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# Redevelopment plans unveiled for downtown Vinton; Town Council commends actions of Police Lt. Caldwell



Architectural rendering of proposed downtown project by the Wilkinson Group

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It was another busy and informative night at Vinton Town Council on October 15. Police Chief Fabricio Drumond presented a Certificate of Commendation to Lt. Michael Caldwell for his actions in a stand-off situation on September 14 when trying to serve an emergency custody order obtained by a family member.

"Emergency custody orders themselves, by design, can be challenging because of their very request," said Drumond. "Law enforcement either convinces or takes a person into custody for a mandatory mental health

evaluation. This call on September 14 was volatile due to the circumstances surrounding the issuance of an emergency custody order, the intelligence gathered by officers, reconnaissance of the scene, and first-hand information collected on the individual named on the

"In this case, because of the information, the presence of weapons, the subject's intoxicated state, and his frame of mind, officers and others involved were put in a high-risk situation of injury or death. From the first contact with the individual, the situation was extremely fluid and rapidly escalated as the suspect brandished his firearm and at times pointed the firearm towards our



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Vinton Police Lt. Michael Caldwell receives a **Certificate of Commendation for his actions. Pictured** (from left) are Deputy Chief Tim Lawless, Lt. Michael Caldwell, and Chief Fabricio Drumond.

law enforcement officers.

"With the help of the Roanoke County Police Department, an element of the Virginia State Police, and the Roanoke City Police, the situation was contained to

"Lt. Caldwell, who was off duty working at that night's Mingle concert in downtown Vinton, arrived at the scene to assist while officers gained a tactical advantage. Caldwell, a recent graduate of Hostage Negotiations School, promptly assumed the role of main liaison between law enforcement and the subject.

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Figure skater Jordan Lucas performs at "Alice on Ice"

# Blue Ridge Figure Skaters perform 'Alice on Ice' at Lancerlot

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The Blue Ridge Figure Skating Club presented its "Alice on Ice" show at the Lancerlot Sports Complex on October 19 and 20. Nineteen solo performs presented individual routines before the entire group presented an abbreviated version of the classic "Alice in Wonderland" children's

Meghan Noga, the iceskating director at the Lancerlot, says the Theatre on Ice program began in May 2021 as a chance for skaters to learn choreography, work within a group of all ages and ability levels, and showcase fun, theatrical programs. The figure skating program has evolved from a very successful USA "Learn to Skate" program at the Lancerlot.

Students in the figure skating program come from all over the valley and beyond – Christiansburg, Salem, Floyd, Blue Ridge, Montvale, Vinton, Roanoke, Fincastle, and more. Addi Clark is their head coach.

accomplished performers dazzling the crowd with their solos

this past weekend were Faith Baker, Jordan Lucas, Hannah Thompson, Sophia Rush, Paige Sykes, Irena McCormick, Savannah Colleluori, Kiera Saccocci, Orien Henderson, Layla Podyma, Kenzie LaVenture, Isabella Fagiani, Daniel Binns-Loveman, Summer Young, Anna Bryan, Meghan Noga, Elliana Foutz, Ella Paulos, and Genevieve Nault.

Cast members for "Alice in Wonderland" were:

- Savannah
- Colleluori as Alice Faith Baker as the

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**Skater Irena McCormick in** "Alice on Ice"

# Town of Vinton hosting annual Downtown Trick or Treat event

The Town of Vinton invites children to join the excitement of the annual Downtown Trick or Treat event on Tuesday, October 29, from 3 to 5 p.m.

This festive occasion is perfect for

children up to 12 years of age, offering a safe and fun environment where they can collect treats from dozens of participating local businesses and community groups. Children are encouraged to come

dressed in their favorite costumes and to bring a container for their treats With an array of goodies available, it's sure to be a wonderful afternoon St. to Walnut Ave.

To ensure the safety of participants, Pollard St. to S. Maple St. several downtown streets will be closed beginning at 2:15 p.m. on Maple St. to Walnut Ave. October 29.

The affected streets include Ave. to W. Jackson Ave. portions of:

- Maple
- Washington Ave. to Cleveland
- S. Pollard St. Washington Ave. to Jefferson Ave.



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Lee Ave. from S. Maple

Cleveland Ave. from S.

Jackson Ave. from S.

Walnut Ave. from W. Lee

Residents and visitors are asked from to avoid parking on these streets after 1 p.m. to facilitate a smooth from and safe experience for everyone. Streets are expected to reopen

Shepherd running

unopposed for Board of

Supervisors Vinton seat

around 5:30 p.m.

Parking is available throughout the downtown area, including in the new Walnut Avenue parking

Visit www.vintonva.gov/ TrickorTreat for more information and for a complete list of road closures.

-Submitted by Mandy Adkins, Director of Cultural Placemaking



### **Tammy Shepherd Debbie Adams**

dadams@ourvalley.org Tammy Shepherd is running unopposed in a special election for a seat on the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors representing the Vinton Magisterial District. She was appointed by the Board of Supervisors in January 2024 to fill the position of Jason Peters who was elected Roanoke County Commissioner of the Revenue in the November 2023 election. She is running to complete his unexpired term which ends in December

Shepherd is a real estate broker and the owner of the Shepherd Realty Group in Vinton.

In her time on the Board of Supervisors, Shepherd has worked on finding an investor to refurbish the old German barn at the McDonald Farm off of Hardy Road in Vinton, possibly for a meeting/ event center, as well as developing the remaining property potentially for residential homes including patio-style ranches, townhomes, and single family homes with an entrance from the Montgomery

Village subdivision which will give them a long-needed second

entrance/exit. Additionally, Shepherd voted to reduce the Roanoke County real estate tax rate from \$1.06 to \$1.04 per \$100 of assessed value, asked Roanoke County Parks and Rec to complete repairs to the Mt. Pleasant Fields, which include dips in the field from the old lines running to Mount Pleasant Elementary, and she currently works on a survey with Roanoke County citizens

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# Vinton Baptist collecting donations for hurricane relief

Vinton Baptist Church (VBC) is partnering with Grandin Court, Melrose Baptist and Radiance Community Church to gather items specified by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF) and to pack 1,000 disaster relief buckets for hurricane victims. They are accepting donations from the community through the end of October.

Melrose Baptist has been able to secure a donation of 1,000 five-gallon buckets.

Vinton Baptist is responsible for:

32 64-oz. bottles liquid laundry detergent

4 9-oz. cans of spray air freshener

Scouring pads with no soap (five per bucket and they will NOT accept stainless steel pads with soap

The size specifications of items are important so that they will fit in the buckets and the lids will close.

Donations can be dropped off at Vinton Baptist between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. every weekday or during service times on Sundays and Wednesdays.

"We need to fill 1,000 buckets, so we'll take all the donations we can get! God bless you!" is their message to the community. "Thank you for using this opportunity to show the love of Christ to hurting people!

On Friday, Nov. 1, VBC will have a "Loading Party" from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. to load all of the collected items for transport to Melrose Baptist.

On November 3, the church will join the congregations of Melrose and Radiance at Melrose Baptist for a "Pail Packing Party" from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m.

Here are some other ways to help, should you want

1) CBF Global's Disaster Response focuses on longterm impact. You can give financially at https://www. classy.org/give/524668/#!/donation/checkout 2) You can also give directly to CBF North Carolina's

disaster response fund: https://cbfnc.org/give/ Please select "Disaster Response" in the dropdown menu when asked where to direct your support.

3) Another site that has been recommended by CBF



is Together for Hope (TFH), which is raising funds to give directly to local partners in affected regions: https://givebutter.com/TFHRELIEF

4) If you have the availability and capability to physically travel to help in the disaster response effort, you can sign up through BGAV (Baptist General Association of Virginia), which is coordinating volunteers to serve in areas such as feeding, assessment, cleanup, chainsaw, and crisis care. On-site training is provided. Sign up at https://impactmissionsmovement. org/on-alert-disaster-response-and-hurricane-helene.

- Vinton Messenger staff report

# Town welcomes new Special Projects Assistant Jill Loope

Jill Loope, who served for 22 years in economic development for Roanoke County, has accepted a part-time position with the Town of Vinton as Special Projects Assistant to Town Manager Pete Peters. She will focus on economic development initiatives in Vinton. She retired from her position as Economic Development Director for Roanoke County in July 2023 after a total of 31 years in public service.

"I am so excited to be working with the Town of Vinton," Loope says. "It's a great community with outstanding leadership, and we have had many successes over the last 10-plus years."

Loope has been an integral part of many economic development redevelopment projects in Vinton. In her role with the county, she helped facilitate the Roland E. Cook building redevelopment project first, then the Billy Byrd Vinyard Station, Gish Mill because they were countyowned facilities.

participated with the encouraged." county in the performance agreements and related with bringing Cardinal regulatory measures to get Glass to the Vinton the projects completed, so Business Center several it was very much a team years ago.

"We then participated with the town in the report



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### **Vinton Special Projects Assistant Jill Loope**

Apartments, and the and pending hotel project Library/Macado's projects, in the incentives and performance agreements. Essentially, all the projects "The Town of Vinton were jointly supported and

Loope was also involved

-Vinton Messenger staff



The Rural Planning Caucus stopped by Vinton on Oct. 16 for a walking tour of the town and a presentation on its many redevelopment and renovation projects. They were guided by members of town staff.

### Rural Planning Caucus spotlights Vinton

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The Rural Planning Caucus of Virginia is an organization dedicated to identifying, publicizing, and satisfying the unique planning needs of small towns and rural areas. Each year it holds its annual conference at Mountain Lake Lodge in Giles County.

In 2024 the group elected to stop off in Vinton for an off-site workshop on the way to the conference in order to learn more about the numerous, highly successful public and private redevelopment and renovation projects

the town has undertaken in recent years.

The caucus, celebrating its 46th anniversary, was founded in 1978 in Blacksburg to provide a muchneeded resource to help rural and small town planning professionals share innovative ideas, learn and understand the bottom-line about new legislation, and gain more efficient planning tools and techniques to accomplish everyday

Every year conference selects a theme. This year it was "Making Connections," and included discussions of rural transportation,

recreation, zoning enforcement, artificial intelligence, legislative challenges.

Vinton is certainly the place to come to see what you can accomplish when the public and private sectors connect and work together in a community.

The workshop started with lunch at Pollard 107 South, including a presentation by Town Manager Pete Peters, and a walking tour highlighting the town's economic development projects.

member Laurie Mullins thanked

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Supervisors Tammy Shepherd and Phil North hosted a community meeting for

# Supervisors Shepherd, North host community meeting in Bonsack

**Debbie Adams** dadams@ourvalley.org

Board Roanoke County Supervisors Chairman Phil North and Vinton Supervisor Tammy Shepherd hosted a community meeting at Bonsack Elementary School on October 21 to gain input from the community about ongoing projects, needs, and concerns.

Shepherd welcomed citizens saying, "It is wonderful to see residents engaged in the community. We are here to share information and listen to your needs."

County Administrator Richard Caywood, Economic Development Director Megan Baker, and Assistant Director of Planning Megan Cronise presented an overview of Roanoke County, including the budget, economic development projects completed and still in the works, government services, personnel needs, transportation, housing, public safety, and more.

Caywood noted that the Board of Supervisors is working to provide quality of life services, but also to lower the tax rate. The board has provided tax relief steadily over three budget cycles to reduce the real estate tax from \$1.09 per \$100 to \$1.04, while the budget increases steadily due to increasing costs and inflation.

He explained that education is the top priority, using 38% of the budget, public safety is next with 28%, while the remainder is split among other programs and CIP projects. The FY 2024 budget totaled \$243.2 million; the budget for FY 2025 is

He then mentioned budget items specific to the Bonsack area, such as the new and much-needed Bonsack Fire Station.

Caywood praised the county's "do-ityourself" culture which enables it to take on many projects in-house, such as repairing refuse trucks or fire apparatus, rather than contracting out repairs, leading to savings. Megan Baker gave a comprehensive

review of the many new businesses and industries in the valley and the county's efforts to attract even more.

She was especially enthusiastic, as was

Shepherd, about a new entertainment complex coming to the Bonsack area-540 Social- which will bring pickleball courts, corn hole, bowling, axe-throwing, darts, an arcade, mini-golf, a restaurant, and live music to the area-something for the whole

Cronise addressed the topic that seemed to be uppermost in the minds of those who attended- transportation. The Route 460 corridor through Bonsack has been the subject of recent studies and much discussion, along with studies which the county hopes will eventually lead to improvements along Carson Road- a shortcut to Vinton, with a onelane bridge. Studies indicate that the 460 corridor has one of the highest crash rates in the county, second only to the Tanglewood Mall area. Suggested remedies focus on intersection improvements and routes that will allow motorists to avoid

460 altogether. During the question-and-answer period, questions for Shepherd and North continued to focus on transportation along with subdivisions and apartment complexes being built in the Bonsack area—the effect of adding more housing on traffic congestion. Shepherd noted that there is more residential land available in the area than commercial

property.

North commiserated with his constituents on the traffic problems and the lack of state funding and the need to apply for funding through grants. He suggested writing personal letters to state legislators in an attempt to get an increased share of

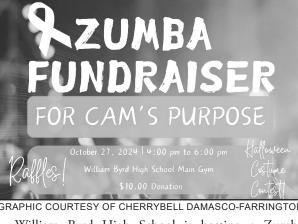
Inquiries moved on to trains in the area blocking tracks for long periods. Citizens were supplied with a phone number to call the railroad when trains are stopped for longer than usual, potentially blocking emergency personnel.

Citizens were reminded of the county's "Report Crime Online" service available https://www.roanokecountyva.gov/ reportcrime and CORTRAN transportation services for seniors 65 and over and the

(www.roanokecountyva.gov/ CORTRAN).



### William Byrd High hosting Zumba fundraiser for Cam



William Byrd High School is hosting a Zumba fundraiser for "Cam's Purpose" on Sunday, October 27, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the school gym. A \$10 donation is Camden Thepsimuong, a 16-year-old who has been

a member of the William Byrd High School Terriers football and tennis teams, was diagnosed with a form of bone cancer, osteosarcoma, last spring and is undergoing treatments in North Carolina. The event includes a Halloween costume contest,

# Town of Vinton establishes new Veterans Day tradition

This year the Town of Vinton is starting a new tradition with its first Field of Honor at the Vinton War Memorial. Members of the community are encouraged to honor the heroes in their lives who have served the United States with an American flag which will be placed on the lawn of the War Memorial from November 2-16.

Over 100 flags will be on display in perfect rows for public viewing. Flags may be purchased in memory or honor of service members, past and present.

The cost of each flag is \$20. All proceeds will go to VFW Post 4522. The town will be sponsoring a flag for each member of the Town of Vinton family who is a veteran.

All dedications or donations must be made through the Colonial Flag Foundation website at https://www. healingfield.org/event/vintonva24/.

Human Resources and Risk Management Director Donna Collins (also chair of the Veterans Outreach Committee) updated council members on the new project at the council meeting on October 15. Other committee members ae Co-Chair Amanda Payne, Fundraiser Chair Jesse Dibble, Public Relations Chair Mandy Adkins, and Program Chair Fabricio Drumond.

The Veterans Outreach Committee was officially established in January 2024 to honor and support employee and town veterans through dedicated advocacy, resources, and community engagement. Their purpose is to ensure that every veteran feels appreciated, valued, and supported long after their service to the nation has ended.

The Town of Vinton has been a designated Virginia Values Veterans Employer since 2015. In Spring of 2023, the town designed and formally recognized the town's veterans with a display outside Council Chambers in the Municipal Building. On Nov. 11, 2023, the Town of Vinton, in conjunction with Queen City Rucking, sponsored the inaugural Veterans Day Ruck, raising over \$5,000 that was donated to the Boulder Crest Foundation.

The Town of Vinton is pleased to present the First Annual Field of Honor where members of the community can honor their heroes with an American Flag. One hundred flags will be on display in perfect rows for public viewing at the Vinton War Memorial. Flags can be purchased in memory or honor of service members, past and present. For more information,



After November 16, all flags which have been purchased as a tribute will be given to the family or individuals who



sponsored them.

-Submitted by Donna Collins, Veterans Outreach Committee Chair

# CERLOT SPORTS COMP OCTOBER 30

# Trick or Treat on Oct. 30 at the Lancerlot

The Lancerlot Sports Complex is having its second annual free Trick or Treat event on Wednesday, Oct. 30 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. There will be over 20 Trick or Treat stops throughout the

facility, with candy, door prizes, and more. Kids of all ages are welcome in their Halloween costumes to trick or treat throughout the entire sports.

- Vinton Messenger staff report



Nine WBHS students were chosen to participate in Virginia Tech Honor Band last

# WBHS students participate in Virginia Tech Honor Choir

This past weekend, Oct. 18-19, high school students from across Virginia gathered in Blacksburg for the Virginia Tech Honor Choir. Students were invited to participate by the recommendation of their high school choir directors.

Rehearsals began on afternoon and the event culminated in a concert at the world-class Moss Arts Center on Saturday afternoon in conjunction with the choirs of

Virginia Tech. While there, students rehearsed with the VT choral faculty, toured the campus and learned about the admission process, and also enjoyed a social with all Honor Choir participants.

Congratulations to the William

Byrd singers for the body of work necessary for them to have received this nomination to participate and for representing the WBHS community Students participating were Alyssa

Adams, Lily Duffy, Brooke Hershel, Megan Higgins, Owen Humphreys, Christian

Parker, Brody Parrish, William Thompson, and Connor Wheeler. Submitted by William Byrd Choral

Director Matt Bartley

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raffles, and Zumba with instructors Cherry, Andrea, Brandy, De Ann,

Marina, and Ronda. "Camden is a big light and is very active in his faith, church, and school," his mother says. "We are claiming victory now over his healing. We know he is strong, and we appreciate how close the community has come in their thoughts and prayers for Cam."

Cam is continuing chemotherapy at this point. He and his mother will continue to travel back and forth to North Carolina for treatments through

the end of March. - Vinton Messenger staff report

### William Byrd alumni reunite for class reunions on October 19. Over

William Byrd High School alumni from the graduating classes of 1964 and 1965 held a combined reunion at the Charles R. Hill Community Center

70 alumni and spouses attended an evening of dinner and reminiscing.

Byrd football Coach Norman Lineburg was honored at the reunion. He was presented with a list of class members who had donated to the Arnold R. Burton Scholarship Fund in

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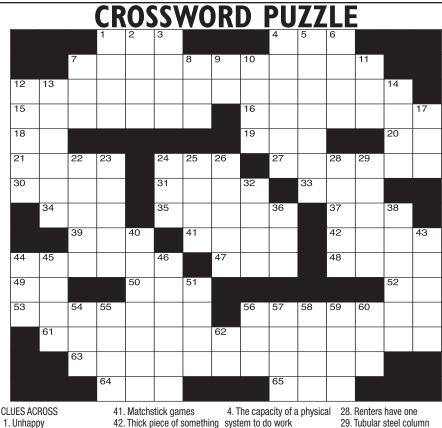


WBHS Football Coach Norman Lineburg with several of his players from the 1963 team (from left): front row, David Bates, George Morehead, Coach Lineburg, Otis Dowdy, Bobby Sboray, and Jimbo Sell; back row, Bob Waldron, Paul Barnard, Jim Brogan, and Jerry McMillan.



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1964 (from left): front row, Anne Lee Wagner, Iris Mills, Frances Bibb Hudson, Judy Hill Catron, Donna Thrasher Jacobs, and Cecelia Glass Mercer; second row, Kathryn Scott Sowers, Linda Arthur Burnette, Judy Farris Kniskern, Nancy Hill Brumbaugh, Alan Brumbaugh, Karen Hunley Rogers, Bobby Sboray, and Linda Barton Fisher; third row Sheryl Pagans Vaden, Bob Waldron, Paul Barnard, George Morehead, Jerry McMillan, Jim Brogan, and **David Bates** 



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5. People of the wild

10. "Top of the Stairs" a mine 24. Soviet Socialist Republic "Star Trek" villain

32. Database management 6. Parent-teacher groups system 7. Midway between south and 36. Similar 38. Providing no shelter or 8. Moved quickly on foot sustenanc 9. Handheld Nintendo console 40. Death sustenance 43. What a sheep did 44. Midcentury Asian battle-45. Horizontal passage into 46. Mortified 51. Improper word 55. Financial obligation 56. It can be hot or iced 57. Tough outer skin of a fruit 58. \_\_ Spumante (Italian wine) 59. Misfortunes 26. Hand gesture popular on 60. Negative

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# Shred documents, get a flu vaccine, drop off expired meds - all at the Vinton War Memorial on October 26

The Vinton War Memorial will be hosting three popular events simultaneously on Saturday, Oct. 26. The public can drop off sensitive documents for shredding, get a flu vaccine, and turn in expired medications.

Stop by between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. for "Shred It & Forget It." The town is working with Commonwealth Document Management once again to help citizens dispose of documents gathering dust in the basement and attic. You may drop off up to five boxes/bags of paper per vehicle.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia will be accepting donations of school supplies and paper goods during the same event: loose leaf paper, pencils, pencil sharpeners, glue bottles and sticks, crayons, markers, construction paper, craft supplies, paper plates, paper towels, hand sanitizer, and

Kroger will be sponsoring a flu vaccine clinic at the War Memorial from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

It's also Drug Take Back Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Turn in unused or expired medications for safe disposal. No sharps, needles, or liquids will be accepted.

This event started with the Town of Vinton's Shred Event, which is held periodically and allows attendees to shred sensitive documents in large quantities. Because those shredding events have seen such great participation, the Town of Vinton decided to include additional services - the free flu vaccine clinic and the drug-take-

back event. The Vinton War Memorial is located at 814 Washington Avenue. Submitted by Town of Vinton

## PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS

By Bootie Chewning

It's always a fun time when the Totera Girls get together. Last week it was at Pok-E-Joe's for lunch— not only getting together, but good food.

We did talk about a lot of things including the upcoming Halloween party for the intellectually disabled on October 28 at the American Legion. This is our 48th year, and it is always a

fun and rewarding time. I don't think I have missed any in all those years. Those attending were Linda Waybright, Becky Stinette, Joanne Mitchell Craig, Maryce Likens, me (Bootie), and special guest Angie Chewning.

Mark your calendars for next year's William Byrd All-Class reunion - it will be August 16, 2025. This reunion is a lot of fun, so I hope they will have a great turn out. Let's go, Terriers!

# Vinton announces leaf collection schedule

The Town of Vinton Public Works Department will begin the annual leaf collection on Monday, Nov. 4, and end on Friday, Dec. 13.

Leaves should be raked no closer than one foot and no further than five feet from the back of the curb or edge of the street located in front of the

Do not place leaves in the street or gutter as this may cause rainwater to pond and leaves to wash into the roadway creating hazards and obstructing traffic.

Sticks, limbs, rocks and other debris should not be included in the leaves as these items can clog and damage the equipment.

Leaves must be raked to the proper location by 7 a.m. Leaves should not be put out too early and should not

For vacuumed leaves, Public Works starts on Monday's trash route and runs through each route and then re-starts all over again.

Bagged leaves will be collected weekly on the resident's regular bulk collection day. Weather and equipment breakdown issues can cause delays. The town asks for residents' patience and cooperation. Call 540-983-0646 if further

information is needed.

-Submitted by Town of Vinton

# Native American speaker to visit Mount Pleasant Lions Club

Herdman, American Native descendant, recently gave a talk at the Virginia Department of Historical Research at its local office in Salem. Now Ren. whose Native American name is Anavac Wolf, is coming to the Mount Pleasant Lions Club at its next meeting on November 5, at 6 p.m.

Ren actually grew up in Vinton and is a graduate William Byrd. She has led an active and varied life including obtaining a 7th Degree Black Belt in a form of martial arts. It is anticipated that she will talk about the many folks among us who have Native American blood, but who are not actively associated with any recognized tribe, and how they came to be here.

Also, she may discuss life in the local tribes that flourished along the Roanoke River and its tributaries, by displaying an array of rock tools and utensils that she has found in and around Roanoke



**Ren Herdman** 

PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

and Bedford Counties. Her "go to" saying about an unusually shaped stone is, "I don't know what it is, but I know it's something." Additionally, she may educate, or at least try to, the Lions about culturally modified trees and rocks with mortar holes.

The Lions are looking forward to hearing about

the Native Americans who once made the Roanoke Valley their home and about the blood descendants who still reside here. If you are interested in hearing Ren Herdman's presentation, Lions member Mike Ferguson at 540-529-7531.

Submitted by Lion Mike

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

- 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: AWA-NA 6:30 PM, Bible Study 7:00 PM

**CHURCH & CHRISTIAN SCHOOL** 

### **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** DALE RIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST

- Will you "come back to the Bible", learn more and follow Him? If you live locally in this beautiful Roanoke Valley or Botetourt County area, there is a Church, you will know it's the ONE when you see the name on the end of the building that reads Church of Christ. 7165 Cloverdale Rd., NW, Roanoke, VA 24019. We offer a free 3 lesson, OPEN Bible course entitled "Back to the Bible." Only available in home or where our Church meets: Sign up now on our website, daleridgechurchofchrist.net or email us at comeback2thebible@gmail. com and request to be scheduled for lesson #1 of 3 entitled "who has the Authority In Religion today". You will be contacted promptly. All studies are conducted by 2

### **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.

individuals, never alone. May God Bless

you in choosing this "open book Bible

### **FOURSQUARE**

EVANGEL CHURCH - 2330 Hardy Road, Vinton (corner of Hardy Road and 1842; cmpc2verizon.net Sunday school 9:45am,

### **The God With Heart**

Read Luke 7:1 through 8:56

Visit any Sunday School, Bible study, or small group and during their prayer time you're likely to hear of heartbreaking situations—financial difficulties, people dealing with cancer and other illnesses, teens getting killed in car accidents or gang-related violence, parents lamenting prodigal children, and so on.

When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry" (Luke 7:13).

Troubles are nothing new in this world. The people in Jesus' day had lives overflowing with trauma too. But Jesus didn't ever say, "Oh, stop whining and get

on with life." Instead, the Bible tells us "his heart went out to her" in compassion.

That feeling of compassion hasn't changed. When we face minor troubles or major tragedies, God still lingers nearby, and His heart still goes out to us with compassion and mercy and love. He does not scold us for not trusting Him or tell us to get over it. He understands our feelings, pains, and frustrations. We do not serve a sterile God, but a God with a heart.

Thought for Today: When we cry, so many times God cries with us.

Quicklook: Luke 7:11-17

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

Feather Road), 540-982-3694, www.evangel4sq. 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, Worship 11:00am, sttimothy1201@verizon.net.

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# From the Pulpit

### By Pastor Bryan Crouch, Lynn Haven Baptist Church

# James 1:19-21

We are studying the Book of James at Lynn Haven Baptist Church. In James 1:19-21, we realize the power of listening. Listening is a powerful tool in our spiritual lives. We are reminded to be quick to listen and slow to speak. This means we should take time to really hear what others are saying before we respond. It helps us understand better and avoid

When we get angry, it's hard to make good choices. Anger can lead us to say or do things we regret. That's why it's important to be slow to anger. When we feel anger rising, we should pause and pray for patience. God's righteousness doesn't come from our anger, but from our peace and kindness.

We also need to get rid of anything in our lives that is not pleasing to God. This means letting go of bad habits, negative thoughts, and actions that hurt others. Instead, we should humbly accept the word God has planted in our hearts. His Word is powerful and can save us from making wrong choices.

By focusing on listening, controlling our anger, and embracing God's Word, we can live in a way that pleases Him. Let's ask God to help us listen more, speak less, and stay calm. Let His Word grow in us, guiding our actions and thoughts. This way, we can live a life that reflects His love and righteousness.

# INTON HISTORY: Early radios



Early radios on display at the Vinton History Museum

The early history of radio is the history of technology that produces and uses radio waves. The first regular entertainment

broadcast four nights per week.

significant uses of radio was for communication between ships and shore

stations. This was crucial for navigation and safety at sea. During World War I, radio was used extensively for military communications, allowing

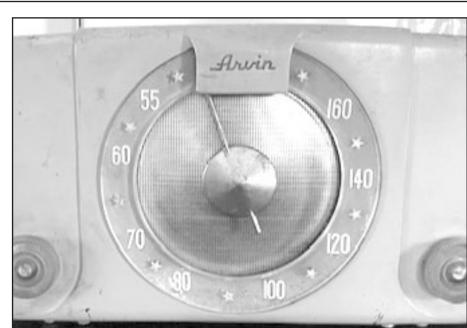
effective more coordination and strategy implementation. The potential for broadcasting to a large audience was realized later.

The first voice and signals were transmitted in 1906 which marked the beginning of radio as a medium for and information dissemination. These early uses laid the foundation for the diverse applications of radio we see today.

Several early radios are on display at the Vinton History Museum,

entertainment 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 Vinton History Museum Executive Director Judy Cunningham



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# Reunions from page 3



William Byrd Class of 1965 (from left): front row, seated, Joyce McGlothlin Jones, Carla Hunley Pickeral, Susie Cox Sell, Lillian Broughman Cavendish, Judy Gordon, and Jimbo Sell; second row, Sue Sboray Wertz, Nancy Hale Rutledge, Carolyn Painter Franklin, Betty Jo Clark Anthony, Donna Butterworth Gauldin, Judy Pugh Banik, and Elaine Cooper Davis; third row, Linda Trussler Carr, Otis Dowdy, Marsha Lyon Garrison, Jimmy McGlothlin, Judy Philpott Robertson, Gene Proehl, Jack Wise,

wno was the girls Health & PE teacher at William Byrd.

The scholarship tradition began during one of their earlier reunions. They have been presenting two Burton scholarships each year to WBHS seniors for 21 years. Next spring's scholarships will mark their

22nd year. Arnold R. Burton was the principal for the classes of 1964 and 1965. His

memory of his wife Joann Lineburg, daughter, Suzanne, graduated in the Class of 1964, and his wife, Jimmie,

was the cafeteria manager. The classes traditionally hold reunions every 10 years and usually together. This year marked the 60th anniversary for the Class of 1964.

Submitted by Kathryn Sowers, WBHS Class of 1964

# **AARP Fraud Alert:** Medicare Open Enrollment Scams

It's open enrollment season, which also means it's Medicare fraud season. Eligible beneficiaries have from October 15-December 7 to shop around and make changes to their Medicare health and Part D prescription drug plans. Unfortunately, some of the deals offered won't be deals at all.

all designed to steal information, or your going to medicare.gov or



identity. Be suspicious and don't share sensitive personal information with anyone who calls, Just like in other years, emails, or visits you out Medicare scams spike of the blue promoting a during open enrollment Medicare plan. Legitimate season with criminals Medicare plans can only posing as insurance contact you if you've providers calling and requested information or emailing about free if you have an existing gifts or limited-time relationship with them. offers. These scams are Beneficiaries can safely compare legitimate plans your money, Medicare and change enrollment by

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by calling 800-633-4227. Be a fraud fighter! If you can spot a scam, you can stop a scam.

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 or call the dedicated helpline to speak to a fraud specialist at 877-908-3360.

~ AARP

# 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.

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### Rural from page 2

the caucus for coming to our "big" little town and credited the "cohesive" town staff for the town's continuing success.

Peters described the past few years in Vinton as "transformative" with "opportunities everywhere." presented some geographical data on the town, and its history, including the history of Pollard 107 South where they were having lunch. The location started out years ago as a carpet store and has been a furniture store, church, and even a theatre. The restaurant opened in Vinton as the result of a Performance Agreement combining the resources of the town, Roanoke County, and the owners.

Peters praised the town's "Strategic Planning" process Town Council employs which provides a vision and goals for the town, which in turn helps staff build priorities and budgets.

He credited Councilman Keith Liles with the phrase that has defined the town in recent years, changing Vinton from a "go-through" town to a "go-to" town where visitors want to stay.

That change has mainly occurred because of the economic philosophy the town has chosen to prioritizethe use of those Performance Agreements to combine private and public resources to fund projects. The town has also become quite adept at identifying projects which might involve historic tax credits and reduce costs for potential investors- many of them "white elephant" projects that investors could not afford to renovate

Peters highlighted several projects that have changed the face of Vintonrenovations to Roland E. Cook (a former school), Vinyard Station (a former car dealership), the Billy Byrd Apartments (a former high school), two libraries (one a Mick-or-Mack grocery), Macado's, and Gish Mill (a historic grist mill).

The secret, he says, is identifying the "gap" that prevents potential investors from becoming partners with the town and county- and removing it or working around it. Frequently in Vinton, those gaps have been at least



Town Manager Pete Peters (on stage) described the redevelopment project which turned Roland E. Cook school into upscale apartments, using historic tax credits, along with public and private funding.

partially alleviated with grant fundingnot always easy to get and with many hoops to jump through. Town staff has mastered the art of writing grant applications for funding and the results are evident throughout the town.

Peters also spoke about the abundance of green space and blue space available in Vinton, attractive to young people, families, the elderlyand what the town has done through greenway connections and parks to broaden their scope.

The walking tour that followed included close-up visits to many of the economic development projects from the presentation. Several members of the town leadership team joined the caucus for lunch and the downtown

### Shepherd from page 1

regarding the Wolf Creek Greenway as to whether citizens would prefer it to be paved or remain cinder, plans to continue advocating for the school system and the remodeling of the elementary schools as well as the new Career and Technical Education Center.

She has implemented community meetings for the Vinton Magisterial District and the Bonsack community and is presently working with Roanoke County staff to advocate for upgrades at the Mt. Pleasant Fire Station.

Her efforts have resulted in recycling bins being placed at the Mount Pleasant Library and to paving an area for disabled patrons there.

As for the Bonsack area, Shepherd is fully supporting the VDOT SMART SCALE applications for the Carson Road Project. She fully supports the development and rezoning for the 540 Social sports and entertainment center off of Route 460 in Bonsack.

The Vinton supervisor also supports the Roanoke County owned and operated Fire Station 12 in the Vinton/Hollins District right off of Route 460.

"These are some items that I have been involved with since coming on the board, and I hope that I will be an asset to Vinton and East County in the future," Shepherd commented.

Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 5. Early in-person voting continues through Saturday, Nov. 2.

# Skating

Mad Hatter

from page 1

- Kenzie LaVenture as the White Rabbit
- Hannah Thompson Absolem Orien Henderson as the
- Cheshire Cat Paige Sykes as Tweedledee
  - Anna Bryan as Tweedledum
- Jordan Lucas as the Red Queen
- Daniel-Bins-Loveman as the Knave of Hearts
- Hara Oh, Layla Podyma, Charlie Salters, and Elise Shaver as the

Red Queen's Guards

- Isabella Fagiani Jabberwocky Irena McCormick as the
- White Queen Margo Kaminska, Charlotte
- Noble, Kinley Schmidt, Keira Saccocci, and Sophia Rush as the White Queen's Critters Members of the audience

showed their appreciation by tossing stuffed animals and/or flowers onto the ice after each skater performed.

The next six-week Learn to

Skate session begins on Saturday, Oct. 26. Learn to Skate classes teach the fundamentals of ice skating and provide a foundation for figure skating, hockey, and speed skating.

For more information, visit the Lancerlot website at www. lancerlotsportscomplex.com the Facebook page.

For more information on the Blue Ridge Figure Skating Club, visit the Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/ blueridgefigureskatingclubva.



The Cheshire Cat and Alice

PHOTO BY DEBBIE ADAMS

# Council from page 1

Fresh from obtaining his certification in crisis negotiation, Lt. Caldwell put his training to the test a little over 24 hours after the training.

"He spent several hours building a connection with the male suspect, eventually gaining his cooperation with law enforcement's demands. Ultimately, and in large part due to Lt. Caldwell's ability to build trust with the subject, officers were able to take him into custody without incident. Due to the subject's actions and irrational behavior, there was a strong chance that the tactical force would be deployed if negotiations didn't move forward.

"While every law enforcement resource that day was critical, Lt. Caldwell played a pivotal role in a peaceful outcome. He displayed great discipline, a tactical mindset, and patience when dealing with an individual clearly not of sound mind.'

Lt. Caldwell also was recognized for recently completing "The Crossing" Leadership Training Program, which emphasizes "character, competence, and conviction."

Drumond next recognized Mandie Baker, executive assistant to the chief, with a certificate for completing the 75 Hard Challenge, which builds mental and physical toughness. For 75 days, participants each day follow a structured diet, complete two 45-minute workouts (one outside), drink a gallon of water, read 10 pages of non-fiction (no audiobooks allowed), and take a progress photo. If you miss a day, you must begin all over again. Baker is a wife and mother of two (one an infant) and holds a full-time job in the Vinton Police Department. She is now working on the Fit 100 (day) Challenge.

Tara Nepper, with the Virginia Breast

Cancer Foundation, accepted a donation of \$11,500 from the Town of Vinton for funds raised at the inaugural Vinton Pink Warrior Walk in September. Several members of town staff and Council members Laurie Mullins and Sabrina McCarty were recognized for their efforts in organizing the walk. Town Council adopted a resolution

authorizing the town manager to execute a Performance Agreement among the Town of Vinton, the Roanoke County Economic Development Authority (EDA), and The Wilkinson Group, Inc. to redevelop two buildings along West Lee Avenue, develop two public plazas, improve two alleys that run among Lee Avenue, Walnut Avenue, and Pollard Street, and improve some public utilities

in the area.

The Wilkinson Group owns property at 121 West Lee Avenue (formerly an office supply) and at 123 West Lee Avenue (formerly Cornerstone Antiques) in downtown Vinton, near the Farmers' Market and Walnut Avenue parking lot, and intends to renovate and lease the buildings which will involve capital investment in the town and the creation of new jobs.

The company will also develop two public plazas, one to be located on the 123 West Lee Avenue parcel and one to be located at the intersection of the two public alleys located to the south and east of the properties. A walkway will extend from Pollard Street to Walnut The project also involves improving

certain public utilities serving 121 West Lee Avenue, 123 West Lee Avenue, and certain neighboring parcels. Town Manager Pete Peters noted that

the project has been under discussion for quite some time. The performance agreement grant will involve a grant of \$425,000 to the Wilkinson Group. The town will assist with public improvements, utility infrastructure, water and sewer upgrades, and façade improvements. Developer Dale Wilkinson said that

the aim of the project is to keep people in Vinton to shop and do business, just as the goal of the Vinyard Station and Roland E. Cook projects he was involved with encouraged people to live and dine in Vinton and contribute to the local economy. He noted that downtown Vinton

has a proud history of starting up small businesses; he hopes the new boutique spaces in this project will have similar benefits. Wilkinson and his son Seth

explained that the historic Cornerstone

Antiques (built in 1939) and occupied

by Frank Stone and his wife Janine in

the years since, will be picked up and relocated, with the addition of a basement foundation. The McCarty building at 121 is also a Vinton landmark as "the place to be" in days past. The involved structures will be "dressed up" to be more aesthetically pleasing.

Wilkinson commented that "Vinton is a unique municipality," and always willing to work with developers. Council member Mullins told Wilkinson that council "trusts his vision" for the project, which Vice Mayor Mike Stovall described as "dynamic." Mayor Brad Grose thanked Wilkinson for his continued investment in Vinton as a "great

Town Council adopted a resolution awarding a bid and authorizing the town manager to execute a contract with S.C. Rossi and Company, Inc., in the amount of \$309,589 for the Thrasher Church Stormwater Repair and Reconstruction Project. Thrasher UMC has agreed to donate \$210,000, and the town allocated \$100,000 towards the project. The town's share comes from ARPA federal funding set aside for private stormwater repairs.

When a sinkhole in the rear parking lot at Thrasher developed a couple of years ago, the church asked for the town's assistance in designing and advertising the project. The town agreed and also offered to assist with the costs, as it had with similar projects on Pine Street and in downtown Vinton.

According to the town, Vinton has a substantial interest in the repair of the 48-inch storm drain that runs under the parking lot. Over time, the drain has become an integral part of the stormwater management system for the property and for parcels located adjacent to and upstream.

Council adopted another resolution to enter a project funding and collaboration with Thrasher UMC to complete the required repairs to the drain and afterwards accept a dedication of the drain into the Town's stormwater management system.

Council next adopted a resolution supporting the plans and efforts of Carilion Clinic to establish kidney transplant services at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital. Virginia currently has over 2,300 residents on the state's wait list for kidneys. Patients in Vinton and Southwest Virginia live hours from a transplant center, making it difficult to access critical services. Having these services locally will allow for more costeffective and timely care to residents in the region.



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### **LEGAL** NOTICE

A public auction will be held on Wed October 30, 2024 at 10 a.m. at Grand Storage of Vinton 1119 Vinyard Rd, Vinton, VA 24179, to sell personal property in the following units: Sheilah Sink D15 Elizabeth Daniel C17

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### Legals -**Botetourt County**

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Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No. CLW230000189

**BOTETOURT COUNTY** Circuit Court. 5 W. MAIN STREET FINCASTLE, VA 24090 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re ESTATE OF ROBERT LANDRUM HARTMAN,

SR., DEC v.

The object of this suit is to: SHOW CAUSE AGAINST PAYMENT AND DELIVERY OF THE ESTATE TO PARTIES ENTITLED. It is ORDERED that CREDITORS AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE of ROBERT

or before NOVEMBER 13, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M. October 8, 2024 LESLIANNE SMITH, DEPUTY CLERK

LANDRUM HARTMAN, SR.

deceased, appear at the

above-named court and

protect his/her interests on

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT **COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT ESTATE OF ROBERT** LANDRUM

### deceased Case No. CL 23-189 SHOW CAUSE ORDER AGAINST

DISTRIBUTION

HARTMAN, SR.,

It appearing that a report of the accounts of Harry Benjamin Hartman, Executor of the Estate of Robert Landrum Hartman. Sr., deceased, and of the debts and demands against his Estate has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Botetourt, and that six (6) months have elapsed since the qualification of the Executor. On the motion of the Executor, it is hereby ORDERED that the creditors of and all others interested in the Estate of Robert Landrum Hartman. Sr., do show cause, if any they can, on the 13th day of November, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., before this Court at its courtroom in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, against the payment and delivery of the Estate of Robert Landrum Hartman, Sr., deceased, to the parties thereto entitled under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, with or without refunding bonds as the Court prescribes It is further ORDERED that the foregoing portion of this Order be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks in The Fincastle

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### Legals - City of Salem

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

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by a pledge of the full faith and credit and taxing power of the City The public hearing, which be continued adjourned, will be held at 6:30 P.M., local time, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, Salem,

Virginia 24153. Interested

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Rosemarie Jordan Director of Finance City of Salem, Virginia

their views.

### **LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**Notice** is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Appeals (Building) of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-38 Code of City of Salem, Virginia, on November 4, 2024, at 4:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia. The purpose of the

meeting and hearing shall be to determine if certain structures are dangerous to the inhabitants of the City and whether such structures should be ordered to be repaired or demolished. The structure is located as follows:

(1) Unsafe accessory structure located at 311 7th Street. Salem, Virginia. (Tax Map # 185-2-4.1) All parties in interest at the public hearings will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence

and show cause why action by the City and Board to remedy a potentially dangerous situation should For additional information, contact the

Building Official's Office, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375-3036). THE BOARD OF BUILDING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM BY Troy D. Loving Troy D. Loving,

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### Legals -**Montgomery County**

### **LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** OF THE TOWN OF **CHRISTIANSBURG PLANNING** COMMISSION

The Town of Christiansburg Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 4, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Christiansburg Town Hall, 100 E. Main Street,

Christiansburg, Virginia 24073, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments concerning:

A. Rezoning request by, David L. Dove and Hattie P. Dove, Property Owners, and The Town of Christiansburg, Applicant, to rezone property located at 255 Simmons Road NE identified as all of Tax Parcel 500-(A)-1A, (Parcel ID 019656), and consisting of approximately

14.100 acres, and an approximate 0.460 acre parcel identified as Tax Parcel 499-(14)-A, B, (Parcel ID 019655), from Agricultural District (A) to General Industrial District (I-2). The property is designated as Multi-Family Residential on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013

Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan. B. Conditional Use Permit request by David L. Dove and Hattie P. Dove, Property Owners, and The Town of Christiansburg, Applicant, to allow a Public Works Facility and operations including a "commercial garage" and sanitation vehicle storage in the General Industrial

District (I-2) on the property located at 255 Simmons Road NE identified as all of Tax Parcel 500-(A)-1A, (Parcel ID 019656), and consisting of approximately 14.100 acres, and an approximate 0.460 acre parcel identified as Tax Parcel 499-(14)-A, B, (Parcel ID 019655). The property is designated as Multi-Family Residential on the Future Land Use Map of

the 2013 Christiansburg

Comprehensive Plan.

A copy of the applications. the Town's Zoning Map, Zoning Ordinance, and Future Land Use Map may Department Office, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg VA 24073, during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Monday through

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### Legals -**Montgomery County**

**Notice of Public** 

Hearing Town of Blacksburg **Planning** Commission Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the Town of Blacksburg will conduct the following public hearing on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 during its meeting beginning at 6:30 PM in the Roger E. Hedgepeth Council Chamber, 300 South Main St, Blacksburg, VA on the following item:

801 North Main Street

Planned Residential Development with associated Conditional Use Permit request (CUP-24-3) and Right-of-Way vacation request (ROW-24-2) at 801 North Main Street with additional locations on Kabrich Street, Winston Avenue and Progress Street for LV Hokie GP, LLC (contract purchaser). This project consists of three (3) requests, which include (i) RZN-24-2 to rezone the subject properties from GC General Commercial and R-5 Transitional Residential to PR Planned Residential to permit the construction of an 8-story multifamily building with commercial on the ground floor and three (3) townhome-style multifamily buildings with a total of up to 759 bedrooms (270 bedrooms/acre; (ii) ROW-24-2 companion request to vacate a townowned alley right-of-way of approximately 2,000 square

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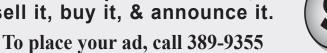




















# Volleyball team can clinch third in district with win tonight

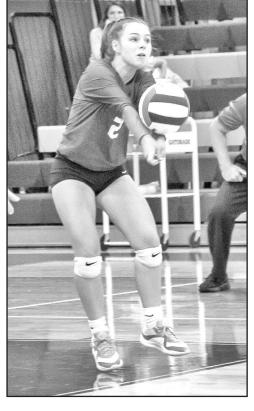
The William Byrd volleyball team will play at Northside tonight hoping to clinch the third seed in next week's Blue Ridge District tournament. A win would give Byrd a 6 pm home game against William Fleming Monday in the first round of the tourney.

Byrd is 5-4 in the district and 8-11 overall after defeating Staunton River in Vinton Tuesday. Northside is 4-5 in the BRD and 5-17 overall after losing to Lord Botetourt Tuesday.

Lord Botetourt and Franklin County have clinched the top two spots and will get a Monday bye. The three and four teams will host Fleming and Staunton River, then play at the top two seeds on Tuesday. The championship match is a week from tonight, on October 31.

Byrd recognized six seniors on Tuesday before defeating Staunton River, Ava Ashworth, Payton Hall, Graysen Divers, Kaylee Makuch, Maddie Pittman and Raelyn Lancaster. After that they clipped the Eagles in three sets, 25-9, 25-16 and 25-20. Bella Dudley led the team with 10 kills and Lancaster had nine kills and a block.

Last Thursday the Terriers traveled to Rocky Mount to take on Franklin County and the host Eagles won in three, 25-19, 25-19 and 25-18. Dudley had eight kills and a block, Ashworth had 17 digs and Maggie Zimmerman dished out 11 assists.





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Left, Byrd's Ava Ashworth receives a serve in last week's match at Lord Botetourt. Above, Heidi Dixon goes to the floor for a dig.

# Vinton teams compete in Sandlot Super Bowl tournaments

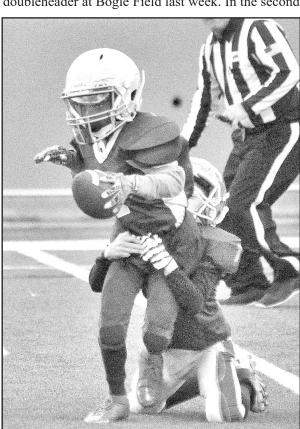
Sandlot Super Bowl tournament semifinals will be held at two Roanoke County locations this Saturday as youth teams in three divisions try to grab a spot in the Sandlot Super Bowl championship games. The championships will be held at Salem Stadium on November 2nd.

Vinton had teams in all three age groups but none reached the semifinals. In the 8-U division the Vinton team lost to North Roanoke in the first game of a doubleheader at Bogle Field last week. In the second game the Vinton 12-U team

defeated Franklin County, 14-12, to advance to the quarterfinal round. Vinton then fell to the top-seeded Salem team on Saturday.

The Vinton 10-U team also won their opener, 40-22, over a Botetourt County team last Saturday. Vinton then played the top-seeded Salem team on Tuesday and was defeated.

Semifinals this Saturday will be at Northside High and Bogle Field at 9 am, 10:15 am and 11:30 am.





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## **Sandlot** action

Action from the Sandlot Super Bowl tournaments in the past week. Above left, Nathan Schmidt makes a tackle for the Vinton 8-U team in last week's game with North Roanoke, and above right Micah Palmer breaks through a nice hole to pick up yardage for the Terriers. Below left, Ashby Bernard of the 10-U team is ahead of the pack in Saturday's game with Botetourt, and below right Gunner Shepherd(#12) breaks loose for a good gain for the 10-U Terriers. Bottom left, Dewayne Hicks(#5) of the 12-U Terriers fights his way over the goal line for a touchdown against Franklin County. Bottom right, Jacoby Weddle(#7) breaks free from a defender for a nice gain for Vinton.



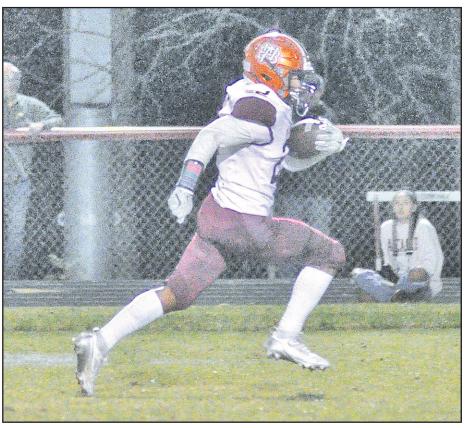






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PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN Left, William Byrd's Jerrett Shepherd is off and running for a 37 yard touchdown against Lord Botetourt. Right, BJ Cheatwood(#65) protects quarterback Cannin Lutz.

# **Terriers host Franklin County for Soldier Tribute game this Friday**

Late drive comes up short in loss to Lord Botetourt

The William Byrd football team will try to snap a two-game losing streak when the Terriers host Franklin County on Friday at Patterson Stadium. It will be Byrd's annual Soldier Tribute game, a popular event for the players and Terrier fans.

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

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

important to us." The Byrd players will wear a special uniform paying tribute to the Army's 10th Mountain Division, of which Anderson was a member. A portion of Byrd's fundraising goes toward the special uniforms and the Terrier players can earn their uniform if they meet

their gold card goal.

While the Soldier Tribute is always an important game for the team it's a big game for the Terriers after backto-back losses to William Fleming and Lord Botetourt dropped them from first to third in the Virginia High School League Region 3D standings. The top four teams earn first round home games in the playoffs and Byrd wants to stay in that group.

in Daleville last Friday. With last Friday's win the Cavaliers went from second to first in the region rankings with a 6-1 record and a 23.7 rating while Byrd dropped from first to third at 5-2 and 22.1. Abingdon moved up to second at 6-1 and 22.2. The four through eight teams this week are Magna Vista, Christiansburg, Carroll County, Northside and Bassett.

Last week's game at Botetourt went down to the final play. Botetourt took the early lead on a six yard TD run by Tristan Overbay and led 7-0 after the first period. Byrd answered in the second quarter when Jerrett Shepherd scored on runs of 37 and one yard. Connor Whitehead's extra point attempt on the second TD hit the post as Byrd took a 13-7 lead, but the Cavaliers scored on a TD pass to Seth Reiter with 33 seconds until intermission and the conversion gave them a 14-13 lead at the half.

The second half was a defensive battle. Overbay bulled his way over from the one yard line at 5:27 of the third period to increase LB's lead to 21-13 but after that Byrd's defense answered every challenge. The Cavaliers were attempting to run out the clock in the fourth quarter but Byrd stopped them on downs with 3:37 to play and Byrd needing a TD and two-point conver-

sion to tie.

The Terriers made it interesting. On the final drive they faced fourth down situations twice but Cannin Lutz completed a pass to Ethan Haston for a first down with 58 seconds on the clock, then found Tate Kotz over the middle on another fourth down play and Kotz took the ball to the LB 11 with 28 seconds remaining. However, the drive ended when LB's Quinten Jones intercepted a pass in the end zone to seal the win for the Cavaliers.

Despite four turnovers and questionable penalties, our players worked through that adversity to give us a chance to tie the game up with 20 seconds left in the game," said Lutz. "That kind of toughness is what we want to

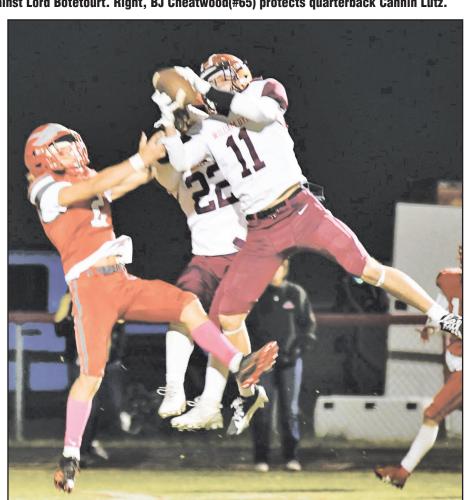


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Byrd's Tate Kotz(#11) picks off a pass in the end zone to end an LB threat.

emphasize and build in our program."

Quarterback Lutz completed seven passes for 94 yards, including two to Kotz for 49 yards and two to Haston. Shepherd rushed 12 times for 58 yards and freshman Gray Mathews, who has played for both the jayvee and varsity teams this season, stepped up with Jamez Toler out for the season. Gray rushed six times for 74 yards.

On defense Greg Stiltner had 16 tackles and two quarterback pressures while Blake Anderson also had 16 tackles. Jahdai English had a dozen tackles, Thomas Purcell had 11 and Kotz had a big interception in the end zone to kill a Botetourt scoring threat in the fourth quarter.

This week the Terriers will host Franklin County in a big game. The Eagles are a Class 5 team, meaning big points if the Byrdmen can pull off

"Franklin County is another quality opponent from the Blue Ridge District," said Lutz. "They are the biggest team we have faced, and they have a ton of athleticism and speed. Like William Fleming, they are a 5A school so a win helps us gain more points for the playoff seeding."

The Eagles are coached by JR Edwards, a William Byrd alum who played quarterback for the Terriers under Jeff Highfill and spent time on the Byrd staff. He also was head coach at Hidden Valley and served as an assistant at Salem before taking the Eagles job. JR is in his 10th year at Franklin County and they're off to just a 2-5 start, but coming off a shutout of Staunton River last week, 10-0.

The Byrd jayvees will head to Rocky Mount tonight to play. Byrd lost to LB's jayvees last week, 22-16, for their first loss of the season.







**Dunk or Treat** 

The William Byrd baseball team had a lot of fun last week at their Fall Festival "Halloween Scrimmage" at Walthall Park. Left, Austin Kroner is on base dressed as a "Telabubbie" and center a colorfully attired Conner Amos takes his turn at bat. Even coach Jason Taylor got in on the fun as he spent some time in the dunk tank. PHOTOS BY SUZANNE WITCHER