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# W.E. Cundiff Elementary breaks ground for renovation and expansion project



The renovation and expansion project at W.E. Cundiff Elementary in Vinton is underway after an official ground-breaking ceremony on Aug. 28. PHOTO COURTESY OF RCPS

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The entire student body, faculty, and staff at W.E. Cundiff Elementary School in Vinton joined with town, county, and state officials on August 28 for the official groundbreaking for a multimillion-dollar renovation and expansion project at the school on Hardy Road.

Roanoke County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Ken Nicely told students and other guests gathered in the parking lot for the ceremony that the school first opened over 50 years ago in 1972 as Hardy Road Elementary and "needs to be updated and modernized."

He noted that the groundbreaking at Cundiff is just one of three scheduled in the next month in the county. Glen Cove Elementary is also beginning an extensive renovation project. In addition, construction is set to begin on a new Career and Technical Education Center off Peters Creek Road that will replace the Burton Center for Arts and Technology - a "historic level of construction and renovation projects" for the county.

"So many people came together to make this happen," Nicely said. He commented that while the next two years with the school under construction will cause some inconveniences, the end result will be worth it. He said that he looks forward to the ribbon-cutting for the school in fall 2026.

He introduced several dignitaries who were in attendance - State Senators David Suetterlein and Chris Head, Vinton Mayor Brad Grose, School Board members Tim Greenway (Vinton's representative), David Linden, Shelley

Clemons, and Cheryl Facciani, Board of Supervisors members Tammy Shepherd (Vinton's representative), Phil North, and Martha Hooker, Roanoke County Administrator Richard Caywood and Assistant Administrator Doug Blount, Vinton Town Manager Pete Peters, RCPS Director of Facilities and Operations Todd Kageals, representatives from the Cundiff, Brown, and Musselwhite families, and representatives from Branch Build and RRMM Architects.

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PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

New faculty and staff members at Herman L. Horn for the 2024-2025 school year include (from left): front row, Dan Evory, Sarah Crawford, Josie Flinchum, Melissa Harron, and Priscilla Dolan; second row, Cris Barcellos, Kaytlyn Dolan, Jessica Hunt, Jenn Pineo, and Alyssa Barranco; and third row, April Henderson, Harlee Martin, Kori Webb, Mackenzie Tolliver, Camden Dippel, Jane Dellinger, and Stephanie Johnson.

# Herman L. Horn welcomes new faculty and staff for 2024-2025

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Herman L. Horn Elementary School in Vinton has welcomed several new faculty and staff members for the

2024-2025 school year. Barcellos Cristiane

Second Language (ESL) to students in K-5. She is originally from Brazil. She graduated from Radford University with a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies and a VDOE ESL Endorsement for grades

is teaching English as a K-12. She has been teaching for "19 great years."

Barcellos chose to be an ESL educator because "bridging culture and language in our multicultural society

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# Make a difference – join the Pink Warrior Walk on Sept. 7



GRAPHIC COURTESY TOWN OF VINTON

The Vinton Moose Lodge 1121 is presenting the first Pink Warrior Walk in Vinton on Saturday, Sept. 7. Participants will step off at 5:30 p.m. for the approximately three-mile walk beginning and ending at the Vinton Farmers' Market. All ages are welcome. You can walk, run, or ruck the route, which is not timed. Pets (on a leash) are welcome (bring water for them and

clean up after them). Following the walk, the celebration continues with a lively after-party at the market, featuring the Odd Fellows band. Local business vendor booths, local favorite food trucks, and a Kids Zone will ensure there's something for everyone to enjoy. There's also a raffle,

so bring some cash. This community-focused event aims not only to raise funds for breast cancer support services, but also to unite the community in a shared commitment to health and wellness.

"We are thrilled to launch the Pink Warrior Walk in support of the Virginia Breast Cancer Foundation," said Mandy Adkins, Vinton's Director of Cultural Placemaking and Events. "Breast cancer impacts so many lives, and events like this are important in providing support to those affected. We encourage everyone to come out, walk with us, and enjoy a fun-filled evening that makes a

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# Vinton Town Council amends zoning ordinance to require Special Use Permits for medical facilities

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Vinton Town Council has approved an amendment to the Vinton Zoning Ordinance that will require medical and dental clinics and hospitals to obtain a Special Use Permit in certain business and industrial districts.

Council met in a joint work

session with the Vinton Planning Commission prior to the regular council meeting on September 3 to review and discuss the proposed changes.

Assistant Planning and Zoning Director Nathan McClung briefed Town Council and the Planning Commission on the particulars of the amendment which has been under discussion for much of the summer since Summit Medical Center of Roanoke, LLC (rumored to provide abortion services) applied for a zoning permit on 3rd Street. The former Dynamic Medical building is already zoned for a medical office and Virginia state law permits abortions in the first and second trimesters. That left council with little recourse to stop

its opening and operation.

Since early summer, Mayor Brad Grose has stated at each council meeting that the Town of Vinton did not recruit the business and was unaware of its intentions initially. Council members, Town Attorney Jeremy Carroll, and the Planning

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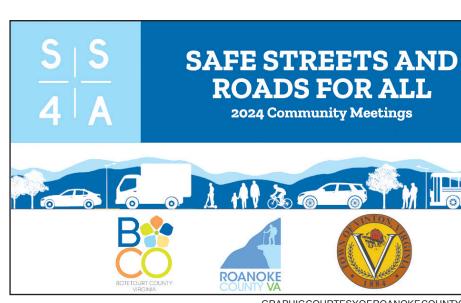
# 'Safe Streets and Roads For All' community meeting in Vinton on Sept. 10, citizens urged to complete survey

Roanoke County, Botetourt County and the Town of Vinton are collaborating on a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan through the Federal Highway Administration's Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program with the goal of preventing deaths and serious injuries for all roadway users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, commercial vehicle operators, transit riders and micromobility users.

The second round of community meetings will focus on proposed projects in each locality to reduce deaths and serious injuries on our roadways. Meetings will be open house-style where attendees can come and go as they please.

The meeting in Vinton is set for Tuesday, Sept. 10 from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. at the Vinton War Memorial at 814 Washington Avenue.

Surveys will be available to provide



feedback on the proposed projects through Monday, Sept. 30. Over 400 surveys were completed through the first round of community meetings in April and May to comment on high

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For more information, contact Vinton Deputy Town Manager Cody Sexton, CSexton@VintonVA.gov, or by phone at 540-983-0607.

-Submitted by Roanoke County

# Town of Vinton provides updates for July and August

crash areas.

Various Town of Vinton departments have provided updates on their activities for July and August.

Vinton Police Dept.: A new officer has been hired, leaving the VPD just one officer short of being fully staffed.

The VPD has distributed a "Skill Game Letter" to all convenience store owners within the town limits; the

The letter informed business owners and operators that the possession, operation, use, and allowing of use, of any skill game device is not legal in the Commonwealth of Virginia. These devices are defined in state code as gambling devices and the playing or offering to play is considered illegal gambling. Enforcement was paused pursuant to a court-ordered injunction in December 2021. In October 2023, the injunction was lifted by a Virginia Supreme Court decision. As a result, the operation of all skill game devices

is illegal, and its illegality is enforceable.

The letter states, "Any person who illegally gambles, conducts illegal gambling operations, permits its Roanoke County Commonwealth's Attorney has done the same with stores in East Roanoke County.

continuance, and/or illegally possesses gambling devices is subject to significant criminal and civil penalties. In the event of a citation, a subsequent offense may lead to seizure of the skill gambling devices."

The letter also states that the Vinton Police Department will be enforcing the illegal gambling sections related to skill

Vinton Public Works Dept.: Crews have completed installation of 2-hour parking signs in the lot behind the post office to promote use of the parking spaces by shoppers, not store owners. Crews have also completed repairs at the

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Removal of fencing surrounding the downtown block damaged by fire in July 2022 and reseeding for green space is anticipated this fall.



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# Busy Saturday in Vinton – Dogs and Dulcimers

August 31 was a busy Saturday in Vinton with "Dog Day" at the Vinton Farmers' Market and a celebration of international "Play Music on the Porch Day" with music by local musicians playing dulcimers at the Vinton Library.



Visitors celebrated "Dog Day" at the Vinton Farmers' Market.



Local musicians who practice and perform on dulcimers each month at the Vinton Library celebrated national "Play Music on the Porch Day."

# What's happening at the Mt. Pleasant Library in September?

The staff at Mt. Pleasant Library has many fun and educational events planned for September.

Adults are invited to register for the Native Virginia Plant Class, which is scheduled for Sept. 7 from 11 a.m. to noon. Discover the roles of native plants in our ecosystem. Learn to identify them and understand their benefits.

Children are invited to have fun creating and sharing Lego masterpieces at "Lego Play" on Monday, Sept. 9, from 3 to 4 p.m. This class is ideal for grades PreK-5. All participants will be entered into a drawing for fun Lego prizes.

Teens, be sure to register for Dungeons and Dragons on Tuesday, Sept. 10, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. and join a place where newbies get together to play the popular tabletop game with other Jammie Time Storytime

is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 12, Sept. 19, and Sept. 26 from 6 to 6:30 p.m. Raise your children to be lifelong readers by bringing them to Storytime at the library. Practice early literacy skills, enjoy activities and stories with library staff. Little ones, be sure to wear your PJs! Children ages 2-5 are

invited to enjoy "Discovery Time" – Storytime, STEM activities, and sensory plan on Saturday, Sept. 14 from 11 a.m. until noon. This month, engage in alphabet fun with stories,

a playdough activity, and sensory stations.

"Book Chats" for adults is also scheduled for Sept. 14 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. This is an informal type of book group. Discuss what you are currently reading, what you've read in the past, and what's on your TBR list. Refreshments provided.

All ages are welcome for "Cardboard Weaving" on Monday, Sept. 16, from 3 to 4 p.m. Learn the art of weaving and create unique masterpieces using yarn and fabric strips on your own cardboard loom. It's a fun and easy way to explore weaving for all ages.

Make and enjoy featured drinks while discussing go-to genres, favorite titles, and books everyone should read at least once during "Sip & Read Teen Book Club." While you're there, don't forget to grab your Teen Takeout Book Club Kit. This event is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 17 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Jr. Makers, a monthly club for ages 5-10, meets on Saturday, Sept. 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. This month, children will explore the world of engineering through various fall-themed building challenges. Join fellow Pokemon

fans for Pokemon Club. Share and discuss your cards, with trading optional. This group is scheduled to meet on Monday, Sept. 23 from 3 to 4 p.m. and is best for grades K-5. Those older than 5th grade can attend but are not allowed to trade. All participants will be entered into a drawing for fun Pokemon prizes.

Adults are welcome attend "Database Detective: The Roanoke Times" on Tuesday, Sept. 24 from 6 to 7 p.m. Come and learn how to navigate The Roanoke Times online, how to view full text articles, and search for any article from 1990 to the most current issue.

The entire family will "Games at the enjoy Library" on Saturday, Sept. 28, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Ditch boredom, play board games, or try out the giant lawn games. Register online for

programs at rocolibrary.org.

Mt. Pleasant Library is located at 2918 Jae Valley Road, just across from the fire station. Usual 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.; and Saturday: 10 a.m.-2 ~Vinton Messenger staff

#### PEOPLE, PLACES AND By Angie Chewning games for all to play. Kendra, Luke and Lola

I hope everyone had a

great holiday weekend, I know we did. So much going on but lots of food, family and fun. A cookout is always a good way to celebrate, and we did just that – Greg and myself enjoyed hanging with Sharon Llewlyn,

Barbour, Tara and Steve Hannah Drake Lewis, Nonie and Jeff Hall, and Lee Palmer.

Don't forget Mingle at the Market on Saturday, Sept. 14 with two great bands. Food on the GO

and Get Glazed will be

there, so come hungry.

There will be oversized

We are accepting vendors for Fall Festival on Oct. 12, entries for the Christmas Parade on Dec. 5 and the Golf Tournament on Sept. 20 at Botetourt Golf & Swim Club. Contact the Chamber office for more information, 540-343-1364.

# Council from page 1

Commission have since been exploring legal remedies to the situation, given that abortion is legal in Virginia.

The changes to the zoning ordinance would "require medical and dental clinic uses to obtain a Special Use Permit in the R-B Residential-Business District, GB General Business District, CB Central Business District, M-1 Limited Industrial District, M-2 General Industrial District, PD Planned Unit Development District, and MUD Mixed-Use Development District, and require hospitals to obtain a Special Use Permit in the GB General Business, M-1 Limited Industrial District, and M-2 General Industrial District."

McClung explained that Special Use Permits are legislative in nature; that uses allowed by them are considered to have a potentially greater impact than those allowed as a "matter of right"; Special Use Permits must be evaluated under reasonable standards, based on zoning principles; and impacts from Special Use Permits are addressed through conditions which council can impose. The proposed zoning amendments

are justified by the Virginia Code which recognizes the needs of agriculture, industry, and business in future growth, provides residential areas with healthy surroundings for family life, and provides for growth that is consonant with the efficient and economical use of public funds.

The Virginia Code also states that the purpose of zoning ordinances is to reduce or prevent congestion in the public streets, facilitate creation of a convenient, attractive, and harmonious community and the provision of adequate services, encourage economic development activities that provide desirable employment and enlarge the tax base, and encourage the most appropriate uses of land throughout The Town of Vinton Code states that

Special Use provisions are intended to consider impacts of a proposed use on neighboring properties in deciding whether to grant or deny a permit or to impose certain conditions upon an approved use.

Town staff has recommended the change to the zoning ordinance to no longer permit medical and dental facilities and hospitals as a "matter by right" within the town, but instead to require such uses to undergo the Special Use Permit process.

This process will allow the Planning Commission and Town Council to determine the most appropriate use of land by evaluating, among other factors, "the existing use and character of the property proposed for use as a medical or dental facility or hospital, the suitability of the subject property for various other uses, the need for the proposed use in light of the trends of growth or change, the current and future requirements of the community as to land for various purposes, the impacts on public services, the conservation of properties and their values and the encouragement of the most appropriate uses of land throughout the town, and the impact of the proposed use on neighbors."

In the joint work session, Town Council and Planning Commission members discussed how the Vinton zoning code compares to neighboring localities, whether changes to the zoning ordinance were more extreme than the situation warrants, and whether the decision should be delayed until another time to consider other options or that some type of action needed to be taken as soon as possible.

The regularly scheduled Town Council meeting convened at 6 p.m. with a standing-room-only crowd of citizens in attendance for the open public hearing on the zoning ordinance amendment.

Mayor Grose opened the hearing by saying that the amendment "would allow Town Council to fully consider all potential impacts of all future medical and dental facilities being proposed within our town limits before they are issued a zoning permit and are allowed to be opened. This potential zoning update would not, however, impact any existing medical or dental facility currently operating or previously approved through the existing by-right' authorization within GB, M1, or M2 zoning districts."

Nathan McClung repeated his briefing on the proposed changes to the zoning ordinance for the public. Thirteen citizens addressed council

to voice their opposition to abortion in

general and to an abortion clinic in Vinton

in particular, fearing the negative impact it will potentially have on such a peaceful, family-centered, close-knit community. Many of their concerns were faith-based; several were members of organizations that work with women in choosing alternatives

Speakers were Ann Russell, Carmel Flippen, Barry Witt, Phil Buchy, Kathy Meckley, Teresa Pregnall, Patrick Mulligan, Ashely Bri, Katherine Fagan, Daniel Stanley, Merri Turner, JoAnn Seifert, and Ken Flippen.

Then, Town Council and Planning Commission members were given time to share their thoughts.

Jonathan McCoy from the Planning Commission said he felt that the amendment "was too broad a brush for a narrow concern" and might make it more difficult for other businesses to open in Vinton." Members Bob Benninger and Dave Jones said that it was time to move ahead and make the change from "by right" to requiring a Special Use Permit.

Vice Mayor Mike Stovall commented that approving the amendment will give the town the opportunity to "know the unknown," ask questions, and determine the intentions of a business before a permit

Council members Keith Liles and Laurie Mullins said that passage of the amendment would be a starting point and that some type of action needed to be taken. Council member Sabrina McCarty expressed her concerns about how the issue might influence businesses who were contemplating coming to Vinton.

Planning Commission members voted 3-1 to approve recommending the ordinance change to council with Chairman Keith Liles, Vice Chair Dave Jones, and Bob Benninger voting in favor and Jonathan McCoy opposed. Member Sarah Reid was absent.

Town Council members Mayor Grose, Vice Mayor Mike Stovall, Laurie Mullins, Sabrina McCarty, and Keith Liles then voted unanimously to adopt the amendment to the zoning ordinance and noted that the change takes effect immediately.

The mayor thanked the citizens who had spoken at the public hearing for their "passion and standing up for what you

"We have done what we can do at this point," he said. "There are no legal grounds, no way forward to stop it," since abortion is permitted in the state.

Grose spoke of his own personal feelings on the matter, his dismay that an abortion clinic is coming to Vinton, and his belief in the power of prayer, but also of the oaths that council members took to uphold the Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia."

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# Vinton History Museum fall and holiday events coming up, recruiting volunteers

The Vinton History Museum has several events scheduled in the last quarter of 2024.

The museum will be open for First Saturdays on Sept.7, Oct. 7, and Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visitors are welcome for tours.

You can get started early on your Christmas holiday shopping at the Holiday Shoppe on the museum lawn on Oct. 12 during Vinton's Fall Festival.

The museum will be open on Columbus Day (Oct. 14) and Veterans Day (Nov. 11). The annual Holiday Open House is

scheduled for Dec. 7, also from 10 to 2. The Vinton History Museum will again have a tree at Hotel Roanoke in the

"Fashions for Evergreens" competition. The 2024 theme is "SANTA." Santa will be under, around and on the tree. If you have Santa Claus ornaments or figurines/ statues - anything Santa (shiny, bright,

and similar ornaments, wide red ribbon solid or striped, or plastic candy cane ornaments) that you would be willing to donate to the museum for the 2024 Vinton History Museum's tree - your support would be greatly appreciated.

Several workdays have been scheduled to prepare Santas for the tree, starting with September 5 and 10. If you would like to participate in the Santa Tree project, please let us know. (Call 540-342-8634 or email info@)vintonhistorymuseum.

Volunteers are always needed at the museum for special events and during all regular operating hours, which are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and the first Saturday of each month from 10 to 2. There are many ways to serve – in the office, as a host/hostess for tours, creating displays and scrapbooks, and doing research. Volunteers are especially needed on Wednesdays. Two volunteers

are necessary at all times during museum hours to better serve visitors.

Volunteers are needed decorate the inside and outside of the Vinton History Museum for the holidays beginning in early November.

In recent years, the Vinton History Museum has prepared personalized gift baskets and gift mugs which have proved to be good saleable items for the holidays. If you have supplies for these projects that you no longer need, they would be appreciated for the baskets and

The Vinton Historical Society's "Rising to New Heights" campaign continues. The campaign got off to a good start at the kick-off but continued efforts are needed to reach the goal for the cargo/accessibility lift at the Vinton History Museum to be a reality. Monetary donations of any size are appreciated. The Vinton History Museum website at www.vintonhistorymuseum.org has been updated with the Lift campaign overview including a Gift Intention Form.

The museum maintains two Facebook pages, "Vinton History Museum" and 'Vinton History & Memories." Take a

The Vinton History Museum is located at 210 East Jackson Avenue in downtown Vinton, a neighbor to the Vinton Library.

-Vinton Messenger staff report



# Help shape the future of Vinton, survey now available

The Town of Vinton is updating its Comprehensive Plan and needs your help. Please share your ideas and input by taking the community survey today.

The Comprehensive Plan 2050 is a guiding document for growth, development, preservation, and investment in the Town of Vinton. It sets a vision for the future, and steps for getting there, looking ahead 25 years.

The Comprehensive Plan will include guidance for key aspects of Vinton:

- Land uses
- Streets
- Sidewalks Trails/Greenways
- Parks and open spaces
- Stormwater management
- Environmental protection

The survey should take between 10 and 15 minutes and is an opportunity to share what matters to you

and how you feel about the town's services and infrastructure. The survey will be open through Sunday,

You can take the survey by following the link https://www.vintonva.gov/537/Comprehensive-Plan---Vinton-2050.

Submitted by Town of Vinton

# Town Updates from page 1

Gladetown Loop Trail Bridge. Niagara Road remains closed for

the Western Virginia Water Authority to install a new sewer line. The road could possibly remain closed through Thanksgiving.

Crews have located and purchased a mast arm for the traffic signal at PFG damaged in a traffic accident, which will result in a much quicker repair than anticipated. New signal heads have been installed at Virginia/Pollard. A flashing yellow arrow has been installed and is operational at Hardy Road/Bypass. A flashing yellow arrow will soon be installed at Virginia/Hardy. Approximately 282 tons of municipal

waste and wood waste were collected by Public Works in July, along with 47.5 tons of residential waste and wood waste. Curbside recycling in July totaled 3.22

Community Economic Development Dept.: Crosswalks at Gus Nicks and Hardy Road are complete. The Town of Vinton is accepting

proposals for the redevelopment of publicly owned property, located on the corner of Walnut Avenue and West Jackson Avenue in downtown Vinton. The half-acre site is comprised of five contiguous parcels that are zoned

General Business and adjacent to the Town of Vinton Municipal Building, the Roanoke County Fire & EMS Building, and is well suited for commercial development. Proposals for the proposed hotel site at the intersection of South Pollard Street,

Cedar Avenue, and 1st Street have been

issued. Proposals for both projects are

due on Sept. 27.

Discussions are underway with the owners of one of the fire properties damaged two years ago in the July 2022 fire that wiped out most of a downtown block. The EPA Brownfields Grant has been approved for survey and geotechnical work to be completed. Staff will be restoring the remaining property with clean soil, reseeding for green space, and removing the fencing this fall.

The Vinton 2050 Comprehensive Plan is progressing well. Seven focus groups, with five to eight stakeholders each, will begin meeting in September. A public survey is underway to obtain public input on the Comprehensive

Ribbon-cuttings are planned by the Chamber of Commerce for the Farm Shoppe, Elite Therapy, and Boba Tea (at Vinyard Station).

Staff has signed agreements to initiate design/purchase of the Glade Creek restroom using a recently awarded grant.

Community Programs, Communications, and Events: Over 100 individuals have registered for the Pink Warrior Walk on Sept. 7. Fall Festival, Halloween Trick or Treating, and the Christmas Parade logistics are in the

The Charles R. Hill Community Center hosted five rentals in July with 300 in attendance, along with two in-kind programs. There were three Tai Chi classes, 15 line-dancing classes, five Canasta sessions, five Mexican Train Dominos sessions, and five Monday Music Jams in July with over 1,000 in attendance.

Farmers' Market vendors in July included Rueda Plants and Produce, Marie Hassing (crafts, soaps, jellies), Ashley Davilsaint (crochet and plants), Amy Hebert (crafts), Kathy Craighead (crafts and bread), That Guy Will (live music), Melissa Worrell (crafts), Cathey Hargrove (fresh cut flowers), Alice Summers (crafts), Christy Trent (Tupperware), Emily Harris (brownies), Missy Henry (paintings, jewelry, crafts), Elaine Weaver (jam and desserts), CJz Lemonade, and Schult's Dogs.

The Vinton War Memorial hosted a Town of Vinton event with over 4,000 in attendance (the Fourth of July Celebration). The venue won the Community Votes 2024 Silver Wedding Venue award. August 20 marked the 76th anniversary of the Vinton War Memorial.

-Vinton Messenger staff report

# **BAPTIST (SOUTHERN)**

#### **SPRINGS MINERAL 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.

# CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## **CHURCH OF CHRIST VINTON - 2107** Feather Road, Vinton. Terry Hodge, Minis-

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

**EVANGEL CHURCH** - 2330 Hardy Road, Vinton (corner of Hardy Road and Feather 540-982-3694, www.evangel4sq.

# **God Meant It**

Read Ezekiel 5:1 through 7:27 "Emma! Liam! Have you even

started your homework?" Sheryl had given strict instructions to her children to complete their homework or they wouldn't be going skating later. "Looks like we won't be going skating tonight. You'll be doing homework instead."

children exclaimed, "Please, Mom, let us go. That's not fair!"

"And they will know that I am the Lord; I did not threaten in vain to bring this calamity on them" (Ezekiel 6:10).

Like Sheryl, God had a purpose in His instructions to Judah.

He gave them wonderful promises. Peace and safety would be theirs if they followed Him. He also gave stern warnings. If they ignored Him, destruction would come.

The people acted in disobedience and did what was evil. As a result, God sent them into exile. Even today God does not speak in vain. If we listen to Him, we will receive blessings. If we run to rebellion, we will fall into judgment. Live in such a way as to receive His blessings.

Prayer Suggestion: Dear Lord, I will believe what You have

Quicklook: Ezekiel 6:9-11

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

com, Pastor Tim Wright. Worship 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. **NAZARENE** 

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

by educating, inspiring, and fostering Ells English education proficiency is my mission. Creating a welcoming environment for English language learners (ELLs) is crucial for their success. When ELLs feel welcome in the classroom, and there's a home-school bond, we are on a path to accomplishing several important goals for students'

She loves traveling – "summer is my favorite season and going to the beach is my preferred travel destination – it reminds me of home! I love spending time with friends and family.'

As for Vinton, she loves the "small town vibe, great family restaurants –

Alyssa Barranco is a new Special Education teacher at HLH. She is originally from "the land of laughter the Philippines" and moved here three years ago to be with her husband who was serving in the military at that time.

She earned her Bachelor's Degree in Special Education (overseas) and right now is three classes away from earning her Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction from Liberty University. This is her fifth year working in the field of

As for why she decided to work as a special educator, "It all started with a dream. I asked God what is the best way to get a ticket to Heaven and He answered by showing me that I am teaching children with special needs. The moment I woke up from that dream I told myself that I will do my best to fulfill my calling and that's why I am

She was referred to the job at HLH by her friend Lizeth Roldan. She lives in Hollins so the only people from Vinton she was acquainted with were

"I usually come by to get Filipino stuff from the first Filipino store in Vinton

"I am British/Filipina. My first language is Tagalog. I used to volunteer in a private group in the Philippines in helping individuals with special needs and their family. I am looking forward to being involved in a community by extending my hand to the children who need me the most."

**Vera Chitwood** is tutoring at Herman L. Horn. She is originally from Roanoke and graduated from Northside High School, "so Vinton has always been on my radar." She earned her undergraduate degree from Virginia Tech and her Master's in Teaching from Hollins University. Her oldest daughter attends William Byrd Middle School.

"I worked as an admissions counselor at a local college for several years before having and staying home with my daughters; I worked at a local preschool for three years prior to starting at Horn

As for her spare time, "I enjoy spending time with my husband, two daughters, and our Labrador retriever. We spend most of our time at the soccer field or tennis courts with our kids, but if I have some free time, I enjoy listening to live music, reading a good book or relaxing.

Sarah Crawford is a new Kindergarten teacher at HLH. She has lived in Roanoke her whole life and has close friends in Vinton. She is a graduate of Franklin County High School. She earned her BS in Elementary Education with a SPED Endorsement from Ferrum College in May. This is her first year in teaching. "I have a passion for working in

schools," Crawford says. "I have a big heart and feel called to show kids how fun learning can be. Being there for students when they might not have anyone is one of the many things that keep me going. I felt a strong pull to Roanoke County. My professors at Ferrum helped me make connections with the right people to support this pull.

"I love to make people smile, but I love to craft, Specifically crochet, knit, and sew. Glitter makes everything better and if it's pink, it's beautiful!"

Jane Dellinger is an Instructional Assistant at Herman L. Horn. She is from Richmond where she graduated from Midlothian High School. She studied at the University of Richmond and Virginia Commonwealth University. This is her 15th year in education.

'I love working with students and helping them reach their full potential."

She is married and the mother of three. She loves to read and "be at the beach."

Camden Dippel is a preschool instructional assistant at HLH. She has lived in Vinton her whole life and is a graduate of William Byrd High School. She earned her Associate's Degree in Social Sciences from Virginia Western Community College. This is her first year in education.

"I have always wanted to be a teacher," says Camden. Her mother works at Horn and informed her of the open position.

In her spare time, Dippel said she loves "spending time with my family, friends, and my dog Sammi!" Kaytlyn Dolan is teaching Preschool

Four. She is originally from Salem and

graduated from Glenvar High School.

She earned her Master's in Elementary Education from Liberty University and her Master's in Special Education from Lynchburg College. She has been teaching for five years. 'I really enjoy working with younger kids," says Dolan. "I was interested in

working in elementary education in Vinton." Her children participate in sports in Vinton. She and her husband recently

celebrated their 12-year anniversary. They have two children, 9 and 7.

Priscilla Dolan is a new member of the janitorial staff at HLH this year.

Daniel Evory is the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support) coach for grades PreK-5 at Herman L.

According to Evory, "My wife, Ann, and I have three sons who have graduated from college and now live in Columbus, Ohio, and Las Vegas. Ann and I moved to Virginia from Ohio to take care of her dad. Ann grew up in Roanoke, and I grew up in Westchester County, N.Y. We met at Elon University where I majored in history and foreign languages. "After my boys graduated from

college, I wanted to serve my community by helping kids in the local school. I love being a safe place for kids who are having a hard time. Vinton, a smaller, caring community, is very much like the Waverly, Ohio, community from where we moved. I love walking my dogs, Luna and Oreo, and doing puzzles."

Kim Filer is the gifted resource specialist at Herman L. Horn, W.E. Cundiff, Mount Pleasant, and Glenvar Elementary Schools. She is originally from Maryland and moved to the Roanoke area in 2000. She earned her Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Maryland, her Master's from Johns Hopkins, and her Ph.D. from Virginia Tech. She has been an educator for 29 years.

"I am returning to Roanoke County Public Schools after many years in higher education," Filer says. "Í worked as a middle school teacher previously. I taught at William Byrd Middle School in the early 2000s.

"I enjoy being a designer of learning and lifting students up to become lifelong learners," Filer said.

In her spare time, she enjoys reading,

gardening, and puzzles.

Josie Flinchum will be occupational therapist working Herman L. Horn and Glenvar. She has been an occupational therapist for over 10 years in the Roanoke Valley. This will be her first year in education.

"My husband and I have a 4-year-old, and an 8-year-old. I graduated from Craig County High School. I earned my Bachelor's Degree from Milligan College in Johnson City, Tenn., and then earned my Master's in OT from Jefferson College of Health Sciences in Roanoke."

Melissa Harron is the speech language pathologist at Herman L. Horn.

"I grew up in the Bonsack area and attended Bonsack Elementary School, William Byrd Middle School and William Byrd High School, where I met my now husband."

She earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Radford University.

As for her spare time, "As a family we love walking the greenway here in Vinton and spend time outside as often

April Henderson is a new member of the janitorial staff this year at Herman Jessica Hunt is an instructional

assistant in the Title I program in first

grade. She graduated from Franklin County High School and has been involved in the field of education for Stephanie Johnson is teaching fifth grade Special Education at HLH. She

worked in Roanoke City for the past two years, so this is her third year in education. She earned her Master's Degree in Elementary Education and her Master's in Special Education from Radford University. Her favorite past-times are "reading,

taking care of my plants, playing trivia, and spending time with friends and family. I have a dog and two cats that keep me entertained.' Harlee Martin is teaching Special

Education at Herman L. Horn. She is from Bedford and a graduate of Staunton River High School and Liberty University. This is her first year in teaching, but she has spent two years as a paraprofessional in Bedford County.

As for why she chose to be a Special Educator, "I love getting to work with students with various learning needs and working together to achieve skills they will use for the rest of their life."

In her spare time, Martin enjoys spending time with family, and "I couldn't imagine being where I am today without the love and support from my

Jenn Pineo is teaching second grade at HLH. She just moved here from Oklahoma, but says, "Maine will always be my home." She studied at the University of Oklahoma, a "Boomer Sooner!" This is her eighth year in

"I moved here from Oklahoma in 2023. After working for one year at Roanoke City, I made my way to HLH. I'm so excited to be here and I'm looking forward to all the new families I get to meet. I am passionate about helping students fall in love with books and reading.

"My husband is a retired Army veteran. We have three grown sons who all live in Maine. I am an avid reader averaging 100 books a year."

Mackenzie Tolliver is a school psychologist intern at HLH. She is originally from Front Royal, Va., where she graduated from Skyline High School. She earned her BS in Psychology from the University of Alabama, her MS in Psychology from Radford University, and, once she completes her internship, will have her Ed.S. in School Psychology,

also from Radford. The final step in the psychology graduate program is an internship, which she is completing with Roanoke County Public Schools.

"I work with students, teachers, and families to help support students learning, behavior, and mental health through psychological evaluations, academic and behavioral interventions, and counseling," Tolliver explains. "My goal is to help all students succeed in school, as well as helping teachers and

"I worked in Warren County, Va., with the child study team as well as the preschool program for over a year. During the 2023-24 school year I worked alongside the school psychologist at Burlington Elementary a few days a

"I have always wanted to work in education and grew a love for psychology in college. Working as a school psychologist combined both of these, and I enjoy being able to do so many different things from day to day and work with so many different people."

As for her special interests, "I love dogs, I have a Beagle and a German shepherd mix.'

Kori Webb is teaching fifth grade math at Herman L. Horn. She was born in Roanoke, then moved to Richmond in middle school and graduated from Mills E. Godwin High School in Henrico County. She earned her Bachelor in Early Childhood Education Degree and her Master's in Curriculum and Instruction from Virginia Tech.

"This will be my 15th year of full-time teaching," Webb says. "I worked at W.E. Cundiff for two years at the beginning of my teaching career and then worked at Glen Cove for 12 years. For the past six years I have been working part-time at Glen Cove and then Horn as a math remediation teacher.

"I have known since I was in elementary school that I wanted to be a teacher. I have always loved working with children and had some wonderful teachers myself that sparked my love of education. I love teaching math. I actually struggled in math when I was in middle and high school. I think that struggle helps me to be more sensitive to the fact that children respond best to multiple teaching methods and rich experiences with numbers and problem solving in order to be successful in math.

"I started doing math remediation at Horn in 2021. I worked mainly in fourth and fifth grades. I found out last year that the fifth grade math teaching position would be open for the 2024-2025 school year, and it was an easy decision to make when the position was offered to me. I have loved doing math remediation at Horn and am thrilled to now be working at such a great school

"I have lived in Bonsack for the past 17 years. My husband and I have four children, two boys and two girls. Two have graduated from Byrd and are both currently at VT. We also have a sophomore at Byrd and a seventh grader.

"I am the president of the PTSO at WBHS and you can find me working concessions at all the home varsity football games. I also love to read and spend time with my family."

Lauren Weyer is the 504 Coordinator working at William Byrd High School, and Glen Cove, Bonsack, Herman L. Horn, and W.E. Cundiff Elementary

Schools. She is originally from Fincastle and a graduate of Lord Botetourt High School. She graduated from Radford University and has been involved in the field of education for 16 years.

See New staff, page 6

# 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

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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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# Roanoke County residents now able to report non-emergency crimes online

The Roanoke County Police Department is introducing a new online service that allows citizens to report non-emergency crimes at their convenience. This service will help prioritize emergency responses by reducing the time officers and dispatchers spend on non-emergency situations.

The online crime reporting tool is available on the county's website at www.roanokecountyva.gov/ reportcrime.

Citizens can report incidents such as:

- Animal at large
- Annoying/harassing phone calls
- Barking dog
- Credit card/ATM theft
- ID theft

- Larceny from vehicle or vehicle parts/ accessories and larceny of bicycles

  - Obscene communication
  - Scams
  - Shoplifting
- Suspicious activity
- Trespassing Vandalism

Submitted reports are reviewed within 72 hours and, once approved, become official police reports. If additional information is required, police will contact the citizen. The information provided is secure and accessible only to law enforcement personnel.

To use the online reporting service, citizens must

By Pastor Bryan Crouch, Lynn Haven Baptist Church

meet the following criteria:

- Be over 18 years old
- The crime is non-emergency
  - The crime occurred in Roanoke County The suspect is unknown
- No weapons were involved or stolen
- The citizen has a current email address and can provide at least one phone number

Police also remind citizens that making a false report Citizens can also call the Roanoke County Police

non-emergency number at 540-562-3265 to file a police report.

Submitted by Roanoke County Police Dept.



# From the Pulpit Practical Faith – James 1:5-8

We are studying the Book of James at Lynn Haven Baptist Church. In James 1:5-8 we get a life lesson in wisdom. We all need wisdom to make good choices in life. Sometimes, we don't know what to do and feel confused. But there is good

news. When we need wisdom, we can ask God for help. He is generous and loves to give us what we need.

When you pray and ask God for wisdom, believe that He will give it to you. Trust that He hears you and will answer. But it's important to have faith and not doubt. If you doubt, it's like being a wave tossed around by the wind. You won't be stable or firm in your

Think about a tree with strong roots. When the wind blows, it stands tall because its roots are deep. Our faith in God is like those roots. When we trust Him completely, we are strong and can stand firm no matter what happens.

So, whenever you need wisdom, remember to pray with

faith. Trust that God will guide you and give you the wisdom you need. Stay rooted in your faith, and you will find that you can face any situation with confidence. God is always ready to help and guide you on the right path.

# Walk from page 1

difference.'

Registration for the Pink Warrior Walk is open through September 7 at 6 p.m. at https://runscore.runsignup.com/Race/ VA/Vinton/VintonsPinkWarriorWalk.

The event benefits the Virginia Breast Cancer Foundation, a nonprofit organization committed to the eradication of breast cancer through access, advocacy, education, and community action.

By supporting events like the Pink Warrior Walk, the foundation aims to

raise awareness about breast health and provide support to those affected by breast cancer across Virginia - "Every step we take counts in the fight against breast cancer." Every donation supports the Virginia

Breast Cancer Foundation, helping to empower Virginians with knowledge and advocacy on their breast cancer journey. Your contributions provide: Individualized resource

- coordination
  - Free breast health educational

materials

- Packets for the newly diagnosed, caregivers, and survivors
- Advocacy for better health policies and research funding
- Screening and diagnostic services for the uninsured and underinsured

Road closures begin at 4 p.m. The race begins at 5:30 p.m. and returns to the Farmers' Market just after sunset. Sponsors include the Town of Vinton,

the Vinton Chamber of Commerce, Twin Creeks Brewing Company, The Conner

Group, Grand Storage of Vinton, Kroger, the Lancerlot, and Pollard 107 South.

Parking will be available at the new Walnut Avenue parking lot, the Town of Vinton Municipal Building parking lot, Carilion Family Medicine, the Vinton Public Library, Vinton Baptist Church, and Thrasher Memorial UMC.

The Vinton Farmers' Market is located at 204 West Lee Avenue in downtown

Submitted by Mandy Adkins, Town of

# New staff from page 5

"I have a love for history and helping students see various perspectives throughout history to ensure they make informed and sound decisions in today's world.

"I have spent the past decade teaching in an alternative behavioral setting. I have seen numerous students not meet their full academic potential due to various barriers. Some are often unidentified with disabilities until reaching alternative education. I am excited to begin a new endeavor in education to ensure students with disabilities have the best chance to be successful in the classroom and their future goals.

'My husband and I are raising a sassy toddler. We enjoy local family outings, travel, board games, and attend trivia nights as much as possible."

Melissa Yates will be serving as a remediation teacher at Herman L. Horn this year.

Julie Sandzimier continues as principal at Herman L. Horn Elementary this year with Teresa Kabath as assistant principal.

# Cundiff from page 1



The entire student body attended the ceremony. SCA representatives Eden Frye

and Tyler Jones assisted in the groundbreaking. Pictured left to right are Assistant Principal Heather Everhardt, second grade teacher Anne Jones who has taught at WEC for 20 years, SCA student representative Tyler Jones, second grade teacher Robin Ard who has taught at WEC for 21 years (the longest of any current staff member), SCA representative Eden Frye, and Principal Ashley McCallum.



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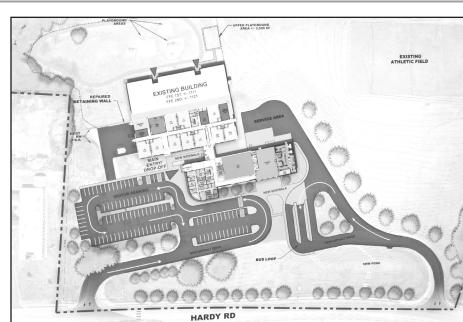






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Site plan for W.E. Cundiff

Greenway thanked School Board members past and present who worked so diligently to bring the project to the groundbreaking stage.

Principal Ashley McCallum said that the "momentous occasion" of the groundbreaking ceremony held special significance as her life has come full circle - she attended W.E. Cundiff as a child when it was known as Hardy Road Elementary and now serves as principal and will witness the modernization of the facility. "Our community is filled with pride,"

McCallum said. "This is the start of a new chapter, new adventures, and new opportunities here in Vinton. This is more than walls; it's a place to grow, learn, and build a community where every child has the chance to shine." The W.E. Cundiff project is estimated

to cost about \$29 million between renovations and additions totaling approximately 75,000 square feet. The school will remain open during the project with learning cottages already installed for student use as the work progresses. W.E. Cundiff serves approximately 620 students. In his remarks, Greenway said that

the improvements to Cundiff and Glen Cove and the new CTE Center have been needed for many years. Renovations and

expansions at Glen Cove and W.E.

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Cundiff will include removal of outdated open concept classrooms, which will allow for more effective instruction and greater opportunities for interactive, hands-on instruction.

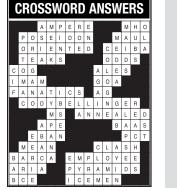
leading the entire school in a loud countdown to break ground, formally beginning the project. The Roanoke County School Board

The ceremony ended with McCallum

has selected a proposal submitted by Branch Companies, RRMM Architects and Balzer & Associates to renovate and expand Glen Cove and W.E. Cundiff. The entire project for all three schools will cost approximately \$130 million

dollars with \$80 million dedicated to build the new CTE center and about \$50 million to renovate and expand the two elementary schools. According to School Board Chair

Brent Hudson, who was unable to attend the groundbreaking, "The funding for this project was the result of a memorandum of understanding between the Roanoke County School Board and the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors earlier this year to provide \$130 million to allow these projects to start as soon as summer 2024 with a possible completion date of summer-fall 2026. We thank the Board of Supervisors for working with us to move these projects forward quickly."



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#### Legals -**Botetourt County**

# Order of

**Publication** Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No. CL24-191

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT **COUNTY OF** BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of

Complainant, JANIS DEE HARLOW AKA JANIS D. HALE, ET AL.

Virginia,

Respondent(s). Case No. CL24-191 ORDER OF PUBLICATION The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant County of Botetourt, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, described as follows:

Tax Map No. 27A(3)4 Account No. 18156 All that certain tract or

parcel of land, lying and being in the Fincastle Magisterial District, County of Botetourt, State of Virginia, and being known and designated as Lot No. 44 of the Sarah E. Finney Addition to Eagle Rock. And being the same

property conveyed to Janis Dee Harlow aka Janis D. Hale from Dee Landis Windsor by Deed dated April 26, 2000, and recorded September 22. 2000, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, in Deed Book 588, at Page 1508.

subject to all easements. conditions, agreements. restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described.

This description is made

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known

addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Janis Dee Harlow aka Janis D. Hale, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 3719 Southway

Drive SW. Apt. 69. Roanoke, Virginia 24014: John Hale, whose last known address is 6844 Conner Road NE, Copper Hill, Virginia 24079; Kathleen A. Harlow, who is believed to be deceased

and whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road, Fincastle, Virginia 24090; Jazzmine F. Harlow, Minor, whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road Fincastle Virginia 24090; Noah S. Landram, Minor, whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road, Fincastle, Virginia 24090; Rebecca L. Harlow whose last known address is 7908 Botetourt Road. Fincastle, Virginia 24090; Nathan L. Harlow, whose last known address is 388 Mountain Road, Eagle Rock, Virginia 24085; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this

ORDERED that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before October 21, 2024 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County

action individually and/or

by the general description of

Parties Unknown, it is

hereby

of Botetourt, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in 99/4this cause. Entered on the 26th day of

August, 2024. Tommy Moore

I Ask For This: John A. Rife, Esq. (VSB No 45805) Jeffrey A. Scharf, Esq. (VSB No. 30591) Mark K. Ames, Esq. (VSB No. 27409) Andrew M. Neville Esq. (VSB No. 86372) Paul L. LaBarr, Esq. (VSB No. 91609) Gregory L. Haynes Esq. (VSB No. 37158) Seth

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## Order of **Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No. CL24-231 VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY SPECIALIZED LOAN

Plaintiff(s), ESTATE OF WANDA P. MCKINNEY

SERVICING LLC

and UNKNOWN HEIRS OF WANDA P. MCKINNEY Defendant(s).

Case No.: CL24-231 ORDER OF PUBLICATION Petitioner, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC

("Commonwealth"), by counsel, and upon its Affidavit of Order of Publication requesting an Order of Publication, and IT APPEARING that the object of this suit is quiet title to the property located at 222 Cove Mountain Road, Buchannan, Virginia 24066 ("Subject Property"); IT APPEARING that Wanda

P. McKinney, the record owner of the Property, is deceased and no estate has been opened or List of Heirs or Real Estate Affidavit filed in the land records of this Court; and IT APPEARING that due

diligence has been used to locate Defendants Estate of Wanda P. McKinney or the Unknown Heirs of Wanda P. McKinney ("McKinney Parties Unknown"); and IT APPEARING that the last known address for Wanda P. McKinnev is 222 Cove Mountain Road, Buchannan, Virginia 24066;

IT APPEARING that it is timely and appropriate that this Court enter an Order allowing for service upon the Defendants be completed pursuant to

and

Virginia Code §8.01-316 by Order of Publication in a newspaper with general circulation in and published in and approved by the Circuit Court for Botetourt Virginia, and it is therefore.

AND DECREED that an ORDER OF PUBLICATION. be and hereby is to be published in The Fincastle Herald once a week for four successive weeks in order to perfect service upon Defendants Estate of Wanda P. McKinney and

ADJUDGED, ORDERED

the Unknown Heirs of Wanda P. McKinney; and it is further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that all Defendants be placed on notice that a Petition is pending in the Circuit Court of Botetourt Virginia namely Specialized Loan Servicing UC v. Estate of Wanda P. McKinney, et al. to quiet title to the property located at 222 Cove

Mountain Road, Buchannan, Virginia 24066: and it is further ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED, that McKinney Parties Unknown must on or before the 18th day of October, 2024, make known to this Court any objection they may have to the Complaint, and claim any defenses to the pending action otherwise an order will be entered in favor of

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that the Clerk of this Court send notice of this service to Defendants Estate of Wanda P. McKinney and Unknown Heirs of Wanda P.

Plaintiff, and it is further

McKinney at the last known of address of Wanda P. McKinney, 222 Cove Mountain Road, Buchannan, Virginia 24066; and it is further

ADJUDGED, ORDERED AND DECREED that The Fincastle Herald shall file an affidavit of publication with

the Clerk of this Court attesting to the dates of publication, attesting that the notice was published at least once a

week for four successive

weeks Dated this 8th day of August, 2024. Joel R Branscom. Judge of the Botetourt

County Circuit Court We ask for this: SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC

Thomas Hodge, VSB

## Legals -**Botetourt County**

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TRUSTEE'S SALE **OF PROPERTY** 8415 Flag Lane, Roanoke, VA 24019 Tax Map No. 106-191, Parcel ID 30488

In execution of a Deed of

Trust dated November 13. 2020, in the principal amount of \$115,548.92, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 200005614. Woods Rogers Vandeventer Black PLC, Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the Botetourt County Circuit Court, 1 W Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, on September 12, 2024 at 12:00 noon, the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in Botetourt County, Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:7

Beginning at the intersection of the extreme southern corner of Tax Parcel No. 106-193, the western corner of Tax Parcel No. 106-194, and the extreme northern corner of the property herein conveyed thence proceeding S. 47 degs. 15' 00" E. 234.50 feet to a

point; thence S. 36 degs. 54' 23" W. 105.89 feet to a point: thence N. 47 deas 15' 00" W. 245.21 feet to a point; thence N. 42 degs. 42' 42" E. 105.34 feet to the place of BEGINNING and containing 0.5801 acres, as more fully shown on "Resurvey for Anthony W. Smith Showing Tax No. 106-191 located along Flag Lane", dated November 3, 2019, a copy of which is recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, with the Deed at Instrument No. 200003069, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference hereto. TOGETHER WITH a fifteen

fully shown on the aforesaid plat of survey 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 pavable not later than

(15) foot non-exclusive,

appurtenant, right of way

over Flag Lane as more

ten (10) days after sale. WOODS ROGERS VANDEVENTER BLACK PLC, Substitute Trustee

For Information Contact: Woods Rogers Vandevente Black PLC, P.O. Box 14125 Roanoke, VA 24038-4125 Telephone: 540-983-7729

#### TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 3314 Blue Ridge Blvd, Blue Ridge, VA 24064

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$332,323.00 dated October 1, 2021 recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for Botetourt County on October 1, 2021 as Instrument Number: 210005222, the undersigned appointed

Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction, at the Main entrance of the courthouse for the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, 1 W Main St, Fincastle, VA 24090 on October 7, 2024 at 12:30 PM the property described in said deed of trust, located at the above address and briefly described as: Located in Botetourt County, State of Virginia:

All that certain tract or parcel of land designated as Lot C, containing 1.916 acres, more or less, as more fully shown on that certain "Plat of the Property of C & O, LLC", dated July 30, 2008, prepared by Christopher N. McMurry L.S., a copy of which is recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for Botetourt County,

Virginia, in Plat Book 45,

# Legals -**Botetourt County**

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95B/31076 TERMS OF SALE: A bidder's deposit of \$12,000.00 or 10% of the sale price whichever is lower, will be required in the form of a certified or cashier's check. Cash will not be accepted as a deposit. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustee may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

This is a communication from a debt collector. This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. (Trustee # 24-006071) Substitute Trustee: ALG Trustee, LLC C/O Orlans PC PO Box 2548. Leesburg. VA 20177 (703) 777-7101

website: www.Orlans.com The Vendor auction.com will be used in conjunction with this sale. Potential Bidders: For sale information, please visit www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2832.

# Legals - City of Salem

## **ABC NOTICE** THE DAMON COMPANY

OF SALEM, INC., trading as SHREWD OUTDOORS, 201 E. MAIN ST Salem VA. 24153

The above establishment is

applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) **AUTHORITY** for a Retail Restaurant or Caterer Application -Restaurant Wine, Beer, consumed On and Off Premises Wine and Beer, license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages

> LAVEN NEWSOM VICE PRESIDENT

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.

# **ADVERTISEMENT 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, Botetourt and Craig during the winter of 2024-2025. 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 operation. VDOT reserves 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 bonus payment and a minimum guaranteed payment for the season

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gov All new and returning Contractors must be active

in the Virginia eProcurement Portal (eVA) in order to do business with the Commonwealth of Virginia (https://eva.virginia.gov)

> Applications received by 7:00 PM on Wednesday

October 2, 2024 may be eligible for a bonus payment. See the EVA posting for additional information, including contract requirements. Questions can be directed

to the Salem Residency from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday - Friday. Phone: 540-387-5497 Email: SalemDistrictSnow @vdot.virginia.gov

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## Legals -Montgomery County **NOTICE OF**

**PUBLIC HEARING** OF THE **MONTGOMERY** COUNTY **PLANNING** COMMISSION Pursuant to the provisions

of Section 15.2-2204 & 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Montgomery County Planning Commission hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held on September 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Government Center, 755 Roanoke St. Christiansburg, Virginia, in order to hear citizen comments regarding the Planning Commission intention to act on the following Ordinances:

Cowan (owners) for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow a commercial kennel located at 4342 Quince Road. The property is further identified as Tax Map 131-A 76 (Parcel ID: 018267), 49.639 acres, zoned Agricultural (A-1) in the Riner Magisterial District. The property currently lies in an area designated as Rural in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan. Copies of the proposed

A request by Jason and Niki

plans, applications, ordinances or amendments may be examined at the Department of Planning and GIS Services, County Government Center, 755 Roanoke St., Suite 2A, Christiansburg, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or at http://www.montgomerycou ntyva.gov/pendingapplicatio

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**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 Christiansburg Residency

which includes the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski during the winter of 2024-2025. 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

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COMMISSION

NOTICE OF

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 15.2-2204 & 15.2-2285 of the Code of

Legals -

Montgomery County

Virginia of 1950, as amended, the Montgomery County Planning Commission hereby gives notice of a public hearing to be held on SEPTEMBER

18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the

County Government Center, 755 Roanoke St., Christiansburg, Virginia, in order to hear citizen comments regarding the Planning Commission intention to act on the following Special Use Permit request:

A request by James Crenshaw for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow a Short-Term Tourist Rental using the existing residential structure on property owned by James D Crenshaw and Eric C Smith. The property is located at 2836 Wrights Way, approximately 0.2 miles north of the intersection of Harding Avenue and Wrights Way The property is further

identified as tax parcel 041-A 38C (Parcel ID: 026792), 0.706 acres, zoned Residential (R-2) in the Mount Tabor Magisterial District. The property currently lies in an area designated as Residential Transition in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan. Copies of the proposed plans, applications, ordinances or amendments may be examined at the Department of Planning and

through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or at http://www.montgomerycou ntyva.gov /pendingapplications.

GIS Services, County

Government Center, 755

Roanoke St., Suite 2A,

Christiansburg, Monday

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

VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No. CL24000866-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court. 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1

CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re BREANNA VIVIAN ALLEN v. LAWRENCE THOR SEVY The object of this suit is to: DIVORCE. It is ORDERED that LAWRENCE THOR SEVY appear at the abovenamed court and protect his/her interests on or before OCTOBER 30 2024 AUGUST 23, 2024 HONORABLE K. MIKE

FLEENOR,JR. JUDGE TIFFANY M. COUCH, **CLERK** 

### Legals -City of Radford **NOTICE OF**

**INVITATION TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC MEETING CONSOLIDATE** ANNUAL **PERFORMANCE** 

AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) **PROGRAM YEAR** 2023

The City of Radford is preparing its Consolidate Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the period of July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 (PY 23). The report outlines the performance of the city on the administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded activities for the PY23/FY24. The fina

report must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) within 90 days following the end of the program year, on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024. A citizen comment period

will run from September 4. 2024 through September 25, 2024. At 7:00pm on Monday, September 23 2024. City Council will hold a public meeting to obtain comments and answer questions regarding the CAPER. A copy of the CAPER may

be found on the City's website or in the City Manager's office. Questions or comments should be directed to Melissa Skelton, Dir. Community Development at melissa.skelton@radfordva gov or in person at City Council meeting on September 23, 2024 at 7pm, located at 10 Robertson St., Radford.

**Publication** Case No. 24-JA-79 and 24-JA-80 IN THE CIRCUIT **COURT OF NICHOLAS** 

Order of

# Legals -City of Radford

## COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA In the Matter of:

Case Number: 24-JA-79 and 24-JA-80 S. L., and E. L., Nathan Lovern, father of S. L., and E. L. and Ashleigh Powell, mother of said infants, (The object of this action is

to notify the adult respondent parents of an Adjudicatory / Disposition / Termination of Parental Rights Hearing scheduled herein so that said adult respondents may appear to protect their interests.) ORDER OF PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF

HEARING(S)

TO: Nathan Lovern, Father of S. L., and E. L., You are hereby notified that abuse and/or neglect and/or abandonment petitions have been filed with the Circuit Court of Nicholas County. West Virginia, and assigned case numbers 24-JA-79 and 24-JA-80, where in the

mother of the infants S. L. and E. L., is Ashleigh Powell and the father of the infants S. L. and E. L., is Nathan Lovern. A Preliminary

Hearing/Adjudicatory Hearing/Termination Hearing will be held in this matter on the 26th day of September 2024 at 1:45 p.m., in the courtroom of the Nicholas County Courthouse at 700 Main Street, Summersville, West Virginia, 26651. You and each of you are hereby notified that you have the right to have counsel present at all

and ALL SUCH **PROCEEDINGS** CAN RESULT IN THE PERMANENT **TERMINATION OF CUSTODIAL AND PARENTAL** RIGHTS TO SAID INFANT CHILDREN. Accordingly, you and each of you who may have an

stages of these proceedings

interest in these proceedings must attend and may make such defense as you shall deem advisable on or before the date and time aforesaid, or termination of vour custodial and parental

rights may be ordered by

the Court. A copy of said petition can be obtained from the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Nicholas County, West Virginia at the Nicholas County Courthouse, Summersville, West Virginia. STATE OF WEST IRGINIA VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT

OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES, CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION /s/ JASMINE R. H. MORTON ASSISTANT

**PROSECUTING** ATTORNEY FOR NICHOLAS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA STATE BAR ID NO.: 11348

Legals - Town

#### of Vinton LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF VINTON, VIRGINIA NOTICE OF

**PUBLIC HEARING** 

Please be advised that the Vinton Town Council will hold a public hearing at its meeting on Tuesday September 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Council Chambers of the Vinton Municipal Building, located at 311 South Pollard Street Vinton, Virginia, concerning the proposed amendment to the Town of Vinton's FY 2024-2025 budget to appropriate funding for various operational and capital expenditures,

including police equipment, Wolf Creek Greenway bathroom facilities, and the Town's planned multigenerational park in the total amount of \$462,000.00 in the General Fund, Grant Fund, and Capital Fund. State law requires a public hearing to be held whenever a proposed budget amendment exceeds 1% of the locality's total budget.

on this public meeting is available in the Town Manager's Office, located in the Vinton Municipal Building, (540) 983-0607. Persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate at this public meeting should contact the Town Manager's office at (540) 983-0607.

Any additional information

Antonia Arias-Magallon Town Clerk/Administrative

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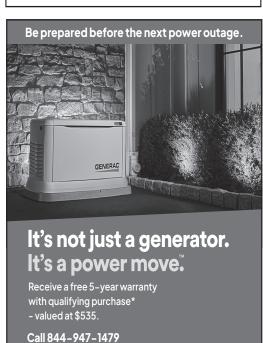
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