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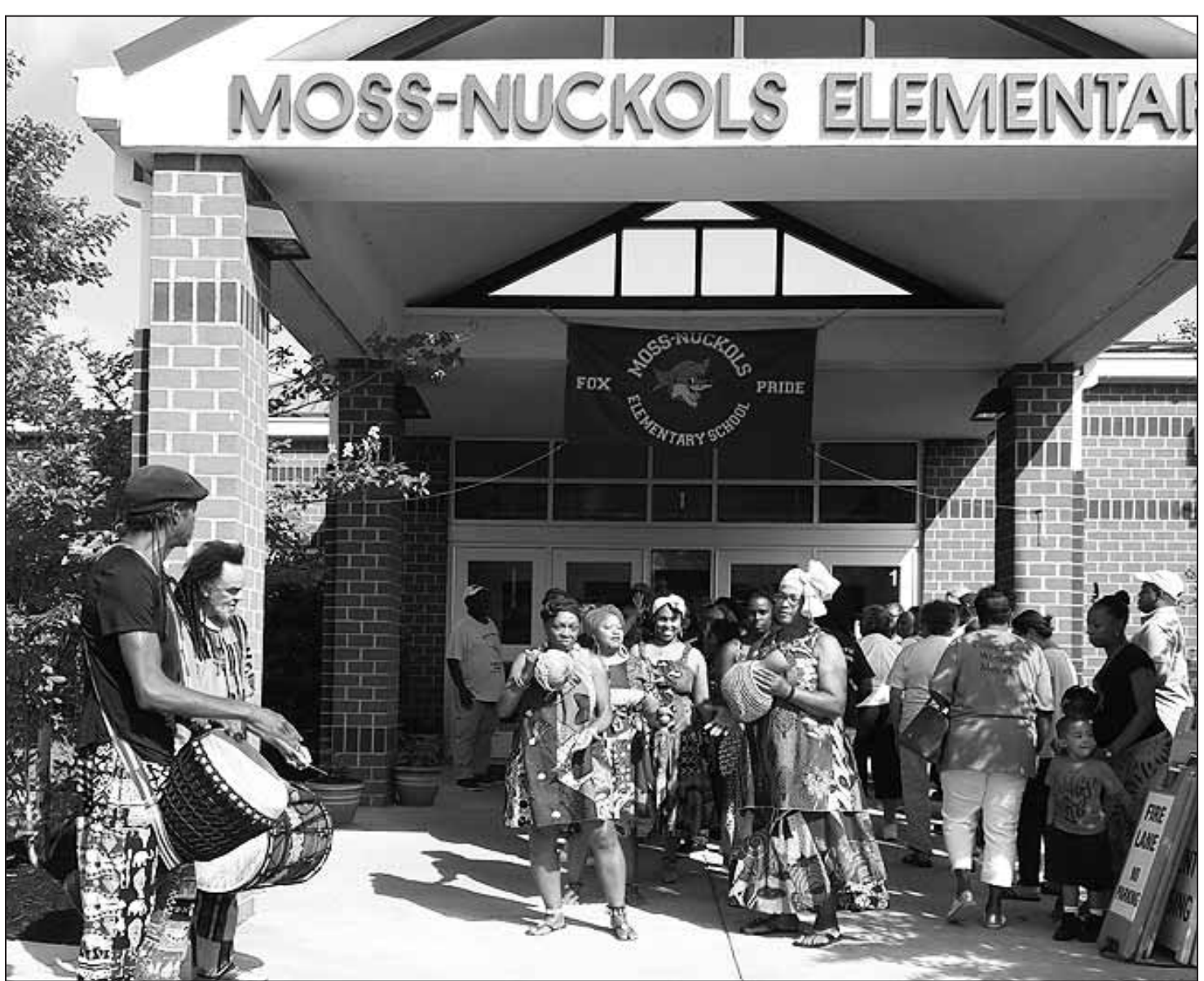
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Remembering a Blue Ridge Mountain Father recounts the life of George Harvey Shifflett through the recollections of Sherman Shifflett with help from his siblings. Photo courtesy of Sherman Shifflett.

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The procession, led by the Chihamba African Dance Troupe, steps off.

African-American Awareness Festival Deemed a Success

By Linda Salisbury
Correspondent

"I thought it was awesome," said Greg Jones, president of the Louisa County Chapter of the NAACP. He was speaking of the NAACP's African-American Awareness festival in Louisa County on Aug. 25. The weather was perfect, more than 1,200 people turned out from all around the region, and it was an event that celebrated coming together as a community, he said.

With the irresistible beat of drums, the Chihamba African Dance Troupe led a procession of dancers in colorful garb, followed by singers, performers and members of the public into Moss-Nuckols Elementary School. The procession kicked off the day-long festival, which showcased the rich history of black churches, people, food, and events in the county.

Jones said, "The event accomplished just what we wanted: to bring the community together and to have all those who experienced it leave knowing something they didn't know before they came. And, most importantly, leaving with the sense that really were all are



Howard L. Baugh Jr., son of Tuskegee Airman Lt. Col. Howard L. Baugh, talks about his father and the famed group of flyers.



Elaine Taylor, one of the festival's planners from the Louisa County Historical Society, assists visitors with information about the history exhibits.

more alike than we are different."

The festival, a vision of Jones for more than eight years, was organized by the Louisa NAACP, with the Louisa Historical Society and Louisa County Parks and Recreation assisting with

planning and promotion that began early last winter.

Among the performers and special guests were the son of Tuskegee Airman

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In late September Donna and Eddie Patrick hosted a book signing for author Sherman Shifflett at their Louisa restaurant, Smokin' Eddie's.



Author Sherman Shifflett reminisced with Evalyn Brown, a friend of his sister Chellie, who stopped by during a book signing at the Fabric Hut and Gift Gallery last month.

Recollections - On and Off the Mountain

By Pat Wilson
Correspondent

George Harvey Shifflett always claimed his family was “evicted” and “treated shabbily,” a grudge he held against federal and state authorities for the rest of his life. Born in 1904 and the youngest of seven children of Daniel and Melvina Shifflett, Harvey, as he was called, grew up on a farm in Rockingham County in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains. He endured a strict father, tolerated hard work, obtained only a basic education and survived the Depression. What he couldn't prevent was eminent domain. In 1933, his parents' farmland was taken and home burned as part of the New Deal project to create the Shenandoah National Park.

In a recently published book, *Remembering a Blue Ridge Mountain Father*, retired Louisa educator and administrator, Sherman Shifflett recounts his father's life on and off the mountain. Both poignant and humorous recollections tell of a family's struggles in the early decades of the 20th century. Self-sufficiency meant raising livestock and hunting for meat, canning and drying fruits and vegetables, and stashing any little money in jars instead of trusting banks. Trips to Harrisonburg to buy food staples were rare, but often included selling surplus farm products and, if possible, buying shoes. Sherman's father knew the meaning of “hand-me-downs.”

“The Skyline Drive goes right through my grandfather’s farm,” said Sherman. “It caused a lot of bitterness among the people and my father said that state authorities torched the house almost before he was out of sight. Grandfather lost 250 acres and was paid \$3,053, which might have been a fair price back then.”

Harvey and his wife Nelie along with their younger children and his parents relocated to Colesville in Albemarle County. Sherman was born there, and remembers his father working for an orchard owner along with enjoying hunting and fishing. But, the feeling of resentment never faded.

“He missed the mountains. After he retired, frequently on Sunday afternoons we’d take him to the Skyline Drive and drop him off near the area of the old family farm. He would sit on a rock all day and just whittle – until we picked him up,” Sherman wrote.



A symbolic chimney erected in Rockingham County as part of the Blue Ridge Heritage Project bears the name of Daniel Shifflett, Sherman Shifflett’s grandfather who was displaced by the creation of the Shenandoah National Park.

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Daniel and Melvina Shifflett farmed land in the Blue Ridge Mountains. All photos courtesy of Sherman Shifflett



Sherman Shifflett is pictured in the late 1940s with his sisters, Chellie and Nancy.



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Known for his ability to tell stories, flattering or not, about his own life, Sherman's unique perspective on his father's years permeates the book's anecdotes. For instance, Harvey passed his work ethic on to his children. The chores of Sherman's youth included working in the family's extensive garden and feeding chickens. He related incidents about the rooster Big Boy and his father's admonition to the hens that "an egg a day keeps the ax away."

His father kept hounds, a variety of coon dogs, blue ticks and Black and Tans. The book contains numerous hunting stories, a passion of Harvey's and a source of meat, including squirrel, duck and rabbit. Once, Sherman asked his father if he'd ever gone bear hunting. He replied, "Yes." The follow up question was "Did you have any luck?" His father replied, "Shore did. I did not see a single bear all day."

Sherman's humor, like his father's, is also apparent when he writes about

discipline. Harvey did not hesitate to apply the paddle or a belt to his children's backsides. Restricting television or telephone time was not an option since the family had neither. Grounding wouldn't work, because they didn't have a car. Teachers and other authoritative adults were always right and were unconditionally to be respected

Above all, Sherman used the term "a good man" to describe his father. The book lists some of the man's homespun advice. "The only time you look down on someone is when you are trying to help them up." "Give more than you take." "You can't travel the road of life by looking in the rear-view mirror."

Several of his philosophical expressions centered on animals. "About as useless as putting a milk pail under a bull." "As happy as a pig in slop." "If a jackass kicks me once, it's his fault. If he kicks me twice, it's my fault."

In 2018, Sherman and two brothers

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Howard L. Baugh, who talked about his father's legacy during WWII. His father, who died in 2008, "was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award and the usual theater and campaign medals. In June 2004, the French Government presented him with its highest and most prestigious military award, the French Legion of Honor." Baugh Jr. also related the history of the special group of airman. He, himself, was an Air Force pilot in Vietnam with a later career in commercial aviation.

Also in the cafeteria were displays from 15 historic black churches in Louisa County, many dating to the 19th century.

Among the events and performances in the auditorium during the day included Atumpan, the Talking Drums, from Norfolk; story-teller and gourd-banjo player, Dr. Dena Jennings from Orange, the Chihamba African Dance Troupe from Charlottesville, and the 20 member Spirit of Truth Choir, which formed earlier this year.

A large tent that featured educational and community resource displays included one from the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), with its president, Irene M. Johnson-Loftin, handing out materials; the Louisa County Historical Society that displayed information on its projects involving the black history of Louisa County. Allen Jennings, who sponsored the historical roadside marker to honor the incredible life of Louisa



Members of the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club wear their insignia proudly.

native Henry "Box" Brown, gave a demonstration of what it would have been like for Box Brown to fit into the box he built to ship himself from Richmond to freedom in the north in 1849 where he was welcomed by Abolitionists in Philadelphia.

Karleen Kovalcik, executive director of the Louisa County Historical Society was on hand to help during the event. She said, "The African-American Awareness Festival was a wonderful event! It was great to learn about other organizations and projects going on in our community and the Historical Society was especially grateful for the opportunity to spread awareness about two of our current projects. One is our new digital history trail (accessible through our website lousiahistory.org) which showcases local sites associated with the American Revolution and the experiences of African Americans,

women, and Virginia Indians throughout the county's history."

A contingent of dozens of members of the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club, a Black motorcycle club in the United States, named for the historic African-American United States Army regiments known as Buffalo Soldiers, roared in to celebrate the festival.

And lines were long until the festival ended at both the Burruss Market and Deli (Louisa based) where the festival fare included among other things fried fish, and pigs feet. And the descendants of the historic chicken vendors from the Gordonsville Depot dished up their famous fried chicken, collards and other homemade sides. Gordonsville became famous for its fried chicken when in 1854, slaves treated waiting passengers to fried chicken, sandwiches and fruit. After the Civil War, fried chicken vendors started their own busi-



Irene M. Johnson-Loftin, president of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History shares information at the ASALH booth.

nesses during a time when food and beverages were not yet available on trains.

The event was also supported by the BAMA Works Fund of the Dave Matthews Band and the Louisa County Community Fund. Featured performers are were supported by the John E. Thomasson Foundation, Dominion Energy and the Historic Green Springs, Inc.

Jones said that the Louisa NAACP reflects the diversity of the community. It meets and welcomes visitors on the third Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church in Louisa.

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Jones said the group is already looking forward to next year's festival.

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visited the Elkton site established by the Blue Ridge Heritage Project in Rockingham County which honored property owners who were displaced by the park. His grandfather's name is listed on the brass plaque attached to a symbolic stone chimney.

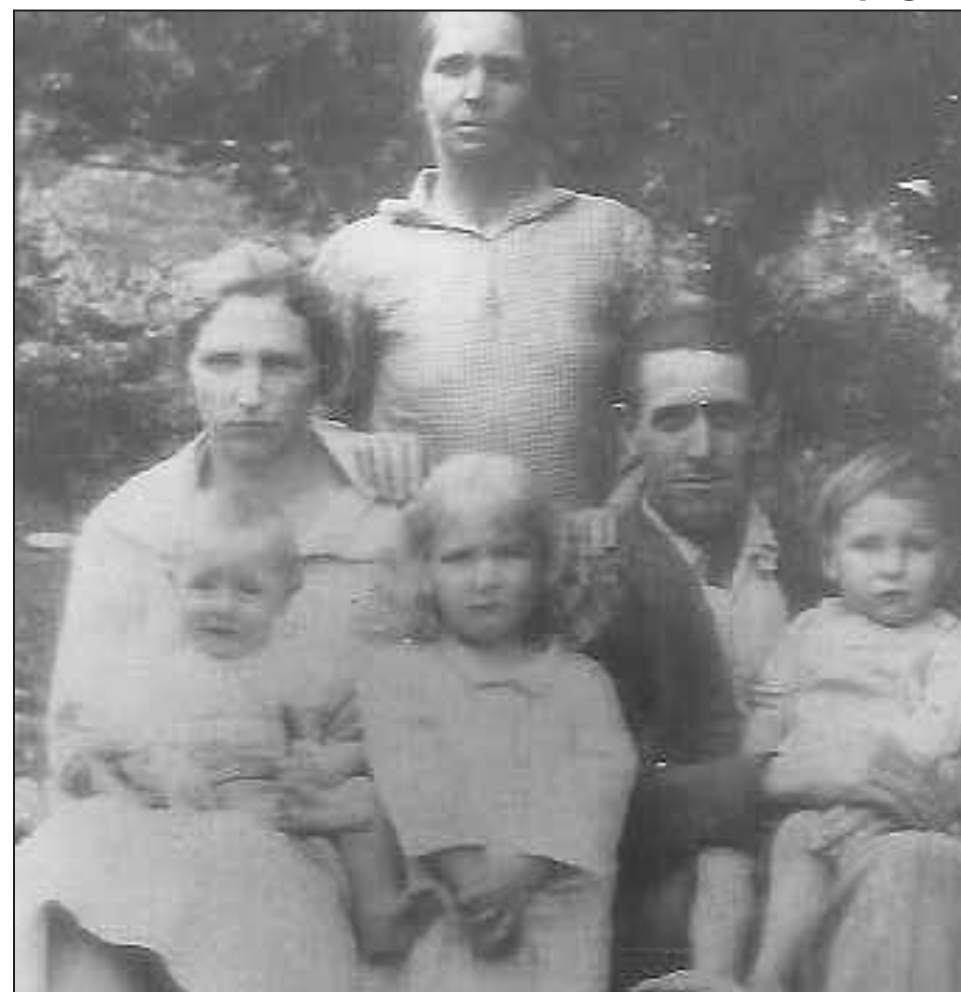
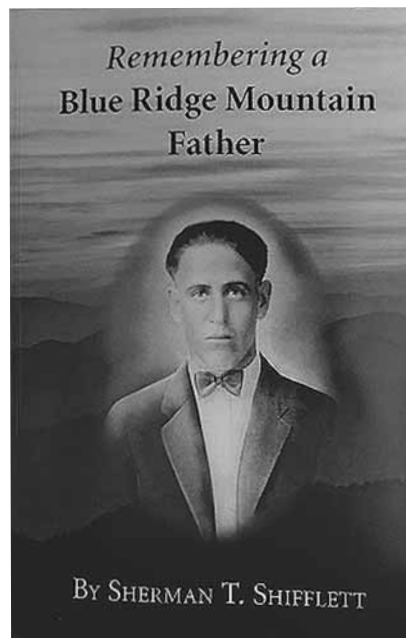
Although the author claims he never intended to write a book, Friends and family urged him to preserve Shifflett history. So, Sherman began compiling anecdotes from his personal memories and those of his siblings. After a Richmond-based syndicated reporter included him in a story about the Blue Ridge Heritage Project, Sherman heard similar requests from numerous acquaintances and former students from across the country. His book is the result of a three-year effort to compile, organize and write, plus accumulate photographs.

After graduating with a bachelor's degree from East Tennessee State University in 1966, Sherman was drafted into the army, served two years then returned to the Charlottesville area. He never intended to teach, but a long-term substituting opportunity at Louisa County High School led to a 31-year career, first as a business then visiting teacher, and later as vocational director, and eventually an assistant principal. He also coached cross country and track. Sherman earned a master's degree from the University of Virginia.

Active in the community, Sherman is serving his fourth term as the Mineral district school board representative. He was involved in the Mineral Historical Foundation, as well as served on the Industrial Development Authority and the Louisa County Parks and Recreation Advisory Council. A strong supporter of the Louisa Education Foundation, Sherman is the school board's liaison.

And, what's next? Sherman is gathering information for a second book focusing on his mother's side of the family.

Copies of the book can be purchased at the Fabric Hut or by contacting the author at sherwood@firstva.com



A 1930s photograph shows Nelie Florence and George Harvey Shifflett with three of their children, Ed, Beulah and Ferrell. An aunt is in the background. Photo courtesy of Sherman Shifflett.

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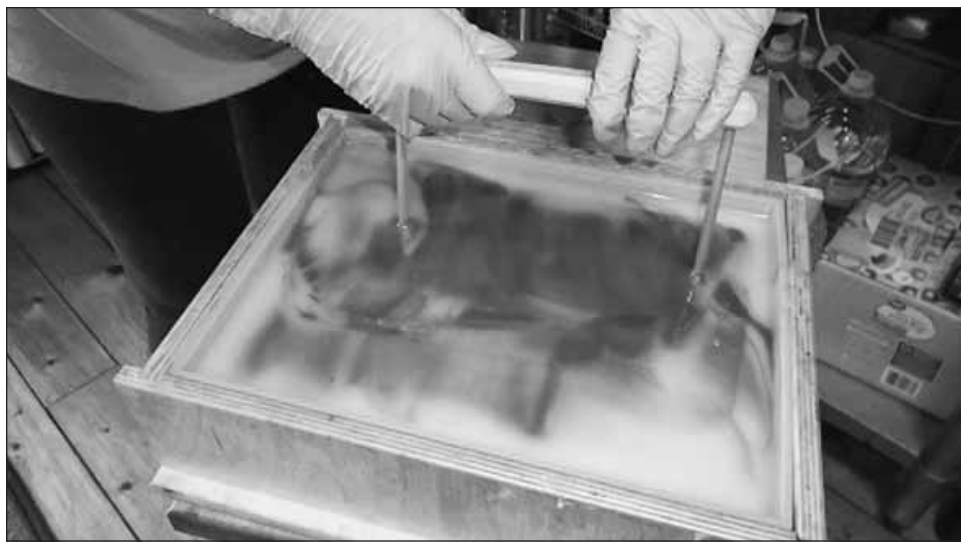
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Appealing to the Senses

By Pat Wilson
Correspondent

Six years ago Becky Vigon was recovering from health issues and decided that a hobby might be the distraction she needed. Becky remembered an Arizona family friend who is a professional soap maker, so she reconnected. Becky who describes herself as a “obsessive crafter” quickly adopted the hobby which evolved into a business, Daily Reprive Soapery. She jokes that her timing was between her “zits and wrinkles” ages and that perhaps the business might be better termed as a “self-sustaining hobby.”

The friend became a mentor, although she wouldn't share her “recipes” or too many tricks-of-the-trade. Still, she started Becky in the right direction to research, blog with others, locate sources for supplies and design a website. Becky joined soap making guilds.

“With the first batch, I was hooked,” said Becky. “I got to play with chemistry, do math, do graphic design and, in a sense, cook. It's also therapeutic when I see what I have accomplished each day.”

Becky converted the loft of her log cabin home into a workshop, a decision approved by her husband Jon. Stainless steel workbenches provide space for heating, cooling and mixing the ingredients of her proprietary formulas. Shelves are filled with tubs and buckets in a vast assortment of plant-based oils

and butters. Liter bottles of essential oils and synthetic fragrance oils are neatly labeled and stored next to cosmetic mica powders in various colors. Racks display the hardened and labeled bars ready for clients.

“I'll mix and match, then add other ingredients like lard and tallow to create smooth, hard bars of soap. My soaps are good for the skin because they have free-floating fatty acids,” she said. “If I make a facial soap, I might add a little ground apricot kernel or oatmeal to act as an exfoliant.”

Becky's chalkboard lists her production goals for the week, both to fill customers' orders or replace bars that were depleted by sales at her last market or festival. Seasonally, she specializes in unique combinations such as Halloween colors (Witches Brew) or Christmas reds and greens (Holly Berry). Throughout the year, Becky will use a vast array of popular fragrances such as lavender, peppermint, coconut, avocado and jasmine.

Soap Making

The soap making process begins with Becky combining lye with a water salt mixture which causes an exothermic reaction that she lets cool. Stirring with a stick blender, Becky adds the oils and butters along with a dab of goat's milk powder. Next, she adds fragrance oils. When thoroughly mixed, the formula is divided into several containers.

Mica powders, mixed with some base oils, are added to all but one container which remains as the base color. For instance, for the Christmas soap she used red and green mica powders.

First, the base and then the colors are poured into a specially designed wooden mold with a supple-sided insert. Becky then swirls the colors in a random pattern. The mold is set aside for about a day to harden. After removing the soap from the mold, Becky uses a soap loaf cutter and a specially designed multi-bar cutter to make 32 bars per batch.

"Finally, I let the soap cure for a minimum of 30 days," she said. "This makes the bars creamy and gentle on the skin. All those things you want your soap to be."

Becky creates paper labels providing information about the business and listing the ingredients and net weight of a particular soap. The specifics of each batch are recorded in a ledger. This meets Food and Drug Administration cosmetic and consumer products regulations. She compared her slightly higher price based on the quality of the soaps with buying a specialty coffee, and then added that the advantage of the soap is that it will be appreciated much longer than a latte.

"I feel that soap with your favorite fragrance should be a little treat for yourself," she said.

The artisan doesn't limit her skills to just bars, but also formulates hand and body lotions, body butters, shampoos, sprays of essential oils, tubs of sugar scrub, a soft shaving soap, which can include a shaving mug and brush, and even dog shampoo. Several products are vegan designated. All these products can be viewed and ordered from her website, www.DailyRepriveSoapery.com. **Becky can be contacted by email at becky@dailyreprivesoapery.com or at (540) 854-7626.**

Becky will be attending the Mineral Farmer's Market (Saturdays through the end of October), the Meet and Greet at Nourish Louisa (Main Street) on Saturday, November 3, the Belmont Club of Women Craft Show on Saturday, November 10, and the Orange Holiday Village Festival on Saturday, December 1. Both Nourish Louisa and Lake Anna Winery carry a variety of her items.

Mineral Farmer's Market

Becky is one of the co-founders of the Mineral Farmer's Market which is open on Saturdays from May through October. Located in a lot across from the Mineral Firehouse for 10 years, the market has evolved into a gathering spot to meet friends and purchase produce, baked goods and crafts or gain information about public service organizations such as the Central Virginia Master Gardeners and various humane societies. Visitors to the market or craft shows can stop at her booth and browse



Becky Vigon searches her myriad of option in fragrances, colors and other ingredients when using her creativity to make one-of-a-kind soaps and other products.

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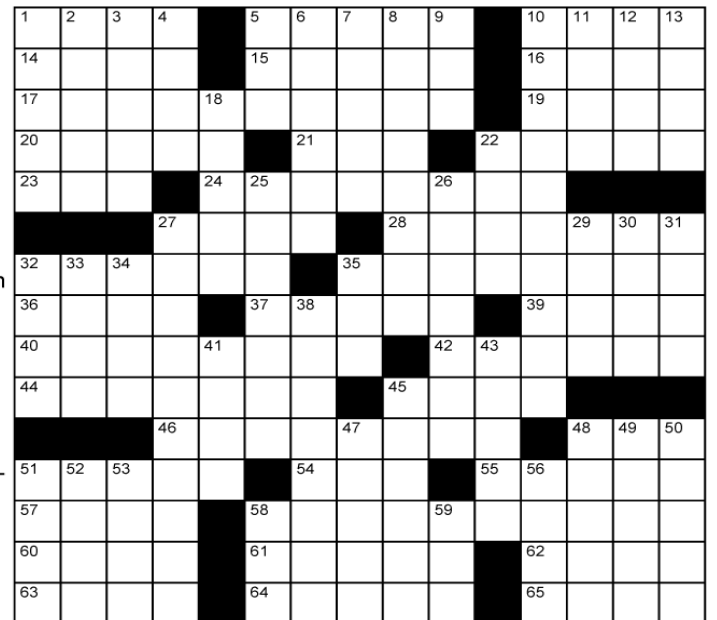
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by Margie E. Burke

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- Club at a club
- Troop group
- Power glitch
- Snap-together toy
- Xeriscape option
- Cooking fat
- Look of contempt
- Do goo
- Delhi dough
- CBS symbol
- Professor _____
- Figure skater Johnny
- Cigarette flavor
- Compassionate
- Type of agent
- Impassioned
- Indian yogurt dip
- Miles away
- Applicable
- Plant with stinging leaves
- Box with a bow
- Mound of sand
- Cold-hearted
- Granola morsel
- Back of a boat
- Cozy room
- _____-violet
- It comes and goes
- Mythological daydreamer
- Pond scum
- Musical exercise
- Do some darning
- Cattail, e.g.



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- Plains dwelling
- Farm call

DOWN

- Dissect, in a way
- Literary device
- Roast host
- TV's Dick Van _____
- "Suits" network
- Fast food favorite
- Judge's issuance
- 21, at a casino, say
- Royal flush card

- Give an example
- Pear anagram
- Storybook villain
- Connecting point
- Type of energy
- Wandering worker
- Rusty nail danger
- Sweeping
- Dagger handle
- Like some vaccines
- Orpheus' instrument
- Bony fish
- State confidently
- Get to

- On, as a lamp
- Poison remedy
- Miner's find
- Follow as a result
- Strip bare
- Diminish, as rain
- Sleek swimmer
- "Gladiator" setting
- Late for class
- Antares, for one
- Mah-jongg piece
- Margin
- Flock member
- Give the go-ahead
- "I told you so!"



Dapper shows off his jumping skills as Patti Fountain holds his lead at the Pony Fair at her farm.



Dapper with Patti Fountain in the cart in Florida before their move to Virginia. (Photo provided).

Pony Partners a gift for children

By Linda Salisbury
Correspondent

Patti Fountain, owner of Pony Partners in Louisa, has a special "gift" for the children of this community. Pony Partners is a new non-profit whose services are free (donations accepted to offset program expenses and pony supplies).

Fountain has had a lifelong love of horses and wants to share her passion with others after she moved to Louisa County in 2017. Her 3.5-acre farm on Chalklevel Road is home to seven ponies or miniature horses. They are part of Fountain's life-coaching classes to help children or families deal with stress, or situations such as bullying behavior or dealing with bullies, and to better communicate among themselves.

The friendly equines clearly enjoy both Fountain's attention and that of visitors. They quickly trot over to the fence or across a pasture when they hear her voice to enjoy some attention.

Children, ages four and up through teens are not allowed to ride the ponies, but instead they learn the skills for communicating with these sensitive animals, caring for them, including feeding (and learning about proper foods), hoof care, and knowing basic equipment. Children learn to lead the ponies, and wear helmets when it's appropriate, she said. "Safety comes first."

Her program is based on her knowledge of horses and a desire to help kids. "What I really want to do is help kids who really like horses to have the opportunity to get their hands on them and develop some skills." This will help them in many ways, from becoming riders or dealing with personal issues. "I'm here to support parents in whatever kind of development issues their children need or want," she said.

Fountain said that Pony Partners is equine assisted life coaching, for which she has certification. She also has a background in education as a certified teacher in Home Economics and early childhood education.

"Life coaching is to help people take a look at beliefs, they have, what caused them and to ask if it's true," she said. "The coach and client evaluate current situations, identify and clarify what outcome the client wants to achieve, then they collaborate on short goals and actions. It's my idea that my clients will be developing many types of skills, such as self-esteem and confidence, while working with the horses. I also hope that people who come to the farm for whatever reason will find it a place to relax, refresh and have fun playing with the ponies," she added. But overall, the Pony Partner experience is focused on "providing an opportunity for kids and families to have fun recreational and learning activities that include the horses."

Her ponies, like people, have different personalities, and Fountain knows she needs to understand each and gain their trust. Dapper, a gray pony, is the perfect example. He is a driving horse, meaning that he had been trained to pull a small cart. Fountain acquired him when she had a farm in Southwest Florida. When she decided to drive him outside of the arena, he bolted and Fountain, an experienced driver, said she was unable to calm him because she had not developed a strong relationship with him at the time. So, she fell out of the cart and Dapper, cart and all, ran into the pond. That experience taught her that she hadn't earned his trust

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to follow her directions. She gave him a rest from the cart for more than a year and worked on building trust and finding out what Dapper liked to do. It turned out he enjoyed jumping and jumped obstacles on his own. These were skills he demonstrated at the Pony Fair that Fountain hosted at her farm in August. Families were among those who attended to meet the ponies (including CiCi dressed as a unicorn) and to learn about the Pony Partners program.

Fountain says that she always loved horses and wanted to own one. "Horse was my first word," she said with a laugh. Her family couldn't afford to buy one but she saved her money from various chores and went to a riding stable where she rented one named Melody for an hour at a time. Later, when her family moved to a house with land, she bought her first pony, a palomino named Princess. Later she had a series of riding horses, then became involved with the miniature horses, which are different structurally from ponies, she said. The miniatures are more like small horses, whereas the ponies are usually stockier than horses.

"I was one of those kids destined to have horses," Fountain said. Pony Partners lets her share that love with others on her Louisa farm.

To learn more about Pony Partners, volunteer or make an appointment to see her farm visit www-Pony-Partners.com or call (540) 661-6510.

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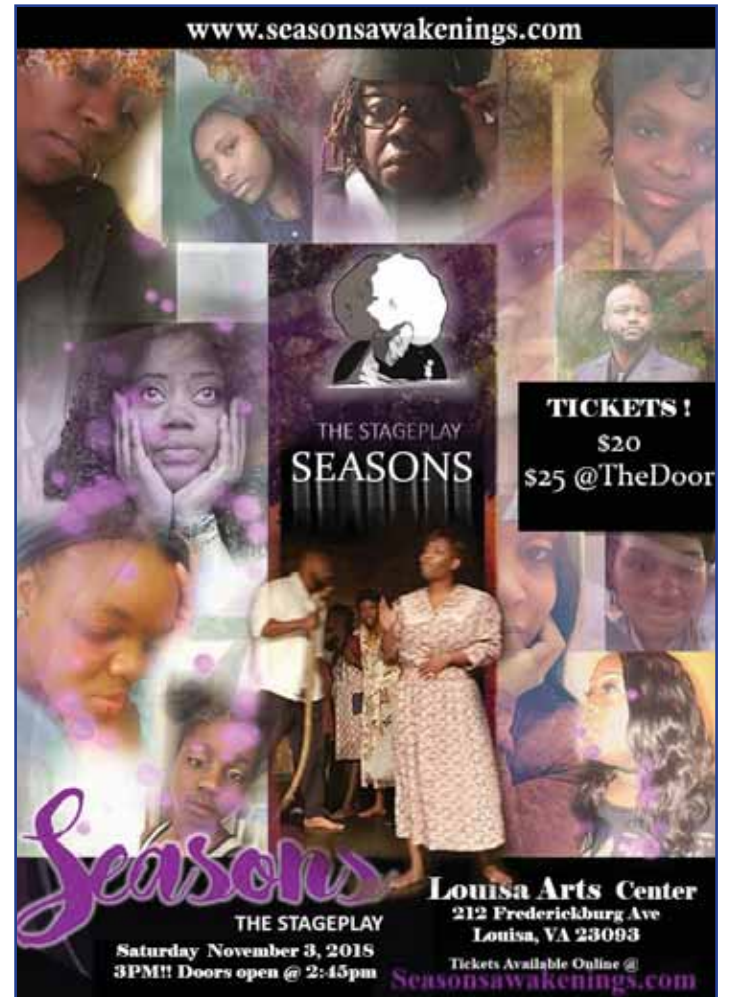
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