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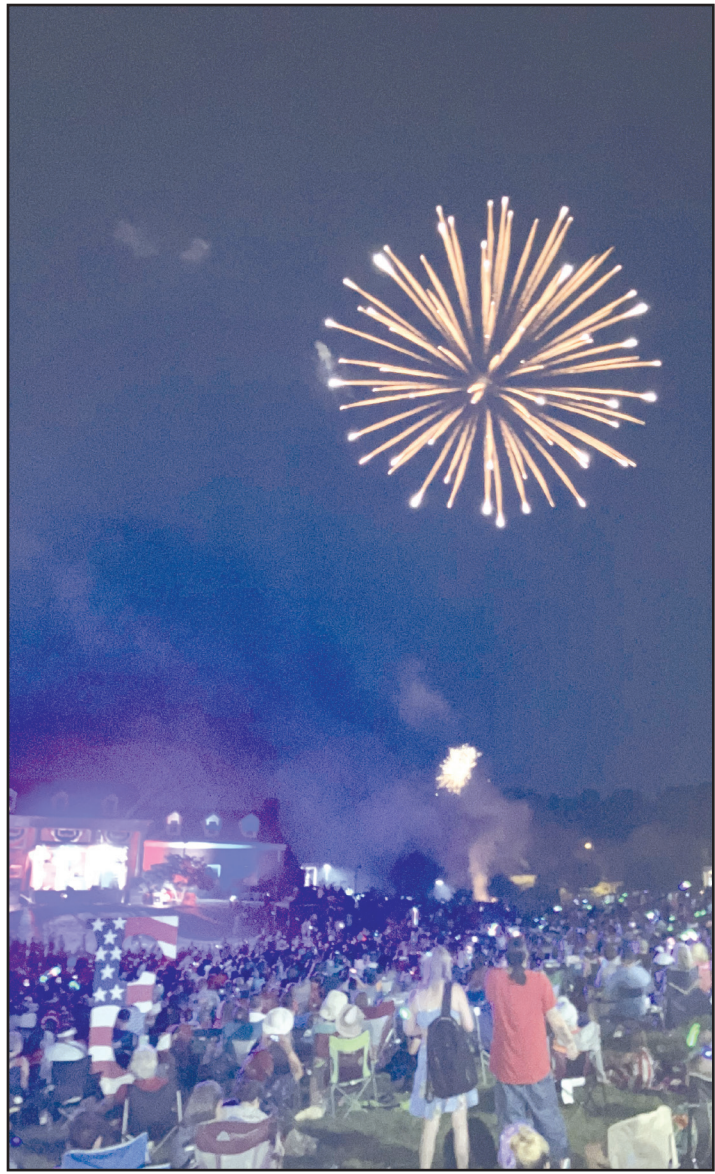


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Fireworks by Grucci lit up the night skies in Vinton on July 4.



The crowd stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and national anthem at the War Memorial.



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The foam cannon was the second favorite attraction at Vinton's Fourth of July celebration, outranked only by the fireworks.

Vinton lights up
the night sky on
the Fourth of July

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The Town of Vinton spent the entire day Friday celebrating the Fourth of July. Events began at 8 a.m. with the Four on the 4th Race and the Kids' Run benefiting the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia.

Approximately 500 runners participated in the races this year which began and ended at the Vinton War Memorial, sponsored by Fleet Feet, the BGCSWVA, and the Vinton Moose Lodge 1121. This was their 14th race and the fourth held in partnership with Vinton.

Friday night, thousands turned out for the family friendly Fourth of July celebration on the grounds of the War Memorial. They brought along blankets and lawn chairs for seating and filled the front lawn.

The party began at 6:30 p.m. with a welcome from Vinton Mayor Brad Grose who thanked the entire Vinton town staff for their teamwork in facilitating the Fourth of July event. He thanked veterans for “serving our nation to keep our people free.”

There were heartfelt thank yous from Director of Cultural Placemaking and Events Mandy Adkins to all involved in making this event possible year after year, especially public works, the police, and first responders.

Crystal Williams, assistant to the Salem city manager and former administrative assistant at William Byrd Middle School, performed the national anthem as spectators covered their hearts.

DJ Flex provided the music throughout the rest of the

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Significant progress visible at W.E. Cundiff renovation/expansion project

W.E. Cundiff Elementary School on Hardy Road in Vinton gives a whole new meaning to the phrase “busy as a beehive” this summer as significant progress continues to be made on their renovation and expansion program.

Roanoke County Schools Director of Facilities and Operations Todd Kageals has been presenting frequent updates on the Cundiff project during RCPS School Board regular and work sessions assisted by representatives from the contractors, Branch Builds and Skanska.

On July 7, several members of the School Board (Tim Greenway) and Board of Supervisors (Phil North and David Radford) toured the facility with Kageals for an update. Branch Asst. Project Manager Enrique Longoria, Skanska owner representative Kamal Khalil, RCPS Project

Manager Brian Dodson, and various other construction supervisors were on hand to detail exactly what is happening in the building at this point.

The official groundbreaking for the project was held in August 2024. The Cundiff project is just one of three capital improvement projects underway in Roanoke County Schools. The others are at Glen Cove Elementary and the brand-new Career and Technical Education Center on Peters Creek Road.

The Cundiff and Glen Cove projects were necessary because of their antiquated open classroom design—the only two remaining in Virginia.

The construction of a new CTE Center (now known as the Burton Center for Arts and Technology) has been long-needed due to space limitations preventing the growth of existing



Overlooking the new cafeteria and kitchen at W. E. Cundiff

programs and the addition of others needed by employers in the Roanoke Valley.

The project at Cundiff is expected to cost approximately \$29.9 million and enlarge the facility to 75,026 square feet. The School Board and Board of Supervisors worked together on funding to make the

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Interior view of new cafeteria now under construction

PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS



The Four on the 4th Race begins at the War Memorial in Vinton.



The Kids Race kicks off from the War Memorial.

PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Four on the 4th Race kicks
off the holiday in Vinton

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The Fourth of July celebration began early Friday morning in Vinton with nearly 500 runners coming to town for the 14th annual Four on the 4th Race – its fourth time in partnership with the Town of Vinton.

The race is sponsored by Fleet Feet and benefits the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia, which has a location at Vinton Baptist Church. Vinton Moose Lodge 1121 was the presenting sponsor for the race.

Prior to the race, Moose Lodge Vice President Jeff Janney thanked participants and explained what the Vinton Moose do to help the community – the list is long.

“The Moose Lodge is a fraternal and service organization with over

900,000 members and 1,300 Lodges across the United States and Canada. The Moose are dedicated to caring for children and seniors, bringing communities together, and celebrating life.

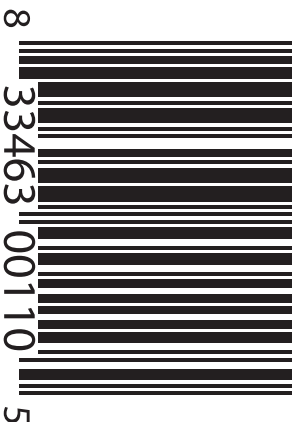
“Have you ever driven by the Vinton Moose Lodge on Washington Avenue and wondered, what exactly do the Moose do? Our 707 members do a lot of great things. To name a few: we help provide education and a family environment for underprivileged children at Moosheart in Illinois; we help provide for the needs of our seniors at Moosehaven in Florida; at the local level we are engaged in community service and serving those in need.

“At the Vinton Moose, in 2024, we gave \$249,000 to charity, with a good portion of that staying

local. Our goal is to exceed that amount this year and we are well on our way with over \$130,000 given so far in 2025.

“My good friend and fellow Moose member, Jim Barker, approached the Moose board members about donating to the Boys and Girls Club. Their mission is to enable young people, especially those who need us most,

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Thrasher Preschool named ‘Favorite Preschool’

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Thrasher Preschool has been voted “Favorite Preschool” in the 2025 Readers Choice Award by Salem Times Register, Vinton Messenger, New Castle Record, and Fincastle Herald readers.

Director Erin Edmondson credits her “phenomenal” staff of nine who “show a love of Jesus every day,” a supportive church staff and family, and an amazing preschool board for the award.

Thrasher Preschool is housed at Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church in Vinton. It is both a year-round and school-year program, with half-day and full-day enrollment of 40 students. It also offers a separate summer program.

Edmondson said, “The staff has established a loving environment to teach who Jesus is and how to have a relationship with Him. I am so glad that the Lord brought me to Thrasher. I give all glory to Him to have this opportunity to lead such a precious program.”

She was a public school teacher for many years, including several spent at W.E. Cundiff Elementary.

She and her staff have developed a play-based, hands-on academic curriculum which they believe leads to children developing into lifelong learners.

Edmondson says Thrasher has kept the best of the “old school” concept of preschool: it’s wholesome, held in a church, with toys like wooden blocks remaining from the past in addition to those more modern, Chapel with “Mrs. Ed” once a week, and story time with Pastor John Hemming. Children don’t spend their time on “screens,” they learn through play.

Each classroom has one teacher and one assistant, capped at an enrollment of 14 – based on state and church guidelines. Activities alternate between “sit” and “move.” There is a great deal of tactile learning with toys and sensory bins in addition to books, and there are learning stations.

Edmondson says that the greatest joy in her job is “the family and community at Thrasher Preschool who allow my staff and me to walk alongside these preschool families and each other to do life together.”



Declan Curtin uses a sensory bin for learning through play.

Her staff includes Administrative Assistant Meghann Aremia, Lead Teacher of the 3’s Class Chanda Ingram, full-time Teacher’s Assistant with all ages Michelle Ayers, Lead Teacher of Full Day 4’s Rhonda Wells, Teacher’s Assistant of Full Day 4’s Greta Walls, Lead Teacher of Half Day 4’s Autumn Coffey, Teacher’s Assistant Half Day 4’s Crystal Albertson, and Afternoon Teacher’s Assistant with all ages Eden Huffman.

Church staff members Gene and Jennifer Rawling and Chase Kendall are not officially preschool staff, but they are vital to the success of the program.

Jes Curtin, parent of two students who have attended Thrasher, can explain why the preschool was voted as the “Favorite” by local families.

“As an anxious mom, I really struggled with feeling comfortable with leaving my child with anyone after a failed daycare experience,” Curtin says. “Mrs. Edmondson helped ease so many of my worries by walking me through, step-by-step, the school’s safety procedures and policies. I truly believe with every fiber of my being that every member of the school’s staff loves my child as much as their own and would risk life and limb to keep her safe.

“The communication between the school and parents/guardians of their students is top notch. Thrasher Preschool always has some sort of fun enrichment happening – whether that’s music class, a field trip, guest speakers, or activities.

“Somehow, the school does so much for the students and has high quality teachers while maintaining a competitive and fair tuition rate. We certainly want our children to have a great education and safe experience, but the low cost of the tuition was a huge factor in our decision to enroll. We are so thankful for everything we have found at Thrasher



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THRASHER PRESCHOOL | ERIN EDMONDSON

Erin Edmondson, Thrasher Preschool Director

Preschool, because it’s not just a place for the children to learn – it’s an entire community that supports the whole family.

“We chose Thrasher because of the school’s legacy of academic excellence and kindergarten readiness, and we are absolutely seeing both of those manifest beautifully in our child.”

Anyone interested in enrolling a child at Thrasher Preschool should call or text Edmondson at 540-632-2182 or email her at preschool@thrasherumc.org. She will provide a tour of the facility and meet with parents to talk about their child’s needs.

Preschool hours are from 9 a.m. to noon for half-day classes; 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. for full-day students.

Another thing to keep in mind in making a decision – Edmondson says that there is a big difference between a “preschool” and a “day care.” Day care generally is more focused on supervision and care; preschool, on early education and skill development through play. Day care provides a safe environment; preschool prepares children for kindergarten and future learning. Day care generally serves infants, toddlers, and up. Preschool children are usually ages 3-5 like those at Thrasher Preschool.

Preschool scholarships are available at Thrasher. Since 2022, 49 have been awarded totaling over \$60,000. Fall scholarships will be awarded on July 23.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Community Learning Centers need funds

We’re reaching out with an urgent update – and a heartfelt request.

The 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) program is a vital source of funding that allows us to provide after-school support, academic enrichment, and safe spaces for hundreds of children across Southwest Virginia.

The President’s proposed budget does not include these funds. This impact would likely begin in the summer of 2026. Our team has been busy advocating for the funds to be returned to the budget and preparing in case our efforts are unsuccessful. This need was already urgent.

On July 1, we found out that the federal Office of Management and Budget is withholding the funds that were to be distributed on July 1, 2025, to the states. These are the funds for the 2025-2026 school year. These funds were approved by Congress in the March Continuing Resolution. This news demands immediate action. This delay jeopardizes the critical programming that helps our children stay on track academically and thrive socially and emotionally while providing safe after-school, summer, and, in some cases, before-school care.

If this funding remains frozen, 21st Century Community Learning Centers, including over 900 Boys and Girls Clubs, across the country may be forced to reduce services and many will even have to close their doors.

21st Century Community Learning Centers by the Numbers:

- 1.4 million youth served annually in the U.S.
- 500,000 family members served through educational programming
- 220,000 Boys & Girls Clubs members
- 23,000 students in Virginia
- 5,900 Boys and Girls Clubs jobs
- 926 Boys and Girls Clubs locations

• 640 Youth served by Boys and Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia participate in Clubs funded by the 21st Century CCLC Program

What you can do:

We are urging our supporters to take action today. Contact Governor Youngkin and your members of Congress and demand the immediate release of 21st Century funds to states.

Share your voice on social media using the hashtag #FundAfterschoolNow and tag your representatives.

In the coming weeks and months, as the situation develops, you will continue to hear from us as our message to legislators changes to reflect the current status. Your voice matters. Policymakers listen when communities speak up – and the children we serve are counting on all of us.

Together, we can ensure that every child has the opportunity to learn, grow, and succeed in a safe, supportive environment.

Rebekah Meadows
Chief Executive Officer
Boys & Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia



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Mingle to feature HOT FUSS, Chris Keaton and the Millennials on July 12

Two new bands will be performing at the Mingle at the Market concert on July 12, although the performers certainly aren’t new to the area. The Low Low Chariot has a new rock act, HOT FUSS, featuring ’90s to 2000s music. Chris Keaton is a Vinton native, but his band, the Millennials, will be taking the stage for the first time.

According to Chamber Executive Director Angie Chewning, “Both acts are new to the lineup and are sure to bring great energy and fantastic music to the stage. Join us for a fun-filled time with fresh sounds and good vibes.”

In addition to new musical acts, there is a new food vendor—the Cousins Maine Lobster Truck along with crowd favorite, Get Glazed Donuts.

Admission is \$7; kids 12 and under are free. The gates open at 6:30 p.m. The show starts at 7. Bring an ID for the Blue Ridge Beverage Garden, along with your own seating. Clear bags are required for belongings.

Vinton Moose Lodge 1121 is the sponsor for the Kidz Zone this Mingle season with a bouncy house and more.

Sponsors for the Mingle at the Market concerts hosted by the Vinton Area Chamber of Commerce currently include: Renewal by Andersen of Roanoke, Bank of Botetourt, Carilion Clinic, Crooked Shoreline, HomeTrust Bank, Dirk Padgett, PLC, Neely’s Accounting, Rosie’s, the Vinton War Memorial, PFG, Roanoke County, MemberOne,

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Sr. enlisted Army member

4. Payroll firm

7. Monetary unit of Macao

10. Cooking vessel

11. Cow sound

12. Hairpiece

13. Spoon-shaped surgical instrument

15. Mother

16. Remove from record

19. Foolish

21. Mailman

23. Unit of data size

24. Stirred

25. Deceptive movement

26. We all have one

27. Direct from pasture beef animal

30. A person’s own self

34. Helps little firms

35. Deep, red-brown sea bream

36. Tumbler

41. A short section of a musical composition

45. Young woman (French)

46. Wings

47. Wine bottles

50. Thin layers of rock

54. Opposite to

55. American state

56. Uncertainty about something

57. Basics

59. Indian seaport

60. Owed as a debt

61. Buffer solution

62. Unit of work or energy

63. Soviet Socialist Republic

64. One point south of due east

65. Born of

CLUES DOWN

1. Small stem bearing leaves

2. Female Bacchanalians

3. Mediterranean city

4. Measures electric current

5. Arrived extinct

6. Edible butterfish

7. Causing wonder or astonishment

8. Behaviors showing high moral standards

9. Ancient Irish alphabets

13. Footballer Newton

14. Utilize

17. Sum of absolute errors

18. Opposite of the beginning

20. Shoe company

22. Algerian port city

27. Girls organization (abbr.)

28. Type of cell (abbr.)

29. Swiss river

31. When you hope to get there

32. Fall behind

33. Expresses distaste, disapproval

37. Volume containing several novels

38. Less sharp

39. Food for the poor

40. Having made a valid will

41. Royal estates

42. Relating to wings

43. Japanese three-stringed lute

44. Taking something through force

47. Angry

48. Before the present

49. Showy ornaments

51. Norway

52. Comedienne Gasteyer

53. Consume

58. Founder of Babism

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Thrasher youth leave on annual ASP Mission Trip to ‘Be the Light’



The ASP Mission Team was commissioned on July 6 and headed for Wise County, Va.

A group of youth and their leaders from Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church and other local churches left on July 6 for Wise County where they will spend the week changing the lives of others and, most likely their own, on the annual ASP Mission Trip. They were wearing T-shirts with the 2025 ASP theme “Be the Light.”

The group will be working in the towns of Big Stone Gap and Appalachia, replacing floors, siding, and insulation. They will be doing some roofing, and installing new cabinets and countertops, among other improvements to homes.

The team will be housed in the former Appalachia High School, which is now the Appalachia Community Center, in the town of Appalachia.

Thrasher UMC has been participating in ASP projects for 25 years with the goal of making homes “warmer, safer, and drier” through the work of volunteer mission teams.

The team members were commissioned at the 8 a.m. worship service at Thrasher by Pastor John Hemming, then loaded up for the four-hour trip to Wise County. Participants this year include Isaac Anderson, Levi Anderson, Megan Anderson, Jo Brooks, Abby Clay, Madison Crowe, Marty Crowe, McKenzie Crowe, Adam Edmondson, Caroline Edmondson, Nick Edmondson, Aaron Hemming, Karen Hemming, Luke Hemming, April Jones, Bonnie Jones, Cary Jones, Mayzie Jones, Stella Jones, Serenity Jordan, Kaden Liechty,



PHOTOS BY DEBBIE ADAMS

Thrasher Pastor John Hemming commissions this year’s ASP team members as they leave for a week of serving others.

Joshua McEntire, Patty Ransom, Gabby Romeo, John Romeo, Christopher Russ, Parker Sharp, Mary Ann St. Clair, Ethan Sutton, Kara Sutton, and Tina Yates.

ASP, created in 1969, brings thousands of volunteers from around the country to Central Appalachia annually to repair and replace homes for low-income families. It is meant to be a transformational service experience for volunteers as well. ASP

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

More than 25 communities are served by over 15,000 ASP volunteers each year, impacting over 350 families. More than 3,000 repair projects are completed each summer.

- Vinton Messenger staff report

Vinton Farmers’ Market plans special events in July

The Vinton Farmers’ Market has some special events planned during July. “Color Me Kind” is coming up on July 19 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is a free family-friendly event featuring a variety of activities, including tie-dying pillowcases (materials provided) starting at 10 a.m., live dulcimer music at 11:15 a.m. and outdoor games and chalk for kids. Shoppers can enjoy a full line-up of local vendors offering sweets, crafts, produce, and more.

In partnership with the nonprofit Huddle Up Moms, the event will also serve as a diaper donation drive. Guests who bring a package of diapers will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win a basket filled with local goodies.

Storytime at the Vinton Farmers’ Market is scheduled for Saturday, July 26, also from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

At 10 a.m., the Roanoke County Library will present a special Storytime

on the market stage. Families are invited to enjoy this engaging activity for children of all ages.

Additional kid-friendly activities will include rock painting, yard games, and sidewalk chalk— perfect for those who prefer hands-on fun.

Down Home Creamery vouchers will be available, while supplies last, for a sweet treat after visiting the market.

Visitors are encouraged to support local vendors offering fresh produce, baked goods, flowers, handmade gifts, and more under the pavilion.

Free parking is available at the Walnut Avenue parking lot, located directly behind the market stage.

For more information, email vintonfarmersmarket@vintonva.gov or visit the Vinton Farmers’ Market Facebook page.

Submitted by Town of Vinton



From the Pulpit

By Pastor Bryan Crouch, Lynn Haven Baptist Church

Our current sermon series at Lynn Haven Baptist Church is “Let It Rain – Unlocking God’s Blessings in Your Life.”

We often think surrender means losing. In sports or battle, to surrender means to give up. But when it comes to our faith, surrender is not a loss— it’s the beginning of true blessing.

God never meant for us to carry everything on our own. When we try to stay in control, we end up tired, stressed, and

frustrated. But when we surrender our plans, our fears, and our lives to God, something amazing happens. He gives us peace. He takes the heavy load off our shoulders. And He leads us in a better way.

Proverbs 3:5-6 says, “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.” That’s surrender. It means

trusting God more than ourselves and letting Him lead. Surrender isn’t about giving up— it’s about giving in to the One who loves us most.

When we live with open hands, God fills them with what we truly need. Today, take a moment to ask: What am I holding onto too tightly? Let it go. Trust God. There is real blessing in surrender. And always try to be more like Christ tomorrow than you were today!

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

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

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FAMILIES DESERVE RESPECT

Read Numbers 1:1 through 2:34

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

So the Israelites did every

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

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

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

Quicklook: Numbers 2:32–34

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Your Spiritual IQ. The Roanoke ECK Center is located at 1420 3rd. St. SW, Roanoke, VA 24016. For more information visit www.eck-va.org or call 540- 353-5365. People of all faiths are welcome.

FOURSQUARE
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LUTHERAN
ST. TIMOTHY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, “The Church Under The Cross”, 1201 Hardy Rd, Vinton VA 24179, Pas-

tor, Rev. Dr. James B. Davis (540) 342- 1715, Worship 11:00am, sttimothy1201@verizon.net.

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

PRESBYTERIAN
CAMPBELL MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 1130 Hardy Rd, Vinton, VA, 540-343-1842; cmcp2verizon.net Sunday school 9:45am, Worship 11:00am; Communion 1st Sundays; 2nd Sunday Session; Monday Noon Bible Study; Tues-

days & Thursdays Stretch Class 9:00am; 1st Tuesdays Deacons; Wednesday Choir 7:00pm; Monday Girl Scouts 7:00pm; 3rd Saturday Men’s Breakfast 8:00am. Rev. Jonathan Moelker, pastor

UNITED METHODIST
THREE OAKS FELLOWSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 1026 Gravel Hill Road, Vinton, Va. 540-512-8070. Pastor: Rev. Dr. Rob Colwell. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m., Worship 11 a.m.

WESLEYAN
VINTON WESLEYAN CHURCH - 246 Jefferson Ave., 540-345-3385; Sunday Service 10:30 AM.

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Many runners dressed patriotically for the occasion.



Pictured from left are Moose Lodge Vice President Jeff Janney, Rebekah Meadows, CEO of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia, and Vinton Mayor Brad Grose.

summer programs including field trips, academic support and mentoring, and summer meals for kids. The organization came to Vinton at the time of COVID and really filled a gap in services when public schools were closed or on irregular schedules. They continue to provide afterschool care and work with families of their students. They have become an integral part of the Vinton community.

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The stage has been removed from the gymnasium with storage added.



New classroom at WEC ready for set-up.

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projects a reality.

At Cundiff, plans include a new front entrance, a new cafeteria, a new administrative and entry point, the addition of classrooms, an enlarged parking lot, and moving/improving the playground.

Completion is anticipated in September 2026 at Cundiff; however, the contractor is turning over areas of the building for students to occupy as construction phases are completed.

The most notable change to passersby is the new curved administrative area added to the front of the building. The parking lot has been reconfigured with many spaces added. Plans are for the parking lot to be completed by the opening of school on August 14, along with more classrooms.

The open classroom design is no longer in evidence. Construction Phase 1, which involved renovations to the second and third grade classrooms, hallways, and restrooms, was finished this spring with students able to move back into those spaces, while the contractors moved on to other phases of renovations.

Work is underway on classrooms on the second floor; the library will be left until last in the summer of 2026. Crews are currently working on the new administrative area and a brand new kitchen and cafeteria (which will accommodate two grade levels at once) with completely new equipment.

According to Khalil, past and current activities include demolition of walls, ceiling grids, doors, windows, and

wall boards. Temporary lighting has been installed. Conduits and wiring have been cut and capped for safety. Tile has been removed. Wall layout and framing is underway. Drywall is being hung, patched, and finished. Overhead plumbing and sprinkler systems have been installed. Some painting has begun in the administrative area. As for the kitchen/cafeteria, work is being completed on parapet framing, in-wall plumbing, along with electrical rough-ins. Much of the exterior brick work is finished.

The playground will be completely behind the building; the mounds of dirt on the hillside will eventually return to green space.

The gymnasium is not being replaced, but the stage has been removed, storage added, and the floor will be refinished.

According to the contractors, around 100 workers are on-site each day—and the process has been running smoothly.

When questioned, contractors noted that there has been no significant escalation of prices involving the project, nor a noticeable delay in delivery of materials thus far, although their procedure has been to order well in advance.

Kageals and Greenway have a special interest in the project because they both grew up in Vinton.

~ Vinton Messenger staff report

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Legals - Craig County

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CRAIG COUNTY

JOHN N. SPICER, TRUSTEE, *Plaintiff*
v.
BRIAN VAVALA and CHELSEA RICK and JOSEPH S. HILL AUDREY E. HILL, *Defendants.*
Case No. CL 25-112 ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to finalize accounting for Foreclosure Sale Property known as 2288 Northside Road, Newport, Virginia, in Craig County, Virginia, also referred to as Lot Number Three (3), containing 29.204 acres and designated as Tax Map Number 115-A 17C, cannot conveniently be made as Defendant, Brian Vavala, has not been seen nor heard from, and whose whereabouts are unknown to all of the parties hereto, and that the best interests of all interested parties would be promoted by the surplus of

Legals - Craig County

funds due to Defendant, Brian Vavala, be deposited with the Circuit Court of Craig County, Virginia and move forward with the Final Accounting of Foreclose Sale. An affidavit having been made and signed that Brian Vavala, is an individual whose last known address and whereabouts are unknown, it is hereby **ORDERED**, that the said party appear on or before July 21, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. and do whatever is necessary to protect his interest for his surplus funds. It is further **ORDERED** that this Order of Publication be published once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in *The New Castle Record*, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Craig. ENTERED THIS 5th DAY OF June, 2025 Judge I ask for this: John N. Spicer (VSB # 68845) SPICER, OLIN & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 504 South Main Street Blacksburg, VA 24060 Phone: (540) 552-0007 Fax: (540) 951-5139 E-mail: j.spicer@spicerlawfirm.com *Plaintiff*

Legals - Botetourt County

Order of Publication
Case No. **CL16-916-01**
VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT
In re: Abigail Rose Bryant
(DOB: 02/19/2015)
ORDER FOR PUBLICATION
This Day came Christopher M. Di Risio, counsel for the Intervenor, Andrew Vandegrift and James Tracy, and filed a Motion for Order of Publication, and a hearing shall be held in this Court, 205 North Roanoke Street, Fincastle, Virginia 24090 on October 7th, 2025 at 1:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as they may be heard. NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED, ORDERED, AND DECREED, that Phillip Eric Bryant appear at the hearing and be heard as to why the Motion to Intervene, Motion for Appointment of Guardian ad Litem, or Motion to Amend Custody of the minor child, should not be granted. Failure to appear shall waive any objection to the heretofore mentioned Motions. THE CLERK OF COURT IS DIRECTED to send a certified copy of this Order to the Fincastle Herald, to P.O. Box 127, Fincastle, Virginia 24090 to be published once per week for four consecutive weeks, to be posted at the front door of the Courthouse, and a copy mailed to counsel, and the parties to the matter at their respective address of record. This cause is continued on the docket of this Court. Entered this 17th day of June, 2025. Honorable Joel R. Branscom, Judge

I ASK FOR THIS: Christopher M. Di Risio (VSB No. 96948) The Law Office of James Steele, PLLC 3048 Brambleton Avenue Roanoke, Virginia 24015 chris@jamessteelelaw.com Tel. (540) 339-7775 Fax: (540)492-4244
Counsel for Intervenor

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Real property at 58 Arthur Road, Roanoke, VA 24019 In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$178,500.00 dated November 29, 2005 and recorded on December 16, 2005 in the land records of Botetourt County, Virginia in as Instrument # 0507939. Default having been made in the indebtedness secured thereby, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance to the Botetourt County Courthouse, 1 West Main St., Fincastle, VA, 24090 the above referenced property and fixtures or improvements thereon briefly described as Tax Id. No. 107C(4)4 and described as beginning at a point in the northern margin of State Route 747, corner to Lot 3. July 23, 2025 AT 01:00 PM TERMS OF SALE: The property will be sold "AS IS," WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND AND SUBJECT TO any environmental or other conditions, covenants, restrictions, reservations,

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easements, rights of way, prior liens, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of Trust, if any. Substitute Trustee shall have no obligation to deliver possession of the property or any other obligation as to the premises. A bidder's deposit of \$17,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required at the time of sale in the form of a certified check or cashier's check from the purchaser or the bid will be rejected. Successful bidder will be required to sign a memorandum of sale at the time of the sale and settle by remitting the balance of the purchase price within fourteen (14) days of sale. If the buyer wishes to use their own settlement company and documentation, there will be a fee of \$300.00 for review of their settlement documents. In the event of default by the successful bidder, the entire deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs and expenses of sale and Substitute Trustee's fee according to the Code of Virginia. All other public charges or assessments, including water/sewer charges to be prorated through date of sale; those incurred after the sale date, and all other costs incident to settlement to be paid by the purchaser. In the event taxes, any other public charges have been advanced, a credit will be due to the seller, to be adjusted from the date of sale at the time of settlement. Sale is subject to post sale confirmation that the borrower did not file for protection under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code prior to the sale as well as to post-sale confirmation of the status of the loan with the loan servicer including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the loan prior to the sale or whether other legal impediment to title exists. In any such event, the sale shall be null and void, and the Purchaser's sole remedy, in law or equity, shall be the return of the deposit without interest. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Cohn Goldberg Deutsch, 410-296-2550 or www.cgd-law.com re: CGD # 462220. Cohn Goldberg Deutsch is a debt collector; any information obtained will be used for that purpose. BLUE RIDGE TRUSTEES LLC

Legals - Montgomery County

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) proposes to collocate wireless communications antennas at a top height of 48.5 feet on a 39.5-foot building at the approx. vicinity of 285 Ag-Quad Lane, Blacksburg, Montgomery County, VA 24060. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, McKayla Grasham, m.grasham@trileaf.com, 303 International Circle, Suite 150, Hunt Valley, MD 21030, 410-853-7128.

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) proposes to collocate wireless communications antennas at a centerline height of 39.5 feet on a 68-foot building at the approx. vicinity of 290 College Avenue, Blacksburg, Montgomery County, VA 24061. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, McKayla Grasham, m.grasham@trileaf.com, 303 International Circle, Suite 150, Hunt Valley, MD 21030, 410-853-7128.



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, July 28, 2025, 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 DW, LLC, Property Owner and Applicant, to rezone property located on the north side of Brammer Lane NE, and adjacent to the east side of 2500 Brammer Lane NE, consisting of approximately 2.57 acres, identified as all of Tax Parcel 501 - (1) - 13D, Parcel ID 021972; a portion of Tax Parcel 501 - (1) - 13F, Parcel ID 025070; a portion of Tax Parcel 501 - (1) - 13D1, Parcel ID 300315; and a portion of Tax Parcel 80 - (5) - 1, Parcel ID 033688; from Agricultural District (A) to General Industrial District (I-2). The property is designated as Industrial on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

B. Conditional Use Permit request by Lauren-Ashley Elizabeth Potts and Dustin Storm Potts, Property Owners and Applicant, to allow for a single-chair beauty parlor as a major home occupation on property located at 450 Hemlock Street NE, identified as Tax Parcel 529 - ((19)) - 3 (Parcel ID 024689), consisting of 0.331 acre, in the Two-Family Residential (R-2) District. The property is designated as Residential on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

Town Hall will be open and available to receive public comment in-person at the time of this Public Hearing. A copy of the application, the Town's Zoning Map, Zoning Ordinance, and Future Land Use Map may be viewed in the Planning Department Office, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact Retta Jackson, Planning Director, at (540) 382-6128, Ext. 1120 or by email at rjackson@christiansburg.org, with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.

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Legals - Montgomery County

Order of Publication
Case No. **CA25000006-00 COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA CODE 1-211 1, 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court**
55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073

ADDRESS OF COURT
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re.
DAVID PRINE v. COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

The object of this suit is to:
ADOPTION OF ANA MARIA GUTIERREZ CORREA

It is ORDERED that NELSON DE JESUS GUTIERREZ PINO

appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before: AUGUST 20, 2025 6/18/2025 Honorable K. Mike Fleenor, Jr. Judge

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proposes to collocate wireless communications antennas at centerline heights of 70 feet, 72.5 feet and 73 feet on a 76-foot building at the approx. vicinity of 720 Washington Street SW, Blacksburg, Montgomery County, VA 24061. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, McKayla Grasham, m.grasham@trileaf.com, 303 International Circle, Suite 150, Hunt Valley, MD 21030, 410-853-7128.

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PARCEL 1: CITY OF RADFORD vs. BARBARA JEANNE BRADY
TAX MAP NO. 15-(5)-BLK 9-3
808 TWELFTH STREET

PARCEL 2: CITY OF RADFORD vs. ORA FAYE CUNNINGHAM
TAX MAP NO. 3-(7)-BLKG-10
308 CLEMENT STREET

PARCEL 3: CITY OF RADFORD vs. WILLIAM JEFFERY JARVIS/THOMAS E. JARVIS
TAX MAP NO. 1-(1)-1
1048 STOCKTON STREET

PARCEL 4: RADFORD LAND & IMPROVEMENT CO. (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
TAX MAP NO. 16-(1)-12A
OFF SEVENTEENTH STREET AND STAPLES STREET

PARCEL 5: RADFORD LAND & IMPROVEMENT CO. (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
TAX MAP NO. 16-(1)-16A
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PARCEL 6: RADFORD LAND & IMPROVEMENT CO. (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
TAX MAP NO. 16-(1)-21A

Legals - City of Radford

ON ROCK ROAD WEST

PARCEL 7: RADFORD LAND & IMPROVEMENT CO. (NON-JUDICIAL SALE)
TAX MAP NO. 37-(2)-SEC1-14
OFF LITTLE RIVER ROAD

PARCEL 8: CITY OF RADFORD vs. DAVID ELI SMITH
TAX MAP NO. 11-(3)-49
308 SHEPPARD AVENUE


PARCEL 9: CITY OF RADFORD vs. HOWARD WALKER
TAX MAP NO. 19-(7)-SEC17-14
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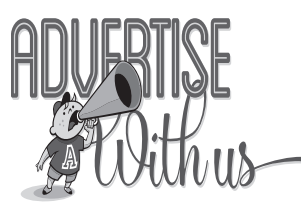


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USA Cycling National Championships are next week

Races will be held at Carvins Cove, Elmwood Park and Explore Park

The courses for the 2025 USA Cycling Endurance Mountain Bike National Championships were recently revealed by Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge, Roanoke County and the City of Roanoke. The championship races will take place at Carvins Cove, Elmwood Park and Explore Park from July 14 – 20. Over 1,900 elite cyclists are expected to participate.

“We’re excited to bring our very biggest National Championship to Roanoke, and to continue building on its identity as such a special community for bike racers and recreational cyclists alike,” said USA Cycling CEO Brendan Quirk. “The beauty of the roads and trails, and the Virginian hospitality makes it a total joy to be back.”

To support the local cycling community and sustainability efforts, USA Cycling is partnering with the Local Organizing Committee’s Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Foundation to add a \$10 trails fee to each participant’s registration. The money will directly support local trail building and maintenance efforts.

“Being selected to host this national championship is a true honor for Roanoke and the entire region,” said City of Roanoke Mayor Joe Cobb. “This choice cements Roanoke’s reputation as a top-tier mountain bike destination. We are thrilled to welcome all the athletes who are journeying from around the country to compete here in the Blue Ridge Mountains.”

“It’s special to see Olympic-level athletes on the same trails our residents enjoy every day,” said Roanoke County Board of Supervisors Vice-Chair Phil North. “It highlights the world-class quality of our outdoor amenities and gives us a chance to showcase the best of our region, where mountains meet adventure.”

USA Cycling CEO Brendan Quirk added, “We’re so grateful for Roanoke’s commitment to the sport of cycling. Its investments in supporting USA Cycling National Championships and in the Virginia’s Blue Ridge TWENTY28 team over the years have established it as one of America’s most important communities for road, mountain, cyclocross and gravel cycling.”

“This world-class event would not be possible without the collaboration between the City of Roanoke, Roanoke County, and their fantastic parks and recreation teams,” said Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge President Landon. “Thanks to our community’s passion and hard work, over 1,900 athletes and their families will get to experience why Virginia’s Blue Ridge is America’s East Coast Mountain Biking Capital.”

USA Cycling Endurance Mountain Bike National Championships Schedule: July 14 – 20, 2025

Monday, July 14 - Cross Country Marathon - Carvins Cove | Hollins University
Tuesday, July 15 - Rest/Practice Day
Wednesday, July 16 - Short Track - Elmwood Park | Downtown Roanoke
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Phil North, Roanoke County Board of Supervisors Vice-Chair, and Tammy Shepherd, Vinton District representative, show a course map at the recent press conference.

The Three Disciplines

Cross-Country Marathon (XCM)

This is the longest, most grueling format of the week. Riders tackle 40+ miles of rugged backcountry trails, racing for multiple hours over steep climbs and rocky singletrack. It’s all about endurance, pacing, and managing technical terrain deep in the woods.

Carvins Cove is the Marathon venue, and it’s renowned for offering miles and miles of the best of Roanoke’s single-track riding.

Short Track (XCC)

Fast, furious, and fan-friendly, short track racing happens on a compact 1–2km loop. Racers go full gas for about 20 minutes, and it’s nonstop action—perfect for spectators who want to be close to the chaos.

Elmwood Park is the Short Track venue, making this the first time a short track championship has taken place in a downtown core with urban features.

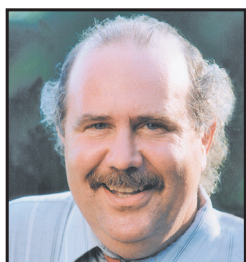
Cross-Country Olympic (XCO)

This is the marquee format you’ve seen in the Olympics: a ~90-minute race on a 4–5km loop with sharp climbs, drops, and switchbacks. Riders lap through the spectator zone multiple times, giving you front-row views of the world-class skill and speed.

Explore Park is the Cross Country venue, and it’s the top spot for adventurous rides.

Brian Hoffman

MLB all-star game is only one that matters



The Major League Baseball All-Star game will be played in Atlanta next Tuesday and it’s the only professional All-Star game I still care about.

Before I get to the baseball game let me trash the others. The NBA all-star game, which I used to really enjoy, has turned into a joke. No one plays defense and they keep changing the format trying to make it interesting. I usually watch the Saturday night dunks, three-point shooting and skills competition, then look in on the Sunday night game for about 15 minutes before getting bored. And I LOVE the NBA, that’s how bad it is.

The football all-star game is even worse. For a while they held the game in Hawaii because no one wanted to play after going through a brutal season and it was an incentive for players to take their family on a nice vacation. However, if they did play they were very careful not to get hurt and that takes away from the spirit of football.

When that turned into a joke they turned it into a touch football game, and who wants to watch that? It’s time to do away with it entirely, and I LOVE the NFL.

I haven’t watched the NHL game in years, but it couldn’t be any worse than the other two.

And now, back to baseball. The game lends itself to all-star competition. It’s a team game played by individuals who don’t necessarily need teammates to shine. Oh sure, you need to have a smooth turning of a doubleplay and the pitcher and catcher have to know what pitch is coming, but for the most part it’s a game where you can excel on a team that stinks. Who remembers Ernie Banks? For the younger set, remember how good Mike Trout used to be on a lousy Angels team?

So, for the MLB all-star game isn’t it fun to see a gathering of the best players competing and actually trying to win the game? Unlike the NBA

defense is a priority, and unlike the NFL there’s a minimum risk of serious injury. And, there used to be a lot of pride in your league.

I say “used to be” because the advent of interleague play has taken a lot of the edge off not only the World Series, but the All-Star game as well. Prior to 1997 the only time American Leaguers would play National League teams was in spring training, the World Series and the All-Star game. If you’re old like me you remember when there were debates over which league was better, and how exciting it was to see the two leagues clash on a Tuesday in July and the first week of October. That rivalry is gone now, but I’m okay with that because I like watching the two leagues mix during the season.

When I was a kid the All-Star game was a big deal. You’d have Bob Gibson pitching against Mickey Mantle or Whitey Ford trying to get Hank Aaron out. Both teams had a lot of pride in the their league, and if you remember Pete Rose bowling over Indians’ catcher Ray Fosse at the plate I guess there was a chance of injury, but it was important to win the game.

With a couple exceptions the baseball all-star game was played in the daytime until 1970, and since then it’s been a night game every season. In the early ‘60s it was one of the few times you would have a game broadcast on television in color, and that was a big deal for a young Brian Hoffman. Growing up in southeast Pennsylvania I watched all the Phillies games I could, but they were always in black & white. And back then my family didn’t have a color TV anyway.

It’s hard for the younger folks to imagine, but when I was growing up having a color TV was pretty special. They were also pretty expensive compared to the black & white models and I know my dad got tired of me campaigning for a color set.

My aunt Alice and uncle Bob, on the other hand, were one of the few people I knew who had a color TV. They lived about three miles away and I would walk over to their house on the day of the all-star game to watch it in living color. It was better than Bonanza,

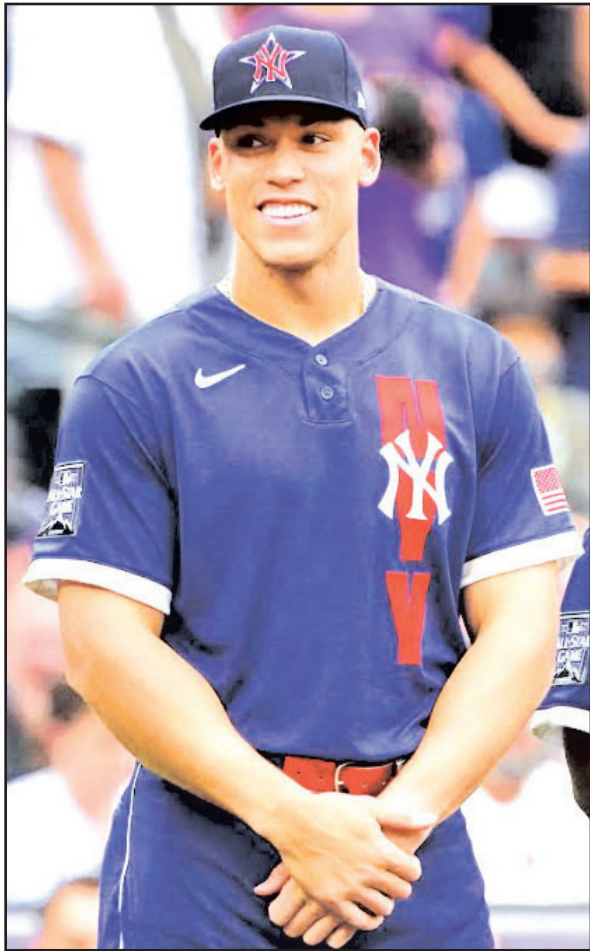
which was the show people always cited for looking good in color.

It was exciting to see all the different stars in their brightly colored team uniforms lined up on the first and third base lines. That doesn’t seem like a big deal now, in the day of high def and 1,000 channels, but in the early ‘60s that was a site to behold.

With that in mind, I hated the “uniform” uniforms the leagues have worn for the past four years. Instead of the respective team threads the teams wore specially designed ones made by Nike, and I thought that was a bad idea. I know the reason behind it was selling more jerseys, but when’s the last time you’ve seen anyone wearing one of those uniforms made just for the all-star game?

This year, thank goodness, the league got the memo. Players will once again be wearing their regular team uniforms for the game, and when they line up on the first and third base lines for pregame introductions it will once again look like an all-star game.

I’m looking forward to it. I traditionally root for the National League but if it comes down to the last pitch I’ll be happy either way.



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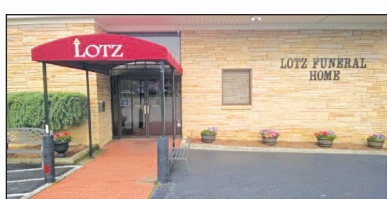
Aaron Judge wore this hideous jersey for the 2021 all-star game instead of the classic Yankee pinstripes.

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