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## Thousands turn out to celebrate the Fourth of July in Vinton

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Thousands turned out for Vinton's Fourth of July celebrations with activities from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The day began with the Four on the 4th races kicking off from the Vinton War Memorial—the traditional race at 8, followed by the Kids and Family Fun race at 9. This was the 13th annual Four on the 4th race and the third one in partnership with Vinton.

The annual fundraiser benefits the Boys & Girls Clubs of SWVA (BGCSWVA), which currently serves students ages 5-18 at 10 locations in all-day summer camps at little to no cost to families. BGCSWVA has locations in Montgomery County, Franklin County, Roanoke County, Vinton (at Vinton Baptist Church), Salem City, and Roanoke City. The event raises over \$30,000 each year to support summer programs including field trips, academic support and mentoring, and summer meals for kids. The race is presented by Fleet Feet.

Vinton Mayor Brad Grose welcomed a combined 474 runners for the main race and the Family Fun Race that morning.

"This race is a great way to start the Independence Day celebration here in the Town of Vinton. Thank you for being here today and thank you for your support of the Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Virginia. If you have run this race before, you'll notice some great improvements we have made in the town this year. Thanks to Mandy Adkins, her staff, and the wonderful people from the Boys and Girls Club that have worked hard to put together this activity."

Samaryia Napper, a staffer at the Vinton Baptist Boys & Girls Club, performed the national anthem; Vinton Police Officer Jesse Dibble fired the starting gun; and the runners were off on a four-mile course through the streets of Vinton in the first race. George Tolton of Salem was the first runner across the finish line with a time of 21:17.5.

The Family Fun Run also started from the Vinton War Memorial with the finish line (a balloon archway) halfway down Washington Avenue in front of Thrasher



The fireworks show by Grucci at the Vinton War Memorial was fantastic once again.

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United Methodist Church. Each child received a medal for completing the race.

"Once again, July 4th in the Town of Vinton was an incredible day," said Mandy Adkins, director of Cultural Placemaking and Events. "It was great to see so many community members participate in the Four on the 4th race benefitting the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia the morning of the 4th. Then, despite the rainy

weather earlier in the day, the community showed up strong for the celebration at the Vinton War Memorial that evening. A huge thank you to the Vinton Police Department and the Vinton Public Works Department for all their hard work leading up to and the day of July 4th. Both departments worked long hours to help keep

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Horses such as this American Saddlebred will be competing on July 13.

## Pine Spur Hunt Club hosting 71st Annual Horse Show on July 13

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The Pine Spur Hunt Club will be hosting its 71st Annual Horse Show this weekend on Saturday, July 13, beginning at 5 p.m. This is an all-breed horse show which attracts exhibitors from this area, surrounding states, and, in 2024, as far away as Tennessee and Myrtle Beach.

The club is a non-profit group made up of horse owners/appreciators and friends with the purpose of offering "fellowship, recreation, social



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This painting by Arlie Garrabrant was adopted this year as the Pine Spur Hunt Club logo.

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## William Byrd freshman Conley Serreno becoming a rising star in boxing



PHOTO COURTESY OF GATOR BOXING

Conley Serreno wins 2024 Carolina Gloves Championship.

Conley Serreno is a rising freshman at William Byrd High School. In May, at the William Byrd Middle School Awards Assembly for eighth graders, he was recognized with the President's Award for Educational Excellence for maintaining a 3.5 GPA in middle school from sixth grade through the first semester of eighth grade, and for being on the A/B Honor Roll through the third nine weeks of the eighth grade.

He was also chosen by his peers as "Most Likely to Become an Olympian." That's probably because of his talent and success in the sport of boxing. His coaches at Gator Boxing in Vinton predict a bright future for Conley.

Gator Boxing is a volunteer-run boxing organization, part of USA Boxing. It is located on the third floor of the Lancelot Sports Complex.

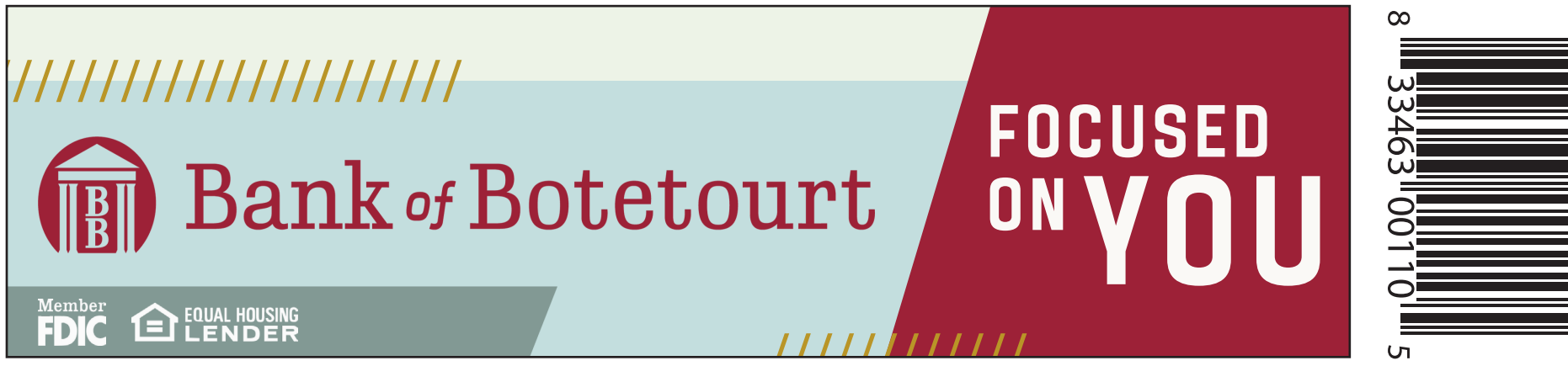
Conley's mother, Lindsay, says he has been boxing for four years, all with

Gator Boxing. He became interested in the sport when he was just 6 years old and asked for a punching bag for Christmas. As he got older, he asked if he could start boxing after watching it more on TV. (The minimum age for boxers at Gator Boxing is 8.)

He has a 3-0 record in his boxing matches so far in Greensboro, Charlottesville, and Charlotte, and most recently brought home the 2024 Carolina Gloves Championship. He is preparing for match No. 4, most likely in Maryland or North Carolina.

Everett Sawin is his main coach with Gator Boxing and says that his last match was a "hard-fought victory against his toughest opponent yet. Keep an eye out for this young man to continue to grow and succeed in the sport of boxing. He has national

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# Five Dollar Shake takes the stage for third Mingle at the Market concert on July 13

The third Mingle at the Market concert of the 2024 season is scheduled for this Saturday, July 13, at the Vinton Farmers' Market. Five Dollar Shake – a rock and blues group – will be returning to the HomeTrust Stage to perform. This week's food vendors are Top Dawg Food Truck and Get Glazed Donuts.

The Mingle concert gets underway at 7 p.m. Admission is \$7. This is a family event – children under age 12 are admitted free of charge. The summer concert series is hosted by the Vinton Chamber of Commerce.

The entrance to the concerts has moved this year to Walnut Avenue, with parking nearby at the new Walnut Avenue lot and throughout downtown Vinton. As usual, there is a beverage garden sponsored by Blue Ridge Beverage – ID is required. No outside food or beverages are allowed.

This year the Boothe Bell Real Estate Team is sponsoring a Kids Zone with a variety of activities – bouncy houses on selected nights

and oversized games for children and adults at every Mingle. July 13 is a Bouncy House night. Also new in 2024 is the photobooth sponsored by ServPro.

Bring your own seating. No pets are allowed. There is a "clear bag" policy at the Mingle concerts this year, which means all bags are prohibited except for those that measure 5.5"x8.5"x1", clear bags up to 12"x6"x12", one-gallon plastic freezer bags, or medically necessary bags and diaper bags.

The William Byrd High School football team and coaches are again donating their time to set up and take down at the Mingles. If any individuals or organizations would be interested in volunteering at the Mingle events, contact the Chamber office at 540-343-1364.

There are also sponsorship opportunities still available.

Sponsors for this year's Mingle at the Market concerts include Mountain View Real Estate, Rosie's Gaming Emporium, Pok-E-Joe's



PHOTO COURTESY OF FIVE DOLLAR SHAKE

**Five Dollar Shake will be appearing at the Vinton Farmers' Market Mingle concert on July 13.**

BBQ, Jamie McCadden with Edward Jones, McCarthy Tire Service, Pollard 107 South, HomeTrust Bank, MemberOne, RVTV3, the Vinton McDonald's, Bank of Botetourt, ALCOVA Mortgage, Blue Ridge Beverage, the Town of Vinton, Roanoke

County, Coastal Insurance Planning, Neely's Accounting, Magnets USA, Oakey's, Fox 910 Radio, the Boothe Bell Real Estate Team, ServPro, Vertex Signs, and The Vinton Messenger.

Check the Facebook pages of downtown restaurants (Pok-E-Joe's,

Pollard 107 South, and Twin Creeks Brewing Company) for special menus and events before and after the Mingle concerts.

The remainder of the Mingle at the Market concerts are scheduled for July 27 (SOLACOUSTIX and Justin and Lindsey

Prillaman), August 10 (Eric Wayne Band & Karlee Rea), August 24 (Five Shades of Gray), September 14 (Gasoline Alley and Filthy Souls), and September 28 (Fuzzy Logic).

-Vinton Messenger staff report

## PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS

By Kalley Sullivan

It's a dream of mine to inspire people from back home in Roanoke and Vinton to go after their dreams like I am! Here are a few things about my journey.

In June of 2022, less than 3 weeks after I graduated from Virginia Tech with a Bachelor's in Communications, I made the decision to take a risky leap of faith and belief in myself and move to Los Angeles with no job, no plan, and hardly any money. I spent the summer setting up informational interviews with producers, working on any set I could for free, and truly stepping into the stereotypical "starving artist" title.

In August 2022, right when I was about to give up on my dreams, I was offered a job at the Dr. Phil Show as a production assistant. The producer was a former Hokie and we had been previously connected by my favorite professor at Virginia Tech.

I worked at the Dr. Phil Show until he announced that he was ending his daytime show in March of 2023. While at Dr. Phil, I moved my way up the totem pole very quickly, securing a few associate producer credits. My main job was finding and booking the guests for the show. I would be given a topic and then it was my job to go and find people that would be good guests to speak about it. Once they were booked, I handled planning all their travel, wardrobe, itinerary, everything. I was their main point of contact and helped them through every single step of it all. If they wanted a pizza at 3 a.m., I was up ordering them that pizza.

I also created all the show day materials. It was my job to create the book that Dr. Phil holds in his hands during the show with all the information he needs. I worked hard and really stood out there and the head producers took me under their wings, teaching me so much. They began trusting me with opportunities very rare for someone at my level.

I was sent across the country doing door-knocks and interviewing guests in their homes by myself. I filmed a lot of interviews and B-roll with guests and even produced and filmed a field shoot all by myself. I even was asked to speak with Dr. Phil on the show about self-love.

Once the show had ended, I was even hand-picked and asked to travel with Dr. Phil to Oklahoma on a team of 5 to cover a death row case. This was a very special honor. The connections I made at this show will continue to be some of the most important people in my development I have ever met.

After that show ended, the writer's strike conveniently

began and lasted for almost 200 days. Because of this, there were no jobs in any "scripted" TV show that included writers. So, I began casting for reality shows. I have now scouted and chosen talent for reality shows such as Chopped, Beat Bobby Flay, and Crime Scene Kitchen. I enjoy doing this, but I am excited to go back to working in scripted television again eventually.

Aside from my day job of casting future stars of television, I often also work with celebrities on major performances and award shows. I just completed working on my second Grammy Awards, and I have worked shows such as the Primetime Emmy Awards, People's Choice Awards, BET Awards, NAACP Image Awards, A Grammy Salute to 50 Years of Hip Hop, and so on.

On these shows, I serve as the artists' trusted confidante guiding them throughout rehearsals, pre-show preparations, red carpet, interviews, performances, appearances, and the main event. I most recently individually worked with Halle Bailey at the NAACP Image Awards and Natasha Bedingfield at the People's Choice Awards. But, overall, my team has worked with anyone from Oprah to Beyonce to Celine Dion. I feel very honored to be in the position to uplift their voices and hope that I can inspire anyone from my roots in Virginia that it is possible for them to enter these rooms, too.

I am also very proud to have worked on Elton John Live: Farewell from Dodger Stadium as it was a 75th Primetime Emmy Award Winner for Outstanding Variety Special (Live), handing Elton his EGOT status. It is an honor to have been a part of that.

As of June 2024, I have decided to take a short detour from Hollywood as I embark on a journey of self-discovery. I felt a strong push to go see what else is out there in the world, so I am currently living on a vineyard in the South of France, learning the language and broadening my view of the world and my own abilities. I am planning on hopping around this side of the world for a while, just going with the wind. I plan on eventually taking the things I learn and the worldliness I gain back to Hollywood to create something empowering.

People ask me what my career goals are or what my endgame is, and I used to be able to tell you very clearly what that was. Nowadays, my goal is to live my life fully--pushing boundaries, turning over every rock, asking questions, overcoming challenges, gaining wisdom, spreading love and understanding,



PHOTO COURTESY OF KALLEY SULLIVAN

**William Byrd graduate Kalley Sullivan working at the Dr. Phil Show.**

creating movements and waves of excitement, change and inspiration--fully just fulfilling God's purpose for me, whatever that may be.

My mantra has always been "I overcome to inspire." I want to show everyone, especially those who have been through really dark times and hopeless situations, that the things I do are possible for them, too. I had to overcome a lot to do things I've done and I'm still overcoming every day, but I have proved that it is possible if you really just keep believing in yourself and let God lead the way.

Kalley is the daughter of Kari and Chip Sullivan; her grandfather and "main inspiration" "Pap" is Tom Hall (former Vice Superintendent of Roanoke County Schools). Siblings are brother Colby and sister Camryn. Kalley attended Bonsack Elementary (where her mother was a teacher), William Byrd Middle and High School, and the Burton Center for Performing Arts. Her dad was a golf pro at Hanging Rock and Ashley Plantation. Kalley was very involved in the Roanoke theatre community and was in over 10 shows at Virginia Children's Theatre.



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## Vinton Farmers' Market celebrating National Hot Dog Day

Stop by and celebrate National Hot Dog Day on July 13 at the Vinton Farmers' Market from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Schult's Dogs Hotdog Cart will be on site. There is a free tie-dye activity for the kids—just bring a pillowcase and the market will supply the rest. Storytime on the Stage begins at 10 a.m. with the Roanoke County Library. "That Guy

Will" returns to the Market Stage to perform at 11 a.m. A variety of vendors will be selling crafts, baked goods, flowers, plants, and more. Rueda's Plants and Produce will be open with melons, peaches, tomatoes, corn, cucumbers – you name it.

- Vinton Farmers Market

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PHOTO BY ALAN HALE

Thrasher Memorial UMC Pastor John Hemming commissions the youth group and their leaders who were embarking on this year's ASP missions trip on July 7.

# Thrasher commissions ASP youth mission team

The Appalachia Service Project (ASP) team from Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church is spending the week of July 7 in Dickenson County with the goal of "making homes warmer, safer, and drier." About 25 youth and their leaders were commissioned during the church worship service on July 7 and then hit the road for far Southwest Virginia.

Other church groups joining Thrasher this week include Red Valley and Burnt Chimney United Methodist Churches, First Baptist Church—Massillon, St. Matthew's United Methodist Church—Bowie, Trinity Christian Academy—Servejoy, Hockessin United Methodist Church, and Windsor Hills United Methodist Church—Roanoke.

The Appalachia Service Project, created in 1969, brings thousands of volunteers from around the country to

Central Appalachia annually to repair and replace homes for low-income families. It is meant to be a transformational service experience for volunteers as well.

Over 25 communities are served by over 15,000 ASP volunteers each year, impacting over 350 families. More than 3,000 repair projects are completed each summer with more than 20 new homes built and gifted through ASP.

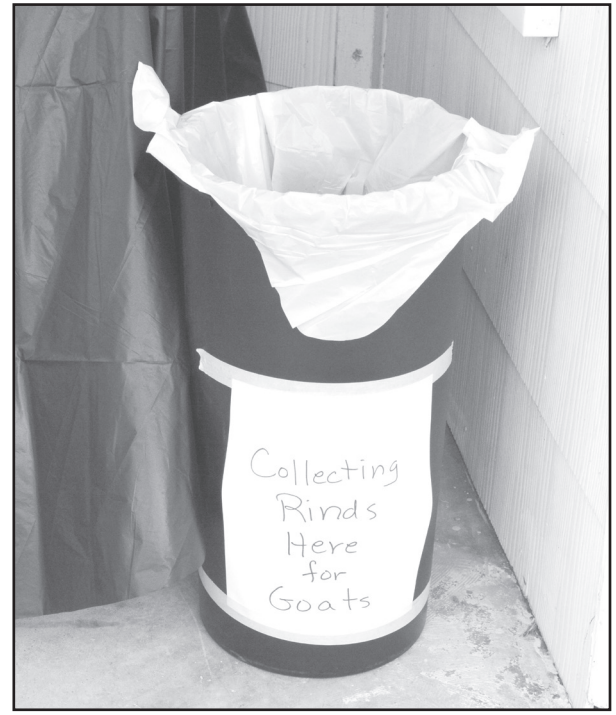
ASP repairs roofs, walls, floors, foundations, and bathrooms, in addition to making homes accessible through porch and ramp repairs or additions.

This is the 25th year the Thrasher youth have participated in ASP. They will be sharing the stories of their mission week with the congregation at Thrasher on July 14 at the 10 a.m. service in the chapel.

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Guests and volunteers at the Vinton History Museum Watermelon Social on July 6 included (left to right) Mary Beth Layman, Randy Layman, Debbie Cooper, Judy Cunningham, Ronnie Renick, and Rachel Overstreet.



PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

The History Museum recycled the watermelon rinds from the social to the goats.

## Vinton History Museum welcomed guests to Watermelon Social

The staff and volunteers at the Vinton History Museum welcomed visitors to a Watermelon Social open house on July 6. The former Upson home (built in 1906) on East Jackson Avenue in downtown Vinton was decorated with patriotic displays in observance of the Fourth of July holiday, along with an exhibit of vintage wedding attire, and the regular museum

collection. The History Museum is still seeking donations for its fundraising campaign to add a cargo/accessibility lift to the exterior of the building.

The second floor of the museum is now accessible only via a steep staircase. The Vinton Historical Society would like to add the lift so that visitors can view the exhibits on the second floor more easily

and volunteers are able to move the 4,000+ artifacts from floor to floor without the difficulty of navigating the steep steps.

The lack of accessibility creates a significant barrier for senior and physically challenged individuals, hindering their ability to view and use historic items on the second floor.

According to Mary Beth Layman, who chairs the lift fundraising

committee, \$26,000 of their goal of \$60,000 has been raised from over 74 individuals and organizations. The group hopes that more businesses and organizations will get involved in the campaign.

The cost of the project is estimated at approximately \$170,000. The museum has about \$60,000 set aside in funds accumulated throughout the years, along with some

grant funding, leaving about \$34,000 left to raise at this point.

The campaign kicked off on April 22, the 35th anniversary of the museum.

Current members of the fundraising committee in addition to Layman include Judy Cunningham, Julie Ferguson Huckaby, Dale Ellis, Carol Fidler, Doug Sowers, Deanna Gordon,

Anthony Amos, Debbie Cooper, and Terrie Webber Bigler.

For more information on making a donation to the fundraising campaign, email info@vintonhistorymuseum.org or call (540)342-8634. "No gift is too small," Layman says.

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## From the Pulpit

By Pastor Bryan Crouch, Lynn Haven Baptist Church

### "Spiritual Warfare"

Our focus at Lynn Haven Baptist Church for 2024 is on Discipleship. Discipleship is the process of becoming more like Christ tomorrow than you were today. Ephesians 6:10-12 is a Bible passage that talks about spiritual warfare, which means the battles we face that are not just physical but also spiritual. It tells us to be strong in the Lord and rely on His power to help us.

The passage starts by telling us to be strong in God's mighty power.

This means trusting God to give us the strength we need. We can't fight spiritual battles on our own; we need God's help.

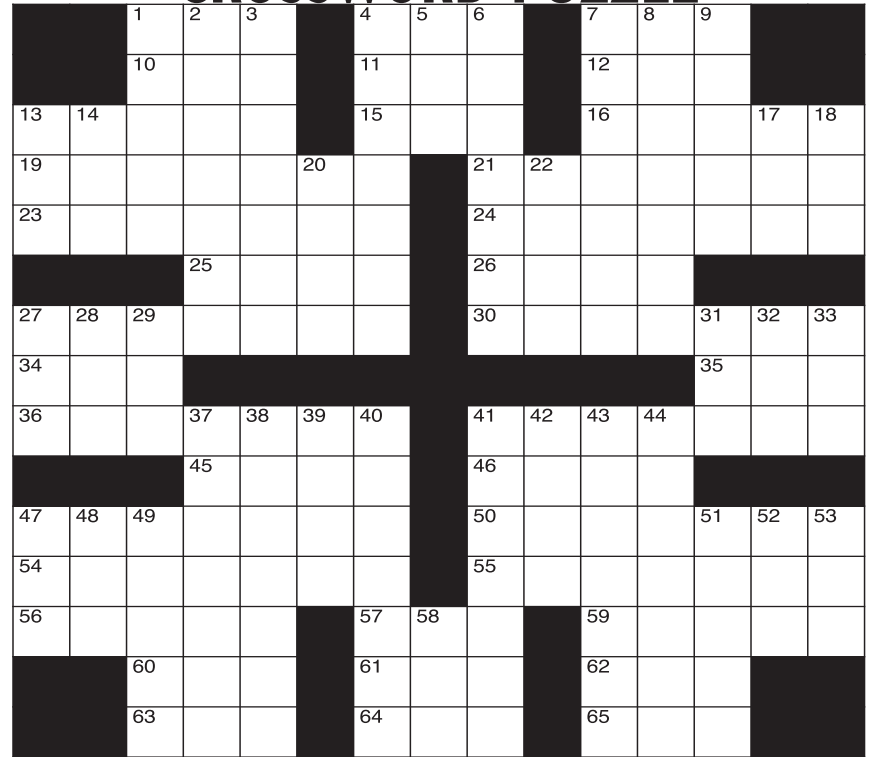
Next, it tells us to put on the full armor of God. This is like a soldier putting on armor to protect themselves in battle. For us, this means using the tools God gives us, like faith, prayer, and the Bible, to protect ourselves from spiritual harm.

Ephesians 6:12 explains that our struggles are not just against other

people but against spiritual forces of evil. This means that sometimes, the problems we face are bigger than what we can see. We need to remember that there is a spiritual

battle going on, and we need God's help to win it. It is vital that the Christian understands that Satan is out to destroy you in any way he can. So, suit up and be ready for battle.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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## Town of Vinton department reports released for May, recent updates provided

The Town of Vinton has released its monthly reports for the Public Works, Community Programs and Facilities, and other departments for May, along with several updates on projects around town.

**Public Works:** Six Public Works staff members participated in the Mid-Atlantic Equipment "Roadeo" at the Berglund Center on May 1.

The Full Depth Reclamation Project on Mountain View Road is complete with striping of the roadway scheduled for the week of July 8. Niagara Road near Long John Silver's and Rosie's has been reopened after emergency repair of a sewer line that caused a sinkhole. A temporary line has been constructed outside of the roadway and the old line back-filled. A new permanent line is slated for construction later this year; extensive road closures are not anticipated. Niagara Road at Wyndham remains closed for stormwater repair. Crews expect to have the road reopened

by July 12. The mobile home park demolition is completed and reseeded to become a green space.

Municipal Waste and Wood Waste collected in May totaled 338.77 tons; residential waste and wood waste disposal totaled 42.75 tons. Curbside recycling resulted in collection of 4.2 tons of recyclables. The streetsweeper collected 5.58 tons of debris in 106 miles. Public Works completed 49 work orders, including 28 for utility markings.

**Vinton Police Dept.:** The Town of Vinton has signed a new contract with Roanoke County Commonwealth's Attorney C.A. Holohan. New officer Wyatt Cobler began work on June 25, making the department once again fully staffed.

**Economic Development:** Staff was awarded \$176,000 for the Wolf Creek Greenway restroom. The Crosswalk Project on Gus Nicks is nearly complete, with only rapid flashing beacons to be

installed. The contractor has transitioned to Hardy Road and is on schedule to be completed in August in time for schools to open. The multi-generational community park at the Vinton War Memorial is progressing. The Community Park concept plan and site preparation work has been completed. Staff will be proceeding to construction design and construction with Phase 1 expected to be complete in Spring 2025. The TPO awarded the Glade Creek Greenway \$79,000 to complete water line replacement and cost overruns. The project is expected to be complete by September.

**Community Programs and Facilities:** The Charles R. Hill Community Center reported 15 rentals in May with revenues totaling \$2,795 and attendance of over 1,000. Over 1,000 people attended senior programs at the center for Tai Chi (5 classes), Line Dancing (12 classes), Canasta (5 sessions), Mexican Train

Dominoes (3 sessions), and the Monday Music Jam (4 sessions) for a total value of \$3,815. There is a new senior program – "Immortal Eight" – Tai Chi with canes. The War Memorial also hosted a blood drive in May.

Vendors at the Vinton Farmers' Market in May included Gabby's Produce, Hunters Gourmet Shroomery, Becky Ayers (crafts), Karole Passmore (crafts), Amy Hebert (crafts), Julie Beckwith (crafts), That Guy Will (live music), Hannah Gallagher (paintings), Cathey Hargrove (fresh cut flowers), and Alice Summers (crafts).

The Vinton War Memorial hosted three wedding/reception events with 300+ in attendance for revenues of \$10,500; 10 room rentals with over 1,000 attending for rental revenues of \$4,205; and one Town of Vinton event for The Advancement Foundation Gauntlet Business Pitches.

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# Explore Park hosts Eco-Fest on July 13

Roanoke County's Eco-Fest at Explore Park will host a full day of expanded activities and workshops for all on Saturday, July 13. Come celebrate and learn how to protect the natural environment.

- River Clean-Up – 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Join the volunteer coordinator as we complete a clean-up event along the Roanoke River. Please wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Clean-up supplies are provided on-site at Journey's End.

- Rainbarrel Workshop – 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. (12 Participants per class) Learn how to create and use rain barrels to collect and recycle rainwater.

Sponsored by Friends of the Blue Ridge and hosted by Clean Valley Council. Spaces are limited, sign up early.

- TRASH – Reuse and Upcycle – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Discover "Trashion Fashion" and how to turn trash into treasure with this creative workshop. Explore innovative ways to reuse and upcycle materials into something new and useful like jewelry, accessories, and clothing.

- Guided Hike with the Blue Ridge Chapter of the Society of American Foresters – 10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Attend an informative hike through Explore

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**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

**BAPTIST (COOPERATIVE)**  
**VINTON BAPTIST CHURCH** - 219 Washington Avenue, Vinton. Rev. Dr. Travis Russell, 343-7685. Sunday Services (year-round): Sunday School 9:15 AM, Morning Worship 10:30 AM; Wednesday Services (during the school year): Worship, Bible Study, Children's Choirs & Youth Ministry 6:15 PM.

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**CHURCH OF CHRIST VINTON** - 2107 Feather Road, Vinton. Terry Hodge, Minister, 540-890-1170. Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m., Sunday Morning Service 10:45 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 10 a.m.

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## WORSHIP DIRECTORY

**Families Deserve Respect**

Read Numbers 1:1 through 2:34

In our fragmented families today, it is difficult to understand the closeness of Israelite families. They worked together, lived in the same area, and had tribal leaders who counseled them, taught them God's Law, and arbitrated their disputes. God appointed a leader from each tribe to help Moses count the men of his tribe. God also told them where to arrange their tents so each tribe lived together. By living so closely together, they must have learned a great deal about getting along with one another.

So the Israelites did every

thing the Lord commanded Moses; that is the way they encamped under their standards, and that is the way they set out, each of them with their clan and family (Numbers 2:34).

In today's society, respect is often a missing ingredient in families. Often, families intentionally live a distance from each other so they don't have to spend much time together. Maybe we should return to the Israelite model and learn to appreciate and depend on one another more.

Thought for Today: The family structure is important to God.

Quicklook: Numbers 2:32-34

**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](mailto:tfrye@ourvalley.org)**

Service Sunday, 10AM. Bible Study Wednesday 11AM-12PM.

**LUTHERAN**

**ST. 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.

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**FIRST CHURCH OF NAZARENE**, 728 Highland Ave., SE, Roanoke, Virginia. 342-4003. Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 p.m.

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# Tavern Stage Summer Music Series at Explore Park July 12



**TAVERN STAGE**  
at Explore Park  
SUMMER MUSIC SERIES

**FRIDAY, JULY 12**

**CHARISSA JOY & THE HIGH FREQUENCY**

LAWN OPENS | 5:30PM  
LIVE MUSIC | 6 - 8:30PM

GRAPHIC COURTESY OF ROANOKE CO.

The third installment of the Tavern Stage Summer Music Series is Friday, July 12th at Explore Park featuring Charissa Joy & the High Frequency. The band offers a variety of upbeat, feel good, groovy tunes.

The complete 2024 schedule and band listing is as follows.

- July 12 – Charissa Joy & The High Frequency

- August 9 – Creedence Clearwater Recital
- September 13 – Empty Bottles

The Twin Creeks Brewpub lawn will be open from 5:30 to 10 PM, with live music from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Admission is free and visitors are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket to enjoy the sounds of summer. Food

and beverage options will be available on-site at Twin Creeks Brewpub. Special thanks to sponsor, Friends of the Blue Ridge, for providing event support.

Visit [www.RoanokeCountyParks.com/TavernStage](http://www.RoanokeCountyParks.com/TavernStage) or call (540) 387-6078 ext. 0 for event details.

Submitted by Roanoke County

## Vinton urges citizens to register for CodeRED

The Town of Vinton has implemented an emergency alert system called CodeRED and is asking all residents and businesses located within Town of Vinton and East Roanoke County limits to register for these alerts.

The CodeRED platform works jointly with a pre-loaded database, the federal IPAWS network, and the National Weather Service to send automated messages about large scale threats, such as tornadoes and severe thunderstorms.

The Town can send automated emergency alerts to residents' and businesses' landline phones with the notification system. It can also send automated emergency alerts to cell phones and email addresses of those who register for the alerts. This system will allow us to notify all of the Town, or targeted areas, in case of an emergency situation that requires immediate action.

You will receive messages such as:

- Evacuation notices
- Criminal activities
- Shelter in place/lockdown alerts
- Missing child/person alerts
- Boil water advisories
- Road closures due to construction, accidents, special events, or other issues
- Notifications of hazardous traffic or road conditions
- Severe weather alerts
- Natural disaster information
- General Town information

In addition, all subscribers have the option to opt-in to non-emergency community alerts.

Visit <https://www.vintonva.gov/505/CodeRED-Alert-System> for more information.

-Vinton Messenger staff report



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## AARP Fraud Alert: The Latest in Amazon Impostor Scams

Criminals love to impersonate big businesses and the bigger the better. One of the largest targets of impostor scams last year was Amazon. According to the Federal Trade Commission, 44,000 reports about scammers using Amazon's name were filed last year, with \$19 million reported lost.

Here are two of the latest versions of an Amazon impostor scam to be on the lookout for.

- Complex scams that involve an Amazon impostor, a bank impostor and someone pretending to be a law enforcement investigator are trending. These scams have a heightened sense of legitimacy because the victim believes they are speaking to different independent entities who are all confirming the same threat. In reality they are talking to multiple criminals who are all part of the same scheme.
- False membership renewal messages are another trending form of Amazon impostor scams. Because many customers

aren't aware of when their membership expires, these messages can seem legitimate. The criminals also create real looking websites where you can share your payment information.

Whenever doing business, renewing a membership or dealing with a suspicious charge with any retailer, it is safest to do so at their official website or through their official customer service lines. Do not rely on links or phone numbers emailed or texted to you. These run a higher risk that you'll be connected directly to a crook.

Be a fraud fighter! If you can spot a scam, you can stop a scam.

The AARP Fraud Watch Network is a free resource for all. Learn how to proactively spot scams or get guidance if you've been targeted. Visit [aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork](http://aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork) or call the dedicated helpline to speak to a fraud specialist at 1-877-908-3360.

- AARP

## Volleyball prep camp July 30 & 31



OPEN TO PLAYERS (ANY SCHOOL)  
TRYING OUT FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

**MIDDLE SCHOOL TRYOUT PREP CAMP**

JULY 30 & 31  
FROM 5:00-8:30PM

- THIS CAMP IS HOSTED BY WILLIAM BYRD MIDDLE SCHOOL AND IS OPEN TO ANY PLAYER TRYING OUT FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL, PLAYERS DO NOT NEED TO BE ATTEND WBMS TO PARTICIPATE.
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# Celebrating The Town of VINTON!

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

If festivals are your interest, the Vinton area hosts several festivals throughout the year from the Vinton Dogwood Festival to the Vinton

Fall Festival. Each festival offers its own unique atmosphere. When you are away from home it's always nice to feel as if you never left.

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

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

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# RECIPE OF THE WEEK: Sour Cream Peach Pound Cake

It's peach season and here's a recipe from Melissa and Cam Adams from the Fourth of July.

**Ingredients**

- 1 cup unsalted butter, softened
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 4 large eggs
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 cups fresh peaches, peeled and diced  
Powdered sugar for dusting (optional)  
**Directions**

Preheat the oven to 350° and grease and flour a bundt cake pan. In a large bowl, cream together softened butter and granulated sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition.

In a separate bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. Gradually add the dry ingredients to the butter mixture, alternating with sour

cream. Stir in vanilla extract until just combined. Gently fold in diced peaches until evenly distributed in the batter. Pour the batter into the prepared bundt pan and smooth the top.

Bake for 60-70 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean. Allow the cake to cool in the pan for 15 minutes before transferring it to a wire rack to cool completely.

Optional: you can drizzle the cooled cake with a simple glaze made from powdered sugar and lemon juice.



FILE PHOTO

# VINTON HISTORY: Hurricane Lamp

Hurricane lamps were first used in the early 1800s, but they were called "India shades." They were also less practical, since they were huge. In the 19th century, they became more decorative, and that's the period when richer people were using them. Candles were expensive back then.

The main reason hurricane lamps look the way they do is because of their purpose. The most recognizable feature is their tall glass chimney, which has a role in protecting the flame in the lamp and thus making it wind resistant.

Early ones were kerosene, and most are now electric. A hurricane lamp is an excellent addition to any home, providing both function

and beauty to almost any room to provide light with its soft, warm glow. The beautiful vintage pink hurricane lamp pictured is on display in the Vinton History Museum. It was donated by Hildrey and Ocelia Pollard. Folks enjoy the special lighting from the Pollards' lamp at the Vinton History Museum, located at 210 East Jackson Avenue in Downtown Vinton; open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and every first Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. "Preserving the Past for the Future."

*Submitted by Judy Cunningham, Vinton History Museum Executive Director*



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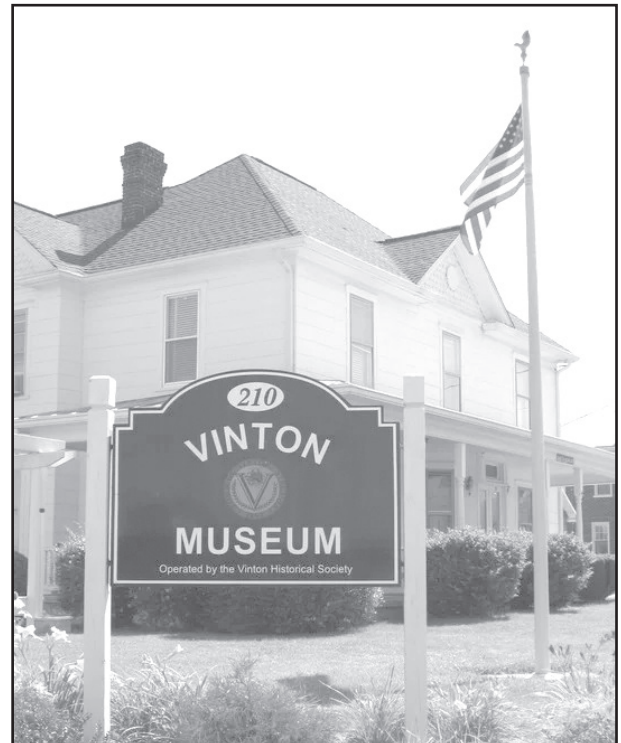


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# Eco Fest

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Park with expert guides.

- Water Education by Western Virginia Water Authority – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come see interactive displays and activities that are focused on water conservation and education.
- Water and Soil Education by Mountain Castles Soil & Water Conservation District – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Get your hands on these hands-on activities and educational displays that discuss the importance of soil and water conservation. Understand what it means

to maintain a sustainable environment with the help of healthy soil and clean water.

- Solar Ovens, Sun Dials, and Sun Prints – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Earth Right Mid-Atlantic Solar Company, this activity will teach you about solar energy and its applications. Try your hand at making solar ovens, creating sun prints, and learning how sundials work.
- VA Master Naturalist Booth: All Day. Visit the VA Master Naturalist booth to learn about local

wildlife, conservation efforts, and how you can get involved in protecting our natural resources.

- Sweet Surrender Snack Vendor: All Day. Take a break and enjoy delicious ice cream from the Sweet Surrender Snack Vendor.
- For more information about this event, visit [www.RoanokeCountyParks.com](http://www.RoanokeCountyParks.com) or call (540) 427-1800.

*Submitted by Roanoke County Parks*

# Serreno

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potential." Conley is the youngest boxer currently with Gator Boxing.

Conley is 14 and participates in other sports. He took a couple of years off from boxing to concentrate on football, but then chose to participate in both sports.

He has played tackle football since he was 5, and plays linebacker, running back, and quarterback for William Byrd. This past season he was injured in the last 22 seconds of the second game of the season and broke his collar bone. He still received the leadership award from his coach because he never missed a practice or a

game, and he cheered the team on the whole season. Even with his injury, he was brought up to JV. He is currently working out with the JV team this summer.

Those are the characteristics Coach Sawin has seen in Conley that make him believe the "Con Man" has a future in boxing—determination, perseverance, responsibility, discipline, commitment, and hard work.

"He is willing to do whatever he needs to do to win," Sawin says. "He is one of the best boxers I have seen in a long time—he has heart, will, and an

incredible attitude for someone 14 years old, and in boxing, attitude goes a long way."

Sawin says that it's not always the most athletic or fastest boxer who wins, but "the one who wants it more—who finds a way to win."

Early on, being in good shape helps. Boxers work out with punching bags, do mitt work, spar, jab, practice in the ring, lift weights, and work on technique. They learn to keep moving, and, most importantly, "not to get hit." But their coaches also teach mental toughness.

Boxers who are Conley's age, up until

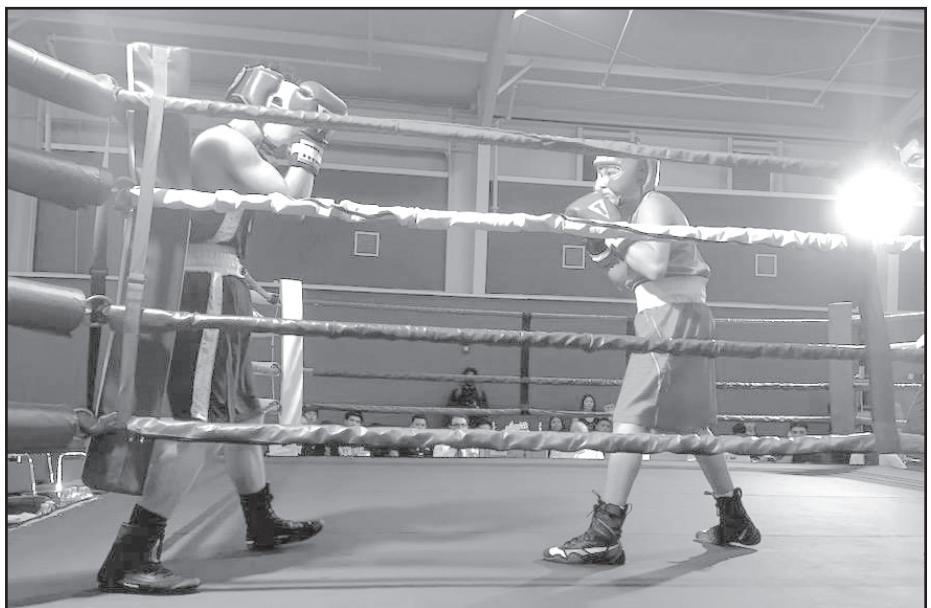


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**Conley Serreno (center) faces an opponent his most recent bout.**

about 17 years of age, generally compete against others close to them in age (within two years) and weight (within seven pounds). Conley currently boxes in the 119-pound weight class.

Coach Sawin says that it has been very important to his father, Nathan, that Conley maintain good grades in school while pursuing sports. In fact, Conley's family as a whole is very supportive of his goals and "are great assets."

His mother says that Conley's grandfather,

Mike Hastings, and cousin boxed in West Virginia, and that her son is usually at the Lancerlot every evening boxing, aside from weekends.

Although Gator Boxing is located at the Lancerlot, it is not affiliated with the facility other than renting the space. Coach Maynard Quesenberry founded the organization in another location several years ago. All of their coaches are volunteering their time, not only to promote the sport of boxing in the Roanoke Valley, but to

teach life skills in the ring.

Gator Boxing coaches are USA Boxing certified. Sawin himself has won 37 amateur fights and three state championships and has advanced to Nationals twice. When he took up boxing and then coaching boxing, it gave his life purpose.

He says he volunteers with Gator Boxing, like most of the coaches, to "help boys become men. Boxing teaches young men not to quit, to build strength in your mind, and physical endurance." That's why he "likes working with kids."

Gator Boxing is open from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Ages 8 to 100+ are welcome to join. For more information, call Coach Maynard Quesenberry at 540-320-9898 or visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/GatorBoxing/>.

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**Legals - Botetourt County**

**VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY IN RE: ESTATE OF DEBRA ANNE DAWSON, DECEASED NOTICE**

Having been requested to do so by Christopher Dawson, administrator of the estate of Debra Anne Dawson, Deceased, and in accordance with Section 64.2-550 of the 1950 code of Virginia, as amended, all creditors of Debra Anne Dawson, and all persons in any way interested in her estate are hereby notified that I have fixed the 7th day of August, 2024 at 10 o'clock a.m. at my office at 13 south Roanoke Street, Fincastle, Virginia as the time and place for determining an account of the debts and demands against said Debra Anne Dawson or her estate, the priorities among them, and the names of the persons to whom they are due. All creditors of Debra Anne Dawson, deceased, and persons interested in her estate should appear at the time and place named, or any other time or place to which the proceedings may be adjourned, and protect their interest. Given under my hand this the 2nd day of July, 2024. Malcolm McL. Doubles Commissioner of Accounts

**Legals - City of Salem**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2309 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, on July 24, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, to consider the following applications. The request of Savory Ventures Salem, LLC, property owner, for a variance from Section 106-402.7(A) of the City of Salem Zoning Ordinance pertaining to perimeter landscaping standards for parking lots for the property located at 600 block of West Fourth Street, Tax Map # 143 - 4 - 1. The petitioners are requesting a variance to allow for a food truck court. Section 106-402.7(A) states that the required landscaped planting strip shall have a minimum width of eight feet. Therefore, the petitioners are requesting a 3-foot variance. At this hearing, all parties in interest will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and show cause why such requests should or should not be granted. For additional information, contact the Office of the Zoning Administrator, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375 3032).

**Legals - Montgomery County**

**Order of Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Case No. CL24000869-00 VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 DONALD BROOKS SAVILLE, JR., et al Plaintiffs, v. RICHARD BARNETT, ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE ESTATE OF EDITH CORDER BARNETT, et al Defendants. **ORDER OF PUBLICATION** Upon consideration of the Affidavit for Entry of Order of Publication filed by the Plaintiffs, the reason for this cause is to obtain the whereabouts of any person who may have an interest in the property located at 3114 Emerson Lane, Blacksburg, VA 24060, and/or 3137 Emerson Lane, Blacksburg, VA 24060, and if such parties cannot be located, the secondary purpose of this cause is to quiet Plaintiff's title to the Property. An Affidavit has been made and filed showing that the Defendant **John Does 1-100 All Persons Unknown or Parties Claiming a Title, Lien, Easement, or Other Interest in the Lands Known as 3114 Emerson Lane, Blacksburg, VA 24060; John Does 1-100 All Persons Unknown or Parties Claiming a Title, Lien, Easement, or Other Interest in the Lands Known as 3137 Emerson Lane, Blacksburg, VA 24060; and John Does 1-100 All Persons Unknown or Parties Claiming an Inherited Interest from Avery May, a/k/a Lee Evans May, Brandyne May Moorefield** (collectively "John Does 1-100"), address unknown to the general description of "parties unknown," who by reason of true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise of defendants JOHN DOES 1-100 are unknown to Plaintiff, and may have a beneficial interest in the Property. UPON CONSIDERATION whereof, this Order of Publication as to all the parties above is GRANTED, and it is ORDERED that any interested person(s) shall appear here on or before July 31st, 2024 at 9 am, which date is no sooner than fifty (50) days after entry of this Order of Publication. And it is further Ordered that this Order of Publication be published once a week for four (4) successive weeks in The News Messenger, a newspaper of general circulation in the Montgomery County, Virginia. ENTERED the 11 day June, 2024 K. Mike Fleenor, Jr. Judge

**Legals - City of Radford**

**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF PROPERTY 486 Waterworks Road, Radford, VA 24141 Tax Map No. 064-A 68, Parcel ID No. 020697**

In execution of a Deed of Trust dated July 24, 2008, in the principal amount of \$73,280.45, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 08008179, Woods Rogers PLC, Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the Montgomery County Circuit Court, 55 East Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, on July 30, 2024 at 12:00 noon, the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in Montgomery County, Virginia, and more particularly described as follows: All that certain lot or parcel of land with all improvements thereon situate, lying and being in the Prices Fork Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, on Water Works Road, containing 2.1417 acres more or less as shown on a plat of same dated October 15, 1992, prepared by W. A. Davis, CE/LS, referred to as "Plat prepared for Bobby Wayne Southern, et al." LESS AND EXCEPT: All that certain lot or parcel of land with all improvements thereon lying and being in the Price's Fork Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, and being all of Lot Two (2) containing 1.03 acres, conveyed to Alan K. Southern and Drema J. Southern by deed dated June 1, 1995 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, in Deed Book 876, Page 361 and as shown on plat of survey of record in Deed Book 876, Page 363. TERMS: Cash - Bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sales price by cashier's or certified check may be required. Balance of purchase price shall be due and payable not later than ten (10) days after sale. WOODS ROGERS PLC, Trustee For Information Contact: Woods Rogers Vandeventer Black PLC, P.O. Box 14125, Roanoke, VA 24038-4125, Telephone: 540-983-7729

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 89 White Oak Drive, Blue Ridge, VA 24064**

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**Legals - Town of New Castle**

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**Legals - Roanoke County**

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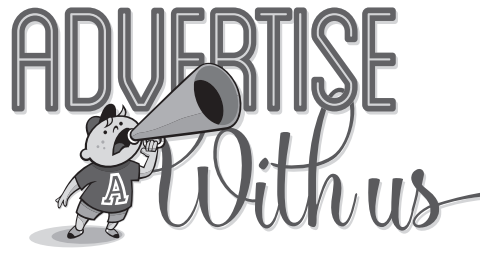
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# Pine Spur from page 1

activities, and an opportunity to enjoy and share the privileges and beauty of the great outdoors and to promote good sportsmanship.”

The 2024 Pine Spur Horse Show on July 13 is open to the public. Admission is \$5; children under 12 are admitted free with a paying adult. Concessions will be available.

According to the club history written in 2003, “The Pine Spur Hunt Club had a very humble beginning in 1953 when a few horse-loving families met in a small building owned by the Beagle Club in Bedford County.” There were some 14 charter members: Clarence and Nadine Abbott, Thurman and Hazel Crowder, Fred and Nellie Gross, Keister and Dorothy Gross, Annie Laurie Lee, Emmett Waldron, Ernest and Elsie Waldron, his daughter Yhome Waldron Murphy, and granddaughter Dita.”

The men in the club did the riding; the women were content to lend their support by serving refreshments, helping organize the rides, and recording the minutes of meetings. There was

one exception—Ernest Waldron’s 6-year-old granddaughter, Dita, who road with her “Pa” at every opportunity despite the embarrassment of being roped to his saddlehorn.

Ernest Waldron served as the club’s first president. Mickey Wentzel is the current president. The Pine Spur Hunt Club is a family tradition for Wentzel. His wife Amy’s grandfather was a member, as are Amy and their daughter, Hayley Ronk, who was a ribbon girl in the shows as a child, and now helps organize club events.

Wentzel says there are quite a few second, third, and even fourth generation members of Pine Spur. Several prominent Vintonites were also members, including Wallace Cundiff.

“Through the enthusiasm of this group, other ‘would-be cowboys and cowgirls’ quickly began to buy horses so they could join the club. In the early years, you had to own a horse to join the club, but more recently you must just ‘have an interest’ in horses,” according to Wentzel.

Meetings were held

in first one home and then another with the host family serving refreshments. They always adjourned in time to “catch the Western show ‘Gunsmoke’ on television.”

At first interest was confined to one-day trail rides which then expanded into two-day weekend rides. Eventually the idea of holding a horse show was conceived. Since the Gross brothers (Fred and Keister) jointly owned their family farm on what is now Mountain View Road, they offered the only spot large enough to accommodate a horse show ring.

The first horse show, held in 1954, required a tremendous amount of work and donations from members. It was actually the first horse show in the area (and is now known as one of the longest-running sporting events in the valley); the show was well-attended with little room to park and limited seating with folding chairs.

The next several shows were co-sponsored by the Vinton Chamber of Commerce. Eight shows in all were held at the Gross Farm.

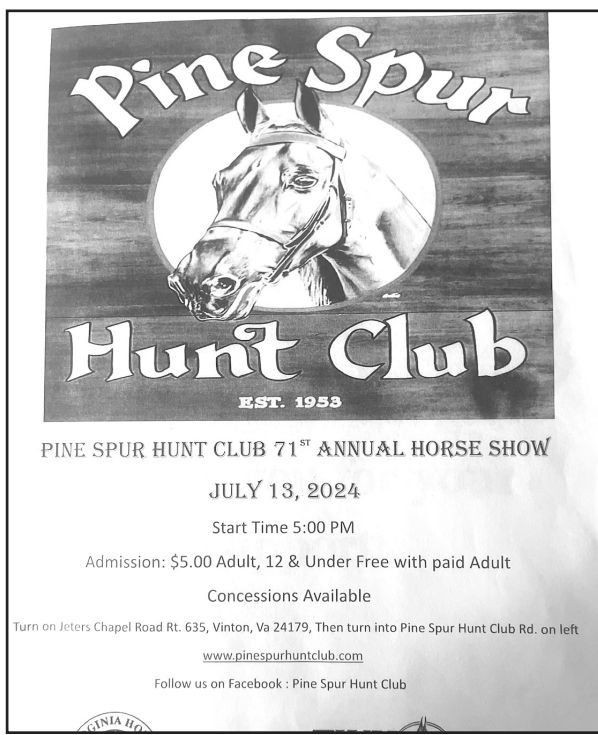
The club incorporated

in August 1961 and that same month purchased land from James and Margaret Baker on Falling Creek, the present location of the Pine Spur Hunt Club. The property was graded; a ring was built, along with a club house and the first horse show was held at that location in May 1962. In July 1965, six more acres of land were purchased, and a barn and stalls were built. When the original barn burned down, 11 members contributed funds to rebuild.

Trail rides were not the only events of interest at Pine Spur. Some members also enjoyed “riding to the hounds.” Square dances were held in the club house during the colder months from October to May, until 2015.

Approximately 125 horses are expected to compete in this year’s horse show. There will be racking, pleasure, Tennessee walking horses, and others in exhibition in about 52 different classes, including everyone’s favorite—the Stick Horse competition. Riders will range in age from 2 to senior adults.

Wentzel says that dozens of sponsors



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make the annual horse show possible with their financial contributions. The continuing success of the show is also due to members and volunteers who “put the show together,” in addition to maintaining the buildings and grounds year-round.

The club usually hosts three horse shows each year—in April, July, and August.

Pine Spur Hunt Club is located off Route 24 and Jeters Chapel Road in Vinton. If you are driving from Roanoke,

take Route 24 to Jeters Chapel Road, turn left at Mineral Springs Baptist Church. Continue a short distance to Pine Spur Hunt Club Road on the left. You will see the horse show ring at the bottom of the hill and the barn and stalls at the top. There are bleachers but you might want to bring your own seating.

For more information visit Pine Spur Hunt Club’s Facebook page or the website at <https://www.pinespurhuntclub.com/>.

# Fireworks from page 1



The Fourth of July in Vinton kicked off with a four-mile race fundraiser benefitting the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia.



One of the most popular attractions at the fireworks celebration was the foam pit.



The Four on the 4th race was actually two races – the traditional four-mile run and this kids/family fun run down Washington Avenue.



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The Vinton First Aid Crew worked to keep everyone safe at the 2024 Fourth of July Celebration.

the community safe and ensure a great experience for everyone.”

Downtown restaurants (Pok-E-Joe’s BBQ, Pollard 107 South, and Twin Creeks Brewing Company) began their celebration with a block party on Pollard Street from late afternoon until the wee hours.

An estimated 5,000 people attended the Fourth of July festivities at the Vinton War Memorial which got underway at 7 p.m. with another welcome by Mayor Grose.

“Hello Fellow Patriots! Thank you for being with us today as we celebrate the founding of the greatest nation on earth, the United States of America! We are honored that you have chosen Vinton as your place to celebrate this special day.

“I want to thank Mandy Adkins, the Vinton War Memorial staff, and our first responders as they have put together an exciting, fun-filled, and safe day here on the Vinton War Memorial grounds. We have lots of fun activities, music, food – of course— and a big fireworks show later tonight.

“Our founding fathers would have approved of this party. As a matter of fact, John Adams said that today should be celebrated with, among other things, pomp, shows, bonfires and illuminations.

“Today is the one day when we can put aside our political differences and celebrate our God-given freedoms! We should always remember that freedom is not free. Many brave men and women

have given their lives so that we can remain a free nation. Some of those great people from Vinton and Roanoke County are honored in the High Ground Monument just to my left. Thank you! God bless you!”

The crowd spread out on blankets and chairs on the front lawn of the War Memorial and waited for the sun to set and the fireworks to begin. D.J. Flex provided the music throughout the evening; there was line dancing and children rolling down the hillside; free patriotic gifts (red, white, and blue hats, glo-sticks, and more) from the town, and the hugely popular foam cannon and pit. Thrasher Memorial served free ice cream to those who stopped by—another 4th of July tradition.

There were many in the crowd from outside of Vinton (including a family who just moved here from Boston) who said that the town’s fireworks show had been recommended to them by people in the area as one of the best.

Food vendors included Deb’s Lemonade (with not one, but two trucks), The Coffee Bus, Tinker Mountain Kettle Corn, Tinker Mountain Shaved Ice, Munsey’s Smoke Shack, Kefi Greek, Get Glazed Donuts, The Local Lemon, DG Ice (in the morning for the race and then, again, in the evening), and Duck Donuts. The food trucks said that business was booming all evening.

Grucci put on another spectacular

fireworks show that had spectators not just oohing and aahing, but gasping in amazement.

“I can’t say enough positive about the great work of our Community Programs, Public Works and Police Departments and the hard work they all do to prepare and execute days like July 4th,” said Town Manager Pete Peters. “It was a full day with the Four on the 4th race

that morning, the newly added South Pollard Block Party that afternoon and, of course, the incredible fireworks that evening. It is one of my favorite days of the year in town, to see so many come together to celebrate and enjoy themselves. It is quintessential ‘Small Town Americana’ and thanks to Town Council and our selfless team that pull it together each year.”

# Celebrating!

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## 8U All-Stars

The Vinton 8U all-star team. Left to right in back are coaches Brad Greenway, Tim Greenway, Kirk Dooley and Tyler Holdren. Front row kneeling, left to right; Brantley Greenway, Mason Bartley, Carter Falls and Remington Chewning. Back row: Bronson Powers, Maddox Dooley, Landon Wilson, Avery Thompson, Cason Grubb, Grant Savignac and Brody Holdren.

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## 10U All-Stars

The Vinton 10U all-star team. Front row, left to right: Nathaniel Hayslett, Lucas Wendell and Mason Pelletier. Second row standing: Shane Clinebell, Hayden Scott, Wyatt Duncan, Easton Nicely, Carter Russell, Micah Palmer, Raylan Crawford, Niko Bardales and Gunner Shepherd. Coaches: Patrick Pelletier, Bruce Palmer, Corey Wendell and head coach Austin Radford.

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## 12U All-Stars

The Vinton 12U all-star team. Front row, left to right: Austin Wright, Drew Bonham and Noah Burwell. Second row standing: Owen Gibson, Jackson Price, Jace Weddle, Bryce Patrick, Ben Gurley, Jacoby Weddle, Levi Amos and Angel Alatorre. Coaches: Joel Patrick, Gary Bonham, head coach Cory Bonham, Jacob Weddle and Ben Gibson.

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The Vinton Orioles were runner-up in the RAYBA 15U baseball tournament. Front row, left to right; DJ Kelly, Ethan Sink, Ryan Witcher, Will Churchill, Hayden Johnson and coach Mark Sink. Back row; Coach Steve Hildebrand, Head Coach Eric Mills, Noah Spradlin, Eathan Hildebrand, Samuel Clarke, Jack Mills, Coach Spradlin and Colin Rodgers. Austin Kroner is not pictured.

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