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# Town of Vinton networks with middle school students at Career Quest



**Vinton Finance Director Andrew Keen explains how** to write a check correctly to a 7th grader at Career

The non-profit Greater Roanoke Workforce

Development Board hosted Career Quest for seventh

grade students in the region on Sept. 26 and 27, and

the Town of Vinton was there to make themselves

hosted by Roanoke County, the Town of Vinton,

Roanoke City, the City of Covington, Botetourt

County, Carol Joy Creative, Medeco, WestRock,

expected to visit Career Quest over the course

of the two-day event, dropped off by buses from

their schools. School systems represented included

Roanoke County, Roanoke City, Botetourt County,

Over 3,500 excited and energetic students were

Carilion Clinic, Altec, and the Branch Group.

Career Quest was held at the Berglund Center,

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known to possible future employees.



PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

**Vinton Economic Development Specialist Marshall** Stanley teaches a student about building a local economy/model city at Career Quest.

the City of Salem.

Morgan Romeo, a William Byrd graduate, who is the Executive Director of the Greater Roanoke Workforce Development Board, says that the purpose of Career Quest is to help middle school students explore career options available here in the Roanoke Valley, "to see what career options are here in their backyards." Hopefully, once they realize what is available, they will remain here after graduation and help local businesses and the local economy to thrive.

From 55 to 60 local businesses were represented at this year's Career Quest—from the healthcare, transportation, information and technology, construction, finance, and manufacturing industries and more. Some of the more well-known employers were the Western Virginia Water Authority, Carilion, Altec, Freedom First, VDOT, TAP, Roanoke County Library, Friendship, Medeco, Joi Neuron, Rivermont,

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# Craig County, Montgomery County, Franklin County, Floyd County, the City of Covington, and

Roanoke Valley DAR Chapter dedicates America

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The Roanoke Valley Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, which meets in Vinton, has presented the newest DAR America 250 Patriot Marker to the Wilderness Road Regional Museum in Newbern, Va. A dedication ceremony was held at the museum on September 24, with over 50 people in attendance. Virginia State DAR Regent Laurie P. Nesbitt was the guest speaker.

This is the second marker installed Virginia with approximately 60 placed throughout the United States to honor American Patriots as the United States prepares to celebrate its 250th anniversary in 2025.

The plaque reads: "Revolutionary War Patriots—This marker commemorates the men and women who American independence. These Patriots, believing in the noble cause of liberty, fought valiantly to found a new nation—1775-1783."

"The National Society's goal is to



Pictured left to right are Janice Taylor, Roanoke Valley DAR committee chair, guest speaker at the dedication ceremony State Regent Laurie Nesbitt, and Adele Morris.

place markers in advance of the celebration of our nation's upcoming 250th anniversary," said Janice Taylor, Chapter Registrar and chair of the committee which facilitated funding for and dedication of the marker. "This dedication is designed to raise appreciation amongst current and future generations of Americans of our Patriots' sacrifice for their benefit. Our hope is that this marker will become a source of pride for this community to celebrate the brave Patriots who founded our



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BRVCDAR

**Guests at the dedication of the America 250 Patriot** Marker included (left to right) Roanoke Valley DAR Chapter Regent Cindy Higgins; April Martin, Director of Wilderness Road Regional Museum, and DAR See DAR, page 9 State Regent Laurie Nesbitt.

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- 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



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The Vinton Library has created a list of equipment available at the Vinton Library for use in preserving memories for future generations.

# Preserve your memories: Digitize them at the Vinton Library

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If the cubbyholes of your home are filled with old photos, film negatives, audio cassette tapes, bygone DigiLab. vinyl record albums, and antiquated VHS tapes that you can't bear to part with, the Vinton Library has a solution for you. You can make a reservation at the library and preserve those media digital form that can phone through the app. be processed by a computer. You'll walk

drive of memories. The service— Library—became available to patrons works for nearly a year, as staff completed research on the process and the equipment needed, purchased the equipment, and users in the process.

There is a room set file. aside for the DigiLab; make a reservation in advance (online at www.rocolibrary.org.) or by calling 540-857up to four hours twice discs. a month.

to those who have a Roanoke County must provide your own storage device or have access to cloud software.

All Vinton Library received training in digitizing materials using the equipment and will get you started with a brief orientation—in

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addition to assistance from the very detailed binder of instructions, developed by Library Assistant Molly Meador, who has become the "point person" for the

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Meador, who earned The DigiLab is free her Master's degree in photography and Roanoke County integrated media, Library card. You learned many of her digitizing skills from her courses and has taught herself the rest.

So far, the majority of patrons are using the staff members have equipment to preserve old VHS tapes and there are more seniors and middle-aged users than young adults.

She asks that before coming in, you please make sure the materials you are planning digitize—tapes, negatives, film, etc.—are free of residue that might harm the equipment and aren't degraded.

Meador says the Vinton Library delighted to add another service to its repertoire, and one that will simplify the trips down memory lane.

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# Vinton Fall Festival coming up October 7

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The Town of Vinton is well-known for its festivals and special events—most notably the Dogwood Festival, the Christmas Parade, the Fourth of July Fireworks show, downtown Trick or Treat, and, in recent years, the Santa Crawl.

A perennial favorite is coming up on October 7—the Vinton Fall Festival, which takes over downtown Vinton for a

This year's event runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and then is followed in the evening by the final Mingle at the Market concert of the season from 6 to 9 p.m. featuring Gypsy Nix & Shattered

The Vinton Breakfast Lions Club will be holding the annual All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast to start off the day.

This year's festival will feature live entertainment on the Market Stage, food and craft vendors, a Kids Zone, petting zoo, and a doggie costume contest.

Entertainment on the Market Stage includes:

10-10:30 a.m. FAME

All-Stars

10:30-10:45

Christian "Ninja" 10:45-11:45 a.m. Mish Moves Dance

11:45 a.m. to noon

Christian "Ninja" 12-1:00 p.m. Floyd

Ward Dance Doggie 1-2 p.m. Costume Contest, sponsored by Pawsh Dog

Food vendors include Empanada, Kefi LLC, Sweet Temptations, Royal Creamery & Icery, Hangrey, Christ's Fellowship Church, and Peggy Turner.

Craft vendors for Fall Festival are Colorful Creations by Calli, Fusion of Glass, Twisted Flames Candle, Co., Revelation Music Ministries, Missy's Gifts, Sweet Magnolia Wax & Co., Sally's Knits, Shelly Guthrie, Happy Bees Apiary, Jade and Reese Children's, Mary Kay, Earth's Essentials Apothecary, Crickets Echo, Ari's Radiant Resin, Old Morris Farm, Carriage House Studio, Valley Vet Goods, Designing Divas, Pink Zebra, Handcrafted by Mema LLC, Crafts and Cats and More, the Pink Beret, Humble Craft & Creations, Kayys Crochet, Colorstreet, Ifugzwitit, Timeless Treasures, Express Bag Co., Blue

Ridge Crochet Works, Jay's Nice Knits, Nana's Nifty Crafts, Nona's Friendship Bread, Doxie Ink, Mary Ashe Draws, Dragonfly Sunrise LLC, The Crafty Sisters, Debbie Peters, Parkway Candles, DKFizzles, Pat Grim, The Autumn Moon Co., Frances Garrett, Ann's Applebutter, MayBee & Co, Sweet Bee Stitches, Trades of Hope, Momma Stalk Bean LLC, Michael Eldert, Hippie Lou Studio, Joe's Wood Art, Mama Jojo One Stop Shop, P.J. Pickens, Paparazzi Jewelry, and Bradley Grace Gift Shop.

Other vendors include the Roanoke County Republican Committee, Gideon's International, Norwex, PopUp Smoke Shop, Excel Martial Arts, Wendy Wynne-Dream Vacations, Hope Tree Foster Care, Off Leash K9 Training, Gospel Light Baptist Church, Ducks on a Mission, Roanoke County Sheriff's Dept., Grumpaw's Tackle, Gillespie Agency, MeadorCare LLC, Our Lady of the Valley, Valley Church-Reach Ministry, Aphrodite Salon & Spa, MemberOne, Therapies Co. and South Roanoke Nursing &

# School board announces student recognitions, SOL scores exceed state average



WBHS student Makenna Jacobsen (front left) was recognized by the Roanoke County School Board at their meeting on Sept. 21 for her participation in the prestigious Governor's World Language Academy in Spanish for three weeks this summer. Ash Styles (front right) was recognized for Latin Academy. Pictured in the back row, left to right, are School Board member Mike Wray, Chair Brent Hudson, member David Linden, and School Superintendent Dr. Ken Nicely.

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The Roanoke County School Board recognized William Byrd High School and W. E. Cundiff Elementary School at its meeting September 21.

WBHS student Makenna Jacobsen was commended for qualifying for, and participating in, the Governor's World Language Academy for Spanish—a three-week immersion experience over the summer at Washington and Lee University in Lexington. Students in the program must be on at least level three of the language prior to the beginning of the academy, must have developed good proficiency, and must be willing to use the target language for all social and academic interactions during the academy.

According to the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE), "For the duration of the program, the Commonwealth's most motivated and talented world language students participate in intense language and culture study, while being required to only speak, read, write, and listen to Spanish. The selected

students are local, but the faculty and staff come with backgrounds from all parts of the world. From morning to evening, students participate in a variety of activities and classes which promote the varied target language cultures and language forms."

"Makenna is one of the most enthusiastic, compassionate, charismatic, and intellectually curious students that I have ever taught," her teacher Brittany Martin said. "In addition, she is meticulous in everything she does, thrives in new situations, and always has a positive and welcoming attitude that allows her to work well with others. All of these qualities made her an ideal candidate for the Virginia Governor's Spanish Academy. I knew that she would take full advantage of this opportunity to greatly improve her second language skills and deepen her understanding of the Spanish speaking world. Makenna not only lived up to those expectations,

but she surpassed them." Northside High School student Ash Styles was recognized for participation

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# **Vinton History Museum holds** | **V**INTON HISTORY: 'Collectibles, Vintage, Quilts, | Milk Glass and Holiday Sale' at Fall Festival

The Vinton History Museum, as part of the Vinton Fall Festival, is conducting a "Collectibles, Vintage, and Holiday Sale" on the lawn of the Vinton History Museum beginning at 10 a.m. on October 7.

A variety of collectibles, woven baskets, dolls, decorating items, crystal, china, stoneware, jewelry, miniatures, holiday decorations, Memory Pergola bricks, and much more will be available for purchase.

All proceeds will benefit Vinton History Museum operation and maintenance.

The items were generously donated by friends of the Vinton Historical Society.

Rehab.

The Thrasher Quilters will also have handmade quilts on sale in the pergola at the Vinton History Museum on Fall Festival Day. They will be selling kids and lap quilts, as well as table toppers and wall hangings.

The Vinton History Museum is located at 210 E. Jackson Ave. For more information email info@ vintonhistorymuseum.org or (540)342-

Submitted by Vinton Historical Society



Milk Glass on display at Vinton History Museum

Milk glass, an opaque white glass, came into fashion during the Victorian years because it offered an economical alternative to fine china and porcelain.

Popularity decreased during the 1930s as colored Depression glass and carnival glass came into fashion, but milk glass had a resurgence in the 1950s and 1960s.

milk, Like this type of glass is mostly opaque. If you hold a piece of pink depression glass up to the light, you can see right through it. In contrast, the opaque milk glass blocks most of the light.

Most milk glass pure Manufacturers mostly used milk glass to create decorative items like

Pictured is a milk

glass vase and punch

along with thousands of other artifacts. vases, pitchers, cake You are invited to visit stands, punch bowls, the museum Monday, and dessert dishes.

Wednesday, Friday and every first Saturday,



10 a.m.-2 p.m. The bowl set on display at the Vinton History Museum museum is located at 210 East Jackson Avenue in downtown Vinton.

Submitted by Judy Cunningham, Executive Director of the Vinton History Museum

# WBMS honors Staff Member of the Week - Whitney Peters

Each week the William Byrd Middle School football team is honoring a staff member selected and voted on by the players. During the week of Sept.

18, the team honored Social Studies teacher Whitney Peters. The Teacher of the Week is presented

with the "88 Jersey" for the week,

paying homage to 1988 when William Byrd Middle School was built.

"Thank you, Mrs. Peters, for being an enjoyable and warm-hearted Submitted by William Byrd Middle

School, Head Football Coach Ryan



Hutchison

**Teacher of the Week Whitney Peters** 

PHOTO COURTESY OF WBMS

(third place)

# Vinton-area businesses named to 'Best of Roanoke'

Several Vinton-area businesses have been voted as the "Best of Roanoke" in a Roanoke Times poll. They include:

Best Law Enforcement Officer— Myke Caldwell, Vinton Police Dept.

Best Tanning Salon—Glo Custom Tanning on Walnut Avenue (winner) Best Live Music Venue—Rosie's Gaming Emporium (third place)

Best Place to Have a Corporate Meeting/Conference—Vinton Memorial (second place)

Best Place to Work (more than 50 employees)—Rosie's Gaming Emporium (second place)

Best Bakery—Our Daily Bread Bakery & Bistro (winner)

Best Brewery-Twin Creeks Brewing Co. (third place) Best Burger—Farmburguesa (third

place) Best Italian—Sal's Italian Restau-

rant (winner) Best Pizza—New York Pizza (win-

Best Dentist—Cross, Lavinder, Quinn, & Park Family Dentistry (winner); Henritze Dental Group (third place)

Best Family Doctor-Dr. C. Mark Watts, Parkway Physicians Vinton (second place) Best Home Goods—Robbins Nest

(third place) Best Roofing Company-Vinton

Roofing (second place) Best Customer Service—Rosie's Gaming Emporium (second place)

Best Florist/Nursery—Flowers by Eddie (third place)

Best Pet Groomer—Pretty Paws Dog & Cat Grooming Salon, LLC

(winner) Best Place to Work—Bank of Bote-

tourt (winner) Best Bank—Bank of Botetourt (winner)

Best Real Estate Agency-Mountain View Realty (second place)

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Employees representing the Town of Vinton at Career Quest included (front row, left to right) Chasity Barbour, Mandie Baker, Caroline Loveland, Julie Tucei, Amanda Payne, Will Holland, and Jesse Dibble; back row, Justin Baker, Fabricio Drumond, Keith Childress, Billy Robb, Bo Herndon, Marshall Stanley, Donna Collins, and Andrew Keen.

James Madison University, Virginia Western Community College, Goodwill, Yokohama, Stroke of Genius, Quest, Mersen, WestRock, Varney, Servpro, Wabtec, the SPCA, BSI, Eldon, Branch, Genesis, DS Smith, Wurth, OCC, MAAG, Star Flight, and Kroger, in addition to the Town of Vinton.

Many of the businesses and organizations had hands-on activities to engage student interest. The Town of Vinton brought along their new Military Appreciation Vehicle for students to explore,

supervised by Officer Jesse Dibble.

Vinton's Economic Specialist Marshall Stanley helped students build model cities while discussing what it takes to make up a local economy. Finance Director Andrew Keen taught students how to write checks. Julie Tucei, with Planning and Zoning, explained the workings of the stormwater system in a Wheel of Fortune game format.

Public Works employees Billy Robb and Keith Childress allowed students to explore (climb on) some of the town's construction equipment; Resource Officer Will Holland helped students don police apparel. Amanda Payne and Caroline Loveland from the Vinton War Memorial demonstrated and taught hospitality skills by folding dinner napkins.

The Town of Vinton has participated in Career Quest in the past, but this year they expanded their efforts to include representatives from all departments.

Vinton Human Resources and Risk Management Director Donna Collins said that their goal was to "expose seventh graders to the public sector."



Public Works employee Billy Robb answers questions about heavy equipment at Career Quest.



Officer Jesse Dibble talks about careers while showing a student the new Vinton Military Appreciation vehicle.



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Headey

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54. One point east of northeast 58. Get free of

# Former Vinton Town Manager Lawrence named Montgomery County Deputy Administrator

Chris Lawrence has been named Montgomery County's Deputy County Administrator effective Oct. 16, 2023. Lawrence served as Town Manager in Vinton from 2008-2016 and then as Deputy Town Manager for the Town of Blacksburg. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Virginia Tech and serves as an adjunct instructor in the School of Public and International Affairs at Virginia Tech.

In his new position, Lawrence will assist the county administrator with special projects and daily administration of Montgomery County. In addition, the position is responsible for leadership of assigned county department directors, as well as conducting fiscal, policy, management, operational, and organizational

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analysis for the county.

During his years in Vinton, Lawrence provided leadership for projects involving downtown revitalization, the new Vinton Library, expansion of the greenway trails, investment in water and sewer infrastructure, and a new Walnut Avenue bridge. He worked diligently to build strong partnerships with the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce and improve relationships between the town and the business comwith Town Council, town Montgomery County. staff, and the community on numerous projects and Herman L. Horn Elemenand play."

Heather were actively in- Commerce. volved in the Vinton community - in the PTA at Report

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# Beyond Books- October

By Molly Meador, Vinton Library Assistant

Fall is officially here and so is the Halloween season. Whether you're looking to get in the fall spirit and celebrate the sweater weather, or to be thoroughly spooked, we've got something happening at the Vinton Library just for

Planning on coming to the Vinton Fall Festival on Saturday, October 7? Stop by the library between 10 a.m.-4 p.m. with the whole family for yard games and to spin our prize wheel and see what you get.

We'll also have the RCACP Adoption Fair from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Come for the fun fall activities and leave with a new

"furever" friend!

We've got some great things planned for the Vinton Community Connection this month. From games to coloring, and adult storytime, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Join us on Fridays from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. to enjoy activities, programs, and just to chat with your neighbors over a free cup of

Do you ever find yourself staring at your fridge, not knowing what to make for dinner? Come to Meal Planning 101 on Thursday, October 12 at 6 p.m. to learn the basics of how to plan your meals ahead of time, lessen the stress and just enjoy your food! This month's Creations and

Temptations will be on Saturday, October 21 from 3-4 p.m. We will be making lovely decoupage clothespin magnets. Register online to come make this adorable craft. Get yourself ready for Halloween by

coming to our Paranormal Program with the Research Society Virginia Paranormal on Wednesday, October 18 at 6 p.m. Come by to learn about all things supernatural from local researchers. This month the Vinton Book Club will

read and discuss "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks on Thursday, October 5 from 3-4 p.m. The As the Page Turns Book Club will discuss "The French Braid" by Anne Tyler on Wednesday, October 11 from 2-3 p.m. Open Bridge continues every Tuesday

from 1-4 p.m. Our next Medicare 101 session will be Monday, October 2 at The DMV will be here Thursday,

October 5 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., closing from 12:30-1:30 for lunch. online Register www.

regionfiveadulted.com for free GED Classes, held every Tuesday and Thursday from 5-7 p.m. Come by for a game of Pick-up Chess on Saturday, October 14 from 1-4 p.m.

The Roanoke Valley Dulcimers will

meet Saturday, October 21 from 10:15 a.m.-11:30 p.m. Register online for the Vinton Writers

Group, meeting on Thursday, October

26 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Don't forget to come by for Saturday Morning Cartoons, before it gets too cold, every Saturday from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. The Mill Mountain Theater will be here on Friday, October 13 from 11

a.m.-12 p.m. for a delightful musical production of "Stellaluna," based on the popular books by Janell Cannon, featuring Stellaluna the bat, Verdi the snake, and Pinduli the hyena. Register online to attend.

Also, don't forget to register for Caturday, on Saturday, October 28 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Register for Anime Club on Monday,

October 9 from 6-7 p.m. Book Chat for Middle Schoolers will meet Monday, October 16 from 5-6 p.m., followed by Book Club for High Schoolers from 6-7 We will have a Pre-K Halloween Party

on Tuesday, October 31 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Register online and come dressed in your costume to hear fun Halloween stories, dance, and make a

While you're at it, you can also register your kids to come to Pumpkin Painting on Thursday, October 19 from 4-5 p.m.; pumpkins and paint will be provided. Come show off your autumnal art skills!

Don't forget to drop by during the Town of Vinton Trick-or-Treating as well on Thursday, October 26 from 3-5

On Wednesday, October 25 from 4-5 p.m. we will have Pokémon Club! Drop in to join fellow Pokémon fans and share and discuss your cards (trading is optional). All participants will be entered into a drawing for fun Pokémon prizes. This program is best suited for grades K-5.

The current storytime session continues until October 11. Toddler Storytime (ages 18-36 months) is on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., followed by Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5 years) on Wednesdays at 11:30. Wonder Time will be on Thursday, October 12 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. and we will have Junior Makers on Wednesday, October 18 from

Remember to register on our calendar online at www.rocolibrary.org and check out all the programs happening at RCPL.

### **BAPTIST (SOUTHERN)** MINERAL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

& CHRISTIAN SCHOOL - 1030 Bible Lane. Vinton, Va. 24179. Church Phone 890-4465. Rev. Jason Gault. Sunday Services: Traditional Service, 8:45 AM, Sunday School, 10:00 AM, Contemporary Service, 11:00 AM, Evening Worship 6:00 PM, Wednesday Services: AWANA 6:30 PM, Bible Study 7:00 PM

### **CHRISTIAN CHURCH** BELMONT CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DIS-

CIPLES OF CHRIST), 1101 Jamison Ave. SE, Roanoke, VA 24013, 540-343-7502, Worship Services every Sunday at 11:00AM, Pastor Terry Brace. We look forward to seeing you this Sun-**CHURCH OF CHRIST** 

# DALE RIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST -

7165 Cloverdale Rd., Roanoke, 24019; beside the Botetourt Athletic Club. Leave message 992-4385. Sunday Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m. Please come visit us in person or get to know about us first by visiting our web page: daleridgechurchofchrist.net. Updated each week with a new sermon by Mike Mazzalongo, four minutes of video showing our nearly six acres of land and our beautiful, functional inside facilities, articles, events, news from Christian sources around the world and here locally plus much, much more. See how many ways Dale Ridge is "Reaching Out There" to the Roanoke Valley with the "Good News of Jesus. By clicking on "visit us virtually" real time access to our Worship services is available via your computer, a tablet or smartphone: Just follow the instructions. We believe in the inspired Word of God which is as relevant today as it was when it was written. We believe the Holy Spirit is a gift to every Christian upon their response to the Gospel as demonstrated by the

Jesus is the only author of our salvation. (Acts 4:12) Have you been looking for a church family that is progressive, outside the box thinkers, led by the Holy Spirit into all truth. (John 16:13). You will know we are His disciples by our love for one another. (John 13:35) Real time contact thru our website via email. CHURCH OF CHRIST VINTON - 2107

3000 obedient souls in (Acts 2:38). We believe

### 540-890-1170. Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m., Sunday Morning Service 10:45 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 10 a.m.

Feather Road, Vinton. Terry Hodge, Minister,

ECKANKAR, THE PATH OF SPIRITUAL **FREEDOM**, is a simple teaching that focuses on the Light and Sound of God to help people find more love in their life. The Roanoke Eckankar

Center is located at 1420 3rd St. SW, Roanoke,

**ECKANKAR** 

# **Love Your Enemies**

Read 1 Samuel 21:1 through 24:22 He [David] said to his men,

'The Lord forbid that I should do such a thing to my master, the Lord's anointed, or lay my hand on him; for he is the anointed of the Lord" (1 Samuel 24:6).

King Saul mercilessly pursued David intending to murder him, although David had done nothing against the king. Yet David would not retaliate despite the insistence lof his men. Even when God permitted him to catch Saul at a vulnerable time, David refused to take the life of the Lord's anointed. Why would he do that? Be-

cause David revered God

Instead of slaying the man who was out to murder him David put his trust in the Lord seeking God's protection and iustice.

While the worldly pummel each other with everything from words to bombs, an honorable faith like David's is the hallmark of those who walk in step with Christ. Jesus said to "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:44-45).

Challenge for Today: Trust God to handle your enemies while you choose love over revenge.

Quicklook: 1 Samuel 24:1–12

If you would like to see your church services listed here in the Vinton Messenger contact Tucker Frye at 540-473-2741 or email

tfrye@ourvalley.org

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 Ecka-

nkar can lead you to spiritual freedom. **FOURSQUARE** EVANGEL CHURCH - 2330 Hardy Road, Vinton (corner of Hardy Road and Feather Road), 540-982-3694, www. evangel4sq.com, Pastor Tim Wright. Worship Service Sun-

### day, 10AM. Bible Study Wednesday 11AM-12PM. LUTHERAN TIMOTHY **EVANGELICAL**

LUTHERAN CHURCH, "The Church Under The Cross", 1201 Hardy Rd, Vinton VA 24179, Pastor, Rev. Dr. James B. Davis (540) 342- 1715, Sunday School 10:00am, Worship 11:00am, sttimothy1201@verizon.net.

**NAZARENE** 

FIRST CHURCH OF NAZARENE, 728 Highland Ave., SE, Roanoke, Virginia. 342-4003. Sunday Morning Wor-

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

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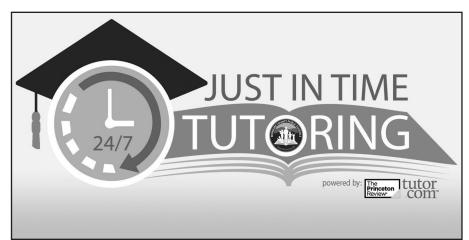
**CAMPBELL** CHURCH, 1130 Hardy Rd, Vinton, VA, 540-343-1842; cmpc2verizon.net Sunday school 9:45am, Worship 11:00am; Communion 1st Su.ndays; 2nd Sunday Session; Monday Noon Bible Study; Tuesdays & Thursdays Stretch

Class 9:00am; 1st Tuesdays Deacons; Wednesday Choir 7:00pm; Monday Girl Scouts 7:00pm; 3rd Saturday Men's Breakfast 8:00am. Rev. Jonathan Moelker, pastor **UNITED METHODIST** THREE OAKS FELLOWSHIP UNITED METHOD-

# IST CHURCH - 1026 Gravel Hill Road, Vinton, Va. 540-

512-8070. Pastor: Rev. Dr. Rob Colwell. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m., Worship 11 a.m. WESLEYAN

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



# Roanoke County Public Schools offering Just in Time Tutoring for 6-12 graders

County Public Schools is once again offering students in middle and high school free online tutoring. Just in Time Tutoring provides students in grades 6-12 with an immediate online live tutor 24 hours per day/7 days per week.

coveredSubjects include English and Writing (Grade 6 through AP English Literature), Math (Grade 6 through AP Calculus BC), Science (Grade 6 through AP Physics), Social Studies (Grade 6 through AP Government), and World Languages (French, German, and Spanish).

students If with struggling independent work, they can get immediate help to get them "unstuck," even if they are at home late at night. Just in Time Tutoring helps fill learning gaps from prior years, including those related to the COVID-

In addition to covering multiple subjects, the tutoring provides online help via chat and voice.

Tutor.com provides essay proofreading (12hour turnaround time) with feedback on grammar, punctuation, structure, flow, theme development, citations.

The program also provides industryleading Princeton Review ACT/SAT prep courses and materials, saving parents hundreds of dollars. This levels the field for students who don't have the same amount of support or resources at home.

Every session with a live tutor and is personalized to meet student needs from remedial to advanced levels. It focuses on conceptual learning and critical thinking-not just quick answers.

All tutors must pass a rigorous application process, including an extensive background check. No personal information is shared, and all sessions are recorded and available to students for later

More information and registration are offered at https://www.rcps.us/ justintime.

Submitted by Roanoke County Public Schools

# **PEOPLE. PLACES AND THINGS**



Pictured are Rob (in the pool still) Angie Chewning, Angie Ross, Angie Haldren, Teresa Chewning, and Lisa Foutz

## By Angie Chewning

What a fun night of catching up and reminiscing! Thank you, Todd and Angie Ross for hosting this crazy bunch. We have all grown up, but that bond formed for many over 50 years ago still runs strong. Rob Saunders was in from Beirut, Lebanon.

The crowd included Rob, Todd, Dal Simmons, Steve Haldren, Glenn Griffin, Greg Boitnott, Tim Chewning, Jeff Foutz, Darren Yeatts, Angie Haldren, Teresa Chewning, Lisa Foutz, and Angie Chewning.

Remember to put the Vinton Fall Festival on your calendar for October 7, downtown, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., followed by the last Mingle at the Market of the season from 6 to



PHOTOS COURTESY OF ANGIE CHEWNING

Pictured are Rob Saunders (in pool) Todd Ross, Dal Simmons, Steve Haldren, Glenn Griffin, Greg Boitnott, Tim Chewning, Jeff Foutz and Darren Yeatts

# Vinton Businesses relocating within Vinton

**Debbie Adams** 

dadams@ourvalley.com

Two well-established businesses in Vinton have moved or will be moving to new locations within Vinton.

Rustic Creations moved in August to 302 East Washington Avenue in the former KB Mercantile Building. It is open on Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The business is closed on Sunday and Monday. It sells rustic and primitive home décor.

Hampden Hills Tax Service is relocating to 101 North Blair Street in Vinton on October 2. The new office will be larger and provide more space for parking than the current location on W. Virginia Avenue. The business provides tax, payroll, bookkeeping, and investment services. Current office hours (during off-tax season) are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. It is closed on Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday until tax season opens in January.

# School Board from page 2



NFL Pro Football Hall of Famer Ronde Barber (on left) was honored by the Roanoke County School Board and Cave Spring High School prior to the game on Sept. 22. He is shown with his junior and senior high school football coach Steve Spangler.



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Northside Middle School Principal Paul Lineburg and W.E. Cundiff Principal Ashley McCallum (both center front) accepted the VDOE Exemplar Awards for their schools, surrounded by staff members and the Roanoke County School Board.

in the Latin Academy.

The board recognized four schools with Board of Education Exemplar Awards for the 2022-23 school year. W. E. Cundiff Elementary School received the VDOE Continuous Improvement Award, along with Northside Middle School. Ninety-three schools across the Commonwealth qualified for this award. To receive this recognition the school must meet at

least one of the following criteria:

The school demonstrates an increase in the combined rate for math, reading and science for each of the past three years (2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2021-2022), with a total increase across the three years of ten points or more.

The school demonstrates an increase in the combined rate for two or more student groups in reading and math for each of the past three years (2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2021-2022), with a total increase across

the three years of ten points or more.

The school demonstrates an increase in the Graduation and Completion Index (GCI) for each of the past three years, with a total increase across the three years of four percent or more; and school demonstrates a decrease in the dropout rate for each of the past three years (2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2021-2022), with the total reduction across three years of 15 percent or more

of the first year's dropout rate. Glenvar and Hidden Valley High Schools were defensive back, most consecutive starts by a cornerback,

recognized for winning the Highest Achievement Award from the VDOE.

Director of Community Relations Chuck Lionberger next read a "Resolution of Congratulations" for former RCPS student Ronde Barber who was inducted into the NFL Pro Football Hall of Fame in August 2023. Barber, who graduated from Cave Spring High School, was honored prior to the football game on Sept. 22 for his achievements.

He attended Green Valley and Oak Grove Elementary schools, Hidden Valley Junior High, and CSHS. He excelled in football, track, and wrestling at Cave Spring, being named to the All-District football team three times and winning state and national titles

in track. He attended UVA on a football scholarship from

1993-1997 and was named ACC Freshman of the Year for 1994 and earned first-team All-ACC honors for each of his three seasons at UVA. He was drafted by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the third round as a cornerback and played 16 seasons with Tampa, including winning Super Bowl XXXVII in 2002. In the 241 games he played, he had 47 career interceptions, 14 defensive and special team's touchdowns, was named to the NFL Pro Bowl five times, and is a member of the NFL's All Decade Team for the 2000's.

He still holds the NFL record for most starts by a

most sacks by a cornerback, and is the only player in the NFL with more than 45 career interceptions and more than 25 sacks. He retired from Tampa Bay in 2014, having set 10 team records. He was inducted into the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame in 2014.

The resolution adopted by the School Board and the certificate presented to Barber at the game stated that Barber "exemplified the qualities of a graduate who is Opportunity Ready."

School Board member Mike Wray of the Cave Spring District noted that Barber was known "for the kind of person he was," not just the football player or athlete he

Director of Testing and Instruction Ben Williams made a presentation on the 2022-2023 state and local SOL test results to the board. He stated that all 26 Roanoke County Schools are fully accredited for the 2022-2023 school year. Scores on all subject areas in all grade levels exceed the state average—and by an even larger margin than usual. Seventh grade math scores were 26 points above the state average.

The on-time graduation rate in Roanoke County is 95.7%--higher than before COVID. The graduation rate at William Byrd High School is 95.9%.

Williams discussed the growing problem of chronic absenteeism in schools across the state and nation and gave a description of Governor Youngkin's "All in VA" high-dosage tutoring plan, now in its preliminary stages.

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### Yard Sales -**Botetourt County**

### **Estate Sale**

Household Furnishings & Appliances, Antiques, Collectibles, Chinese Export Rose Medallion Porcelain, Agricultural Items, Ladders, Air Compressor, File Cabinets, Shelving, Office Supplies Can be viewed Friday, Saturday, & Sunday 10 am to 3 pm Call for address Daleville in Botetourt Co. Call Jeff at 540-493-6593

### Help Wanted -General

## **WANTED**

Models needed for life drawing class, male and female, \$60 for 3 hour session. Call David 540-473-3713

### Legals - Botetourt County

# TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 164 KELSEY WAY, FINCASTLE,

VA 24090. In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated July 30, 2018, in the original principal amount of \$140,900.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia as Instrument No. 180002806 . 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 October 30, 2023, at 1:45 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT LOT IN BOTETOURT COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AND **DESCRIBED AS** FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A FENCE POST ON MELODY LANE; THENCE WITH MELODY LANE SOUTH 82 DEGREES 06' 00" EAST 93.08 FEET TO A PIPE FOUND; THENCE WITH MELODY LANE ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT 189.74 FEET THE CHORD OF WHICH IS

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# Legals - Botetourt County

(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 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 Mortgagee or the Mortgagee'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.bwwsales.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

# **ABC NOTICE**

information contact: BWW

Executive Blvd, Suite 101.

Rockville, MD 20852, 301-

www.bwwsales.com. VA-

Law Group, LLC,

attorneys for Equity

961-6555, website:

Trustees, LLC, 6003

ANCHORAGE HOUSE 24066 LLC, trading as ANCHORAGE HOUSE, 19391 MAIN ST. BUCHANAN VA 24066.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a BEER/WINE/MIXED BEVERAGES license to sell or manufacture alcoholic

SPRING WITT **OWNER** 

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.

### STATE OF VIRGINIA, **BOTETOURT** COUNTY

# Court File No. 230000149

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons having demands against HARRY T. EUBANK, JR., late of said County, Deceased, to present them to me. properly made out within the time prescribed by law, so as to show their character and amount: and all persons indebted to said deceased are required to make immediate payment to This 13 day of September,

2023

Attorney: Eugene M. Elliott, Jr Attorney of Law 30 Franklin Rd, Suite 202 Roanoke, Virginia 24011 (540) 981-0164 Executive: Janis E. Barrett 505 Waverly Court Hinesville, Georgia 31313 (912) 312-0251

## Legals - City of Salem

### Notice is hereby given

to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on October 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE

CITY OF SALEM,

### Legals - City of Salem

VIRGINIA: 1. Consider the request of Bruce Maxey, property issuance of a Special Exception permit to allow a 1.200 square foot detached garage on the property located at 1862 Murrell Avenue (Tax Map # 128-1-4). 2. Consider the request of Crystal Lowery, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 1000 Blk Ohio Ave (Tax Map # 197-1-15) from HM Heavy Manufacturing District to RSF Residential Single Family District.

plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be relative to the said requests.

Copies of the proposed

COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA James E. Taliaferro, II

THE PLANNING

**Executive Secretary** 

### Legals -**Montgomery** County

### Order of **Publication** Commonwealth of Virginia

VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No.CL23001417-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia. in re AMANDA COVEY, KYEMPER ELLINGTON ALLEN v. COMMONWEALTH The object of this suit is to: MINOR NAME CHANGE. It is ORDERED that SCOTT ALLEN appear at the above-named court and

protect his/her interests on or before OCTOBER 30, 2023 AT 11 AM August 23,2023 K.MIKE FLEENOR, JR,

JUDGE TIFFANY M. COUCH, CLERK

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AUGUST 23, 2023 K. MIKE FLEENOR, JR. JUDGE TIFFANY M. COUCH, CLERK

2023, AT 11 AM.

# **ABC NOTICE**

JHKP LLC, trading as Tru by Hilton Christiansburg 55 Hampton Blvd NE, Christiansburg, Montgomery County, VA, 24073.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Limited Hotel license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Emily Orndorf, General Manager

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. CL23000992-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia. in re NANNIE FAY LONG, THOMAS LONG AND EDWARD LONG v. NONE

It is ORDERED that CATHY

# Legals -**Montgomery County**

HUGHES appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before OCTOBER 20, 2023 @8:30 AM. **SEPTEMBER 19, 2023** ROBERT M.D. TURK, **JUDGE** TIFFANY M. COUCH, **CLERK** 

### **TOWN OF BLACKSBURG** -NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARINGS BLACKSBURG TOWN COUNCIL** will hold public hearings on Tuesday, October

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

Ordinance 2035: An

Ordinance Rezoning 1.10±

10, 2023

Acres of Land at 1200 Block of Airport Road from R-4 Residential to Planned Residential Zoning. This is a request to rezone approximately 1.1 acres of land from R-4 Low Density Residential to Planned Residential zoning for the development of 11 incomerestricted townhomes with 33 bedrooms total in the 1200-block of Airport Road Upon sale, the lots will become part of the community land trust to ensure permanent affordability. Also included in the development is

surface parking and outdoor recreation amenities. The Future Land Use Designation for this parcel is Medium-Density Residential, which allows up to 10 units per acre, or up to 20 bedrooms per acre for multifamily uses. The request to construct 11 units/33 bedrooms (10 units/acre or 30 bedrooms per acre) represents an increase in the allowable bedroom density above the Future Land Use density of 20 bedrooms per

acre.

Ordinance 2033: An Ordinance Vacating Portion of Public Rights-of-Way located at Airport Road. This request is related to Ordinance 2035. The request is to vacate approximately 0.22 acres of unbuilt Town-owned Rightof-Way, adjacent to land known as unbuilt Airport Drive and unbuilt Virginia Street. The land to be vacated would be included in the proposed Habitat for Humanity townhome development as

driveway and rear yard

space.

Ordinance 2036: An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Public Right-of-Way Located at Rimrock Road. This is a request to vacate approximately 0.47 acres of Town-owned Rightof-Way known as Rimrock Drive from Research Center Drive to its termination at the Route 460 Bypass. The vacated property will be used as a private driveway to access the Blue Ridge Cancer Center.

Ordinance 2037: An Ordinance Vacating a Public Utility and Sidewalk Easement on Land Located at 2600 Research Center Drive. This request accompanies Ordinance 2036 and would vacate active public utility and sidewalk easements that currently exist adiacent to the Rimrock Drive Right-of-Way. The existing sidewalk will become private serving only this

parcel and the existing fire hydrant will be removed. The ordinance will require these areas to be vacated prior to the approval of the site plan for the building and parking expansion.

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 a 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

### Legals -**Montgomery County**

Use in the DC zoning district. The Future Land Use (FLU) is Downtown Commercial, and the proposed use is consistent with this designation. 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 ofmaterials 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).

# Services Needed Salem Area



### **FOR SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES WITH OPERATOR** SIGNUP

The Virginia Department of

Transportation invites heavy equipment owners to sign up for the rental of their equipment with operators for SNOW & ICE REMOVAL purposes in Salem Residency which includes the counties of

Roanoke, Botetotourt and Craig during the winter of 2023-2024. Price per hour shall include operators, fuel, tire chains, supplies and required insurance. VDOT will need dump trucks, pickups with plows, motorgraders, backhoes dozers, track loaders, tractors, rubber-tire loaders and farm tractors. All equipment shall be equipped for night work and be in good mechanical condition to ensure a safe and dependable 24/7 peration. VDOT reserv the right to determine acceptability of equipment size and condition for the task. Contractors submitting prices meeting the requirements of the Agreement may be contracted with and may be eligible to receive a mobilization payment and a minimum guaranteed

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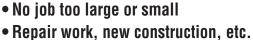
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# Roanoke Valley CROP Walk scheduled for October 8

The Roanoke Valley CROP Hunger Walk celebrates 40 years as the leading Roanoke Valley walk event that brings together all members of the community including young and old, all faiths and walks of life for a common goal: to end hunger, one step at a time.

Walkers and sponsors of walkers are encouraged to participate. The onemile and four-mile walks start at First Evangelical Presbyterian Church on October 8 at 2 p.m. There also will be a "CROP Rockers" area on site for folks with mobility issues.

DJ Mac McCadden will provide music and encouragement for all participants. Light snacks and water will be available.

Register as a team or individual at https:// events.crophungerwalk. org/2023/event/

Contact Janet Chisom for walk materials (packets, stickers, fliers, posters, inserts), janet. chisom@salempres.org or 540-389-3881.

All participants will



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receive a 40th anniversary year T-shirt designed by Russell Chu. The fundraising goal for the walk is \$21,000.

Church World Service (the umbrella organization for CROP Hunger Walk) responds and helps care for peoples' needs from disasters (hurricanes, fires, earthquakes) as well as from hazards of migration, refugee situations, war, famine, displacement, disease, and other concerns that leave people hungry. "We walk because they walk" demonstrates solidarity with those who have to walk for clean water, food, education, and medical care.

Walk organizers are working through the Community Solutions Center, an agency of Feeding Southwest Virginia, to address food

insecurity needs of the Roanoke Valley. The CSC site holds a Meal Production Training Program and prepares hundreds of meals daily for children across the Roanoke Valley. The CSC also conducts a food pantry providing a variety of healthy food staples and educational information. Business sponsors

helping to make this 40th Roanoke Valley CROP Hunger Walk a success include Valley Wealth Group, Howell's Motor Freight, Pillar to Post, Circeo Geotechincal Engineering, R.L. Price Construction, Mac & Bob's, Sherwood Memorial Park, Steve and Billie Sue Musselwhite, Burris Computer Forms, and the Gentry Locke Law Firm.

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# RECIPES OF THE WEEK Pumpkin Cream Cheese Muffins

**Debbie Adams** 

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donut Bakeries, shops, and grocery stores are suddenly filled with all things pumpkin. Here is an easier alternative to the famous pumpkin roll. The recipe makes 18 regular-size muffins.

Muffin Ingredients: 1 cup sugar

1/3 cup vegetable oil 1 cup pumpkin puree (NOT pumpkin

pie mix) 2 large eggs

1/4 cup milk 2 tsp. pumpkin pie

1/4 tsp. salt

1 tsp. baking soda

2 cups all-purpose Cream Cheese filling

ingredients: 8 oz. softened cream cheese

1/2 cup sugar

1 tsp. vanilla Pumpkin seeds

(pepitas), (optional) Instructions: Preheat

oven to 350°. Line muffin pans with paper liners. Stir pumpkin puree, oil, sugar together in large bowl—by hand. Don't Spread gently with the



use a mixer. Stir in eggs, pumpkin pie spice, salt, and baking soda. Stir in 1 cup flour, then milk, then remaining 1 cup of flour.

Divide the batter among the muffin liners—filling each 1/2 full. Make a little dent in the top of the muffin with the back of a spoon for the dollop of cream cheese filling. To make filling, stir together cream cheese, sugar, and vanilla. Drop 1 Tbsp. filling onto top of each muffin. back of a spoon. Sprinkle with four or five shelled pumpkin seeds, if desired.

Bake for 15-20 minutes, until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean with just a few crumbs stuck to it. Cool 5 minutes before serving. Store in refrigerator or

\*\*You can make your own pumpkin pie spice with 1 tsp. ground cinnamon, 1/2 tsp. ground ginger, 1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg, and 1/4 tsp. ground allspice.

# What's coming up at the Mt. Pleasant Library in October?

**Debbie Adams** 

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Check out these fun activities at Mt. Pleasant Library in October.

The month starts out with TAG: Teen Advisory Group on Monday, Oct. 2 from 5 to 6 p.m. Enjoy snacks, play games, and share your ideas on how to make the library a better place for teens.

Don't miss "Wonder Time" on Tuesday, Oct. 3 from 3 to 4 p.m. This month features All Things Fall with storytime, STEM, and sensory activities for ages 2-5. Observe, sort, and see if items sink OR float.

It's October so it's time for spooky things. James Burnette of the Research Society Virginia Paranormal will be giving a talk for adults about the supernatural on Tuesday, Oct. 3 from 6 to 7

Jammie Time Storytime for infants and preschoolers is scheduled for Thursdays Oct.5 and Oct. 12, from 6 to 6:30 p.m. Join the staff before bedtime to practice early literacy skills, enjoy activities, and listen to stories. Little ones,

be sure to wear your favorite PJ's.

Book Chat for adults is coming up on Tuesday, Oct. 10, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Join the Mt. Pleasant library staff for a new informal type of book group. Each month you'll discuss books you have read recently and want to read. Refreshments will be provided.

Come in on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. to paint a pumpkin masterpiece (weather permitting). This is a family activity.

Teen Book Chat: Made to Order is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 17 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. This book club is "made your way." Check out last month's selections, share a bit about your favorite reads, and pick up your Teen Takeout Book Club

The Jr. Makers monthly club for ages 5-10 is set for Saturday, Oct. 21, from 11 a.m. to noon. Each month a new STEM concept is explored, and the participants get the opportunity to perform their own experiments or create STEM-related projects.

Teens are invited to stop by the library on Monday, Oct. 23, from 5 to 6 p.m. for Cookies and CAD. Learn the basics of Computer Aided Design using TinkerCAD software.

The library will also be offering another program for teens—Virtual Reality Gaming—on Thursday, Oct. 26 from 5-6 p.m. Curious about virtual reality? Come and experience VR gaming

Get in the Halloween Spirit with Teen Art on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and decoupage a skull with book pages and newsprint.

The month of October ends at the Mt. Pleasant Library with a Family Halloween Party on Tuesday, Oct. 31, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

To register online for library programs, sign up at rocolibrary.org. Call 540-777-8760 for more

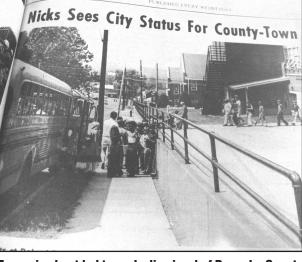
Mt. Pleasant Library is located at 2918 Jae Valley Road, just across from the fire station.

Hours are: Monday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday: 2-8 p.m. Wednesday: 2-6 p.m. Thursday: 2-8 p.m. Friday: 1-5 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

# Remembering Vinton—Fifty years ago in 1973



Pictured left to right are Virginia House of Delegates candidate Richard Cranwell, State Senator Harry Michael, candidate for lieutenant governor, and House of Delegates candidate Edward Kidd—all Democrats—campaigning in Vinton in Sept. 1973.



**Excessive heat led to early dismissal of Roanoke County** schools in September 1973, including students at

Roland E. Cook. of a tractor, riding lawn mower, and rotary cutter for **Debbie Adams** the recreation department. Subsequently, the contract dadams@ourvalley.com was awarded to a Narrows firm, since Lampros said Politics was in the forefront and on the front page Seibel Brothers should be disqualified due to conflict of interest. Intriguingly, the last paragraph of the article in The Vinton Messenger on the subject said that county officials said the county's check for the

> was deposited by Seibel Brothers. Another candidate for political office, Republican Robert Frank accused incumbent Dick Cranwell of "the appearance" of a conflict of interest in serving in the House of Delegates while serving as town attorney for Vinton. Cranwell offered to get a formal ruling from the attorney general on the matter.

> equipment, which had been sent to the Narrows firm,

Vinton officials were busy interviewing applicants for town manager since Don Smith had indicated he wanted to resign. Ron Miller, assistant town manager in Radford, was named to the position.

Vinton civic and promotional groups were up in arms over a United States Postal Service plan to move Vinton postal functions to the regional postal facility in Roanoke City—to provide better service and speedier processing. The post office would remain open, but carrier operations would be moved to Roanoke. Vinton boosters bemoaned the "postal indignity" that Vinton would face from such a move, losing its postmark and personnel. Frank Stone, then president of the Vinton

Chamber of Commerce, also expressed opposition. Enrollment in Roanoke County schools was 23,762



VINTON HISTORY MUSEUM, VINTON MESSENGER ARCHIVES Vinton Mayor Gus Nicks unveiled a new gateway sign to Vinton across from the Weaving Mill. He is shown with Mrs. J.E. Smith, president of the Vinton Woman's Club (on left) and Mrs. N.J. Jasper, president of the Vinton Junior Woman's Club. The sign was donated by

students in the fall of 1973.

the women's clubs.

Students in county schools were dismissed an hour early at the beginning of September due to excessive heat and no air conditioning.

Virginia Tech opened a new student teacher program at Hardy Road Elementary School (now W.E. Cundiff) in Vinton. Twenty-one Virginia Tech seniors were assigned to the school for one entire year. Two were Vintonites—Kim Colls and Kathleen Newcomb. The program was welcomed by Principal Frank Stone who said that traditional 9- to 12-week student teaching programs did not provide enough preparation for future teachers. The William Byrd High School Terriers won their

first football game of the season over the Northside Vikings with a score of 21-6. A Vinton man, riding a motorcycle with a second

man, was charged with armed robbery in the hold-up of the Trail Drive-In Theater on Route 460. In another incident, three Bedford County juveniles were charged with stealing three automobiles in Vinton—one from the Woods Union 76 Station, one from the parking lot of the H&H Supermarket, and one from the Ridgeview Shell Station. Savings accounts were paying 5.25% interest in

Ribeye steaks were selling for \$1.79 a pound that month; grapes for 39 cents a pound; a 12 oz. jar of Peter Pan Peanut Butter was 49 cents; six cans of Kroger biscuits were 59 cents, and six frozen pie crusts were \$1.

The company submitted the low bid for purchase

in Vinton 50 years ago in September 1973. Vinton Mayor Gus Nicks became convinced that the Town of Vinton should become a city when, in a case before the Virginia Supreme Court, the court seemed ready to allow Roanoke City and/or Salem to annex Vinton and Roanoke County. A new trial was to be held to settle Edward Kidd, a Democrat running for the House

of Delegates representing Vinton, Roanoke County, and Salem, suggested that the introduction of a state lottery could solve the dilemma of rising government costs in Virginia. He said that "state operation of a lottery would deprive organized crime of much of the income which it derives from the 'numbers racket." He suggested that tickets be sold for 25 cents each at ABC stores.

Kidd also suggested during his campaign that roaming radio-dispatched mini-buses could solve the mass transportation problems in the Roanoke Valley.

Vinton District Supervisor John Seibel called foul when Commonwealth's Attorney John Lampros tried to have a county grand jury indict Seibel for a conflict of interest involving the purchase of recreational equipment for the county at Seibel Brothers, where his wife was part owner. The grand jury declined to indict.





# **ALL-BRD GOLF**

Left to right, Nathan Carter is first team All-BRD and David Foster and Andrew Kiker made the second team.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

# Terriers are sixth among 13 in Region 3D golf tournament

The William Byrd golfers saw their season come to an end when the Terriers finished in sixth place in the Region 3D tournament Tuesday. Abingdon won the tournament at the Draper Valley Golf Club in Draper, VA.

The top two teams in the 13 team tournament advance to the state tourney, as well as the top three individuals not on those teams. Abingdon and second place Hidden Valley advanced as a team and individuals who qualified were Josh Cummins of Christiansburg with a 69, Nate Faulkner of Cave Spring with a 71 and Logan Williams of Magna Vista with a 73.

Byrd's low score was a 75 by freshman David Foster. Also scoring for Byrd were Tyler Chambers with an 80 and both Nathan Carter and Andrew Kiker shot 83 for a team score of 321.

Abingdon shot a team total of 294 to win the day and Hidden Valley was close behind, also qualifying for the state at 297. Lord Botetourt was the top Blue Ridge District team with a 314, followed by Magna Vista at 317, Christiansburg at 319 and the Terriers tied Northside for sixth at 321.

The Blue Ridge District held a season ending tournament at the Ole Monterey course last Thursday and Northside came out on top in that one. The Vikings shot 301 to edge Lord Botetourt, who came in at 304. Franklin County was next at 313, Byrd shot 320 and Staunton River brought up the rear at 382. William Fleming had just one golfer in

Northside's Nick Crawford was the medalist with a one under par 70 on the Ole Monterey course. Byrd's low score was 74 by Carter and also scoring for the Terriers were Chambers at 80, Kiker at 82 and Foster at 84.

After the tournament the All-Blue Ridge District team was announced and Byrd had three golfers recognized. Carter made the first team and both Foster and Kiker were named to the second team. Northside's Crawford was named Golfer-of-the-Year and the Coach-of-the-Year was a tie between Northside's David Heath and Lord Botetourt's Todd Smith. LB won the regular season while Northside won last week's tournament.

# MS football home tonite

The William Byrd Middle School football team will host Read Mountain tonight at 5 pm at Patterson Stadium. The Terriers are 5-1 after shutting out Northside on the road last week, and they are unscored upon in their five wins. Byrd has scored 144 points this season and given up just 20, all in a 20-6 loss to Andrew Lewis Middle School. The final game of the season is October 5 at home against Hidden Valley.



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

# **Red Sox will host charity** softball game at Carilion **Clinic Field Sunday**

The Salem Red Sox will host the 6th Annual Carilion Clinic vs. Lewis Gale Charity Softball Game at Carilion Clinic Field, the home of the Salem Red Sox, on Sunday, October 1st.

Admission is five dollars at the gate, cash only, and kids under 10 are free. Gates will open at 1 pm and the game will start at 2 pm.

Physicians, nurses and administrators will suit up for each hospital during the nineinning contest. Proceeds from the "Homers for Hearts" game between the area's two largest health care providers will benefit the American Heart Association.

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the importance of emulating their conviction, courage, cooperation toward national unity." The Daughters

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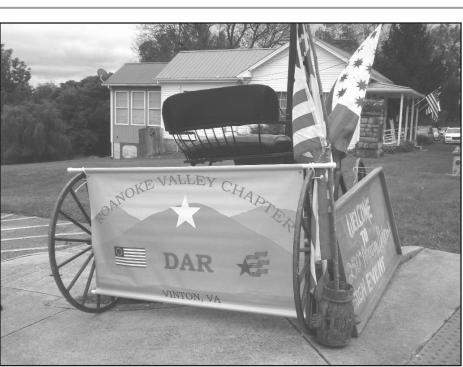
o f American Revolution is a nonprofit, non-partisan women's organization founded in 1890 committed to preserving the memory and spirit of those who contributed America's independence. The mission is to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism.

The Wilderness Regional Road Museum is one of only Revolutionary War homes in Southwest Virginia that is operated as a museum.

DAR Patriot Adam Hance and his family built the home on the Wilderness Road in the town he established called Newbern, Virginia. Hance was a keen entrepreneur who saw the good sense in establishing a town along the main wagon road taking settlers westward into Kentucky and beyond.

According to the museum, "the Hance family was of Swiss family was successful origin, settling around present day-Pulaski County around 1768. Adam Hance (b. 1747) belonged to the first generation of the Hance family to be born and raised in the Pulaski County area. After acquiring nearly 1,000 acres of characteristics of the

land for his plantation frontier."



The Roanoke Valley Chapter DAR banner

along the Wilderness Road, Adam founded the town of Newbern in 1810 to establish a place for travelers of the migration route.

"Adam's son, Henry, followed in his father's footsteps to become a prominent businessman by running a general store, tavern, and serving as Newbern's first postmaster. These businesses were located in the Hance houses, which were later converted to the Wilderness Road Regional Museum.

"Although the Hance and played major roles in local history, court records show how they

also spent much time in court for land disputes, trespassing, slander, and assault. "[Adam Hance's] sons grew up ... retaining some of the rough

"Regardless of the Hance family's constant squabbles with neighbors and the law, they also served as constables and deputy sheriff, and aided in the construction of court facilities when Newbern became the county seat of the newly formed Pulaski County. This county would not have been as prosperous as it once was without the efforts and accomplishments of this exciting and mysterious family.

"In 1837 Henry Hance's daughter, Virginia, married Jabin Alexander, a gentleman farmer of Scottish origins from Monroe County, West Virginia. As a result of their union, the new Alexander couple inherited the Hance houses, which staved in their family until 1980. Descendants of the

Hance-Alexanders still

inhabit Pulaski County,

and many artifacts of the family are on display at the Wilderness Road Regional Museum.

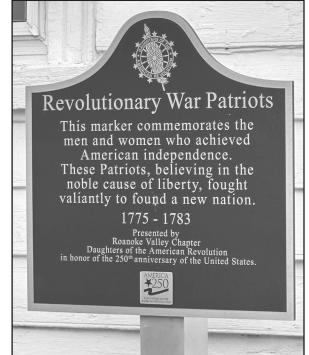
The museum's namesake (Wilderness Road) is a branch of the Great Wagon Road, which descends from the New Jersey-Pennsylvania border through southern Pennsylvania, cutting through Maryland, Virginia, and the Carolinas. 'The Wilderness Road

joined the Great Road at present-day Roanoke, Virginia, which was then called Big Lick. "From there the

Wilderness Road led travelers west, rather than south, through the apex of the West Virginia-Virginia-Tennessee borders.

Virginia into Kentucky.

"In 1775, frontiersman Daniel Boone opened the wagon trail that runs prospered through Cumberland Gap from western



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The America 250 Patriot Marker dedicated at the Wilderness Road Regional Museum on Sept. 24

"From 1607 until the railroads were established, these wagon roads allowed for expansion beyond Appalachian Mountains during the early days of America's western settlement. The Mountains served as a barrier to many travelers, but roaming buffalo and Indians wore down a path that provided a road for the many thousands of new settlers, Indian traders, soldiers, and missionaries. "Because

travelers were subject to Indian attacks, most migrants traveled in groups for greater security. Several towns, including Newbern, due to businesses that made life easier for these travelers, such as inns

for overnight rest and ferries that provided river transport at some locations of the Road's locations. These wagon roads also assisted in the fighting during the French and Indian War as well as the American Revolution, during which many of American history's great heroes traveled through the trails.' The Roanoke Valley Chapter DAR meets at

Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church on the second Saturday of most months from September through May. Women of the DAR document their direct lineage to a patriot in the American Revolution. The local chapter is well-known for its contributions to the community and to veterans in particular.

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# Terriers return from break with Soldier Tribute game Friday

# Byrd will host Cave Spring, coached by former Terrier standout Hunter Shepherd

The William Byrd football team will be coming off the break this Friday with a 3-1 record as Cave Spring comes to town. The Terriers will host the Knights at 7 pm at Patterson Stadium and it's the annual "Soldier Tribute Game.'

The Soldier Tribute was initiated by coach Brad Lutz when he came to Byrd from Broadway High School. The game was inspired by the life and sacrifice of Army Spc. Brian "Bucky" Anderson, who was killed in Afghanistan in June of 2010. At the time of Bucky's death, Lutz was the head football coach at Broadway High School.

"Broadway, much like Vinton, is a small, tight-knit community," said Lutz. "Bucky was a hometown legend because of his athletic career at Broadway High School. He was a two-time state champion in wrestling, who actually wrestled at the Big Orange, and an all-district football player. His death was a tremendous loss for our community, so we started the tradition of the Soldier Tribute Game to help his family and our community. From that point, our teams have honored him for the last 14 years. While our players have never met Bucky, they know his name and they know the significance of his sacrifice. That is important to us."

The Terriers wear special uniforms for the game and use the event to honor soldiers of all branches who and assistant coach Hunter Shepherd is the first year gave up their lives in defense of freedom. "While this week's tribute is specific to Bucky, we

will be honoring and remembering the 7,015 soldiers killed serving in Iraq and Afghanistan," said Lutz. "We will also have a special tribute to the soldiers who fought and died in Vietnam." The Terriers have had two weeks to prepare for this

game after last week's bye. They worked on "themselves" with the Blue Ridge District schedule coming up after this week's non-district tilt with Roanoke County rival Cave Spring.



William Byrd seniors and coaches pose for a picture with the special uniforms from last season's "Soldier Tribute" game at Patterson Stadium.

were able to focus on things we needed to improve. Our program revolves around an emphasis on strong, structured practices so we kept our practice format the same, because our coaches and players work better in that environment."

With Cave Spring coming to town the game takes on an added twist as former William Byrd player coach of the Knights. His dad, Robert Shepherd, is a Cave Spring assistant and Robert is a long-time recreation coach in Vinton. In fact, Robert is still coaching a Vinton team this year, and most of the players on the current Terrier varsity have either played for or against Robert during their time coming through the Vinton system.

Through five weeks Cave Spring has posted a 2-3 record. The Knights opened with a win over Western Albemarle followed by losses to Northside, Glenvar and Christiansburg. Last week the Knights bounced "We had a great week of practice," said Lutz. "We back with a 38-7 win over Blacksburg.

Byrd is off to a 3-1 start and this is a big game for the Terriers with the first official Virginia High School League point rankings due to come out next Tuesday, October 3rd. Unofficially the Terriers are sitting in fourth place in Region 3D behind Christiansburg, Magna Vista and Lord Botetourt. Cave Spring is the seventh ranked team among the 13 teams in the region.

"Although we used the open week to focus ourselves, we were able to get a jump on scouting Cave Spring," said Lutz. "They're returning a lot of quality players from last year's playoff team."

This Friday's game should draw a big crowd for what promises to be an exciting evening.

"The success that our players have earned up to this point has brought a great energy into the school and community," said Lutz. "We are very grateful for the support the students, teachers, parents, fans and community have given us."

# Terrier runners lower times at Alleghany Invitational meet

The William Byrd High boys' and girls' cross country teams competed in the Alleghany Invitational last Saturday. The Wilson Memorial girls and Christiansburg boys were team champs among over 20 schools competing at the Jackson River Sports Complex in Covington.

In the varsity boys' race, with 20 teams competing, the Terriers finished in 12th place. Donald Mullins ran his first ever 5K and finished in 17:40 for 24th place. Also scoring, all with personal bests, were Reagan Lilley in 31st at 17:49, Reid Hanson in 77th at 19:34, Drew Bartley in 113th at 20:45 and Riley Slusher in 118th at 21:07. There were 154 boys in the race.

"We had a great race week on a flat course," said Byrd coach Kayland Bond. "The teams' hard work is paying off and as a result we had many personal records. Seniors Donald Mullins and Reagan Lilley worked together throughout the race to push each, and Reagan improved his record by 42 seconds!"

The girls' varsity race had 131 runners and Byrd finished 11th. Again, all the girls had personal bests led by Claire Glover, who finished 20th with a time of 21:04. Heidi Wienke was 55th at 22:55 and also scoring were Lucy Whitnack in 59th at 23:00, Grace Woodcock in 75th, Elena Mullen in 84th and Alexa Bonilla

The Byrd Middle School team also had a good day, with the boys' finishing third among 11 teams behind first place Wilson Middle and runnerup Maury River. Byrd's Carston Debenedetto was sixth overall and Grant Bartley took The Terriers will be back on the trails this Saturday with an invitational at

Randolph Park in Dublin, hosted by Pulaski County.



are Wes Wilson, Carston Dibenedetto, Jack Petersen, Grant Bartley and Michael



Kate Bryant sets one up for Byrd.

# **Byrd will host Northside tonight in Blue Ridge District volleyball match**

The William Byrd girls will try to even their Blue Ridge District volleyball record tonight when the Terriers host Northside in Vinton. Byrd is 1-2 in the district after dropping a three set match at Franklin County Tuesday.

The loss to Franklin snapped a twogame winning streak for the Byrd girls. Last Thursday the Terriers traveled to Moneta to take on Staunton River and came from behind to take a marathon match in five sets. Byrd lost the first two sets, 25-18 and 25-10, but bounced back to win the third, 25-22. In the fourth set the Terriers staved off elimination by winning in extra points, 28-26, then closed out the win with a

15-12 decision in the fifth set.

"The Terriers went down two sets and rallied to pick up the next three sets to get the win," said Byrd coach Allison Thornton. "I was so proud of their energy, work ethic and teamwork. It is so fun to watch them come together, encourage each other and fight."

Maddie Pittman had nine kills and three digs while Raelyn Lancaster had seven kills, two aces and a dig. Emily Tuck had 19 digs and Kate Bryant dished out 29 assists. The Terriers were back home Monday

for a non-district match against Magna Vista and picked up another win, this time in three sets. Byrd dominated the

match, 25-16, 25-15 and 25-15. Lancaster had six kills, Terran Brown had five and Evan Brown had

The girls boarded a bus less than 24 hours later for the trip to Rocky Mount on Tuesday and ran out of gas, losing in three sets to the homestanding Eagles, 25-18, 26-24 and 25-16. Bella Dudley had four kills, Lancaster had three and Bryant had two aces.

Byrd is now 4-8 overall and 1-2 in Blue Ridge District matches. After tonight's home match with Northside the Terriers will be at William Fleming next Tuesday and at Lord Botetourt on Wednesday, October 4.

