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Olaedo Anyanwu named William Byrd Top Terrier for 2023-24



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William Byrd High School senior Olaedo Anyanwu has been named as Top Terrier for the 2023-24 school year— the most prestigious honor at WBHS.

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William Byrd High School senior Olaedo Anyanwu has been named Top Terrier at WBHS for the 2023-2024 school year. The Top Terrier Award is a coveted award and a proud tradition at WBHS, started by Principal Tammy Newcomb in the 2016-2017 school year in her first year as principal.

The Top Terrier is typically

revealed at an assembly on the first day of school with all students gathered for the announcement. This year the ceremony was held in Patterson Stadium on August 9, the opening day of school.

“Students and faculty select one student who represents the qualities of a Terrier, a champion,” said Newcomb. “The Terrier is a source of inspiration for all throughout the

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The William Byrd High School Marching Terriers prepare for the 2023 band season.

William Byrd Marching Terriers prepare for 2023 band season

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The William Byrd High School Marching Terriers band has been busy preparing for marching band season for several weeks, including an away camp at Camp Bethel in Fincastle in July.

Band Director Dan Plybon says the band will be marching about

70 members this year. The theme for this year’s program is “Mind Over Matter.”

This year’s Corps Commander is Dillon Colgan, who was chosen by his fellow band members. Field Conductor is Becca Radford. Other captains include Griffin Yakob (Brass Captain), Devin Colgan (Woodwind Captain), Aidan Eline

(Percussion Captain), and Anibeth Dixon (Color Guard Captain).

Marching Band Assistant Director is Jordan Downing; Kaylan Rowe is Percussion Instructor, and Jenny Swartzel is the Color Guard instructor.

The Marching Terriers roster for 2023-

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William Byrd sophomore Annabelle Teague attends National Scout Jamboree

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William Byrd High School sophomore Annabelle Teague was part of history in July— one of the first group of female BSA Scouts to attend the National Scout Jamboree at Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. The National Jamboree is held once every four years and lasts for 10 days, this year July 19-28. Scouts must be 12 years old to attend. This year approximately 15,000 participated.

Annabelle has been involved with the Girl Scouts since she was in kindergarten. She belongs to two Scout troops: Girl Scout Troop 478 where she has attained Senior rank, and BSA Troop 51 in which she has reached the rank of Life Scout and is working toward her Eagle Scout rank. Her Girl Scout

troop meets every other week in Cave Spring; the BSA Troop on a weekly basis in Salem.

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) is one of the largest scouting and youth organizations in the United States. The BSA offers five programs— Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts and Exploring. Before 2018, only two of those programs— Venturing and Exploring— were open to girls. In 2018, the Cub Scouts began accepting girls into their ranks. The Boy Scout program was renamed Scouts BSA when female participants were first welcomed in 2019.

While girls have attended the National Jamboree in past years as members of BSA Venturing and Exploring programs, 2023 was the first year the National Jamboree included Scouts BSA female

participants, like Annabelle.

Annabelle says her best experiences in Scouting have been the fun activities she has been able to participate in and the friends she has made. Last summer she traveled to Europe with the Virginia Skyline Girl Scout Adventures Troop, visiting France, Switzerland, and Spain. On that trip she was able to visit the Girl Scout Chalet in Switzerland, an international Center for Girl Scouts. This year it was the iconic Summit Bechtel.

Annabelle and her fellow Scouts arrived at Summit Bechtel on July 19 with only a duffel bag and day pack for the 10 days they would be there. Everything else was available on site— tents, cots, food, and cooking equipment. They spent the first day unpacking and setting

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PHOTO COURTESY OF ANNABELLE TEAGUE

Annabelle Teague, a sophomore at WBHS, attended the National Scout Jamboree at Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia July 19-28, one of the first females to attend the National Jamboree as a BSA Scout. Here she poses with the “Ascending Angel” built to honor female Scouts.

Tim Lewis makes 500th ascent to McAfee Knob

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While most people who live in the Roanoke area are content to view McAfee Knob from the valley, Tim Lewis has hiked to the summit 500 times— most recently on July 29, with an extreme heat index of 105 degrees. He took a group along to commemorate the occasion; his dad brought a cake.

Lewis is originally from Vinton and is a 2007 graduate of William Byrd High School, where he was



Local runner/hiker Tim Lewis makes his 500th ascent to McAfee Knob.



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Mount Pleasant Elementary School is welcoming several new faculty members for the 2023-2024 school year. Pictured left to right are Sara Jones, Marissa Noell, Crystal Bondurant, and Ashley Scott.

Mount Pleasant Elementary School introduces new faculty members

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Mount Pleasant Elementary School has four new faculty members for the 2023-2024 school year: Crystal Bondurant, Ashley Scott, Marissa Noell, and Sara Jones.

Crystal Bondurant is serving as the assistant principal at both Mount Pleasant and Fort Lewis Elementary Schools. She is from Emporia, Va., and a graduate of Greensville County High School. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Human Development and her Master of Arts in Education degrees from Virginia Tech and her Leadership and Administration Endorsement from Longwood University.

She has been a teacher for 16 years; this will be her first year as an administrator and her first year with Roanoke County Schools.

She taught for three years at Greensville Elementary School in Emporia, two years at H.D. Cooke Elementary in Washington, D.C., and 11 years at Stewartsville Elementary in Goodview, where she taught first, fourth, and fifth grades from 2012 through May 2023.

"As a teacher I was offered many leadership opportunities through mentorship to colleagues and student teachers," Bondurant says. "The opportunities allowed me to discover that I have a passion for instilling my love of educating students into other adults. I am excited to

expand my knowledge, passion, and love for all things learning beyond the four walls of my classroom.

"In my spare time I enjoy camping with my husband, three sons, and puppy," said Bondurant.

Marissa Noell will be teaching second grade at Mount Pleasant this year. She is from Roanoke and a graduate of Roanoke Catholic School. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from James Madison University and her Master's of Education from Radford University. She has been teaching for six years.

As for her assignment this year, "Second grade is one of the best grades to teach! They are so sweet and full of life and love. I am passionate about teaching children to read and helping all children to learn and grow in a safe and loving environment."

Noell says her maternal grandparents (Anna and Ira White) were born and raised in the Hardy area and her mother, Julie White Noell, was born and raised in Vinton and graduated from William Byrd High School with the Class of 1985.

Sara Jones will be teaching second grade at Mount Pleasant. She grew up in Christiansburg and graduated from Christiansburg High School. She earned her undergraduate and Master's degrees from James Madison University.

"This will be my second year teaching," Jones says. "I love this age group and getting to see them grow into their personality."

She loves spending her free time outside or reading a book.

Ashley Scott is teaching third grade at Mount Pleasant. She was born in Houston, Texas, but raised in Southwest Virginia. She earned her degree in elementary education from Radford University. She will be her 17th year in education, but her first year with Roanoke County. She is coming to RCPS from Roanoke City Public Schools where she taught third grade at Fishburn Park.

"I have always had a passion for working with children and helping them learn and grow," Scott says. "Third grade is a crucial developmental stage where students transition from learning to read to reading to learn. Being part of this critical stage in a child's education allows me to have a lasting impact on their academic journey."

"The joy and enthusiasm that third graders bring to the classroom make every day enjoyable," she added. "Their genuine curiosity and eagerness to learn motivate me to be a better educator and keep my joy for teaching alive."

Scott says that outside of school, "I'm always looking for the next adventure with my 3-year-old son."

W.E. Cundiff welcomes new faculty and staff



PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

W.E. Cundiff Elementary School is welcoming several new faculty and staff members for the 2023-2024 school year. Pictured left to right are: Erin Penny, Alissa Bendele, Stephanie Snapp, Ashley Greer, Lindsay Bill, Heather Everhardt, Brianna Lee, and Elizabeth Jennelle.

W.E. Cundiff Elementary School in Vinton has welcomed eight new faculty and staff members for the 2023-2024 school year: Heather Everhardt, Alissa Bendele, Lindsay Bill, Ashley Greer, Elizabeth Jennelle, Brianna Lee, Erin Perry, and Stephanie Snapp.

Heather Everhardt is the new assistant principal at W.E. Cundiff. She is originally from North Carolina and earned her Bachelor of Science in Communication Science and Disorders from Western Carolina University, along with her Master of Arts in Teaching. She completed her School Administration Post-Master's Certificate Program at Gardner-Webb University. She has been working in the field of education for seven years.

"I was a Special Education teacher in Montgomery County and was interested in working closer to home," said Everhardt. "My husband and I live in Salem and enjoy being part of the Roanoke community. When the assistant principal position at WEC opened, I was excited about the possibility of serving in an area closer to where I reside and being a part of #TEAMCUNDIFF."

"I became an administrator because I place great value on the education of our youth and community," Everhardt said. "An assistant principal role involves service to others, and I want to pay it forward. I wouldn't be here today if it weren't for the wonderful teachers and administrators I have had along the way."

"Working in the Vinton area sparked my interest because it reminded me of where I was raised. I grew up in a small town in North Carolina, which taught me how to build relationships and place value on school-community collaboration. Since spending the last several weeks in Vinton, I have felt sincerely welcomed by the school staff, families, and community."

Her hobbies include teaching group fitness classes, traveling, and being outside.

"I love anything near water (pool, lake, beach, etc.), live music, and trying new restaurants. I have a mastiff/boxer mix named Ellie and an orange tabby cat named Jax."

Alissa Bendele is teaching fifth grade science and social studies at Cundiff. She is originally from Richmond and a graduate of Blessed Sacrament Huguenot High School. She earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and her Master's in Teaching from Christopher Newport University. She is beginning her sixth year of teaching.

"Science and social studies have always been my favorite subjects in school, as a student and as a teacher," Bendele says. "I love that both science and social studies allow students to continue to grow their critical thinking skills."

"From the moment I walked into Cundiff I felt at home, that this was where I needed to be," said Bendele.

She loves hiking with her family and three dogs, traveling, and visiting as many parks as they can.

Lindsay Bill is "excited to be the new music teacher at W.E. Cundiff."

She holds a Bachelor of Music in Music Education and a Master of Arts in Instrumental Conducting, both from Radford University. This is her 14th year in teaching. She is originally from Roanoke.

"My mother was a teacher for 30 years and I grew up knowing I wanted to be a teacher," Bill says. "It was my love of band in high school that gave me the idea of pursuing music education as a career. I did my student teaching with Roanoke County Public Schools and have always wanted to come back to teach in the school system. I am so thankful to have been given the chance

to share my love of music with the students, families, and staff at W.E. Cundiff!"

Ashley Greer is teaching preschool at W.E. Cundiff. She is originally from Roanoke and graduated from Patrick Henry High School. She earned her degrees in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Special Education from Radford University. Greer has been teaching for 13 years.

"I love helping create foundations for children to love learning about the world around them," Greer said. "Seeing a young child struggle with a concept then figure out how to do the task with your help is one of the most rewarding feelings in life. I love helping children develop the foundation they will be able to grow and build on for many years to come."

"I spent 13 years working in Roanoke City Public Schools while my children attended Roanoke County Public Schools. I look forward to serving the children in Vinton, and also being on the same schedule as my own children."

Her husband grew up in the Mount Pleasant area and graduated from William Byrd High School.

As for her spare time, "I love making crafts, baking, reading, spending time outdoors and spending time with my family."

She will be helping coach the Girls on the Run group at W.E. Cundiff this year.

Elizabeth Jennelle will be working as an instructional assistant for grades K-5 this year at WEC.

Brianna Lee is a new kindergarten teacher at W.E. Cundiff. She is originally from Craig County and a graduate of Craig County High School. She earned her degree from Radford University and has been teaching for five years.

Lee has taught first grade for the past four years in Roanoke City, "but since moving into the W.E. Cundiff school zone, I have been excited to get the opportunity to teach close to home, where my kids will also attend in a few years. My husband also just got a job in Roanoke County at Cave Spring High School."

"I love working with the little kiddos and preparing them for success in the rest of their educational journey!" Lee said. She and her husband have two children and have lived in Vinton for two years.

"We have a 1-year-old little boy and an almost-3-year old little girl, who keep us very busy outside of school."

Erin Penny is teaching fifth grade at Cundiff. She is originally from Saxton, Pa. She earned her Master's degree from West Virginia University. This is her ninth year of teaching elementary education. She previously taught at W.E. Cundiff from 2019-2021. Her family moved out of the Roanoke area for her husband's career and "jumped at the opportunity to move back. I am super excited to be able to return to WEC this fall!"

She now lives in the Roanoke area with her husband, 2-year-old son, and their Siberian Husky. They enjoy hiking and spending time exploring in their free time.

Stephanie Snapp is teaching English/Language Arts to fifth graders this year at W.E. Cundiff. She was born and raised in Roanoke and graduated from Northside High School. She earned her Master of Arts in Teaching from James Madison University. This is her eighth year in teaching. She is happy to return to "my Roanoke County roots!"

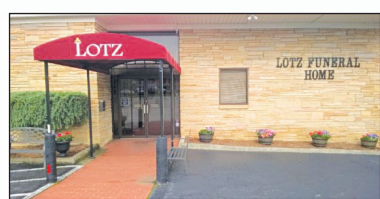
"I love to read myself, so getting to spend my day reading with kids is a true joy!" Snapp says. "I also love working with fifth graders; they are hilarious!"

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2024 includes seniors Devin Colgan, Dillon Colgan, Anibeth Dixon, Aidan Eline, Annika Hoagland, Tyler Morrison, Zepp Shelor, Brooke Wimmer, and Griffin Yakob, along with Renee Abrams, Josh Allen, Emily Atwood, Ceiliann Baldwin, Erica Barton, Aiden Beasley, Katelyn Bennett, Braeden Booth, Greyson Bradford, Hudson Cain, Pedro Cardenas, Ryeli Catalan, Emily Clinebell, Kayden Creel, Draven Flinchum, Jaxon Fowler, Sam Geist, Chloe Gill, Kyleigh Ginger, Blair Godlesky, Nathaniel Hale, Milo Hart, Aaron Hemming, Sophie Hoagland, Landon Hollins, Austin Hornady, Cary Jones, Matthew Kalb, Matthew Klugas, Tatianna Kubik, Elizabeth Martinez, Layla Matz, Georgia McCutcheon, Ryan McIntyre, Dagan Miller, Ayden Morrison, Tyler Morrison, Kennedy

Moseley, Sydney Nichols, Carlee Partleton, Genna Paul, Jeremy Paul, Becca Radford, Riley Rhine, Keith Schult, Blake Shively, Zepp Shelor, Ramsay Stephens, Kayleigh Taylor, Zane Telsch, Catherine Underwood, Dixie Venable, Sammara Weaver, Owen Webb, Noah Wheeler, Emma Whitcomb, Levi Whitcomb, Noah Williams, Aaron Wood, Sabrina Wray, and Carsyn Yates.

This year's Band Booster President is Deanna Schuler.

The marching band performed two parts of their program for their families at Patterson Stadium on August 8. The band will be performing at the first home football game this year on August 25.

The Marching Terriers will be hosting their annual Blue Ridge Festival of Bands on Saturday, Oct 28.



PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Blue Ridge Festival of Bands takes place Saturday, October 28.

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up camp. There were other girls in her group at the National Jamboree, about 40 from other councils, but not from her troop. There were separate facilities for males and females, but they were in the same subcamp. Annabelle remembers in particular the "freezing cold showers."

Scouts for the most part were able to choose their activities, and many spent time working on merit badges—a priority for Annabelle. She earned 10 new badges during the jamboree and started on another (bringing her total to over 50 badges). She chose options which were unique and not typically offered elsewhere. Her choices were fishing, welding, surveying, woodcarving, dentistry, genealogy, chemistry, pulp and paper, robotics, and soil and water conservation. She began work on a badge on disabilities awareness.

In addition to merit badge activities, there were military exhibits to visit with physical challenges incorporated, booths to check out, and new people to meet, including Scouts from Puerto Rico. A typical day included 1.5 to 3 miles of walking, with activities beginning at daylight and ending after dark.

The National Jamboree offers a wide range of high energy and educational adventures including hiking to the top of the summit, mountain biking, orienteering, rappelling, rifle, pistol, and shotgun shooting, skateboarding, disc golf, fly fishing, geocaching, aquatic sports, kayaking, whitewater rafting, paintball, and more. While Annabelle participated in archery and crossbows, she declined ziplines, which required getting up at 3 a.m. to stand in line for a spot. She completed some activities with a buddy, some alone, and some with her dad, who also went on the trip.

The Scouts completed a service project which involved assembling "flood buckets" with supplies that a community might need in recovering from catastrophic flooding.

One evening there was an impressive drone show, which Annabelle was able to view from a prime location atop a hill.

The Scouts prepared their meals on propane stoves. Boxes of food were distributed each day of camp—sometimes meals were hot, sometimes not; most were meant to be eaten "on the go." Annabelle says food was plentiful.

While most people think of Scouting as being in the wilderness with no technology, Scouts at the National Jamboree were actually encouraged to bring along phones and other technology and to post their experiences at the jamboree on social media. There were charging stations available to make this possible.

The first National Jamboree was held in 1937 in Washington, D.C., delayed for a year by a polio epidemic. The Scouts that year camped around the Washington Monument and Tidal Basin.

Summit Bechtel is located near the New River



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The National Jamboree is held at the 14,000-acre Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia every four years.



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Welding was one of the highlights of Annabelle's experience at Summit Bechtel. She was able to create a project and to meet the person who wrote the welding merit badge pamphlet and created the welding merit badge.



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Annabelle earned 10 merit badges while she was at the National Jamboree, including one in welding. She is pictured with the welding project she created.

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 - Civil Rights group
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Forbes, Dorothy S.

Dorothy S. "Mattie" Forbes, 89, of Myrtle Beach, S.C., and formerly of Vinton, passed away on Wednesday, August 2, 2023.

Mattie was born on Sunday, May 13, 1934. She was preceded in death by her parents, Russell and Avie Simmons; her husband of 67 years, Douglas C. Forbes; her brothers, Warren and Granard; and her oldest son, David.

She is survived by her youngest son, Douglas Allen (Connie); daughter-in-law, Caroline; grandchildren, Jenna, Joelle, Justin, Sarah, Clint, and Emma; and great-grandchildren, Jarian, Kaylee, Hampton, Lawson, and Selah.

Mattie was an active member of Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church and



Three Oaks United Methodist Church; she loved God, church, and singing in the choir.

Family was everything to her, and she was happiest when family gathered at her home. She always enjoyed cooking and hosting holiday meals, taking family members out to eat to celebrate birthdays and milestones. Everything she did was with family in mind.

After raising her boys,

she earned an associate degree from Virginia Western Community College. Mattie also loved the Town of Vinton and its history. She co-authored a book about the history of Vinton and served in the Vinton Historical Society for many years. She touched many lives with her friendly and spirited personality.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 12, 2023, at Oakey's Vinton Chapel. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Vinton Historical Society and Museum. Online condolences may be expressed at www.Oakeys.com.

FROM THE PULPIT

The Sermon on the Mount - The Beatitudes

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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. Matthew 5:6 brings us to the next characteristic expected by Jesus Christ of all His followers.

This verse tells us, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."

I am from Indiana and there was a time in my life when I followed the Indianapolis Colts extremely closely. I hungered and thirsted (if that's even a word) for all things Colts. Every news article, every trade or rumor of trades, every play, and every win/loss (mostly losses some years). But no matter how much "info" I gathered/read

or how many games I watched, it was never enough and I was never satisfied with what I had.

Today's passage tells us very plainly, IF you hunger and thirst for righteousness (true Godly living) THEN you will be filled.

I have found that many people that call themselves Christians have very little hunger or thirst for true Godly living. How do I know? Bibles that are only opened on Sunday mornings at church. A lack of knowledge of what Scripture says about nearly any topic. Little or no personal Bible study.

The Sermon on the Mount ends in chapter 7 with this phrase, "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who builds his house on the rock." Let's be doers of the Word, not just hearers!

VINTON HISTORY: MR. PEANUT

A unique item housed in the Vinton History Museum is the "Mr. Peanut - peanut butter maker." In 1967, Planters Peanuts came out with the kitchen gadget. It stands about a foot tall and is made of plastic. You put peanuts in the hat and rotate the hand crank located on the side of the figure.

While rotating, peanut butter comes out the right side of Mr. Peanut's head and is deposited onto a tray that is positioned on his arm ready for a delicious peanut butter sandwich and showing kids how peanut butter is made.

The fun gadget, donated by Jan Dickens, stands proudly over the kitchen in the Vinton History Museum at 210 East Jackson Avenue in downtown Vinton.

Check out the



PHOTO BY MAC MCINTYRE

Mr. Peanut was donated to the Vinton History Museum by Jan Dickens.

peanut butter maker loved by all the visitors and thousands of other artifacts at the museum, which is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays

and every first Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Submitted by Mac McIntyre, Vinton History Museum intern from Roanoke College

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Almighty God

Read Genesis 40:1 through 41:57

Joseph spent two years in a dungeon after interpreting the dreams of Pharaoh's cupbearer. Joseph had asked this man to mention him to the king upon being reinstated, but, as each day dragged on, no communication came from the Pharaoh. When Pharaoh had a dream and told it to all his wise men, no one could interpret it. The cupbearer finally remembered Joseph and told Pharaoh about him.

So Pharaoh sent for Joseph, and he was quickly brought from the dungeon. When he had shaved and changed his clothes, he came before Pharaoh (Genesis 41:14).

Joseph was going to be taken into the presence of the nation's highest ruler. His first order of business was to make himself presentable. His prison clothing and his haggard appearance were hardly appropriate to stand before royalty. Joseph prepared to see the king, honoring the authority and majesty of Pharaoh.

We have the privilege of an audience at any time with our King, Jesus Christ. May we never forget His majesty or approach Him with less than honor and adoration.

Thought for Today: Consider the majesty of God.

Quicklook: Genesis 41:1-14

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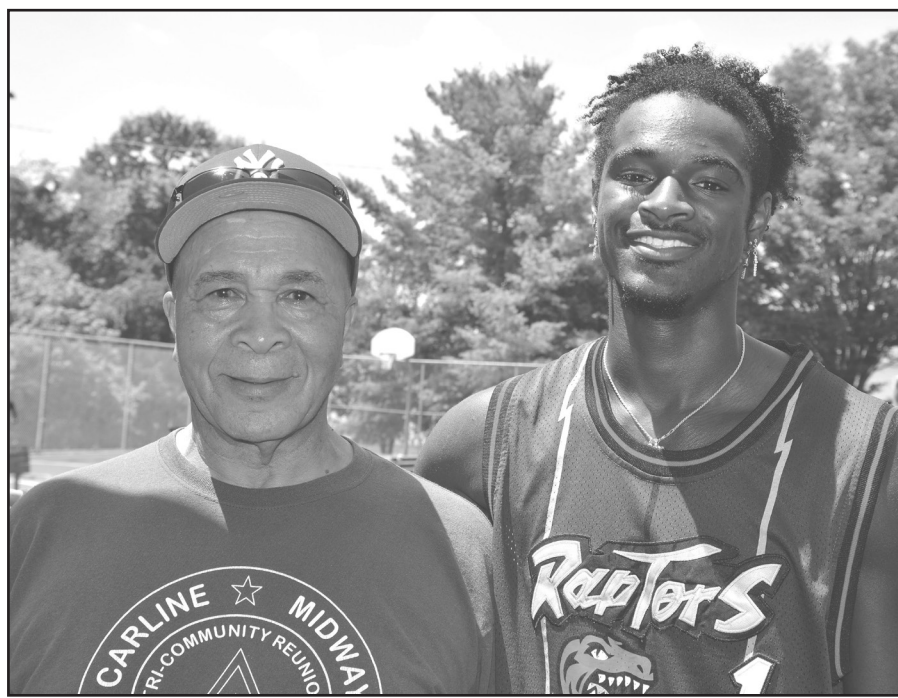
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VINTON WESLEYAN CHURCH - 246 E. Jefferson Ave., Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez, 345-3385; Sunday Worship Service 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM. Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 AM, Wednesday Night Life Ministries - Children - Awana; G-5 Youth Ministry; Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM.

Gladetown community continues a tradition with biennial reunion



Glen Thomason of the reunion committee welcomed guests to the reunion. He is shown with Jaiden Childress, who will be heading to Ferrum College soon for the fall semester.



Vinton Mayor Brad Grose (on left) and Joe Banks celebrated the Gladetown community at the reunion on Aug. 5.

Debbie Adams

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The Gladetown community in Vinton held the Gladetown/Carline/Midway Reunion on August 5 at M.A. Banks Park in Vinton. The reunion tradition began over 30 years ago in September 1992. It is always scheduled for the first weekend in August.

The reunion originated with a conversation between Joe Banks, Glen Thomason, and the Rev. Melvin Anderson. In reminiscing about their years growing up in Gladetown, the men came up with plans for a celebration of community and family that would not only be fun but would also help to preserve the history and spirit of the community for younger generations. They recruited a committee to help with the planning, which includes Harriet Childress as corresponding secretary

who sends out the notices about the event.

Years ago there were three mainly segregated Black communities in Vinton: Gladetown, Midway, and Carline. Gladetown is located in the area of the Craig Avenue Center, which now houses the Roanoke County Elections Office. Midway and Carline were located along Walnut Avenue. Midway is now mainly a white neighborhood. Carline disappeared with renovations to Walnut Avenue over the past 30 years, but the Gladetown community has remained close and thrived.

This year's reunion centered around a picnic on Saturday afternoon, with welcoming speeches by Thomason and Vinton Mayor Brad Grose. There was a memory table to "honor the people who went on before us and made our lives possible."



Chris McCarty of the Vinton Breakfast Lions Club, Harriet Childress, Jackie Childress, the Rev. Raymond Noel of First Baptist Church in Vinton, and Lena Dent enjoyed the meal and fellowship at the picnic reunion at M.A. Banks Park on Aug. 5.

PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Joe Banks, now age 83 and Gladetown's unofficial historian, says Gladetown came into existence when a number of families moved from farms in Franklin and Bedford Counties after slavery ended. The community is part of the old Vinyard

Farm which originally occupied much of the Town of Vinton.

Early residents came because of the job market in and around Roanoke City and often worked for the silk mill at the American Viscose plant in southeast Roanoke, Crozier Furniture,

the brickyard, or the railroad. Banks' family came to Vinton in 1904.

Vinton businessman and Breakfast Lions Club representative Chris McCarty was also in attendance at the reunion—a family tradition which began with his father. He

has been instrumental in the Lions Club partnering with Gladetown residents on several projects in the Gladetown community such as the preservation of the Gladetown Cemetery and the Gladetown Loop Trail.

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on the baseball team, not running track. He now lives in Salem about 10 minutes from the trailhead to McAfee Knob. He usually hikes the trail once or twice a week, on average, "between traveling and wanting to run and hike other mountains."

He first took up running seriously in 2012 when he and his dad hiked to McAfee Knob training for the Blue Ridge Marathon. He ran it for the first time in late 2014. He had conquered the mountain 100 times by March 2017, 200 by February 2019, 300 by December 2020, and 400 by March 2022.

Lewis has currently run 102 marathons, 2 Ironmans, and 52 ultras (the longest of which was 158 miles) in 37 states and on four continents (North and South America, Australia and in Germany). His goal is to run a marathon in all 50 states.

Lewis has been working the midnight shift at UPS for 15 years, which has allowed him the flexibility in his daily schedule to run up to the Knob at sunrise or sunset, whenever he wants to, "year round."

"It's exhilarating doing the same run over and over, but especially once I get to the top it's truly a unique experience every time," Lewis says. "It's always hard to come down from there. The view is so spectacular."

He has hiked and run the trail to McAfee Knob in all types of weather conditions— and even during a solar eclipse.

"I ran up there six times in a row during a hurricane last year, experiencing 70-80 mph winds at times. My coldest trip up there was January 2018— one degree and a minus 24 windchill."

He says the secret to running and hiking in all kinds of weather successfully is a matter of dressing appropriately. On his first trek to the summit at McAfee Knob in 2012, he was wearing old baseball turf shoes and carrying his Ironman backpack— no trail shoes, no hydration vest.

Lewis says he has his strategy for running the McAfee Knob trail down pat.

"I have the usual route calculated to a science. I know almost down to the minute about what time I'll get up there from the moment I leave the back door. For a typical run up there, I give myself around an hour before sunset or sunrise depending on

how good I think it's going to be and weather conditions, averaging around 45 minutes of moving time. So, it gives me about five minutes of down time to stop and take pictures on the way up and be up there about 10 minutes early just in case. But with reading the sky and with my procrastination I can alter my pace and a lot of the times I'll time it just right to get up there right at the best part, which adds to the adrenaline rush and runners high."

Not only is Lewis an incredible athlete, he has gained fame as a photographer as well. In fact, photography has now become even more of a passion than running. He uses an iPhone 13 PRO to take photos on the trail.

His photos are often of the sunrises (his favorites) and sunsets at McAfee Knob and have been featured on social media channels and TV networks across the Roanoke region. He produces a calendar of McAfee Knob photos each year.

As for how he got interested in photography, "I actually won some photography awards in Reflections contests in elementary school. But I never did anything with it. Then fast forward to when I started running McAfee a lot training for races. And especially when phones got more advanced and I got better at taking pictures, and then more especially once I got good at predicting when the best sunrise and sunsets will be. Photography became a by-product of being on my favorite mountains all the time."

Lewis has also taken up ultra running. His goal is to qualify for the Western States 100-mile endurance run in California, the oldest 100-mile trail run.

In 2014, he took on the Route 66 Ultra-marathon in Tulsa, Okla., which leads to a tourist attraction called the Center of the Universe— a little circle you stand in outside of the city. When you speak or yell, you can hear an echo, but no one outside the small circle can hear it. "I revisited it after the race, and it really works. No one knows how the phenomenon happens, but a best guess is some sort of echo from the buildings in the city."

In 2015 he did the Pikes Peak Marathon in Colorado, the "most fun race of my life," although it's the toughest marathon in the country and the second toughest marathon in the world.



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Tim Lewis was joined by friends and fellow athletes to celebrate his 500th ascent to McAfee Knob on July 29.

One of his favorites runs was the Inca Trail Marathon in Peru, labeled as the toughest marathon in the world.

"It was more exhilarating than it was tough. The scenery can't be beat, along with the cute llamas roaming along the course. It was hard to breathe or even make forward progress past Dead Woman's Pass at 13,800 feet above sea level. Temperatures ranged from freezing to 80 degrees."

He says the extreme races make him "feel incredibly alive and that I'm living life to the fullest when I do them. It's what makes me the happiest and most fulfilled in life."

"I'm more about experiencing as many things as I can at each new destination than I am about performance at the race itself. I'm using running as a way to explore the world."

Lewis says his motivation is just the joy of the sport and being able to incorporate his photography with it— and just being in nature.

He says he has encountered a lot of wildlife on the trail to McAfee Knob, "mainly because I've done it so many times. I usually see less wildlife here than other mountains since there's so many people who hike it. But also, since I tend to go at times that no other person is up there, I have had some interesting encounters."

"I've only seen a handful of bears and snakes in my 500 times up. There's been plenty of times someone I pass tells me they just saw one, but I never see it. I've

heard coyotes up there, which is pretty rare.

"I had a very rare bobcat encounter during a night training run just 2.5 miles heading south along Sawtooth Ridge away from the McAfee lot. One of the most unique was a peacock! I didn't see it but came really close. Some people just ahead of me got it on video and showed me. I didn't even know they were in Virginia and here it was on McAfee. It must've wandered up from the valley."

As for encounters with other hikers, "I've seen a couple rescues before. Most notable was when my dad and I happened to go up there a few hours after a guy fell off a few years ago that made the news."

"Back in 2015— my first time running it three times in a row training for the Pikes Peak Marathon— was actually the worst off I've ever felt on the mountain, with nausea at the top from heat exhaustion. I remember running across a couple and their big dog. They didn't even make it halfway up the mountain and it took them the rest of my run just to get it off the mountain. It was in the mid-90s and humid, and they didn't bring enough water for it."

Lewis has also encountered the occasional celebrity. He credits legendary runner Scott Jurek with "sparking my love for the mountains, the Appalachian Trail, and trail and ultrarunning in general" when Lewis was still relatively new to trail running. He was able to join and pace Jurek on McAfee Knob as he was passing through the area.

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Mingle at the Market features Filthy Souls and Gasoline Alley Saturday

The 2023 Mingle at the Market concert series continues at 7 p.m. this Saturday, Aug. 12 at the Vinton Farmers' Market and once again features two bands— Filthy Souls and Gasoline Alley. Mountain Grille will be the food truck on site.

Filthy Souls is a relatively new band featuring some big names: Mark Stegall, Adam Rutledge, and Jim Lewis.

Gasoline Alley is an old school rock band, formed initially in 1999.

The concerts are sponsored by the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce. According to Executive Director Angie Chewning and President Jason Boothe, the attendance at this year's Mingles has been nothing

short of amazing.

This year's Mingle at the Market sponsors include 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, Vinton Messenger, Vertex Signs, Magnets USA, Lotz Vinton Chapel, Carilion Clinic, TL Electric, HomeTrust Bank, the Town of Vinton, Vinton McDonald's, Roanoke County, and RVTV.

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

Friends of NRA dinner fundraiser August 19

The 2023 Roanoke Valley Friends of NRA's 32nd Annual Fundraising Dinner will be held on Saturday, August 19, at the Salem Civic Center.

The purpose of this event is to raise funds for 4-H Shooting Teams, Boy Scouts Summer Camp Shooting, JROTC Shooting Teams and Women on Target Shooting programs in Virginia.

Funds raised are through a grant process. In 2022, over \$400,000 was raised for the above-mentioned groups.

Local 4-H teams that are supported are in Botetourt County and Craig Counties. The Blue Ridge Mountains

Council of Boy Scouts camps at Camp Powhatan will have over 6,000 Scouts go through the camp range. Many of the Scouts will be introduced to shooting for the first time. Each Scout can earn a shooting merit badge during camp.

Tickets for this event are \$50 single, \$90 couple, and \$100 Patriot Package. Special table packages for eight range from \$1,000-\$3,000. These packages include a firearm as offered with the package.

To purchase tickets, call Roy Gross, 540-589-1711, or Al Milton, 540-797-7777. August 14 is final cutoff date for tickets.

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Gorge National Park, encompassing over 10,000 acres, and is now the official location for the National Scout Jamboree.

The jamboree celebrated its new female participants with the unveiling of an eight-foot-high bronze statue at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, named "Ascending Eagle." It features a woman adorned with scouting badges, holding a torch, with wings extending from her backpack. The artwork is meant to honor and inspire past, current, and future generations of female Scouts.

Annabelle also spent part of her summer volunteering at the Vinton History Museum, donating her time because she "loves history and likes helping the community." A special project has been working on the miniature dollhouse collection. She plans to attend college but has so many interests that she hasn't chosen a career path as of yet, although she does love science. Her resume for her college application will definitely be interesting.

Annabelle's parents are Sean and Danielle Teague.

Dog Days of Summer coming up on Aug. 19 at the Lancerlot

Lancerlot will once again be sponsoring its enormously popular "Dog Days of Summer" event on Saturday, August 19, from 1 to 4 p.m. There is no charge for admission.

This is the fourth year for Dog Days, with dogs and their owners invited to join the fun on the ice and in the outdoor pool at the Lancerlot Sports Complex in Vinton.

There will be an adopt-a-thon in conjunction with local pet adoption agencies during Dog Days.

Dogs Days is sponsored this year



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Virginia Western Community College launches Great Expectations program

In Virginia, Great Expectations applies to an outreach program for youth and young adults who have experienced foster care and need specific supports to attain higher education. Virginia Western Community College is launching its branch of the program this fall.

Great Expectations Student Success Coach J.W. Taylor has been laying the groundwork to launch the program. "I want to make sure is that there is a safe place on campus for a student to feel like they can come and have that emotional support and have an advocate on campus that can help them navigate the system," Taylor said.

An on-campus launch event Monday, Aug. 7, offered an opportunity for Roanoke Valley public and private agencies to learn more about Great Expectations, with speakers from Central Virginia Community College sharing about ways the program has been successful there. Participants will have an opportunity to tour Virginia Western's campus after hearing from speakers during a lunch program. Great Expectations is funded through the Virginia Foundation for Community College Education, as well as with state funding. The grant to launch Virginia Western's Great Expectations Program runs through December 2025.

Any Virginia Western student who is currently in foster care or who has experienced foster care after the age of 13, as well as those who were adopted from foster care as part of a special needs adoption, are eligible.

Great Expectations coaches help guide participants to apply for tuition grants that can cover tuition and fees for credit or noncredit workforce programs. They also help students access

resources to cover housing, food insecurity, child care needs, and transportation concerns.

Taylor's role begins long before someone enrolls, and he has spent time reaching out within the foster care community. This includes local Department of Social Services offices, child placing agencies, extended foster care/independent living programs and former foster parents, since students who were adopted as part of a special needs adoption would qualify for Great Expectations. Taylor's goal is to spread the word so this network will "know that there's a guy here who helps foster kids get enrolled."

Research from the University of Chicago has revealed that of people aged 17-25 who experienced foster care as a teenager, 54% of former foster youth experience homelessness by the age of 21, with 20% becoming homeless on their 18th birthday; 60% face incarceration; 58% earned a high school diploma by age 25; and less than 8% earned a college degree or certificate.

In Virginia, the City of Roanoke currently has the most children currently in foster care, with approximately 40 more than Fairfax County despite having only 8% of that county's population. Eleven percent of all foster children currently in foster care are from localities serviced by Virginia Western. Virginia has one of the highest percentages of teens turning 18 and "aging out" of foster care, with 35% of all children leaving foster care being emancipated in 2021 (compared to the 9% national average).

There are more positive numbers because of Great Expectations. Throughout the Virginia Community College System, Great Expectations has

helped more than 870 students earn degrees. Students enrolled in Great Expectations graduate at three times the national rate for foster youth.

Elizabeth McKey has served as Great Expectations coordinator at Brightpoint Community College in Chester and Midlothian since 2017. "Our ultimate goal is that we want to see them cross that stage at graduation. We want to see them achieve that credential and not only do that, but move into the adult world independently," McKey said.

McKey has formed a network of about 25 volunteer mentors, many of whom work at Brightpoint. Great Expectations helps participants with life needs such as transportation, or through smaller gestures such as snacks McKey keeps in her office. The program holds a fall kickoff event with school supplies and has an array of community-building activities for Great Expectations students that ranges from business workshops to dinner together at Cracker Barrel the night before Thanksgiving.

"Every step, every service, every resource that we can provide for them makes a difference, and helps them to continue to put one foot in front of the next," McKey said.

Once eligible students are enrolled at Virginia Western and part of the Great Expectations program, Taylor plans to help them connect with college resources and draw support from one another. "Virginia Western hopes to create an environment where all students can succeed. This program will supply extra resources and safety to help students from hard places build those skills," Taylor said.

- Virginia Western Community College

Bank of Botetourt posts second quarter financial results

Buchanan-based Bank of Botetourt has released its unaudited financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023. The bank produced net income amounting to \$1,993,000 or \$0.96 per basic share in the second quarter. This amount compares to a net income of \$1,763,000 or \$0.91 per share, for the same period last year. For the six months ended, the bank produced net income amounting to \$4,287,000 or \$2.08 per basic share. This amount compares to a net income of \$3,306,000 or \$1.72 per share, for the same period last year.

At June 30, 2023, select financial information and key highlights include:

- Return on average assets of 1.19%
- Return on average equity of 12.53%
- Book value of \$36.09
- Total deposit growth of 1.96%
- Total asset growth of 4.38%
- Total loan growth of 11.28%
- Community Bank Coverage Ratio of 10.75%
- Strong liquidity position
- Net interest margin of 3.25% at June 30, 2023 compared to 3.26% one year prior.

August 2. The board also voted to pay the \$0.1925 per share quarterly dividend, or \$0.77 per share annualized, which is payable on August 18 to common shareholders of record August 11.

CEO & Vice-Chairman G. Lyn Hayth, III, said, "Our financial results for 2023 continue to meet budget expectations, despite the impact of significant increases in interest rates. Bank of Botetourt continues to sustain significant loan growth while conserving strong relationships with our current customers."

At June 30, 2023, total assets amounted to \$746,836,000, an increase of 4.38% above total assets at December 31, 2022 of \$715,514,000, an increase of \$31,322,000. Total net loans increased \$54,406,000 or 11.28% from \$482,163,000 at December 31, 2022 to \$536,569,000 at June 30, 2023. Total deposits at December 31, 2022 amounted to \$645,720,000, compared to \$658,362,000 at June 30, 2023, an increase of 1.96% or \$12,642,000.

As of June 30, 2023 Bank of Botetourt reported its CBLR ratio at 10.75%, which meets the required regulatory minimum ratio. This compares to a CBLR ratio of 10.32% on December 31, 2022.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 3772 LITHIA ROAD, BUCHANAN, VA 24066.

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated April 30, 2012, in the original principal amount of \$136,694.30 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia as Instrument No. 120001762. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Botetourt County, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090 or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court on September 11, 2023, at 10:30 AM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: ALL OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND DESIGNATED AS NEW PARCEL 38A-1, CONTAINING 1.250 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE FULLY SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN "FAMILY DIVISION FOR RALPH L. JR. AND REBECCA S. WATTS", DATED OCTOBER 31, 2006, PREPARED BY KYLE D. AUSTIN, LAND SURVEYOR, AND RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA IN PLAT BOOK 39, PAGE 20. SUBJECT TO THE WELL AGREEMENT RECORDED NOVEMBER 6, 2008 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 080005516. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the

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terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagor or the Mortgagor's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwvsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwvsales.com. VA-339902-2.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 61 BOUNTY CT, ROANOKE, VA 24019.

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated October 8, 2009, in the original principal amount of \$271,500.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia as Instrument No. 1000476. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Botetourt County, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090 or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court on September 11, 2023, at 10:30 AM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: THE LAND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SITUATED IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 15, BLOCK 3, ACCORDING TO PLAT SHOWING "THE ORCHARDS", SECTION NO. 3, "BOTETOURT SOUTH", DATED JUNE 21, 1993, PREPARED BY LUMEDEN ASSOCIATES, P.C., ENGINEERS-SURVEYORS-PLANNERS, OF RECORD IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA, IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGES 66 AND 67. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser

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Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104
Case No. **CL23000124-00**
BPTETOURT CIRCUIT COURT COURTHOUSE, 1 WEST MAIN STREET, #120, FINCASLE 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 with a potential claim 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
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Legals - City of Salem

Trustee's Sale

1705 Commerce St, Salem, VA 24153

(Parcel ID: 201-7-7)

Default having been made in the terms of a certain Deed of Trust dated July 23, 2012, in the original principal amount of \$48,910.00 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Salem, Virginia on August 9, 2012, as Instrument Number 120002015, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will sell at public auction on September 8, 2023 at 10:00 AM, in front of the building housing the City of Salem Circuit Court, 2 East Calhoun Street, Salem, VA 24153, the property designated as Lots 19, 20, and 21 in Section 24 of the Map and Survey of the Salem Development Company's land, a plat of which lands is recorded at page 36 1/2 of Plat Book Number 1 of the record of the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the Roanoke County, Virginia. Sale is subject to all prior liens, easements, restrictions, covenants, and conditions, if any, of record, or other matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the premises. TERMS: CASH. A deposit of \$5,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required of the successful bidder at time of sale. Prior to the sale, interested bidders will be required to register with and must present a bid deposit which may be held during the sale by the trustee. The bid deposit must be certified funds and/or cash, but no more than \$9,900.00 of cash will be accepted. The successful bidder's deposit will be retained at the sale and applied to the sale price. If held by the trustee, interested bidders will be required to register with and must present a bid deposit which may be held during the sale by the trustee. The bid deposit must be certified funds and/or cash, but no more than \$9,900.00 of cash will be accepted. The successful bidder's deposit will be retained at the sale and applied to the sale price. If held by the trustee, interested bidders will be responsible for obtaining possession of the property, and for all costs and fees related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining possession of the property, and for all costs and fees related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining possession of the property, and for all costs and fees related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining possession of the property, and for all costs and fees related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax.

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Case No. **CL23-346**
MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANBURG, VA 24073
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Complainant, v. ANISE KEEN, ET AL, RESPONDENT(S)
The object of this suit is to: ENFORCE THE LIEN OF THE Complainant, County of Montgomery, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Montgomery, Virginia, described as follows: Tax Map No. 097-A 24 Account No. 011872 All certain tract or parcel of land, with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being on the waters of the South Fork of the Roanoke River, in the Shawsville Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, containing 1.46 acres, more or less, further designated as Parcel ID 011872, Tax Map Number 097-A 24.
And being the same real property conveyed to Sonny S. Keen from Anise M. Keen and Donny S. Keen, by Deed dated August 8, 2005 and recorded August 18, 2005 in the Montgomery County Circuit Court Clerk's Office as Instrument Number 2005009947. According to a Real Estate Affidavit/List of Heirs filed recorded May 15, 2019 in the aforementioned Clerk's Office as 2019000449, Donny S. Keen passed this life on March 6, 2019 and his interest would have been transferred to his wife, Anise Keen, by intestate succession. This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 647 t Page 35, Plat Book 211 at Page 389.
IT APPEARING that Affidavit has been made and filed stating the due diligence has been used. Without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Anise Keen, whose last known address is 1959 Alleghany Spring Rd. Shawsville, Virginia, 24162; Donny S. Keen aka Donny Sherman Keen, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANBURG, VA 24073
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The object of this suit is to: ENFORCE THE LIEN OF THE Complainant, County of Montgomery, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Montgomery, Virginia, described as follows: Tax Map No. 097-A 24 Account No. 011872 All certain tract or parcel of land, with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being on the waters of the South Fork of the Roanoke River, in the Shawsville Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, containing 1.46 acres, more or less, further designated as Parcel ID 011872, Tax Map Number 097-A 24.
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that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before September 4, 2023 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Montgomery, Virginia and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.
Entered on the 25th day of July, 2023 by
K. Mike Fleenor, Jr.
Judge

I ask for this:
John A. Rife, Esq. (VSB No. 45805)
Taxing Authority Consulting Services, PC
P.O. Box 31800
Henrico VA 23294-1800
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Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316
Case No. **JJ00376703-03**
RADOFRD CITY JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Miranda Sue Simpkins.
Toney Lee Martin, Christopher and Christa Simpkins, Tammy Sue Davidson
/v. Karen Sue Webb
The object of this suit is to: DETERMINE CUSTODY AND VISITATION OF THE MINOR CHILD. It is ORDERED that TONY LEE MARTIN appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before September 22, 2023.
July 21, 2023
Sally Davis, CLERK

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Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104
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PROPOSED GRANT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT OVER PARCEL 060.15-02-01.00-000 TO VIKING FENCE COMPANY, INC., AND INVITATION TO BID

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 15.2-2100 et seq., of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the Town Council of the Town of Vinton, Virginia, hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. or immediately thereafter, in the Council Chambers of the Vinton Municipal Building, 311 South Pollard Street,

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Vinton, Virginia. The purpose of the public hearing is to consider approving an Ordinance granting an ingress and egress easement over and across parcel 060.15-02-01.00-000 to Viking Fence Company, Inc. in conjunction with the Town's development of the Walnut Avenue bicycle and pedestrian path. The easement shall be valid for 40 years unless extended. The parcel over and across which the easement will run is owned by the Town. In addition, the Town will publicly receive bids for the proposed easement from other interested parties. Other interested parties must submit sealed bids for the proposed easement in writing by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 14, 2023, to Antonia Magallon, Town Clerk, 311 South Pollard Street, Vinton, Virginia. Any

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bids received will be opened in public session and marked for identification by the Town Clerk. The Mayor shall cause a brief summary of any such bids to be read aloud in the public session. The cost of this advertisement shall be paid by the Town which shall be reimbursed by the entity to which the easement is granted. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Copies of the proposed Ordinance and proposed easement may be examined at the office of the Town Clerk, located in the Vinton Municipal Building, 311 South Pollard Street, Vinton, Virginia, (540) 983-0607, or at the Town's website, www.vintonva.gov. Citizens are invited to attend the public hearing and comment on the proposed Ordinance and proposed easement. Individuals requiring special

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The Downtown Vinton Business Association came up with a new branding campaign to promote downtown businesses.



William Byrd Terrier football was getting underway in August 1973. Pictured left to right are Mike Gee, Tim Semones, Coach Oakes, Ricky Bush, and Randy Parker, all captains.

William Byrd football got underway on August 2, 1973, with a called meeting by Head Coach Don Oakes for those interested in playing varsity football that season. The Terriers would be playing eight home games that year against Glenvar, Roanoke Catholic, Northside, Altavista, Alleghany, Staunton River, Covington, and Jefferson. Paul Barnard was in his first year as assistant coach at WBHS. The Booster Club announced that season tickets were available for \$14.

Schools in Roanoke County were scheduled to open on Aug. 29. The last day of school was set for June 5, 1974.

Roanoke County Schools enrollment was expected to increase by 800 students for the 1973-74 school year, for a total of 24,651 students. Superintendent Arnold R. Burton assured citizens new construction would provide more than enough classroom space.

Roland E. Cook was opening with an enrollment of 366

pupils. It announced the addition of a Special Interest Hour for grades 2-5 with 13 different activities including school newspaper, drama, folk games, physical education, music, book club, and arts and crafts. New equipment included audio-visual equipment, headsets and cassette players, along with table screens for learning centers.

East Vinton Elementary (now Herman L. Horn) expected 515 students and new audio-visual equipment.

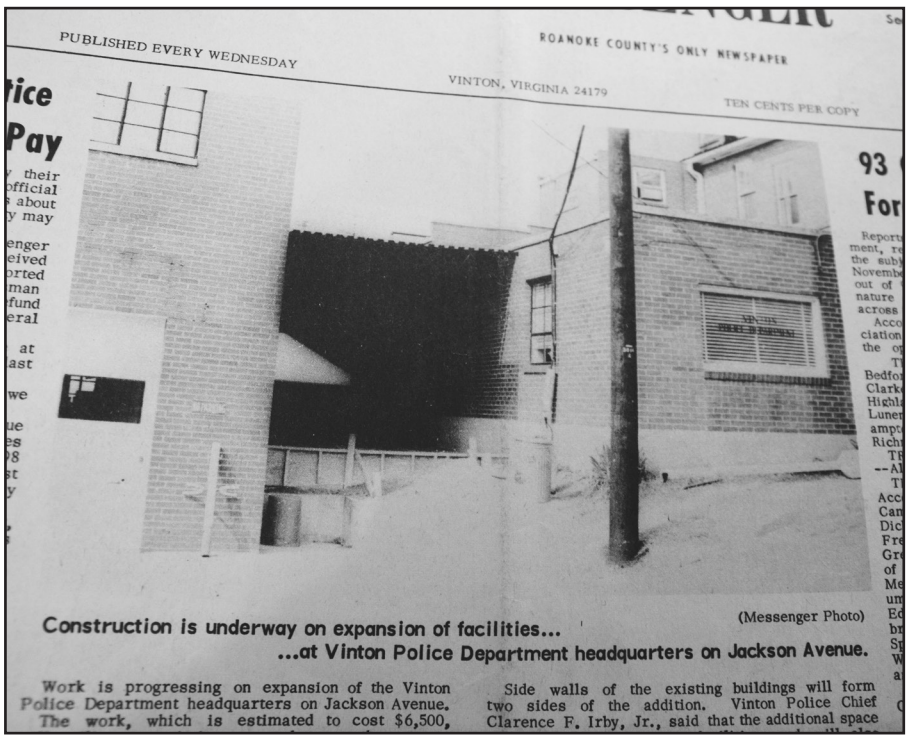
William Byrd Intermediate School announced an increase in enrollment to 1,032 students, a new music room, a learning disabilities room, new audio-visual equipment, new teaching aids and a learning center.

The Prevocational School in the old William Byrd Junior High School was expecting 335 students, \$16,000 in new equipment, new courses in electricity for boys where they would learn to work with small appliances or learn the process of wiring a house,

behavior modification goals, a new full-time guidance counselor, and home economics for boys to learn basic skills as short-order cooks.

Hardy Road Elementary (now W.E. Cundiff) expected 750 students in its open space school.

William Byrd High School would enroll 1,125 students, and add French III, Shorthand II, coed advanced physical education, Home Economics III, industrial arts communication,



Renovations were underway at the Vinton Police Dept. on Jackson Avenue in August 1973.

small ensemble, and Music Theory II.

The county schools announced that they would not raise lunch prices at the beginning of the school year, leaving them at 40 cents for elementary students, 45 cents for high school students, and 55 cents for adults. Under the National School Lunch program, families with one child and making \$2740 could qualify for free lunch.

The school system was beginning an

experimental program with the option of year-round schooling, extending the school calendar by 30 days.

Roanoke County issued building permits for 29 single-family homes in the Bali Hai section of East Vinton—most costing \$10,000 each and being developed by W.E. Cundiff.

Area supermarkets were facing a "drastic" shortage of beef. According to Kroger, the shortage was the result of economic controls

establishing ceiling prices on beef through September 1973. Farmers were refusing to bring cattle to market until the ceiling price ended. The shortage led to layoffs in meat-packing factories and store meat cutters. Supermarket ads in The Vinton Messenger were offering specials on pork and chicken.

The increase in beef prices led to an increase in the charge for meals at the Vinton War

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The Mt. Pleasant Fire Dept. and First Aid Crew moved into new quarters—a steel pre-fab building erected by Roanoke County.

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Olaedo Anyanwu was named Top Terrier at an assembly on the opening day of school, August 9. Pictured left to right are her sister Ozioma Anyanwu, Olaedo, her mother Dr. Chinekwu Anyanwu, and WBHS Principal Tammy Newcomb. Olaedo's father, Dr. Benjamin Anyanwu, was unable to attend.

school year and it is the highest single honor bestowed on a student at William Byrd High School."

"The Top Terrier was nominated by students, elected by the faculty, and awarded to the senior who best exemplifies the qualities of integrity, loyalty, courage of character, and who serves as a role model for everyone," Newcomb continued. "The student is academically strong and involved in the school. This person should be one you immediately think about when you think of school pride."

Five students were nominated by the Senior Class for the Top Terrier award. Those students submitted a resume that was shared with the WBHS staff, who then voted to select the next Top Terrier.

At the Top Terrier

assembly, the Class of 2024 entered the stadium as a group, led by the senior cheerleaders, and walked the track to be seated in the stands, as the traditional "Who Let the Dogs Out" was played.

Newcomb asked all the students to link their arms across the stadium as a symbol of their unity. She noted that the Class of 2024 will be the 100th class graduating from William Byrd.

She introduced Dog Pound leaders for 2023-24, Kate Bryant and Brenin Witcher, who encouraged the student body to get involved in school activities this year.

Next up was a spirited performance of "The Hum" by the entire student body, and then the introduction of the Top Terrier and her proud family members. Olaedo is the daughter

of neurologists Dr. Benjamin Anyanwu and Dr. Chinekwu Anyanwu. Her sister Ozioma Anyanwu joined them for the announcement.

Olaedo is both a varsity sideline and competition cheerleader, serving as sideline captain this year. She is an outstanding choir student who was named to All-Virginia Choir in 2023. She is a member of the indoor and outdoor track teams, and participates in Speech and Debate, Student Voice, and the Student Advisory Council.

Previous Top Terriers have included Stephen Olsen in 2016-2017, Abby Spotswood in 2017-2018, Megan James in 2018-2019, Emily Nicely in 2019-2020, Dylan Hatfield in 2020-2021, Chloe Harrilla in 2021-2022, and Justin Patrick in 2022-2023.

PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS

By Angie Chewning

Another trip to the beach is just what the soul needed! There is something about sand and sun that makes my heart happy. And having good friends with you makes it even better. Kim Barker, Helen Curtis and I took a little girls' weekend trip to Virginia Beach to see family and friends. We met up with Kim's brothers Tate and York Wilkerson and visited some of her parents' favorite people and places. We even got to hang out with Shannon Cavendish and Mark on the beach for a while. Thanks ladies – let's do it again!

Don't forget to join us at Mingle at the Market this Saturday for



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Helen Curtis, Angie Chewning, and Kim Barker (left to right) on a recent trip to Virginia Beach.

two great bands– Filthy Souls and Gasoline Alley. Those of you that have been missing hearing Mark Stegall and Adam Rutledge– they are in the Filthy Souls Band along with some other great musicians and, of course, Gasoline Alley won't disappoint. Mountain Grille will be there with

the amazing butter burger and many other great items. Come hungry! The Vinton Chamber is hosting a fall golf tournament on Sunday, September 17. For more information call the Chamber office at 540-343-1364 or email angie@vintonchamber.com.

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Memorial for civic groups and special events. The price had been \$2 per plate for a three-course meal. Town Council voted to allow hostess Bernice Ward to set prices based on food available.

The Vinton summer repaving program was a month late in 1973 as the town was having trouble getting in touch with its contractor and there was a great deal of rain. The allocation was \$77,375 (now \$1.5 million in 2023.) The project would repave 25,850 linear feet.

Six hundred swimmers from 14 pools were expected to compete in the annual Aquatic Association Sprint Meet at Aqua Net Swim Club in Montgomery Village with an expected 2,000 spectators.

Police reported a robbery at a local convenience store by a man with a gun and wearing a motorcycle helmet. Thieves stole a green Roadrunner Plymouth by "drifting it down the steep driveway, down the road to a hidden place where the ignition could be jumped."

Town Manager Don Smith announced his resignation to Vinton Town Council, citing too many responsibilities and not enough office staff.

Members of the Downtown Vinton Business Association adopted bumper stickers promoting downtown Vinton: "Shop Downtown Vinton: Free Parking."

The Vinton Police Department was expanding, using an existing space between the police headquarters and the Vinton First Aid Crew building. Costs were estimated at \$6,500 to add restrooms, an interrogation room, and an additional office.

The Mt. Pleasant Fire Dept. and First Aid Crew moved into new quarters—a pre-fab steel building erected by Roanoke County which was able to house all their vehicles for the first time.

Cadet Dan Darnell, a member of the JROTC at VMI, graduated from field training encampment at Elgin Air Force Base in Florida. Darnell retired from the Air Force as Deputy Commander of the US Pacific Command.



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The William Byrd football team put on the pads for their annual "Midnight Madness" practice last Friday night/Saturday morning at Patterson Stadium. Above left, Terriers hit the blocking sled under the direction of assistant coach Will Satterfield. Above right, head coach Brad Lutz checks his list of things to do and, below, Terriers do battle in the trenches. Note the new orange helmets the team will be wearing this season. PHOTOS BY SUZANNE WITCHER

Terriers scrimmage Glenvar on Friday

The William Byrd High School football players will get a chance to hit someone in a different colored uniform for the first time Friday when the Terriers host Glenvar in a scrimmage. The first snap is scheduled for 5 pm on Highfill Field at Vinton's Patterson Stadium.

The two county schools have scrimmaged for the past two seasons, and once again it will be a "controlled scrimmage." The Terriers will have a benefit game at Rockbridge County on August 18, then open at home with Liberty on August 25.

Byrd treated area fans to a "Midnight Madness" practice at Patterson Stadium last Friday night, or actually Saturday as the case may be. The Byrdmen took the field at midnight and practiced for about an hour and a half. The kids love it and it's a chance for fans to get an early look at the team.

"Our Midnight Madness practice is a tradition we brought to William Byrd in 2019," said coach Brad Lutz. "While it is our first full pad practice, it enhances the football culture in our school and community. Even though practice begins at midnight, we always get a great crowd of football families, students, friends, and members of the community. Our players and coaches appreciate that support, and it adds to the practice environment."

The Terriers have been working hard toward opening day and hopes are high for a bounce back season



after last year's 3-7 campaign.

"Our coaches are very happy with the progress of our team," said Lutz. "We have a lot of experienced players returning this year, so that has helped with expectations and installments. We have a great group of young men on our roster, and they have been fun to coach, but we have a lot of work to do. Our coaches and players know that, so we are pushing hard to pre-

pare for Liberty High School."

The William Byrd Middle School will participate in a jamboree today in Salem at Salem Stadium, beginning at 5 pm. The Terriers will be joined by Andrew Lewis Middle School, William Fleming and Patrick Henry in controlled scrimmages. The middle school Terriers open at home on August 16 against Staunton River.

Wm. Byrd is third in first Blue Ridge District golf match

The first Blue Ridge District golf "mini-match" was held at the Ole Monterey course in Roanoke Tuesday and William Byrd came in third as a team. William Fleming hosted the match, although the Colonels did not field a complete team.

The early leader is Franklin County, who shot a team score of 313. Northside was second at 319 and Byrd came in at 326, one stroke ahead of Lord Botetourt. Staunton River brought up the rear with a 399.

Nick Crawford of Northside was the

first medalist of the BRD season, shooting a one-over-par 72. Byrd's best score was a 75 by Nathan Carter, and he had the second best score among all individuals. Also scoring for the Terriers were David Foster at 77, Andrew Kiker at 81 and Tyler Chambers at 93. Also

playing for the Terriers, but not finishing in the top four, were Maddox Wolfe at 94 and Landon Haitcock at 95.

The next BRD match is Tuesday, August 15, hosted by Franklin County.



Contract extension for Dawgs' Bremner

The Roanoke Rail Yard Dawgs ice hockey team has announced that head coach Dan Bremner's contract has been extended through the 2025-2026 season.

Bremner assumed the head coach role with the team

in December of 2017. Not only has the team secured a play-off spot each season under Bremner's leadership, Bremner has also coached the Dawgs to two back to back championship appearances, first in 2021-2022 and then again in 2022-2023.

The team won their first ever SPHL President's Cup in 2022-2023.

During Bremner's seven years in the Roanoke Valley, he has tirelessly volunteered with Valley Youth Hockey Association earning him the Robert Sher Volunteer of the Year Award during their 2020-2021 season. Bremner was also recognized as a part of The Roanoker Magazine's Class of 2023 "40 under 40" for his dedication and success in the area.

"We're pleased to sign Dan to this extension," said team president Mickey Gray, "He's done a phenomenal job representing our organization on the ice, with the local youth hockey program and in the Roanoke Valley as a whole."

The Rail Yard Dawgs will raise a championship banner to kick off the 2023-2024 season on Friday, October 20. Single game tickets for Opening Night and all other home games go on sale September 20 at Berglund Center box office and online.



DAN BREMNER

PHOTO BY J. WACHER

Jammin' & Bumpin'

The William Byrd volleyball team participated in a jamboree in Salem last Saturday. Byrd scrimmaged two sets each against Rustburg, Western Albemarle and Salem in the Andrew Lewis Middle School gym, as 12 teams participated in the jamboree at two locations. This Saturday the Byrd jayvee team will be at Lewis to scrimmage the same three schools in a jayvee jamboree. The Terrier varsity team will head to Lynchburg tonight for their final preseason tuneup against E.C. Glass. The regular season starts on Tuesday, August 22, when the Terriers open at Cave Spring.

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