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### Former Charlotte County Service Leader Dies at Age 98

Florence Daniel Riepe Kalbacker, a resident of Westminster Canterbury, Richmond, Va., died June 19, 2020--Juneteenth, a fitting day for release to new life. Born in Rome, Ga. October 29, 1921, she was the only child of the late Eloise Burney Daniel and John Hannah Daniel. She was a graduate of St. Mary's Jr. College, Raleigh, NC and the University of Tennessee. From the time of her graduation from UT in 1942 until her move to Westminster Canterbury in 2007, she resided at her father's ancestral home, "Arcadia," in Charlotte Court House, Va. Florence and her late husband, Joseph Creighton Riepe, Jr., raised three children there, the late Eleanor Riepe Anders Workman (John, Burr), Jacquelyn Riepe Hill (Hunter), and the late Joseph Creighton Riepe, III (Sandy). Grandchildren Allison Daniel Anders, John Creighton Anders (Alison), Stephen Hunter Hill (Corrine), Kathryn Hill Flowers (Steve), Joseph Creighton Riepe, IV (Sarah) and great-grandchildren Emma and George Anders, Andy Hill, Gracie Flowers, and John Aidan Anders cherish memories of their visits with "Floss" at the beloved family home.

Widowed in 1983, Florence married the late Warren Tresham Kalbacker in 2001, gaining not only a second devoted husband but also the joy of welcoming his family as her own: sons Warren Kalbacker

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## Head-on Collision in Lunenburg Claims the Life of One

LUNENBURG - A tragic head-on collision between two vehicles on Saturday afternoon resulted in serious injuries and the death of one passenger.

Virginia State Police officials released information on the Lunenburg wreck. Virginia State Police Senior Trooper J.J. Kempo is investigating a two-vehicle crash in Lunenburg County. The crash occurred at 2:15 p.m. on June 27, 2020 on Route 49, approximately a mile and a half south of Route 622.

A 1999 Chevrolet pickup truck was traveling south on

Route 49 when it crossed the center line into the northbound lane and struck a northbound 2005 Chevrolet Equinox head on.

The driver of the pickup, Jesse L. Gillespie, 23, of Buffalo Junction, Va., was transported by ambulance to VCU Health Community Memorial Hospital in South Hill for treatment of minor injuries.

The backseat passenger of the Equinox, Grace A. Ferrell, 69, of Buffalo Gap, Va., died at the scene. The driver, Diane Garrett, 63, of Chase

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## Charlotte County Public Schools Releases School Reopening Plans

CHARLOTTE COUNTY - The Charlotte County School Board met last Thursday to hear reopening plans for the 2020-21 school year. These plans are based on state guidance documents that were sent to all school divisions in June. This guidance allows all students to return to school when Virginia enters phase three with six-foot social distancing in place for all areas including school buses and classrooms.

Charlotte County Public Schools Superintendent Robbie Mason explained to the Board that this required distancing will have a tremendous impact on the number of students that can be on a school bus or present in a classroom. He explained that only 10 to 12 students would be able to occupy a bus in order to meet six-foot distancing requirements.

CCPS has submitted a health variance which would require students and bus drivers to wear a mask while on the school bus and, in turn, capacity could increase to one per seat or 20 to 24 students. Students from the same household would be able to sit together on the bus. Social distancing has also created space issues in the classroom, as well. Most CCPS classrooms would only be able to house about 12 students in a class while maintaining six-foot distancing.

Because of these guidelines, it is not possible for all students to come back to school every day. Students will be assigned to one of two groups. The first group will attend school in person on Mondays and Tuesdays and receive remote instruction from their teachers for the

rest of the week. The second group of students will attend school on Wednesdays and Thursdays and receive remote instruction on Fridays, Mondays, and Tuesdays. The breakdown of assigned days for individual students will be released once transportation numbers are finalized. There will be no in-person instruction available for students on Fridays. Staff will use Fridays to contact parents, receive calls from parents, and update remote lessons for the next week. Parents and teacher communication will constantly occur, but Fridays will provide a day specifically for communication with families. Once the days that individual students will attend school is set, students will have to remain attending on those specified days because of the transportation and class size issues that changing attendance days will cause.

Besides the in-person option, parents will be able to have their children participate in 100% remote learning throughout the week without attending school in-person. Students will receive instruction on new material, grades will be taken, and report cards will be issued quarterly. Instructional material will be downloaded and provided to students which will eliminate most of the need for the internet other than retrieving new lessons and submitting work. CCPS has placed wi-fi hotspots outside all three elementary schools, and the School Board Office, for students to use for internet purposes. When students using 100% remote learning are prepared to return to school, parents will need to contact their child's school one week in advance to give administrators and transportation staff enough time to prepare social distancing measures



CMS Principal Michael Haskins

Exemplar Performance School Award.

Central Middle School was

one of 447 schools honored and recognized for continuous improvement that were rated "Accredited" or "Accredited with Conditions" for 2019-2020 and met at least one of the following four criteria based on performance during 2018-2019.

"The criteria for the exemplar performance awards are designed to incentivize schools to make the changes in instruction, policy, support services and practice required to make progress toward meeting the Board of Education's objective of achieving equity in opportunities and

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CCPS Superintendent Robbie Mason

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Leader

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(Helaine), David Kalbacker (Marion), granddaughters Courtney Kalbacker (Jeff) and Leigh Kalbacker (Brian), grandson William Kalbacker (Meredith) and great-grandchildren Joanna and Oliver. Following graduation from college, Florence was employed by the Department of Public Welfare in Surry, Va., later moving to Washington, D.C. where she met her husband of 39 years. Each served their country during World War II, she decoding for the U.S. Army Department and he in uniform with the U.S. Navy. When the war ended, Florence and Creighton relocated to Charlotte County, Va. to raise their family. Gregar-

ious by nature and eager to contribute to her community, Florence quickly earned the reputation of an accomplished volunteer serving as Chairman of the Charlotte County Chapter of the American Red Cross, President of the Charlotte Elementary School and Randolph-Henry High School PTAs, and the first woman elected as both a deacon and elder of Village Presbyterian Church. Broadening her involvement in civic affairs, Florence also was Chairman of the Charlotte County School Board, President of Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation, served on the Governor's Highway Safety Commission and as a member of the Board of Directors of Crestar Bank, Patrick Henry Boys Plantation, and the Crossroads Community Ser-

vices Board. Like her father, Florence was deeply committed to Southside Virginia Community College, ably serving on the SVCC Foundation Board of Directors and later being named Director Emeritus of the Foundation Board. In 2006 Florence was honored as the first recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Leadership in Philanthropy recognizing her outstanding contributions to the growth and development of Virginia's Community Colleges and Southside Virginia Community College in particular. When Florence relocated to Westminster Canterbury, it was second nature for her to continue her passion for service there. In 2015, she was honored as a recipient of the Laurel Award in recognition of her volunteer contribu-

tions within the Westminster Canterbury community. Frequently heard saying, "I've always liked to tell people what to do and where to go," Florence created the perfect volunteer niche for herself as an official greeter welcoming visitors to the Mary Morton Parsons Health Center. Florence was fiercely independent, relished robust laughter, loved all things yellow, and whirled through life with a vibrancy not to be forgotten. Her effervescence among us is missed. The family expresses heartfelt appreciation to her caregivers at Westminster Canterbury including Administrator Will Blackwell, Dr. William Reed, Dr. Robert Seward, nurses Keisha, Marlena, Lindsey and Tiffany, nursing assistants Tasha, Joyce, Misty, and

Averee, as well as physical, occupational, and recreational therapy staff. Their expertise, sensitivity and compassion significantly enriched the last season of a remarkable life. Florence would have liked nothing better than for her devoted family and abundance of friends to join in a service of worship followed by a party with shared tale-telling. Sadly, neither is possible until the threat of Covid-19 has passed. Florence's cremains eventually will be interred in the cemetery of Village Presbyterian Church, Charlotte Court House, Va. In lieu of flowers, consideration of a contribution to the Westminster Canterbury Fellowship Fund, 1600 Westbrook Ave., Richmond, VA 23227 or a charity of choice would be a fitting tribute to Florence's life-long generosity.

Jesus tasked Paul to be a minister and “to open the peoples’ eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of satan to God ...”

satan is real. he exists.

Does your minister speak of him and his crusade to kill, steal and destroy you? Or to take away your understanding of the Word of God so you cannot live in peace and abundance? If not, ask your minister to start preaching the Whole Gospel so that you reap the benefits and the signs and wonders that accompany it.

Acts 26:16,18

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Central

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outcomes for all students,” Board of Education President Daniel A. Gecker said. “The increase in the number of awards earned this year is evidence of the progress our schools were making toward this objective before the pandemic forced the closure of schools in March.” “I congratulate the principals, teachers, support professionals and students of all of these schools and divisions for the achievement, innovations and hard work recognized by these awards,” Superintendent of Public Instruction James Lane said. “I believe the success of these schools and school divisions will inspire learning communities across the commonwealth as they plan for the reopening of school and prepare to meet the instructional and social-emotional needs of students — especially students most impacted by the closure this spring.”

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**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED:** The Barksdale Cancer Foundation (BCF) recently presented their annual \$1,000 scholarship to childhood cancer survivor and Randolph-Henry High School Class of 2020 graduate, Cassidy Russell during an informal presentation last week. Pictured here presenting the check to Cassidy is Kim Cassada, BCF's Vice President. The Barksdale Cancer Foundation is a grassroots, non-profit organization serving Charlotte County cancer patients. For more information on BCF, visit them on Facebook or online at [www.barksdalecancerfou.wixsite.com/mysite](http://www.barksdalecancerfou.wixsite.com/mysite). (Photo by April Hall)

# Aspiring Educators Awarded Prestigious Scholarship

The Virginia Alpha Delta Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa recently awarded its 2020 Anita Ernouf scholarship to two winners: Victoria Noe and Pearl Sandridge. Both young women are 2020 Randolph-Henry High School graduates and aspiring educators. In the fall, Noe will be attending Longwood University to major in Elementary Education, and Sandridge will be attending Virginia Tech to major in Childhood Pre-Education.

Alpha Delta Kappa is an international honorary organization of women educators. Dr. Anita B. Ernouf was a member of the modern language faculty at Longwood from 1960-1985 and was a chapter member of Alpha Delta (founded in 1971).



Pictured (from left to right): Joanne Catron, Pearl Sandridge, Liz Peaden (chapter president), Victoria Noe, and Elise Green.



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Commentary

The First Run of the Ladder

I believe the ladder to success in America is solidly in place. I believe everyone can climb that ladder to whatever level their drive and ability allows.

HOWEVER, I also believe there are many Americans who cannot reach the first rung to begin the climb.

I do not believe a college education is necessary for success. In fact, I see many college graduates who are less qualified to climb the ladder than others who have a lower educational level.

BUT in order to reach the first ladder rung one must be able to read, write and speak intelligibly. Every child in America should be guaranteed a basic education so that they can begin their climb.

It is inexcusable to allow a failing school to continue. It is inexcusable to allow anyone to leave high school without the basic tools necessary for survival and success.

Once armed with a basic education everyone can begin



EDITOR  
AVERETT JONES

to climb that ladder BUT they must be able to reach that first rung.

Wait, I am wrong. I am wrong, wrong, wrong.

I just had a flash of insight. The ladder to success is not a single unit. It is more like the cliff dwellings of the Anasazi.

There are multiple levels of success and multiple ladders each leading to a different place. Picture a multi-story building. There is only one ladder to the first level; the first level to which

I was referring before I realized I was wrong.

Each level has multiple ladders to different paths. Some are dead-end. Some go straight to the top. Each ladder and each choice limits the opportunity to move to some other levels.

To reach the first level, all that is required is the desire and the willingness to expend the effort to climb to level one.

From there on I was correct that to climb ONE of those ladders requires being able to read, write and speak intelligibly. Every child in America should be guaranteed a basic education so that they can begin their climb.

It is inexcusable to allow a failing school to continue. It is inexcusable to allow anyone to leave high school without the basic tools necessary for survival and success.

Then each of us will choose a path that leads to the level of success to which we are willing to climb.

On the other hand, in America today we have many “snowflakes” who aren’t willing to climb. They sit at the bottom of the ladder and think someone else should carry them to the top.



Equality, Access and Justice for All

Dear Editor:

With all the unrest in our nation, the STEPS Board of Directors felt led to issue a statement reflecting our agency’s position and commitment to action. The statement reads:

“STEPS is proud to serve as the Community Action agency for our region. Our nation is grieving, and we are grieving with it. We are committed to cultivating and creating an environment focused on humanity and people centered solutions. We denounce racism and discrimination of any kind and we stand in solidarity with all people facing oppression based on ethnicity, race, religion, or sexual identity.

We make the following promises to the community, clients, customers, partners and our staff:

We will continue to listen and learn, but not be silent.

We will strive to foster an organization that is diverse and inclusive offering everyone equal opportunities for growth and development to support them in moving their lives forward.

We will maintain an open dialogue and be active in the process of addressing racial injustice and help our community move toward healing.

We will take action.

Community Action was a direct response to the war against poverty and racism in America. We believe that everyone should be treated with respect and dignity and we are committed to working towards equality, access, and justice for all.”

We hope your readers will join us in this Statement of Solidarity,

Sharon L. Harrup, STEPS President & CEO

The Nasty Nascar Noose

Last year some friends of ours were visiting. As he was shopping in a local store a woman came up and was delighted to see him. She had never seen a “little person” in person before. She told him he was an M-word. He explained they preferred to be called little people.

She insisted he was an M-word. Then she told him to “stay right there” so she could get her grandchildren who have never seen an M-word before.

I was (I thought) justifiably indignant. I wanted to go to the store, find the woman and give her a lecture.

“Averett,” I was told, “no one can offend you - you have to choose to be offended and I chose not to be.” Then he added, “While I appreciate your support, I don’t need you to fight my battles for me.”

I learned a valuable lesson, three in fact. Some actions are from ignorance and insensitivity not cruelty. We choose to be offended AND it is also offensive and de-meaning to attempt to defend someone unless asked.

This brings us to the Nasty Nascar Noose.

Bubba Wallace had every right to be concerned when he discovered there was a noose in his garage. He should and would have been concerned over any attempt at intimidation. He had every right to demand an investigation. I was delighted at the show of support and solidarity for him.

BUT the incident was a non-incident. It was a door pull. The response showed a positive symbol of support.

The incident showed support and no attempt at intimidation.

But you might say, “That door pull is a symbol of hate.” I would disagree. That door pull was a piece of rope tied in a knot. It is only a symbol of hate if it is intended as a symbol of hate. A picture with someone in the cross-hairs of a scope would have been equally or more offensive. A picture of a severed head and the list goes on forever.

Hanging was the “preferred” method of legal execution for hundreds of years.

If anyone is willing to do the research (I am not) I think the facts will document that more white people have been hanged than minorities but not by mobs. I also suspect an actual hangman’s noose was not always used in the hangings.

However, it is a fact that more blacks than whites were hanged by lynch mobs. A total of 71 blacks were killed in Virginia by lynching between 1880 and 1932. The last lynching in Virginia was 88 years ago. That is unless you count the recent “deaths by mob” (Were they also lynching?) during the George Floyd “protests.”

Is everything remotely related to Slavery and Jim Crow going to be banned?

Will we have to outlaw cotton, tobacco, blues, soul music, soul food, hoes, and biblical or historic names because they were forced on slaves? Will the masochists be forced to give up their whips and chains?

Why can’t we all just choose to not be offended, UNLESS offense is intended?

On a side note

When I was about 10 years old I learned to tie a hangman’s noose. It wasn’t easy. This was before you-tube. I couldn’t find anyone who knew how. However, we needed a noose to hang horse thieves and cattle rustlers and murderers. We needed to hang claim jumpers and train robbers.

I learned to tie a hangman’s noose.

We (in our innocence) had never heard of lynching.

We hung all of us multiple times. In retrospect it was dangerous but that is another issue. If our parents had seen us they would have punished us severely. BUT at no point was our play even remotely racist.

We also played the game hangman as children.

I am certain that to those who have chosen to be perpetually offended our child’s play was all sorts of ugly things. That is their problem not mine.

Happy Birthday America



FRANK  
RUFF

as our own U.S. Senator Tim Kaine, for political reasons, would have you believe that America invented slavery.

Measuring By Old Yardsticks

Beyond hindsight is the mistake of measuring today by bygone standards. A perfect example is George Washington’s false teeth. By today’s standard, who would believe that it made any sense to carve false teeth out of wood, but that was the standard of that period.

Likewise, who could have foreseen 150 years ago that instead of using money we would pay for things with checks and now with debit cards. The automobile long ago replaced the horse and buggy.

Similarly, basketball was changed by the time clock and the three-point line.

Most every façade of life and understanding has changed.

Sadly, despite the gains that have been made, some have found that there is

wealth and opportunity to be achieved by creating and maintaining strife between various groups. Many in politics have won elections and power by using their fellow citizens; making people believe that without their thumb on the scales of government one won’t get ahead. Nothing could be further from the truth. That thumb sadly only convinces people that they have less value and, therefore, lower expectations for themselves.

We should all be focused on educating all young people. We should all be role models for our children, grandchildren, and every young person that we come across in life.

Brighter Future

I end with a quote from President Ronald Reagan who so vividly etched in my imagination as he was leaving office:

“In my mind it was a tall, proud city built on rocks stronger than oceans, windswept, God-blessed, and teeming with people of all kinds living in harmony and peace; a city with free ports that hummed with commerce and creativity. And if there had to be city walls, the walls had doors and the doors were open to anyone with the will and the heart to get here.”

Let us all live to that standard beginning now.

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UFO Sightings in Southside

In the past few weeks there have been multiple sightings of Flying Saucers in Southside. The picture seen here was taken between Farmville and Keysville today.

Don’t take my word for it, people more credible than I have also seen them.

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Democrats Aggressively Promote the Second Amendment

In defiance of all proba- bly, the Democrat party went way over the top to illustrate the need and importance of the Second Amendment to the Constitution (in general) and for assault style weap- ons in particular! There isn’t any speech or heartfelt ser- mon delivered by the NRA or Trump that could begin to impress the whole of Amer- ica about the importance of self-defense as has been giv- en by the (unlikely) Demo- crat party. Democrats have long railed how assault style weapons need to be banned. Some mockingly say no Zom- bie apocalypse is on its way that justifies owning AR-15 type weapons. Others have ranted for decades AR-15 type guns need banning since they have no hunting application.

First off, AR-15 type guns are frequently used for predator hunting. That aside, the Second Amendment nev- er did have anything to do with hunting. It’s all about defense from enemies- be they foreign or domestic. If assault style weapons prove to be most deadly against at- tacks by humans, then they above all guns need to be made available to the citi- zens of America. That is the heart and soul of the Sec- ond Amendment! In recent weeks, we’ve seen the whole of America being attacked ... not by single spies but,



KARL SCHMIDT

by lawless battalions! Even a well-armed, well-trained police precinct in the state of Washington broke and ran from the hordes of arsonists and looters. In city after city run by Democrats (advocates for gun confiscation) police calmly sat by watching stores and the livelihood of count- less Americans get looted and burned to the ground! A select few who stood armed faced down the mob and were able to defend their business from this scythe of destruction. One Democrat saw it all very differently calling the cha- os and destruction, “A sum- mer of love”! Rest assured, thousands of business owners across the U.S. are not feeling the love quite as much!

In the starkest terms possible, the Democrat party presented exactly how they go about governing and how they can’t wait to run the whole of

America as they do their cit- ies! Disarm the law-abiding citizenry, allow and support mob behavior, defund the po- lice (as well as eliminate the border patrol). This Demo- crat recipe for social anarchy was executed and put into play with predictable results recorded by TV cameras! For weeks, we watched the law- less have an unfettered orgy of crime as Democrat gov- ernors and mayors lifted not one finger to stop it! Many business owners were relying on the police and rule of law to save their stores, but help never came! Very well then ... America has been given their sobering wakeup call if they’ll recognize it! The Democrats showed exactly how they go about protecting the law abiding ... which was abso- lutely no protection at all! If there was ever an argument for the owning of an AR type rifle, the Democrats did a su- perb job of presenting their case in recent weeks!

Democrats drove an im- portant point home as matters become increasingly chaotic and deadly. When they al- lowed and promoted societal order to cave in, the average citizen is on his own! If one doesn’t exercise their Second Amendment rights protecting him or herself from the very worst, don’t rely on govern- ment managed by Democrats to serve and protect!

Bridge to Recovery and GO TEC Receive GO Virginia Grants

STATEWIDE – A total of over \$4.6 million in grants has been awarded to projects in Region 3 to help the post-Covid economic recovery in the region. The GO Virgin- ia State Board recently ap- proved the grants, which will be supplemented by funding from other public and private sources.

“This is wonderful news for Region 3,” says Chairman Randy Lail. “These proj- ects relate to the impact that COVID-19 has had on busi- nesses throughout our region, specifically the Bridge to Re- covery project led by South- ern Virginia Regional Alli- ance and Virginia’s Growth Alliance. These two regional economic development or- ganizations span all of Re- gion 3 and will bring needed resources to help businesses recover.” He adds, “These projects also illustrate the ability of GO Virginia to pivot quickly as circumstances change.”

The following projects involving Region 3 were ap- proved by the GO Virginia State Board:

- \$925,000 for **Bridge to Recovery**, an initiative led by the Southern Virginia Re-

gional Alliance and Virgin- ia’s Growth Alliance, will provide immediate and im- pactful support to businesses through the multiple recov- ery periods of the COVID-19 pandemic and bridge supply chain needs of companies with service providers.

- \$3.6 million, full re- maining Phase 2 funding based on successful outcomes of Phase 1, for GO TEC

“We are very excited for the opportunity to move forward with the next phase of the GO TEC project,” says Tammy Hurt, GO TEC pro- gram manager. “We will continue to work with our growing number of partners to increase awareness of car- eer pathways, increase Dual Enrollment pathways, and increase the number of in- dustry-certified citizens in an effort to build upon re- gional investments and job creation.”

Region 3 will also par- ticipate in a cross-region- al initiative, Retooling Vir- ginia Manufacturers, led by GENEDGE (Region 1). This project will expand the capa- bilities of existing suppliers to develop sustainable ongo- ing revenues and help partic-

ipating manufacturers diver- sify their market and product offerings. This will have a positive impact on Region 3 with Advanced Manufactur- ing being one of its targeted industry sectors.

Bryan David, program director of Region 3 states, “These projects demonstrate Region 3’s commitment for helping our businesses at this critical time while main- taining a focus on building a skilled workforce with our partners.”

GO Virginia is a state- wide business-led economic development initiative with funding to invest in collab- orative projects that lead to high-paying jobs in each re- gion. The mission of GO Vir- ginia is to encourage collab- oration among business, ed- ucation, and government in each region. GO Virginia Re- gion 3 is one of nine regions in Virginia and includes the Counties of Amelia, Bruns- wick, Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, Halifax, Hen- ry, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Patrick, Pittsylvan- ia and Prince Edward and the Cities of Danville and Martinsville.

ple who are ill. Staff will be screened in the office when checking into the building daily. Custodial staff will clean handrails, bathrooms, and other areas frequently used by students and staff. These cleanings will take place frequently throughout the day as students occupy these areas. Hand sanitizer will be readily available for student use. Students will be asked to bring their own wa- ter bottle to school and only use water fountains for the purpose of refilling their bot- tles.

Superintendent Mason commented, “We wish we could bring all students back to school every day, but that is not an option for us at this time. We do not have enough space to meet state guidelines

with everyone attending on the same days. We have a good remote learning system in place which will allow us to continue providing new instruction to our students during remote learning. Our students who attend school twice per week will be able to receive direct instruction from their teachers and work on assignments remotely the other three school days. This is all about keeping our stu- dents and staff safe while providing the best education that we can under the cir- cumstances. I hope that the state will offer us flexibility in social distancing during the next few weeks. If this occurs, we will revisit our plans and hopefully bring students back to school more than two days per week.”

Hidden Object GAME

July Hidden Object - Fireworks

**HOW IT WORKS:** Each month there will be a new Hidden Object to find within the pages of the Southside Messenger, two in the A section and two in the B section. Find all of them, fill out the form below, and mail it to us at P.O. Box 849, Keysville, VA 23947, or drop it off at our offices at 490 Railroad Avenue, Keysville. PLEASE BE SURE TO PUT “HIDDEN OBJECT CONTEST” SOMEWHERE ON THE ENVELOPE! Entries must be received by noon on the last Wednesday of each month. Winners will be drawn and announced the last week of each month, and the new monthly Hidden Object will be announced. Winners will receive in the mail a gift card to a local shop or restaurant. Happy Hunting!

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**ATTN: Where’s the Toilet Paper?**



**Collision**  
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City, Va., and the front seat passenger were flown to VCU Medical Center in Richmond for treatment of serious injuries. Charges are pending. The crash remains under investigation. Victoria Fire & Rescue responded to the Courthouse

Road accident along with Chase City Volunteer Fire Department and Chase City Rescue Squad at the scene where they worked the accident with multiple entrapments. Crews assisted in extrication, and provided patient care to three occupants. MedFlight 1 and VCU Health Critical Care Transport Network’s LifeEvac 1 provided rapid transport for two of the occupants involved to trauma centers.



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## Virginia Moves to Phase Three

STATEWIDE – Governor Ralph Northam presented the third phase of the “Forward Virginia” plan to continue easing public health restrictions while mitigating the spread of COVID-19. He announced that every region of the Commonwealth is expected to move to Phase Three on Wednesday, July 1.

Ahead of his bilingual COVID-19 press conference, the Governor met with local Latino leaders and community activists in Northern Virginia to discuss the issues they are facing in fighting this virus. Latino Virginians make up 45.3 percent of the cases for which Virginia has demographic data, and 35 percent of hospitalizations—even though Hispanic and Latino people make up about 10 percent of the Commonwealth’s population.

As many states are experiencing a surge in new infections, Virginia’s case counts continue to trend downward. Virginia’s hospital bed capacity remains stable, the percentage of individuals hospitalized with a positive or pending COVID-19 test is trending downward, no hospitals are reporting PPE shortages, and the percent of positive tests continues to decline as testing increases. The Governor and Virginia public health officials will continue to evaluate data based on the key health indicators laid out in April.

“Our Phase Three guidelines will help Virginia families and businesses plan for what the next stage of easing public health restrictions will look like in our Commonwealth,” said Governor Northam. “While we may not have the same spike in infections that many states are seeing right now, Virginians need to remain cautious and do the things that we know reduce transmission: wear a face covering, maintain physical distance, and stay home if you are high-risk or experience COVID-19 symptoms. This virus is still with us, and we must continue to adapt our lives around it and ensure we are keeping our vulnerable communities safe.”

In Phase Three, the Commonwealth will maintain a Safer at Home strategy with continued recommendations for social distancing and teleworking, and the requirement that individuals wear face coverings in indoor public settings. The maximum number of individuals allowed in social gatherings will increase from 50 to 250 people. All businesses should continue to follow physical distancing guidelines, frequently clean and sanitize high contact surfaces, and keep enhanced workplace safety measures in place.

Restaurant and beverage establishments are required to maintain six feet of distance between tables, fitness centers may open indoor areas at 75 percent occupancy, and recreation and entertainment venues at may operate at 50 percent occupancy, or a maximum of 1,000 persons. Swimming pools may also expand operations to free swim in addition to indoor and outdoor exercise, diving, and swim instruction. Overnight summer camps will remain closed in Phase Three.

Phase Three guidelines for specific sectors can be found at [virginia.gov/coronavirus/forwardvirginia](https://virginia.gov/coronavirus/forwardvirginia) for more information and answers to frequently asked questions.



Displaying the newly presented “Spotlight on Excellence Award” are (from left) Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative employees Priscilla Whirley and David Lipscomb with EMPOWER employee Dina Blanton.

# MEC Recognized for Excellence in Communications

CHASE CITY - Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative (MEC) has been awarded First Place in the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Spotlight on Excellence Awards program that recognizes leading communication practices for 800 plus electric cooperatives across the nation. MEC received the recognition for its entry in the category, Best Total Communication Plan.

The entry documented MEC’s efforts, during the past two years, to acquire the Buggs Island Telephone Cooperative’s (BIT) system by EMPOWER Broadband, Inc., to coordinate the deployment of ultra-high speed fiber broadband to communities served by MEC. The entry outlined, step by step, the process used to communicate the plan with BIT Members.

There are 16 different categories in the Spotlight on Excellence Awards program that reflect the wide scope and valuable contributions of cooperative communicators; and, unlike the other categories, the Best Total Communication Plan requires specific timelines be included based on conception and implementation.

The Spotlight on Excellence is a program of the Council of Rural Electric Communicators and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and recognizes commendable work and shares best practices with the nation’s electric cooperative network. The program’s objective is to enhance the profession of cooperative communications by showcasing current, leading practices in a variety of forms of media. Sharing these practices enables the entire network to benefit from the work of top communicators.

“We are pleased that the BIT membership entrusted MEC and EMPOWER to build a program to deliver much needed broadband to our area; communicating that effort and, in general, keeping our Members informed is one of our most important tasks. This awards program provides a great opportunity for communicators across the country to share their best work,” states David Lipscomb, Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative’s vice president of member and energy services. “The program serves as a way for us to grow and build our communication skills. Gaining the ear and attention of our Members in today’s busy world requires that we deliver the message clearly and concisely.” He adds, “Studying this program’s entries also ensures we use the best tools and most up-to-date methods to send that message so that it speaks to today’s Member.”

“We’re very pleased our cooperative received this recognition and send special congratulations to our communications team who worked tirelessly to share the message and provide the vital information Members needed to make their decision in an overwhelming vote in favor of the acquisition,” states MEC and EMPOWER President and CEO John Lee, adding, “They did an excellent job, and this recognition is well-deserved.”

As a result of COVID-19 restrictions, a virtual recognition and celebration was conducted and plaques were shipped to the recipients.

Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative was created in 1938 and is the not-for-profit energy provider to over 31,000 meters located in portions of the Virginia counties of Brunswick, Charlotte, Greensville, Halifax, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Pittsylvania, Southampton and Sussex and the North Carolina counties of Granville, Person, Northampton, Vance and Warren. It is a Touchstone Energy Cooperative, headquartered in Chase City with district offices in Gretna, Emporia, Chase City and Bracey. It is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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# Local Legislators Applaud Comcast Investment in Brookneal

BROOKNEAL – Senator Frank Ruff and Delegate James Edmunds announced today that Comcast will begin a network expansion project this year to extend broadband service to more than 775 addresses in Brookneal.

In addition to Giga-bit internet service, residential customers in the county will have access to all Xfinity services, including the award-winning Xfinity Xi video platform, Xfinity Home, Xfinity Voice and Xfinity Mobile. Businesses in these areas will be able to select from the full suite of Comcast Business products and services, including Ethernet network speeds up to 100 Gigabits-per-second. Comcast expects the first of these new services to be available by the end of the year.

Senator Frank Ruff (R-Mecklenburg Co) said, “It is great to hear that Comcast is expanding broadband in the Brookneal area. One of the greatest concerns many parents have is the ability to have high speed service in many rural parts of the state. It is good to have private companies like Comcast better serve our communities.”

Comcast has invested billions of dollars in its Virginia network to meet consumer demand, providing among the fastest, most reliable internet speeds over its fiber-rich network, and one of the fastest in-home wifi experiences. Comcast will also offer Internet Essentials, the nation’s largest and most comprehensive broadband adoption pro-

gram, providing low-cost broadband service, digital literacy training and discounted computers.

“I am so pleased to know that Comcast has seen the need for Brookneal and rural Virginia to have access to high speed internet! This will be very timely as online requirements for school children becomes more and more necessary! Hopefully other communications companies across Southside Virginia will also recognize the need to help Virginians living in rural areas to have access to high speed internet,” stated Delegate James Edmunds (R-Halifax Co). “We cannot compete or grow economically without it! It has become almost as necessary as electricity and it must remain a top priority for every household in rural Virginia to have access to! Thank you to Comcast for filling this gap!”

“We are proud to invest further in Virginia to bring our services to unserved areas of Brookneal and connect more residents and businesses in need of broadband,” said Mary McLaughlin, Senior Vice President of Comcast’s Beltway Region. “Technology is a powerful driver of innovation, entrepreneurship and economic growth, and we’re committed to helping individuals and communities fully participate in the digital economy and use media and technology for positive impact.”

“Any day 775 families get access to high-speed broadband connections is a great day. Governor Northam’s goal of universal coverage couldn’t be achieved without partners like Comcast, and we look forward to continuing to work with the entire telecommunications industry



Frank Ruff



James Edmunds

to make sure all Virginians have access to this critical service,” said Evan Feinman, Executive Director, Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission.

Similar Comcast expansions are expected in portions of Virginia in the coming months, passing thousands of additional rural addresses. These are the latest in a series of investments Comcast has made over the last few years to extend broadband internet to more than 10,000 addresses in unserved areas of the Commonwealth.

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The Word

“Conquer My Heart”

The July 10, 1993 edition of Daily Walk says, “Historian Shelby Foote tells of a soldier who was wounded at the battle of Shiloh during the American Civil War and was ordered to go to the rear. The fighting was fierce and within minutes he returned to his commanding officer. ‘Captain, give me a gun!’ he shouted. ‘This fight ain’t got any rear!’” Sometimes we find ourselves in spiritual battles that haven’t got any rear. It seems like there’s no way out, like the devil’s got you surrounded on all sides, and even though you’re wounded, you still have to fight. What do you do in times like that?

In Deuteronomy 7, God tells the Israelites, through Moses, that they are to be divine instruments of wrath, destroying mighty nations that are guilty of heinous abominations like idolatry, child sacrifice, and much more. But Israel is in for a hard fight. In verses 17-19 (CEV) Moses says, “You may be thinking, ‘How can we destroy these nations? They are more powerful than we are.’ But stop worrying! Just remember what the LORD your God did to Egypt and its king. You saw how the LORD used his tremendous power to work great miracles and bring you out of Egypt. And he will again work miracles for you when you face these enemies you fear so much.”

The battles you’re fighting today probably aren’t as violent as the Israelites. Your wars may be things like disease, difficult relationships, poverty, and temptation. But that doesn’t make



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your struggles any less real. You can rest assured that the same God who fought Israel’s battles for them also does wonders to rescue those who call on His Name.

In verse 22, (CEV) Moses says, “The LORD will force [the nations] out little by little. He won’t let you get rid of them all at once—if he did, there wouldn’t be enough people living in the land to keep down the number of wild animals.” When God intervenes on your behalf, that doesn’t mean you’ll always see immediate results. God has reasons for following His agenda and not ours. Maybe your preferred timetable would cause you some unforeseen problem that He wants you to avoid. Trust God, and He will see you through.

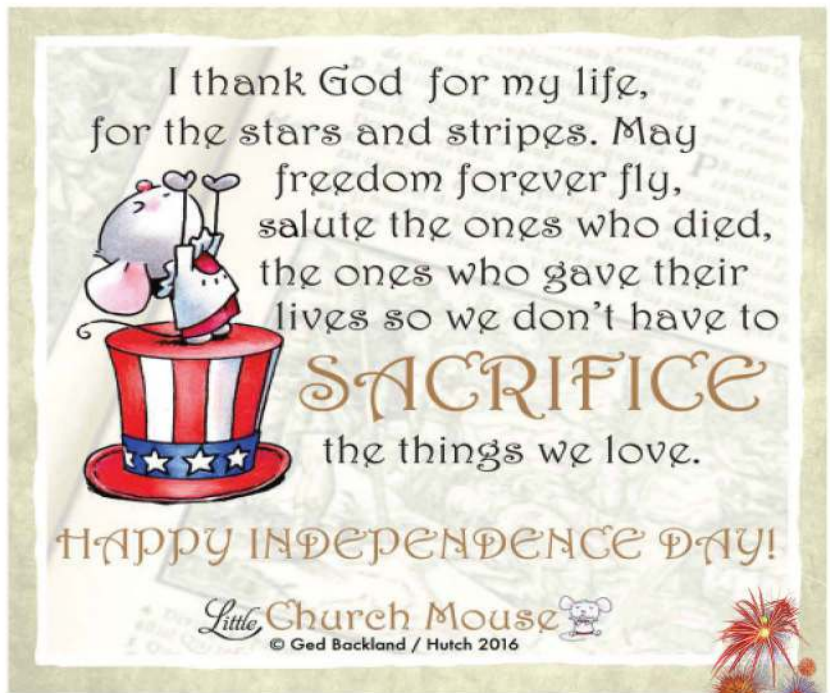
Moses says something next that makes little sense on the surface. “After you conquer a nation, burn their idols. Don’t get trapped into wanting the silver or gold on an idol. Even the metal on an idol is disgusting to the LORD, so destroy it. If you bring it home with you, both

you and your house will be destroyed. Stay away from those disgusting idols (verses 25-26 CEV)!”

You’d think the Israelites would be able to destroy their enemies’ idols by melting them down, keeping the gold and silver—but God says to destroy it. When God gives you victory over some evil stronghold in your life, it’s easy to rationalize hanging onto some small part of it. “Let’s not throw the baby out with the bath water,” you say. So you finally quit those cigarettes but still hang onto that chewing tobacco. Or you get control of your tongue by kicking your cussing habit, yet you continue to gossip about your neighbor. God wants you to get rid of it all, and let Him make you holy.

You see, God wanted to do more than conquer the Promised Land. He wanted to conquer people’s hearts. In fact, if everyone who lived in the Promised Land had let God conquer their hearts, there would have been no need for divine judgment. In the same way, God wants you to surrender your heart to Him and let Him take the lead. Trust Him for the battles you fight every day. When He’s won the victory, let Him keep it by getting rid of those idols you’ve held onto for years. Say to the Lord, “Conquer my heart!” Lay down your arms before Him, and then watch the ironic thing He does. He will give you the victory.

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Van Gogh

A few months ago I was nose-length away from a million-dollar masterpiece of impressionist painter Vincent van Gogh. The work hangs in the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. What I saw up close was a confusing array of brush strokes—slashing brush marks, pixel-like paint dots, blank spaces, and even globby splotches of color. Of course none of this made sense. Yet, when I stepped back eight feet, the various brush stroke techniques came together to form a breathtakingly lovely landscape of the French countryside. My life is like that. Many are the strokes that have made my life what it is. There have been slashes of rejection, blotches of failure, colors that made no sense up close, entire blank spaces of ignorance, tiny pinpoint friendships that were hardly noticed. At the moment, and there have been many, I felt my life to be unbeautiful, botched, without purpose... Yet when I step back and examine it across the years, I see the pattern emerge. It is a masterpiece. And I am satisfied. In the Bible God promises this. He says, “For we know that in everything God works together for good, for those who love him and are called according to his purposes.”



HEAR HERE!

STEPHEN CROFTS

(Romans 8:28) The man who wrote that, the Apostle Paul, was the first Christian Missionary—himself single, rejected by his own people, disfigured from beatings, falsely accused, and imprisoned. An ugly life story until you realize God was working in all those brush strokes to write the theology of the church in what is now the New Testament. Indeed, my life is hid by faith with Jesus Christ. And he wastes nothing. My bad days can become His glory, the dark lines and blotches of pigment His lovely truths. So, I trust him. Do you?

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What Are You Afraid Of?

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.”

—2 Timothy 1:7

Can I ask you a quick question? What are you afraid of? Are you afraid of sickness? Of the unknown? Of the future and what it might hold? Well, I can relate. I sometimes wake up at three in the morning with these thoughts that rush into my head. Sometimes they are very irrational, and other times they are rational.

But I know that God’s Word tells us we are not to fear. As a matter of fact, “fear not” is one of the most frequently repeated commands in all of Scripture. And why are we told not to fear? Because we have the Lord who we can lean on. The Bible tells us in Psalm 23 that, “The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want. . . I will fear no evil for You are with me” (see verses 1 and 4 NKJV). We have a good Shepherd, don’t we? And for



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that reason, we don’t need to fear any evil.

Fear in the life of the believer is a very sad situation, isn’t it? We know from the pages of Scripture that the children of Israel were told not to fear. What were they told to do instead? It says, “You shall remember what the Lord your God did to Pharaoh and all of Egypt when He delivered you from Pharaoh” (see Deuteronomy 7:18 ESV). They were told to remember.

This is really interesting. Do you realize that the remedy for fear is remembering?

Every one of us as believers has a history and a testimony with God. Do you remember your past? Can you look back and say, “God was faithful to me there?” Do you know that the Bible is full of testimonies of people who have followed the Lord as well?

The Lord has never once ever failed to keep His promises. Do you know the promises of God? He says to us in His Word that He will never leave us and He will never forsake us (see Hebrews 13:5 ESV). God is so good, and He is able to do that.

There is nothing to fear when you fear the Lord. That is the bottom line.

For me, the most important thing I can remind myself of right now is do not fear. God has given me His word. He has given me the history and the testimony of those who have gone before me. He has given me my own story to reflect on. And He has given me Himself, for He said, “Be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age” (see Matthew 28:20 NLT).

I hope this encourages you today. Do not fear! God is with you. He hears your cries, and He hears your prayers. He has promised that He will be with you always.

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DECLARATION OF DEPENDENCE A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

— PSALM 62:7 NIV

Heaven

I’ve been thinking a lot about Heaven lately. I wonder why some people live long lives and some leave this earth too soon. I’m just like everyone else; I try to find logic in every bad thing that happens. If I had been handed a document outlining my entire life when I was born, it would take the living out of my life. The one thing I’ve figured out is that God knows what He’s doing.

Christ promised His followers they would live with Him in Heaven (John 12:26; 13:36; 14:2-3).

This scripture motivates and allows me to accept what happens because my faith in God and Heaven is constant. I know that this time here is like a grain of sand on the beach. It’s mindboggling how miniscule the frame of time is and how massive our infinite life in Heaven will be.

I picture my time after this life to be filled with eternal happiness beyond belief. I’ll be out at the bayou shooting my BB gun with my dad. I’ll be hanging out with my grandfather and watching my cousin Bub play drums. Bill Robinson and I will be driving his Ford Pinto down Walnut Street in Steele, Missouri with an endless gas supply and a radiator that doesn’t



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run hot. I’ll have homemade biscuits from my grandmother every day and will not gain a pound. My friend Larry will be able to tell me every part of his exciting life, as his mind will be free of disease.

Heaven will be filled with the good memories we’ve created while here on earth and the bad will be erased. When we’re mourning the loss of a loved one, don’t forget that we will all be reunited again soon, and the happiness will be eternal.

What will your Heaven be like?

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# How Did You Spend Your Stimulus Check?

When you receive unexpected money, what is the first thing you want to do with it?

Luella and I were in our early days of ministry, with two hungry children, barely making it on the meager salary our little church was able to pay us. I must admit that in those days, I struggled a lot with envy and often wondered what God was doing.

One afternoon an anonymous envelope came in the mail containing a \$100 check. It seemed to me like a million dollars, and I immediately started to plan all the ways I would spend it.

I ran and showed Luella. She looked at it for a moment and then said these devastating words: “Paul, we’re doing okay, and we weren’t expecting this money. Why don’t we give it to someone less fortunate?”

I couldn’t believe what I was hearing; I was persuaded my wife had lost her sanity! I felt my dreams slip through my fingers as I begrudgingly gave it to a more needy family in our church.

This moment, while embarrassing, was (and still is) a blessing from God. Sure, I could have interpreted that \$100 as a “good gift from above” (James 1:17, which it

became for a family less fortunate than ours), but there was a much bigger blessing available than a temporary boost to our bank account.

Money is a blessing because it reveals what rules our hearts.

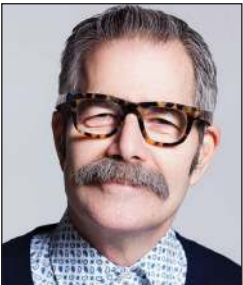
“What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. . . . You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.” (James 4:1-3)

What is money revealing about what rules your heart? “If only I had this much money, then I would be satisfied.” Or, “If only I could afford \_\_\_\_\_, then I would be content.”

How many people have believed these lies and ended up with both heart and wallet empty?

If you’re humbly willing to look, your desires for and use of money will help you see what is battling for the rulership of your heart. This is a rescuing blessing from God.

You shall give to him freely [the poor brother], and your heart shall not be grudg-



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ing when you give to him, because for this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. (Deuteronomy 15:10)

Money is a blessing because it allows us to respond to the needs of others.

It is more blessed to give than to receive. (Acts 20:35)

In simple terms, you and I are always viewing ourselves as either a container or a conduit for the money God gives us.

Either we want money to stop with us (container) because we have conceived many ways to make our life more pleasurable, or we think of ourselves as a pipeline (conduit) and are excited that the money can bless and benefit the lives of others.

God hasn’t provided for us simply to provide for us,

but in providing for us, he has enabled us to be a means of his provision for others.

If you give yourself to the lifestyle of a conduit for the Kingdom of God, you get to watch your money do things that are literally of eternal consequence.

“Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. (Proverbs 3:9-10)

So as you interact with money, whether you have much or you have little, and whether it’s budgeted or a surprise bonus, remember that money asks not just for your financial investment, but the allegiance of your heart as well.

The struggle with money is a constant reminder that we still live in a spiritual danger zone. The war continues, and we must be willing to fight until the last enemy is under the foot of the Lord of grace, who will usher us into a place where the danger is no more.

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- **Antioch Baptist** Church, 6700 Barnesville Hwy., Red Oak; 434-735-8101; Sunday prayer time 9 a.m.; Sunday school 10 a.m.; Sunday service 11 a.m. Pastor Kristen White.
- **Apostolic Faith** Chapel, 215 Wise Ridge Rd., Dillwyn, 434-414-2976; Sunday school 11:30 a.m., service 12 noon; Wednesday bible study 6:30 p.m. Pastor Lynwood Baldwin
- **Ash Camp** Baptist Church, 8687 Church Street Keysville, 434-736-9344; Sunday School for all ages 10:00 A.M., Worship Service 11:00 A.M. (nursery provided); Mission Friends (Elementary Children), Youth Meeting-2nd Sundays 5:00 P.M. followed by Pot Luck Dinner at 6:00 P.M. for all ages. Pastor-Ted R. Smith
- **Aspen Hill** Baptist Church, 515 Francisco Road, Brookneal; Sunday School every Sunday 9:45 a.m., service every second and fourth Sunday, 11 a.m. Rev. Dr. Maurice Finney.
- **Beulah United** Methodist Church, 12123 County Line Rd., Keysville; 434-223-8237; Sunday School 9:15 am; Worship 10:15 am; Rev. Pat Kelley, patkelley@earthlink.net.
- **Black Branch** Baptist Church, 3370 Hwy. 47, Chase City 434-767-2259. Sunday School 9 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m.; Wednesday bible study 10:30 a.m. at the parsonage (across from the church).
- **Briery Presbyterian** Church, 181 Briery Church Rd, Keysville, Virginia. Sunday service 11 a.m.
- **Browns Chapel** United Methodist Church, 1711 Gravel Hill Rd., Dillwyn; (434) 983-2400. Sunday School 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Rev. Evelyn Penn, Pastor, evelynpenn@vaumc.org.
- **Calvary Chapel** Farmville, 302 Industrial Park Rd., Farmville, 434-315-0406; Sunday services 10 a.m.; Wednesday services 6:30 p.m.; Marv Fisher, pastor.
- **Central Baptist** Church, 57 Merryman Dr., Victoria; Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Jerry M. Horning, Pastor.
- **Concord Baptist** Church, 3225 Germantown Road, Charlotte Court House; Sunday School 10 a.m., worship service 11 a.m. Dr. Bob Davis, Pastor.
- **Cullen Baptist** Church, 202 Taro Road, Cullen, 434-610-9859; Sunday School 10 a.m.; service 11 a.m. Pastor Guy Stockslager
- **Crewe Baptist** Church, 400 E. Virginia Avenue, Crewe, 434-645-7464; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship Service, 11 a.m., Children’s Programs: King’s Kids, Sunday 5 p.m.; Children’s Choir Sunday 7 p.m.; Bible study Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall; Fellowship Dinner, 3rd Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Rev. Alden Hicks, Pastor
- **Drakes Branch** Baptist Church, 4525 Main St, Drakes Branch, Virginia; (434) 568-4021; Sunday School 10:00a.m., Worship Service 11:00 a.m., Wednesday evening Adult Bible Study and TeamKid (grades K-6) 7:00 p.m.
- **Emmanuel Bible** Church, 401 Southern Drive, Keysville; Sunday school 10 a.m., Sunday services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Bible study Wednesday 7 p.m.
- **Empowering Word** Ministry, 591 Patrick Henry Highway (Hwy. 360), Keysville: Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor Samuel C. Mills, Sr.
- **Eureka Baptist** Church: 4757 George Washington Hwy. (Rt.#40) Keysville: Sunday Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School All Ages 9:30 a.m.; Bible Study and Prayer Wed. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Choir Practice Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Matthew Homan, Pastor.
- **First Baptist** Church, Highway 607, Wylliesburg, 434-735-2111; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Service 11:30 a.m. Reverend Opie Terrell, Jr. of Lewisburg, North Carolina
- **Friendship Baptist** Church, 239 Friendship Church Rd., Drakes Branch, 434-736-8572; Sunday Services 10 a.m., 11 a.m.,
- **Generations Church**, 580 Commerce Road (Southside YMCA Building) Farmville; 434-942-4925. Sunday Service & children’s church 11 am; Sunday school 9:45-10:30 am. Pastor Barry Thornsburg.
- **Grace Community** Church, George Washington Hwy., Charlotte Court House, 434-609-1168. Sunday Service 11 a.m.,

- followed by fellowship meal. Mens and Womens Bible Study Every Tues @ 7pm, Friday, 10 a.m. Robert Perrin, Pastor.
- **Gilfield RZUA** Church, 722 Mecklenburg Ave, Victoria, VA 23974, (434) 696-4100; Services 1st and 3rd Sunday each month at 12 noon.
  - **Hanes United** Methodist Church, 1171 Copper Mine Rd., Dillwyn; (434) 983-2400. Sunday School 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Rev. Evelyn Penn, Pastor, evelynpenn@vaumc.org.
  - **Keysville United** Methodist Church, 9290 Church Street, Keysville, 434-736-9685; Sunday School 10 a.m. - all ages; Sunday worship 11 a.m. Freedman Kim, Pastor
  - **Ledbetter Christian** Church (Disciples of Christ), 4346 Double Bridges Rd., Meherrin, VA; Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m. Rev. Kenny Hall, Pastor
  - **Liberty Baptist** Church, 1709 Church Street, Appomattox, 434-352-2336, libertybconline.com. Sunday school 9:45 a.m.; Sunday services 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Sunday evening Awana & youth Bible study 6 p.m., evening services 7 p.m. Dr. Rusty Small, pastor
  - **Macedonia Baptist** Church, of Rice, Virginia, church services on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday of each month, 11 a.m.
  - **Meherrin United** Methodist Church, 97 Stagecoach Road, Meherrin, Sunday school 10 a.m., Sunday service 11 a.m., Pastor Kyla Silver
  - **Mercy Seat** Baptist Church, 5 Kingsville Rd. Farmville, Virginia; Sunday School 9:30 a.m. ; Regular service every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday 11:00 a.m. ; Bible Study Wednesday 7:00 p.m.. Rev. Walter M. Fells, pastor
  - **Midway Baptist** Church, 2595 Midway Road, Phenix, 434-376-3574: Sunday Worship Services 11:00 a.m.; Sunday school 9:45 a.m.; Youth Meeting 7:00 p.m. on Sunday and Wednesday.
  - **Morrison Grove** Baptist Church, Charlotte Court House, Va.: Services 1st and 3rd Sunday each month at 11 a.m.; Rev. Samuel F. Trent, Pastor.
  - **Mossingford Baptist** Church, Saxkey Road, Saxe: Services 11 a.m.; Sunday school; 10 a.m.; Reverend John L. Craighead
  - **Mt. Calvary** Baptist Church, 792 Mount Calvary Rd., Brookneal, 434-376-5478. Sunday school every Sunday 10 a.m.; service 11:30 a.m. 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday each month; Bible Study 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 11 a.m. Rev. L.S. Otey.
  - **Mt. Harmony** United Methodist Church, 505 Mt. Harmony RD, Keysvill; 434-223-8237; Worship 9:15 am; Sunday School 10:15 am; Rev. Pat Kelley, patkelley@earthlink.net.
  - **Mt. Nebo** Baptist Church, Abilene, Sunday school 10:00, Worship 11:00, Prayer Meeting Wed. night at 7:00 p.m. Bible Study 2nd and 3rd Sunday night at 7:00 p.m. Tony Reeves, Pastor.
  - **Mt. Pleasant** United Methodist Church, 5083 Mt. Pleasant Road (Just off Rt.15), Meherrin, 434-223-8237; Sunday school 10:30 a.m., Sunday service 11:30 a.m.; Rev. Pat Kelley patkelley@earthlink.net.
  - **Mt. Tirzah** Baptist Church, 174 Thomas Jefferson Hwy., Charlotte Court House, 434-542-5904, Sunday services at 10 and 11 a.m.; Bible study Wednesday 6:30 p.m.; Men’s breakfast the first Saturday of each month at 7:30 a.m. Rev. Charles Maney
  - **New Hope** United Methodist Church 6101 Scuffletown Road, Randolph, 434-542-4166, Sunday school 10 a.m., Sunday services 11 a.m., Bible study every Thursday at 7 p.m., United Methodist Women meet third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., youth meetings monthly call for details
  - **Oak View** & Rough Creek Shared Ministry, Oak View, 1454 Crawley Road, Cullen; Rough Creek, 110 Rough Creek Road, Phenix; 434-542-5787 or 434-542-5287. Sunday School 10 a.m. at both churches, worship services Oak View 11:15 a.m. first & third Sunday of the month, Rough Creek 11:15 a.m. second & fourth Sunday.
  - **Public Fork** Christian Church, 1720 J.E.B. Stuart Hwy., Red Oak; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Service 11 a.m.; D.M. Fritz.
  - **Piedmont Church** of Christ (a cappella): 1405 North Main St., Farmville; 434-392-5895; Sunday Bible Classes 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship

- 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Classes 6:30 p.m.
- **Rocky Branch** Baptist Church, 2082 Roanoke Station Road, Red Oak; Morning services 2nd Sunday each month 11:30 a.m. Rev. Dr. James E. Scott; Youth service 4th Sunday each month, Rev. Anthony Scott.
  - **Rocky Mount** United Methodist Church, 248 Rocky Mount Rd., Dillwyn; (434) 983-2400. Sunday School 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Rev. Evelyn Penn, Pastor, evelynpenn@vaumc.org.
  - **Safe Haven** Christian Ministries, 5150 Three Sixty Highway, Meherrin; every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Gloria Eanes.
  - **Salem Baptist** Church: 4050 Tobacco Hill Road, Red Oak, Virginia 23964; (434) 735-8827; Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship service 11 a.m.; Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 p.m.
  - **Shiloh Baptist** Church, 125 Shiloh Church Road, Drakes Branch; 434-735-8232; Sunday School 9 a.m.; Prayer and Praise 10:15 a.m.; Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.
  - **South Boston** Church of Christ, 3105 Halifax Road, South Boston; 434-575-7138; Sunday morning Bible study 10:00 a.m.; Worship services 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 6 pm. Wednesday Bible study 7:00 p.m.
  - **Southall Memorial** United Methodist Church, 6220 Saxkey Road, Saxe, Va. 23967. Sunday School 9 a.m.; Children’s Church 9:45; Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Pastor Phillip Hong.
  - **Spring Creek** Baptist Church, 918 Darlington Heights Rd., Cullen; (434) 248-6819; springcreekbaptistva.org Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. Rev. Paul McLinden
  - **St. Andrews** Baptist Church, 2100 Taro Road, Cullen; Sunday School every Sunday 9:45 a.m.; service every first and third Sunday 11 a.m. Rev. Dr. Maurice Finney.
  - **St. Luke** COGIC, 95 Arvin Street, Keysville. Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Sunday worship 10:00 a.m., Bible study Tuesday 7 p.m. Pastor William E. Mosby, Jr.
  - **St. Michael** Baptist Church, 4160 Drakes Main Street, Drakes Branch. Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Sunday worship 11:00 a.m., 2nd and 4th Sundays each month. Pastor Rev. James E. Goode.
  - **St. Paul’s** Lutheran Church, 1361 Free State Rd., Meherrin, 804-691-8539, Sunday services 1:30 p.m. Rev. Matt Sorenson.
  - **Thrifts Chapel** Church, located at the intersection of Poorhouse and Marshalltown Roads between Victoria and Kenbridge, gospel singing and guitar music by the “Poorhouse Boys” during each Sunday morning service 10-11 a.m. Along with Pastor Mike Johnson.
  - **Trinity Baptist** Church, 435 Four Locust Hwy., Keysville; Sunday Morning Worship 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Sunday evening worship at 6 p.m.
  - **Triumph Baptist** Church, 2756 Darlington Heights Road, Pamplin; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Prayer/Praise & Bible Study Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Rev. James W. Morris, pastor. **ALL CHURCH SERVICES CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**
  - **The Worship** Center, 1001 South of Dan School Road, South Boston; 434-470-1498; Sunday morning worship 10 a.m
  - **Union Grove** Baptist Church, 2006 County Line Road, Keysville; Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m. rev. Charles David Vaughan, Pastor.
  - **Upper Room** Outreach Ministry, 3875 S. James Madison Hwy., Farmville; Sunday School 1st, 2nd, 3rd Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Morning Praise Service 10:45 a.m., Service 11 a.m., 4th Sunday early service 9 a.m. casual dress. Rev. Stanley Wesley.
  - **Village Presbyterian** Church, 140 Legrande Ave., Charlotte Court House; Sunday service 9:30 a.m.
  - **Wylliesburg Baptist** Church, 655 Barnesville Hwy, Wylliesburg, VA 23976; Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m., Wednesday night Worship Service 7 p.m., Bible study 7:45 p.m. Billy Tatum, Pastor
  - **Wylliesburg Presbyterian** Church, 506 Jackson Vaughan Road, Wylliesburg; 434-735-8155. Wednesday Bible study 7:30 p.m. Sunday school 10 a.m.; Sunday service 11 a.m.

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Pursuant to Decrees of the Circuit Court of the County of Lunenburg, Virginia entered in the cases specified herein, the following real estate will be sold at public auction on Thursday, July 16, 2020, at the Lunenburg County Circuit Courthouse, 11435 Courthouse Road, Lunenburg, VA 23952 at 12:00 p.m., to-wit:

PARCEL 1: TOWN OF VICTORIA vs SAMUEL HARRISON ALLEN, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-04-0-200  
1600 VIRGINIA AVENUE

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot 200, Mercedes Terrace, as shown in Map Book 5, page 9.

PARCEL 2: TOWN OF VICTORIA vs SAMUEL HARRISON ALLEN, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-04-0-203  
1606 VIRGINIA AVENUE

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot 203, Mercedes Terrace, as shown in Map Book 5, page 9.

PARCEL 3: TOWN OF VICTORIA vs SAMUEL HARRISON ALLEN, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-04-0-205  
1500 VIRGINIA AVENUE

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot 205, Mercedes Terrace, as shown in Map Book 5, page 9.

PARCEL 4: TOWN OF VICTORIA vs SAMUEL HARRISON ALLEN, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-04-0-206  
1606 VIRGINIA AVENUE

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot 206, Mercedes Terrace, as shown in Map Book 5, page 9.

PARCEL 5: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs COURTLAND COFFER  
MAP NO. 033A8-02-27C-10  
621 11<sup>TH</sup> STREET

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, known as Lot 10, Block 27C.

PARCEL 6: TOWN OF VICTORIA vs DEBRA DAWN COVINGTON  
MAP NO. 033A5-01-22B-10  
1619 12<sup>TH</sup> STREET

All that parcel of land in in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot 10, Block 22B, shown in Map Book 7, page 59.

PARCEL 7: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs HAZEL W. CRAFTON/GEORGE O. PETTUS, JR.  
MAP NO. 007A-01-0-7  
COUNTRY LINE ROAD

All that parcel of land in Pleasant Grove District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot 7 on a plat recorded in Plat Book 8, page 203.

PARCEL 8: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs DOROTHY PATRICIA HICKS CRAWLEY  
MAP NO. 035A7-06-02-11  
608 NORTH BROAD STREET

All that parcel of land in Brown’s Store District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being 1.00 acre, more or less, and known as Lot 11, Block 2, Town of Kenbridge.

PARCEL 9: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs J. W. ECHOLS, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-01-10A-R  
1806 MAIN STREET

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, known as Lot No. R and a portion of Lot S, Block 10-A, on the Map of Town of Victoria.

PARCEL 10: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs J. W. ECHOLS, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-01-10A-S1  
1804 MAIN STREET

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being a portion of Lot No. S, Block No. 10-A, on the Map of Town of Victoria.  
LESS AND EXCEPT conveyances recorded in Deed Book 79, page 33 and Deed Book 79, page 63.

PARCEL 11: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs J. W. ECHOLS, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-01-13A-6  
1410 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot No. 6, Block No. 13-A, on the Map of Town of Victoria.

PARCEL 12: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs J. W. ECHOLS, JR.  
MAP NO. 033A5-01-13A-7  
1414 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET

All that parcel of land in the Town of Victoria, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being Lot No. 7 and Lot No. 8, Block No. 13-A, on the Map of Town of Victoria.

PARCEL 13: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs HEATH H. HANCOCK  
MAP NO. 040-03-0-17

All that parcel of land in Rehoboth District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being

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6.20 acres, more or less, known as Lot 17 and Lot 18 on a plat recorded in Plat Book 9, page 32.

PARCEL 14: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs CARRIE J. RHODES  
MAP NO. 035A10-05-A1-E  
626 SOUTH BROAD STREET

All that parcel of land in the Town of Kenbridge, Lunenburg County, Virginia, beginning on Broad Street with the line of B. A. Love on a ditch and running in a northern direction along Broad Street 70 ft.; thence at right angles with Broad Street in a westerly direction 200 ft.; thence southerly to said ditch; thence easterly along said ditch to the point of beginning on Broad Street.  
AND  
All that parcel of land in the Town of Kenbridge, Lunenburg County, Virginia, beginning at a point on the northwestern corner of the line between C. R. Barker and W. Louis Bridgforth; thence in a straight line with coincides with the line between the property of C. R. Barker and W. Louis Bridgforth in a westerly direction 100 ft.; thence at right angles thereto in a southerly direction to a branch or ditch; thence along said ditch in an easterly direction to W. Louis Bridgforth; thence along said line northerly to the point of beginning.

PARCEL 15: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs CHRISTOPHER SMITH  
MAP NO. 028-01-0-2H  
ONTARIO ROAD

All that parcel of land in Rehoboth District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being 3.00 acres, more or less, shown on a survey recorded in Deed Book 215, page 30A.

PARCEL 16: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs ROBERT L. STAPLES  
MAP NO. 034-0A-0-50

All that parcel of land in Plymouth District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being 4.00 acres, more or less, beginning at a point on the northern line of the public highway between Victoria and Kenbridge and on the line between Haywood H. Drummond and Ernest Thomas; thence Westerly along said highway right of way 208.75 ft., and extending back along the line of Ernest Thomas and between parallel lines 835 ft.

LESS AND EXCEPT conveyances recorded in Deed Book 110, at page 22 and Deed Book 200, at page 323.

PARCEL 17: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs DREWRY ALLEN STOKES  
MAP NO. 019-0A-0-37

All that parcel of land in Pleasant Grove District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being 35.00 acres, more or less, bounded North by the public road leading from Nutbush to Double Bridges (Lunenburg Secondary Route #626); East by Sam Stokes, deceased, and C. L. Johns; South by G. Hart; West by N. Pendleton.  
LESS AND EXCEPT a conveyance of 10.00 acres recorded in Deed Book 115, at page 206.

PARCEL 18: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs DEAN URBAN  
MAP NO. 035A6-0A-0-42  
Off West Street

All that parcel of land in Brown’s Store District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, containing 5.50 acres, more or less.

PARCEL 19: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs KATHRYN D. VAN HORN  
MAP NO. 011-04-0-8

All that parcel of land in Lewiston District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being 6.46 acres, more or less, shown as Lot 8 on a plat recorded in Plat Book 9, page 108.

PARCEL 20: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs FREDDIE LEROY WATSON  
MAP NO. 001-010-B  
5068 Springfield Road

All that parcel of land in Pleasant Grove District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, containing 0.688 acre, more or less and described as Lot B.

PARCEL 21: LUNENBURG COUNTY vs BRENDA J. WINN  
MAP NO. 036-0A-0-113  
148 PINE GROVE ROAD

All that parcel of land in Brown’s Store District, Lunenburg County, Virginia, being 1.98 acres, more or less, shown on a plat recorded in Deed Book 169, page 595.

The terms of sale require a deposit of 25% of the bid price with the balance due in ten days.

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# Bob Good Statement on Primary Results

STATEWIDE – The Democrats nominated Cameron Webb to run for the 5th District Congressional seat. “I stand in stark contrast to the agenda that Webb has put forward during his race” said Good when asked for comment. Extremism on climate, legalization of marijuana, additional funding for

Planned Parenthood and tuition-free college are just a few examples of where Bob Good differs with the Democrat’s nominee. “I believe that the vast majority of the voters in the 5<sup>th</sup> District of Virginia know that there is no free lunch, that the sale and distribution of drugs are destroying our families and our

communities, that curtailing our energy and economic freedom is not a formula for growth, and additional funding to an organization like Planned Parenthood in their efforts to destroy innocent life is abhorrent,” said Good. Finally, Good stated, “I’m prepared to run a campaign that represents our conser-

vative values and I look forward to sharing my message throughout the district in the coming months.” Bob Good of Campbell County was nominated as the Republican candidate for the 5<sup>th</sup> District Congressional seat in a convention held June 13 in Lynchburg.

# Ladies, Good Advice

Women rarely go anywhere without a handbag, which means if she enters a place full of germs, so does her handbag. Even before this coronavirus that is spreading, ladies could end up carrying around microbes that could make one sick all day long, depending how careful she is with her handbag.

This reporter has often wondered about this problem and would like to warn all women about the dangerous places they place their purses!

As a woman, have you ever really noticed handbags that are placed on public toilet floors? The next thing they do, after washing their hands, might be to go directly to their dining tables and set their bag on the table or on the floor again. It happens a lot! It's not always the restaurant food that causes stomach distress. Sometimes "what you don't know *will* hurt you"!

While we may know what is inside our handbags, do you have any idea what's on the outside? Handbags have been put to the test for bacteria with surprising results! One may think twice about where a handbag should be placed so read this and share with a friend.

Woman and girls carry handbags everywhere – from the office to public toilets, to the floor of the car and in between bleachers at a ballgame. Most females won't be caught without their handbags, but did you ever stop to think about what your handbag touches during the day?



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**KATHLEEN MITCHELL**

One woman said, "I drive a school bus so my handbag has been on the bus floor a lot." Another lady says, "I put my handbag in grocery shopping carts, and of course, in my home which should be clean."

According to information from a hospital email, Nelson Labs in Salt Lake City tested the average woman's handbag. Most women said they didn't stop to think about what was on the bottom of their bags. Usually, when they come home, they automatically set their handbags on top of kitchen tables and counters where food is prepared.

Nearly all of the handbags tested were not only high in bacteria, BUT high in harmful kinds of bacteria. Pseudomonas can cause eye infections, staphylococcus aureus can cause serious skin infections, and salmonella and e-coli found on the handbags could make people very sick. In one sampling, four out of five handbags tested positive for

salmonella!

Leather or vinyl handbags tended to be cleaner than cloth ones and lifestyle seems to play a role. People with kids tended to have dirtier handbags than those without kids and that is understandable. So, the moral of the story – your handbag won't kill you but it does have the potential to make someone very sick if kept on places where one eats or prepares food.

The answer: Use hooks to hang your handbag at home, in toilets, on vacation, at work, etc. Don't put your handbag on your desk, a restaurant table or on your kitchen countertop or table!

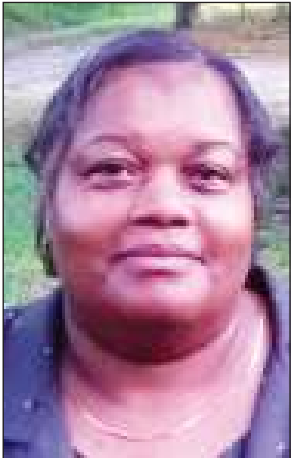
This is an idea. Think of your handbag the same way you would think of a pair of shoes. If you think about putting a pair of shoes on your countertops, that's the same thing you're doing when you put your handbag there. Your handbag has gone where individuals before you have sneezed, coughed, spat, urinated, etc.!

Do you really want to bring sickness to your home? The microbiologists at Nelson Labs said that cleaning the outside of a handbag will help. Wash cloth ones and use leather cleaner to clean bottoms of leather handbags, and use any all-purpose cleaner on vinyl. Always carry instant hand sanitizer with you and use it often, not just because of coronavirus, but because there are dangerous germs everywhere!

## Parry's Ponderings

**The "Peaceful protesters" are openly carrying assault-type weapons in Seattle's "CHOP" zone and probably other places as well but I haven't seen any counter-demonstrations calling for banning this type of weapon from the Democrats who seem to support the armed protesters. I guess they're OK with assault-type weapons as long as such weaponry is being carried by those whom they support.**

## Virginia Outreach News



**VIRGINIA FREEMAN**

Happy Birthday wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday this week.

July 2 – Marie Dodge, Saxe; Joanne Wilborn, Saxe; Isabell Evans, Phenix,

Dillon Foster, Pamplin; Giselle Johnson, Richmond; Kenda Ferrell Green, Virginia  
July 3 – Kitara Skeete, Netherlands

July 4 – Bobby Napier, Drakes Branch; George Staten, Richmond; Tyron Johnson, Charlotte Court House; Quan Pugh, Augusta, Georgia

July 6 – Sylvia Waller, Keysville

July 7 – Debra McCaraw, Baltimore, Md.; Piper Madison Toombs, Randolph;

Al Brogdon, Randolph

July 8 – Sevina Craighead, Saxe; Willie Goode, Randolph  
Wishing all of you a very happy birthday and many more to come.  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Get well wishes to all of the sick and shut in. Hope all of you are well soon and up and about. You are in our prayers and thoughts for a speedy recovery.

### PEACE

We need peace in this world today. We need love for one another, we need joy and happiness in our hearts. I pray that we can all come together as one nation under God and treat one another like we want to be treated. If you hate replace with love, if you're sad, God can bring joy into your heart. If someone has done you wrong, give it to God – He can make everything alright. God is a God of peace. If there is confusion God will not be in the mist of that. God wants all of his people to be happy and love one another, that's why he gave his life so we can live. If we want to be like Jesus Christ, we need to take a step back and ask, would God want me to be this way? No, He would want all of us to be a good Christian. The Bible says do unto others as you would have done to you. So, my friends, my readers, we can make this world a better place to live in. If we want to go to Heaven we have to live right or if we want see Jesus or our loved ones, we have to ask God to forgive us and then peace will come to you. Too many lives have been taken by others and this vi-

rus. I pray for all of you to be safe and keep on praying for this will soon pass. Remember God won't put any more on us than we can bear. Love you all. BE BLESSED.

Sympathy to all of the families who lost a loved one recently. Our heartfelt prayers and good wishes go out to all of you in your time of need. You have our deepest sympathy.

Sympathy to family of Wilford Venable, Jr., formally of Randolph. To the family, God has chosen another angel. You have our deepest sympathy.

Thought for the week– Never leave Home without a kiss, a hug, and I love you.

### GRATITUDE

Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others. Remember that not to be happy is not to be grateful. There is a calmness to a life lived in gratitude, a quiet joy. Thanks are justly due for things gotten without purchase. A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues. Thank you is the best prayer that anyone could say. I say that one a lot. Thank you expresses extreme gratitude, humility, and understanding. Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgiving, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.

Happy Fourth of July!

News in to me by Sun. 6 p.p.m. Call or text me or you can leave me a message 434-568-0243 [vstars@kinex.net](mailto:vstars@kinex.net)

## Type A - Perfectionist

Do your friends describe you as a Type A Personality? Now, do you consider this a strength or a weakness?

Dr. Friedman and Dr. Rosenman, both cardiologists, identified the Type A behavior by accident. They found that their waiting-room chairs needed to be reupholstered much sooner than they expected. When the chairs were taken to be repaired, the doctors were told something interesting. The upholsterer upon inspecting the chairs observed that material had worn in a way that he had not typically seen. He commented there must be something different about the doctors' patients because he had never seen a similar wear pattern on chairs. This pattern indicated that the people using the chairs seemed unable to sit back in the seats. They used the arms to push themselves forward, rubbing the arms of the chairs. The pattern also showed they tended to sit on the edge of the seat and leaped up frequently.

Dr. Friedman and Dr. Rosenman decided to study their patients' behavior. Their research resulted in the documentation of two personality types, Type A and Type B, and what they called the Type A Behavior Pattern (TABP). The TABP is a strive for perfectionism and consists of three components: competitiveness, time urgency, and hostility.

Type A individuals are inclined to be very competitive and self-critical. They push toward perfectionism without a sense of joy. Their focus creates a significant life imbalance between high work involvement and low personal life participation. Type A individuals are always pres-



**CHERYL & DENNIS GOWIN**

sured and often overreact.

Type A personalities face a constant sense of urgency. A Type A person is in a continual struggle with meeting self-imposed deadlines. Their needs for perfection put them at odds with schedules. Delays and unproductive time cause them to become impatient. Their commitments are scheduled to the minute. Multi-tasking is part of their life, always trying to do more than one thing at a time, like eating, working, and talking on the phone all at the same time.

A Type A person goes to anger or frustration quickly. With perfection as the ruler, coworkers, and family members never seem to measure up. Since the Type A person uses the same rule for their own life, they have difficulty feeling or expressing compassion for others.

Does this describe you? Can you say, "Human beings are imperfect by nature and therefore are not capable of being perfect"? This is a statement that will allow you to turn off the pressure of perfectionism! Ok, this does not mean we are to put all efforts on the shelf. It does mean that everyone makes mistakes, and our ruler needs to include the ability to learn from our mistakes.

Perfectionism is fraught with dangers and negative consequences. It is common for individuals to respond to their failure and mistakes by hating themselves. They react to their lack of reaching perfection by feeling inadequate or unworthy. This overwhelming sense of failure is neither healthy nor productive.

Altogether too often, individuals react to their perceived lack of perfection by punishing themselves for missing the mark. Now, imagine the result of the cycle of setting impossible standards and failing to reach perfection. Yes, this can lead to high blood pressure, heart problems, depression, and anxiety.

Think about it. Failure and mistakes are, in fact, integral parts of the process of learning any and all new skills. Remember what Thomas Edison said, "I did not fail. I found 10,000 ways not to make a light bulb and the one way to make it."

A complete person includes a full continuum of emotions as well as qualities, both good and bad. We should follow Paul's advice by accepting that human imperfections are a part of all of us. To include all your parts, even the flaws, within your sense of self. Learn about the parts of yourself. Yes, work on improving some while being thankful for those you admire.

But He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." II Corinthians 12:9

Cheryl Gowin and Dennis Gowin. Call us with your feedback, comments, issues, or questions; our phone number is 434-808-2637.

# Lunenburg Insider B

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## Large Numbers Show Up for Free COVID-19 Testing

VICTORIA- The Virginia Department of Health, along with Lunenburg Health Department, Piedmont Health Department and Community Advocate Committee, held a successful free COVID-19 testing event on Saturday at Central High School in Lunenburg County.

The parking lot was full throughout the morning as health care officials worked to test anyone who wanted to find out if they were positive or negative for COVID-19. The tests were done on a first-come, first served basis with participants wearing a mask and remaining in their vehicles and at least six feet from other people.

Lunenburg County Administrator said early this week that around 377 people had been tested during the event that ended in the mid-afternoon. Results are expected to be given by the end of this week.

(Photos by George Smith)



## Hometown Hero Fills a Community Need

KENBRIDGE - The law firm of Allen, Allen, Allen & Allen recently announced their Hometown Heroes for the current year.

Representatives from the business stated, "We are excited to reveal the 2020 Allen & Allen Hometown Heroes! The 28 outstanding individuals were selected from across the state of Virginia."

The heroes this year were recognized for making a difference during the COVID-19 pandemic. One of the people recognized was Cameron Bailey, preacher at Kenbridge Christian Church. At a time when everything was forced to close, Cameron went above and beyond to not only offer a way to have the people from his church gather on Sunday, but everyone in the community. He along with friends set up a scaffold at the Lunenburg Girls Softball League field in Kenbridge where he was able to preach to listeners while they stayed safely in their vehicles.

He also helped Central High School by hosting their Baccalaureate Service in a drive-in fashion prior to graduation.

Cameron stated, "I just want to say that we are loving seeing people and churches coming together and worshipping as one family. It's been the greatest thing and fills several with the hope needed each week. It's a humbling honor as I don't



feel I have done anything out of the ordinary."

He said that he saw a need in the community and "jumped on it to make sure needs were met as I felt that's what folks are supposed to do."

He continued, "We knew online services weren't an

option for all our folks so we began drive-in back in March in order to make sure our communities were spiritually fed while establishing a food pantry in March in our open prayer room to make sure everyone was physically fed as well."

## Gill Recognized as Part of Virginia Strong Highlights



SOUTH HILL - Lunenburg native and Central High School Graduate Greleigh Gill was recently recognized as part of the Virginia Strong nominations.

News organization NBC12 has been highlighting different workers throughout Virginia that are making a difference in people's lives through the COVID-19 pandemic. The news outlet stated, "Galeigh Gill is a CNA at VCU/CMH who works in the ICU. Her nominator said she loves her patients and working through the pandemic. Thanks for all that you do!"

Galeigh is the daughter of Natasha and Chris Gill of Victoria.





(Photo by Brian Nowlin)

# Group Says March Focused on Unity and Peace

VICTORIA – A small protest by a group in Victoria on Saturday went as planned with no issues or opposition. The “peaceful protest” as organizers called it prior to the

march, began around 1:00 p.m. at the Victoria Railroad Park. The march included a “prayer for peace” and a march around the Heritage

Trail at the local park. There were also words from attendees including organizers, Raymond Alexander, Dion Graham and Brandon Scott. The march was described

as “hopeful and everybody was focused on unity and change.” Brandon Scott stated, “We just want to say we appreciate everyone for coming out

and supporting this event. It was a good change moving in the right direction, it was peaceful and we all enjoyed ourselves.”



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# The Wright Report

On July 1, legislation passed during the 2020 General Assembly session will become law, with some exceptions. This session was the first with Democrats newly in charge and they used their new legislative majority to pass sweeping changes in Virginia, often on party-line votes. Below is a snapshot of some of the legislation that will be going into effect.

**Elections:**  
House Bill 19 will eliminate the photo-ID requirement for voting, therefore, rolling back Virginia's voter ID laws. Rather than show a photo ID, this bill allows people to vote by simply signing a sworn statement that says they are who they say they are.

House Bill 201 will implement same-day voter registration, allowing voters to register and vote on Election Day. This bill has a delayed enactment date, so it does not go into effect until October 1, 2022.

**Jobs and the Economy:**  
Virginia was named CNBC's 2019 Best State for Business, but we didn't get there by accident. House Republicans helped keep taxes low, reduced regulations, promoted a stronger workforce, and protected Virginia's business climate from Democrat policies that would have killed jobs. With the new majority, we will now see many bad business policies be enacted.

On taxes, Democrats quickly implemented new or additional taxes on Virginians. Republicans have worked to cut taxes as much as possible. The new taxes and fees being levied by House Democrats will undoubtedly be felt by our constituents soon. The new and increased taxes passed this session total almost \$2 billion.

Democrats also created a dozen new causes of action for workers to sue their employers.

These include: lawsuits for 'misclassification' that will allow contract workers who think they should be treated as actual employees lawsuits for any violation of the Virginia Human Rights Act, including new provisions barring discrimination on the basis of LGBT status, gender identity, and more, and a cause of action for low-wage employees to sue if they are required to sign a non-compete covenant as a term of employment.

**Firearms:**  
The General Assembly passed seven out of eight gun control bills endorsed by Governor Northam.

Democrats have abandoned all pretense of moderation in their pursuit of gun control. Where they were once content to nibble around the edges of the Second Amendment, now that they are in control they've adopted laws criminalizing law-abiding citizens, banning the most common firearms and magazines, and demanding citizens turn over their lawfully purchased property as their central policies. Republicans are committed to stopping gun violence, but we're committed to doing it in a way that respects the Second Amendment - and a way that works.

**Protecting Life:**  
The 2020 General Assembly has seen Democrats move forward in their quest to abandon "safe, legal, and rare abortions" and implement policies that will roll back longstanding law designed to protect women and ensure an informed decision is being made about an abortion. Additionally, under these new policies, those who may perform an abortion has been drastically expanded.

**Public Safety:**  
Public Safety is one of the first and highest duties of the General Assembly. Republicans have worked every year to hold accountable those



who would harm our fellow Virginians and ensure that our laws keep up with the changing times and changing threats.

For more than two decades, those tried and convicted in Virginia have known they will serve the sentence given to them by a judge or jury. Governor Allen's abolition of parole made our streets safer and led to the current low crime and low recidivism rate we see today.

House Democrats passed legislation that will make eligible for parole an estimated 280 violent offenders in Virginia. Those who will now have the ability to come before the Virginia Parole Board include rapists and murderers.

Democrats also rejected common-sense legislation that would increase the penalties for those who commit violent crimes with firearms. In addition, they also passed legislation that would end mandatory reporting to law enforcement for serious crimes committed in our schools such as sexual battery and stalking.

House Democrats claim they want to keep neighborhoods and communities safe, but their legislation will make it harder to hold accountable those who commit crimes.

**Energy:**  
Republicans have consistently supported policies that ensure our constituents and businesses have reliable and affordable energy. Because of our leadership, Virginia residents and businesses have some of the lowest electricity rates in the nation.

As public opinion has shifted to emphasizing having more renewable sources in Virginia's energy portfolio, Republicans have embraced realistic, market-based approaches to diversifying Virginia's energy production.

Republicans' approach to energy has been an 'all-of-the-above' position that incorporates renewables with our existing fossil fuels, such as coal and natural gas. This approach allows Virginians to have reliable, affordable energy and take into account the communities that rely on energy production, while promoting a cleaner environment.

Unfortunately, House Democrats have made it quite clear that they want to end fossil fuel energy sources as quickly as possible, regardless of the short- and long-term consequences of such policies. While Republicans have managed a gradual incorporation of renewables, and prevented catastrophic energy policies from being enacted, the 2020 General Assembly Session is different.

House Democrats are only listening to one constituency when it comes to energy policy and are passing some of the most aggressive changes to energy policy in the country, moving to a completely renewable portfolio of sources by 2045. This legislation will increase electric bills by 23.9 percent, according to House Democrats.

If you would like more information about any of the legislation mentioned in this newsletter or if I can be of assistance in any way, please feel free to contact my office. You can reach us at 434.696.3061 or DelTWright@house.virginia.gov

# Free Meals Change This Week, Will Continue Through July

LUNENBURG - Lunenburg County Public Schools is planning to continue to serve meals in the same drive through format throughout the month of July, but there is a schedule change this week for the July 4 holiday.

Meals will be served at Kenbridge Elementary School and Central High School on Wednesday instead of Thursday this week from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Lunenburg County Public Schools Food Service Supervisor Claudia Daniel said



recently that meals will continue as they have been at the locations and in a drive up manner on Mondays and Thursdays in Lunenburg through the month of July.

She noted that on Monday there will be three breakfasts and three lunches given out

and on Thursday there will be two breakfasts and lunches given out.

Daniel stated, "As of now, we plan to go through the end of July." The meals are available for any child ages 2-18 from Lunenburg County.

# Community Pool Will Not Open This Summer

VICTORIA - Victoria officials noted in June that "much like many other activities, the guidelines of Phase 2 still are restrictive when it comes to how things can be operated." This was in reference to the decision whether or not to open up the Victoria Community Pool.

Town officials said that given the still strict guidelines in Phase 2 along with the design of the Victoria pool that they would wait until Phase 3 to see if it would be feasible to open the pool for the summer.

Town officials announced that they would not be opening the pool last week even as Virginia enters Phase 3. They stated, "After many weeks of waiting and hopeful optimism it is with great sadness that we announce that the Victoria Pool will not open for the summer of 2020. Even though the governor announced that Virginia will enter Phase 3 next week there are not many weeks left before the planned beginning of the 20/21 school year for Lunenburg County Public Schools. With all of this in mind the Victoria Pool will not open



for the summer of 2020 but plans are in the works for the summer of 2021. We are very sorry that we cannot provide this amenity for citizens and visitors this year."

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July 9, 2020 Meeting

6:00PM

1. Call to Order

2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Hankins

3. Requests for Additions to the Agenda

4. Conflict of Interest Statements & Organizational Matters

5. Consent Agenda:

A) Minutes of the June 11 and June 18, 2020 Meetings

B) Warrants for Approval June 2020

C) Treasurer's Reports May 2020

6. Monthly Reports

A) VA Department of Transportation

B) Lunenburg County School Board

7. County Offices and Departments

A) Courthouse Security Fee - Legislative Increase

B) Emergency Services Capital - Carryover

C) Abstract of Votes - Primary Election

8. Courthouse Statue - Board Discussion

9. COVID-19: CARES Funds and Testing Event Updates

10. Planning and Economic Development Update

11. Administrator's Update

12. County Attorney Update

13. Closed Session Items (if necessary)

14. Other Business (per Board approval)

15. Adjournment

GUIDANCE FOR 7-9-2020 MEETING:

-All Supervisors will adhere to social distancing. All citizens/guests who attend the Board of Supervisors meeting must maintain a distance of at least six feet apart at all times.

-It is requested that advance inquiries about agenda items be directed to the County Administrator prior to the meeting at tgee@lunenburgva.net or by phone at 434-696-2142 to address your concerns prior to the Board meeting.

-This meeting plan is subject to change, based on further action by the Governor of Virginia and/or the Lunenburg County Board of Supervisors.

-It is the intention of the Lunenburg County Board of Supervisors to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you need special accommodations, please contact the County Administrator's Office at 434-696-2142 prior to the meeting date.

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# Town Offices Will Be Closed Friday

LUNENBURG – Town officials in Kenbridge and Victoria are notifying residents that their town offices will observe the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

The Town of Kenbridge Maintenance Department and the Town Office will be closed on Friday, July 3, in observance of Independence Day. Friday’s business trash route will run on Thursday.

Victoria officials also stated that the Town Office and DMV Select will be closed Friday, July 3, for Independence Day.



# Saharan Dust Plume Offers Poor Air But Great Pictures

So far 2020 has not been off to a great start as a worldwide health crisis has been at the forefront of the news. In keeping with the theme of things you did not expect, this week a “historic” outbreak of Saharan dust that is clogging the atmosphere from western Africa to the United States passed over Virginia.

This is actually an annual occurrence, but was larger and denser this year. While most meteorologists warned people that it could cause poor air quality throughout the weekend, it also appears to have created some great picturesque sunsets.



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# Lunenburg Voters In Line With State Results

LUNENBURG – The June Primary Elections were moved back to June 23 and voters had a chance to pick among the Senate nominee for the Republicans and a House of Representative nominee for the Democrats.

The Republicans had three names on the ballot in a primary to see who will oppose Democrat Mark Warner for his seat in the Virginia Senate. The winning Republican nomination who will attempt to unseat Warner was Daniel M. Gade. He won the state vote finishing with 67.4 percent and won the Lunenburg vote with 48.5 percent. In Lunenburg, local resident Alissa Baldwin got 44.83 percent of the votes and 18.13 percent of the vote in the state to finish second for both. Thomas A. Speciale II finished in third place.

The Democrat primary locally featured candidates who are seeking to run for the 5th District Congressional seat. They were R.D. Huffstetler, Jr., B. Cameron Webb, Claire C. Russo and John D. Lessinski.

Webb was the Lunenburg selection with 73.25 percent of the vote and won the state vote easily with 66.56 percent of the vote.



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B. Cameron Webb

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## Webb, Kasiski, Mayberry Earn VaSID College Division All-State Baseball Honors

HAMPDEN-SYDNEY - Hampden-Sydney College seniors Andrew Kasiski/Chesapeake, Chase Mayberry/Appomattox and Bradford Webb/Charlotte Court House have been recognized by the Virginia Sports Information Directors (VaSID) as College Division All-State Baseball selections. Kasiski and Mayberry were each First Team choices at catcher and starting pitcher, respectively, while Webb was a Second Team honoree as a relief pitcher.

Andrew Kasiski started 14 of 14 games played and hit .491 (28-57) with six doubles, eight RBIs, 11 runs, three walks, and five stolen bases, while adding a .596 slugging percentage, a .547 on-base percentage and a perfect 1.000 fielding percentage (61 putouts, nine assists). He led the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) in batting average and hits, while fourth in on-base percentage, tied for fourth in doubles, sixth in slugging percentage, tied for 10th in stolen bases and tied for 16th in at-bats. Kasiski ranked eighth nationally in hits and 99th in batting average.

Chase Mayberry made five appearances with four starts, one complete game and one shutout, while compiling a 3-0 record with a 1.20 earned run average and 38 strikeouts in 30.0 innings pitched. He was second in the ODAC in ERA and strikeouts, while third in innings pitched and tied for third in wins. Mayberry ranked 15th nationally in strikeouts and 16th in wins. Chase finished his H-SC career ranked third in strikeouts (194), fifth in innings pitched (218.1) and tied



for ninth in wins (13).

Bradford Webb made six relief appearances with three saves, while compiling a 1-0 record with a 1.29 ERA and 11 strikeouts in 7.0 innings pitched. He tied for first in the ODAC in saves, and ranked sixth nationally in saves. Bradford finished his H-SC career tied for sixth in saves (5).

The 2020 Tigers were off to their best start in six years at 12-4 overall, including 2-0 in the ODAC, before COVID-19 canceled the remainder of the promising campaign.

VaSID names 44 all-state teams in 23 sports each year, as well as an Academic All-State squad and an all-sports champion in both the University and College Divisions. Membership in VaSID is open to all media relations professionals working at a university or conference in the state of Virginia. The complete 2020 VaSID College Division All-State Teams and special award winners are listed below.

2020 VaSID College Division All-State Baseball Awards

Player of the Year  
Bill Wojcik (3B) - Marymount University

Pitcher of the Year  
Matt Nickles (RHP) - Randolph-Macon College

Rookie of the Year  
Zach Perkins (OF) - Washington & Lee University

Coach of the Year  
Ray Hedrick - Randolph-Macon College

First Team  
SP - John Judy (Eastern Mennonite University)

SP - Chase Mayberry (Hampden-Sydney College)

SP - Matt Nickles (Randolph-Macon College)

SP - Brandon Pond (University of Lynchburg)

RP - Matthew Schneider

(Marymount University)

RP - Grayson Thurman (University of Lynchburg)

C - Andrew Kasiski (Hampden-Sydney College)

1B - Keegan Woolford (Shenandoah University)

2B - Jacob Talley (Bridgewater College)

3B - Bill Wojcik (Marymount University)

SS - Jason Volpicelli (Washington & Lee University)

OF - Conner Clark (Christopher Newport University)

OF - Trey Hicks (Christopher Newport University)

OF - Grant Thompson (Shenandoah University)

DH - Jackson Gazin (Washington & Lee University)

UTIL - Kinston Carson (University of Lynchburg)

Second Team  
SP - Drew Calohan (Ferrum College)

SP - Greg Duncan (University of Virginia-Wise)

SP - Michael Zubovich (Randolph-Macon College)

RP - Tyler Dunn (Randolph-Macon College)

RP - Tom Kellogg (Washington & Lee University)

RP - Bradford Webb (Hampden-Sydney College)

C - Tim Ortega (Ferrum College)

1B - Kevin Russell (Virginia State University)

2B - Mike Ferrara (Marymount University)

3B - Braden Lambert (Newport News Apprentice School)

SS - Bobby Leitzel (Marymount University)

OF - Jarret Biesecker (Bridgewater College)

OF - Henry Delavergne (Shenandoah University)

OF - Shawn Nickles (Randolph-Macon College)

DH - Garrett Howard (Eastern Mennonite University)

UTIL - Jacob Pilarski (Virginia Wesleyan University)

## Condensed VHSL Model Could Affect Spring Sports Again

STATEWIDE - The Virginia High School League continues to take a wait and see approach to things as they recently announced that fall sports seasons remain on hold even as they offered some chances for players to participate in off-season activities.

The VHSL Executive Committee took no action after a special called session to determine when the fall sports seasons will begin in 2020.

VHSL Executive Director Billy Haun said recently that the VHSL will schedule one meeting in July and another in August to further discuss fall sports.

Haun said that the health data over the next month would play a role in what the decision is made down the road. He stated, "In Phase 3, we're still talking about social distancing. I don't understand how you can think about playing team sports while you're social distancing." This comes while many youth sports have begun to play games again.

It looks as though football will continue to drive the decision making process as the idea of playing without spectators takes away money for schools from the games and has even led to models with it being played in the spring.

The VHSL allowed member schools to return to limited out-of-season workouts and conditioning June 15.

The VHSL last month of-

fered the possibility that the fall, winter and spring sports seasons might be shortened and compressed into a five- or six-month window with the spring sports once again getting the short end of the stick in this type of schedule. A model that was presented to the media as a possible example listed:

Season 1, Dec. 13-Feb. 20 - Basketball, gymnastics, indoor track, swimming and diving, wrestling.

Season 2, Feb. 15-May 1 - Football, volleyball, golf, cross country, field hockey, and competitive cheer.

Season 3, April 12-June 26 - Baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse, tennis, outdoor track.

This would mean that spring sports would be pushed back and overlap with football, and volleyball making many of the student athletes that play both sports have to choose and sending spring sports seasons well into the summer after graduations. The spring sports athletes already lost an entire season and would likely cause some schools to possibly not have them once again if there is not enough participation with seniors already graduating in late May or early June and others having to choose sports earlier in the spring.



## South Boston Speedway Cancels Season Opener After Phase 3 Guidelines Released

SOUTH BOSTON - Due to restrictions in Phase 3 of the re-opening plan for the Commonwealth of Virginia and implications to the speedway's insurance coverage, South Boston Speedway officials have no choice but to cancel Saturday night's Thunder Road Harley-Davidson Presented by Grand Atlantic Ocean Resort Late Model Twin 100s racing program and post-race fireworks show. Track officials

said refunds will be provided to those fans who purchased advance tickets for the event.

"We are extremely disappointed in having to cancel the event," South Boston Speedway officials said.

"Unfortunately, circumstances over which we have no control make it impossible for us to proceed with the event. We very much appreciate the support we have received from competitors, fans and sponsors as we have

attempted to start our 2020 season."

Under the Commonwealth's Phase 3 re-opening plan, the speedway would be limited to a capacity of 1,000 patrons.

"The Phase 3 guidelines still make it impossible for us to hold our exciting events for the race fans and to employ the 100 people in our county every weekend. We hope to be able to open our 2020 season soon."

# PEFYA Looking At Possible Fall Ball Schedule

FARMVILLE – PEFYA Sports had notified parents and players for their baseball and softball programs that

they would not open or begin any activities until at least Phase 3 of the reopening plan in Virginia.

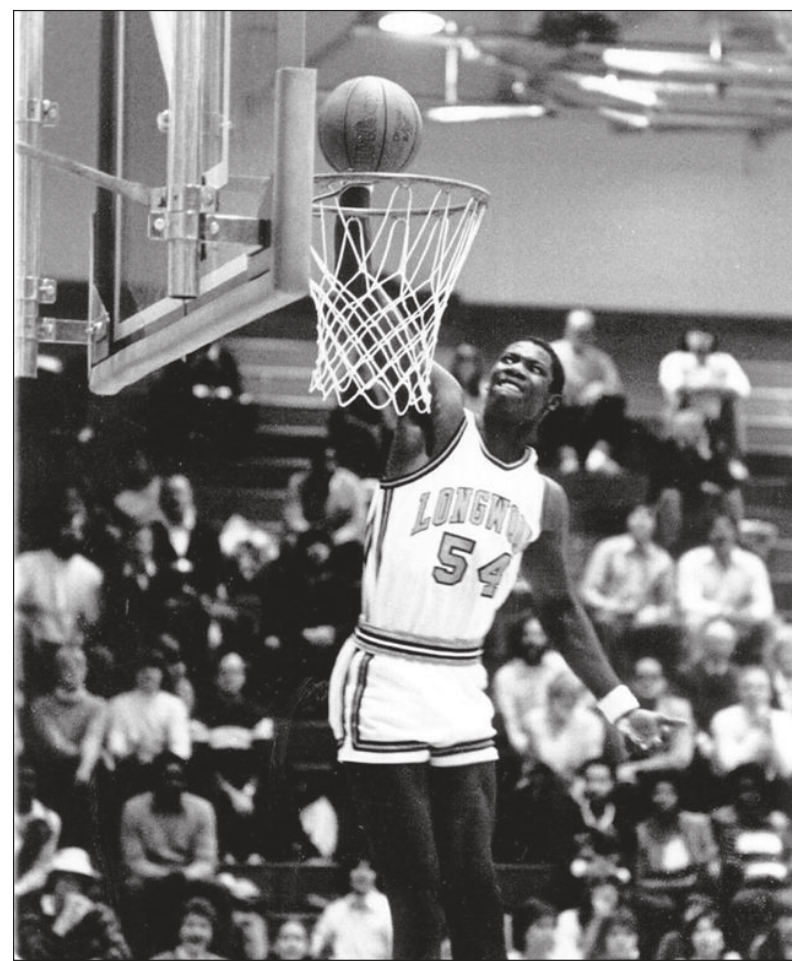
With July 1 set as the start of phase 3, PEFYA officials recently offered an online poll asking parents if they would allow their child to participate in the leagues if they started a season in August and essentially had a fall ball season.

The poll noted that if PE-

FYA would reopen, there would be no sharing of equipment. PEFYA will adhere to CDC guidance for screening children, coaches and officials for COVID-19 symptoms prior to admission to the facility, as well as practicing physical distancing between instructors, participants and spectators, where practicable.



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**VIRGINIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME RECOGNIZES KERSEY:** The Virginia Sports Hall of Fame recently page homage to one of their inductees and area standout athlete. The organization noted that on June 26, Jerome Kersey, a 2008 Virginia Sports Hall of Fame inductee was born in 1962 in Clarksville, Va. Kersey attended Bluestone High School before playing collegiately for Longwood Lancers, at the time an NCAA D-II program. A 2x All-American for Longwood, Kersey was drafted by the Portland Trail Blazers in the 2nd round of the 1984 NBA draft. Kersey played 17 seasons in the NBA, scoring 11,825 points, and grabbing 6,339 rebounds. Kersey was a member of the inaugural class into the Longwood University Athletics Hall of Fame.

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## Tigers Golfers Named Division III Srixon/ Cleveland Golf All-America Scholars

HAMPDEN-SYDNEY – Hampden-Sydney College junior Allen Smith/Durham, NC, along with sophomores John Hatcher Ferguson/Rocky Mount and Hunter Martin/Gloucester Point, have been named 2019-20 Division III Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-America Scholars, as announced by the Golf Coaches Association of America.

Allen Smith is a Psychology major with a 3.50 GPA. He ranked 211th in NCAA Division III and 72nd in the South Region with his 76.54 scoring average through five tournaments and 13 rounds. Smith posted season-low scores of 72 for 18 holes (twice), 146 for 36 holes and 219 for 54 holes. He earned two Top 40 placings overall with one round of par or better. Allen tied for 28th at The O'Briant-Jensen Memorial on October 28-29 in Greensboro, North Carolina, posting a 72-76--148.

John Hatcher Ferguson is an Economics and Business major with a minor in physics, and has a 3.37 GPA. He ranked 47th in Division III and 20th in the South Region with his 72.94 scoring average through six tournaments and 16 rounds. Ferguson posted season-low scores of 68 for 18 holes (twice), a team-best 137 for 36 holes and 212 for 54 holes. He earned one Top Five individual finish among three Top 20 placings overall with four rounds of par or better. Ferguson tied for second at the Royal Lakes/Oglethorpe Fall Invitational on October 7-8 in Flowery Branch, Georgia, posting a 69-68--137. He tied for 14th nationally in DIII first round scoring (72.33), tied for 15th in par 4 scoring (4.11), tied for 20th in par 5 scoring (4.81) and birdies (51), tied for 21st in average score (72.94), tied for 27th in pars per round (11.00)

and tied for 40th in par 3 scoring (3.21). John previously was named a 2020 Division III PING Honorable Mention All-American, PING All-South Region, First Team All-ODAC and VaSID First Team All-State.

Hunter Martin is a Biochemistry major with a 3.56 GPA. He ranked 18th in Division III and sixth in the South Region with his team-best 71.69 scoring average through six tournaments and 16 rounds. Martin posted season-low scores of 67 for 18 holes (twice), 138 for 36 holes and a team-best 210 for 54 holes. He earned one Top Five and two Top 10 individual finishes among six Top 20 placings overall with three rounds in the 60's among eight rounds of par or better. Martin tied for fifth at the Gordin Collegiate Classic on September 30-October 1 in Columbus, Ohio, posting a 67-71-73--211. He ranked fourth nationally in DIII first round scoring (71.00), fifth in par 4 scoring (4.06), sixth in average score (71.69), tied for seventh in par 3 scoring (3.06), eighth in birdies (58), tied for 14th in par 5 scoring (4.79), tied for 19th in final round scoring (72.17) and ranked 21st in pars per round (11.19). Hunter previously was named to the 2020 Division III PING All-America Second Team, PING All-South Region, First Team All-ODAC and VaSID First Team All-State.

To be eligible for Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-America Scholar status an individual must be a sophomore, junior or senior academically. In addition, they must have a stroke-average under 79.0 in Division III, and maintain a minimum cumulative career grade-point average of 3.2. For 2019-20, they must have participated in 40% of the team's competitive rounds.

## Joss Named to CoSIDA Academic All-America Team

FARMVILLE – Dana Joss' dazzling career added another historic milestone on Friday afternoon, as the senior was named an CoSIDA All-American, the Collegiate Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) announced.

A history major with a 4.0 grade point average who graduated as Longwood's class of 2020 co-valedictorian in May, Joss becomes the second Lancer in the Division I era to earn the prestigious honor. Longwood women's soccer's Kelsey McDonald took home the honor in 2014. In total, Joss is the 13th Lancer to be named an Academic All-American, dating back to 1983.

The Louisville, Ky. native has received numerous awards for her performance in the classroom, most recently the Big South's prestigious Christenberry Award for Academic Excellence. In addition to being a four-year starter with the Longwood women's lacrosse program, she also served as president of Longwood's Student Athlete Advisory Committee. Also a two-time Big South All-Academic Team honoree, the Louisville, Ky., native has received recognition as a Google Cloud Academic All-District At-Large selection and VaSID Academic All-State honoree.

A do-it-all midfielder for Longwood, Joss picked up where she left off after being named 2019 All-Big South before the 2020 season was abruptly canceled eight games in due to COVID-19. She was once again asserting herself as a force on both ends of the field, ranking among the team's top three in goals (16), shots (40), shots on goal (40), ground balls (15), draw controls (30), and caused turnovers (12).

That multi-faceted produc-

tion in the midfield was the latest in a decorated career that in 2019 culminated with her receiving a spot on the 2019 All-Big South second team after ranking among the league's top 10 in assists, points, game-winning goals, draw controls and caused turnovers. That performance helped the Lancers achieve a program-record second-place finish in the Big South standings with a 5-1 conference record.

In her career at Longwood, Joss has accumulated 91 goals, 43 assists, 94 ground balls, 55 caused turnovers, and 171 draw controls across 50 career starts. She was also a three-time Big South Player of the Week, including on Feb. 25 following a two-game week in which she amassed nine goals and two assists against Delaware State and American.

Joss will return to Longwood in 2021 for her final season, taking advantage of the extra year of eligibility the NCAA granted spring sports athletes whose seasons were cut short by COVID-19. She will also enroll in Longwood's MBA program.

# Legendary Longwood University Softball Coach Announces Retirement

FARMVILLE – From her perch in the dugout, she built Longwood softball into one of the most dominant dynasties the Big South Conference has ever seen. As keynote speaker at Longwood University’s 2019 convocation ceremony, she charged the entire student body to believe in themselves, take risks, and never stop getting back up.

Now, upon announcing her retirement at the end of a decorated 27-year coaching career, Kathy Riley will cement her legacy as a softball coach who grew into one of the most prominent and longstanding flag-bearers Longwood has ever seen.

Following a storied coaching career that spans nearly three decades, Riley announced her retirement Friday and closed the book on a 27-year run highlighted by 812 career wins, five Big South Championships and seven trips to the NCAA postseason. With an 812-488-1 (.625) career record and a 722-400-1 (.644) mark in her 23 seasons in Farmville, she steps away as the winningest women’s varsity coach in Longwood’s 100-year history of athletics.

“Throughout her career, Kathy has left an indelible mark on the lives of countless student-athletes, colleagues and Longwood athletics through her passion for developing leaders and her insatiable drive for excellence in competition, academics and service,” said Longwood athletics director and 15-year veteran of the athletics department Michelle Meadows.

“The success of the softball program under Kathy’s leadership extends well beyond the remarkable record and conference championships to include stellar graduation rates and a lineage of student-athletes equipped to leave their mark as true citizen leaders. I am deeply grateful for the impact she has made and the legacy she has left on us all. We wish her the very best in her retirement and know she will continue to leave her mark in the lives of others.”

Longwood found success at every turn under Riley, from two-time champion of the Division II Carolinas-Virginia Athletic Conference (CVAC) in the early 2000s, to underdog Division I Independent, and most recently as the gold standard of the Big South Conference. The Lancers never finished below .500 under Riley and punctuated her legacy by winning five of the past seven Big South titles, a run unprecedented in the conference’s 33-year softball history.

Each of those five Big South titles earned Longwood trips to NCAA Regional play, giving the Lancers seven total trips to the NCAA postseason under Riley which is more than any other program in school history. And Longwood did more than simply show up at those NCAA Regionals, twice advancing Cinderella-style to the pod’s championship game with tittle bouts against James Madison in 2016 and Tennessee in 2017, both of which were ranked in the top 10 in the nation at the time.

All the while, Longwood softball achieved parallel excellence off the field, leading the Big South in Academic Progress Rate score in six of the past nine cohort cycles. Twice during that span, the program achieved perfect APR scores of 1,000, including the 2017 report that included three Big South championship teams.

“It’s been a privilege to

be the softball coach at Longwood University these past 23 years,” Riley said. “One of my greatest joys in life is having that special bond with our players, one that can’t be replicated in many other areas of society. I am forever grateful to the players who believed in us and our vision.

“Thanks also to my friends in the athletics department and on campus; Longwood has been a special place because of you. The support we received from university presidents, athletics directors, assistant coaches and our great fans was instrumental in the softball team’s ability to have sustained success. To my assistant coaches, much love for the commitment and sacrifices you made. Thanks all of you, and I will look forward to seeing everyone as our paths cross in the future.”

Riley recruited and mentored some of the most decorated student-athletes to ever come through Longwood, from All-Americans and Big South Players of the Year Megan Baltzell and Brooke Short to two-time Big South Pitcher of the Year Elizabeth ‘Biz’ McCarthy, and the recently enshrined Big South All-Decade selections Jordan Clark, Karleigh Donovan, Sydney Gay and Emily Murphy.

In the Lancer’s seven-plus seasons in the Big South under Riley, the program amassed three Big South Player of the Year awards (Short in 2013 and Baltzell in 2015 and 2016), two Big South Pitcher of the Year accolades (McCarthy in 2015 and 2016) and five Big South Tournament MVP selections (Libby Morris in 2013 and 2015, Gay in 2016, McCarthy in 2017 and Donovan in 2019). Those awards are in addition to the 44 All-Big South recognitions Longwood softball has earned since 2013, more than any other Big South program.

Meanwhile, Riley was named Big South Coach of the Year three times in 2015, 2016 and 2019, all years in which the Lancers won the Big South title. In each of her seven full seasons in the Big South, Riley led Longwood to three regular-season titles and never finished lower than third place in the final standings. Twice the Lancers amassed 20-4 league records, and since their inaugural season in the Big South the program has won 45 of 53 series (85 percent) against Big South foes.

Kathy Riley”A portion of Kathy Riley’s success can be measured, be it by wins and losses, championships, or the trophy shelf full of awards she and Longwood softball have earned,” said Longwood President W. Taylor Revelley IV. “But what can’t be quantified, and is undoubtedly more important, are the positive transformations she catalyzed in her student-athletes, and the nationally relevant platform to which she consistently placed Longwood.

“At a time when some questioned whether Longwood could compete at the Division I level, coach Riley blazed a trail that many of her Longwood coaching peers are now following. That she did so while at the same time producing class after class of well-rounded citizen leaders speaks to her unique gifts as a teacher, mentor and leader. Her legacy at Longwood will likely be represented by the countless records her teams broke and milestones they achieved, but those who played for her and worked alongside her know that her

impact extends well beyond any scoreboard or trophy.”

Even recently, Riley’s prominence among her coaching peers continued to expand, as she was selected to the Big South All-Decade Team. That honor came for her work from 2010-19, which was Longwood’s first decade as a member of the Big South. Six of her former players also shared the Big South All-Decade Team spotlight with her, more than any other team from that era.

But Longwood’s success under Riley went well beyond the Big South era. She became head coach of the then-Division II Lancers in the fall of 1997 and shepherded the program through the transition to Division I. Beginning in her debut season in 1998, Riley immediately elevated the Lancers into a CVAC contender and secured CVAC championships in 2002 and 2003 to put an exclamation point at the end of the university’s Division II era.

Riley’s winning ways translated immediately at the Division I level when her program made the quickest adjustment of any Lancer team to the highest level of college athletics. In 2005, Longwood’s first year playing a full Division I schedule, Riley’s Lancers rattled off 32 wins including a doubleheader sweep of Commonwealth giant Virginia and in-state victories over James Madison, Norfolk State and Radford.

That Division I debut was the first of 15 consecutive winning seasons at the D-I level for Riley, giving her the top coaching resume of any Lancer coach in the school’s



16-year D-I era.

In total, Riley has coached her Longwood teams to 15 30-win seasons, including three 40-win performances, all since joining the Big South in 2013. The Lancers were in line to continue their dominant run in 2020, entering the spring as the Big South’s preseason favorite for the fifth consecutive year before the season was cut short in mid-March due to COVID-19.

Those highlights consistently put Longwood University in the national spotlight as well, both from Farmville and on the road. The Longwood campus’ first nationally televised game in the Division I era took place at Lancer Field on April 8, 2018, and saw Riley’s Lancers take down Liberty 3-2 in dramatic, walk-off fashion on ESPNU.

That historic broadcast from campus was in addition to multiple NCAA Regional showdowns and in-season matchups against high-major powerhouses and Big South rivals that annually earned Longwood airtime on ESPN2 and ESPNU, as well as the program’s appearances in nationally televised NCAA Season Shows and the plays

of multiple student-athletes highlighted on ESPN Sports Center’s daily Top 10 countdown.

Now in the wake of Riley’s retirement, the university will begin a nationwide search to find the next head coach of the Longwood softball program.

Kathy Riley’s Career at a Glance

- 27 seasons as a head coach
- 23 seasons at Longwood
- 812-488-1 (.625) career record
- 722-400-1 (.644) record at Longwood
- 7 NCAA Regional appearances (2002, 2003, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019)
- 5 Big South Championships (2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019)
- 2 CVAC Championships (2002, 2003)
- 3 Big South Coach of the Year awards (2015, 2016, 2019)
- 2 Big South Players of the Year (Brooke Short – 2013, Megan Baltzell – 2015, 2016)
- 1 Big South Pitcher of the Year (Biz McCarthy – 2015, 2016)
- 15 30-win seasons
- 3 40-win seasons

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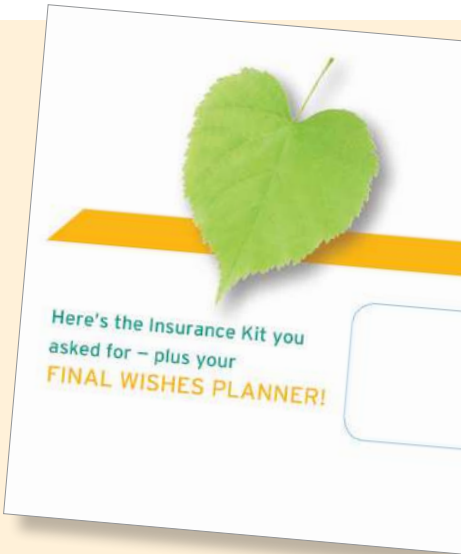
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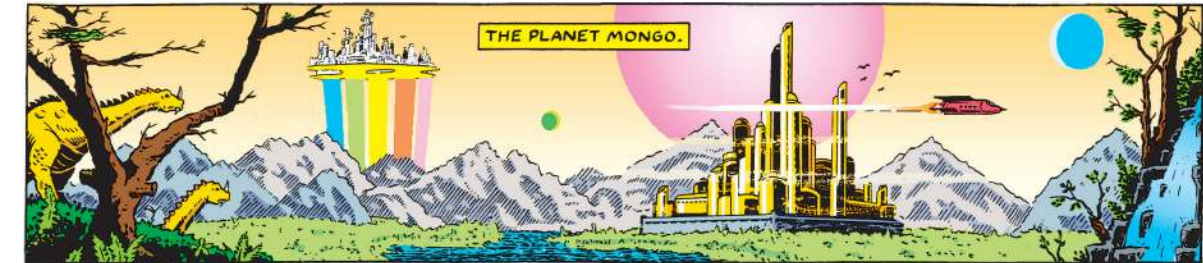
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# Comics AND Puzzles

## TIGER



## THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME



## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦

♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦ Difficult

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## CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR  
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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## Americanisms

“You can fool some of the people all the time, and those are the ones you want to concentrate on.”  
— George W. Bush

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## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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**DIFFICULTY:** ★★  
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★★★ GO FIGURE!

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: N equals L

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## Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

### CODED RIDDLE

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## Mega Maze

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

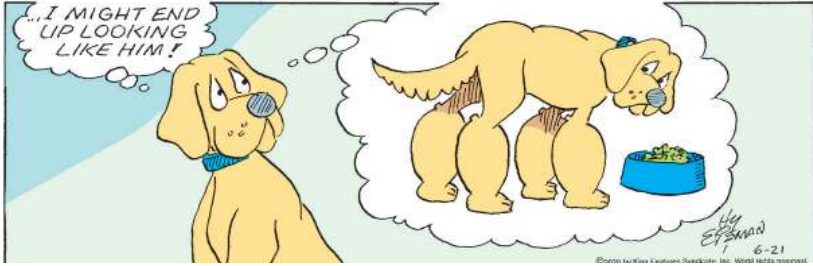
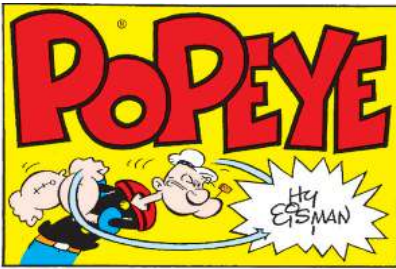
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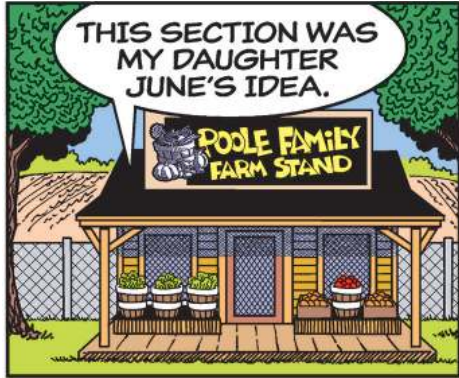
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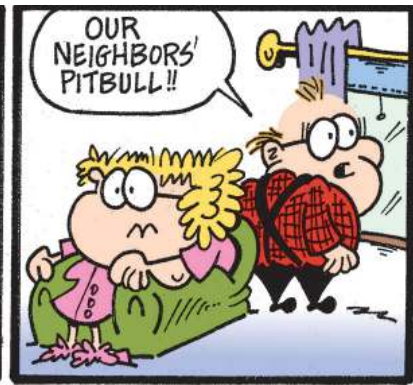
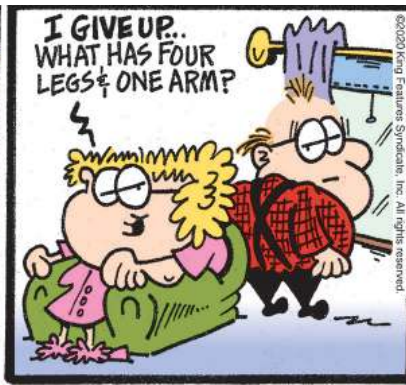
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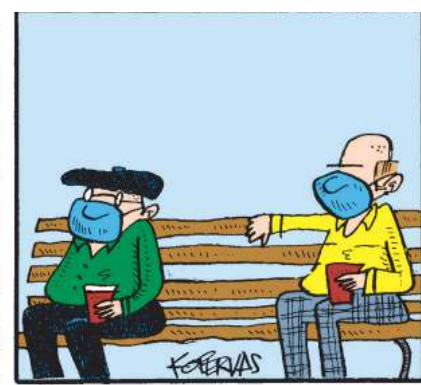
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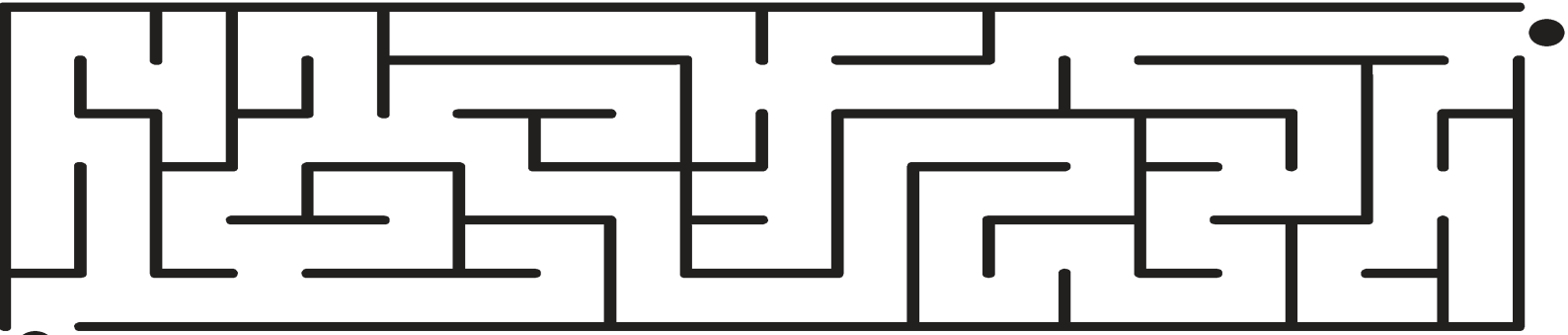
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## Kids' Maze



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## STICKELERS

by Terry Stickels

Which of the following words is misspelled?

- 1) connoisseur
- 2) sergeant
- 3) necessarily
- 4) repertoire
- 5) guerilla
- 6) cemetery

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## Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

On July 14, 1798, Congress passes the Sedition Act. The act permitted the prosecution of individuals who voiced or printed what the government deemed to be malicious remarks about the president or the U.S. government.

On July 19, 1879, Doc Holliday commits his first murder, killing a man for shooting up his saloon. Despite his reputation as a deadly gunslinger, Doc Holliday engaged in just eight shootouts during his life, and killed only two men.

On July 17, 1920, Nils Bohlin, the Swedish engineer and inventor responsible for the three-point lap and shoulder seatbelt, is born. Before 1959, only two-point lap belts were available in automobiles.

On July 18, 1969, after leaving a party on Chappaquiddick Island, Sen. Edward "Ted" Kennedy of Massachusetts drives an Oldsmobile off a bridge into a tide-swept pond. Kennedy escaped the submerged car, but his passenger, 28-year-old Mary Jo Kopechne, did not. The senator did not report the fatal car accident for 10 hours.

On July 13, 1985, at Wembley Stadium in London, Prince Charles and Princess Diana officially open Live Aid, a worldwide rock concert organized to raise money for the relief of famine-stricken Africans. The 16-hour "superconcert" was globally linked by satellite to more than a billion viewers in 110 nations.

On July 16, 1995, Amazon officially opens for business as an online book-seller, eventually selling everything from groceries to furniture. Founder Jeff Bezos initially dubbed the business Cadabra (as in abracadabra), but after someone misheard the name as "cadaver," he switched to Amazon.

On July 15, 2006, San Francisco-based podcasting company Odeo officially releases Twtr — later changed to Twitter — its short messaging service (SMS) to the public. The free application allowed users to share status updates by sending one text message to a single number ("40404"). During development, one engineer suggested calling it FriendStalker.

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**BIBLE WORD SEARCH**

**Answers**

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# SCRAMBLERS

*solution*

1. Endow 2. Herald;  
3. Splice; 4. Rattle

*Today's Word*

## WALLET

**Super Crossword**

*Answers*

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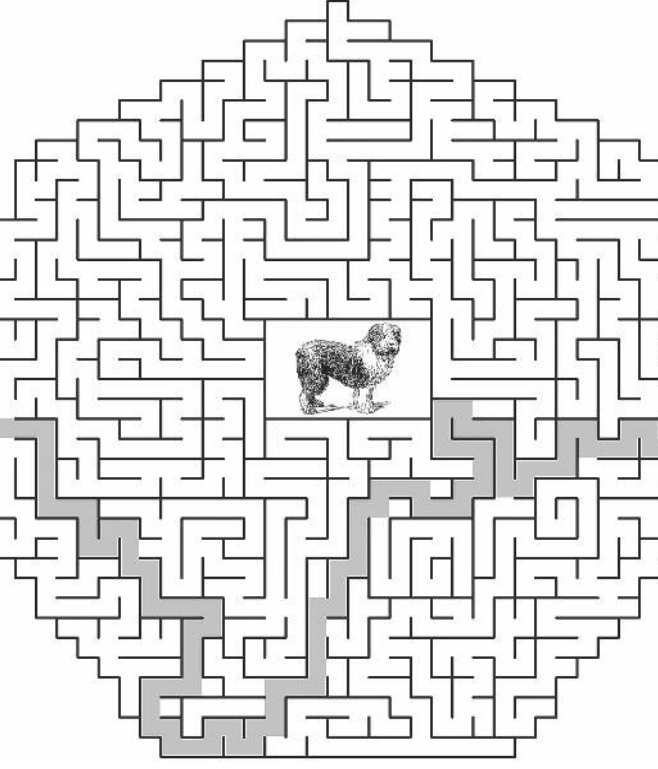
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Answer

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# Mega Maze

Solution



A large, circular, extremely complex maze with a small dog in the center. The solution path is highlighted in grey, starting from a black dot on the left and ending at a black dot on the right.

## Kids' Maze Solution



A rectangular maze with a solution path highlighted in grey, starting from a black dot on the left and ending at a black dot on the right.

# Even Exchange

## answers

1. Train, Twain	6. Freeze, Breeze
2. Clover, Closer	7. Arbor, Armor
3. Witch, Watch	8. Sprain, Strain
4. Normal, Norman	9. Brisk, Brink
5. Anger, Angel	10. Mature, Nature

# Super Crossword

## Answers

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Community Calendar



**ATTENTION READERS: All community calendar events are subject to change in response to the COVID-19 virus outbreak. Please use contact info to check with the below organizations before attempting to attend a meeting or event.**

Community Calendar is a free service of the Southside Messenger. We welcome all groups, churches, schools and businesses to send us your events and we will publish them free of charge, as space allows. Send your event to [calendars@southsidemessenger.com](mailto:calendars@southsidemessenger.com). Be sure to include the date, location, and time of the event, as well as any cost or fees. For-profit events will not be included in this calendar.

Meetings

- **Arc of Southern Virginia** meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in the Leggett Auditorium at Halifax Regional Hospital in South Boston. If desired, participants may bring a bag supper or purchase a carry out supper from the hospital's Bellwood Café. For more info, call 434-222-8931.
- **Chase City Chamber of Commerce** meets the second Thursday of each month at noon in the Chamber Office.
- **Farmville Rotary Club** meets every Thursday from noon to 1:00 p.m. at Charley's Waterfront Café in Farmville.
- **Keysville Lighthouse** meets on the second Saturday at Sheldon's Restaurant in Keysville beginning at 9:30 a.m.
- **Keysville Ruritan Club** meets every

- third Monday in Ash Camp Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Keysville at 6:30 p.m.
- **The Charlotte County Grays**, Sons of Confederate Veterans, meets on the third Tuesday at Sheldon's Restaurant in Keysville beginning at 6:30 p.m. Call 735-8415 or 696-2202 for info.
- **Town of Phenix Council** meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month.
- **GFWC Charlotte County Women's Club**, a Volunteer Community Service National woman's club, meets second Tuesday of each month at Central Middle School in Charlotte Court House, 6 p.m. For info, call 547-3305.
- **American Legion Post 99 & American Legion Auxiliary Unit 99** regular monthly meeting will be held the second Monday of each month. Auxiliary will meet at 6:30 p.m. with the Post meeting at 7 p.m. Location: Sinai Road and Mallard Lane, Halifax. For more info, call 434-476-7179 or 476-1268.
- **Lunenburg Rotary Club** meets every Tuesday (except the 5th Tuesday) 12 noon-1 p.m. Meeting is held the 1st Tuesday of the month at Mildred's Meals in Kenbridge; all other Tuesdays at Uptown Café in Victoria.
- **Charlotte County Democratic Committee** meets on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Drakes Branch Municipal Building.
- **Jack Garland American Legion Unit 32 & Auxiliary** meets the third Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m., at the Farmville VFW Post, Main St.
- **Piedmont Area Veterans Council**

- (PAVC) meets the third Monday of every month at the Farmville VFW, beginning at 10:30 a.m.
- **VFW Post 7059** holds meetings the first Thursday of each month at 6 p.m., Graham Road, Farmville.
- **Heart of Virginia Classic Auto Club** meets the second Monday of each month at Merk's Place, Farmville, at 6 p.m. for dining and 7 p.m. for the meeting.
- **Central High Museum, Inc.** located at 515 Thomas Jefferson Highway, Charlotte Court House, meeting will be held every second Thursday, 5 p.m.
- **The 320 Ladies Prayer & Bible Study Group** meetings are every Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Mt. Tirzah Baptist Church, Charlotte Court House. We are a diverse group from all around the Southside area, and we love to worship, pray and dig into the Word. For more information, contact Wanda Stewart at 434-547-4405.
- **American Legion Post #260** meets the third Thursday of each month at Sheldon's Restaurant, Keysville, 6:45 p.m.
- **VFW Lunenburg Post 9954 & Auxiliary** meets monthly on the second Saturday at 8 a.m. for breakfast and the fourth Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. for supper and business meeting, at 1000 Marshal St., Victoria.
- **Calling all "HAMS"** The Charlotte County Amateur Radio Club meets at Keysville Fire Station, 500 Osbourne St., the first Sunday of every month, 3 p.m. Experienced hams welcome and beginners encouraged to attend. Classes available, contact Dan (K5KHZ) at 434-210-8383 for information.
- **Lunenburg County Republican Committee** meets the first Monday of every month, January-October and December; November will be the first Tuesday, at Marion's Restaurant, Victoria, 6 p.m.
- **Charlotte County Republican Committee** meets the second Thursday of each month at the Charlotte Court House Town Office, 325 George Washington Hwy., Charlotte C.H., 7 p.m. For more information, call 434-470-0537.
- **Habitat for Humanity Charlotte County Committee** meets the third Monday, 7 p.m., in the basement of Drakes Branch Baptist Church. For more information, call/text 434-208-0558 or email [philjacksondb@gmail.com](mailto:philjacksondb@gmail.com).

Support Groups

- **Cancer Support Group** meets the third Monday of every month at 5:00 p.m. at Brian's Steak House, located at 625 E. Atlantic Street in South Hill. This monthly support group is for adult patients with cancer, their families, friends, and caregivers.
- **HIV/AIDS Support "Safe Space,"** a group for individuals living with HIV/AIDS, meets on the third Thursday of every month; location is private for the privacy of our participants. For more info and meeting location,, contact Marquis D. Mapp at 434-392-9461.
- **Cancer Connections** Meetings are held the third Monday of every month from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Hendrick Cancer & Rehab Center in South Hill, Va. For more info, contact Mary Hardin at 434-774-2417.
- **Domestic Violence Support Groups** Tri-County Community Action Agency hosts Support Groups on the first and third Tuesday of each month. For more info, call 434-572-1136.
- **Single & Parenting Support Group** meets each Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., at Drakes Branch Baptist Church. For more information, call Barbara at 434-568-4021 Mondays-Thursdays, 4:30-7:00 p.m.
- **Celebrate Recovery** meets every Tuesday night from 6:45-8:30 p.m., at Memorial United Methodist Church, Appomattox, in Legacy Hall, for adults age 18 and older. Childcare is available upon request. For more information, contact the church office at 434-352-5705.
- **Recovery Support Group** sponsored by NAMI Connection, for adults living with mental illness, the second Sunday

- of each month, 2-3:30 p.m., at Central Virginia Regional Library, 1303 W. Third St., Farmville.
- **Compulsive Eaters Anonymous-HOW** meets on Thursday mornings from 10-11 a.m. at the Farmville Presbyterian Church, 200 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Farmville. For more information, contact Joan at 434-607-1576 or Debbie at 518-248-7220.
- **Online Caregiver Support Group** will meet via Zoom Meeting, for persons caring for someone with Alzheimer's or Dementia, beginning Thursday, March 19 and continuing every Thursday at 2 p.m. For more information, call Marion Kyner at 434-547-7850 or email [mkyner@kinex.net](mailto:mkyner@kinex.net).

Alcoholics Anonymous

- Sunday 9 a.m.; Farmville Support, Centra Community Hospital, 800 Oak Street, Farmville; Open Discussion
- Sunday, 8 p.m.; Lifeboat College Church, College Road, Hampden-Sydney; Open Literature
- Monday, 8 p.m., Not Alone, Farmville United Methodist Church, 212 High Street, Farmville; Open Literature
- Tuesday, 7 p.m., Keysville Reflections, Briery Presbyterian Church, 181 Briery Road, Keysville; Open Literature
- Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Not Alone, Farmville United Methodist Church, 212 High Street, Farmville; Open Literature
- Thursday, 12:15 p.m.; Nooners Big Book Benders, Johns Episcopal Church, 400 High Street, Farmville; Literature Study
- Friday 6:15 p.m.; Women's Group, VASAP, 4026 W. Third Street, Farmville; Open Discussion
- Saturday, 1 p.m.; Joy of Living, Meherrin Presbyterian Church, 4999 Patrick Henry Hwy., Meherrin; Open Literature
- Saturday, 8 p.m.; Lifeboat College Church, College Road, Hampden-Sydney; Open Literature

Ongoing Events

- **AWAG Shuttle** Sign-up Every Tuesday AWAG (Animal Welfare Action Group) will be at the J. Robert Jamerson Memorial Library from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. For more info, call the library at 434-352-5340.
- **Breastfeeding Class** Centra Southside Community Hospital in Farmville will be holding a breastfeeding class on the first Tuesday of the month from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Quad Conference Room at Centra Southside Community Hospital, Third Street in Farmville. For info and registration call 434-547-9637
- **Dance** at the VFW Hall, located at 1055 L.P. Bailey Highway in Halifax, will hold a dance every Friday night from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Tickets are \$25 per couple, \$15 for singles. Snacks, ice and sodas will be available for purchase. Music by D.J. Barry & June. Proceeds will go to various programs benefiting veterans.
- **Food Bank** St. Luke Church of God in Christ, located on Arvin Street in Keysville, will sponsor a food bank every fourth Saturday from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Please bring your own bags or boxes to carry your food.
- **Drakes Branch Music Hall** on Main Street will be hosting a dance every Thursday night from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. sponsored by the Drakes Branch Ladies Club. The cover charge is only \$5.00 to attend this event.
- **12-Step Biblical Program** Midway Baptist Church, 2595 Midway Rd. in Phenix, Va. will present a 12-step Biblical program – Celebrate Recovery - every Thursday Night at 6:30 p.m. For more info, contact the church at 434-376-3574. Childcare provided.
- **Prince Edward Area Meals on Wheels Fundraiser** last Wednesday of each month, 4-8 p.m. at Bojangles, Farmville.
- **TPCC Food Pantry CVFB** delivers on the third Wednesday of the month – distribution is the next day (Thursday) from 9:30-12. Regular hours of TPCC Food Bank Mon.-Thurs. 8:30-11:30 Lunenburg County residents only.
- **Women's Bible Study** each Friday at 11

- a.m.-12 noon in the J. Robert Jamerson Memorial Library conference room. For more info, please call 434-352-8574.
- **Worship Service** of the Safe Haven Christian Ministries, each Sunday, 10:30 a.m., at 5150 Three Sixty Highway, Meherrin. Pastor is Rev. Gloria Eanes.
- **Community Prayer Breakfast** is held the first Tuesday of each month at Moton Museum, 7:30 a.m., in the auditorium.
- **Do you need a ride to church?** Drakes Branch Baptist Church offers free van service on Sunday mornings. Call the church office at 434-568-4021 or 434-208-8496 if interested.
- **Free Kids Club** every Monday, 4-5:30 p.m., for grades K-5<sup>th</sup>, at Drakes Branch Baptist Church. Snacks, homework help by certified teachers, Bible stories and lessons, games and crafts. To register or for more information, call the church at 434-568-4021.
- **Bible Study Class** every Wednesday evening, at Drakes Branch Baptist Church, for all middle school students. The material used will be AWANA material. For more information, call 434-208-8496.
- **"That the World May Know"** Video Series every Sunday evening, 6-7 p.m., at Drakes Branch Baptist Church. Free and open to the public.
- **Empowerment Bible Study** will meet first and third Thursday of each month, 5 p.m., at Morrison Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte Court House. All women and girls are welcome.
- **Free Online Training** – "Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences" (ACES) professional development for free online via Zoom. To register visit [crossroadscsb.org](https://crossroadscsb.org) and click on Prevention Services to find the Zoom links. For more information, contact Erin Sandow at [eglascock@crossroadscsb.org](mailto:eglascock@crossroadscsb.org).

Blood Drives

- **Red Hill-The Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation**, 1250 Red Hill Road, Brookneal, will be holding a blood drive on Tuesday, July 7, 1:30-7 p.m.
- **Drakes Branch Municipal Building**, 4818 North Main Street, Drakes Branch, will be holding a blood drive on Thursday, August 20, 1-6 p.m.

Events

Friday, July 3

- **Red, White & Brew** presented by Southside SPCA, 5-9 p.m., at Three Roads Brewing, 312 West Third St., Farmville. New Puppie Love T-Shirts for sale; limited edition face masks; tie-dye bandanas for your pets. \$1 from every pint sale is donated to Southside SPCA. Three Roads Brewing is a family-friendly establishment, including the fur-kids!

Friday, July 3-Monday, September 7

- **Pool Open** at Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center, 1267 4-H Camp Rd., Appomattox. Hours: Monday-Thursday 9-12 and 2-5; Friday 12-8; Saturday 11-6; Sunday 12-5. Swim all day (\$5 per person), plus parking fee (\$5 per car); 4 and under free. For more information, call 434-248-5444.

Tuesday, July 7

- **Ten Warning Signs of Alzheimer's** an educational program, 6-7 p.m., you MUST register by calling the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-272-3900. You may join via internet or phone. For more information, call Marion Kyner at 434-547-7850.

Friday, July 10

- **Alzheimer's Research Update** an educational program, 10-11 a.m., you MUST register by calling the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-272-3900. You may join via internet or phone. For more information, call Marion Kyner at 434-547-7850.
- **Free Movie** at the Pamplin Depot Main Street Freight Room, 7 p.m. Featured movie: The Music Man. All are welcome, bring your own snacks, refreshments, mask and lawn/stadium chairs (optional). This will be a socially distanced event.

Tuesday, July 7

- **Meeting** of the Heart of Virginia Beekeepers has been canceled. For more information, call Mary Jane Morgan at 434-315-1433.

Wednesday, July 15

- **REVIVE Training** free Lay Rescuer Training online (Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Education for Virginia), 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Register via Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7850250000>

Saturday, July 18

- **30 Year Reunion** of Randolph-Henry High School Class of 1990. Email [1990statesmen@gmail.com](mailto:1990statesmen@gmail.com) for further reunion information **before June 1, 2020.**



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