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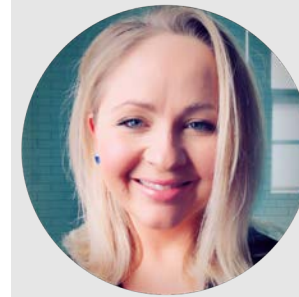
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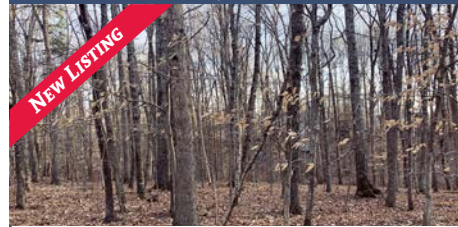
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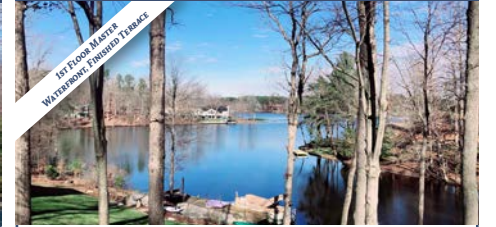
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Below: This squirrel is determined to have some lunch. Photo by Monique Drumheller



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Supervisors Dahl set to become county administrator

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CORRESPONDENT

Eric Dahl, Fluvanna's finance director and deputy county administrator, will take over for outgoing County Administrator Steve Nichols in July.

The Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve Dahl as Nichols' successor at the start of Wednesday's (March 6) meeting, capping off the vote with a round

of applause and group photos with Dahl and his wife Jill, who works as an educator with the Charlottesville City Schools.

Nichols announced his retirement in mid-December. He'll leave his position July 5 after more than seven years as administrator.

"Eric has done an outstanding job with the finance department and as our deputy

county administrator," said Chair Mike Sheridan. "This is an exciting time in Fluvanna and he is the right man for the job."

Dahl started with Fluvanna county government in 2011 and became director of finance in 2014. He was named deputy county administrator in May 2016.

Dahl manages the county's financial

planning and reporting, annual budget, capital improvements plan, grants, accounts payable, payroll, procurement, risk management, debt management, debt issuance, financial software system administration, information technology functions, the Children Services Act, and currently

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TAX TIPS

BY RUDY GARCIA, RIVANNA WOODS FINANCIAL / TAX SERVICES

2019 Social Security Changes Announced

The Social Security Administration announced a 2.8 percent boost to monthly Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for 2019. The increase is the largest in seven years and is based on the rise in the Consumer Price Index over the past 12 months ending in September 2018. A recap of the key amounts is outlined below.

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Located just west of US 15 and south of US 250, along Starlite Parkway, we have Mac's Auto, Cabinets By Design, European Stone Concepts, Alcolock Ignition Interlock and Store Your Boards.

Just west of Starlite along Better Living Drive, you can find Better Living, Red Rocker Candy, Zion Crossroads Self Storage, Showtime Car Care, Brownell Metal Studio and Commonwealth Building Materials.

Heading back up to Richmond Road just to the west of US 15 we have the

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Our next stop is at the Zion Crossroads Professional Park where you can find, Mike Arnold Agency-Nationwide, Commonwealth Life and Legacy Counsel, Twig Yoga, JLA Massage and Bodywork, CHIP of Virginia, Roy Wheeler Realty, Adaptive IT Solutions, Core Health Technology and County Waste.

Continuing west on Richmond Road we come to Hunter Branch Road where we find Van der Linde Recycling, Republic Services Fluvanna Transfer Station and Conklin Lyon. Heading north across Richmond Road you will end up at Kloeckner Metals.

Our final stop in our Open For Business In Zion Crossroads tour is Troy Road north of Richmond Road where we can visit Lafayette School, Carbon-Core Technology and Bright Ideas.

As you can see from this short tour, Fluvanna County has a number of diverse businesses represented in the Zion Crossroads area. If I missed any businesses in this area, please feel free to call the Fluvanna Chamber of Commerce so we can add you to our list of businesses in this area.

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assists Nichols in directing the county's day-to-day operations.

"I am honored by the unanimous trust and support from the board to be chosen as the next county administrator," Dahl said. "Over the years I've had the opportunity to work with a wonderful leader and mentor in Nichols, as well as multiple board members and an amazing county staff that has helped prepare me for this position... I am excited by this opportunity and I look forward to achieving the goals set by the Board of Supervisors."

Economic development

Board members also heard a presentation by new Economic Development Coordinator Bryan Rothamel that outlined what he sees as "opportunities and struggles" facing Fluvanna County.

About 7,000 of Fluvanna's 26,000 residents work outside the county – mostly in Charlottesville. "That means an hour a day they're not spending in the county," Rothamel said. It also makes them more likely to shop, eat, and gas up closer to the city, stalling local economic growth.

"People really live in Charlottesville, but they sleep here," he said.

To combat this, Rothamel said, "We need to show residents what we can do here," while also encouraging people outside the county to come for a visit.

Digital marketing campaigns could have a role in his development plans. Among some potential taglines are "Fluvanna: Where less is more," and, playing off Pleasant Grove, "Fluvanna: Pleasantly you."

Rothamel will also focus on outreach to existing local businesses and drawing new businesses to the area, particularly Zion Crossroads, where the county will hold two public information meetings in late April.

Parks and rec budget

After dinner and closed session, four supervisors reconvened for a budget work session. Chair Mike Sheridan left early for family reasons.

Aaron Spitzer, parks and recreation director, talked about some of the items included in his departmental budget requests.

Some suggestions were relatively small, including a \$500 advertising budget for Pleasant Grove's 25th anniversary celebrations later this year, and \$2,400 for supplies for the senior center.

He also talked about the need for fencing around the soccer fields and security fencing at Pleasant Grove and the dog park. He and his staff often find evidence of campfires and refuse along the river trails, as people are able to enter the areas after dark.

Spitzer made a pitch for two part-time staff members: a park maintenance staffer at \$11,500 a year and a ServSafe-certified staffer for the new commercial kitchen at the Fluvanna Community Center for about \$13,700 a year.

Under a new state regulation, commercial kitchens have to have ServSafe-certified staff on site when in use. Since the kitchen will be rented out to the public, who may not have those certifications, an on-call staff member would keep the county in compliance with state rules.

With budget season in full swing, there are still plenty of line items for supervisors to look at, including the county's fire and rescue services.

"We really have to have a hardcore, no-kidding discussion [with county departments] about what we need and what we can afford," Nichols said.

Nichols and Emergency Management Coordinator Debbie Smith talked about equipment and vehicle replacements and, more generally, about where the different squads might standardize equipment and training to maximize budget dollars.

Supervisors are scheduled to set an advertised real estate tax rate March 20. Final decisions will take place in mid-April.

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Blogger who successfully sued county tapped as economic development coordinator

BY MADELINE OTTEN, CORRESPONDENT
AND CHRISTINA DIMEO, EDITOR



Courtesy photo of Bryan, Miller and Blair Rothamel.

In an unusual move, Fluvanna County leaders hired a man who beat them in a lawsuit as chief county marketer.

Bryan Rothamel began work as Fluvanna's economic development coordinator in February, but his interactions with the county started long ago.

In 2009 Rothamel began the Fluco Blog, a website covering news and sports within the county, and used an image of the county seal to illustrate various stories. In 2010 the Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance prohibiting use of the county seal without approval, in a move that then-Supervisor Shaun Kenney characterized as a "remedial action" against Rothamel for writing something that a supervisor disagreed with, according to the Richmond Times-Dispatch. Kenney was the only supervisor to vote against the ordinance.

Rothamel sued. He and his attorneys from The Rutherford Institute, an Albemarle County-based civil liberties organization, argued that the county violated the First and Four-

teenth Amendments by passing the ordinance.

In 2011 U.S. District Judge Norman K. Moon agreed, ruling in favor of Rothamel. U.S. Magistrate Judge Vaughn Crigler ordered the county to pay Rothamel \$37,119.50 in attorneys' fees and \$353 in costs.

"This was a governmental attempt to censor a citizen's free speech and the court rightly condemned the county for it," said John Whitehead, president of The Rutherford Institute, according to The Daily Progress.

Rothamel graduated from Fluvanna County High School in 2006. He attended High Point University and obtained a degree in communication with an emphasis in journalism. He recently worked as a reporter for the Free Enterprise Forum covering Fluvanna Board of Supervisors meetings.

As economic development coordinator, Rothamel seeks to help grow Fluvanna's economy. As a Fluvanna native, marketing Fluvanna through tourism, jobs, new businesses,

and expansion of existing businesses comes easily to him.

"I am really excited to help our current businesses grow. I think we can grow our reach in terms of staycations and small events for the Charlottesville area," said Rothamel. "I am working on promoting our county in different ways to encourage more people to enjoy our county's assets on a regular basis."

Picking up from the last economic development coordinator, Jennifer Edwards, who stopped working in December, Rothamel continues to market the county through social media outlets and the Fluvanna County website. Through these forums, he hopes to show why and how Fluvanna is a great place to live, learn, work and play.

As for long-term goals, Rothamel is looking to diversify the business community and to include more employers. Including more employers will result in more jobs within Fluvanna County, so residents can live and work in the same community.

At a young age Rothamel was intrigued by new business.

"It started when I was in elementary school and Food Lion on Turkey's Sag was being developed," said Rothamel. "The kids on my school bus were thrilled with the news as I would relay what my father told me from news reports. I've always taken a liking to this field."

In college Rothamel was impressed with the work High Point University did with local city government in redevelopment. He said it helped spark his interest in development, expansion of local economy and working with partners in the private and public sector.

Growing up in and working for Fluvanna

has its perks. For Rothamel, it makes the job easier, especially since he talks about the county as part of his daily responsibilities. He looks forward to thinking creatively about how Fluvanna's economy can grow, and pointed to the Zion Crossroads water line as a project that will help attract development for more jobs.

"I am in a great starting position because of the work the county has undertaken over the last few years," said Rothamel. "We will have water at Zion Crossroads in less than two years. I'm excited for the work ahead to attract and retain businesses with that in mind."

Throughout the past month, Rothamel has seen support from the community in his new role. People he knew while he was growing up are still involved with the county, and he said he appreciates the support of those long-time friends.

Rothamel and his wife, Blair, met on a blind date in 2014 and married 500 days later. They currently live in Charlottesville and are both avid college basketball fans, specifically the University of Virginia, and New York Mets fans.

"It is convenient those seasons are opposite of each other," said Rothamel. "We love sitting down to watch our U.Va. basketball play. But all summer long we are glued to the Mets."

Both sides of the family live in the county and love spending time with the Rothamels' nine-month-old daughter, Miller, and catching up on her newly learned skills.

Rothamel looks forward to helping Fluvanna's current businesses grow their customer base. This will be rewarding, he said, since the county has a lot to offer the region. By growing tourism, businesses will see a direct impact.



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Jonathan Oliver, co-owner and front-end manager, knows that with the challenges facing independent pharmacy, the goal is to create a buzz with interesting displays that get attention and, ideally, additional sales. Last year Oliver, who has enjoyed car-

penry since he was a kid, built a cart using an old wood pallet as a base and stocked it with natural and gourmet food. All it took was a \$20 sheet of plywood, some hardware, and eight hours of labor. He also fashioned an end-cap with a display of local honey, another easy and inexpensive effort.

Oliver prefers not to recycle displays, and is always looking for something fresh and new. "I would like to think the displays have helped," he said. "These are lines that you do not expect to find in a pharmacy but are doing great. The honey was a very big hit with shoppers."

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Get to know Eric Dahl

Deputy county administrator and finance director

BY MADELINE OTTEN
CORRESPONDENT



In the summer of 2011 Eric Dahl, Fluvanna's deputy county administrator and finance director, and his family relocated from Tampa, Fla., to Fluvanna County because his wife, Jill, was hired as an assistant for Charlottesville City Schools. While moving to Virginia was a new start for Dahl and his family, he was going back to a familiar place that he once

called home.

Dahl graduated from Charlottesville High School and moved to Fort Myers, Fla., to attend Florida Gulf Coast University. He graduated in 1999 and earned his bachelor of science in business management and entrepreneurship.

A couple months after settling into their new home, Dahl landed his first role with Fluvanna County as a budget analyst in October 2011. He was part of a team that was responsible for preparing and reviewing the annual county budget, tax rates, and capital improvements plans for submission to the Board of Supervisors. He also assisted the finance director and provided ongoing budgetary monitoring and reporting for all county offices and departments.

In July 2013 the budget analyst position expanded and Dahl was promoted to management analyst. While most of his tasks and functions remained the same from his previous role, he also worked with grants administration, special projects, and oversaw system

administration for the Munis financial software system.

After being in this role for a little less than a year, the finance director position became vacant and Dahl took the initiative to apply. He was selected as finance director in March 2014.

"All of my Fluvanna County local government experience has been an invaluable resource to get me to where I am today. While working in the finance department and being involved with the budget process, you get the opportunity to collaborate with all offices, departments and agencies," said Dahl. "You get a better understanding of the required resources to operate departments, the types of services they provide to citizens, revenues generated and the staff that make it all happen."

His official title as of July 2016 is deputy county administrator and finance director. While some may call these two positions, Dahl sees this as one role that has a lot of oversight and collaboration with the county government. As deputy county administrator, he assists County Administrator Steve

Nichols in day-to-day operations, serves on boards, committees, and commissions, and is the acting county administrator when the Nichols is away.

As finance director he has oversight over financial planning and reporting, budget, capital improvement plans, grants, accounts payable, payroll, procurement, risk and debt management, debt issuance and financial software system administration.

"I certainly cannot do it all," said Dahl. "The finance department has four dedicated and hard-working staff members that play a key role in the financial wellbeing of the county."

The finance department has typical tasks that occur on a daily basis such as processing payroll biweekly, sending out payments to vendors for goods and services, issuing contracts, making journal entries, and monitoring budgets. However, Dahl enjoys that fact that there is no such thing as a typical day; every day is something new.

The team shuffles between its normal functions while adding in special projects.



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Not having enough hours in the work day to get everything done is a hard task for any job, but the finance department does its best to prioritize and work a little harder to get each one accomplished.

When it comes to new projects and monitoring old ones, one of the biggest challenges for Dahl and his team is finding ways to moderate tax rate increases for the citizens of the county during the annual budget process. The proposed expenditure budgets are carefully reviewed against the past five years. The review looks at actual historical expenditures that were monitored for increasing or decreasing trends, adjusted for new program increases or reduced for previous year one-time costs to put forward lean department budgets.

"We continually look for ways to diversify our revenue sources; whether through proposing new revenue sources like a meals tax or EMS cost recovery, or strategically investing in infrastructure, for example the Zion Crossroads water and sewer system, to increase the tax base of commercial businesses in our county," said Dahl. "It is crucial to continue to grow the commercial business tax base to alleviate the tax burden on citizens. This will be a continued theme in budget years to come until we start to see more business development in the county."

Dahl wants to continue to implement dif-

ferent modules in the Munis financial system to create efficiencies, specifically a citizen self-service to offer credit card payment options within the county. He also wants to ensure that the Zion Crossroads water and sewer system construction project is on target and budget.

As for long term goals, Dahl wants the Board of Supervisors' 2020-21 strategic initiatives and actions adopted in January 2020 to guide departments and staff on the long term goals for the county.

Dahl enjoys outdoor activities such as downhill skiing, mountain biking, kayaking, hiking and camping. On the weekends, he can be found enjoying his hobbies, going to the movies or out to dinner, getting together with family, or relaxing.

Eric and his wife, Jill, live in the Lake Monticello area. Jill is the program administrator for Lugo-McGinness Academy for the Charlottesville City Schools. They have two sons, Macen and Garrison, who both graduated from Fluvanna County High School.

Over his years of working for Fluvanna County, Dahl has appreciated working in the community where he lives and knowing that the projects that he is involved with will have a positive impact on the citizens and the community.

See story on page 5 regarding Dahl's upcoming promotion to county administrator.

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Spring packs more Fluco sports than any other season

BY DUNCAN NIXON
CORRESPONDENT

The Flying Flucos field more teams in the spring than in any other season. There are baseball games and softball games. There are girls' and boys' soccer games, girls' and boys' lacrosse games, and girls' and boys' tennis matches. And there are girls' and boys' track and field meets, which are held simultaneously.

In some of these sports the Flucos have traditionally been quite strong and in

others, not so much. However, the Fluco athletes are always out there giving their best.

This year, the baseball team under Coach Joel Gray is hoping for a very strong season with a number of standout performers returning. Their regular season begins with three home games. On March 18 they host Spotsylvania. On March 22 and March 26 they host Harrisonburg High and Monti-

cello High. The baseball squad then travels to Orange County March 28. After that, the team heads south for a spring break tournament in South Carolina. Local attendance at boys' baseball games has always been good and crowds are expected to be significant this year.

Softball is a sport in which the Flucos have frequently excelled, sending a number of players on to compete at the

college level. The softball team's early schedule is not a mirror image of the baseball team's, as it will be later in the season when Jefferson District play begins. The girls' season opens March 18 at home against Spotsylvania. On March 20 the girls travel to Harrisonburg. On March 22 and March 23 they play in a tournament in Richmond. On March 26 they host Monticello and they travel to Orange March 28.

SPORTS IN REVIEW



BY TYLER HARRIS

FLUVANNA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM PROGRAM

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Speech

The Speech team had an incredible Super Regionals meet March 2 in Waynesboro. All 18 Flucos who participated in the tournament placed and will move on to States, a new record for the team and Coach Craig Edgerton.

When asked about the win she shared with senior Trinity Haynes in the serious duo category, sophomore Delaney Hammond said, "My partner and I were working for the entire year. It felt rewarding to see all the hard work pay off." Hammond and her fellow teammates will compete at the State tournament March 30.

Boys' soccer

Under the direction of Coaches Earl Gibson and Jason Davis, the varsity team played its first game of the season, taking on William Monroe at an away match March 6. The Flucos made an impressive start, beating their opponents 4-0, with juniors Brandon Lucas and Ford DeVault scoring two goals each.

"We've been rebuilding our team for a few years, so it's nice to see that everything we've worked for has paid off for a win," said Kamden Shephard, captain of the varsity team.

Due to the cold temperatures and limited time to play, the boys' JV game

was postponed to a later date. Chris Zema and Chris Holman coach JV this year. Both teams will travel March 18 to play at Waynesboro.

Girls' soccer

The varsity and JV teams played home games against William Monroe March 6. The score for the varsity game was 1-0, with Fluvanna coming back with the win. "We're doing really good so far this season with connecting passes. That's something I'm personally working on, as well as working on my shots on goal," said sophomore Kaitlin Bower. The team is coached by former Fluco Kat Ditta, who is assisted by Kristen Davis, Mark Engel and Adryan Flores.

Due to weather, the girls' JV game was also postponed to a later date. Engel has returned as head coach, and is being assisted by Ditta, Davis and Flores. Both teams will host Waynesboro at home March 18.

Lacrosse

While both the varsity boys' and girls' teams had March 4 matches canceled due to weather, the weather cleared enough to enable boys' varsity to play a home game March 5 against Covenant, which has a much longer history of lacrosse as a sport. Covenant dominated

the field, beating the Flucos 12-0.

"We didn't play well and we were missing many people, but we're still working on getting better and developing as a team. Playing a hard team brought up what we need to work on," said junior Caleb Stoltz.

Steve Heritage coaches the varsity team, assisted by Brian Wilberger and Eric Allen. The JV team's coach is Eric Allen.

Girls' varsity was scheduled for a meet against Powhatan on March 12, and both the varsity and JV teams will host Patrick Henry on March 15. The varsity team is led by Heath Hughes and Ashley Lenherr, while the JV team is coached by Meredith Locascio.

Baseball

The varsity baseball team played a March 7 scrimmage at Madison, chalk-ing up a strong start to the season with the Flucos winning 12-1. "I thought we hit well as a team, especially our new players, and we also pitched very well. Even though it is the first game of our season, we really came together and showed a lot of comradery," said junior Tobias Sherman.

Planned home games on March 4 for both varsity and JV against Chancellor were postponed due to weather. They

have been rescheduled to March 14. The varsity team is coached again by Joel Gray, with the help of Stacy Barringer, Chris Critzer and Ryan Foster. Meanwhile, the JV team is coached by Patrick Dieter and Josh Barringer.

Softball

Both the varsity and JV teams planned to start their season with home games against Chancellor last week, but they were postponed to March 14 due to weather. Fifteen varsity Lady Flucos are coached by Tre Smith, Travis Bailey and Jessica Holmes. Alyssa Robbins and T. Beck coach 12 JV Lady Flucos.

Tennis

Under the direction of Coach Mitchell Pace and Assistant Coach Laura Chow, the boys' team hosted a March 7 scrimmage against FUMA, in which the Flucos won 5-4. Of the five wins, two belong to sophomore William Ruffa. Scores of these matches were 7-5 and 6-1. "So far we're doing really good with teamwork, but we still need to improve tactile play and groundstrokes," said senior Eugene Chow.

The girls' team, which is coached by Feda Morton and Alina Ackenbom, had their first meet scheduled for March 11 at home against Waynesboro.

Soccer is also a sport in which the Flucos have been competitive over the years, with some ups and downs. This season the schedules are nearly identical, with the boys and girls playing the same school on the same day, with one team at home and the other on the road. Both teams open their season with home and away games against Waynesboro High. On March 11 the girls are at home, while the boys head over the mountains. On March 18 the reverse is the case. On March 25 the girls travel to Monticello High, while the boys host the Mustangs. On March 28 the boys are at Orange, while the girls host the Hornets.

Lacrosse is a comparatively new sport at Fluvanna High and the Flucos still have not established a winning tradition, but they have fielded some top notch competitors. On March 12 the girls' team opens its season at Powhatan. It is then home against Patrick Henry and Matoaca High March 15 and March 19. Because not all schools field lacrosse teams, the Fluco regular season schedule includes some schools that Fluvanna does not play in other sports. In fact, nearly half of the lacrosse teams' schedules include competition against schools that are not on the schedules of other Fluco

teams. Three more games for the girls in March are against Patrick Henry on the road, Liberty at home, and Glen Allen at home. The boys' lacrosse team plays the same four teams as the girls for its first four games, away against Powhatan and Patrick Henry, home against Matoaca, and home against Patrick Henry, On March 26 instead of playing Liberty, the boys will take on Fork Union Military Academy.

In tennis, both the boys' and girls' teams have been making strides of late to increase their competitive position in the Jefferson District. This is a sport in which the schedules of the two teams mirror each other exactly. If the boys are at home against team A, the girls are on the road against the same team all year long. So listing the girls' schedule reveals the boys' schedule as well. The girls open March 11 hosting Waynesboro and then travel to the Little Giants March 18. On March 26 the girls travel to Monticello High and then on March 26 they are at Monticello. On March 28 they host Orange.

Last, but definitely not least, because it is a sport in which the Flucos have always been strong, comes outdoor track and field. Track meets are a huge operation,

often with multiple teams in competition and an all-day schedule. This year, the Fluco teams start their season March 22 at Harrisonburg. On March 27 they are at Louisa. On April 10 they host the Fluvanna Invitational. Three days later they compete in the prestigious Gus Lacy meet. On April 17 they travel to William Monroe.

All spring sports are played outdoors; therefore, schedules are subject to change as occasional inclement weather is certain in the spring.


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Novel idea comes from scrapbook

BY PAGE H. GIFFORD
CORRESPONDENT



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Caroline Preston has loved scrapbooks and scrapbooking since she was a teen. Growing up in the 1950s and early '60s, she was part of the post-war Baby Boomer generation. The World War II era that fascinated her became the subject of her current novel, *The War Bride's Scrapbook*, which follows a young couple with the war as the backdrop affecting their lives.

Preston has a unique approach to her novel ideas, using scrapbooks as a jumping off point to create her stories.

"I was always fascinated by scrapbooks and collected antique ones when I was young," she said. "They tell good stories but the frustration is that they end before we know what the ending is."

Friends of the Library members gathered to listen to her explain how she uses her scrapbooking skills to tell a story. She encouraged others to preserve their memorabilia and tell their

stories for future generations.

Many of those in attendance were fascinated by how their parents and grandparents lived and wanted to learn more, solve family mysteries or fill in the gaps. Genealogy is trendy among older Baby Boomers. But those in attendance – including Preston herself – admitted their children were not likely to search through old scrapbooks and boxes full of postcards and other souvenirs, and may not share the sentimental attachment to those items. Preston gave them an opportunity to think of ways to present their collection of photos and memories in a way that their children and grandchildren might appreciate.

Preston majored in American studies at Dartmouth College and earned a master's in American civilization from Brown University. It was clear that the past is important to her. Inspired by her interest in manuscripts and ephemera, she worked as an archivist at the Rhode Island Historical Society, the Peabody-Essex Museum and Harvard's Houghton Library. Nowadays, she spends her time writing novels based on visual stories told in scrapbooks.

She has published a similar novel, *The Scrapbook of Frankie Pratt*. It is a coming-of-age novel in the form of a colorful scrapbook, a visual journey set in the wild and often forbidden bohemian culture of the 1920s. It features an endearing, unforgettable heroine. Preston uses an array of vintage memorabilia – postcards, letters, magazine ads, catalog pages, fashion layouts and menus – to tell the story of Frankie Pratt.

"She is a spirited and ambitious young woman who grows up in New Hamp-

shire, attends Vassar, then goes to Greenwich Village and to Paris," said Preston, describing her freewheeling heroine.

One offbeat thing that inspired Preston to write *The War Bride's Scrapbook* was her mother papering a bathroom in their house with covers from magazines like *The New Yorker* during World War II.

"The bathroom remained that way for many years until recently when it was sold and the new owner replaced all of the magazine covers with leopard wallpaper," Preston said. Seeing photos of the bathroom was like walking into the past.

She then discussed the details of the book and the research she did on the era. Historical fiction novels have become a genre unto themselves. Preston's previous books focus on real life characters, including F. Scott Fitzgerald and Jackie Onassis, and fictional main characters who have interactions or other connections with the historical figure.

Her World War II scrapbook-novel "tells stories from the home front through a variety of examples, such as magazine articles that dealt with living without a mate, it was all right to date, and if you cannot cope with your 6-year-old child send him to boarding school," she said. "There were also maps for tracking soldiers... I based the story on a woman named Lila Gerome, who died at 92 but had among her things a scrapbook she kept from 1943-1945. The story parallels her life on the home front and his life overseas."

Preston's story follows a young woman who rents a room to an architect and artist who is a combat engineer in the army. Eventually they impulsively elope

before he goes off to war. They know very little about each other prior to marrying but learn more during his time away from home through correspondence and his drawings of places he had been.

"Many of the soldiers would record their last message before leaving and send it to their loved ones," she said. "The list of war dead that were posted in papers and photos of dead soldiers brought the reality of war home." Like many women of her day, the heroine had ambitions and wanted to be an architect.

Eventually, he returns after being wounded and has been transformed by the war.

"Everyone returned to their lives in the post-war boom, women returned to the home, men to their jobs, but the men had been transformed by their experiences and in this ideal post-war culture no one was dealing with PTSD and alcoholism," she said.

Society had put behind them many horrific years of war and, while not as devastating as what Europe endured, families and relationships were affected and many were never the same. The soldiers who returned kept their pain and suffering hidden behind closed doors.

Looking at the ads for that era spoke volumes of who Americans were at a time of idealized cultural perfection, ignoring what would take several decades to acknowledge.

For more information about Preston or her books, visit <https://carolinepreston.com/>.

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Hudson to run for county treasurer

PRESS RELEASE



Ben Hudson will formally announce his candidacy for Fluvanna County treasurer at a press conference Wednesday (March 20) at 4 p.m. at the Fluvanna Community Center in Fork Union.

Well-wishers and community members are invited to attend this press conference.

Girl Scouts celebrate World Thinking Day

SUBMITTED BY CHRYSTAN BUNCH



Fluvanna Girl Scouts gathered Feb. 23 to celebrate World Thinking Day, a Girl Scout tradition dating back to 1926, in which girls from more than 150 countries around the planet come together to explore the global dimensions of Girl Scouting and take action to change the world for the better.

Each troop learned about a different country around the world during the months leading up to the event, then represented it to all of the Scouts and their families in attendance. While exploring the tables and displays set up around the room, the girls fill out a "passport" containing a page for each country. They learn

about the economics and geography as well as the capital, flag and other interesting facts. Tasting food and drinks from different countries was a highlight of the day.

The Scouts were thrilled to have some exchange students talk about their countries and experiences, and learn about the different ways that girls serve around the world and how scouting is unique in different areas.

World Thinking Day is one of many ways Girl Scouts learn and become a valued part of their community and society. Visit GSVSC.org to learn more about joining or leading Girl Scouts.

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PUBLIC NOTICE THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION FOR THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

Public Notice is hereby given that the Board of Equalization for Fluvanna County will meet on the dates hereafter listed for the purpose of hearing complaints of inequalities, including errors in acreage. Upon hearing such complaints, either oral or written, the Board will give consideration **AND INCREASE, DECREASE, OR AFFIRM** such real assessments.

Before a change can be granted, the tax payer or his/her agent must overcome a clear presumption in favor of the assessment. The tax payer or agent must provide substantial evidence that the assessment of the property is not uniform with the assessments of other similar properties or that the property is assessed in excess of its fair market value. Appointments will be scheduled every fifteen (15) minutes to minimize waiting.

To appear before the Board of Equalization, please call the message line (434) 591-1903 between 9:00AM and 4:00PM. Please leave your name and phone number and your call will be returned to schedule your appointment. Meetings of the Board to hear objections will be held at the **Weaver Building** (across from the Historic Courthouse, Village of Palmyra.)

The initial dates and times beginning February 2019 through December 2019 are:

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| May 14, 1:00PM - 3:00PM | May 16, 1:00PM - 3:00PM |
| May 21, 1:00PM - 3:00PM | May 23, 1:00PM - 3:00PM |
| June 11, 1:00PM - 3:00PM | June 13, 1:00PM - 3:00PM |
| June 18, 1:00PM - 3:00PM | June 20, 1:00PM - 3:00PM |

(Additional dates and times will be scheduled if necessary and advertised.)

BY ORDER OF THE FLUVANNA COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION



PUBLIC HEARING Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, a public hearing will be held in the Circuit Court Room at the Fluvanna County Courts Building in Palmyra, Virginia for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Board of Supervisors for the following items:

SUP 19:01 National Communication Towers – A request for a special use permit to construct a 199' Self-Support Tower, with respect to 12.7 acres of Tax Map 39, Section A, Parcel 29. The property is located off of West River Rd. (State Route 6), approximately 0.6 miles northeast of the intersection with Rockfish Run Rd. (State Route 683). The parcel is zoned A-1 Agricultural, General and located within the Rural Preservation Planning Area and the Fork Union Election District.

SUP 19:02 Amy and Stephen Beyer – A request for a special use permit to convert an existing building into a "low-volume medical clinic" with respect to 3.81 acres of Tax Map 29, Section A, Parcel 89. The property is located off of Thomas Jefferson Pkwy. (State Route 53), approximately 500 feet west of the intersection with Stage Coach Hills Rd (State Route 1010). The parcel is zoned A-1 Agricultural, General and located within the Rural Residential Planning Area and the Fork Union Election District.

Copies of the complete text of the above ordinances and associated plans are available for public review at the Office of the Fluvanna County Administrator during normal business hours. The public is invited to attend these hearings at which persons affected may appear and present their views. Questions or comments may be directed to Planning & Community Development Department, at (434) 591-1910.



PUBLIC HEARING Fluvanna County Board of Zoning Appeals Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, a public hearing will be held in the Morris Room of the County Administration Building located at 132 Main St. in Palmyra, Virginia for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Board of Zoning Appeals for the following items:

BZA 19:01 – Todd and Casey Robinson: A request for a variance to Fluvanna County Code Sec.22-4-3(E) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow for the reduction of the minimum front setback required along a public road, from 125 feet to 80 feet and, for the purpose of constructing an attached garage to their existing home and bringing the existing home into compliance with the front yard setback requirements for Tax Map 19, Section 13, Parcel 16.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX RATE INCREASE FLUVANNA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Per Virginia Code Section 58.1-3321, notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Fluvanna County proposes to increase property tax levies.

- Assessment Increase:** Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real property by 3.36% percent.
- Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment:** The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above would be \$0.893 per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate".
- Effective Rate Increase:** The County of Fluvanna proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$0.949 per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed rate would be \$0.056 per \$100 or 6.27 percent. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase".

Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

- Proposed Total Budget Increase:** Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of Fluvanna County will exceed last year's by 4.55 percent 1.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate and increase above will be held on Wednesday, April 10th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Court Room, Fluvanna Courts Building, Palmyra, Virginia. Anyone needing additional information or special assistance/accommodation due to a disability in order to attend the hearing should contact the County Administrator's office, at (434) 591-1910, not later than 5 p.m. on April 3, 2019.

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| 911 OPEN LINE | 2 |
| ANIMAL CONTROL CALLBACK | 10 |
| ADULT WELFARE/PUB SAFETY CHK | 2 |
| ANIMAL CARCASS | 2 |
| ANIMAL WELFARE | 4 |
| ASSIST OTHER AGENCY | 1 |
| ATTEMPT TO LOCATE RECEIVED | 1 |
| BE ON LOOKOUT | 10 |
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| COMMUNICATIONS OFC CALL OUT | 1 |
| COURTHOUSE SECURITY CHECK | 13 |
| COURTESY TRANSPORT | 1 |
| DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY | 1 |
| DISABLED VEHICLE | 4 |
| PAST DISTURBANCE | 1 |
| DISTURBANCE | 6 |
| DRUG TAKE BACK | 1 |
| ECO TDO CALL | 1 |
| FINGERPRINTS | 10 |
| FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION | 5 |
| FRAUD | 3 |
| GUN PERMIT RECEIVED | 6 |
| VCIN CHECK | 1 |
| LARCENY/THEFT | 1 |
| PHONE CALL RETURN | 32 |
| MAGISTRATE WALK IN | 3 |
| MENTAL WELFARE CALL NO INJURY | 1 |
| MVC WITH INJ OR UNKNOWN INJ | 3 |
| MVC WITH NO INJURY | 3 |
| MVC W/ ANIMAL | 3 |
| OTHER LAW CALL | 5 |
| OVERDOSE | 2 |
| PRISONER TRANSPORT | 1 |
| PROJECT LIFESAVER RELATED CALL | 3 |
| REPOSSESSION | 1 |
| RESIDENTAL BURGLAR ALARM | 2 |
| ROAD NAME SIGN DOWN | 2 |
| SELECT PATROL | 29 |
| SHOTS HEARD | 1 |
| STRAY DOG | 1 |
| SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY/PERSON | 15 |
| TIPS/INFORMATION RECEIVED | 3 |
| DIRECT TRAFFIC/FUNERAL TRAFFIC | 24 |
| TRAFFIC HAZARD | 1 |

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|------------------------------|----|
| TRAFFIC STOP | 75 |
| TREE DOWN | 1 |
| TRESPASSING/HUNTING TRESPASS | 2 |
| VCIN HITS RECEIVED | 1 |
| WARRANT RECEIVED | 6 |
| OUT SERVING WARRANT | 6 |

TOTAL INCIDENTS 422

CRASHES

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| MVC NO INJURY | 13:26:16 03/01/19 |
| 3290 BLK JAMES MADISON HWY | |
| MVC INJURY/UNK | 17:35:52 03/01/19 |
| WINNSVILLE DR & CABEL LN | |
| MVC INJURY/UNK | 19:01:20 03/01/19 |
| 1960 BLK LAKE MONTICELLO RD | |
| MVC NO INJURY | 03:10:19 03/02/19 |
| 9170 BLK JAMES MADISON HWY | |
| MVC INJURY/UNK | 18:58:55 03/02/19 |
| 760 BLK HUNTERS LODGE RD | |
| MVC W/ ANIMAL | 19:46:13 03/02/19 |
| 70 BLK HADEN MARTIN RD | |
| MVC W/ ANIMAL | 05:14:27 03/03/19 |
| WOUNDED KNEE LN & TROY RD | |
| MVC W/ ANIMAL | 06:18:10 03/03/19 |
| THOMAS JEFFERSON PKWY & VILLAGE BLVD | |
| MVC NO INJURY | 08:31:23 03/04/19 |
| 1910 BLK THOMAS JEFFERSON PKWY | |

TOTAL CRASHES 9

ARRESTS

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|------------------------------|
| MARCH 1 AT 1:27 P.M. |
| HOME ADDRESS: NEW CANTON |
| NO CHARGES SPECIFIED |
| MARCH 1 AT 7:01 P.M. |
| HOME ADDRESS: PALMYRA |
| DUI/DUID |
| MARCH 1 AT 10:42 P.M. |
| HOME ADDRESS: TROY |
| DUI/DUID |
| MARCH 5 AT 9:46 A.M. |
| HOME ADDRESS: TROY |
| NO CHARGES SPECIFIED |
| MARCH 6 AT 4:17 P.M. |
| HOME ADDRESS: GORDONSVILLE |
| CONTEMPT OF COURT |

TOTAL ARRESTS 5

SUDOKU

Edited by Margie E. Burke

Difficulty: Easy

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| | | | 5 | 1 | | | 9 | |
| | 5 | | | | | | | 4 |
| 8 | 6 | | | 9 | 7 | | | |
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| | 3 | | | 2 | | 4 | | 9 |
| | | | | 7 | 3 | | 1 | |
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| | 4 | | | 3 | 1 | 7 | | |
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HOW TO SOLVE:

Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

Answers to Last Week's Sudoku:

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 6 |
| 8 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 1 |
| 6 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 3 |
| 7 | 9 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 8 |
| 2 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 9 |
| 5 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 7 |
| 1 | 5 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| 3 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 4 |
| 4 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 5 |

The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Turner of "Peyton Place"
- 5 Mayberry boy
- 9 Loses steam
- 14 Like some twins
- 15 Something to pop
- 16 Give or take
- 17 "Yesterday", "Today", or "Tomorrow"
- 18 Trail activity
- 19 Arctic diving bird
- 20 Make better, as a deal
- 22 Swimmer's kick
- 24 Sailor's bed
- 26 Anxiety
- 27 Cause for alarm
- 30 ____ of bad news
- 32 Area under dispute
- 34 Messy dresser
- 38 Royal flush card
- 39 Shake up
- 41 Hail to Caesar
- 42 What hot dogs do?
- 44 Truthful
- 46 Nine-to-fiver
- 48 Wield, as influence
- 49 Actress Foy of "First Man"
- 52 Gunslinger's mark
- 54 Go back
- 56 Lamentable
- 60 In the least
- 61 Familiar with
- 63 Treat for Fido
- 64 Some street performers
- 65 Drought ender
- 66 Van Gogh flower
- 67 Trapping device
- 68 Singer Arnold
- 69 Modern message

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| 14 | | | | 15 | | | | 16 | | | | |
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| 27 | 28 | 29 | | 30 | | 31 | | | | | | |
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| 64 | | | | | 65 | | | | | 66 | | |
| 67 | | | | | 68 | | | | | 69 | | |

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DOWN

- 1 Not as much
- 2 Confess
- 3 Opening time, maybe
- 4 Math course
- 5 Brownish yellow
- 6 One way to ask a question
- 7 Aggravate
- 8 Barely gets, with "out"
- 9 Feast's opposite
- 10 Addicts, e.g.
- 11 Backs, in anatomy class
- 12 Continental money
- 13 Cubic meter
- 21 Winter temps, perhaps
- 23 Turn bad, as milk
- 25 Cheer
- 27 Become unhinged
- 28 Cola lead-in
- 29 "I'll second that!"

- 31 2016 film about a WWII assassination operation
- 33 Mall tenants
- 35 Wash up
- 36 Part of OTC
- 37 Boxing prize
- 40 Put in office
- 43 Drum majorette
- 45 Museum offering
- 47 End of a threat
- 49 Studies all night
- 50 Allow entry
- 51 Old World lizard
- 53 Metallic-sounding
- 55 "No problem!"
- 57 Golfer's cry
- 58 Operating system
- 59 For fear that
- 62 Crash site?

Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| B | E | H | E | A | D | R | A | V | A | G | E | | |
| R | E | V | O | L | V | E | E | L | E | G | A | N | T |
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| A | B | I | D | E | E | E | L | S | P | A | R | D | |
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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1/02/2019
Jampir, LLC to 68 Heritage 5, LLC 68 Heritage Drive suite 5 Palmyra VA 22963. Heritage Place Unit 4 & 5 \$290,000.
Tanager Timber, LLC to ETO II Trs, LLC 115 Perimeter Center Place Atlanta GA 30346. 165 AC \$276,506.
Dion, Jamee to Fletcher, Sarah M 33 Ponderosa Lane Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 305 Phase Four Fairway LM \$182,000.
1/03/19
US Bank Trust, NA to Lynn, Harry L IV 11 Sandy Beach Court Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 109 Phase Seven Crofton LM \$120,000.
Shiflett, Aaron Dale & Lisa to Mason, James C & Melanie F 11 Morewood Place Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 86 Phase Twelve Edgewood LM \$225,000.
Selinger Homes, Inc to Shiflett, Lisa D & Aaron D 538 Thomas Jefferson Parkway Palmyra VA 22963. See Document for full description \$413,500.
Mormann Properties, LLC to Cross, Adam M & Rachel N 57 Amethyst Road Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 333 Phase Nine Knollwood LM \$253,000.
1/04/19
Fidler, Kristopher B to Collins, Wilson D & Debra 59 Fallen Oak Way Scottsville VA 24590. 2.50 AC \$280,000.
Hilsinger, Howard Richard Jr to Rea, Donald Wayne & Darlene 2050 Sulphur Mine Rd Charlottesville VA 2291. Cunningham Magis Distr. 15.58 AC \$120,000.
Bruce, Janna L to Walton, Kenneth E Jr 4802 Rolling Road Scottsville VA 24590. Cunningham Magis Distr 2.09 AC \$84,800.
1/07/19
Weaver, Donald W to Stapleton, Catherine L 1850 Candlewood Court Charlottesville VA 22903. Cunningham Magis Distr 4.05 AC \$40,000.
1/08/19
Anderson, Charles Edward & L to Cardinal Ventures, Inc. 31155 Zoar School Rd Locust Grove VA 22508. Palmyra Magis Distr 8.899 AC \$68,000.
Staton, Jeffrey A & Christina to Bishop, Jessica A 11 Apache Trail Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 11 Phase Ten Cherokee LM \$165,900.
1/10/19
Connors, Nancy Rose to Hannah, Everett M

& Martha R 37 Cliftwood Road Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 177 Phase Twelve Edgewood LM \$270,000.
Jennings, Jeffrey S & Nancy to Shiflett, Jessica & Eric P 43 Pear Tree Ln Troy VA 22974. 2.459 AC \$185,000.
Schollaert, Kellen Abernathy A to Walding, Jared T & Ashley J 6 Westham Court Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 302 Phase Four Fairway LM \$380,000.
Southern Property, LLC to Yowell, Jack B & Carol C 170 Crape Myrtle Dr Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 64 Nahor Village Sub \$302,380.
1/11/19
Moore, Diane M to Moore, April N 54 Bybees Church Rd Palmyra VA 22963. 2.019 AC \$84,000.
1/14/19
Calhoun, Michael & Nancy L to Ball, Robert W & Alice B 3590 Plum Dale Drive Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 74 Phase Twelve Edgewood LM \$538,000.
Campbell Jean P to Owen, Ronald W & Karen 2520 James Madison Hwy Brems Bluff VA 245,000. See document for full description \$245,000.
1/15/19
Preston, Jessie Lynn to Federal National Mortgage Assoc N/A, N/A XX See Document for full description \$90,085.
1/16/19
Boatwright, Branda H to Hasher, Jeremiah D & Others 322 Blue Ridge View Palmyra VA 22963. 83 AC \$140,000.
Allen, William M & Janemarie to Barth, Brian Keith & Mary D 1537 Long Acre Rd Palmyra VA 22963. See Document for full description \$78,000.
Brother, Linda to Sorrells, Russell W 1373 Long Acre Road Palmyra VA 22963. Cunningham Magis Distr 3 AC \$195,000.
1/17/19
Baer, Lorraine R to Stribling, Donald F & Sandra 18504 James Madison Hwy Troy VA 22974. 10.897 AC \$20,000.
1/22/19
Fannie Mae to Hanson, William J & Michael 18 Wildwood Dr Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 335 Phase Three Montpelier LM \$94,860.
Gwaltney, Orville L & Carolyn to Liberty Homes, Inc. 8249 Crown Colony Pkwy #100

Mechanicsville VA 23116. Lot 368 Phase Eight Nahor LM \$15,000.
1/23/19
Manzano, John & Alyson L to The Mary G. Rausa Declaration 14 Blacksmith Terrace Palmyra VA 22963. Unit 9 Building C Marina Point LM \$374,000.
1/24/19
Cosner, Michael W to Terry, Joseph M Jr. 3548 Seminole Trail Charlottesville VA 22911. Lot 21 Two Rivers Rural Cluster \$35,000.
1/25/19
Atlantic Trustee Services, LLC to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC 3637 Sentara Way Virginia Beach VA 23452. Lot 50 Phase Five Tufton LM \$244,620.
1/28/19
Liberty Homes, Inc to Bussell, Matthew L & Tara S 497 Cunningham Meadows Dr Palmyra VA 22963. Cunningham Meadows \$280,000.
1/30/19
250 West LLC to Scholl, Leao & Kelse Timbie 2391 Ravenswood Court Charlottesville VA 22911. See Document for full description \$245,000.
Meade Construction, LLC to Bibby, Lowe H IV & Yvonne 674 Rosewood Dr Scottsville VA 24590. 0.888 AC \$268,900.
Gooch, Johnny R to Peterson, Raymond E & Patric 20354 Flushing Meadows Ct Ashburn VA 20147. Lot 564 Phase Five Addition 1 Tufton

LM \$200,000.
Young, Billy G & Sylvia I to Jernigan, David & Christine 2280 Gold Mine Rd Palmyra VA 22963. 4.00 AC \$303,000.
1/31/19
Clayton, Clyde B & Others to Movendi Properties, LLC PO Box 6692 Charlottesville VA 22906. Palmyra Magis Distr 1.88 AVC \$140,000.
Reverse Mortgage Funding, LLC to Wagner, David 336 Sclaters Ford Rd Palmyra VA 22963. Fork Union Magis Distr 2.024 AC \$105,000.
Schultz, Kenneth J & Ann C to Grooms, Paula 3805 Glenridge LN Scottsville VA 24590. Cunningham Magis Dist 22.704 AC \$95,000.
Hay, Donald J to Stater, Serena Rebecca & Hea 21 Fairway Drive Palmyra VA 22963. Lot 402 Phase Four Fairway LM \$193,000.
The Lawrence Sheffron Revocable to Rodrigues, Peter R & Mercedes 14856 SW 159th. Ct Miami FL 33196. Lot 545 Phase Five Tufton LM \$189,900.
Warren, Michael F & Ann M to Yowell, Richard & Helen 637 Meadow Brook Lane Troy VA 22974. Lot 10 Phase 2 Meadow Brook Sub \$517,500.
Garrison, Wanda H to Eheart, Clarence F 228 Ruritan Lake Road Scottsville VA 24590. 2.516 AC \$169,000.

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Zion Crossroads water and sewer system underway

PRESS RELEASE

Construction of Fluvanna County's highly anticipated Zion Crossroads water and sewer system project officially began March 8 as the county issued formal notices to proceed to its three contractors.

"This long-awaited project is finally under construction," said County Administrator Steve

Nichols. "The Board of Supervisors, county staff, and engaged citizens have worked very hard bringing this project to fruition. This is the start of stronger economic development along the Route 250 Zion Crossroads corridor, bringing business and commercial interests – and jobs – to Fluvanna County."

The water system will service nearly four miles of the Route 250-Route 15 area. The service area stretches from Route 698 (Memory Lane) east on Route 250 to Zion Crossroads, and south on Route 15 for a half mile.

The system will be constructed in three separate projects concurrently. Fluvanna-based A.G. Dillard, Inc. is installing the water and sewer pipelines. The water booster pump station and wastewater pump station are being constructed by Sargent Corporation from Ashland. C&B/McDermott out of Alpharetta, Ga., will build the elevated storage tank.

Some site work and equipment placement is already underway. The entire system is slated to be completed by Oct. 31, 2020.

Residents should be on alert for crews working along the Route 250 and Route 15 corridors. Work on all projects will take place between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Some Saturday work is permitted with advance notice from the contractor. No Sunday construction work is allowed.

Additional information and progress updates on construction will be available on the county's website at www.FluvannaCounty.org/ZXRWSS. Informational town hall meetings about the project are scheduled for Tuesday, April 23 at Beaver Dam Baptist Church in Troy, and Thursday, April 25 at Fluvanna County Community Center in Fork Union. Both meetings begin at 6:30 pm.

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Vicky Penn treats a student. Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Pellicane.

A nurse's job is to help people, but a school nurse's job goes so much deeper. Fluvanna County High School (FCHS) nurse Vicky Penn finds her job doesn't stop at medical assistance, but includes a listening ear.

Growing up, Penn said she was pressured by her mom to pursue nursing, despite her plans of becoming a kindergarten teacher. Eventually, she decided to listen to her mother and try nursing, then discovered

her mom was right. "I can't imagine not being a nurse," said Penn.

Penn worked in doctors' offices from 1995 to 2015. "A doctor's nurse differs from being a school nurse in regard to hours, breaks and satisfaction. I worked 50+ hours per week, had scheduled breaks and lunches, but also had way more stress. I still have stress here, but it's more rewarding," Penn said.

After burning out in private office health-

care, Penn took a break in September 2015. "I prayed to God for direction and this was the first interview. I was called two days later and offered the job," she said. She is now in her fourth year as the school nurse at FCHS.

"When I get to school each day, my goal is to make a difference in at least one student's life, whether that be through a Band-Aid, pain reliever, a listening ear, a quiet space or just a hug," said Penn.

Penn describes a typical workday as arriving at 8 a.m. to prepare for the day. She sees between 80 and 90 students per day, but that does not include the eight diabetics that come in three times per day, or the 23 students who receive regular medications daily. She works throughout all lunches, rarely getting a break. At the end of the day, she finishes documenting all student visits for the day, completes a clinic log, sanitizes the countertop and air, and then tries to leave by 4 p.m.

Penn does not provide passes to class when students don't already have a pass to the clinic, or when they arrive in between

classes, unless they are scheduled for medication during that time.

One of the most common reasons students come to see Penn is to get Tylenol, a fact which can be problematic since too much Tylenol (or its generic name, acetaminophen) isn't good for people and can actually damage the liver. "Many students depend on Tylenol for every ache and pain, or just to have a reason to be out of class," Penn said.

Therefore, she established a headache policy in August 2017 called "WOW," which she tells students to try before getting Tylenol. It stands for water (drink water), oxygen (take 10 deep breaths), then wait. If the headache continues after 30 minutes, Penn said, then students may return to the clinic for Tylenol.

The clinic at FCHS is open every day from 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Exceptions are between 12:15-12:35 p.m. for medical procedures and from 1:45-2:10 p.m. for Penn's only break of the day.

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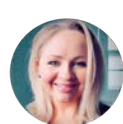


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