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Thrasher Memorial UMC joins other local churches to sponsor 'Night to Shine'

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The Tim Tebow Foundation sponsored the first "Night to Shine" event in 2015 as a way to celebrate individuals living with disabilities through a complete prom experience for those with special needs ages 14 and older.

The event has now expanded to include 46 countries around the world with events hosted by 623 churches assisted by thousands of volunteers. February 10 was chosen as "Night to Shine" for 2023.

"It's an effort to make the world a place where all people are valued and honored for their God-given worth," Christian athlete and Foundation founder Tim Tebow has said.

The Roanoke Valley "Night to Shine" was sponsored this year by Vinton's Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church, Bonsack Baptist, North Roanoke Baptist, Parkway Church on the Mountain, and Fellowship Community Church in Salem where the festivities were held.

"Night to Shine" events not only include dancing, but a dinner for guests prior to the prom. Each special needs guest is encouraged to bring a "buddy" for the evening—a friend, a parent, a caregiver—or one is invited to accompany each of them.

This year's event began mid-afternoon with volunteers assisting with hair styling, shoe shining, make-up and nails. In fact, the event began several months earlier when host churches collected 100s of prom dresses and suits and then distributed them at Bonsack Baptist during an event in early January.

As they arrived on Feb. 10, guests walked the red carpet

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The volunteer cooks at Thrasher Memorial UMC prepared the food for this year's "Night to Shine" event including 210 pounds of chicken breasts and 16 large pans of mashed potatoes, getting started at 8 a.m.



Karen and Anna Hemming of Thrasher served the guests and their buddies at "Night to Shine."



Marissa Brewer (on right) and her "buddy" Joanna Williamson get ready to celebrate at "Night to Shine."



One special treat of the evening was a limo ride for eight around the parking lot at Fellowship Community Church in Salem where this year's "Night to Shine" event was held.

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Vinton Business of the Week: Rosie's Kitchen



Dotty Hopkins enjoys her Rosie's R-Burger on her first visit to the restaurant for Club 50 Wednesday.

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When people talk about Rosie's Gaming Emporium in Vinton, most are thinking gaming machines, bright lights, friendly folks, and free concerts on weekends. But those who frequent Rosie's on a regular basis often save their rave reviews for the burgers at Rosie's Kitchen. In fact, there are some who come to Rosie's just for the burgers, not the games.

R-Burgers from Rosie's Kitchen are described as "two four-ounce ground chuck, short rib and brisket patties, with lettuce, tomato, and butter pickle on a brioche roll." The burger comes with the "World's Greatest

Fries" featuring a unique sweet and spicy seasoning. But more than the taste, the R-burger has three big draws—it is less than half price for those ages 50 and over on Club 50 Wednesday; for active and retired military on Veterans Tuesdays; and for First Responders (nurses, firefighters, police, and EMTs in uniform) on First Responder Thursdays—that's an \$11.99 burger for just \$5.00, including those fries.

On a recent Wednesday, there was a line to order and a dining room filled with a ladies' church group (who came for the "amazing burgers), a local attorney and chiropractor,

and some others taking a break from playing the machines. Rosie's Marketing Manager Jeff Spaugh says he eats at the restaurant "all the time."

Vinton businessman Chris McCarty, who owns Grand Rental Storage next door, is a big fan.

"Rosie's has great burgers," McCarty says. "I tell everybody to get a big two-patty burger with bacon and cheese and all the fixings. Plus, you get an order of fries with it all for \$5. It's a great deal."

The Rosie's Kitchen menu includes not just burgers and fries, but flatbread pizzas, chicken sandwiches, salads, the Big Catch fish sandwich, a variety of "riveting" hot

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Sticky Situation: The Effects of Pine Tar on Travel Distance of a Baseball

PROBLEMS	GOALS	HYPOTHESES
1. How does the weight of the ball affect the travel distance?	1. Measure the travel distance of a ball with pine tar on the surface and compare it to a ball without pine tar.	1. The travel distance of a ball with pine tar on the surface will be greater than a ball without pine tar.

METHODS AND PROCEDURES

Procedure

1. Measure the travel distance of 5 groups of 3.
2. Throw all baseballs and make sure they are within regulation weight (5 - 5.25 ounces).
3. Add enough pine tar to cover the surface of a ball and repeat for 3 of the baseballs.
4. Repeat the ball with pine tar and record the weight difference.
5. Throw all baseballs a side and obtain velocity machine (JTEC Casey - 2009).
6. Run four of pitching machine every with the best of home plate.
7. Measure the PFD of each when and make sure they are even.
8. Launch a baseball at desired pitching angle and use a radar gun to record the launch velocity at which the balls will be launching.
9. Launch a baseball (100 MPH) from the field and record it.
10. Take usual notes as to what the ball did during flight (spin, break, etc.).
11. Record how far left or right the ball went from the center of homeplate and measure the distance the ball traveled.
12. Let ball and place radar stake with a "P" (Pine tar) written on it in place of the ball.
13. Repeat steps for the other 2 non-pine tar baseballs.
14. Repeat launch a ball (100 MPH) from the field.
15. Take usual notes as to what the ball did during flight.
16. Record how far left or right the ball went from the center of homeplate and measure the distance the ball traveled.
17. Repeat a normal stake with "P" (Pine tar) in place of the ball.
18. Repeat steps for the other 2 pine tar baseballs.

RESULTS

Blake Glover from WBHS won first place in the Physics category at the 2023 RCPS Science Fair.

The Effects of Neodymium Magnets on Plant Growth and Germination

Procedure

1. Prepare 100% Neodymium magnets.
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Meera Raichura from WBHS won first place in the Plant Sciences category at the 2023 RCPS Science Fair.

Byrd students bring home RCPS Science Fair awards

Roanoke County Public Schools held the annual district-wide Science Fair for 2023 on Feb. 11 at Northside High School. Over 100 students from Roanoke County high schools and middle schools participated.


Science Tammy Sauls, who facilitated this year's fair, welcomed the students and their guests to the fair and to the awards ceremony afterwards. She commended students for their hard work, the science teachers who "worked endless hours" assisting students on

Roanoke County Supervisor of

projects and preparing for the Science Fair, and the parents and families who supported their children.

School Superintendent Dr. Ken Nicely noted that the annual Science Fair celebrates a policy adopted by the school system seven years ago with the C-Change Framework—focused on content knowledge,

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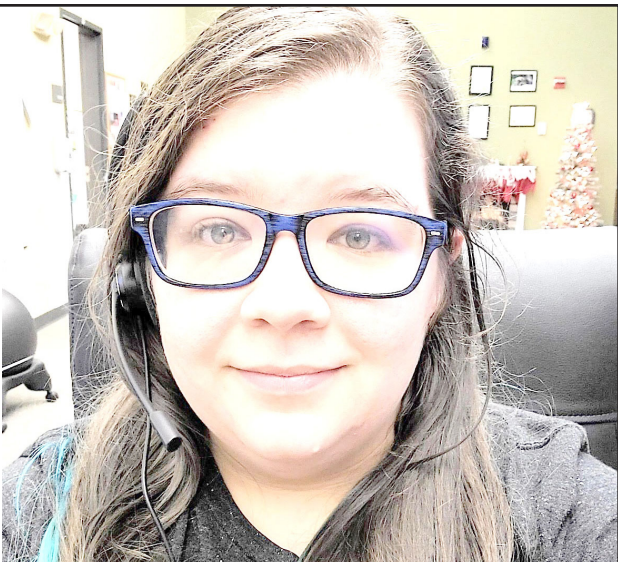


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Vinton First Aid Crew member Kristen Vierrether

Heroes volunteer here: Town of Vinton salutes its First Aid Crew members

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Kristen Vierrether has been a probationary member of the Vinton First Aid Crew (VFAC) for about six months. She is from Lexington. Her day job is as a E911 Dispatcher.

“We are truly blessed to have the Vinton First Aid Crew in our town,” says Vinton Mayor Brad Grose. “The crew has a long history of service to the residents of Vinton and the surrounding area. Many of our citizens have amazing stories about the wonderful service provided to them by the devoted members of the crew.”

She says she was motivated to join the VFAC because “I enjoy a fast-paced life and the opportunity to learn new things. I wanted to use that to help people.”

“A common trait among individual members of the crew is their desire to serve their fellowman,” the mayor said. “The Vinton First Aid Crew offers an opportunity to serve, and it also provides valuable medical training that can truly be lifesaving. There is a strong sense of camaraderie and family in the crew that is rarely duplicated in organizations of its size.”

According to Vierrether, belonging to the First Aid Crew “brings you closer to the community, opens the door for so many cool training opportunities, and surrounds you with some of the most supportive people on earth.”

“The citizens of Vinton can rest assured that they will always receive professional and caring service from the dedicated members of our Vinton First Aid Crew.”

In her limited spare time, she enjoys video games and cooking.

Thank you for your service, Kristen Vierrether!

The Town of Vinton and The Vinton Messenger salute Vierrether and the other members of the Vinton First Aid Crew for their generous contributions of time and effort to the community.

Historical Society hosting author Betsy Biesenbach on February 25

The Vinton Historical Society is hosting an author presentation by Betsy Biesenbach on Feb. 25. She will lead an in-depth discussion about her book, “Say My Name: The Story of Amanda Jeffers, Roanoke 1864.” The event will take place at the Vinton Library Meeting Room from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

According to the author, “Except for a few made-up characters, everyone in this story is real, and all lived and worked right here in Roanoke, very near where you and your family might live or play or go to school or church.” The story is about a black child’s life growing up in Roanoke County during the Civil War era.

The book is appropriate for adults and children to read together to fully understand the story presented.

The review from Amazon.com says, “Amanda Jeffers is a five-year-old enslaved child living in Roanoke, Virginia in 1864. Although her family has been separated, they manage to maintain their close bonds with each other. During a long ride on a hot summer afternoon, Amanda’s father teaches her the value of her name.”

Biesenbach has been a freelance writer for The Roanoke Times for 38 years. She is the author of two books, “Bits O’ Betsy Biesenbach” and “Good Neighbors: Roanoke Area Ministries.” Her work as a Real Estate Title Examiner sparked her interest in the Black history of Roanoke and in the Persinger Farm area. The name of Amanda Jeffers and her family appeared in a list prepared by the Freedmen’s Bureau and the 1870 United States Census.

The book is available at the presentation or on Amazon. Biesenbach will sign books at the event. The proceeds benefit anti-racism programs sponsored by the Unitarian Universalists of Roanoke.

In other news, it is time to join or renew annual memberships in the Vinton Historical Society. After 20-plus years the Board of Directors increased the annual membership this year from \$15 to \$20 for individuals; lifetime individual memberships are \$200; and \$150 per year for businesses and organizations. Memberships support member services programs, events, and activities offered at the History Museum and contribute to the operations of the museum.

Author Nelson Harris will be writing a book on the 1950s in the Roanoke Valley. He will be at the Vinton History Museum on Saturday, March 4, 2023. If you have pictures of Vinton and/or Roanoke Valley during that decade, you can bring them by the Vinton History Museum between 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. and have them scanned as possible entries in the book. You do not need to leave your photo. It is a great opportunity to meet Nelson Harris and ask about the various books he has written about the Roanoke/Vinton area.

The Vinton History Museum is looking for some crafty folks who like to have fun. They are going to

Say My Name:
The Story of Amanda Jeffers
Roanoke, 1864



By Betsy Biesenbach
Illustrations by Judy Nelson

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Author Betsy Biesenbach will be discussing her latest book, “Say My Name: The Story of Amanda Jeffers” at the Vinton History Museum on Feb. 25.

create unique decorations for the 2023 “Fashions for Evergreens” Tree at Hotel Roanoke and plan to get an early start on the project. No experience is needed—just a willingness to work with glue, hot glue, ribbons, doilies, jewelry. The museum will furnish some of the supplies. However, they will gladly accept broken or non-broken costume jewelry such as: necklaces, bracelets, earrings, brooches, pins, ribbon. They will be meeting at the Vinton History Museum from 12 noon to 2 p.m. on March 8, April 12, May 17, June 14, July 12, October 11 and November 8.

The community is reminded that the museum offers commemorative bricks in the Memory Pergola to honor or memorialize individuals or organizations. The Memory Pergola, built as an Eagle Scout Project, sits to the left of the museum. The existing brick pavers will be replaced with 4”x8” red sandblasted commemorative bricks creating a peaceful and accessible area to reflect on special memories. The cost per brick is \$50.

For additional information about the presentations from Biesenbach and/or Harris, the Vinton History Museum and Vinton Historical Society, or purchasing bricks, call (540) 342-8634.

- Submitted by Mary Beth Layman, Vinton Historical Society

William Byrd students perform in All-District Chorus, several qualify for All-Virginia Chorus



PHOTO BY MATT BARTLEY

William Byrd High School students who performed in All-District Chorus on Feb. 10-11.

On Feb. 10-11, singers from 32 high schools gathered at Cave Spring High School for the All-District Chorus. Members of the WBHS choir made up 21 of the 224 selected singers. During the course of the two-day event, they worked with accomplished guest conductors and performed a concert to culminate the weekend.

The WBHS singers were Olaedo Anyanwu, A’mari Banks, Abigail Bush, Cindel Camper, Daniel Chappell, Jason Cox, Taylor Davis, Corben Draper,

Brooke Hershel, Owen Humphreys, Lily Kroese, Grace Long, Miley Moses, Christian Parker, Maggie Rusinak, Olivia Staten, Kaeleigh Swan, Riley Wheeler, Demarion Williams, and Sydney Wintz.

While there, students also had the opportunity to audition for All-Virginia Chorus. In the audition, each singer had to perform a prepared piece and a sight-reading excerpt to be scored by two judges. Top singers in their voice parts may now participate in the state event in Richmond during the last week of April.

All-Virginia Singers are Cindel Camper

(first overall Soprano 2), Maggie Rusinak (Alto 1), Olaedo Anyanwu (tied for first overall Alto 2), Daniel Chappell (first overall Tenor 1) and Connor Wheeler (first overall Bass 2).

Several alternates may be called up if selected delegates are unable to participate. WBHS alternates are Olivia Staten (Tenor 1), Jason Cox (Tenor 2) and Corben Draper (Bass 1).

Out of the 26 schools who had students audition for All-Virginia, no one else from the district had more delegates selected than William Byrd.

Submitted by Matt Bartley, William Byrd Choral Director

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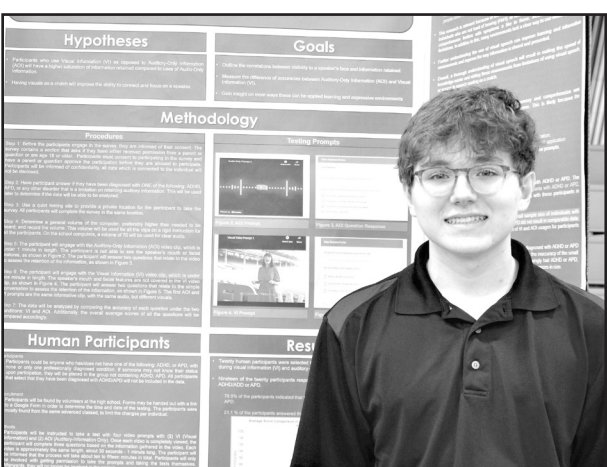
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Fair

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Wyatt Bowles from WBHS won first place in the Behavioral and Social Sciences category at the 2023 RCPS Science Fair.

communication, collaboration, creativity, critical thinking, and citizenship. While Roanoke County students are recognized across the state for their achievements on standardized testing, projects such as the Science Fair place the emphasis on “deeper purposeful learning,” not just rote learning. “Science is something we do, not just learn about,” Nicely said.

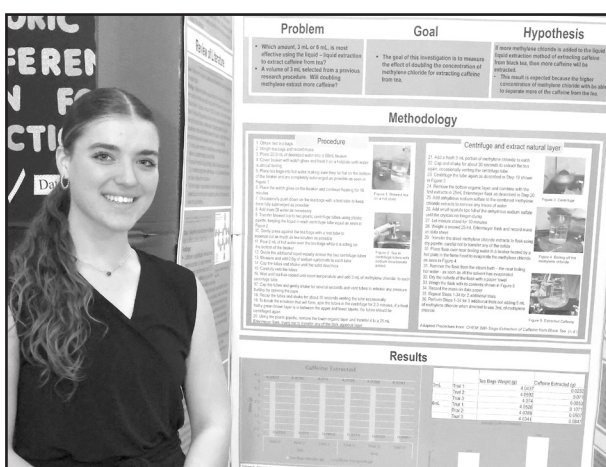
Over 60 individuals served as judges for the competition. They included retired RCPS instructors, professors, assistant professors, Ph.D. students, and graduate assistants from Virginia Tech, Roanoke College, and Virginia Western Community College, and professionals from area industries.

In the Middle School Division, projects involved Biomedical and Health Sciences, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Sciences/Environmental Engineering/Plant Sciences, Energy: Physical/Physics/Engineering Mechanics, and Materials Science/Embedded Systems, and Systems Software categories.

The High School Division included Animal Science, Behavioral and Social Sciences, Biomedical and Health Sciences, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Science, Embedded Systems/Systems Software, Engineering Technology/Environmental Engineering, Materials Science, Physics, Translational Medical Sciences/Cellular and Molecular Biology/Microbiology, and Plant Science categories.

William Byrd Middle School participants included:

- Heidi Weinke, who won second



WBHS student Kallie Niday won first place in the Chemistry category at the 2023 RCPS Science Fair.

place in Biomedical and Health Sciences for her project, “The Effect of the Brand of Sports Drink on the Number of Electrolytes.” Her sponsor was Kristi Warf.

- Norah Buck won fourth place in Chemistry for “Rise, Rise, but How High? The Effect of Baking Soda on Cake Height.” Her sponsor was Erin O’Donnell.

- Addison Collins also participated in the Chemistry category with “If Red Cabbage is used as a pH Indicator, Will It Measure pH Effectively?” Her sponsor was Heather Hall.

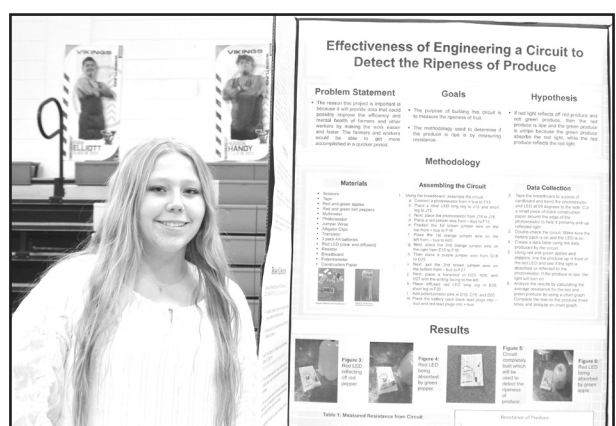
- Hendrix Wright and Cooper Kageals entered the Energy: Physical/Physics/Engineering Mechanics category with the project, “Does the Length of the Lacrosse Stick Change the Shot Power?” Their sponsor was Jessica Kingery.

- Payten Childress entered the Materials Science, Embedded Systems and Systems Software category with the project, “Tapp’n Loud: Effect of Material on Loudness of Tap Shoes.” Sponsor was Andrew Close.

In the High School Division of the RCPS Science Fair:

- Wyatt Bowles won first place in the Behavioral and Social Sciences category with his project, “The Effect of Limiting Speech Reading on Auditory Comprehension and Retention.” His sponsors were Ryan Adams and Melissa Carr.

- Jenny Nguyen and Caitlin Bishop completed research in the Behavioral and Social Sciences category with their project, “The Impact of Diet and Exercise



PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Hannah Janney and project partner Raelyn Lancaster (not pictured) won first place in the Embedded Systems/Systems Software category at the RCPS Science Fair on Feb. 11.

on Brain Plasticity Through Memory Games,” winning second place. Their sponsor was Melissa Carr.

- Kallie Niday won first place in the Chemistry category with her project “The Effect of Methylene Chloride on the Amount of Caffeine Extracted.” Her sponsor was Melissa Carr.

- Eva Brown won second place, also in the Chemistry category, with “The Effectiveness of Different Sun Protection Factors on Blocking of Ultraviolet Radiation.” Melissa Carr was her sponsor, as well.

- Karli Stephenson won fourth place in the Chemistry category with “Analysis of Water Quality in Southwest Virginia via pH, Dissolved Oxygen, Nitrate, Temperature, and Mercury Levels.” Melissa Carr was her sponsor.

- The team of Addisyn St. Clair and Emma Kageals studied “The Effect of Concentration of Hydrochloric Acid and Temperature on the Dissolution Rate of Ibuprofen” in the Chemistry category. Melissa Carr was their sponsor.

- Hannah Janney and Raelyn Lancaster won first place in the Embedded Systems/Systems Software category for their project, “Effectiveness of Engineering a Circuit to Detect the Ripeness of Produce.” Ryan Adams was their sponsor.

- Blake Glover won first place in the Physics category at the high school level with his project, “A Sticky Situation: the Effects of Pine Tar on Travel Distance of a Baseball.” Melissa Carr was his sponsor.

- Brenin Witcher and Brayden Andrews won second place in the Physics category with “Helmet Safety Measured by Peak Linear Acceleration as Related to Concussion.” Melissa Carr was their sponsor.

- Hannah O’Brien won second place in the Translational Medical Sciences/Cellular and Molecular Biology/Microbiology category with her project, “The Effects of Chemotherapy on Differing Stages of Metastatic Breast Cancer.” Melissa Carr was her sponsor.

- Meera Raichura won first place in the Plant Sciences category with her project “The Effects of Neodymium Magnets on Plant Growth and Germination,” which also won her first place last weekend at the Roanoke Valley Governor’s School Project Forum.” Steve Smith was her sponsor.

- Lacie Gibson presented her project, “The Effect of Calcium Chloride on the Growth of Raphanus Sativus” in the Plant Sciences category. Ryan Adams was her sponsor.

The 2023 RCPS Science Fair was sponsored by Southern Auto, Oakey’s, Blue Ridge Apothecary, Lawrence Perry & Associates Engineers, and the Roanoke County Public Schools Education Foundation, Inc. Bojangles’, Dunkin’ Donuts, Krispy Kreme, Vinton McDonald’s, and Starbucks made generous donations. Food was provided by the Northside High School Culinary Arts program.

Selected projects will advance to the regional science fair.

Rosie's

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Pepperoni, Italian sausage, bacon

Rosie's Kitchen is well known for its burgers but has other offerings as well.

dogs, wings, onion rings, and more. The restaurant at the Hampton Roads Rosie's has added a new breakfast menu recently, serving French toast sticks, bacon, egg and cheese biscuits, sausage, egg and cheese biscuits, biscuits and gravy, and the “757 Breakfast Burger.” Spagh is unsure whether that menu will be coming to Vinton.

Rosie's Gaming Emporium in Vinton is located at 1135 Vinyard

Road, across from Lake Drive Plaza and the Lancerlot. Rosie's Kitchen is open Sunday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. Kayla Hinko is the Rosie's Kitchen manager.

Rosie's Gaming Emporium opened in Vinton in May 2019. An extensive expansion included the addition of hundreds of more gaming machines and

a huge parking garage in December 2019. In November 2022, all of the Rosie's locations in Virginia, previously owned by Colonial Downs, were purchased by Churchill Downs.

Note: You must be 21 years of age or older to visit a Rosie's.

For more information visit the website at <https://rosiesgaming.com/> or the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ColonialDownsRosies/>.

Night to Shine

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to music, applause, and cheers. Activities leading up to dinner and the dance included a game room, karaoke, professional photos, and dance instruction. Several companies contributed limousine rides around the parking lot at the church.

Among the five churches sponsoring “Night to Shine,” Thrasher's role again this year was meal preparation. “Thrasher has once again been offered the privilege of preparing and serving dinner to this event for special needs adults,” said Bonnie Jones of Thrasher, who organized the meal, which is paid for by the Tim Tebow Foundation.

Jones and her team of volunteers arrived at Thrasher before 8 a.m. the morning of the event for food prep and then headed to Salem to finalize the meal. She says the group prepared about 640 meals using 210 pounds of marinated chicken breasts, 30 giant cans of green beans, and 16 large pans of mashed potatoes. Plus “over 1000 pieces of cake—all very generously donated by folks from Thrasher,” Jones said. “We have enough cake leftover to serve the next two weeks of Wednesday night

suppers.”

The dining room was decked out with tablecloths and flowers. Volunteer waiters and waitresses, dressed in black and white, who delivered plated meals and drinks individually to each guest, came from many different churches.

This year at Fellowship Community there were two dinner seatings to accommodate the huge crowd of guests (368) along with their 311 buddies. The previous record was 311 guests in 2020—pre-Covid. Night to Shine was a Zoom event during the pandemic years; this was their first year back in-person.

Dancing began around 6 p.m. with the crowning of all guests as prom kings and queens with tiaras and crowns during the evening.

The annual event is completely free for all guests, funded by donations, fundraisers, grants, and businesses donating time and resources.

According to Tebow, “Night to Shine” is dedicated to giving individuals with disabilities a night where they can shine and know that God loves them for who they are.”



PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Rosie's Gaming Emporium opened in Vinton in 2019.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Revolutions per minute

4. Hymns

10. Brew

11. Did not acknowledge

12. Atomic #77

14. Partly digested food

15. Not one

16. Lesotho capital

18. Copyreading

22. Living organism that feeds on organic matter

23. One's biological father

24. An aggregate of molecules

26. Equally

27. Khoikhoi people

28. Jump in figure skating

30. Lantern

31. TV network

34. Georges __, French

philosopher

36. Sharp, shrill bark

37. Albanian monetary units

39. Launched Apollo

40. One who graduated

41. Exist

42. Passed by

48. Very unpleasant smell

50. Graduates

51. Seedless raisin

52. Self-protection

53. Clue

54. Life-savers

55. Ingest too much

56. Misrepresented

58. Small Eurasian deer

59. Most mocking

60. Soviet Socialist Republic

CLUES DOWN

1. Flower cluster

2. A form

3. Inner organ regions

4. Local law enforcement

5. A citizen of Senegal

6. Positively charged electrodes

7. Connects granules

8. Business practice

9. The Mount Rushmore State

12. Leader

13. Hindu queen

17. Proofreading mark

19. European country

20. Greek mythological nymph

21. Grandfather

25. Clears

29. Amount of time

31. Mollusks

32. German municipality

33. Body part

35. City of Angels

38. Hoopsters

41. Pleasing to the eye

43. Poplar trees (Spanish)

44. Ship officer

45. Individual investment account (abbr.)

46. Prefix meaning within

47. Ceased to live

49. Day by day

56. Not color

57. Condition of withdrawal (abbr.)

VINTON HISTORY: FLOUR SIFTER

Jacob Bromwell is credited as being the inventor of the world's first flour sifter in 1819 – an invention patented over a hundred years later.

Flour sifters have undergone relatively little change in their overall design over the years; many are still sold with the notable hand-crank feature. These popular kitchen tools consist of a single screen and a wire agitator that break up any lumps as the crank pushes the flour through. This process produces the finest and smoothest flour possible, allowing for more accurate measurements, and resulting in perfect cakes, cookies, and more.

Sifters can be used in the same manner for other powdery baking

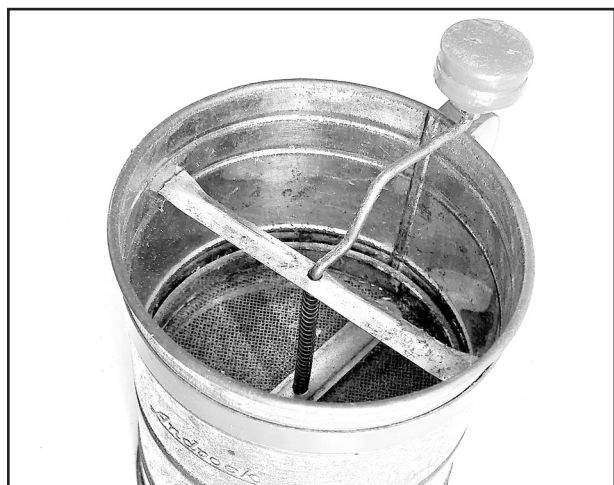


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This Androck flour sifter was donated to the Vinton History Museum by Mary Ann Marshall Rickey.

ingredients such as confectioners' sugar and cocoa powder. So, next time you pull out your sifter to bake something delicious, whisper a "thank you" to Jacob Bromwell.

This Androck flour sifter with red rings was donated to the Vinton History Museum by Mary

Anne Marshall Rickey. Come visit the museum to see flour sifters and other kitchen gadgets on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and every first Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Submitted by Alyssa Moorman, Intern at Vinton History Museum.

PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS



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Angie Chewning, Kinslee and Nonie Hall at Disney World.

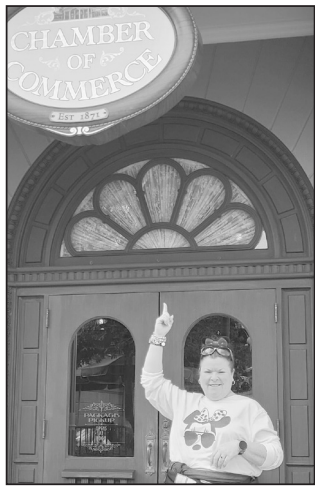
By Angie Chewning

Last week I got to visit the most Magical Place on Earth—Disney World! I am tired, but it was so much fun.

Nonie Hall, her granddaughter Kinslee, and myself lived it up Disney-style. We visited all the parks,

met all the characters, ate a lot of food, took a lot of pictures, and had the time of a lifetime. Thank you so much, Nonie, for letting me come along with you and Kinslee on such a special, fantastic trip. Now let's get to planning the next one.

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Mount Pleasant Lions induct its new members, invite students to compete in Bland Music Contest

On Tuesday, Feb. 7, the Mount Pleasant Lions Club officially inducted three new members. The ceremony was conducted by Lions Zone Chairman Chris McCarty, who is a member of the Vinton Breakfast Club.

The new Lions are David "Sugar Bear" Wray, his wife, Heather Wray, and Lynn Lantz.

David, who played football at William Byrd and Emory and Henry, has been the sausage gravy maker for several years at the "Breakfast with Santa" that the Mount Pleasant Lions have provided for the community over the past 10 years. Heather is employed by the Roanoke County Schools and works at W.E. Cundiff Elementary School. Lynn Lantz, also a William Byrd grad, is a retired contractor and Vietnam vet, having served in the Navy as

a helicopter mechanic.

The new Lions are already involved in club activities, with the Wrays planning an upcoming fund-raising event and Lantz becoming the de facto building maintenance inspector. All of them have participated in the club's "Sock It To 'Em" program to provide Bombas socks to needy and deserving schools and organizations. The Rays through their connections have made sure that W.E. Cundiff and Burlington Elementary Schools have at least 25 pairs of child size socks, while Lantz, using connections of his daughter and his wife, Shelly, has sent packs of 25 pairs to a rural county school in Tennessee and to an inner-city mission in Baltimore.

The Mount Pleasant Lions, infused with new blood, now looks keenly to the future and in keeping



PHOTO COURTESY OF MIKE FERGUSON

Heather and David Wray (standing on left) with Wayne Wray (sitting), Chris McCarty, Zone Chairman (center), and Anne Ferguson (Mount Pleasant Lions President) with Lynn Lantz.

with the Lions motto "We Serve," will be hosting a James A. Bland Music Contest on Sunday, Feb. 26, at the South Roanoke United Methodist Church, beginning at 2 p.m. The contest is open to middle and high school students, in both vocal and instrumental divisions, with small

rewards given at the club level. Winners can go on to Lions district and state competitions where college scholarship awards are possible. Potential entrants should immediately contact Lion Steve Wilkinson at 540-793-0650 for details.

Submitted by Lion Mike Ferguson

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PLACE OF REFUGE

Read Numbers 32:1 through 36:13

Select some towns to be your cities of refuge, to which a person who has killed someone accidentally may flee. They will be places of refuge from the avenger, so that a person accused of murder may not die before he stands trial before the assembly. (Numbers 35:11,12).

God commanded that if anyone died because of violence, and murder was assumed, the murder suspect was not automatically to be considered guilty. Instead, he was allowed to flee to a city of refuge (one of six to be chosen in the Promised Land) that would assure the accused would be treated justly and justice would be done. In this way God provided justice in a culture where protecting the innocent was not a typical response.

When we hear accusations of guilt against others, our first response should be to provide them with a place of refuge in our hearts. That is, we should not rush to judgment, assume their guilt, and be careless in our speech about them. We should treat them fairly, as God intended.

Prayer for Today: Ask the Lord to make your heart and mouth a place of refuge rather than a fount of accusation for others.

Quicklook: Numbers 35:6-15

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ship 10:30 a.m., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Remembering Vinton

Fifty years ago in February 1973

with the Vinton Historical Society

Debbie Adams

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Every week in February 1973, the front page of The Vinton Messenger featured an article on the William Byrd High School wrestling team. First, they won the Blue Ridge District tournament. They had come in second to Lord Botetourt during the regular season but in the tournament they topped Lord Botetourt with 127 points.

After winning at the next competition at Regionals, the Byrd team went on to win the State 2-A Championship with three individual winners in championship matches.

Members of the wrestling team that year included Bill Napier, Barry Trent, Ricky Clark, Ronnie Wood, Jeff McGrath, Walter Heath, Marvin Martin, Mike Gribble, Mark Hogan, Allan Phlegar, and Donnie Zimmerman.

The Event Zone announces annual art contest for local high school seniors

The Event Zone has announced that applications are now available for the annual art contest. Area high school students who plan to major or minor in the arts in college (in music, dance, theatre, sculpture, painting, photography, or drawing) are eligible for the \$1,000 scholarship. The deadline to apply is April 24. Go to www.eventzone.org for the application.

Scholarship applicants will be considered based on the following criteria: dedication to learning and practicing their art; commitment to a future in the arts; level of skill in art form; self-expression in words and art; and personal responsibility in art and life. It is not a financial

need-based scholarship.

The application requires two recommendations (one from a teacher, instructor, or other professional in the arts). Students must also submit examples of their work in their area of art, which may include DVDs, CDs, photos, actual drawings, or paintings. Musicians need to submit both their written score and a recording of the music.

High school seniors whose parents' or guardians' permanent residence is within a 100-mile radius of Roanoke are eligible to apply.

Last year's winner was Hunter Muddiman from William Byrd High School.

Submitted by Event Zone

Conner named Agent of the Year



Anthony Conner

The Conner Group, of Vinton, has announced that Anthony Conner was recently recognized as not only being named the 2nd District Agent of the Year, an honor in itself, but also the Agent of the Year and received the prestigious Roanoke Star "Eagle"

Award at the 2023 New York Life Roanoke GO yearly kick off celebration. This is the third year that Conner has won this award, a distinguishment and honor duly earned.

Submitted by The Conner Group

Harry Altice was the wrestling coach with John Hackworth as assistant.

In municipal government news, Roanoke City and Vinton appeared to be close to an agreement on the use of the town dump. The city was to move heavy equipment in and operate the Vinton facility.

Unfortunately, two Roanoke City officials and a representative from the State Health Department were "badly shaken" when the car in which they were riding in the town dump was struck by a truck. Vinton officials said they had not been notified of the visit and the truck that ran into the group had not been expecting sightseeing traffic at the dump. After the collision, the group went to the Municipal Building for a meeting with Mayor Gus Nicks and Town Manager Don Smith. "Mayor Nicks' shouting was audible outside the closed session."

In other news, Town Council approved the purchase of a new transistorized radio for the main fire truck for \$840.

Two juveniles were arrested for breaking and entering into mailboxes in the Vinton Post Office and into Vinton Welding. They attempted to cash a check they removed from one of the mailboxes. Intruders also broke into the Craig Avenue School and took a large quantity of tools.

Burlington Industries (now PFG) was predicting an increase in sales revenues in 1973, with \$479 million in sales in the first quarter, an increase of 9.8%. Chairman Charles Myers said, "An end to the war in Southeast Asia will add a favorable dimension to the mood of the country and to the outlook for the future."

Students in the Home Economics Department at William Byrd High School had designed and sewn book bags for the kindergarteners at Hardy Road Elementary School to carry library books from and back to school.

The Downtown Vinton Business Association formed with over 21 businessmen.

Town Council was considering bids on remodeling the Municipal Building into partitioned office space.

Vinton joined other area governments in signing an

agreement to build a regional corrections facility. No site had been selected.

The newspaper offered up some advice on safe driving: "Don't get angry when driving. Discourtesy is a major cause of traffic crashes. Always drive by the golden rule. Don't get angry."

William Byrd Intermediate School and William Byrd High School bands were planning a joint Mid-Winter concert. Band director for the Intermediate school was Joe Spigel. Steve King directed the high school symphonic and stage bands.

Roanoke County teachers were seeking pay raises with a salary of \$7,700 for beginning teachers and \$12,705 for those with 12 years of experience or more. The newspaper reported that the county School Board "balked at the request." The county had dropped from 8th to 54th among school divisions in the state in salaries for beginning teachers.

"Irate Vintonites" were expected to storm the next town council meeting to oppose a 45-unit apartment complex under construction on Ruddell Road. Their concern was that Ruddell Road was too narrow and dangerous for school buses and would not be approved by the school board, leaving children in the area to walk along the narrow road to East Vinton School. Citizens were urged to attend and "help put a stop to this unwarranted and impractical project."

Apparently, the building permit was issued in Nov. 1972, but not posted until Jan. 1973, and with a contractor listed, but no owner.

Vinton Town Council approved a new pay scale for its police department. The minimum salary would be adjusted to \$8640, the maximum to \$10,500.

The Vinton Jaycees rounded out the month sponsoring a show by country music legend Lester Flatt and the Nashville Grass at the Starland Arena on Shenandoah Avenue in Roanoke. Proceeds were to be used for community projects and could be purchased at Cundiff's Drug Store.

Also in Feb. 1973, Bedford City Council was attempting to lure away Vinton's Town Manager, Don Smith.



The William Byrd High School wrestling team won the State Championship in Feb. 1973.



The Vinton Jaycees sponsored a fundraising concert to fund community projects, featuring the legendary Lester Flatt.



Citizens were up-in-arms about the construction of an apartment complex on Ruddell Road.

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FROM THE PULPIT

How is your love?

Love is one of the words which has been overused and tarnished in our world today: "I love New York. I love sushi. I love hamburgers. I love, love, and love." However, this word weighs much more than that. "Love is patient, love is kind, it does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud, it is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. Love always protects, always trusts, always

hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. Love never ends. (1 Cor. 13) How profound is this love!

Love is patient and not easily angered. I am not free of guilt and shame before this statement. I cannot count how many times I have regretted by words and thought, "I should have bitten my tongue." Love is to "bite your tongue."

Love keeps no record of wrongs. If you ask me, I can tell you about all the wrongs of others, except mine. However, we all do wrongs. We disappoint each other. We hurt one another. So, we need to forgive and to be forgiven, because love keeps no record of wrongs. "Erase all the records of wrongs."

Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always perseveres. Love never fails. Love never ends. Our human love may not be able to reach this level. This may be impossible for us, but everything is possible in God: the unconditional love of God, the sacrificial love of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the persistent love of the Holy Spirit! Once we deeply dwell in this true love, our love will sustain, abound, and overflow to all whom we meet in life. How is your love?

By Pastor Jae Song, Red Valley United Methodist Church

Crossover, electric bills, foreign affairs update

Tuesday, Feb. 7, marked the 2023 Virginia General Assembly's Crossover deadline when each chamber must finish work on the vast majority of bills from their own chamber.

Between Monday and Tuesday, the Virginia Senate considered 187 bills, confirmation of 1,177 gubernatorial appointments spread out over five confirmation resolutions, six other resolutions, and four proposed constitutional amendments.

On Wednesday, most Senate committees started hearing House bills and on Friday the Senate passed 15 House bills, including three from Delegate Joe McNamara, to make Virginia's tax system more favorable to taxpayers.

Bad News and Good News on Campaign Finance Reform

First the bad news, General Assembly members will continue to be allowed to legally fundraise from their seat in the Capitol while actively voting on legislation during Special Sessions. My Senate Bill 946 that would have prohibited legislators from fundraising on any day the General Assembly was scheduled to meet during a special session was defeated without a vote after a Democrat-led parliamentary maneuver in the Democrat-controlled Senate. Although this is a disappointment, I will continue to fight for this common-sense reform.

The good news is that my SB1427 that will add new timely reporting requirements for Political Action Committees cleared the Senate on Tuesday. Electric monopoly attacks against Gov. Glenn Youngkin veiled as a Second Amendment advocacy group during the gubernatorial campaign helped reveal major gaps in Virginia's PAC reporting requirements. My legislation to close these gaps is expected to be considered in the House Privileges and

Elections Committee next week.

The Continuing Fight over Electric Bills

Although the electric monopoly's tactics in the 2021 gubernatorial campaign were abhorrent, Gov. Youngkin's resolute advocacy for captive rate payers facing ever increasing bills shows the monopoly was right to fear his administration. While the Virginia Senate remains extremely monopoly friendly, Virginians now have a governor who has both the high finance acumen to understand utility complexities and the politically independent disposition to advocate for captive rate payers.

The 12-3 Democrat-stacked Senate Commerce and Labor Committee killed my bills to return significant authority to the State Corporation Commission and allow any competition in January. Since then, Gov. Youngkin and Speaker Todd Gilbert helped get bills containing pro-rate payer provisions through the House of Delegates that are now making their way to the Senate. The current pro-monopoly Democratic Senate leadership is expected to significantly rewrite these bills and that will likely lead to significant conference committees at the end of the General Assembly session.

During consideration of the Senate budget proposal on Thursday, Democrats advocated hundreds of millions of dollars in additional spending proposals but went out of their way to remove \$253,000 in the Office of the Attorney General's budget dedicated to rate payer protection. Every Senate Democrat voted to remove this modest provision to help captive rate payers during rate cases against the monopoly's high-priced attorneys. The House of Delegates' Budget included these provisions meaning this will go to budget negotiations. On all issues

related to electric bills the best advice is: stay tuned.

Foreign Affairs in the Virginia Senate

Right after the Chinese spy balloon finished its flight over the United States, foreign affairs legislation made rare appearances in Richmond – and passed with bipartisan support.

In his State of the Commonwealth speech in January, Gov. Youngkin urged the General Assembly to prohibit a foreign adversary from acquiring or transferring any interest in agricultural land in Virginia. Senator Richard Stuart's SB1438 does just that to protect both food supply and protect land close to Virginia's abundance of militarily sensitive locations from the hostile actions of the Chinese Communist Party. Despite lengthy speeches by many Democratic detractors, five Democratic senators joined the effort and it passed 23-16 and is now in the House of Delegates where Delegate Rob Bloxom's similar HB2325 passed 99-0 the next day.

All of my Senate Republican colleagues joined me in co-patroning Senator Ryan McDougle's SB1459 banning the Chinese Communist Party controlled TikTok and WeChat for use on state electronic devices. Despite no opposition in the Senate General Laws Committee, several Democratic senators spoke against SB1459 and generated significant opposition producing a 20-20 tie vote that was broken in support of the bill by Lt. Gov. Winsome Sears. The House of Delegates will soon consider SB1459 after having already voted 99-0 for Delegate Emily Brewer's similar House Bill 2385.

Every floor session of the Virginia Senate

RECIPES OF THE WEEK

Valentine's Day Strawberries



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Chocolate dipped strawberries

Halloween has candy corn; Christmas has candy canes; and Valentine's Day has chocolates, conversation hearts, and especially chocolate-covered strawberries. But why?

Apparently, the strawberry is the symbol of Venus, goddess of love and beauty. It's sort of shaped like a heart – and it's bright red.

Legend has it that if two people split a strawberry, they will fall in love.

Each year, National Strawberry Day is celebrated in February – always on Feb. 27.

Whatever the reason, chocolate-dipped strawberries are a popular gift for Valentine's Day, and they are easy to make at home.

Chocolate-Dipped Strawberries

Ingredients:
1 lb. large ripe strawberries
5 oz. semi-sweet chocolate chips (like Ghirardelli)

Optional toppings: sprinkles, crushed nuts, toasted coconut, etc.

Optional White Chocolate to drizzle
Instructions: Wash the berries and pat them dry. Line a baking sheet with parchment or wax paper. Prepare toppings in advance. Melt the chocolate

chips in a glass bowl in the microwave. Start on high power for 30 seconds, stir; 30 seconds more and stir until perfectly smooth. Hold the stem of the strawberry (or insert a toothpick) and dip strawberry into chocolate, twisting to let the excess drip off. Place on baking sheet. Optional: Sprinkle with toppings, if desired or dip a fork in the white chocolate and drizzle it on top of the chocolate. Refrigerate for 30 minutes. Best the day of.

Stuffed Strawberries
3 dozen large strawberries, washed and patted dry

11 oz. cream cheese softened
1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
1/4 tsp. almond extract or 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract

Remove stems from strawberries. Cut a deep X in the tip of each berry (on the bottom end) and spread open, or you can hollow out the stem end a little to hold the stuffing.

In a small bowl, beat cream cheese, confectioners' sugar, and extract until light and fluffy. Spoon (or pipe) about 2 tsp. into each berry. Chill until serving. You can add a dollop of cool whip on top of each berry and even a blueberry.

and House of Delegates is livestreamed on the internet. At those links, you can also watch committee and subcommittees. The full text, summaries, fiscal impact statements, and

votes for every bill are available on the Legislative Information System.

As always, you can reach me by calling 540-302-8486 or replying to this email. You can also keep up

with my efforts at Facebook.com/Suetterlein.

By Virginia State Senator David Suetterlein

Celebrating The Town of VINTON!

The Town of Vinton, a community nestled in the Blue Ridge Mountains, welcomes you to our community. Vinton, a town rich with history, has over the years found itself to be one of a few communities that continue to relish the past by offering an environment of a comfortable lifestyle with the feeling of being a part of a large community family. The town, with its proximity to the Blue Ridge Parkway and Smith Mountain Lake, provides many opportunities for those who wish to stop and shop at our local farmers market or one of our unique specialty shops.

If festivals are your interest, the Vinton area hosts several festivals throughout the year from the Vinton Dogwood Festival to the Vinton Fall Festival. Each festival offers its own unique atmosphere. When you are away from home it's always nice to feel as if you never left.

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.

Vinton represents the ideal type of community, small enough to provide a feeling of belonging, yet progressive enough to provide the facilities, services, and conveniences that are necessary to make a community feel like home to its citizens.

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In execution of a Deed of Trust dated August 31, 2011, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Botetourt, Virginia, as Instrument No. 110003218, the Substitute Trustee will offer the above-described property for sale to the highest bidder at public auction on the date and time referenced below. All of that certain tract or parcel of land containing 1.375 acres, more or less, as shown on that certain plat of survey made by Charles R. McMurry, CLS, dated March 12, 1996, recorded in the Clerk's Office for the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, in Plat Book 17, at Page 27. Date of Sale: March 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Location: outside the Botetourt County Circuit Court, Courthouse, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090. Terms: CASH; a deposit in the form of certified funds in the amount of \$10,000 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower. Settlement within thirty (30) days of date of sale. Time is of the essence. OPTIONS: 1. All costs of conveyance, examination of title, recording charges, etc. will be at cost of purchaser with the exception of the grantor's tax. Neither the Substitute Trustee nor any other party guarantees or covenants to deliver or in any way to obtain possession of the premises for any third party purchaser 2. The Substitute Trustee reserves the right to reject all bids, extend the time to receive bids or withdraw the property from sale at any time. In addition, should the Substitute Trustee be unable, for any reason, to convey title, the successful bidder's sole remedy in law or equity shall be the return of his deposit. Upon refund of the deposit, the sale shall be void and of no effect. Additional terms may be announced at the time of the sale. The Substitute Trustee will convey the above-described property to the purchaser(s) by Special Warranty deed at settlement and makes no additional representations or warranties of any kind regarding the title to said property. John K. Prillaman, Esq. Substitute Trustee For Information Contact: John K. Prillaman, Esq. OPN LAW 3140 Chaparral Drive Roanoke, Virginia 24018 (540) 725-8194

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

Zoning Administration NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2309 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, on February 23, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, to consider the following applications.
Request of the City of Salem, property owner, and Roanoke County, project administrator, for a variance from Section 106-226.7 of the Code of the City of Salem, to allow construction of the greenway trail, extending from the existing trail on Salem City owned property (Tax Map # 178-4-1) near Kingsmill Drive to the Roanoke County owned property (Parcel ID # 056.01-01-17.00-0000) near Riverside Nursery. Section 106—226.7(A) states that no new construction shall be permitted, except where the effect of such development on flood heights is fully offset.
Request of the City of Salem, property owner, for a variance from Section 106-226.7 of the Code of the City of Salem, to allow the bridge widening of Apperson Drive Bridge along with incidental greenway trail work on and near the 1600 block East Riverside Drive (Tax Map # 259-2-1). Section 106—226.7(A) states that no new construction shall be permitted, except where the effect of such development on flood

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION
Commonwealth of Virginia VA CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 **CASE No. CWF210000261**
BOTETORT Circuit Court 1 W.Main Street, Fincastle VA 24090 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* ARTHUR BERNHARDT HENSLEY, JR., DECEASED. The object of this suit is to: authorize the Administrator of the Estate of Arthur Bernhardt Hensley, Jr. to distribute the entire estate to the descendants of the decedent's mother. It is ORDERED that any unknown heirs, devisees, successors and assigns of Arthur Bernhardt Hensley, Jr. appear at the above named court and protect his/her interests on or before MARCH 6, 2023. JANUARY 13, 2023 TOMMY L. MOORE; CLERK

Legals - City of Radford

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

Legals - City of Salem

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Legals - City of Salem

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

Legals - City of Salem

heights is fully offset.
At this hearing, all parties in interest will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and show cause why such requests should or should not be granted. For additional information, contact the Office of the Zoning Administrator, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375-3032). THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM BY: Mary Ellen H. Wines, CZA, CFM Zoning Administrator

Legals - Craig County

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

Legals - Montgomery County

Notice of Public Auction
The contents of the following storage unit(s) will be sold at Public Auction to enforce our owner's lien: Unit #417 Sale will be conducted at B&B Storage, at 1015 Radford St., Christiansburg VA on Friday, February 17, 2023, at 10:00 A.M. All sales are final & CASH only

Legals - Roanoke County

Public Notice Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the continued release of treated wastewater into a water body in Roanoke County, Virginia. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: February 9, 2023 to March 11, 2023 PERMIT NAME: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit - Wastewater issued by DEQ pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Roanoke Moose Lodge #284, PO Box 538, Salem, VA 24153; VA0077895 FACILITY NAME AND LOCATION: Roanoke Moose Lodge #284 STP; 3233 Catawba Valley Drive, Roanoke County, PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Roanoke Moose Lodge #284 has applied for reissuance of a permit for the private Roanoke Moose Lodge #284 STP. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage wastewaters from the Lodge at a maximum rate of four-thousand seven-hundred gallons-per-day into a water body. Septage from the treatment process septic tank will be disposed by transfer and further treatment at the Roanoke Regional Water Pollution Control Plant. The facility proposes to release the treated wastewaters in Masons Creek in Roanoke County in the Roanoke River watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: physical and chemical properties, nutrients, organic matter, solids, and bacteria. HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing on the draft permit by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. DEQ must receive hand-delivery and postal mail by close of business and email and fax comments by 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit. CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Susan Edwards; Blue Ridge Regional Office, 901 Russell Drive, Salem, VA 24153-3068; Phone: (540)795-9749; E-mail: Susan.Edwards@deq.virginia.gov; Fax: (540)689-4178. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Charles Hill Community Center:

Tai-Chi, Feb. 16 at 9 a.m.; Senior Card Games, Feb. 16, 10:15 a.m.; Monday Music Jam 2:30-5 p.m. on Feb. 20; line dancing Feb. 21, 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 6 p.m.

Roanoke County Schools:

School Board meeting, Feb. 16, 6 p.m., at Administration Building on Cove Road

Rosie's Gaming Emporium:

Jo Jo Stockton and Solocoustix perform at 8 p.m. on Feb. 17; The Bogeys perform on Feb. 18 at 8 p.m. Both are free shows for those 21 and older.

Town of Vinton:

Feb. 21--Mon./Tues. recycle and bulk pick-up; Vinton Town Council meeting 6 p.m. on Feb. 21 Vinton Municipal Chambers

Vinton Public Library:

Stop by the library and pick up your bird feeder kit Feb. 6-17 with information on the birding app; first meeting of Vinton Writer's Group on Feb. 23 at 5:30 p.m. (register online); Roanoke Dulcimer's Feb. 18 from 10:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.; Book Club for Teens on Feb. 20 from 5 to 6 p.m.; Saturday on Feb. 18 from 11:30 to 12:30 (register online); meet the author Valerie Archual and her rescue cat on Feb. 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Lego Play on Feb. 22 at 4 p.m.; Open Bridge for experienced players meets on Tuesday, Feb. 21 from 1-4 p.m.

Submit upcoming community news announcements to dadams@mainstreetnewspapers.com.

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Roanoke County unveils 200 Plan at open house events

The Roanoke County 200 Plan is an update to the current Comprehensive Plan that expresses an overarching community vision as well as unique goals for 11 community planning areas within the county and the Town of Vinton.

The Draft Roanoke County 200 Plan was developed based on input received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. The Roanoke County 200 Plan will impact future land use, natural and cultural resources, public facilities and services, and transportation infrastructure.

The county invites citizens to "Join us at your community's Draft Plan Reveal Meeting to review and provide comments on the Roanoke County 200 Plan that will shape

your community over the next 15 years!"

Meetings are open house format from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Presentation by staff begins at 5 p.m. at these locations:

- Catawba, Glenvar & Masons Cove: Glenvar Middle School Forum - Monday, Feb. 27
- Peters Creek: Green Ridge Recreation Center Meeting Room - Wednesday, March 1
- Bonsack/Vinton & Mount Pleasant: Vinton War Memorial Ballroom - Monday, March 6
- Windsor Hills: Hidden Valley High School Auditorium - Wednesday, March 8
- Back Creek & Bent Mountain: Bent Mountain Center Gymnasium - Monday, March 13
- Cave Spring & Clearbrook: South County Library

Auditorium - Wednesday, March 15

Citizens are also invited to "join us for the Planning Commission Public Hearings on the Draft Roanoke County 200 Plan."

Both 200 Plan public hearing meetings begin at 5 p.m. Citizen comments on the Draft 200 Plan are welcome.

•Option 1: Green Ridge Recreation Center - Thursday, March 23

•Option 2: Roanoke County Administration Center - Monday, April 3

In the event of inclement weather, visit the website below to confirm the meeting.

Learn more: <https://www.roanokecountyva.gov/2814/Roanoke-County-200-Plan>

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