high school activities have included varsity lacrosse and basketball, the Beta Club, Leo Club, Habitat for Humanity, and the FCA.

Her hobbies are par-

ticipating in church youth group weekly meetings, exercising, and spending time with her family and friends.

Her future plans include attending a four-year college, getting a job, volunteering in the community, and teaching children how to play lacrosse.

Madison Tuck is the daughter of Mark Tuck and Amanda Trent. In high school, she has played varsity softball and participated in varsity track and field. She is the leader of the school DogPound and a member of the DECA Club, Beta Club, and the FCA.

Her hobbies include softball, track, hiking, devotionals, working out, and going to church. She enjoys working with children in the community by giving hitting and defensive softball lessons.

She recently signed a letter of intent to continue playing softball at the next level at Liberty University. Her plan is to major in exercise science or elementary education.

Victoria Watts is the daughter of Brent and Vicky Watts. Her activities in high school include three years of varsity cheerleading and two years of competition cheer. She has been a member of the Byrd Buddies, Student Council, Leo Club, Beta Club, DECA (where she has been an officer for two years) and was a member of the Homecoming Court in 2018.

She enjoys spending time with her family, traveling, working with children, supporting WBHS sports, and spending time with friends. Watts says she loves traveling to different countries to experience new cultures.

She is currently employed by Carilion Wellness-Botetourt as a nursery attendant. She enjoys attending DECA leadership and business competitions and most recently placed 4th overall in her category rep-

resenting William Byrd High School in Districts.

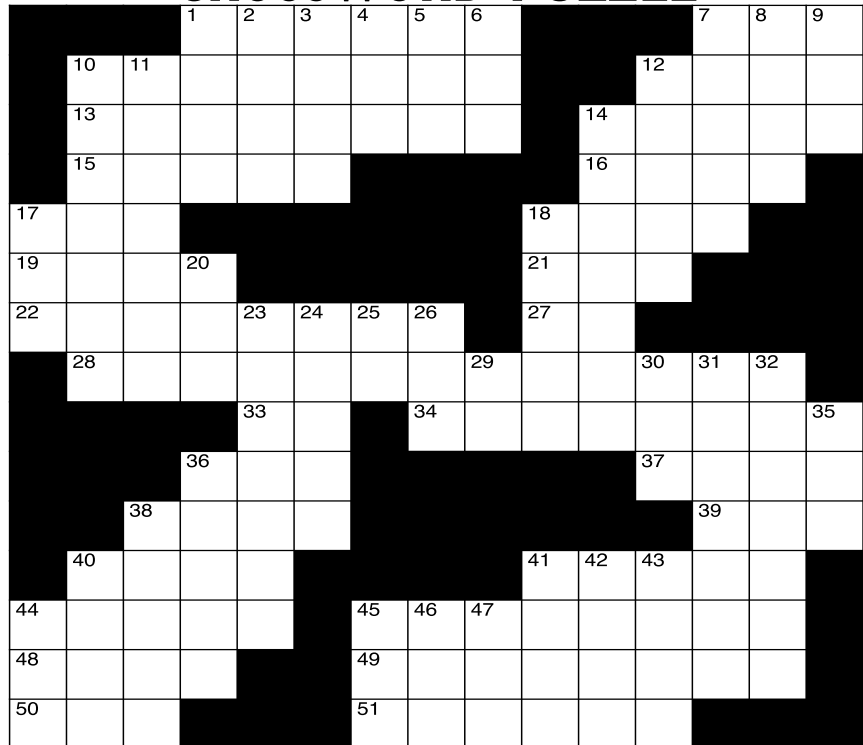
She has also volunteered with organizations and charity events such as Relay for Life, the Heart Walk, "Pack the Bus" collecting school supplies for children in need in the Roanoke Valley, and "Battle-at-Byrd Cheer4acure" fundraisers for cancer research.

Her future plans are to attend James Madison University (where she has been accepted) to pursue a degree in nursing with the hopes of becoming a Registered Nurse in the pediatric field.

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15. Many wombs
16. Wings
17. Expression of amusement
18. Brews
19. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
21. Mild expression
22. Solitary
27. Distance to top
28. The rebirth of a soul in a new body
33. Police who investi-

CLUES DOWN

1. Inspiration
2. Resembling wings
3. Form of Persian
4. Consumed
5. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
6. Sea eagle
7. Jaguarundis
8. Poker stake
9. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
10. South American nation
11. A colorless, odorless gas
12. Disturbance
14. Artist's tool
17. Polish peninsula
18. Ottoman military leaders
20. Bird-like dinosaur
23. Drinking glass
24. Central Florida city
25. One's mother
26. To do it is human
29. Atomic #10
30. Used to write
31. The branch of medicine concerned with the ear
32. Adversaries
35. Have already done
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Town Council welcomes new employee, honors current police officers

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Vinton Town Council was busy at the meeting on April 19 issuing proclamations, meeting a new employee, and honoring current law enforcement officers with department awards.

Council declared the week of April 10-16 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, the week of May 1-7 as National Drinking Water Week, and April 29 as Arbor Day in the Town of Vinton (see related article).

Under the consent agenda, council adopted a resolution appropriating ARPA funds for the expenses of hiring a Capital Projects Manager for a three-year period. Council had created this position in August 2021 and hired Jamie Hurt for the job beginning April 4.

Hurt is a native and current resident of Vinton, along with his wife Amy, and teenage daughters Brianna and Maddie. He has served in both private and public sector functions in his career, including being a self-employed general contractor and an operations manager for a construction/building restoration firm. He also has extensive construction and project management experience working in local government.

Hurt's primary responsibility with the Town of Vinton will be to manage new capital-related construction projects such as the new downtown parking lot on Walnut Avenue, the Lions Club park/swimming pool closure, and restroom facilities for the Wolf Creek Greenway. He will also assist the Planning and Zoning Department with construction management and field inspections for a number of upcoming projects including the Walnut Avenue bike and pedestrian improvements and the flood mitigation and blight abatement demolition projects.

He will assist with RFP development and other construction-related oversight.

Hurt thanked the town for the "unique opportunity" he has been given to work for his hometown— with its "family atmosphere" and with a staff that "performs at a high level."

"I've been very pleased with Jamie's ability to jump right in on projects and assimilate to the team," said Town Manager Pete Peters in introducing Hurt to council. "He has already brought a number of great ideas to the operation."

Police Chief Fabricio Drummond and Deputy Chief Tim Lawless presented Police Department Awards for 2021 to five officers (see related article). Sgt. Silas Chapman was named by his peers as 2021 Officer of the Year and recipient of the 2021 Leadership Award. Officer Brandon Settles received the Lifesaving Award for 2021. Officer Chris Shively received the Traffic Safety Award. Acting Sgt. Jeremy Shrewsbury once again was presented with the DUI and Drug Safety Awards. Officer Andrew O'Connor was awarded the Certificate of Excellence.

Under Action Items, council adopted a resolution approving the 2022-2023 operating budget for the Roanoke Valley Regional Cable Television Committee presented by RVTV Director Scott Ramsburg. RVTV assists with the development of educational channels and governmental access cable programming. The total budget is \$477,934; Vinton's part (4 %) is \$19,117. RVTV serves Roanoke City and Roanoke County and their school systems, in addition to the Town of Vinton. It is also funded through the Virginia Communications Sales and Use Tax Revenue paid by telecommunications operators, such as Cox Communications and Shentel/GloFiber, as well as the fee paid by custom-

ers to each locality.

In the past year, RVTV has produced several programs for the Town of Vinton described as "phenomenal" by council member Laurie Mullins.

Council also adopted a resolution approving the 2022-2023 operating budget of the Roanoke Valley Resource Authority presented by RVRA CFO Dan Miles. Vinton, Roanoke County, and the cities of Roanoke and Salem are the governing bodies of the RVRA. Vinton's portion of the RVRA budget is \$14,856.

Miles informed council that operational changes to the RVRA will be completed next month making the Authority "more efficient and user friendly." He noted that revenues are up by \$2.5 million per year while operating expenses have decreased by \$1 million. The RVRA switched from train delivery of refuse to the Smith Gap Landfill to trucking last year.

Mayor Brad Grose asked Miles about how long the Smith Gap Landfill will be able to meet the needs of its customers. Miles said the landfill covers 1,200 acres; since 1993 only 60 acres have been used, making the life expectancy of the landfill estimated at over 100 additional years. He anticipates that with new technologies, communities will not have to rely on landfills forever; in fact, Smith Gap Landfill will most likely be the last landfill the Roanoke Valley should ever need.

Peters thanked Miles for allowing the town to continue using the Tinker Creek Station during this time of transition, rather than trucking refuse to the Salem facility, saving the town tax dollars.

Council adopted a resolution authorizing renewal of the town's employee group health insurance coverage with The Local Choice Program through June 30, 2023. Human Resources/Risk Manage-



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Jamie Hurt, Vinton's new Capital Projects Manager, was introduced at the Vinton Town Council meeting on April 19. He is shown with his wife Amy (left) and their daughter Maddie. Daughter Brianna was unable to attend.

ment Director Donna Collins said that an increase of 8% in rates was absorbed by the town with no change to the cost of employees' premiums.

Peters updated council on this year's paving schedule. While the town usually has about \$300,000 to spend on paving each summer, with the infusion of various funding, this year's total funding available is around \$1 million. Staff is evaluating which streets are in most need of repaving and will release that list in the coming weeks.

The most discussed road in Vinton— Mountain View Road— will receive about \$90,000 in patches in this round of paving. That's because that particular road does not just need repaving, but rebuilding. Previous estimates of those costs along with delays in VDOT matching funds for the project (partly due to the pandemic), have delayed the project "until we can do it right," said council member Mike Stovall. An engineering analysis has been completed on Mountain View Road; next up is the design phase, while awaiting matching funds from VDOT. The original estimated cost of the project has spiraled.

The patching on Mountain View will extend from Shalon Circle to the town limits, an area most in need of repair.

Council appointed Jonathan McCoy to the Vinton Planning Commission, replacing Ty Braxton, who has resigned.

Assistant Town Manager Cody Sexton presented reports from both the Finance and Public Works Committees. He noted that the town has \$10.3 million in cash on hand with \$3.3 million in investments.

His updates from the Public Works Committee meeting included information that currently 80% of commercial water meters have been replaced with remotely read meters in an ongoing project, with over 50% of residential meters replaced. This project will be continuing once the Western Virginia Water Authority takes over the town's water and wastewater utility systems in July. The 3rd Street Lift Station project for the wastewater system is on hold due to the permitting process. Minimal repairs will be made to Garthright Bridge in late summer or early fall as the bid package is currently being developed.

Council next meets on May 3.

'Pizza with Police' scheduled for April 28

In March, it was "Coffee with a Cop." This month it's "Pizza with Police," hosted at New

York Pizza on April 28 by the Vinton Police Department and the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce.

The public is invited to stop by the restaurant on Hardy Road between noon and 2 p.m. to meet informally with Vinton's finest and "build a relationship one slice at a time."

The police and Chamber won't be paying for the meal, but New York Pizza will be offering the deal of "a slice and a drink" for \$4 during the event.

The police officers have restarted the community meetings to introduce themselves to the public. There is no agenda, no presentation, just conversation.

The Chamber of Commerce has joined the police for these events in an effort to promote local businesses.

Coffee with a Cop on March 31 brought out a huge crowd. The police and Chamber plan to continue

the monthly events at least through the summer.

Police Chief Fabricio Drummond says this community outreach effort is "a personal experience

where residents and officers can get to know each other, share common bonds, fortify our community goals, and talk about future events that

will hopefully continue to build a strong connection with the community that we serve."

New York Pizza is located at 708 Hardy Road.

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The Town of Vinton provides small town character with urban services and amenities located nearby. The small town atmosphere is characterized by a low crime rate; small, locally, and regionally owned businesses; and moderately priced homes. Views of the mountains and Blue Ridge Parkway abound.

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Vinton to celebrate Arbor Day April 29 at Vinton Library

The Town of Vinton will be celebrating Arbor Day 2022 on Friday, April 29, at 10 a.m. at the Vinton Branch Library, in conjunction with the Library's Children's Program. The program will include Vinton Mayor Brad Grose, Jennifer Whitcomb from the Roanoke County-Vinton Branch Library, Senior Area Forester Denny McCarthy, and his special guest Smokey Bear.

This will be the 150th anniversary of Arbor Day. The community is invited to join the town for a special tree-themed story time and craft for children and activities to honor the anniversary celebration.

The Town of Vinton has been designated as a Tree City USA Community for 21 years. To maintain its designation as a Tree City USA, the town

is required to hold an Arbor Day Celebration, along with tree plantings and tree education outreach each year.

Staff has been responsible for securing Virginia Department of Forestry grant funding each year, including this, the 22nd year, by partnering with the Roanoke Valley Urban Forestry Council and the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission (RVARC) in submitting the grant request, with the town providing the required matching funds.

These funds have enabled the town to plant trees on public properties, including the elementary schools in Vinton, Wolf Creek Greenway, M.A. Banks Park, on the grounds of Vinton Public Works, Vinton War Memorial, Vinton Municipal Building, Craig Avenue Recreation Center, and

Glade Creek Greenway. This year the trees will be planted in the medians along the town's rights-of-way on Hardy Road, Bypass Road, and Washington Avenue.

Vinton Town Council members issued a proclamation at their meeting on April 19, designating April 29 as Arbor Day in Vinton.

The proclamation stated in part "In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees. This holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska. Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world. Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling

costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife and are a renewable source giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our

fires and countless other wood products. Trees in our town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community. Trees, where

ever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal."

The Vinton Library is located at 300 South Pollard Street in downtown Vinton.



PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS
Smokey Bear visited Vinton on Arbor Day 2018. He returns on Friday, April 29 for Arbor Day 2022.

OBITUARY

Bryan Daniel Jones II



Elks Lodge 197. During his day job he worked for Ashfield Health on the Inogen Sales Device Division, but when a hard week of work was done you could find him at the Elks Lodge volunteering for a fundraiser or having a good laugh with all his many friends. He aspired to one day being an ER for the Elks lodge and used to talk about how he would try hard to achieve that goal. Bryan admired the Service to God and Community that the Elks represent, and he was eternally grateful and proud that he could be a member.

Vinton resident Bryan Daniel Jones II, eldest son of Bryan and Lee Anne Jones of Raleigh, N.C., died on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at his home in Vinton.

Bryan or "Dan," as his friends and family lovingly knew him, was born at Roanoke Memorial Hospital on December 2, 1980. He graduated from Cave Spring High School in 1999 where he was a proud member of the JV and Varsity football teams. Upon graduation, he would continue on to attend the Business School at Johnson and Wales University in Providence, R.I. Eager to get out and make his splash in the world, he chose to take an accelerated path and graduated with honors in three years, earning his B.S. degree in Business and a second degree in Sales and Marketing. While attending J&W he was also a proud member of the Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity where he established lifelong friendships.

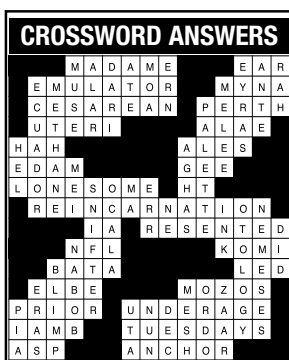
Bryan began his Sales and Marketing career in Tampa Bay, Fla. While working there he would meet his lifelong love, Michelle Forman, and have a son, Jackson Paul Forman Jones (Tampa, Fla.). Being a father was a role he treasured deeply. Bryan's larger than life sized heart and personality will be terribly missed by all who knew him. No one who met Bryan could ever forget his infectious sense of humor, hearty laughter, and ability to make you smile at any moment. His light shined very bright. Bryan loved life and people and people loved him.

Bryan was an active member of the Roanoke

Bryan is survived by his parents, Bryan and Lee Anne Jones of Raleigh, N.C.; his son, Jackson Jones with Michelle Forman of Tampa, Fla.; brother, Morgan Jones of York, Pa.; sister, Erin Jones of Raleigh, N.C.; uncle and aunt, Daniel and Vicki Darnell of Leesburg, Va.; aunt and uncle, Jill and Brian Allen of Roanoke; aunt and uncle, Charlie and Ruth of St. Joseph, Mo.; uncle and aunt, Don and Cindy Jones of Roanoke; uncle and aunt, Wen and Linda Jones of Botetourt; and great-aunt and uncle, Peggy and Gene Harmon, who have been so much comfort and support to the family during this trying time; and cousins, Wen, Brett, Laura Leigh, Christie, and Don Jones, Whitney Allen Kirschner, Allie Allen and Bryan Allen, Wanda Clower and Greg Henderson, Trey, Jay Darnell and Jackie Darnell Sorrentino. Bryan was predeceased by his grandparents, Walter and Mary Darnell of Vinton; grandparents, Paul and Jean Jones of Roanoke; and uncle, Charles Patrick Darnell.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 18, 2022, at Oakey's Vinton Chapel. Interment followed at Mountain View Cemetery. The family received friends two hour priors to the service on Monday at the funeral home. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.oakeys.com.

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Herman L. Horn takes the Spotlight, district to invest in playgrounds at all elementary schools

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Herman L. Horn Elementary School was showcased at the Roanoke County School Board meeting on April 14 – this month’s “School in the Spotlight.”

Principal Julie Sandzimir delivered a PowerPoint presentation pointing out the myriad of successful programs offered at HLH for all grade and ability levels.

Some of those programs she highlighted are:

The “RISE” (Reading Inspires Students to Excel) program which offers an intense hour of reading instruction for students. The program involves Title I instructors and reading specialists providing a “powerful short-term intervention with targeted small-group instruction for reading comprehension, phonics and phonemic awareness, and guided writing.”

The PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) program, now in its third year at Horn, which encourages HLH students (known as the Bees) to BEE Safe, BEE respectful, and

BEE responsible. It’s a system-wide program that promotes a culture of kindness, respect, and responsibility. Morning meetings of 15-30 minutes are spent building communities within the classroom and building teams.

School Spirit activities which have included the Title I Books and Ice cream program (free ice cream and free books), the “Character Ball,” based on favorite book characters, and the “One School, One Book” activity in which the entire school reads the same book. This year School Superintendent Dr. Ken Nicely, William Byrd High School Principal Tammy Newcomb, and members of the Vinton Police Department were recruited to read and record chapters of the book for students and their families.

Sandezimir next talked about Community Partnerships—always a big topic of conversation in Vinton. She talked about working with the Vinton Police Department, various churches, and especially families who volunteer and work for the school and its students through the PTA.

The HLH PTA has donated playground equipment which has been installed and will soon be dedicated for the enjoyment of the students and the surrounding community.

She mentioned the generosity of churches such as Midland Baptist that recently donated a vast number of shoes to the school for students in need.

She also thanked Vinton Baptist Church for hosting the Boys and Girls Club after school program for students at HLH and W.E. Cundiff—at no charge.

Sandezimir thanked the Vinton Breakfast Lions Club for donating the pavilion within the playground and track area; high school students for reading to students and other volunteer assignments, and businesses such as Kroger for their monetary donations.

She talked about the 4 Shifts Protocol— a series of online, active, hands-on sessions focusing on how to redesign classroom instruction for future-ready learning for deeper learning, more authentic work, and rich technology infusion.

Sandezimir drew special attention to HLH’s new STEM Lab, which will allow elementary school students to bridge the gap to the STEM learning that is the focus in middle and high schools.

She invited student Cora Shell to talk about the opportunities available at the school with the Lego Team, the Lego Club, Maker’s Monday, and the 3D Printing Club. Shell and other students distributed 3D Bees they had made using the newly acquired 3D printer as gifts for School Board members.

The 10 students on the HLH Lego Team competed recently at Roanoke College and received an award for the “best robot arm design” in the competition.

Sandezimir thanked her “amazing staff,” including assistant principal Theresa Kabath, for their efforts— “they are here for the children.”

She closed her presentation with a quotation from renowned educator Richard DuFour, “The school was not built so teachers have a place to teach; it was built so that the children of the community have a place to learn.” That’s the heart of Herman L. Horn.”

Vinton’s representative to the School Board, Tim Greenway, said he was proud to showcase Herman L. Horn Elementary, its students, its administration, and its staff. He shared that he had been a student at HLH for two years and his grandchildren now attend the school.

School Board members thanked Sandzimir for her over-30 years of work in Roanoke County Schools. Several had worked with her in schools in their areas.

At the April 14 meeting, the School Board unanimously approved funding

and a replacement schedule for playgrounds at the county’s elementary schools. Assistant Director of Facilities and Operations Harley Grimes briefed the board before the vote was taken, beginning with some history.

“Playgrounds at the 16 RCPS elementary schools have historically been funded and maintained via a variety of partnerships among individual schools, district resources, and parent groups,” Grimes said. “Playgrounds were inspected annually, and replacements were made as needed through these partnerships.”

“At each school a minimum of one playground is needed for students ages 5-12 and one for preschool-age students. Additionally, schools, parent groups, and community partners have added additional components.”

“In 2019, in order to establish a district standard for school system financial responsibility for replacing playground equipment, a replacement plan was established allocating \$100,000 annually from Capital Maintenance Program (CMP) funds to replace equipment at one school per year. Although the plan was delayed in 2019-2020 due to economic uncertainties caused by the pandemic, the replacement plan was fully implemented in 2021 with replacements done at Burlington and Back Creek. In 2022, replacements at Glenvar and Mountain View are scheduled using CMP and Special Ed funds respectively.”

Grimes said that even with the current replacement plan, there are a number of schools where playground equipment has reached or will soon be reaching an age at which time normal replacement would be expected.

In order to accelerate the current pace of replacement of playground equipment, the School Board requested information about the age of current equipment and the expected years of replacement. This information was reviewed in two previous work sessions.

Grimes said, “Staff is recommending that the playground replacement schedule be accelerated as follows. In 2022, \$100,000 will be allocated for each of seven schools to replace playgrounds based on age and condition of playgrounds as determined by staff and will include ADA inclusion needs. In 2023, \$100,000 will be allocated for an additional seven schools. The funding source will be Minor Capital Reserves. In 2024, the annual \$100,000 replacement plan will resume using CMP funds.”

For Vinton area schools, W.E. Cundiff and Bonsack playgrounds will receive the funding in 2022, Herman L. Horn and Mount Pleasant in 2023.

Grimes responded to an inquiry from a board member about the costs and bidding. He believes that RCPS may be able to get “a break” on prices due to the quantity of playgrounds being replaced each year. He noted that the replacement schedule is based on the age of existing playgrounds and that the plan is for the updated playground equipment to “fit the footprint of what is already there.”

School Board Chair David Linden said that he has been concerned about the inconsistency of the playgrounds across the county and while he is concerned about the \$700,000 cost each year for two years, the work needs to be done.



We'd like you to meet
JOSHUA DAMA
 Manager, Vinton Chapel

When not serving families at Oakey's, Josh is spending time with his own busy family. They love to hike, explore the Valley's amazing outdoor activities, attend festivals, visit new local spots, boat, fish, swim and spend time with their extended family at Smith Mountain Lake.

PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS

Thank you to everyone that has been sending up prayers, thoughts and good mojo for Mom. This week has been full of ups and downs. But she is doing good. They put in a pacemaker and are working up

Angie
Chewing
 Filling in for Bootie

some issues with the gallbladder. Keep the prayers coming. Don't forget the Dogwood Festival next weekend. So many activities – fun for everyone. The Chamber will be selling the Vinton flags at the festival.

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Vinton Worship Directory

DEPRESSED SAINTS

Read 1 Kings 19:1 through 20:43

Sometimes Christians get depressed. The cause might be a chemical imbalance, sin, an attack from Satan, or the stress of life, but depression can happen to all of us. Prayer is in order, and in some cases medications might also be needed. Depression is a serious problem, especially for those diagnosed with clinical depression. However, we can always count on the Holy Spirit to gently lead us through the dark days, if we let Him.

The angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, “Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you” (1 Kings 19:7).

Godly Elijah, who had just won an incredible victory for the Lord, was hit so hard by depression that he wanted to die. God did not scold him or beat him when he was down. Instead, God sent His angel to gently remind Elijah to eat the food He provided. We, too, must daily eat the Word of God, the Bread of Life, for the “journey is too much” for us to travel in our own might.

Prayer for Today: Lord, encourage the depressed ones today. Draw them to Your Word, where they can find food for the journey.

Quicklook: 1 Kings 19:1-9

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School 10:00am, Worship 11:00am, sttimothy1201@verizon.net.

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Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ004566-06-00
RADFORD J&DR - JUVENILE DIVISION
Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re MORGAN, GABRIELLA JOSEPHINE RADFORD CITY DSS /v. KAITLIN MORGAN ADKINS
The object of this suit is to: TERMINATE THE RESIDUAL PARENTAL RIGHTS OF KAITLIN MORGAN ADKINS, legal parent of Gabriella Josephine Morgan, a minor, in that said parent has, without good cause, failed to correct the conditions which resulted in the child entering foster care and it is not reasonably likely that she will be able to do so in a reasonable amount of time; failed to maintain continuing contact with the child and substantially plan for the child's future. Residual parental rights include, but are not limited to, the right to visitation, consent to adoption, the right to determine religious affiliation, and the responsibility for support. The termination of your parental rights will permanently end all of your rights and responsibilities to the child named in the petition. It is ORDERED that KAITLIN MORGAN ADKINS appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 05/13/2022 08:30 AM.

03/10/2022
Sally Davis
Clerk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ004566-07-00
RADFORD J&DR - JUVENILE DIVISION
Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re MORGAN, GABRIELLA JOSEPHINE RADFORD CITY DSS /v. BENJAMIN JOSEPH ALVAREZ
The object of this suit is to: TERMINATE THE RESIDUAL PARENTAL RIGHTS OF BENJAMIN JOSEPH ALVAREZ, legal parent of Gabriella Josephine Morgan, a minor, in that said parent has, without good cause, failed to correct the conditions which resulted in the child entering foster care and it is not reasonably likely that he will be able to do so in a reasonable amount of time; failed to maintain continuing contact with the child and substantially plan for the child's future. Residual

Legals - City of Radford

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03/10/2022
Sally Davis
Clerk

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Notice
IN THE FAMILY COURT OF MONROE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
Magistrate Court Case No.: 22 M32D 00020
Family Court Civil Action No.: FC-32-2022-DV-20
To: Cam Ron Quick
620 Delaware Street
Salem, VA 24153
Date of Birth: 02-01-2002

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

1. The object of this suit is to gain protection from the respondent

2. The object of this publication by Class I legal advertisement is to notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-named Respondent from having contact with certain individuals. This order may affect property and other rights of the Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order and Petition from the Circuit Clerk of the county listed above.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:
If appearing by evidence duly taken in this action that you could not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of the Petition and Order may be obtained at the Monroe County Circuit Clerk's office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER will remain in effect until further order of the court.

A final hearing is scheduled for the 27th day of June, 2022, at 3:00 P.M. before the Monroe County Family Court.

Issued this 11th day of April, 2022 at 1:57 p.m.

Leta Gullette-Comer
Circuit Clerk

Notice

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF MONROE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
Magistrate Court Case No.: 22 M32D 00019
Family Court Civil Action No.: FC-32-2022-DV-19
To: Cam Ron Quick
620 Delaware Street
Salem, VA 24153
Date of Birth: 02-01-2002

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

1. The object of this suit is to gain protection from the respondent

2. The object of this publication by Class I legal advertisement is to notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-named Respondent from having contact with certain individuals. This order may affect property and other rights of the Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order and Petition from the Circuit Clerk of the county listed above.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:
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Legals - City of Salem

remain in effect until further order of the court.

A final hearing is scheduled for the 27th day of June, 2022, at 3:00 P.M. before the Monroe County Family Court.

Issued this 11th day of April, 2022 at 1:57 p.m.

Leta Gullette-Comer
Circuit Clerk

Legals - Montgomery County

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VA CODE §§ 1-211 1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104
Case No. CL22000468-00
Montgomery County Circuit Court
55 East Main Street, Suite 1, Christiansburg, VA 24073
Kassie Reese
Landen Clement
v.
None
The object of this suit is to: Name Change of a Minor It is ordered that Jeremy Raymond Clement appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before May 25, 2022.

March 23, 2022
Judge K. Mike Fleenor, Jr.

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Byrd junior James Purcell is hitting .538 after eight games.

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Terriers host Northside in big BRD game Friday after splitting two in Tennessee

The William Byrd baseball team was in Tennessee last weekend to play two games in Kingsport and the Terriers returned with a split. Byrd beat Morristown Hamblen East on Friday, 7-6, then lost to Tennessee High of Bristol on Saturday, 10-5.

The games were played at Hunter Wright Stadium, home of the Kingsport Mets, and Byrd's James Purcell is making a case that the Mets might like to keep him. James was three-for-three Friday and walked twice Saturday as his batting average after eight games is now .538.

Purcell drove in three runs against Hamblen East, including the game winning RBI. Byrd trailed 6-5 in the bottom of the fourth when Ethan Hairston reached on an error and Ross Divers walked. Hunter Sipe's sacrifice bunt moved them over and Purcell followed with a hit to drive both in and give Byrd a 7-6 lead that would hold up.

James, who usually catches, also started on the mound for Byrd and pitched the first two innings. James Glover came on in the third and pitched the last five innings to pick up the win. Matthew Scavelli had two hits for Byrd.

On Saturday against Tennessee High Byrd took an early 4-2 lead but the home team rallied for seven runs in the fifth. Trenton Sayers started and pitched into the fifth inning before he was relieved by Israel Hairston. Divers and Scavelli had two hits each for Byrd.

The split gave Byrd a 6-2 overall record and the Terriers were scheduled to host Bassett on Wednesday, but results were too late for publication. On Friday Byrd will host Northside in a key Blue Ridge District game and on Saturday Hidden Valley is here for a makeup jayvee-varsity doubleheader, with the jayvees scheduled for noon and the varsity at 3 pm.

The Terriers have played just two district games and are 1-1, losing to Franklin County and beating Lord Botetourt. Northside and Franklin were both 2-0 in the BRD coming into the week.

Byrd's Doug Pence is among five in S-R Baseball Hall of Fame Class of '22

Five area baseball players and contributors have been selected for induction into the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame at the 30th induction ceremony, scheduled for Sunday, July 31st, at the Salem Civic Center.

The Class of '22 includes Eric Altizer, Ryan Gilleland, Tyler Lumsden, Keith Mayhew and Doug Pence. "Butch" Craft has been selected to receive the Wayne LaPierre, Sr. award for contributions to the game.

Altizer is a former player and current coach at Auburn High School. The Eagles have won three state championships under Altizer, including the 2021 state championship. Eric has won many honors during his days as the Auburn coach.

Gilleland, a 1995 graduate of Jefferson Forest High School, played four years as a second baseman at the University of Virginia, batting .337 in 1997. He's the present coach at Jefferson Forest High and has also been a coach with the West team in the Commonwealth Games.

Lumsden is a 2000 graduate of Cave Spring High School who went on to pitch at Clemson University for three years. He was a first round pick of the Chicago White Sox in 2004 and pitched seven seasons in professional baseball, including three years at

the AAA level.

Mayhew is one of just five Ferrum College players to have his jersey retired. He was a three-time All-American pitcher, including a first team selection in 1995. When he graduated he held the NCAA Division III record with 350 career strikeouts and 149 in a season. He was drafted by the Atlanta Braves in 1995. Mayhew died in 2015.

Pence is a long time coach and volunteer with the William Byrd High School program who also coached American Legion baseball. He was a tireless worker, maintaining Byrd's Terrier Field and was a key person in getting the fieldhouse built on the grounds.

Craft, the long-time owner of The Roanoker Restaurant in Roanoke, has been a big supporter of the game, sponsoring youth teams for many years. She has been a sponsor for the Hall of Fame since the early 1990s.

The Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame was founded in 1991 and honors players and contributors from the counties of Alleghany, Roanoke, Bedford, Botetourt, Craig, Floyd, Franklin and Montgomery and the independent cities located within the boundaries of those counties. The Hall of Fame building is located on the grounds of the James E. Taliaferro



DOUG PENCE

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

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Two Terriers combine to no-hit PH

Chloe Varney and Logan Pekala combined to pitch a no-hitter for the William Byrd softball team in Tuesday's win over Patrick Henry. The Terriers took a 16-5 win in Vinton.

Varney started the game for the Terriers and allowed one run on no hits over one a third innings, striking out two. Pekala then relieved and went the final three and two thirds innings, allowing four runs but no hits while fanning two more. The game went five innings with Byrd ahead by 11 runs at that point.

The Terriers took control early, putting 10 runs on the board in the second inning. Maddy Tuck, Haleigh Vaughan, Sydney Blewett, Elyssa Kitts, Verity Watkins and Keely Hoal all drove in runs in the big inning. Tuck and Vaughan had multiple hits for the Byrd girls.

The win was the second in a row for the Terriers, who improved to 4-5 on the season. Last Thursday at Hidden Valley the Byrd offense smashed 17 hits in just six innings as they won at Hidden Valley, 18-5.

The homestanding Titans put four runs on the board in the first inning in this one but Hidden Valley couldn't slow down the Byrd attack. Blewett had four hits and also having big

days at the plate were Pekala, Hoal, Vaughan, Brooklyn Peters and Amber Vaughn. Varney pitched all six innings and struck out five.

The Terriers were hoping to keep the momen-

tum going with a game at Bassett on Wednesday. Byrd is at Northside Friday and Saturday they'll make up a rained out game with Hidden Valley at 2 pm in Vinton.



SPRADLIN IS STUDENT OF THE YEAR IN HIS FIELD AT LIMESTONE UNIVERSITY

William Byrd graduate Gehrig Spradlin was honored with the Excellence in Kinesiology, Strength & Conditioning award for the 2021-22 school year at Limestone University in Gaffney, South Carolina. Gehrig is a pitcher for the Limestone baseball team. He's scheduled to graduate on May 7th and this summer he plans to pitch in Utica, NY in the wooden bat Perfect Game Collegiate League, which was formerly the NY-Penn League. The senior will have an extra year due to COVID and will return to Limestone to start on his Masters' Degree in the fall. Gehrig is the son of Tricia and Rodney Spradlin. Above he receives his award from Professor Taylor Cromer.



Above, Byrd's Chloe Varney unwinds in last week's complete game win over Hidden Valley. Below, Amber Vaughn connects for a hit.

PHOTOS BY JIM & REGINA DEVINNEY

Girls pick up first tennis win

The William Byrd girls got their first tennis win of the season last week when the Terriers defeated Lord Botetourt in Vinton, 6-3.

The match was originally scheduled to be hosted by LB, but the Cavaliers had their usual home courts at Hollins University pulled out from under them so the Byrd girls got to host the match, finding out just a day prior that it was to be held.

The Terriers won three singles matches as Lexi Aquino won at one, Makenna Jacobsen won at two

and Emilie McCaskill was victorious at third singles. Byrd swept the doubles with Aquino and Jacobsen winning at one, McCaskill and Grace Saunders at two and Timber Raines and Ashley Begasse won at third doubles.

The girls are back on the courts today with a match at William Fleming, and Friday they'll host Staunton River.

The boys also played LB last week and lost 9-0. They're at Staunton River today.



Terriers host big meet

The William Byrd track team was the host for the "Terrier Team Challenge" on the oval at Robert A. Patterson Stadium in Vinton last Saturday. The competition was terrific as teams from all over the valley participated in the meet.

Byrd had some solid performances. On the men's side Wyattte Bailey finished sixth in the 400m dash with a time of 55.06 while Walker Nance took seventh in both the 110m hurdles (16.74) and 300m hurdles (45.33). Jordan Johnson finished 7th in the long jump with a jump of 19'7".

Nathan Williamson took fifth in the discus with a throw of 111'01", and in the shot put Hunter Richards was fifth with a throw of 41'7.5".

On women's side Chloe Harrilla jumped 15'10" to take second in the long jump while Mya Rosser was second in the discus with a toss of 99'3". Sarah Fuchs was sixth in the discus at 90'3".

Sydney Blewett took a second in the shot put at 34'1" and teammates and sisters Mya Rosser was fifth and Jaylen Rosser was sixth.

The girls 4x100m relay of Harrilla, Fuchs, Emma Dalton and Remi Figart finished third with a time of 53.05 and second in the Sprint Medley with a time a of 2:01.67. Olivia Hurd finished fourth in the 800m run with a time of 2:33.29.

Emma Matthews finished ninth in the 200m dash with a time of 28.78. Emma Kageals took eighth in the 100m hurdles in 18.89 and fifth in the 300m hurdles with a time of 52.80. In the girls high jump Figart and Harrilla tied with a jump of 4'6.

The Terriers will be back in action this Saturday at Staunton River High for the Golden Eagle Invitational.



Above, William Byrd's Walker Nance (middle, white shirt) competes in the 110 hurdles at last Saturday's meet at Patterson Stadium. Far left, Tina Lin hands off to Emma Matthews in the 4x100 relay, and left Remi Figart competes in the long jump.

PHOTOS BY JEFF MARVIN

South Co. teams sweep Wm. Byrd in lacrosse

The William Byrd lacrosse teams took on their South Roanoke County rivals last week and came up empty. Both the boys and girls lost to Hidden Valley and Cave Spring at Bogle Field.

On Wednesday of last week the girls opened with a 19-12 loss to Hidden Valley. Trinity Hylton had six goals for Byrd while Annika Hylton had three and Ashlyn Stover had two. Haley Firebaugh had 12 saves in the cage.

The boys played the nightcap and fell 16-4. Connor McCarthy had three goals and Kaden West had the other.

"The score is not indicative of our effort," said coach Will Satterfield. "We are dealing with some injuries at certain positions, but we hope to get those healed in the near future. The first half was the best half we have played this year. We missed some shots and their goalie had a great game."

On Friday both teams were back on the turf at Bogle and the girls lost 12-8. Olivia Hurd had three goals and Hylton had two to lead

Byrd. Firebaugh had eight saves.

"We have been struggling with injuries and turnovers," said girls' coach Dan Eberhardt. "The new players are developing but need more time in game situations. I am confident we will show improvement in the remaining season."

The boys dropped a 16-3 decision to the Knights.

"We came out flat on Friday," said Satterfield. "We had a strong second quarter but let the game get away in the second half. Our offense has not been able to compliment our defense and we are wasting possessions that are wearing down our defense. Changing a culture takes time and that doesn't always show up on the scoreboard."

The girls are scheduled to host Franklin County on Monday. The boys aren't scheduled to play again until a week from tonight when both teams host Christiansburg in a doubleheader at Patterson Stadium.

Niday scores four goals in Byrd soccer win over Staunton River

The William Byrd boys bounced back from a tough loss to Cave Spring last week to beat Staunton River on Tuesday. The Terriers took a 6-1 win at Robert A. Patterson Stadium in Vinton.

Landon Niday scored three first half goals to give the Terriers a comfortable 3-0 lead at intermission. Dexter Gaines assisted on the first goal at the 17 minute mark, and just three minutes later Niday scored off a corner kick from Braden Crossan. Niday completed the three-goal hat trick just a minute later with another assist to Gaines.

"That was a great few minute run we had and I felt we kept the pressure for a bit after that," said Byrd coach Russell Dishman.

That's how the score remained until the 75th minute when Daniel Britts scored off an assist from Hunter Burgess. A minute later Byrd struck again as Gaines found the net off a free kick from Crossan and Niday scored his fourth goal of the night, off another Crossan assist, to close out the scoring. Bricen Lancaster had six saves in goal.

"It was unfortunate that we gave up a late goal that cost the shut out but it was a good result and a positive step as we prep for Northside on Friday," said Dishman.

Last Thursday at Cave Spring the host Knights pulled out a 1-0 win over the Terriers. The only goal of the game came on a penalty kick.

"It was unfortunate that we gave up a PK about midway through the first half," said Dishman. "Bricen made the initial stop on the shot but they were able to put the rebound away."

That turned out to be the only goal of the game as the Terriers fell just short against a talented Cave Spring side.

"I was proud of the guys and how they responded but I understand their frustration to have another close loss, especially to a team as good as Cave," said Dishman.

Byrd is now 4-4-1 with a Blue Ridge District game at Northside Friday evening. Next Tuesday, April 26, the boys host William Fleming.



Emma Gordon throws one in for the Terriers. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Soccer girls win two

The William Byrd girls' soccer team is 7-2 after defeating two more opponents in the past week. The Terriers shut out Cave Spring at home last Thursday, 4-0, and followed that up with a 2-1 win over Staunton River in Moneta on Tuesday.

Addisyn St. Clair opened the scoring against Cave Spring off an assist from Maddy Simmons just 26 seconds into the game. Byrd increased the lead to 2-0 11 minutes later when Simmons scored off an assist from Anna Milliron, and it was 2-0 at the half.

The combination of Milliron to Simmons struck again midway through the second half, and Simmons scored her third goal of the night off a Riley Firebaugh assist to account for the final score. Kadence Fernatt had seven saves in goal.

On Tuesday Byrd rained 14 shots on the Staunton River goal in the first half but couldn't find the net. Meanwhile, the host Eagles scored once for a 1-0 halftime lead.

Byrd continued to control the game during the second half and finally leveled the score to 1-1 with 20 minutes remaining when Firebaugh connected with Simmons. Then, with 13 minutes remaining in the second half, right back Katelin Patrick switched the field to left back Ella Ashworth who scored from right outside the 18 yard box, and that proved to be the game winner. Fernatt had six saves for the Terriers.

The girls are back home Friday to host Northside in a big Blue Ridge District match.

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