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Twin Creeks Brewing Company celebrated the opening of the new outdoor stage and music pavilion at a ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce on July 21. Pictured left to right are Chamber member Paula Robins, owners Barry Robertson, Jason Bishop and Andy Bishop, Mayor Brad Grose, gold medalist brewer Matt Morrison, Chris Wheeler with Twin Creeks, Pok-E-Joe's owner Cory Welch, Chamber Executive Director Angie Chewning, and Vinton Community Programs Director Chasity Barbour.

Twin Creeks celebrates new Creekbank Stage and Music Pavilion with ribbon cutting

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Twin Creeks Brewing Company in downtown Vinton celebrated the official grand opening of the Creekbank Stage and Music Pavilion on July 21, bringing more live music to downtown Vinton. The brewery now has a permanent stage for outdoor concerts, in addition to its indoor stage, "The Dock."

A crowd estimated at over 250 came to celebrate the event with owners Barry Robertson, Andy Bishop, and Jason Bishop. There was a ribbon-cutting ceremony with Vinton Mayor Brad Grose and the Vinton Area

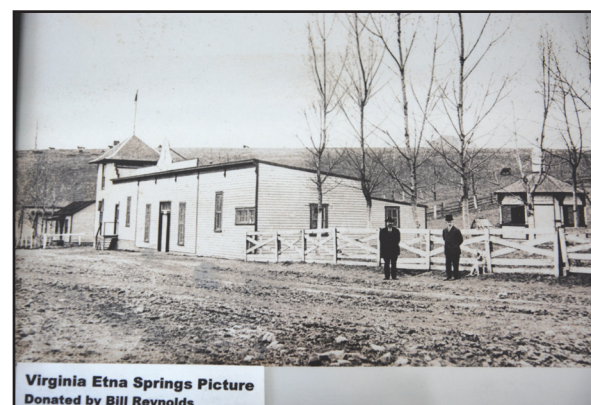
Chamber of Commerce.

The Jared Stout Band provided the entertainment. There was a special release beer—the Hazy Creekbank—and BBQ from Pok-E-Joe's, another runaway success in downtown Vinton.

According to Special Events Coordinator Jess Curtin, "Twin Creeks Brewing Company has loved every minute of being a music venue and brewery in the heart of Vinton. With adding the Creekbank Outdoor Music Pavilion, we are so excited to see the great benefits from having a permanent outdoor stage. The location is perfect

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A Piece of Vinton's Past: Virginia Etna Springs Bottling Company



Virginia Etna Springs Picture Donated by Bill Reynolds

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This photograph of the Virginia Etna Springs Bottling Company was donated to the Vinton History Museum by Bill Reynolds. The springs were located on Virginia Avenue.

By *Debbie Pitts*, Vinton Historical Society Treasurer

Virginia Avenue in Vinton. In 1936, Burlington Mills built a weaving plant across the street which is still functional today as Precision Fabrics Group (PFG).

Virginia Etna Lithia Springs were widely known since about 1896 and visited by locals for a drink of healing "lithia" spring water as they traveled to and from Roanoke, Salem, or Vinton.

The springs were located on the north side of

Virginia Avenue in Vinton. In 1917, his son, John Jr.,

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Glam'R Kiti and Adrenaline 6 wow the crowd at Mingle at the Market

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The Mingle at the Market concert series continued on July 22 with two high-energy '80s bands—Glam'R Kiti followed by Adrenaline 6. The weather was perfect. The turnout was great.

"With being almost halfway through our season, we could not be happier with the support that we have gotten this year," said Jason Boothe, president of the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce that sponsors the events. "Our attendance is at an all-time high and our bands have been nothing short of amazing—and we have some of the best in the valley left to come. If you're not at Mingle, you're missing out. Do yourself a favor and just come check us out one time."

Bank of Botetourt provided the volunteers for this past weekend's concert,

Jon Foreman, Kristi Brown, Autumn Hawks, Sarah Deemer, and Jenifer Foreman.

Four food trucks kept the crowd from going hungry: Food To Go, Delicia's Gourmet Ice, Ken & Jayne's Burgers and Dogs, and Las Tapatias Taco Truck. Blue Ridge Beverage supplied the cold beverages.

A flash mob appeared during the Adrenaline 6 performance to promote Line Dancing with Angela sessions at Los Amigos Bar & Grill on Route 460.

Chamber Executive Director Angie Chewning thanked this year's Mingle at the Market sponsors: Alcova Mortgage, Coastal Insurance Planning, MemberOne, PFG, Mountain View Real Estate, Fox Radio 910, ServPro, Winters Storage, Bank of Botetourt, the Vinton War Memorial, Jason Boothe Realtor, Blue Ridge Beverage, The Vinton Messenger, Vertex Signs,

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The '80s band Glam'R Kiti, with lead vocalist Bill Harrington, performed at the Mingle at the Market concert on July 22.

Demolition resumes in downtown Vinton



PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Demolition has resumed in downtown Vinton on structures damaged by the fire on July 2, 2022. D.H. Griffin is the contractor in charge. Their plan is to spend the week of July 24 on hand-demolition and then bring in the heavy machinery the following week—in efforts to preserve the former Red Jasmine restaurant building.

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Demolition work has resumed in downtown Vinton on

the structures affected by the devastating fire at the corner of Pollard Street and East Lee Avenue on July 2, 2022. During the fire, the historic D.R.

Music was completely destroyed; several adjacent businesses were severely damaged. It was eventually determined that those structures

could not be saved. Damages were estimated at \$1.5 million by the Roanoke County Fire Marshal.

Contractor D.H.

Griffin has brought in workers and equipment to complete this phase of the demolition, which involves 206 South Pollard (Faith's Hair

Studio) and Anita's Alterations (208 South Pollard). The current plan is to save the Red Jasmine building next door on Pollard.

According to Vinton Economic Development Specialist Marshall Stanley, work early in the week will "begin with hand-detailed demolition to get some more technical aspects of the demolition finished" and protect the Red Jasmine restaurant structure, and later this week or

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Beekeeper Vasilia McCrady of Heritage Apiary visited the Mt. Pleasant Library on July 17 to share her knowledge of bees, bringing along her hive and beekeeping equipment.

Beekeeper advises ‘Let the bees be’

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Vasilia McCrady and her hive of honeybees from Heritage Apiary in Blue Ridge paid a visit to Mount Pleasant Library on July 17. Those who attended (ages preschool to seniors) were introduced to a live observation hive which McCrady keeps in her home in the bees’ own bedroom. They fly in and out of the open windows.

She has been a beekeeper for four years and raises Italian honeybees specifically because they have the sweetest honey. They are also gentle and the most popular breed with beekeepers worldwide.

McCrady describes herself as an educational beekeeper and honeybee advocate who has created an outreach program to bring “the marvelous world

of honeybees” to the public in schools, libraries, Scout meetings, retirement communities, clubs, and other venues.

“My favorite thing is to educate the youngest—to reach them before they fear things that fly,” McCrady said.

“My observational beehive lets us get up close with these amazing insects,” she said. “With this interactive presentation you can hear, feel, smell, and even taste the wonderful creations that come from our honeybees.”

Participants in the program were able to see how bees work, socialize, and eat together, as well as watch eggs being laid and hatched. With help from McCrady, they were able to identify the queen bee in the hive.

McCrady explained firsthand the role

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Vinton Police, Town of Vinton to host annual National Night Out on Aug. 1

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The Vinton Police Department and the Town of Vinton will host this year’s National Night Out celebration on Tuesday, August 1, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Vinton War Memorial/Charles R. Hill Community Center.

Other participating agencies and organizations include Roanoke County Fire and Rescue, the National Night Out organization, the Roanoke County Sheriff’s Office, the Virginia State Police, Roanoke County Public Library, the National Park Service, and the Office of the Virginia Attorney General.

Entertainment will be provided by DJ Leftwitch. There will be free food, ice pops, drinks, games, and more.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign, traditionally celebrated across

the nation on the first Tuesday in August. It promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.

The regular Vinton Town Council

meeting scheduled for August 1 has been cancelled so that council members and town staff may participate in the event and talk with citizens informally.

The Vinton War Memorial is located at 814 Washington Avenue in Vinton.

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Annual District VII DAR meeting convenes at Vinton War Memorial

The District VII Virginia Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) held the annual meeting on July 22 at the Vinton War Memorial.

District VII includes these DAR chapters: Alleghany, Botetourt County, Colonel Abram Penn (Stuart), Colonel William Preston (Roanoke), Craig Valley, Floyd Courthouse, Fort Lewis (Salem), General James Breckinridge (Roanoke), General Joseph Martin (Martinsville), General William Campbell (Radford), Margaret Lynn Lewis (Roanoke), Nancy Christian Fleming (Roanoke), Patrick Henry (Martinsville), Peaks of Otter (Bedford), Virginia’s Old Carolina Road (Rocky Mount),

the George Pearis Chapter (Giles), and the Roanoke Valley Chapter which meets in Vinton.

Several members from the Vinton chapter attended the meeting, including Elaine Muldrew, Diane Goode, Janice Taylor, Sharon Menzies, Sheila Campbell, Chapter Regent Cindy Higgins, Shannon Campbell, Victoria Danner, Susan Doyle, and Heather Menzies.

Virginia State DAR Regent Laurie Nesbitt presided over the meeting.

Each chapter in District VII was recognized for awards it had earned in the past year. The Roanoke Valley Chapter received the:

Blue Ribbon for Chapter Achievement

Awards (51-100 Members)

Chapter Book Club Award

Certificate for Donations to Hindman Settlement School

Certificate for Viewing DAR Schools Videos on DAR School Committee Webpage

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Certificate for “Adopt A Service Member”

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PHOTO COURTESY OF ROANOKE VALLEY CHAPTER DAR

Several members of the Roanoke Valley Chapter of the DAR attended the annual District VII meeting held at the Vinton War Memorial on July 22. Pictured left to right are Elaine Muldrew, Diane Goode, Janice Taylor, Sharon Menzies, Sheila Campbell, Virginia DAR State Regent Laurie Nesbitt, Cindy Higgins, Shannon Campbell, Victoria Danner, and Susan Doyle. Heather Menzies attended but is not pictured.

Vinton History Museum updates Town Council on activities



PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

The Vinton Historical Society urges citizens to honor and memorialize individuals or organizations with Commemorative Bricks in the Memory Pergola.

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Randy Layman, president of the Vinton Historical Society, updated Vinton Town Council on activities at the Vinton History Museum at council’s meeting on July 18.

“I’d like to express both thanks and appreciation to Vinton Town Council and Vinton citizens for their seemingly endless support of our efforts in preserving the past of Vinton, East Roanoke County, and surrounding communities,” Layman

said.

“With the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continuing to fade back into our rearview mirror, we hope to have a great year and obtain even greater interest and opportunities to promote our mission—not only through individual and group tours, but through broadcast, print, and social media. We aspire to make our hometown of Vinton more visible and appreciated by non-residents whenever we have the opportunity, mindful that our primary obligation is to serve the town and its citizens.”

Layman noted that the Vinton History Museum accomplishes quite a lot in the approximately 52 hours it is open each month (Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and first Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.).

In addition to providing tours of the museum, designing exhibits, assisting with research requests, maintaining inventories of and cataloguing new artifacts, the museum maintains two Facebook pages—Vinton Memories & History and Vinton History Museum, which have helped them maintain connections with their

target audience—those interested in history and preservation.

These pages have “posted near-daily photographs and stories of people, businesses, places, and events which invite comment and engagement with people dependent on the Internet for at least some of their social connections” Layman noted.

The Vinton Memories & History page had a “reach” in June of 33,236 with 4,425 views and 4,765 followers.

The History Museum staff has been contributing weekly articles to The Vinton Messenger, highlighting acquisitions and promoting hours of operation. The museum has also contributed an expanded article in each issue of the new “Vinton VA Magazine.” They also strive to attract and engage town residents with the “Little Free Library” box on the front sidewalk, collecting over 2,500 books from donations and distributing 1,000 surplus books from those to other charitable agencies.

The museum and society continue to identify opportunities to secure outside funding via charitable foundations and other corporate charity donation programs, despite



PHOTO COURTESY VINTON HISTORY MUSEUM

The Vinton Historical Society and History Museum hopes to begin a fundraising campaign in the near future to install a cargo lift to make its second floor more accessible.

the current economy.

“Our current financial team, headed by our talented and able Treasurer Debbie Pitts, is constantly searching ‘inside and outside’ the box for additional means of support,” Layman

commented.

“Our most pressing project is the consideration of updating the access to the museum’s second floor, including the repositioning of substantially larger

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Mt. Pleasant Library continues STEAM Powered Summer events in August

The newly renovated Mt. Pleasant Library continues its STEAM Powered Summer with many fun events for all ages in August.

On Tuesday, Aug. 1 at 4:30 p.m., children and teens are invited to make paper airplanes. Compete with friends to fold and create your aircraft and paper launcher. Library staff will measure the distance of your flight.

Stop by on Thursday, Aug. 3 from 6-8 p.m. for the “End of Summer Reading Ice Cream Party.”

Don't miss “Dictionary Art” on Tuesday, Aug. 8, from 4:30-5:30 p.m. and use dictionary pages, markers, and colored pencils to create a masterpiece.

Firefighters will be visiting Mt. Pleasant for a Special Storytime on

Tuesday, Aug. 15 from 6-7 p.m. Listen to their stories, visit the fire truck, and get a fun prize. Register online to attend.

Children, ages 3-5 are invited to participate in “Building Blocks,” using blocks and cardboard boxes to create buildings and bridges on Tuesday, Aug. 22 from 2-3 p.m.

Teen Book Club, “Book Tasting,” meets on the first Thursday (Aug. 3) from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Enjoy snacks, do a fun activity, and talk about what you're reading and get recommendations from others. Register online.

Teen Art Club meets on the third Thursday (Aug. 17) of each month from 4:30-5:30 p.m. This month, create greeting cards for your back-to-school friends.

Adults can stop by for

“Book Chat” on fourth Thursdays from 2-3 p.m. (Aug. 24) to discuss what you are reading or what is on your “To Be Read” list.

Register online for specified events at <https://www.roanokecountyva.gov/1970/Library>.

Mt. Pleasant Library is located at 2918 Jae Valley Road (phone number 540-777-8760). Hours of operation are:

- Monday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Thursday 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Friday 1 to 5 p.m.
- Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Sunday--Closed

Submitted by Roanoke County Public Library.

Mineral Springs Baptist hosting Back-to-School Block Party

Mineral Springs Baptist Church will host a Back-to-School Block Party for children in grades K-5 on Friday, July 28, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

This free event offers bounce houses, volleyball, basketball, food, games, and more. All are welcome to attend.

Visit the Mineral Springs Baptist Church Facebook page for more information at <https://www.facebook.com/msbcva/>



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msbcva/. Lane in Vinton. Mineral Springs Baptist Church is located at 1030 Bible Lane in Vinton. Submitted by Mineral Springs Kids

Beyond Books

We have some exciting news this month. Coming soon, the Vinton Library will be opening our brand new DigiLab. What is a DigiLab? So glad you asked!

The DigiLab is a DIY space in the library that houses equipment used to digitize your old media—from photographs and film to vinyl records and audio cassettes. Get files onto your computer to share with friends and family and preserve your history for future generations.

We provide the equipment and detailed, step-by-step guides; you make an appointment and provide the memories and bring your own flash or external hard drive (or online/cloud storage) to store your newly digitized media on.

Here is a list of what is offered in the space:

- Epson V600 Scanner that can easily scan your old photographs, as well as 35mm and 120mm film and slides.
- PicScanner Mobile Phone Scanner to quickly convert film and slides into positive images right on your phone through the PicScanner app.
- Emerson Video Cassette Recorder that can digitize VHS tapes to an .MP4 format as well as an adapter cassette for VHS-C tapes. So, break out those old home videos!
- Wolverine Movie Maker Pro to scan and digitize old Super8 or 8mm film to an .MP4 file with no audio.
- Marantz USB Cassette Player Recorder to convert your audio cassette tapes to a .WAV file.
- ION Record Player to digitize your vinyl records into a .WAV file.
- Floppy Disc Reader to get your files off of those old floppy discs.

Book your appointment today and visit our website to learn more at www.rocolibrary.org.

We have plenty of other fun programs for all ages coming your way this month, too. For starters, to celebrate the fast-approaching end of our Summer Reading Program, Kona Ice will be in the parking lot on Aug. 1 from 2-3:30 p.m.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. we will celebrate “Play Music on the Porch Day.” Listen to dulcimer music in front of the library; and if you play an instrument, bring it to join in!

The month of August owes its name to the first emperor of Rome, August(us) Caesar. Register for this program, to be held on Zoom on Wednesday, Aug. 16 at 6 p.m., to learn more about how an awkward teenager turned around to

become the most powerful man in the ancient Mediterranean.

Be sure to drop by our table and say “hello” at Vinton's National Night Out at the Vinton War Memorial on Tuesday, Aug. 1 at 6 p.m.

Register online to bring the kids to a special Fire Department Storytime on Wednesday, Aug. 23 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., led by a firefighter from your local fire department. Listen to stories, visit the truck, and receive a fun prize.

Be sure to check out or awesome ongoing programs at the library:

- Saturday Morning Cartoons every Saturday morning on the patio from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Vinton Community Connection on Fridays from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Open Bridge every Tuesday from 1-4 p.m.
- DMV is here Thursday, Aug. 3 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., closing from 12:30-1:30 p.m. for lunch
- Medicare 101 will be on Monday, Aug. 7 at 11 a.m.
- Pick-up Chess is on Saturday, Aug. 12 from 1-4 p.m.
- Roanoke Valley Dulcimers will meet on Saturday, Aug. 19 from 10:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Create a fun thimble flowerpot necklace at this month's Creations and Temptations on Saturday, Aug. 26 at 3 p.m.
- Vinton Book Club will discuss “A Long Petal of the Sea” by Isabel Allende on Thursday, Aug. 3 at 3 p.m.
- As the Page Turns Book Club will discuss “Confession Club” by Elizabeth Berg on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 2 p.m.
- Vinton Writers Group meets Thursday, Aug. 24 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Saturday will be on Saturday, Aug. 19 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- You can Meet the Author Valerie Archual and her rescue cat, Roger, on Saturday, Aug. 19 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Teen Middle School Book Club meets on Monday, Aug. 7 from 5-6 p.m.
- Teen High School Book Club meets on Monday, Aug. 21 from 5-6 p.m.
- Anime Club meets on Monday, Aug. 7 from 6-7 p.m.
- Switch Gaming for Teens is on Monday, Aug. 28 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Lego Play is on Wednesday, Aug. 30 from 4-5 p.m.

Register and view all of our programs online at www.rocolibrary.org.

RECIPES OF THE WEEK

Oven Barbecued Ribs

Oven Barbecued Ribs
Ingredients for rubbed ribs:
4 pounds baby back pork ribs
2 tsp. garlic powder
1 tsp. onion powder
2 tsp. paprika
2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. cracked black pepper
1/2 tsp. cumin
1 tsp. chili or Cayenne powder (optional)
2 Tbsp. olive oil
Sauce Ingredients:
2 cups BBQ sauce
3 Tbsp. minced garlic
2 Tbsp. olive oil
1 Tbsp. Worcestershire Sauce
1 tsp. salt

Baking ribs in the oven means you don't have to watch them closely; it doesn't matter if it rains, and you don't have to clean the grill.

Preheat oven to 350°. Peel off tough membrane that covers bony side of ribs, if desired. Place ribs on baking sheet lined with foil or parchment paper. Combine garlic powder, onion powder, paprika, salt, pepper, cumin, and chili or Cayenne (if you like it hot). Sprinkle seasoning over ribs and drizzle with oil. Rub seasoning in on all sides. There is a debate about whether you should place them bone up or bone down—not sure it matters. Cover tray with foil; bake two hours.

Mix together sauce ingredients. Remove ribs from oven; remove foil; spread BBQ sauce on ribs. Increase oven temperature to 450°. Return ribs to oven, uncovered; bake 10 more minutes. Watch

carefully. Change oven to broil and lightly char and caramelize the edges for about three minutes. Watch carefully. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Alice Holpp's Pork Barbecue Sauce

My mother, Alice Holpp, made her own BBQ sauce from scratch: Cook together 1/4 cup butter, 1 medium chopped onion, 1/4 tsp. salt, and a dash of black pepper. Add 2 tsp. dry mustard, 3-4 Tbsp. brown sugar, 1 and 1/2 cups catsup, 1 and 1/2 cups water, 1/4 cup vinegar, 1 and 1/2 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce, and a dash of Tabasco – cook for 15 minutes. (You can add more brown sugar if you like it sweeter, more Tabasco if you like it hotter.)



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 65. A priest's liturgical vestment
 66. Previously The Common Market
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 3. Personal spiritual leader
 4. Japanese rice beverage
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 24. Excessive fluid accumulation
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 27. Made again
 28. Norse goddess of death
 30. A waterproof raincoat
 31. Express pleasure
 32. ___ Lanka
 34. Radioactivity unit
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 40. Linear unit
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 43. Whale ship captain
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FROM THE PULPIT

The Beatitudes

Pastor Bryan Crouch
Lynn Haven Baptist Church

The Sermon on the Mount can be found in Matthew 5-7. It is the first public sermon given by Jesus. This incredible sermon begins with a series of "Blessed are those who" statements. The third of these statements claims, "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."

The work "meek" tends to have a negative aspect to it in some circles. Meek does NOT mean weak! Meek in a spiritual sense means gentle, patient and long-suffering. This gives the idea of someone that always remains under control, treats others with respect and is not quick-tempered.

This might be a good time to point something out. All the character traits within the "beatitudes" go against our natural instinct.

Which means the traits of humility, mournfulness, meekness, righteousness, mercifulness, pure in heart and being a peacemaker can only be truly achieved through the power of the Holy Spirit. All these characteristics require supernatural intervention to be had on a spiritual level.

Being meek (gentle, patient and long-suffering) on a regular basis towards everyone God allows to cross our paths is an impossible task for most of us. Just ask your kids, spouse, or co-workers how you are doing in this area.

Possession of this amazing characteristic is partial evidence of the Holy Spirit in your life. Again, these characteristics being displayed in our daily Christian walk is an expectation of our Savior if you call yourself a follower of His.

DAR

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Certificate of Appreciation of Support of Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.)

Higgins received an individual award from The National Volunteer Information Specialist Committee, Eastern Division, for Outstanding Use of Technology.

The Roanoke Valley Chapter National Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in Vinton in 1961. The chapter traditionally meets at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church on Hardy Road in Vinton on the second Saturday of each month September through May.

The organization is well-known for involvement in many community-service projects in Vinton and throughout the valley each year. Membes plant flags at the Municipal Building for patriotic holidays. The chapter supports veterans and active military personnel by making lap blankets for veterans each fall and sending CARE packages throughout the year. Members sponsor the William Byrd High School DAR Good Citizenship Award and scholarship, awarded each spring.

The local DAR chapter recently partnered with the Town of Vinton, Food Lion, and PFG in a recycling project which resulted in the donation of six composite benches by the Trex Corporation. The DAR donated the benches to the town to be placed along the greenways in Vinton.

The Roanoke Valley Chapter, like all DAR chapters, is made up of women (18 years of age or older) who can demonstrate a direct lineage to someone who fought or provided service during the American Revolution.

The DAR was founded in 1890 to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism. As one of the most inclusive genealogical societies in the country, DAR boasts 190,000 members in 3,000 chapters across the United States and internationally. The DAR is one of the world's largest and most active service organizations.

Submitted by DAR Regent Cindy Higgins and The Vinton Messenger

Updates

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displays from one floor to the other and getting mobility-limited staff, volunteers, and visitors where they can do good work, through the addition of an unobtrusive cargo/

personnel lift to move materials wherever required in the museum building."

Their pending plan is to use retained funds and seek additional grants and donations through a formal fundraising effort.

"Having apparently resolved a recent rainwater intrusion problem in the museum basement with the indispensable assistance of the Vinton Public Works Department, we have less budget competition with this project," Layman added. "We do, of course, have a lot of other less costly upgrades, renovations, and additional storage space to consider in our future budget."

Layman detailed museum and town events which the museum participated in during the past year, including the Vinton Fourth of July Celebration, the annual Museum Yard Sale, Vinton Fall Festival, Downtown Vinton Trick or Treat, the museum Holiday Open House, Hotel Roanoke's Fashion for Evergreens, National Unplug Day, Vinton's Scavenger Hunt, the Vinton Dogwood Festival, the "Walk-up/Drive-by Ice Cream Social," an online Collectibles Auction, a Roanoke Valley Dulcimers Concert at the museum, and visits from local authors Nelson Harris and Betsy Biesenbach.

Upcoming events at the Vinton History Museum include:

- First Saturdays on Aug. 5, Oct. 7 (Holiday Shoppe and Vinton Fall Festival), Nov. 4, and Dec. 2 (Holiday Open House) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Annual Yard Sale, Aug. 26 at 8 a.m. (volunteers and yard sale items needed)
- Downtown Vinton Trick or Treat on Oct. 26 from 3 to 5 p.m.
- Fashions for Evergreens, Vinton

History Museum holiday tree on display at Hotel Roanoke from Nov. 23 through Dec. 21

Ongoing projects at the Vinton History Museum include the sale of Memory Pergola Commemorative Bricks. The Vinton Historical Society invites the public to "pave the way for our future, preserve the past for the future, and support the local museum by honoring or memorializing an individual or an organization by purchasing a 4" by 8" brick to be placed in the Memory Pergola." The cost is \$50.

Officers for the Vinton Historical Society are:

- President—Randy Layman
- Vice-President—Denny Dickens
- Secretary—Julie Tucei
- Treasurer—Debbie Pitts
- Program Chairman—Mary Beth Layman
- Director Emeritus—Mattie Forbes

Those serving on the board of directors include Jan Dickens, Dale Ellis, Ann Hewitt, Judy Kelley, Jo-Ann Newman, Darlene Richardson, and Doug Sowers.

Judy Cunningham serves as executive director. Chasity Barbour, Vinton's Director of Community Programs, is the history museum's liaison with the town.

Memberships are available for the Vinton History Museum. Individual annual memberships are \$20; lifetime memberships are \$200; corporate annual memberships are \$150. Members receive newsletters and enjoy special programs and social events.

Visit the website at www.VintonHistoryMuseum.org for more

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1 Samuel 18:1 through 20:42
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If ever there were ample reason to justify retaliation, David certainly qualified. Repeatedly wronged by King Saul, David always responded with respect and love. Even when he had the opportunity to kill the treacherous king, David restrained himself. Because of his willing submission to Saul's God-given authority, David was crowned king over Israel. There are times when we too are wronged by those in authority over us. At such times, we often feel justified in rebelling, thinking that we are simply standing up for ourselves. But rebellion will only reduce us to the spiritual maturity (or immaturity) level of the authority who is hurting us. Instead of rebelling, we should seek to discuss any problems with our abusive authority (Romans 12:18). If our authority continues in the abuse, then we, like David, must do all we can to protect ourselves by leaving the abusive situation. Leaving, however, does not imply license to judge our abusive authority. Only God has the right to judge and to vindicate.

Thought for Today: Abusive people are wounded people, and wounded people often hurt others.

VA 24016. A spiritual event is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 a.m. Since contracting COVID-19 may still be possible, please take the health steps that are best for you. It is appreciated that by attending you are taking responsibility for your own health. Visit www.eck-va.org, www.meetup.com/Roanoke-Spiritual-Experiences * Group* or call 540-353-5365 for other Eckankar programs and for more information about how the teachings of Eckankar can lead you to spiritual freedom.

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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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Mingle

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Magnets USA, Lotz Vinton Chapel, Carilion Clinic, TL Electric, HomeTrust Bank, the Town of Vinton, Vinton McDonald's, Roanoke County, and RVTV.

Next up on the HomeTrust Stage at the Vinton Farmers Market will be Filthy Souls and Gasoline Alley on Aug. 12, Five Dollar Shake on Aug. 26, Fuzzy Logic on Sept. 9, and Five Shades of Gray on Sept. 23.

Organizations or individuals interested in volunteering at the Mingle events should contact the Chamber office at 540-343-1364.



Employees from Bank of Botetourt volunteered to assist with the July 22 Mingle. Adults pictured left to right are Jon Foreman, Kristi Brown, Autumn Hawks, Sarah Deemer, and Jenifer Foreman.

Demolition

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next week they will begin the heavy machinery demolition.

Plans are shaping up to include building back some mixed-use buildings with both residential and commercial space available.

Businesses in the surrounding area have been able to remain open downtown through the current process, although one lane of traffic is closed on Pollard Street and one on East Lee Avenue.

The building housing D.R. Music was nearly a century old, built in 1930. It was originally the home to White Front Pharmacy, owned by Kenneth Furbush. The pharmacy had occupied the building from the 1930s into the 1950s.

Due to the extensive damage sustained by D.R. Music and the collapse of its roof, the primary structure, located at 101 East Lee Avenue, was determined to pose a public hazard and was ordered by the Roanoke County Building Officials office to be taken down on July 2, 2022.

The former Edward Jones Investments building at 103 East Lee Avenue and Rustic Creations at 107 East Lee were demolished in April 2023 along with a structure at the rear of the buildings.

The Edward Jones, hair studio, and alterations buildings were all constructed in 1920. Many of the buildings shared walls which affected one another structurally when it came to planning safe demolition.

The Town of Vinton does not own the property, but has been working with the property owners, nearby businesses, and private contractors since day one to keep the project on track and provide accurate information about the process. Property owners are currently exploring plans for redevelopment of the lots.

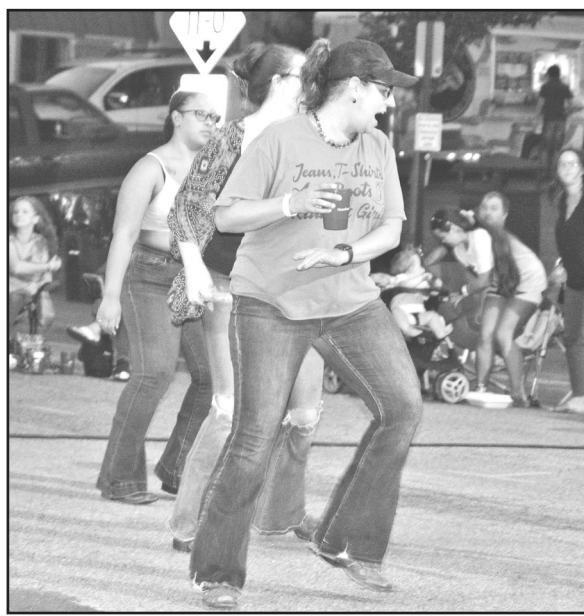
The demolition is being conducted and paid for by the owners of the properties and their insurance companies, not the town.

Some businesses directly affected by the fire have relocated to permanent addresses and are still in operation. D.R. Music is now located at 128 N. Pollard and Rustic Creations relocated to 116 S. Poplar Street. The George Lester Edward Jones Investments office is currently located at 10 Walnut Avenue (behind the fire station), with plans to eventually return to the location on E. Lee Avenue.

Once the demolition is complete and debris is cleared, the rebuilding process is set to begin.



The Adrenaline 6 band also performed at the Mingle at the Market concert on July 22.



PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

There was a lively crowd as always for the latest Mingle concert, with crowds dancing in the street, including a flash mob from Angela's Line Dancing.

Twin Creeks

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PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Twin Creeks released a new beer in honor of the occasion—Hazy Creekbank. Pictured left to right toasting the event are Mayor Brad Grose, Chamber Executive Director Angie Chewning, owners Barry Robertson, Jason Bishop, and Andy Bishop, and Chris Wheeler with Twin Creeks.



PHOTO COURTESY OF TWIN CREEKS BREWING COMPANY

The Jared Stout Band performed for the grand opening of the Twin Creeks Brewing Company outdoor stage and music pavilion on July 21.

for an outdoor music pavilion.”

What was previously a parking area, with a portable stage erected when needed, is now a fenced-in graveled area with a permanent stage, lighting, tables, umbrellas, and custom firepits “for cozy evenings.”

“We have future plans to continue expanding the patio area by adding an outdoor beer shack, complete with eight taps to grab your favorite TCBC beer while you’re outside enjoying the patio and pavilion,” Curtin said. “The work done by Roanoke Valley Concrete and Renaissance Lighting on the poles, fencing, stonework, and fire pits was just phenomenal. We’re planning to utilize the Creekbank for all sorts of outdoor fun—Bingo, trivia, live music, and maybe even a movie night. In addition to the seating provided, we’ve got

a beautiful grassy hill that’s perfect for a picnic blanket. We’re looking forward to booking larger bands and hosting exciting events.”

Twin Creeks Brewing Company first opened in Vinton in November 2016 and was virtually a catalyst for change in Vinton. The brewery brought life back to the downtown area. It soon was joined by Vinyard Station, in recent months by Pok-E-Joe’s BBQ, and soon by the new Pollard 107 South restaurant.

In 2016, Robertson and the Bishop brothers explained, “Twin Creeks Brewing Company is a dream that has been growing for years—the dream to build a brewery, to make beer, to be a part of a community.”

(The Bishops are from Botetourt County, graduates of Lord Botetourt High School. Robertson is a William Byrd graduate.)

Andy Bishop says that what started as a “fun hobby has been taken to the next level.”

Now their goal with the new outdoor stage and pavilion is just “to build a place for Vinton to have fun in.”

In 2008, the Bishops bought their first home brew kit because they wanted to try making their own beer. In 2011, they took a giant step forward from the kitchen to the back porch by designing and building their first all-grain homebrew system.

They connected with Robertson in 2013 and began researching breweries, visiting over 100 as they traveled for their day jobs. In 2014 they brewed their first beer as “Project Ale Works,” and that was the impetus for establishing Twin Creeks Brewery. Former Vinton Town Manager Barry Thompson recruited them to set up

their business in Vinton.

Their name comes from the two creeks which pass nearby in downtown Vinton—Tinker and Glade Creeks. Andy Bishop says they wanted to tie the brewery to the town.

They took classes with the Gauntlet Business Program and Competition and won the top prize of over \$13,000 which enabled them to purchase more equipment. They received some grants from the Town of Vinton.

In 2019 they expanded and opened Twin Creeks Brewpub at Explore Park, which also offers live entertainment.

Twin Creeks Brewing Company is located at 111 South Pollard Street in downtown Vinton. Check out their Facebook page for information on upcoming events.

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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.

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Yard Sales - Craig County

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Events

Chittum Family Reunion
Sunday, July 30th 2023
Charles Hill Community Center (Senior Citizen Building), 820 E Washington Ave, Vinton Va

Legals - Botetourt County

ABC NOTICE

NEW BELGIUM BREWING COMPANY, INC., trading as NEW BELGIUM BREWING COMPANY, 555 International Parkway, Daleville VA 24083.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Wine and Beer DISTILLERY AND BREWERY license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

BRIAN WOLF, SECRETARY

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. **CL23000124-00**
BPTOURT CIRCUIT COURT COURTHOUSE, 1 WEST MAIN STREET, #120, FINCASTLE VA 24090,
Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* JENIFER M. ARRINGTON and AARON M. MUSSELWHITE, plaintiffs
v. AARON W. SELLS, KRISTIN COLLINS, RICK G. WILLIAMS, EVALYN M. WILLIAMS, BENJAMIN I. GIMBERT, ELIZABETH M. GIMBERT, JEFFREY S. WRIGHT, MORGAN R. WRIGHT, AND UNKNOWN PARTIES, defendants
TO THE DEFENDENDANTS AND INTERESTED PARTIES, This matter before the Botetourt County Circuit Court upon the filing of a Motion for Quiet Title on the 15th day of March, 2023, asking that the Court to confirm the ownership of real property located in Botetourt County known as Tax Map No. 108-1A comprising approximately 5.971 acres, currently titled in the name of Jennifer M. Arrington and Aaron M. Musselwhite, as more particularly described in the Deed dated July 7, 1997 recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt in Deed Book 533, Page 865.
It appearing to the Court that because all parties to said property are unknown and based off the Affidavit filed by Plaintiff's counsel in this case, it is hereby Ordered that this Order of Publication shall be posted as an Order of Publication at The Botetourt Circuit Court Courthouse, 1 West Main Street, #120, Fincastle, VA 24090, and published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Fincastle Herald, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Botetourt.
Any person with an interest in the aforementioned property should appear, answer or otherwise respond to the allegations set out in the Motion in this matter no later than the 15th day of September, 2023. Entered this 25th day of June, 2023.
Joel R. Branscom, Judge I ASK FOR THIS:
John K. Prillamen, ESq. VSB #81306
OPN LAW, PLLC

Legals - Botetourt County

3140 Chapparral Drive, Suite 200-C
Roanoke, Va 24018
P: 540.725.8194

Legals - City of Radford

Order of Publication
Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. **CR23007031-00**

RADFORD CITY Circuit Court, 619 Second Street, Radford, VA 24141
Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* DAVID FERRARO v. MERCEDES FERRARO
The object of this suit is to: OBTAIN A DIVORCE. It is ORDERED that MERCEDES FERRARO appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before AUGUST 24, 2023.
JUNE 26, 2023
MELISSA WHITE, DEPUTY CLERK

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316
Case No. JJ004181-01-03
RADFORD J&DR- JUVENILE DIVISION
Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* VELAZQUEZ, DAMIAN XALVADOR, MADRID, ANGEL RAMOS v. ALVARADO, NICOLE MICHELLE
The object of this suit is to: AMEND CUSTODY ORDER AND HAVE A SHOW CAUSE ISSUED. It is ORDERED that the defendant ALVARADO, NICOLE MICHELLE appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before 8/11/2023, 3:30 PM.
7/05/2023 SALLY DAVIS, CLERK

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF RADFORD

In re Last Will and Testament of Hywyn Russell Owen Churchill dated July 12, 1997, Petition to Establish Holographic Will and to Qualify Executor
Case No. CL22006832-00
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The reason for this cause is proper under Va. Code 8.01-316(A)(1). An affidavit having been made and filed showing that the Respondent Michael Robbins cannot be found and that due diligence has been used without effect to ascertain his location and last known mailing address is unknown. Upon consideration, this Order of Publication is granted, and it is ORDERED that the above-named Respondent shall appear in the Circuit Court of Radford City on or before 31st day of July, 2023, after proper publication of this Order, to protect his interest in this cause.
Entered: 6/2/2023
Teste: Melissa White
DEPUTY CLERK
CIRCUIT COURT, RADFORD, VA.
Written Answer may be filed in lieu of Court appearance. Reply should be received by 31st day of July, 2023.
Kristen L. Mynes (VSB No. 94905)
Counsel for Petitioner
323 Second Street SE #700
Charlottesville, VA 22902
(434) 977-2569

Legals - City of Salem

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. **CA23-04, CA23-05**
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF SALEM
CRYSTAL YVONNE TERRY, petitioner
IN RE: Children to be known as:
Landon Jordan Pierce
Birth certificate: 145-16-074993 DOB: 9/21/2016
And
Lukas Wayne Pierce
Birth certificate: 145-16-074992
DOB: 9/21/2016

The object of this suit is to: Enter a Final Order of Adoption allowing Crystal Yvonne Terry to adopt Landon Edward Scott Pierce and Lucas Roman Wayne Pierce and change their names to Landon Jordan Pierce and Lukas

Legals - City of Salem

Wayne Pierce.
An affidavit having been made and filed showing that the biological parent, Stephanie Marie Hudgins, cannot be found and that diligence has been used without effect to ascertain the address of Stephanie Marie Hudgins, for service purposes.
It is ORDERED that this Order of Publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in the SALEM TIMES REGISTER, 1633 W. Main Street, Salem, Virginia 24153.
It is further ORDERED that Stephanie Marie Hudgins appear at the above named court located at 2 E. Calhoun Street, Salem Virginia on or before August 30, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Entered this day 28th day of June, 2023.
Chance Crawford, Clerk

ABC NOTICE
Stave & Cork, LLC., trading as Stave & Cork, LLC, 115 E. Main Street, Salem, Roanoke County, VA, 24153.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Retail Restaurant or Caterer Application-Restaurant, Wine, Beer, Consumed On and Off Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Bobby and Susan Baker, Owners

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Legals - Montgomery County

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,
Case No. **JJ019985-03-00**
MONTGOMERY COUNTY Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073
Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* Baby Girl Doe v. Unknown Father
The object of this suit is to: Terminate the residual parental rights of Unknown Father, legal parent of Baby Girl Doe, 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 reasonable likely that they 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 residual parental rights will permanently end all of your rights and responsibilities to the child named in the petition.
It is ORDERED that the t Unknown Father appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before AUGUST 21, 2023.
JUNE 29, 2023
Amie Blankenship, CLERK

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TOWN OF BLACKSBURG - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

BLACKSBURG TOWN COUNCIL will hold public hearings on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Roger E. Hedgepeth Chambers of the Blacksburg Municipal Building, 300 South Main Street, Blacksburg, regarding the following items:
CUP 23-0003: Conditional Use Permit Request for hotel use and additional height in the Downtown Commercial Zoning District at 501 South Main Street. This Conditional Use Permit request for is for hotel use and increased height above 60 feet in the Midtown Development at 501 South Main Street. The request is for a 144-room hotel in the Downtown Commercial (DC) zoning district. It is proposed to be located on the parcel known as Midtown DC Parcel 2. The height of the hotel building is proposed to be a maximum of 75 feet. A Hotel/Motel use is permitted as a Conditional Use in the DC zoning district. The Future Land Use (FLU) is Downtown Commercial, and the proposed use is consistent with this designation.

Ordinance 2025: An Ordinance Vacating a Waterline Easement on Land Located at 615 Southgate Drive. The proposed ordinance request is to release the Town's interest in part of a waterline easement located at 615 Southgate Drive at the Town's airport.

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All persons affected by or interested in the proposed items above may appear and present their views. After each public hearing, Town Council will consider action on the item. Copies of materials related to the above items are on file and can be obtained in the Office of the Town Clerk, 300 South Main Street, Blacksburg, weekdays between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. For land use matters, copies of applications and all related items may also be found online at www.blacksburg.gov/public hearings or reviewed in person at the Blacksburg Planning and Building Department, 400 South Main Street, Blacksburg, Virginia. Individuals with disabilities who require special assistance to attend and participate in this meeting should contact Lorraine Spaulding, Town Clerk at (540) 443-1025 or 443-1000 (voice or TDD).

ABC NOTICE

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BETHEL WYATT, CEO.

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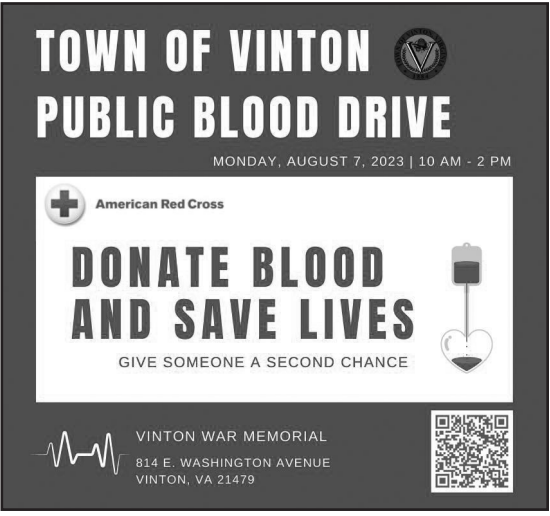
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Town of Vinton sponsoring blood drive

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The Town of Vinton is hosting a Public Blood Drive at the Vinton War Memorial on Monday, August 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

To schedule appointments, visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time>. If you have any questions, contact the town at 540-983-0607.

Submitted by Town of Vinton

Bees from page 2



Beekeeper McCrady spotlighted the queen bee inside the hive for the audience.

each bee has in the colony and their work as part of a team. In addition, she explained how bees and other pollinators play a critical role in the daily lives of humans and how we should work to “Save the Bees.”

She also brought along proper attire for working with bees and explained what a beekeeper needs to know to stay safe while tending to honeybees.

McCrady emphasized

that “bees don’t want to sting you”—because they would die in the process—so “let bees be.”

She talked fondly of the worker bees—her “little girls”—who do virtually all of the work inside the hive. Bees are very clean creatures. When they wake up, the worker bees clean their cells (rooms) and tend to the nursery of baby bees. They build the honeycomb which provides protection from wildlife such as bears,

Thrasher Memorial hosting Vacation Bible School on August 4, register now

Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church in Vinton will host a “Faith to the Rescue” Vacation Bible School adventure for one night on Friday, August 4.

This is an event for children ages 3 through fifth grade and their families, which will include dinner, worship time, class time, music and activities in the gym for kids, and a time with for parents with the pastors. Classes will be led by the Children’s Ministry staff and volunteers. (Classes are based on age/grade completed by June 2023.)

The “Faith to the Rescue” theme will explore the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

The evening will begin with dinner at 6 p.m. and an opening worship time for families. Community First Responders will

serve dinner and eat with the families, reinforcing the “Faith to the Rescue” theme.

Children will then transition to their classrooms for Bible story time, craft time and activities related to the Bible story, and snack time. Parents/guardians will be invited to remain in the gym for coffee and dessert, and time with Pastors John Hemming and Ilgha Ilunga. Children will return to their families in the gym for a closing worship time and dismissal at 8:30 p.m.

Opening and closing worship will include music and messages from the Thrasher pastors.

Registration is now open at <https://forms.gle/KpSkCigfFGniduKT6>.

Thrasher Memorial UMC is located at 707 East Washington Avenue in downtown Vinton.

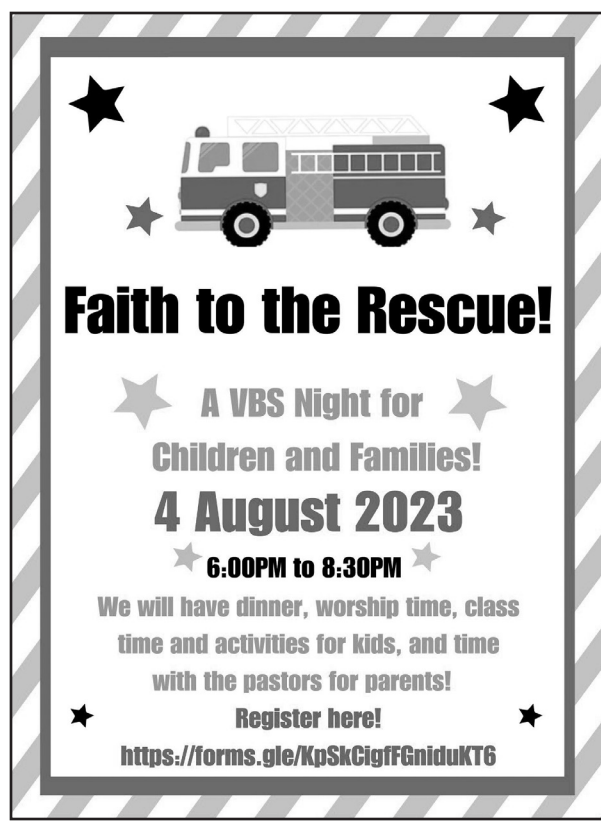


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McCrady invited the audience to feel the weight of a honeycomb filled with honey.

PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

opossums, and raccoons.

The worker bees live for 25-40 days. Once they are 20 days old, they are able to fly from flower to flower, collecting pollen and nectar.

On the other hand, McCrady says the boy bees—drones—do nothing except mate with the queen. They live for about 60 days. In the fall, the worker bees “kick the drones out of the hive” to save food to survive the winter.

The queen bee is larger than the workers and drones, with a big abdomen filled with eggs. She lives for about seven years, and is able to lay about 2,000 eggs a day. She wanders around the hive searching for empty cells where she can lay her eggs.

When the beekeeper receives the queen bee, she is marked with a dot (last year, yellow) to differentiate her from the other bees and keep track of her age. There

is a specific color scheme beekeepers maintain for the markings.

If the queen bee is not producing adequately, the worker bees may decide to replace her.

Honeybees collect pollen as a source of protein which they need especially during the winter months. They scrape the pollen from flowers and carry it back to the hive in pockets on their back legs and drop it off.

They also collect nectar, a sticky liquid used in making honey.

Bees also need water for survival, vitamins, and minerals, which they collect from pools, ponds, puddles, and other places. McCrady said that it is helpful to bees to keep water out for them—just remember to add a little salt to keep it sanitary. If a honeybee lands on and licks you, it may be because they smell you or detect the salt on your skin.

McCrady only harvests honey once a year and sells honey seasonally—she leaves the other honey

as nutrition for the bees. She said that not only is honey delicious, it is also healthy. Honey is used in hospital ICUs as a natural antibiotic to treat wounds.

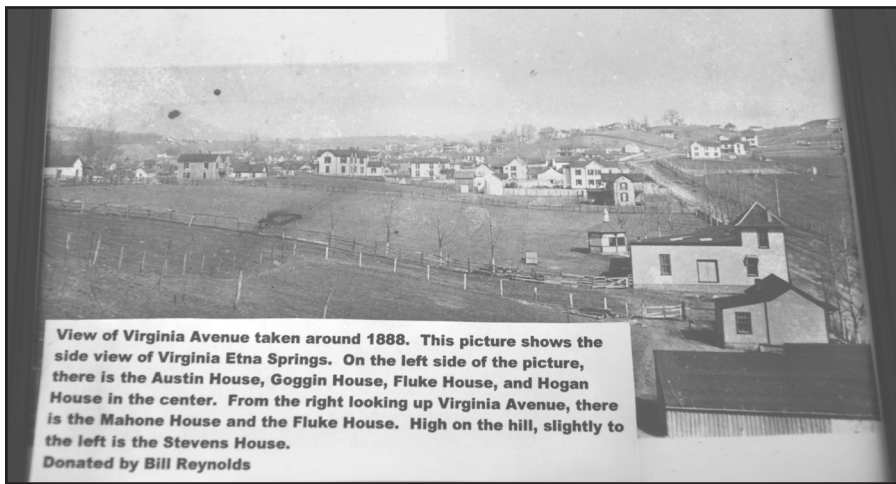
She next described the structure of the hive itself and how honeycomb is made and used. She talked about beeswax bees make to form the honeycomb to store honey, but which can also be used in soap, candles, Chapstick, and pan liners for baking.

She invited the audience to join in the honeybee “waggle dance” which is how bees communicate.

She brought gifts for the children—stickers, honey stix, and more.

Besides providing an education on all things bees, McCrady will also safely relocate beehives you may find on your property (in trees or even inside homes). She conducts tours—individual and group—for more information on Heritage Apiary visit McCrady’s Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/HeritageApiary>.

Piece from page 1



A side view of Virginia Etna Springs on Virginia Avenue in Vinton in 1888. The photo was donated by Bill Reynolds.

PHOTO COURTESY OF VINTON HISTORY MUSEUM

assumed management until he died in 1950. His widow and William M. Miles continued to operate the small business. The water was marketed on a big scale, even shipping some abroad. The company had branch offices in New York and New Orleans.

In the early days, water was bottled and sold as it came from the springs. Later, most of it was piped from the springs and made into a flavored drink. The springs were tapped nine feet underground. The plant could bottle up to 800 cases a day, employing from 10 to 13 workers.

Near the beginning of the 20th century, that flavored drink became one of the finest soft drinks sold and was found in many areas of the East and Midwest and known as the Virginia Etna Ginger Ale made from the healthy mineral water from the springs.

The spring water was carbonated and used in producing the light caramel color ginger ale along with Jamaica ginger which gave

it a distinctive flavor with the addition of the juice of grapes, lemons, and oranges.

The water from the springs was also used on the dining cars of Norfolk & Western Railway—a big bottle of the water was placed on each table. President Grover Cleveland once gave testimony to its good flavor.

One of these big bottles in its attractive container is now displayed in the Vinton History Museum along with a variety of the ginger ale bottles, water bottles, and crates.

When traffic became much heavier on Virginia Avenue in the 1950s, the road had to be widened and the bottling company had to close in 1954. The building was demolished. It was located on the site of what is now Vinton Pawn Shop.

The owners did not leave the precious ginger recipe to anyone, leaving sadness to all who enjoyed the sparkling drink.

Be sure to stop by the Vinton History Museum

in downtown Vinton to see the Virginia Etna Springs Bottling Company exhibit on display.



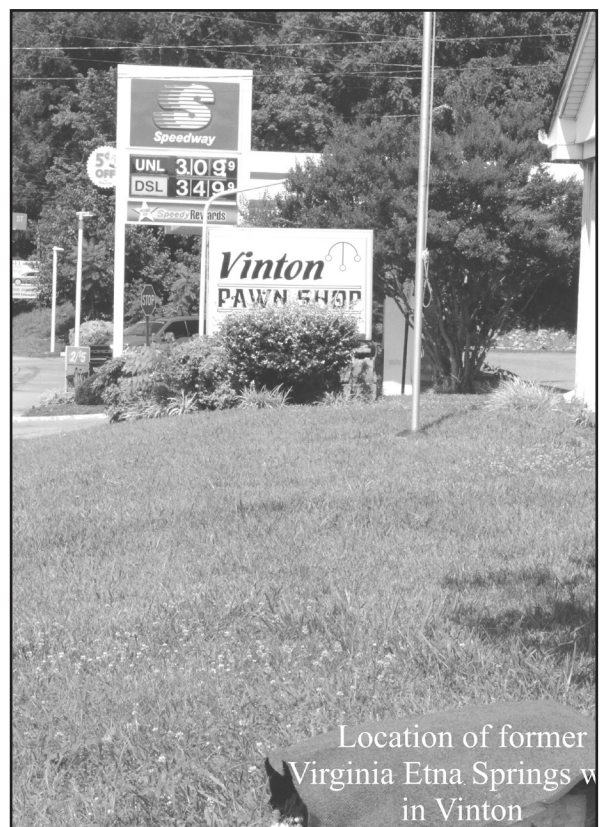
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The water from Virginia Etna Springs in Vinton was so popular that a bottle, like the one held by Debbie Pitts, was placed on each table in the dining cars of Norfolk & Western Railways.



The Virginia Etna Springs Bottling Company exhibit, created by Debbie Pitts, can be found on the second floor of the Vinton History Museum.

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Location of former Virginia Etna Springs well in Vinton

PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Virginia Etna Springs Bottling Company was located on Virginia Avenue in Vinton. The well remains today on the property of the Vinton Pawn Shop.

Wm. Byrd High football practice opens today

Things will be heating up this week, literally, as high school football practices begin around the valley. Temperatures are expected to be in the high 90s with the first regular season games less than a month away on August 25.

William Byrd High will open practice today with weight lifting at 3 pm, then the Terriers will work on offense from 4:20 pm to 5:20 pm. The Terriers will have a film session

from 5:20 pm to 6:15 pm, then go back on the field to work on defense at 6:20 pm from approximately an hour.

Byrd's first scrimmage will be at home on August 11 against Glenvar. The Terriers will travel to Rockbridge County for a Benefit Game on August 18, then open the season a week later, on August 25, with a home game against Liberty High of Bedford.



Time for football

The William Byrd High School coaches and players put on a football clinic for the kids this week on Highfill Field. Above left, Cody Underwood of the Vinton Booster Club sizes up a future Terrier for a t-shirt, compliments of the Booster Club. Above right, kids learn fundamentals as they go through the "gauntlet." Below left, Byrd's Cannin Lutz has fun with the young players and, below right, Tate Kotz of the high school team runs down a camper. The event ran for three days as a kickoff to youth practice. On August 19th the Booster Club will be bringing in some youth teams from outside the area for the "Terrier Jamboree." Admission is free, donations at the gate are welcome, there will be free snow cones for the kids, the concession stand will be open and all proceeds go to William Byrd Football. Games start at 9 am.

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Byrd's Nick Jones inducted into Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame

Terriers compete in "The Last Inning" ball game for seniors at Salem Memorial Ballpark

The Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame inducted the Class of '23 on Sunday evening after co-sponsoring "The Last Inning" baseball games on Saturday along with the Salem Red Sox.

The Hall of Fame's Class of '23 includes former William Byrd standout Nick Jones along with Reggie Poff, Matt Trent, Randy Lawrence and Roy Clark. Former Ferrum College baseball coach Abe Naff was the guest speaker for the event at the Salem Civic Center.

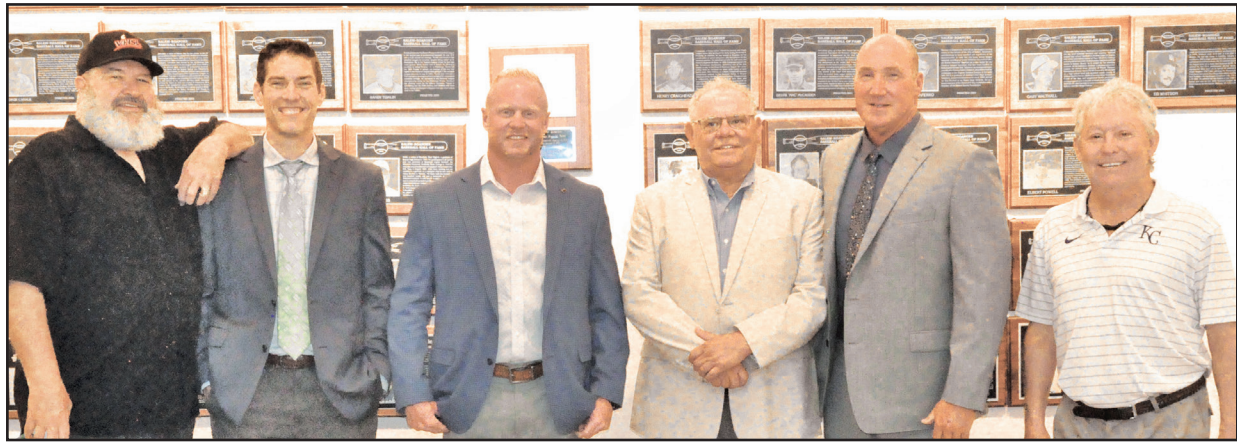
Jones grew up playing recreation ball at old Jaycee Field and was a standout at William Byrd High School, where he was part of three district champions, three region champions and a state runner-up in 2000. He was a three time all-district and all-region selection, twice named all-state and the recipient of district and region Player-of-the-Year honors. He was the Hall of Fame's Ray Bellamy Award winner as Player-of-the-Year in the area served by the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame in 2000.

Jones is the William Byrd career leader in runs scored (115), third in career batting average at .439, second in RBI's (87), second in triples (4) and home runs (24), third in hits (98), and top five in singles and doubles. Nick went on to play at Virginia Commonwealth University where he was a part of three NCAA Regional teams along with two CAA Regular Season and Tournament Champions. He was a two-time all-CAA First Team infielder and was selected to the East Coast Collegiate All-Star Team following the 2003 season. Nick is in the top five in the VCU season record book in at bats (253) and doubles with 21 in 2002 and 23 in 2003.

Jones was selected in the 11th round of the 2003 Major League Baseball Draft by the Chicago Cubs. While in the Cubs Organization, Nick was a member of three league championship teams.

Nick credited the William Byrd High School program for much of his success in his acceptance speech, calling Byrd the "Gold Standard of high school baseball in the Roanoke Valley."

On Saturday the annual "The Last Inning" double-



Above are the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame Class of '23 inductees, along with banquet speaker Abe Naff. Left to right are Reggie Poff, Matt Trent, Nick Jones, Naff, Randy Lawrence and Roy Clark. Below left, Jones receives his plaque from Hall of Fame Vice President, and former William Byrd baseball coach, Gary Walthall. Below right, Nick's son Dash shows dad how to autograph a baseball.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



header for graduated seniors was held at Salem Memorial Ballpark. Two William Byrd players were on the team wearing special Navy Blue shirts, provided by the Salem Red Sox. The Navy team swept the doubleheader against the Red shirted team, 16-5

and 9-1.

In the first game, Byrd's James Purcell had a single, a sacrifice fly, two runs batted in, a stolen base and two walks. In the second game Purcell had two walks and scored a run.



Above left, graduated Byrd seniors Evan Mullen (far left in photo) and James Purcell (far right) stand for the national anthem prior to Saturday's game for senior baseball players. Right, Mullen discards his batting armor after drawing a walk. The Byrd players were members of the victorious Navy Blue team.

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Byrd's Evan Mullen had a triple and an RBI in the first game and did not play in the second game, as he had just returned from the beach.

"The Last Inning" was the fourth annual. It was initiated in 2020 when the COVID pandemic wiped out the regular season, and the event gave seniors that year a chance to get on the field one last time. It was so popular it was decided to make it an annual event.

Between games this year's Ray Bellamy Award winner was announced, and it went to Trey Ludy of Cave Spring High School.

Terrier alumni "Home Run Derby" is at Walthall Park Saturday

Former William Byrd baseball players from as long ago as 35 years will be participating in the team's annual "Home Run Derby" contest at Terrier Stadium Saturday. The first bomb is expected to fly over the fence shortly after noon and there is no charge for spectators.

Coming into the week former Byrd coach Gary Walthall, the Godfather of William Byrd baseball, had 19 players signed up to compete and was hoping for a few more. Any former Byrd players who would

like to compete, and have not signed up, are welcome to show up on Saturday and take some swings. Terriers are asked to bring their own bat, gloves and water. There is no charge to compete.

The oldest graduate scheduled to hit Saturday is Larry Light, a 1987 grad. Larry is a current member of the Byrd coaching staff and has been active with the program since his high school days.

Others signed up, by graduating class, include the following. 1993-Kevin Saunders; '99-Neil

Zimmerman; 2000-Chris Trent; 2012-Easton Riggs, Britton Chocklett and Tyler Boothe; '13-Konnor Hamilton; '14-Dustin Boothe; '15-Cody Carawan; '19-Bryce Boothe; 2020-J.J. Johnson and Jacob Brammer; '21-Hayden Lyle, Seth Hodges and Tyler Martin; '22-Ethan Hairston, Hunter Sipe and Ross Divers.

The Home Run Derby has been held since 1986. A plaque is displayed outside the Byrd fieldhouse on game days listing all the past winners.

High school golf season opens Tuesday, Thompson is new Byrd coach

Around 20 teams are expected to participate when the annual Botetourt Metro Invitational opens the high school golf season next week, including William Byrd. A shotgun start will get the event underway at 10 am Tuesday, August 1, at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club.

The Botetourt Metro is a one day event that replaced the old Bob McLelland Metro Golf Tournament. The McLelland Metro was cancelled

by the COVID pandemic in 2020 and was not revived. In 2021, BG&SC pro Jeff Sprinkle decided to hold a one-day tournament to replace the event and this will be the third annual Botetourt Metro Invitational.

"We decided to make it a one day tournament to start the season," said Sprinkle. "The McLelland Metro was two days, but that's too long for this early in the season."

Blacksburg won the initial Botetourt

Metro in 2021 and Jefferson Forest edged Salem by one stroke to win last season. Sprinkle had 18 teams signed up for the tournament this week and was expecting a few more before tee-off on August 1. Also included in the event will be the awarding of a scholarship in the name of Kip Nininger, a former state wrestling champion who was killed in a car accident in May of 2021. Chris Nininger, Kip's father, is a good friend of Sprinkle's.

William Byrd will have a new coach this year, as Hunter Thompson replaces Tyler Goodman. Thompson assisted Goodman last year, and Scott Whitehead in the three years before Goodman took over last summer. Thompson played high school golf at James River High from 2010 to 2014, including the 2012 team that was state runner-up in Class 2.

"I'm looking forward to a great year with the team," he said.

VHSL announces National Guard Cup winners

The VHSL has announced the 2022-23 National Guard Cup winners, presented by the Virginia Army National Guard for year-long athletic and academic success. First awarded in 1990, the Cup represents 34 seasons of excellence, with six Cups awarded for academic activities and athletics in each of the VHSL's six enrollment classifications.

A point system determines the winners based on overall performance in VHSL state championship competitions. In athletics, first place earns 50 points, second place earns 45 points, third place earns 40 points, fourth place earns 35 points, fifth place earns 30 points, sixth place earns 25 points, seventh place earns 20 points, and eighth place earns 15 points. Schools earning the League's Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity Award earn 50 points each.

In athletics Abingdon was the winner in Class

3 with 442.5 points. William Byrd High was 33rd overall among 45 schools that scored. The Terriers had 25 points in the winter from the wrestling team and 22.5 from the girls' soccer team in the spring for

47.5 points. Byrd won the Cup for three years in a row from 1996 to 1998.

Auburn High was the Class 1 winner with 310 points, edging George Wythe by just five points in the closest race among the six VHSL classifications. Glenvar won in Class 2 for the second year in a row. This year the Highlanders recorded 582.5 points, the most among the six champions in the athletic competition.

Western Albemarle was the Class 4 champ. Deep Run won the Class 5 championship and, in Class 6, James Robinson High of Fairfax was the winner.

In the academic competition winners were Appomattox Regional Governor's School in Class 1, Marion High in Class 2, Charlottesville in Class 3, Jefferson Forest in Class 4, Princess Anne in Class 5 and Thomas Jefferson S&T in Class 6.

