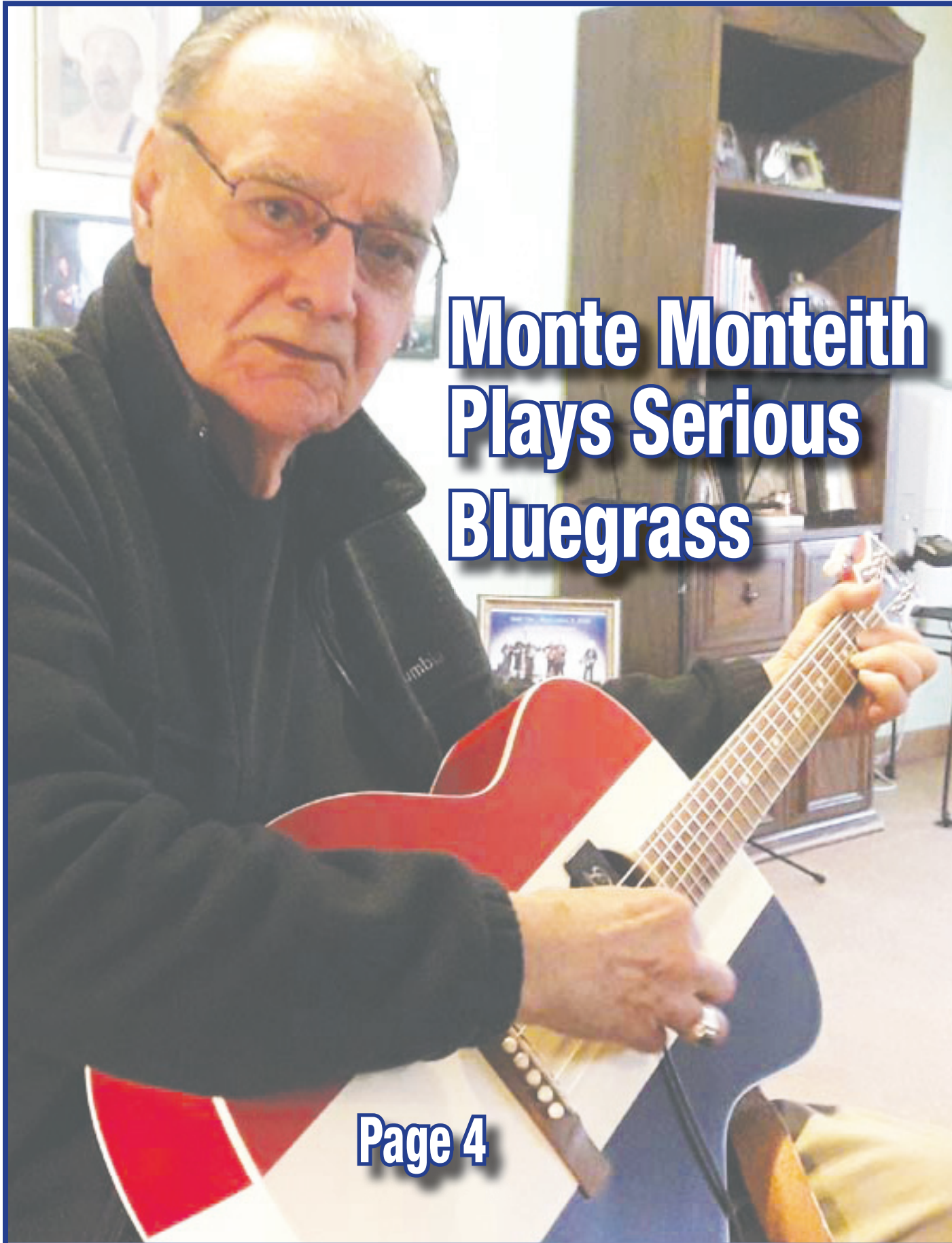


# Louisa Life

March 15 - April 11, 2019 • ONE COPY FREE

LOUISA COUNTY, VIRGINIA



## Monte Monteith Plays Serious Bluegrass

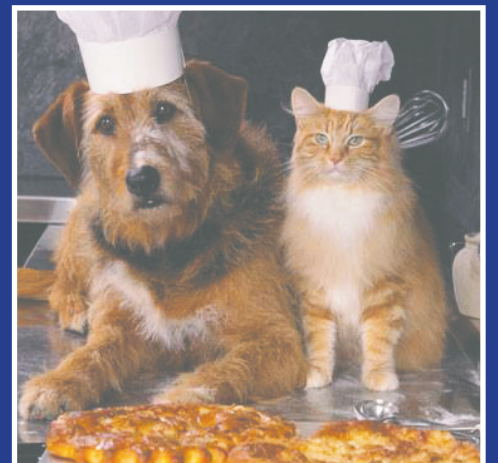
Page 4



Louisa County Resource  
Council Works on Teamwork  
Page 3



Vincenzo Mazzone:  
Knead Bread  
Page 12



Empty Bowls for Louisa  
Humane Society  
Page 9

**Steven Summerville: Behind the Pottery Wheel...Page 10**





**OSPA Company Auditions!**

**April 12 & April 13**

**OSPA Solo Duo Trio Showcase!**

**Friday - April 5 (7:00pm)**

**Sunday - April 7 (2:00pm)**

**Please call OSPA for ticket  
OR Company Audition Information!**

**Celebrating our 26th season...**

**OSPA – Where The Arts Come To Life!**

**Call 540-672-9038 Or Visit us at 108 Belleview Ave - Orange, Va**

**Or on the web at [www.ospa.net](http://www.ospa.net)**

A monthly publication

**Publisher/Editor**

C. M. Santos  
valleyeditor1@gmail.com

**Advertising Director**

Judi Price  
434-207-0223  
judi.valleypublishing@gmail.com

**Office Manager**

Edee Povol  
edee@fluvannareview.com

**Graphic Designer**

Marilyn Ellinger

**Writers**

Linda Salisbury  
Pat Wilson

**Contributors**

Louisa Rotary Club  
Richard Hinde Photography

**Email:**

valleyeditor1@gmail.com

**Advertising sales:**

judi.valleypublishing@gmail.com

**Mailing address:** P.O. Box 59,

Palmyra, VA 22963.

**Office location:** 106 Crofton Plaza, Suite 1,

Palmyra, VA 22963

**Phone:** (434) 591-1000

**Fax:** (434) 589-1704

**General:** *Louisa Life* is published monthly by Valley Publishing Corp. A total of 6,000 copies are circulated throughout Louisa County. One copy is free, additional copies are \$1 each payable in advance to the publisher.

**Subscriptions:** Copies will be mailed for the subscription price of \$40 per year. Please mail a check and a note with your name and address to: *Louisa Life* Subscriptions Dept., P.O. Box 59, Palmyra, VA 22963.

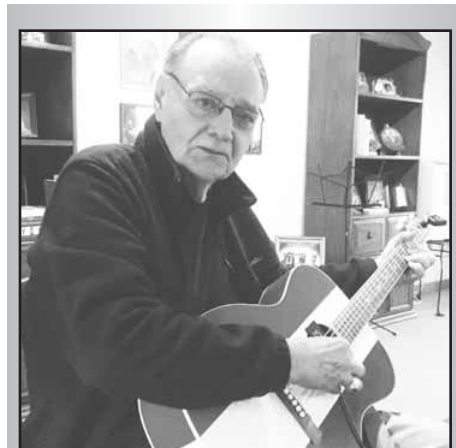
**Submissions, tips, ideas, etc.:** *Louisa Life* encourages submissions and tips on items of interest to Louisa County citizens. However we reserve the right to edit submissions as deemed necessary and cannot guarantee they will be published. Email the editor: valleyeditor1@gmail.com

**Classified ads:** Classifieds are \$10 per month. Please send a written or typed copy of the ad with a \$10 check to: Classifieds Department P.O. Box 59, Palmyra, VA 22963. You can also email edee@fluvannareview.com and pay by credit card. Please specify the category it should appear under. Ads must be 30 words or less. Sorry, classifieds will not be taken by phone.

**Disclaimer:** All real estate advertised in this publication is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin..." The Virginia Fair Housing Law also makes it illegal to discriminate because of elderliness (age 55 and over). This publication will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All real estate advertised in this paper is available on an equal opportunity basis.

**Next advertising deadline:** April 3, 2019

© Valley Publishing Corp. 2019. All rights reserved.



Monte Monteith plays his special Buck Owens' red, white and blue guitar. Photo by Linda Salisbury.

Cover designed by Marilyn Ellinger

# Louisa County Resource Council Works on Teamwork

By Linda Salisbury  
Correspondent

**“W**e are a nation of plenty, called upon to reach out and give help,” said Pastor Tom Everett of Mineral Baptist Church in both his opening prayer and later remarks at the Louisa County Resource Council’s (LCRC) annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on Sunday, Feb. 10. Everett and his wife, Lyn, are two of the hundreds of volunteers whose combined efforts average 868 hours of service donated each month to keep the organization’s many programs running smoothly.

Lloyd Runnett, LCRC executive director, told attendees that the amount of food distributed last year totaled 1,633 million pounds. "How do we do that?" He answered with one word: "Teamwork."

Runnett noted that the nonprofit organization relies on individual volunteers from all walks of life, including children in Scouts, church groups, and schools, to meet the demand for food assistance. During the recent bitter cold January weather, the number of clients in need of food jumped from the usual 1,000-1,200 families served each month to more than 1,500 families who needed help. Volunteer hours during



Volunteers Liz and Bill Blanchard and their neighbors, Terri and Jim Reynolds. Photos by Linda Salisbury

that period climbed to more than 1,100 hours. He recognized the many ways individual volunteers serve: office assistance, stocking shelves, bagging groceries, distributing food in the front office, and a variety of other jobs. All have contributed to LCRC’s ability to expand services to meet needs in our community.

See Teamwork Page 7

The *Lake Anna Life & Times* is an insert and is not affiliated with *Louisa Life*. The contents of *Lake Anna Life & Times* are the responsibility of its publisher.

## Estate Sale

SAVE THE DATE

March 23 from 9:00 - 3:00

March 24 from 12:00 - 4:00

108 Bear Island Pkwy

Spring Creek Subdivision at Zion Crossroads

Look for furnishings and decorative items from Grand, Ethan Alan, Southern Living at Home and more!

(to include oriental and area rugs, leather furniture, paintings, wardrobes, mirrors, table and floor lamps, clean line upholstered chairs & loveseats and much much more)

**\*PLEASE BRING THIS AD FOR ADMITTANCE\***



# LOUISA 4-H CAMP



**June 3-7, 2019**  
**CALL 540-967-3422**  
**OR VISIT LOUISACOUNTY4H.WEEBLY.COM**  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**Virginia Cooperative Extension**  
 Virginia Tech • Virginia State University  
 www.ext.vt.edu

Virginia Cooperative Extension programs and employment are open to all, regardless of age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, veteran status, or any other basis protected by law. An equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Issued in furtherance of Cooperative Extension work, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Virginia State University, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture cooperating. Edwin J. Jones, Director, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, M. Ray McKinzie, Administrator, 1890 Extension Program, Virginia State University, Petersburg.



## Cover Story

One of Monte Monteith's favorite guitars is his Martin.  
 All photos by Linda Salisbury

# Monte Monteith Plays Serious Bluegrass

By Linda Salisbury  
 Correspondent

**T**he man they call a legend in Bluegrass music learned banjo for a summer at age 12 from his uncle who lived in mountains of western North Carolina. Like many youngsters in the 1950s, Monte Monteith was sent out from Washington, D.C., to relatives in the country to escape the city heat and streets. He

would enjoy learning to hunt and fish and play music. Uncle Walter Fugate, a North Carolina mountain man, told young Monte that he would teach him to play "Cripple Creek" on the banjo that summer as a surprise for his mother when she came to pick him up. The boy practiced hard. His mother was surprised and pleased, but instead of buying him a banjo when they returned to the city, she gave him a guitar. He never

**See Monte page 6**




Bass player Paul Clark plays with the Honkytonk Bluegrass Band and Skyline Bluegrass Band founded by Monteith.

## WELL WATER TESTING PROGRAM

**Virginia Cooperative Extension**  
 Virginia Tech • Virginia State University

Learn about your water quality through affordable, confidential testing and become empowered to make decisions about system maintenance and water treatment  
 The goal of Virginia Household Water Quality Program is to improve the water quality and health of Virginia with private water supplies, including wells, springs, and cisterns.



### HOW DOES IT WORK?

Receive directions about sample collection & a sample kit at the local Extension office.  
 Collect samples on designated date and drop off locally.  
 Samples are analyzed at Virginia Tech.  
 Receive your confidential results, an explanation of what they mean, and information about addressing any problems or concerns at a local meeting.

### WHAT DOES THE WATER TEST INCLUDE?

IRON SODIUM FLUORIDE COLIFORM BACTERIA MANGANESE COPPER pH E. COLI BACTERIA  
 SULFATE NITRATE TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS LEAD HARDNESS ARSENIC

**Please pre-register - space is limited!**  
 Cost \$60.00 per sample kit.

Make check payable to: Treasurer, VT and send to: VCE Louisa P O Box 399 Louisa, VA 23093  
 CONTACT VCE Louisa County Office 540-967-3422

**Informational Meeting June 17, 2019 @ 6:00pm**  
 Pick up sample kit & receive directions to collect samples  
 VCE Louisa Meeting Room 2nd Floor @ Louisa County Office Bld. 1 Woolfolk Ave Louisa, VA 23093

**Water Sample Collection June 19, 2019 @ 7:30am-9:00am**  
 Drop Samples off  
 VCE Louisa County Office Building ENTRANCE of Louisa County Bld. 1 Woolfolk Ave Louisa VA 23093

**Results Meeting July 17, 2019 @ 6:00pm**  
 VCE Louisa Meeting Room 2nd Floor @ Louisa County Office Bld. 1 Woolfolk Ave Louisa, VA 23093

Virginia Cooperative Extension programs and employment are open to all, regardless of age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, veteran status, or any other basis protected by law. An equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Issued in furtherance of Cooperative Extension work, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Virginia State University, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture cooperating. Edwin J. Jones, Director, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, M. Ray McKinzie, Administrator, 1890 Extension Program, Virginia State University, Petersburg.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact VCE Louisa County, Crysti Hopkins at (540-967-3422/TDD\*) during business hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.  
 \*TDD number is (800) 828-1120.





# FORK UNION MILITARY ACADEMY SUMMER CAMPS

## FATHER-SON WEEKEND

June 21-23 • All Ages

## ALL SPORTS CAMP

June 23-28 • Boys & Girls\* Ages 7-17

## FOOTBALL CAMP

June 28-30 • Boys Ages 7-17

## 32<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL BASKETBALL CAMP

July 7-11 • Boys & Girls\* Ages 7-17

*\*Girls can only be day campers*

For More Information,  
visit [forkunion.com/summercamps](http://forkunion.com/summercamps) or call 434.842.4281



June 30 - July 27

# SUMMER SCHOOL

Visit

[www.forkunionsummerschool.com](http://www.forkunionsummerschool.com)  
or call 1-800-462-3862

A non-military  
program combining  
academic study,  
leadership development,  
athletic activities, and  
summertime fun in  
Central Virginia!



## BOYS GRADES 7-12





Members of the Skystone Bluegrass Band perform in a sold-out performance at the Louisa Arts Center, September 2018. L-R, Bob Payne, Paul Clark, Larry Carpenter, Ben Outland, Monte Monteith and Tommy Barlow. Photo courtesy Richard Hinde Photography

He never went back to the banjo.

By time he was in high school, Monteith and friends were listening to Bluegrass and practicing what they heard from the greats in the field. Soon were performing at clubs and different venues in the D.C. area. He went to high school with outstanding musicians such as bass-player Tom Gray, one of the members of Seldom Scene, who went on to be inducted in the Bluegrass Hall of Fame. The high school band quickly gained in popularity, playing in a number of states near D.C.

Lake Anna resident Monteith said, "We played several times at the Old Dominion Barn Dance in Richmond and at the North Carolina State Fair in Raleigh. Headliners at the state fair were the Everly Brothers. And we played with the Grand Ole Opry Road Show, sharing stages and dressing rooms with Buck Owens, George Jones and the Louvrin Brothers among others. We also had a weekly 30-minute radio show on WDON in Wheaton, Md., which was then the go-to country radio station." The teens also played at the Washington Coliseum a week before the Beatles appeared there in their North American debut.

Monteith explained that Bluegrass is not gospel, and it's not country. The lyrics evoke focus on home, and country living. Many songs have roots in the past when Bluegrass emerged in the 1930s-1940s. His groups have an every-changing repertoire to keep audiences returning.

He played with Buzz Busby and the Bayou Boys, another Bluegrass celebrity, and enjoyed every experience working with the greats. Early bands included Bill Torbert who went on to play with Jimmy Martin, LeMar Greer who went on to play with Bill Monroe and Ed Ferris a long time bass player with the Country Gentleman and Bill Harrell. He knew Mike Seeger (folksinger) and was introduced to Joan Baez at Seeger's house. At times working three jobs to make ends meet, Monteith often played professionally four nights a week. Perhaps the greatest moment of his performing career came one night when his band played "Cinderella," among other songs at Victor's Tavern near Fort Belvoir. Debbie (Deborah Basch Campbell), an Army nurse happened to show up for the show with a girlfriend. Talk about love at first sight! Debbie pointed him out and said to her friend, "See that guy? I'm going to marry him." Three years later, in 1972, she did. He still plays "Cinderella," adding, "I still wonder what a good-looking Army nurse saw in a broke-down guitar picker, but I'm glad she did. He added that their 47th anniversary was in February 2019.

In 1987, while living in Fairfax City, Monteith formed the Skystone Bluegrass Band with five other players. Debbie became the band's manager for many years, booking as many as 50-60 shows annually. She was also the inspiration the band's name. From the Southwest, Debbie liked Native-American jewelry; the name for turquoise is Skystone. "We began wearing turquoise scarves with our white hats when performing," he said.

Monteith and Debbie moved to the lake 19 years ago after his retirement as general superintendent for bus company operations for the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority, the fifth largest bus company in the United States. In 1987 he formed Skystone Bluegrass Band in Fairfax City. The band now includes all local musicians. He also has a three-person "fun band." It features Paul Clark on upright

bass, Stu Trice on keyboard and Monteith on the guitar, with all three adding the vocal harmony. Bluegrass vocals usually involve a trio as well as soloists.

"Bluegrass music is odd," Monteith said. "Everyone thinks they can play, but it is not as easy as that. Monteith is a perfectionist with each of the groups. He teaches members "what I want them to know," and how he wants every note played. There are no "jam sessions," he said. "Everybody has got set parts."

Skystone practices weekly a large room in the Monteith's home, and the Honkytonk Bluegrass Band, generally rehearses a few times prior to a gig. Monteith said that each piece has a kickoff and an ending that must be perfect every time, but there may be a little variation in the middle sections.

One new player was astonished at how many times Monteith stopped the group so the player would get things right. The new player said, "You guys are serious about this music." He said he guessed that Monteith really meant it. Monteith said that comment "inadvertently named our third project "Serious Bluegrass."

The current Skystone Bluegrass Band includes Bob Payne on mandolin and vocal; Paul Clark on bass and vocal; Larry Carpenter, five-string banjo, Ben Outland, guitar and vocal, Tommy Barlow, dobro, and Monteith on guitar and lead vocal.

Occasionally Monteith comes up with an idea for a song which he presents to the band and they work out the musical details. Once it is completed, the song doesn't change.

He said that his bands are show bands and the volume often reflects that. His groups play to perform, not to supply background music while the audience drinks wine and visits with friends.

Although the bands play in a number of venues, they are well known in the Louisa area, playing to a sold-out crowd at the Louisa Arts Center in September 2018, and frequently at places like the Lake Anna Winery, plus non-traditional weddings and parties. This season they have booked their 29th yearly appearance at the Fairfax City Fourth of July Parade, and their eighth yearly show at Brentsville Courthouse Bluegrass Festival in Manassas. Upcoming area shows would be their eighth appearance at the Louisa County Agricultural Fair, a second yearly show at the Lake Anna Tractor & Hardware and a first headlining position at the Small Country Bluegrass Festival and benefit show in early spring. He said the band hopes to play again this fall at the Louisa Arts Center.

Monteith has several guitars and a special one that sits on the stage at the Skystone's performances. It's a Buck Owen's red-white-and blue limited edition that he enjoys playing. His groups have made three albums in different styles: country-flavored Bluegrass, Traditional Bluegrass and Serious Bluegrass.

He still plays "Cinderella" for his sweetheart of 47 years and is philosophical about how Bluegrass has affected his life. "Relationships in Bluegrass last forever," he said.

Monteith added that he will play as long as he can. But, ever the perfectionist, he said, "If I can't do it the way I want to, then it's time to stop."

**To learn more or schedule the band: [www.skystonebluegrassband.com](http://www.skystonebluegrassband.com) or call (540) 661-2660.**



Volunteers from New Life Community Church fill 400 backpacks every month for children who need extra food on weekends when they are away from school. In partnership with Louisa County Public Schools, LCRC has expanded its Children's Summer Feeding Program to get healthy food delivered into certain neighborhoods during the months of June, July and August. There are also boxes of "kid-friendly" easy-to-open food that families can pick up at LCRC, the library, and six additional locations around the county in the summer for their children who depend on government lunch programs when school is in session.

While continuing its existing food and clothing assistance programs, LCRC is added two new programs in early February. Runnett introduced Joanne Falkenthal, volunteer coordinator of Caring Connections, a new program designed to provide personal visits to homebound Louisa County residents. With the decline in demand for Meals-on-Wheels due to other meal delivery options, LCRC recognized there was still a need for face-to-face visits for individuals who are isolated and confined to their homes because of age or disability. Caring Connections volunteers will receive training and then be matched with a "client" to be visited each month.

The organization's new Dental Assistance Voucher Program will provide help to adults who have no dental insurance and cannot afford to see a dentist. Over 56 percent of Louisa County residents have not had dental care in more than a year. This program will accept applications from income-qualified citizens who will receive vouchers to be used at participating dental offices. On hand for the volunteer luncheon were Donna Kirley, a retired dental hygienist, and Vickie Southall, RN and assistant professor of Nursing at the University of Virginia. They have helped organize the new dental voucher program.

Runnett said LCRC is also building a new warehouse across the street from its existing facility to meet storage demands and to provide more space for the Community Closet. Irene Luck, longtime volunteer, has said that the Community Closet will continue to pro-



Vernon Wood is one of the many volunteers helping at the Louisa County Resource Council's facility.



Donna Kirley, R.N., and Vickie Southall, assistant professor of nursing at the University of Virginia, have been involved with setting up the new Dental Assistance Voucher Program.

vide new and gently used clothing for adults and children, but the new warehouse will allow enough room for used furniture, appliances, and household items.

These are only a few of the many programs keeping the volunteers busy.

Pastor Everett spoke from personal experience of the fun he has volunteering "in the back" of the food pantry warehouse. "It's crazy and I love every minute of it," he said. He explained how people who are routinely in need come to churches looking for money or food but, because of "the blessing of LCRC," these individuals can be sent to the LCRC office where they are screened, given the help they need, and referred to other available community resources. He explained that local churches, even large ones like his, simply cannot provide such great service by themselves.

In his closing remarks, Everett reiterated his concern that our rich nation still sees a lot of poverty and that forgotten people need to be helped. He called LCRC a "gold mine" in this community and reminded volunteers, "You are doing the work of the Kingdom of God."

**To volunteer, donate, or learn how to help e-mail Joan Lassiter at [Louisaresource@gmail.com](mailto:Louisaresource@gmail.com) or call (540) 967-1510. LCRC is located at 147 Resource Lane, Louisa.**



Executive Direct Lloyd Runnett (left) and Willie Harper, Mineral District supervisor.



Longtime volunteer Irene Luck and Lloyd Runnett, executive director.



June Duran helps with the LCRC and the Santa Council.



Pastor Tom Everett of Mineral Baptist Church offered a blessing at the LCRC volunteer luncheon



Joan Falkenthal is the volunteer coordinator for the new Caring Connections Program.



Cathy Portner runs the front office of the Louisa County Resource Council.



**New Addition to Our 2019 Lineup:  
Nick Smith - Tickets \$30 each**

★ **Saturday, April 27 ~ 7:30PM**

Hailing from small-town Kent's Store, VA, Nick Smith quickly learned the values of hard work and independence at a young age. He loved singing and became a member of the varsity choir throughout his high school career. After graduating from Fluvanna High School, Nick pursued a business degree and continued playing the guitar to compliment his vocals with the goal of becoming a full-time entertainer one day.

As perseverance ruled, Nick's career in music moved forward enough to put together his first album EP in 2012. From there, Nick's songwriting and music production have since led him to write his latest album called "Just A Preview."



**Get Your Tickets Today : 540-967-5200 • LouisaArts.org**

# EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Indoor Spring Market!  
Saturday, March 16,  
2019**

**at 9 AM – 2 PM**  
Mini Market

Welcome Spring and catch up with some of your favorite MFM friends at the first Annual MFM SPRING Market! Meats, fresh eggs, early produce, plants/flowers, baked goods, jams, fudge, and handmade artisan wares.

Where: VFW, Mineral Avenue When: March 16th, 9-2

able along with FILLED EASTER BASKETS in a FREE drawing! The Easter Bunny will be on-site for pictures! The egg hunt will begin at 12 sharp!



**Louisa County  
Parks, Recreation &  
Tourism's Easter  
Eggtravaganza**

**Saturday, April 13, 2019  
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

Louisa Town Park, 108 Meadow Ave., Louisa

Come to the most exciting egg hunt in Louisa! There will be lots of candy and a special bunny guest. This FREE event is guaranteed to be a fun afternoon for your entire family. Starting at 11 a.m. the children's games and contests will add to the festivities, along with FREE FACE PAINTING and our famous CUPCAKE WALK! There will also be hot chocolate and coffee avail-

**Louisa County Historical Society  
(540) 967 - 5975**

**Spring Break Boredom Busters:**

These Spring Break Boredom Busters are for children age 6 and older (must be accompanied by an adult) and cost \$5 per child. No advance registration is necessary; you can just pay when you show up!

Textile Arts: **Monday, April 15th • 11:00 a.m - 3:00 p.m.**

Try your hand at carding wool and drop spinning and work on some paper weaving and/or embroidery to take home with you! Heritage Farm • 214 Fredericksburg Avenue, Louisa

**(540) 967 - 5975**



**MARCH 8TH  
THRU  
APRIL 19TH**

**FRIED  
COD, CATFISH  
OR  
ROCKFISH  
SANDWICHES  
\$9.95**

**FRIED  
COD OR  
CATFISH  
DINNERS  
\$15**

**FISH  
FRY  
FRIDAYS**

**FRIED ROCKFISH DINNER  
ONLY \$17**

Call 540-894-5011

200 Boardwalk Way • Mineral, Va 23117

FREE!!

COMMUNITY  
EXTRAVAGANZA

I Thessalonians 5:23 Spirit ~ Soul ~ Body

Healthcare  
Vendors

May 4, 2019  
11 AM - 4 PM

Betty J. Queen Intergenerational Center  
522 Industrial Drive, Louisa, VA






Join Us For

Semi Pro Wrestling ~ Musical Performances ~ BINGO  
Free Health and Wellness Information and Screenings  
Children ID Kits - and more...



FUN  
FOR  
ALL!!



PRIZES  
AWARDED!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
Mike Crawley, Jr.: (804) 439-2159  
Jerome Lindsay: (434) 962-7158

Sponsored By:  
Louisa County Parks, Recreation & Tourism  
&  
Local Churches Throughout The Community

Bible Trivia Contest!!





Steven Summerville is donating an assortment of his earthenware bowls for the fundraiser.

## Empty Bowls for Louisa Humane Society

On Saturday, March 30, Virginia's Dream Pottery, Knead Bread and the Louisa Humane Society will team up for a fundraiser at Lake Anna Winery just off Courthouse Road (Rt. 208) in Spotsylvania County. From 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., visitors are invited to enjoy a selection of soup options in a choice of bowls fashioned by master potter Steven Summerville. And then take home the bowl! An additional treat will be slices of specialty breads generously donated by Vincenzo Mazzone of Knead Bread. Wine can be purchased.

The fee for the event is \$25, which is less than the retail price of the bowl. The occasion will assist the volunteers of the non-profit organization in their mission to improve the quality of life for the homeless and abandoned animals of Louisa County, as well as provide a clean, safe environment for these unwanted animals while making every effort to place adoptable ones into new, loving, responsible homes. The non-profit organization depends on volunteers and donations.

**Ticket information**  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/empty-bowls-for-louisa-humane-society-tickets](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/empty-bowls-for-louisa-humane-society-tickets)  
 is available at the website, [www.louisahumanesociety.com](http://www.louisahumanesociety.com) or the society's Facebook page.



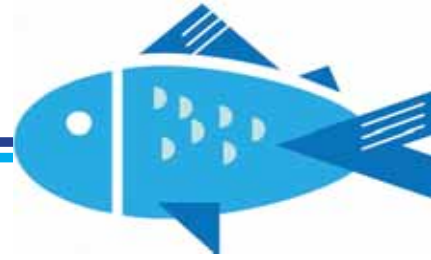
HomeRecovery  
 HomeAid Family Serving Family

Home Health and Personal Care Services  
**NOW HIRING!**

If you are looking for a family-friendly working environment then Home-Recovery-Home-Aid is looking for you! We have immediate openings for PCA's and CNA's in our service area.

**We offer:**  
 Flexible Schedules  
 Daytime/Evening Shifts Available  
 Weekly Pay

Give us a call today @ 434-392-7336 or go online at [www.hr-ha.com](http://www.hr-ha.com), to complete our online application and become part of our family.



## Lenten Fish Dinners

Lenten Fish Dinners March 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5, 12 at St. Jude Catholic Church, 1937 Davis Hwy., Mineral, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Choice of fried or baked, fish or shrimp, sides and desserts.

Cost: \$10 adults • \$5 children.

Eat in or carry-out.

# MINERAL FARMER'S MARKET

## Indoor

# Spring Market

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019 • 9 AM – 2 PM**

**Meat, Eggs, Plants,  
 Fudge, Jam, Salsa,  
 Baked Goods and  
 Handmade Crafts!**

**VFW • 201 MINERAL AVENUE**

The Regular Farmer's Market Season Starts May 4th!





# Behind the Wheel

By Pat Wilson  
Correspondent



Centering a piece of earthenware clay is the first step as Steven Summerville works at his potter's wheel.

Ten-year-old Steven Summerville watched a classroom pottery demonstration. With fascination he observed an artisan use a pottery wheel to change a lump of clay into a bowl. That exhibition would influence his entire life and education.

"He captivated me," said Summerville. "So, my parents paid for me to do a summer workshop. I made dinosaurs from clay. My two interests became art and science, which I have learned are both active in the same part of the brain."

So, growing up in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Summerville took numerous high school art classes that involved painting, sculpture, printmaking and ceramics. He continued his studies at Berea College in Kentucky, and widened his skills to include production throwing, which is making more than one of a particular piece.

"I learned to create strong forms in stoneware that were both useful and satisfying," he said. "My mentors not only helped me develop technical proficiency but also personal style and a reverence for a well-made, useful item."

Summer apprenticeships were essential to his college financial aid and involved 40 hours a week making production pieces from an assigned list. Any additional time, the potter could spend in the studio experimenting with his own techniques and designs. He also had the opportunity to work with David Leach, a porcelain potter who conducted several summer workshops. Summerville graduated with a degree in studio art with an emphasis in ceramics.

Pooling his money permitted him a month or so in Southwestern England. Summerville visited potteries and observed well-respected masters including Leach. Returning to live in Fredericksburg, he spent four years

honing his skills and developing his individual style while working with fellow potter Dan Finnegan. Other obligations led to his temporarily abandoning the field.

But, after a ten-year absence from his passion, Summerville left his job at a plant/landscaping nursery in Richmond and returned to the studio specializing in earthenware, first utilizing a friend's basement and later a spare room at the Bumpass antique shop of Melvin Edwards, his companion for 30 years. He opened his studio/gallery, Virginia's Dream, in 1993.

"Since high school, I had always dreamed of becoming a professional potter," he said. "My mother encouraged me, but it was only after her death that I decided to attempt to take the exciting but also frightening plunge. It was the best decision I ever made, and I named the business in honor of her."

His first attempt to sell his pieces was at a Cary Street cooperative shop in Richmond.

"I took a banana box from a grocery store and filled it with breakfast bowls, mugs, cups and plates carefully wrapped in newspaper," he said. "In three weeks they sold everything I had made."

This success led to his attending over two dozen festivals and shows at year, first in the Richmond area and soon throughout the state and even as far as the Midwest. Summerville and Edwards loaded a van with his pieces and pulled a small camper to the locales. His embellished style soon developed a following, and a website added to demands.

Today, Summerville maintains a garden and keeps a few goats, llamas and chickens, but the majority of his time is allocated to his studio. There, he throws, fires, embellishes and glazes

## Getting Collection Phone Calls?—You Can Enjoy Your Phone Again!



**You need a financial restart to your life!**

Bankruptcy can give you a financial fresh start and make your life easier. You will clean up your credit history and gradually restore your ability to access credit.

### What do you need to do?

- Get informed – call our attorney's office and make a free appointment.
- Gather your data – know your debts and your assets.
- Plan your future – put steps in place to restore your credit and live a financially successful future.

Call the Miller Law Group, PC for a FREE 30 minute consultation.

434-974-9776 • [www.millerlawgrouppc.com](http://www.millerlawgrouppc.com)

*We help you live your life.*



MILLER LAW  
GROUP, PC

1160 PEPSI PLACE, SUITE 341, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA

*We are a debt relief agency. Additional location in Zion Crossroads. Handicap accessible.*



Even Alton, a rescued lemon yellow Walker hound, has the luxury of eating kibble from a bowl crafted by his owner Steven Summerville.



# What's In Your Water

Contributed by the Virginia Cooperative Extension, Louisa County

Did you know that private water supplies like wells and springs are unregulated? It is the responsibility of the homeowner to regularly test water quality, maintain the water system, and address any problems.

Affordable, confidential water testing and education will be offered through Virginia Cooperative Extension Louisa County/Virginia Tech.

**The informational meeting as well as picking up your kits will be on Monday, 6/17/2019 @ 6:00pm.** The meeting location is in the Louisa County Office Bldg., 1 Woolfolk Ave, Louisa, VA 23093 - VCE Meeting room on the 2nd floor of the building.

**The drop off of water samples is on Wednesday, 6/19/2019 7:30am-9:00am** at the ENTRANCE to the Louisa County Office Bldg., 1 Woolfolk Ave, Louisa, VA 23093



Participation is voluntary and confidential. Water samples collected by participating homeowners will be analyzed for 14 parameters, including bacteria, metals, nitrate and hardness at a cost of \$60.

Results and water system care and maintenance information will be shared at an informational meeting on Wednesday, July 17, 2019, 6:00pm at the Louisa County Office Bldg., 1 Woolfolk Ave., Louisa VA 23093 - VCE meeting room on the 2nd floor of the building.

All information is kept strictly confidential and results are reported only to the homeowner. Please contact Crysti Hopkins, VCE Louisa, FCS Agent 540-967-3422 or email Hcrysti2@vt.edu to pre-register!

**For more information about the Virginia Household Water Quality Program, as well as many resources relevant to private water systems, please visit [www.wellwater.bse.vt.edu](http://www.wellwater.bse.vt.edu).**

## Wheel from page 10

distinctive dishes, bowls, plates, canisters and cups - just a few of his creative pottery options. He admits that the work requires dedication and discipline but is worth the effort.

"It has brought me such joy," he said. "I feel truly blessed to have this lifestyle and cherish the long-lasting friendships I have made over the years."

The potter will spend as many as 12 hours a day in his studio. Starting with a one-pound lump of earthenware, Summerville first kneads it, called wedging, and then centers it on one of his pottery wheels - kick or electric. Keeping his fingers and the earthenware moist, the potter slowly shapes and smooths the piece. If desired he will attach handles, form spouts or create lids. After the earthenware partially dries, Summerville brushes on three layers of underglaze in a chosen color and embellishes the piece with slip, a more fluid version of the clay. The greenware will be fired in his kiln, then clear-glazed and refired.

"All my pieces are microwavable, dishwasher safe and contain no lead," he said.

Although the artist prefers time spent in his studio creating new designs and color combinations or replicating old favorites to fill online orders, each year he travels to several arts and crafts shows. He is a regular at local festivals, shows and the Mineral Farmer's Market as well as participates in several fundraisers including the upcoming Empty Bowls. His pieces are featured at Nourish Louisa on West Main Street.

Occasionally, Summerville holds open houses at his studio/gallery at 1118 Bordon Road, just south of the village of Bumpass. **Visitors are welcome on Saturday and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. on March 16-17 and 23-24. Anyone wanting to visit the gallery at other times should first contact him at 540-894-3524 [ordevostudio@gmail.com](mailto:ordevostudio@gmail.com). He maintains a calendar of upcoming events and examples of his work at the website, [www.stevensummerville.net](http://www.stevensummerville.net) and on Facebook.**



Swirls, circles and dots of fluid slip give the pottery its unique embellishment.

## Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

### ACROSS

- 1 Ballroom move
- 5 Skirt feature, sometimes
- 9 M, to Einstein
- 13 Study aide
- 15 Garden walkway
- 16 Death notice, briefly
- 17 Addams Family's Fester, e.g.
- 18 Law firm newbie
- 20 Something huge
- 22 Seller of Alaska in 1867
- 23 UPC part
- 24 Foreshadow
- 25 In the direction of
- 28 Big bully
- 29 SNL segments
- 30 Refinery residue
- 31 Scuff of the neck
- 35 Biblical boat
- 36 Understanding
- 39 Greyhound, e.g.
- 40 Commuter line
- 42 Right on the map?
- 43 Seize illegally
- 45 Abstract style of the '60s
- 47 In a monotonous way
- 48 Merlot, for one
- 51 "\_\_\_ here long?"
- 52 Embroidered hole
- 53 Success at the expense of others
- 57 Anteater's cousin
- 59 "The Audacity of Hope" author

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8		9	10	11	12
13				14		15				16			
17						18				19			
20					21			22					
			23				24						
25	26	27				28							
29						30				31	32	33	34
35				36	37					38		39	
40			41		42				43	44			
				45	46				47				
48	49	50						51					
52							53				54	55	56
57						58				59			
60						61				62			
63						64					65		

Copyright 2019 by The Puzzle Syndicate

- 60 Big cat
- 61 Palindromic term of address
- 62 Xbox enthusiast
- 63 Repair, as clothing
- 64 Nose out
- 65 Tear apart
- 9 Wet
- 10 Put down
- 11 Peaceful protest
- 12 Place of another
- 14 Penitent's emotion
- 19 Rudely terse
- 21 Simon's couple
- 24 Chris of "Jurassic World"
- 25 Ivan the Terrible, e.g.
- 26 Creole veggie
- 27 Online prefix with -pedia
- 28 Great time
- 30 Flat replacement
- 32 Go up against
- 33 Knitting stitch
- 34 Perceive
- 37 In the \_\_\_\_\_ (for now)
- 38 Christmas crackler
- 41 Area prone to flooding
- 44 Marine hazard
- 46 \_\_\_ Piper
- 47 Attorney's charge
- 48 Bailiwick
- 49 Eagle's home (var.)
- 50 Exorcist's target
- 51 Ecological community
- 53 Stars and Stripes, e.g.
- 54 British title
- 55 Word said before opening the eyes
- 56 Fabric quantity
- 58 Little fella

## Crossword Answers page 15



**HELLO, DOLLY!**  
 Book by Michael Stewart  
 Music and Lyrics by Jerry Herman  
 Based on the play "The Matchmaker"  
 by Thornton Wilder



*The world is full of wonderful things!*

# HELLO, DOLLY!



**March 15th-April 14th  
on the Mainstage**

- Directed by Edward Warwick White
- Music Direction by Kristin Baltés
- Choreography by Heather Powell

This recently-revived blockbuster Broadway hit—one of the most beloved musicals of all time—comes to Barboursville for the first time ever! Dolly Gallagher-Levi is a widow, a matchmaker, and also a professional meddler— but everything changes when she decides that the next match she needs to make is for herself. Set in New York City at the turn of the century, HELLO, DOLLY! bursts with humor, romance, and some of the greatest songs in musical theater history, including "Before the Parade Passes By," "Put on Your Sunday Clothes," and, of course, "Hello, Dolly!" Join us for this lavish, hilarious, heartwarming love story!

**TICKETS NOW  
ON SALE!**

Box Office: 540.832.5355 • [www.fourcp.org](http://www.fourcp.org)  
[4countyplayers@gmail.com](mailto:4countyplayers@gmail.com)  
 Like us on Facebook

Thanks to our sponsors: 5256 Governor Barbour Street Barboursville, Virginia, 22923



Vincenzo Mazzone and his brother Carmine manned a booth at the Mineral Farmer's Market.

## Knead Bread

By Pat Wilson  
Correspondent

**J**okingly, Vincenzo Mazzone declares "I'm Italian and three generations of my family had been in the restaurant business. What would you expect?" The answer is his passion for baking bread. The artisan also shows his sense of humor in naming his start-up business, Knead Bread.

The result of his heritage and zeal is a state-of-the-art, USDA approved commercial-quality bakery located in the converted garage/workshop of his home near Lake Anna. Complete with large worktables, industrial-sized equipment, a walk-in cooler and six stone ovens, the spacious structure allows Mazzone to create loaves of bread from classic ciabatta variations to basic peasant breads.

"Right now I'm starting with a select number of breads," he said. "Several are

**TAVERN on the JAMES**

**ALL YOU CAN EAT**

**BEGINNING AT 4:30 PM**

Crab Legs

Steamed Spiced Shrimp

Prime Rib

Fried Oysters

**1ST COME 1ST SERVE BASIS ONLY!**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND**

**Only \$38.95 per adult OR \$19.95 per child (12 and under only please)**

280 Valley Street Scottsville, VA 24590 434-286-3500  
[www.TavernOnTheJames.com](http://www.TavernOnTheJames.com)





Specialty breads including wild peasant, sunburst and honey wheat as well as Kalamata olive ciabatta cool on rack.

variations of ciabatta in loaves about 12 to 16 inches in length. Ciabatta is Italian style bread with the typical ingredients of flour, water, salt and yeast, but the secret is in how you handle the dough which is a four-hour process with short intervals of rest."


Ciabatta comes in plain, sesame seed, cinnamon-raisin or an olive with roasted garlic and Parmigiana Reggiano. He also markets plain artisan peasant bread and honey-wheat peasant bread that uses local wildflower honey from Herb Cadel. Another specialty is wild peasant bread with cranberries, golden raisins, sunflower seeds and walnuts. His sunburst bread features a touch of rye and wheat flour and is made plain or with pumpkin and sunflower seeds.

Mazzone has a philosophical outlook for his baking.


"We go out into a field. Plant wheat, it grows. We harvest it, beat and smash it, basically to its death. We take that flour, mix it with water, salt and yeast, to bring it back to life," he said. "Then, we watch that grow as it rises; then shape and form it and put it into a hot oven, to kill it again. Then, we enjoy it!"

As Mazzone explores locales to feature his breads, they are currently available at Nourish Louisa on West Main Street and in Dickinson's Store at Ware's Crossroads in Mineral. Two Community Supported Agriculture businesses carry his products. Meredith Farms Local Food delivers his breads to

**See Bread page 15**




**A Bed and Breakfast**  
Receptions • Reunions • Retreats



**The Boxley Place Inn**  
c. 1860 National Historic Register  
Virginia Historic Landmark

Lovely 3 acre estate within walking distance of shops, restaurants and the Louisa Court House Square. Stroll across the railroad tracks to the Purcell Gallery and the Cooke Haley Theatre at the Louisa Arts Center.

5 spacious rooms in the main house, plus elaborate continental breakfast. Cabin Suite also available. Rooms from \$119 per night off season.



Luxury and comfort in the fabulous Ethel Suite with private bath.

Photos and details at our website:  
[www.BoxleyPlaceInn.com](http://www.BoxleyPlaceInn.com)  
540-967-1595



**Brighter Whiter Smile!**  
**ZOOM!**  
PHILIPS Professional Teeth Whitening

- Comprehensive Orthodontic Services
- Full Family Dentistry
- Invisalign Teen and Adult
- Most Dental Insurances Accepted
- Accepting New Patients
- Zoom Whitening
- Sleep Apnea
- Financing Option Available

**SpringCreek**  
FAMILY DENTISTRY & ORTHODONTICS

**John H. Knight, Jr. DDS & Associates**

34 Jefferson Ct, Zion Crossroads, VA 22942  
Phone: 540-832-3232  
(Off Rt#15 across from Walmart)  
[www.springcreekdentist.com](http://www.springcreekdentist.com)

615 Woodbrook Drive  
Charlottesville, VA 22901  
Phone: 434-293-9793  
[www.cvilleteeth.com](http://www.cvilleteeth.com)



## DOLLEY MADISON GARDEN CLUB Calendar of Events 2019

- **HISTORIC GARDEN WEEK IN ORANGE**  
Saturday, April 27
- **CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**  
Dedication ceremony & ribbon cutting for the community gift  
Sunday, May 5 in Taylor Park
- **SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**  
June, July, August in Taylor Park
- **COMMUNITY ZINNIA SHOW**  
Saturday, September 14  
in the Orange Community Room



**DOLLEY MADISON GARDEN CLUB**  
Since 1919  
[WWW.DMGCVIRGINIA.ORG](http://WWW.DMGCVIRGINIA.ORG)



# WANTED

**OUR GROWING 5-PAPER MEDIA COMPANY IS SEEKING AN ADVERTISING SALES ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE for the Fluvanna Review**

### The ideal candidate:

- must be good with people, hard-working and customer-service oriented.
- should be able to multi-task and organize work flow, build rapport with local businesses and help the team meet weekly sales goal numbers.
- needs to be comfortable with telephone and written sales efforts as well as with face-to-face presentations.

## Part Time Account Executive

You will be talking with potential advertising customers in Fluvanna County and beyond, planning ad campaigns and establishing budgets, helping design basic layouts and cross-selling into our four monthly publications.

This is a part-time position with room for growth. We will offer a base to start, plus very high commission. This position is perfect for anyone wanting to earn extra income in a 10-12 hour per week sales capacity.

If this fits your skill set, please forward your resume to:  
Judi Price, Advertising Director  
[Judi.valleypublishing@gmail.com](mailto:Judi.valleypublishing@gmail.com)







We accept VISA and Mastercard.

## Placing Your Classified Line Advertising:

Email your Classified Line ad to: [edee@fluvannareview.com](mailto:edee@fluvannareview.com) and pay by credit card. **ONLY \$10 a month for 30 words or less.**

### HELP WANTED

#### LANDSCAPER MAINTENANCE WORKER

(Experience Required)  
Contact Maintenance **(434) 842-4340**



#### FORK UNION MILITARY ACADEMY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

4744 James Madison Hwy. Fork Union, Virginia 23055

Benefits include a retirement plan, health, dental, life insurance and meals provided depending on the shift.

The Academy is a Christian male boarding and day school that attracts students from more than 30 states and 15 foreign countries. The Academy offers our students a college preparatory curriculum in a military-style environment.

### EVENT

**MINI GOLF & DINNER:** Boardwalk Mini Golf & Tim's at Lake Anna, Sunday, April 7th. (Rain Date - April 28) from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 200 Boardwalk Way, Mineral, VA. Tickets \$25 per person. For info & tickets, contact: Lin Kogle (540) 894-0239 or Susan Utt (540) 894-4879. All proceeds benefit non-profit Louisa Community Emergency Fund.

### FOR SALE

**DOWNSIZING- MAKE OFFER:** 2 above ground cemetery sites at Monticello Memorial. Call (434) 466-1114 or (434) 531-5560.

**BOOKS:** make great gifts. Give Linda Salisbury's "Bailey Fish Adventure" series for kids, and humor for grown-ups. Can be found at many local gift outlets, online (plus Kindle and Nook), or from [tabbyhouse@gmail.com](mailto:tabbyhouse@gmail.com), (540) 895-9093, or

[www.lindasalisburyauthor.com](http://www.lindasalisburyauthor.com)

**CEMETERY SITES:** Holly Memorial Gardens and Monticello Memory Gardens. Significant savings. Call 434-295-1750.

### HELP WANTED

**OPTOMETRIC OFFICE OPTICAL SALES F/T or P/T:** Energetic team player for busy Optometric Office. Strong Computer experience needed. EHR and Eyecare and Optical experience preferred but will train the right candidate. Preference given to qualified applicants who live in Fluvanna or near Lake Monticello EOE. Fax resume to 434.591-0111 or email to: [reception@weisseyes.com](mailto:reception@weisseyes.com) or call (434) 591-0262.

### RENTALS

**CENTURY 21 MONTICELLO PROPERTIES:** For current Home Rentals Contact Genevieve Reilly (434) 414-4453 or (434) 589-7653 (office) or email: [monticelloproperties-mgt@gmail.com](mailto:monticelloproperties-mgt@gmail.com).

### SERVICES

**FULL SERVICE SELF STORAGE:** Fluvanna Self Storage on Lake Monticello Road, (Rte 618) offers 2 convenient locations with both Climate Controlled and Regular Units (24/7

availability), Locks, moving supplies, U-Haul Trucks, and ON-SITE manager. Limited time offer: 10% off of any size unite, some restrictions apply. Call (434) 589-2222.

**LOHR'S PIANO SALES & SERVICE:** Reliable repair and tuning with 40 years experience. Also offering good used and new pianos at reasonable prices. Phone (540) 672-5388, evenings, for all your piano needs.

**DAVID ROWE'S TREE, YARD & HANDYMAN SERVICE:** Carpentry, painting, power washing, gutter work, fencing, tree work, re-seeding, fertilizing, mulching & more. Fully insured. Call for estimate 540-937-2144 or 540-522-1662.

### SPECIAL NOTICES

**VETERANS AND DEPENDENTS:** Do you know your Veterans Benefits? We do! Virginia Department of Veterans Services: <https://www.Virginiaforveterans.com> or <https://www.dvs.virginia.gov>. Need Help? Call 1(800) 827-1000 for Veterans Affairs Benefits & Services or (434) 295-2782 for Appointment.

### WANTED

**OLD COINS: I BUY OLD COINS.** 434-466-7968

### HELP WANTED



Are you passionate about applying your skills to ensure the greatest quality of life possible for our fellow community members in need? If so The Arc urges you to consider opportunities within our organization. Our mission is to ensure full community inclusion and participation of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through the provision of high quality services and advocacy. Our vision is to remain the leading provider of services and advocacy for this deserving population. If you share these values we urge you to consider the following career opportunities:

#### Direct Support Professionals – Residential, Day Support and In-Home Services (FT and PT)

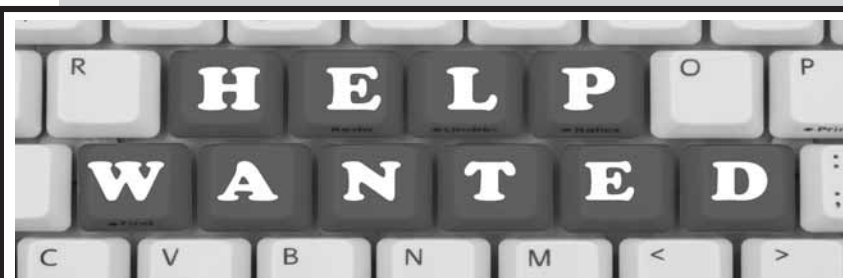
**\*\* \$600 Sign-On Bonus awarded to candidates hired into any part-time or full-time position in Residential Support Services. \*\***

We are eager to hear from qualified candidates interested in working in Charlottesville, Crozet, Nelson and Louisa. Additional detail for each vacancy (including schedules) may be viewed on the Employment page of our web site.

To see a full listing of all of our positions, to apply and to learn more about what The Arc is doing to support our community, please visit our web site at <http://thearcofthepiedmont.org/>

In addition to offering a challenging and rewarding experience The Arc also offers competitive compensation, paid training, and- for full time staff- an attractive benefits package which includes paid leave, health, dental and vision insurance, as well as life and long-term disability insurance, among other offerings. The Arc of the Piedmont is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

### HELP WANTED



## WE NEED A PART-TIME REPORTER

**Do you like to write?**

If so, Louisa Life is currently seeking a part-time reporter to write about Louisa County's rich history and interesting people.

Please email resume with samples of writing, to:

[valleyeditor1@gmail.com](mailto:valleyeditor1@gmail.com)

Carlos Santos, Publisher

**Louisa Life**





Six ovens with stone bases can cook as many as 50 loaves at a time. The stone ensures evenly-baked crusty bread.

## For Louisa County Rotary Club - The Play's the Thing

By Pat Wilson  
Correspondent

For the 16th year, the Louisa County Rotary Club, through its foundation, sponsored a performance of the Barter Theater Players on stage at the Louisa ArtsCenter. The Friday evening, February 15 presentation, was seen by a full house who laughed and mused as the mischief Tom Sawyer cavorted with his compatriot Huckleberry Finn to locate treasure as well as save a wrongly accused man.

The event included a reception for sponsors and invited guests prior to the show and, after the play, an on-stage question and answer period with the six actors, as well as a meet and greet with dessert in the Purcell Gallery.

The performance not only delighted the adult audience, but through a mission of the club's foundation, the show was staged earlier in the day at Louisa County High School's Alan Jackson Theater. This allowed close to 350 middle school students to experience a live theatrical performance. The players also presented Princess and the Pea to about 650 pre-K through third graders. The Rotarians, in conjunction with the public schools, are dedicated to projects that open educational opportunities for Louisa's youth.

"Each year we give a scholarship to a graduating senior, dictionaries to third grade students, sponsor speech and essay contests, send students to leadership camps and help with requests for classroom supplies from special education teachers," said Patrick Hanley, coordinator of the Barter project. "Last year we even purchased a 3-D printer for the high school's technical education program."

Hanley noted that the performances would not have been possible without the generous support of over 40 businesses and individuals with Dominion Energy being the producing sponsor. Also contributing to the successful event was the town of Louisa staff, as well as the Louisa Arts Center staff and volunteers.



Patrick Hanley, Louisa County Rotary Club coordinator for the Barter Player production, thanked Sarah Perkinson, Dominion Energy external affairs representative, for the company's generous sponsorship.

customers along with its meats, fruits and seasonal vegetables. Phantom Hill Farm sells his products along with naturally-grown vegetables. He works with sellers through an online ordering system. Several area restaurants and a high-end grocery distributor are expressing interest.

Mazzone plans to return to the Mineral Farmer's Market which reopens in May. He has provided bread for meals held by local fundraising organizations and will participate at the Louisa Humane Society's Empty Bowls fundraiser later this month. The baker is taking small steps to increase his sales, but since he is the only "employee," he does not want to lessen quality for increased quantity.

"I haven't set up a website yet, but that is in my future plans," he said. "I bake on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings, then deliver in the afternoons. I have a great resource, Jameala Cross, who helps me tremendously with the paperwork, pricing and marketing. LKA Signs provides labeling."

Bread baking is not new to the artisan. Mazzone was reared in upstate New York and teenage jobs revolved around the kitchens of restaurants, bakeries and pizzerias. His specialty was working with dough. But, since his father was in the construction business, Mazzone followed in those footsteps for 30 years.

"My dad had Earth and Stone, a construction company which did a little bit of everything from siding to decks and remodeling. I did a lot of the tile work," he said.

Branching out on his own, Mazzone worked on projects that resulted in short term residences in numerous locales from California to South Carolina. Often his diverse skills led to contractors requesting his expertise for their upscale housing. During those years, Mazzone's baking was limited to personal enjoyment and occasional gifts, although the time did allow him to experiment with ingredients and techniques. Last year, one job helped to influence his decision.

"A New York contractor friend asked me to do three custom bathrooms in his house," he said. "The job required other work so a two-month job resulted in five months."

Mazzone was torn between moving around to do similar work or spending the majority of his time living in Louisa and using the spacious kitchen in the house that he designed and, with help from friends and his brother Carmine, had built ten years ago on land near the lake. Another factor was that his parents, Mildred and Domiano, had retired in the county.

A suggestion from a friend helped Mazzone make a final decision. At the insistence of a coworker Mazzone took 25 loaves of his specialties to the Mineral Farmer's Market in late May 2018 and sold out in an hour. He then decided to start baking for retail sales and only accepted local subcontracting jobs reserving Fridays for bread baking.

"People asked if I would come back," he said. "I went to 40, then 60 and one Saturday, 120 loaves. I just about sold out each time."

Mixing and kneading dough then baking all night was overwhelming, and his house's kitchen became inadequate. That's when Mazzone converted the workshop and purchased the equipment and ovens that bake as many as 50 loaves at a time. This upgrade ensured an adequate assortment of fresh, crusty bread for his customer.

"I use King Arthur flour and other quality ingredients like extra virgin olive oil," he said. "Above all, I find time in the kitchen to be creative and have fun."

And his future plans? Mazzone enjoys working with new recipe combinations, perhaps sun-dried tomatoes or jalapeño and cheese. Maybe a sourdough bread that uses hops for sale at a brewery? Bagels and rolls are considerations. But, above all, quality is vital and branching out too quickly means too many long hours or hiring some part time help.

**Mazzone welcomes anyone wanting fresh bread in small or large quantities to contact him at [vinzo@gmail.com](mailto:vinzo@gmail.com) or 540-903-0811. Otherwise, customers seeking a single loaf or two can browse his selections at Nourish Louisa or Dickinson's Store and, starting in May, each Saturday morning at the Mineral Farmer's Market.**

It's easy to advertise  
in Louisa Life!

Advertise your Business  
Today!

Contact Judi Price  
434-207-0223  
[judi.valleypublishing@gmail.com](mailto:judi.valleypublishing@gmail.com)

### Answers to the Crossword Puzzle from page 11

S	T	E	P		S	L	I	T		M	A	S	S			
T	U	T	O	R		P	A	T	H		O	B	I	T		
U	N	C	L	E		A	S	S	O	C	I	A	T	E		
B	E	H	E	M	O	T	H		R	U	S	S	I	A		
					C	O	D	E		P	O	R	T	E	N	D
T	O	W	A	R	D		B	R	U	T	E					
S	K	I	T	S		S	L	A	G		N	A	P	E		
A	R	K		E	M	P	A	T	H	Y		B	U	S		
R	A	I	L		E	A	S	T		U	S	U	R	P		
					O	P	A	R	T		F	L	A	T	L	Y
R	E	D	W	I	N	E		B	E	E	N					
E	Y	E	L	E	T		F	I	E	L	D	D	A	Y		
A	R	M	A	D	I	L	L	O		O	B	A	M	A		
L	I	O	N		M	A	A	M		G	A	M	E	R		
M	E	N	D		E	D	G	E		R	E	N	D			



