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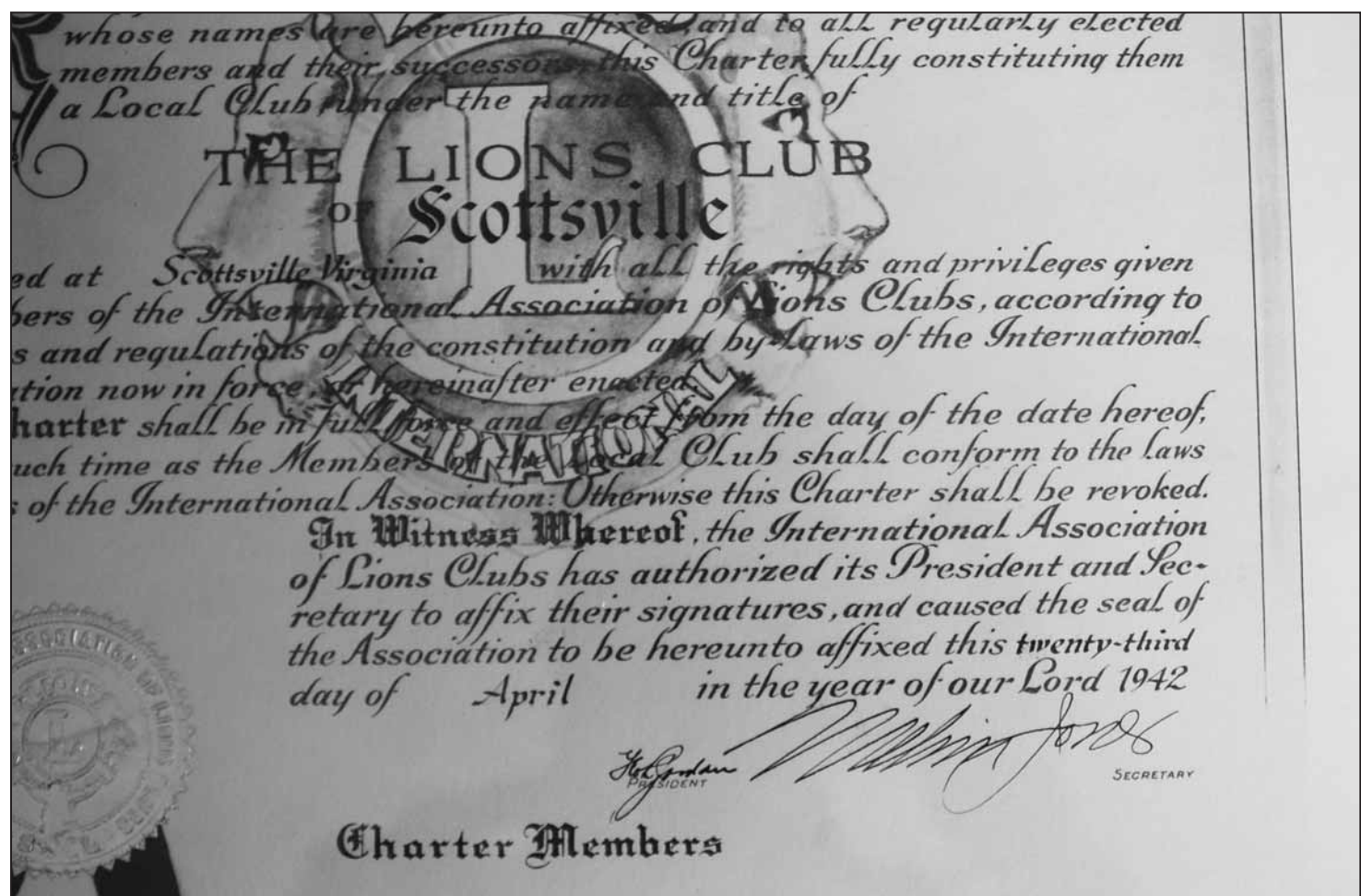
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The Club Charter date of April/1942. Photos by Ron Smith

## Seventy Seven Years Old and Still Strong!

By Ron Smith  
Correspondent

The names on the charter read like a Who's Who of business people in 1940s Scottsville. Thacker, Bruce, Dorrier, Paulette, Moon, Pitts, these were the movers and shakers of the town during that period of Scottsville history. They were business people who also shared a common interest. That interest was the welfare of Scottsville, a place of which they were proud and a place they called home.

Lions International was begun in 1916 in Evansville, Indiana by Dr. William Perry. Organization secretary and businessman Melvin Jones, suggested to members of his business club that they should "look beyond business issues and focus on the welfare of their communities and the world." Other business clubs around the country were invited to meet and on June 7th, 1917, at a convention in Dallas, Texas, the clubs

attending, including Lions International agreed to become one club, Lions!

Lions International adopted the motto "We Serve" and that has been the objective of local clubs, such as Scottsville, since it was chartered in April, 1942.

People who have heard of Lions mainly associate the organization with vision issues. Helen Keller was a member of Lions.

The Scottsville club has helped numerous people with the purchase of eyeglasses and also hearing aids. Lion Alex Stone heads up this activity for the Scottsville Club. In addition to helping people obtain glasses, Alex collects used glasses from Lions donation boxes around town. "Already this year," Alex says, "over 700 pair of glasses have been collected and sent to Lion's recycling centers." Scottsville Lions have access to



### The Cover

Quarry Gardens founders Armand and Bernice Thieblot relax with their old pal, Skyla, on a bench hewn from native sycamore. Photo by Tom Daly, courtesy of The Quarry Gardens.

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President Sallie Massie reads a thank you note from a person who obtained glasses with the Lions Club help.





A typical Lions Club meeting.



The Lions glasses collection box.

the Lions "Sight and Hearing Van." This RV sized vehicle is equipped to offer, for free, both sight and hearing tests and can be found at community events. There is such as demand for it that clubs often have to reserve the van a year or more in advance.

Shortly after the chartering of the Scottsville club a number of important Lion-sponsored projects took shape. The first being, in 1944, the Uniroyal Tire Plant's decision to locate in Scottsville.

The parcel of land on which the plant sets was originally owned by several individuals. Uniroyal had their eye on a site in Nelson County. One of the owners of the Scottsville property desired more for their land than Uniroyal was prepared to pay. The Scottsville Lions Club was able to generate over \$12,000 to help make the sale of the land a reality. Uniroyal moved to town and at one period of time employed 350 employees, until finally closing in 2009.

During World War II the club held fundraisers at Victory Hall Theater generating thousands of dollars for the war effort through bond and stamp sales.

In 1951 the club was instrumental in establishing the Scottsville Sun newspaper. This local paper was published until the 1960s and a circulation of between 500 and 1000 subscribers.

In 1952 the Scottsville Lions raised \$350 from a white elephant sale with those proceeds being used to start a band at Scottsville High School.

Today the Scottsville Lions Club continues to put Scottsville first. In addition to continuing to support vision and hearing needs in the community, the Scottsville Lions support local youth athletics, the volunteer fire department, service/leader dog programs, local childcare organizations, Scottsville elementary school, and food programs. They also sponsor the James Bland Music Scholarship program.

All these efforts are funded through local fund raising efforts such as broom sales, White Cain Day and bingo. Lion's by-laws state that any funds from the public can only be used for the benefit of the public. Current president Sallie Massie says, "Our goal is to use the funds we raise here in Scottsville for projects that benefit of our local citizens." She went on to say, "our annual Duck Derby fundraiser will be on Community Day, September 14th at the Farmers Market Pavilion."

Former President Jimmy Carter is a Lion. Amelia Earhart and explorer Richard Byrd were Lions. Lions Clubs are open to anyone, 18 or older, who has a desire to help his fellow man, whether it is the neighbor next door or a complete stranger. Today there are over 1.7 million members worldwide, but small clubs like Scottsville can always use more help.

The Scottsville Lions Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in Scottsville United Methodist Church. There is a meal followed by a business session. Visit the club and you will probably see someone you know.

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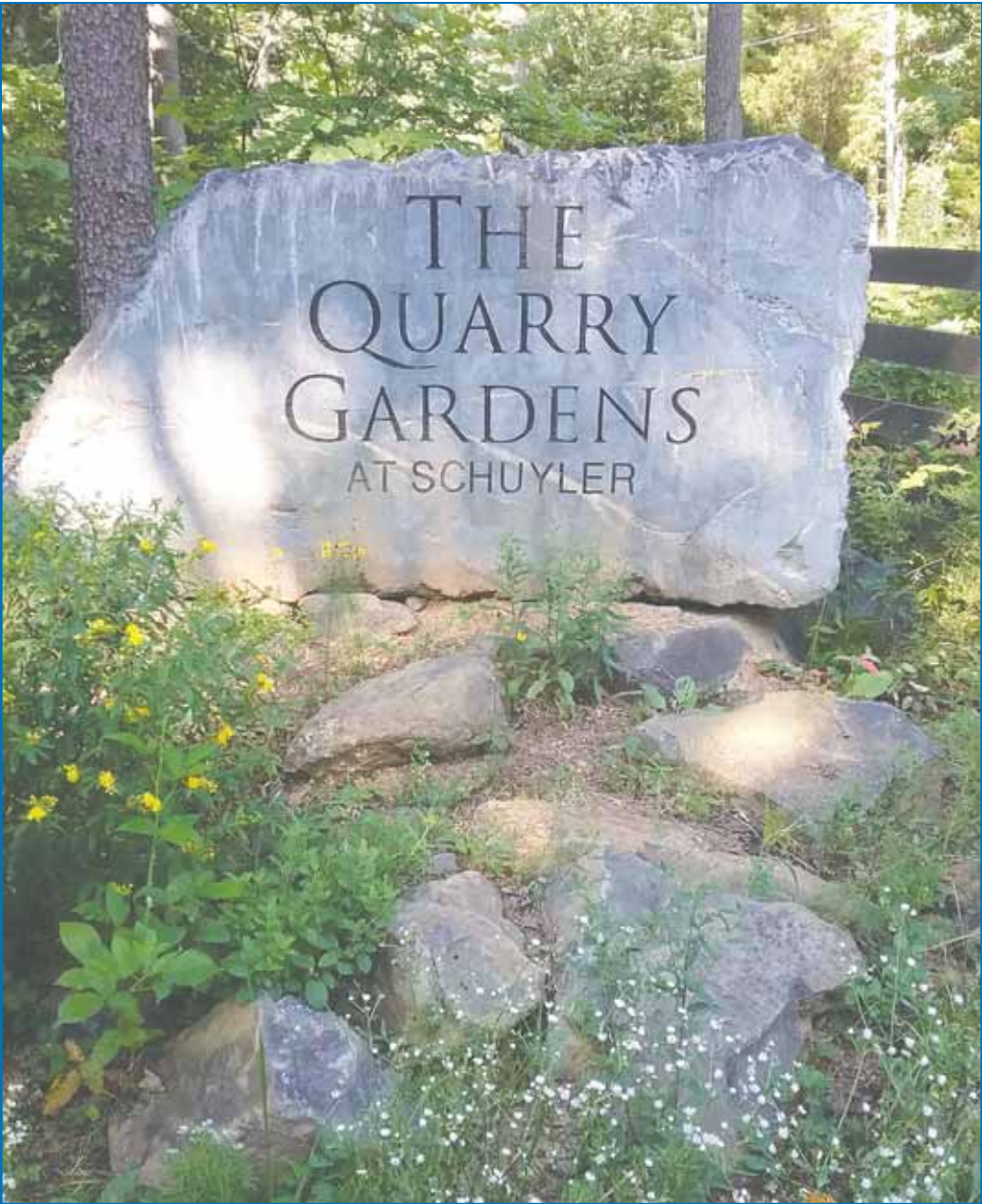
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# A Garden for The Ages

By Patrick Healy  
Correspondent

Should you ask any gardener about the soil being garden-  
ed, you'd better be ready for the tale that will follow. Freshman gar-  
deners will often go on about the great results provided by the  
organic dirt, which they purchased at a local garden supply center  
and shoveled into raised beds. More seasoned practitioners  
can be mordantly self-deprecating as they describe their seasons of trial  
and error. Talking with old-timers is like talking with an actuary, or statistician.  
You'll get trial and error quantified, with decades of daily temperature, precip-  
itation, and hours of daylight records; soil analysis data, and fertilization  
schedules.

It is the rarest of gardeners who can take the story of her soil back to its Ur  
moment, but that's the kind of gardener Bernice Thieblot is. With her husband  
Armond, she has created a sight to behold: The Quarry Gardens at Schuyler,  
located along Salem Road just across the Rockfish River from the Schuyler vil-  
lage. Bernice shared her garden's sights, and its story, with the Scottsville  
Monthly on a recent, warm summer morning.

"It's all because of the soapstone," she says. "You know, it has a unique  
composition; mostly talc and magnesium. You can find soapstone all around  
the world, but there are three sites on earth with enormous deposits. Those  
are in Brazil, Finland, and here in Schuyler."

Since it's not uncommon to think that "enormous" describes a slice of cake  
that's larger than requested, it might be useful to consider the word in its geo-  
logical sense. Imagine Australia's Ayers Rock, the Rock of Gibraltar, and  
Yosemite's El Capitan, tipped over and draped in scrub pine and laurel, and  
lying around in someplace like Schuyler, Virginia: just a few more hills in our  
hilly part of the world. Actually, innumerable such chunks of soapstone - larg-  
er or smaller; up-thrust or buried - are scattered across the Piedmont Plateau,  
forming a band which stretches from Northern Virginia down to the Lynchburg  
area. Those chunks are scattered thick around Schuyler. Not enormous  
enough? Try this.

According to Thieblot, "Geologists believe that the three great soapstone  
deposits were once connected. They separated when Pangea broke apart."

And there it is, the Ur moment. Long before Finland rode its tectonic plate  
off to the northeast, or Brazil headed south, there occurred a convergence of  
materials and events which resulted in a vast inclusion of soapstone in the

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The quarry face reveals a vein of clay wedged into the more prevalent soapstone. Photo by Patrick Healy





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earth's crust. Then, about 200 million years ago, the only land mass on earth tore itself apart, formed its bits into continents, and left the middle of its big soapstone pile in our backyard.

Fast-forward to 1991: Armond and Bernice were working in the Baltimore area, he as a university professor, she as a consultant. They were looking for some land where Armond could go hunting. One likely parcel enjoyed frontage on the Rockfish River and had just been clear-cut of its timber. The price was reasonable. After all, with its flooded quarry pit and massive junk piles it could qualify as an industrial wasteland. Cleared of its dense monoculture, and knee-high in field weeds without number, the land was a potential deer and turkey magnet. The Thieblots took it. A few years later, looking toward some off-the-grid improvements, Armond found a used hydro-electric generator at a good price. In order to house the generator and its related equipment, a Quonset hut was erected. But plugging a generator into a river, even when it's the Rockfish which had long been dammed for that purpose, is easier said than done. So the generator was sold, leaving the steel half-pipe structure mostly empty. About that time Armond left academe and joined Bernice in her consultancy. They wound up traveling extensively as their business thrived. Their rural getaway grew as well. By then, maturing saplings overshadowed great patches of the property. A smaller adjoining parcel, including a rustic dwelling, was purchased. Then, in 2013, the Thieblots retired. For a while, they took to the road, traveling for pleasure. One stop along the way proved to be a lightbulb moment for them: The Butchart Garden, once a booming limestone quarry on Vancouver Island.

"It was so beautiful. Just spectacular!" says Bernice. "It gave us something to think about." The Thieblots had planned to build a new home and settle down on their Schuyler tract, tear down the old weekend getaway place, and...then? After seeing such a wonderful example of quarry restoration, that plan changed. They spruced up the rambling, eclectic camp house, moved in for good, and turned their focus on the land.

"We needed something to do," says Bernice. "We had no idea where this would take us."

First up was getting the junk hauled away. There was lots of it to haul, from old quarry equipment, to abandoned vehicles and appliances, and household trash, because rural land can attract more than just wildlife. Some of the refuse was all natural, which sounds nice, but a quarried block weighing 8 to 10 tons, that is in your way, is big trouble no matter how it is categorized. Much of the dreck had to be dredged from the depths of the quarry. Overseeing this first step convinced the Thieblots that they needed a master plan.

In 2015, The Center for Urban Habitats (CUH) and its founders, Rachel and Devon Floyd, entered the fray. CUH offers landscape design services, with a specialty in environmental restoration. Their plan for the old quarry included a sensible site lay-out - parking, trails, water coursing, maintenance facilities, and the like - but also called for the identification of both the specific habitat zones, and the plant and animal species present on the site. The old Quonset hut was repurposed as a contemporary, and attractive visitor's center. Our tour began there with a short introductory film about Quarry Gardens. There's a gallery featuring gorgeous nature photographs, displays of

found artifacts, and couple of outstanding dioramas, built by Bret Jones of Rail Tales, which depict a Schuyler quarry, and the village of Esmont back in their heydays.

The Thieblots can't say enough about the value CUH has added to their project, or the kind of people Rachel and Devon Floyd are. The feeling is mutual. According to Devon, Quarry Gardens presents a unique challenge. "The site is globally rare," he says. "The soil there contains more magnesium than calcium. I can't think of another place where that happens." He especially likes the approach that Armond and Bernice have taken. Unlike the Butchart Garden, or other well-known formal gardens, Quarry Gardens is full of, well, weeds. That is, if almost any of the plants growing there sent up a shoot in your garden - and some surely have - you would uproot the creature without a second thought. By contrast, if a SeedCo Best Beefy Boy tomato vine sprouted at Quarry Gardens it too would be swiftly yanked. "Weeds" are in the eye of the beholder. Says Floyd, "There is a beautiful logic behind using native species to restore devastated landscapes. Armond and Bernice have chosen to host a very rare biological community." So far CUH has identified over 600 plant and 250 animal species, and over 40 distinct habitat zones.

So what's the criteria for a habitat zone? Floyd says, "Soil type and mineral content, amount of sunlight, types of species in or near the zone: it's everything." Floyd's passion for this place and his enthusiasm for the Thieblot's vision, as realized and as yet to come, is contagious. "It's like they gave us a playground. We get to match the existing landscape to a natural community of species, rather than cultivating specific plants or essentially altering the quarry grounds.

During our tour, Bernice points out the numerous galleries along the rustic paths we stroll. Here the soil is rich, almost to saturation, with natural zink. There is a bluff covered in Reindeer Lichens. She points to a cleft in the quarry face, where a great vein of clay divides the soapstone. We break out of the trees and come upon a lovely sunny spot where a floral riot has broken out. Bernice knows them all. "Quill Farnflower. Pickerel Weed. Shrubby St. John's Wort. Eastern Prickly Pear. Natural Liatris..." she says, as if she were pointing out Impressionist masterpieces. You won't see a formal flower bed any prettier than this one. Bernice notes that every plant has its season. "It can be beautiful whenever you come."

On this day the blooms are as alive with black bumblebees as the air is with their scents. We bide near a natural weir and listen to the garden as if it were a sleeping child. It is rich with sounds; all of them gentle. No aircraft's grumble or appliance's hum intrudes. The sounds of distant highways - engines droaning, tires hissing - have not found this spot. Damsel wings don't vibrate at Dominion's 60 Hz, nor do the breeze-rustled leaves echo the hubbub of the town. Across the clear, still water one of those epic chunks of soapstone shows its quarry face: grave and serene, and now ignored by the friction of commerce.

To be still in this garden is to be taken by it.

As it turns out, Armond and Bernice Thieblot found something to do. Summing it up, she says, "This is a labor of love."

The Quarry Gardens at Schuyler is open for tours and welcomes new friends. Their colorful website has the details. This visit is worth the trip.

And leave your phone in the car.





# Scottsville's Fall Calendar Filling Up Fast!

By Ron Smith  
Correspondent

SOKS President Josh Peck looks ahead for a great fall soccer season. Photo by Ron Smith

**W**ith September upon us and the children back in school there are still plenty of activities scheduled to make Scottsville in the fall the place to be! Historically Labor Day has been the last day of summer for most children. But today many localities are beginning their new terms prior to that date. Most school systems will have several weeks of classroom study under their belts when the first holiday of the school year takes place.

Right off the bat, or foot, the Scottsville Organization for Kids Soccer (SOKS) will begin its **2019 fall season Saturday, September 7th.** Josh Peck, president of the


organization, says to "stop by Dorrier Park any fall Saturday and you will see just how popular the programs is with youth ages 3 – 15."

**The following day, Sunday, September 8th, a benefit, Cure for Critters,** will be held at the Farmers Market Pavilion from noon until 4pm. This event, sponsored by Buddy's Banging Que, a purveyor of quality Bar-B-Que, raises funds to help with medical expenses incurred by the animal rescue and no kill shelter Caring for Creatures located in Palmyra. There will be music and games, animals available for adoption and, of course, bar-b-que!


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## Fall Calendar from page 7

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More bar-b-que will be available on **Saturday, September 21st** when **James River Reeling and Rafting** will host its fourth annual "**Bar-B-Que on the Bend**" from **11am until 5pm** at their campground on the James River just west of the public boat landing. This year's competition will be a fund raiser for The Freedom Fund, a nonprofit organization working to liberate people around the world who are, for various reasons, in situations where they lack personal freedom and basically live the lives of slaves.

Moving into October, Scottsville's Chamber of Commerce will host a candidate's forum between Scottsville Supervisor candidates Mike Hallahan and Donna Price. The event is scheduled for **October 1st** and will be held in the council chambers on the second floor of Victory Hall. This event is scheduled for 7pm and is open to the public.

Another Lions fundraiser, **White Cane Day**, will take place on **Friday, October 11** and **Saturday October 12th** when donations are solicited from the public at various locations around town.

The **Scottsville Museum's** annual **Spirit Walk** will be **Saturday and Sunday, October 19th and 20th**. This year, according to organizer Lisa Bittner, there will be several "new" characters. Bittner says that "one new character will be Cyrus McCormick, the inventor of the mechanical reaping machine." Although McCormick was not a native of Scottsville, his farm was near (present day) I-81 between Lexington and Staunton. "He needed to get his new invention to the Midwest so he dismantled it, brought it to Scottsville and utilizing the packet and batteau vessels shipped his machine in pieces," Bittner added, and "after realizing the difficulty in that process, he moved to Chicago!"

So, there is a lot to do in Scottsville this fall. Later on in the year we can look forward to the annual Festival of Lights Christmas Tree display, the Chamber of Commerce Business Breakfast, and, of course there are regular monthly events such as the Community Jam and Hops & Hymns.

Mark your calendar and plan to have fun in a little town with a lot going on!



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**Celtic services**  
 Celtic services are held the first **Sunday of the month at St. John's Episcopal Church, Scottsville at 5:30 pm.** If you are looking for a peaceful place lit by candles where you can enjoy Irish music and thoughtful prayers and reflections, have your spirits lifted, and enjoy some refreshments at the end, please join us. All are welcome.



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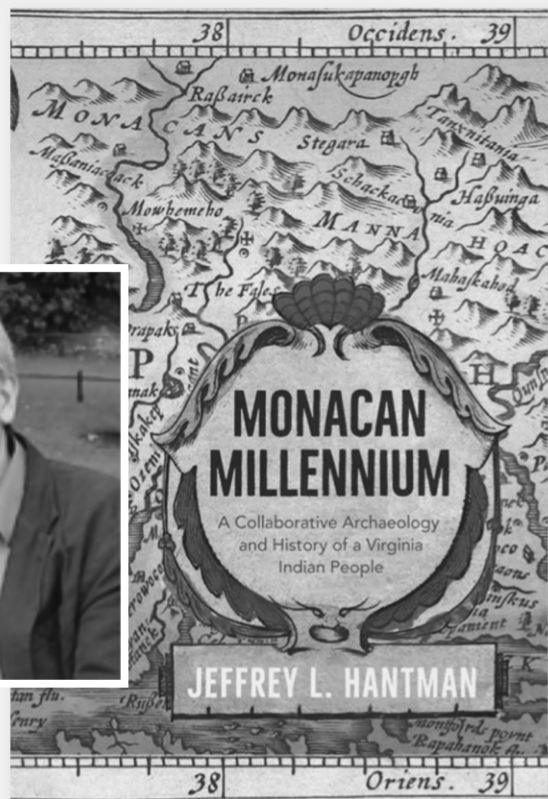
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Dr. Delores Carr, of Network2Work at the Yancey Community Center. The picture touches on three important aspects of goal achievement: the subjects exude self respect through good posture and grooming; the adult is working late; the child is modeling the adult's behavior. Dr. Carr says it is one of her favorite pictures.

Photo by Patrick Healy

## Network2Work Comes to The Yancey Community Center

By Patrick Healy  
Correspondent

**E**conomic news is all over the lot these days. The stock market is roaring! (Like a bear?) Oil prices are plunging! (The carbon! The carbon!) Unemployment is at an all-time low! (No one can afford decent housing!) Some experts talk in numeric quantities, while others talk about rates. Tricksters blend the two, hoping to bamboozle the rest of us. But like politics, all economics is local. So if Jenny is unemployed, the Jenny Unemployment Rate is 100%. And there are precious few experts that know what to do about either the 1 (and only) Jenny, or her 100% rate of unemployment. Network2Work (N2W) is one of the few.

Scottsville Monthly dropped in at the Charlottesville N2W office, and had a nice chat with N2W Director, Frank Squillance. N2W is affiliated with Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC), and is well connected in the local business scene. As its name implies, networking can be the first step to career success. Indeed, successful people seem to be networked up to their eyeballs. Think of the bonds broker who becomes a Cabinet official, and then a university president; the actor turned politician, or politician who finds wealth and fame as a cable news personality. Those people have connections. Of course, there's nothing wrong with that. We all have connections. Unless we don't. What if Jenny is the mother of a child with special

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needs. On top of that, her car doesn't run, and no one will lend her the money to get it fixed. It's not a situation brimming with valuable professional connections. Her brother, Jimmy works 75 hours a week at three part-time jobs, earning an average wage of \$ 7.85/Hr. After his employers deduct for his uniforms and meals, and the Commonwealth and Nation take their cuts, Jimmy is not exactly rocking the house. Helping Grandma with the rent is more like it. And like Jenny, he isn't making any good business connections.

According to Squillance, the basic goal in such situations is a job with an annual salary of \$25,000 which does not require a college degree. By actively surveying local employers, N2W knows where those jobs are. Squillance grins as he shares the secret of N2W's secret sauce. "We reverse engendered the employment process," he says. "What are the conditions that make a successful employee?" This new point of view revealed a large group of people who, though ready, willing and able to work, were unemployable. "What we found were otherwise capable people who might have marginal literacy skills or were struggling with physical or mental health issues. Transportation is often a major barrier ... life management skills ..."

So, having the right license, certification, or technical skills won't get you a job if your car won't start. "We assess our job seekers to identify their needs. Then we connect them to the appropriate resources. It may be childcare, housing assistance, or counseling in basic financial literacy, or for substance abuse."

### So just how tangy is that special sauce?

Frank Squillnce's grin widens. "80% of our job seekers have found good jobs," he says. "But the real secret is our neighborhood-based peers." We all know somebody that seems to know everybody. Maybe it is someone at church, or the couple that runs the nearby crossroads market. Kindergarten teachers tend to know a lot of young families. These are the types of people who are recruited to be N2W peers. Throughout the PVCC service area such peers know of good people who work hard yet aren't succeeding, or of those who are desperate for work, yet are overwhelmed with immediate issues such as unreliable transportation, or a lack of childcare. The peers steer such people toward N2W, where a staff member can shepherd them toward a satisfying career path.

In short, the eponymous Network consists of the employer with a desirable job, the peer with the worthy prospect, the trainer who can help that prospect become a fully qualified applicant, and the new employee who can, and will, do the job. With an 80% success rate, the Network seems to Work.

Squillance is excited to be offering training at Esmont's Yancey Community Center. Dr. Delores Carr will be leading the program at Yancey. As the saying goes, Dr. Carr has been there, and done that. She was raised in Newark, New Jersey, one of eleven children. With no father in the house, her mother worked long hours, but the family never prospered. That was her model, growing up: work all the time, come up short at month's end. Young Delores worked hard too, and did well in school. And there was someone in her neighborhood who knew everyone, Minister Williams at her church. During her fourth year in high school her pastor asked her where she planned to go to college.

"I didn't know how to answer that," says Carr. "The idea seemed impossible." With Williams help, Carr earned scholarships, and worked her way through school, choosing education as her career path. She has taught at all levels, in disciplines as varied as culinary arts, and special education; while standing in classrooms, or teaching online. Carr became frustrated during her final stint teaching special education. Her students were pulled from a local public school system for disciplinary reasons, and ordered to attend the facility where she taught. Everything about the system seemed wrong to her.

"I was never so broken as a teacher as I was with those students. The high school administrators didn't understand what was going on with them, so they just wrote a referral." Once they landed in the special ed facility, "...the administrators just pushed them through." Many such kids end up leaving the system after the tenth grade.

### After earning her doctorate, Dr. Carr was riven by doubts.

"I said, 'OK. You have earned this thing. Now, what are you going to do with it.' I prayed on it. I prayed hard." Carr, a woman of deep faith, can pin-point the moment she found her answer. "It was February 14th, 2015. I was sleeping, and a voice said, 'Get up and write.' And that's what I did. I wrote and I wrote. When I was finished, I had my outline for the way to help these children who are ignored by the current systems." She called it ETC. Its focus is short term, and transformational. Such a philosophy comports well with the N2W approach. Carr is looking forward to working with adults in our community who need a little bit of transformation in their current trajectory.

As a young woman, Dr. Carr saw life as a closed system consisting of endless work for little pay. Most months she and her siblings hid from the landlord when he came banging at their door. Her world's boundaries were described by those few city blocks, where the lawns bloomed with trash, and the pavement sprouted weeds.

But by rising to her opportunities, she found that those youthful imaginings weren't true at all. Dr. Carr says, "I tell students that the paycheck is important, but it is just second to your passion." It is her passion to help those who need her help.

**Network2Work will be in place at the Yancey Community Center later this month.**

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## Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

### ACROSS

- 1 Farm youngster
- 5 Drink served with marshmallows
- 10 Kind of rock
- 14 Olfactory assault
- 15 To no \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 Bud holder
- 17 NASA scrub
- 18 Insignificant
- 20 Some pots and pans
- 22 Pencil part
- 23 Basketball position
- 24 Submarine detector
- 26 Poet Angelou
- 28 Empathizing with
- 32 Neighborhood
- 35 Bing, bang or boom
- 37 Dove call
- 38 Pizazz
- 39 Jeweler's unit
- 40 Stern
- 41 Feel sick
- 42 Hotel employee
- 43 Like under-cooked eggs
- 44 Florida beach
- 46 Kind of grin
- 48 Expenditure
- 50 As a precaution
- 54 Be a snitch
- 57 Biblical son
- 59 Inconsequential
- 61 Aussie pal
- 62 Camping shelter
- 63 Present occasion
- 64 Like some proportions

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|                                 | 13 Forest forager           | 47 Shade of purple                   |
|                                 | 19 Fireplace fixture        | 49 Express                           |
|                                 | 21 Whip mark                | 51 Wide open                         |
|                                 | 25 Morphine, e.g.           | 52 Gown material                     |
|                                 | 27 Like clocks with hands   | 53 Choose for office                 |
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|                                 | 30 Verb preceder            | 55 Prayer ender                      |
|                                 | 31 Like slasher films       | 56 Foursome led by Leonardo, briefly |
|                                 | 32 _____ of faith           | 58 Marathon, e.g.                    |
|                                 | 33 Mixed dish               | 60 Column's counterpart              |
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|                                 | 39 Water carriers           |                                      |
|                                 | 40 American folk instrument |                                      |

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The library staff was enlisted to help hold "Sun Glow" an albino Boa Constrictor. All photos by Ron Smith

# Reptiles Alive Traveling Road Show

By Ron Smith  
Correspondent

The Scottsville Library meeting room was packed Thursday, August 8th when wildlife educator Rachel Walker of Reptiles Alive, a northern Virginia reptile rescue organization, brought her traveling road show to town. Over 75 children and adults were shown a number of exotic animals and many facts about each one shown were presented.



Rachel Walker explains the difference between a tortoise and a terrapin.



Wildlife educator Rachel Walker holds a snake and explains the many different kinds of snakes.





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Chris Lewis with his many musical talents is a native of Fluvanna County; Charlsie Stratton is from Charlottesville and has performed not only with her home church, Zion Union Baptist Church but also with the Oratorio Society of Virginia and Zelda Whindleton-Peterson, from Richmond is looking forward to recording her first gospel CD. "When there's music in your soul, there's soul in your music!"



## Odyssey of Soul

**Gospel of Soul: Race & Religion: A Circle Broken**

**Saturday, February 8 at 7:30pm**

**Back by popular demand,** musician and educator Horace Scruggs and his band bring their layered harmonies and soulful delivery for another unique "learning and listening" concert. Following up on his past programs tracing the evolution of soul, gospel and music of the civil rights era, Scruggs explores through commentary and live performance the ways in which music, race, and religion influence and inform one another.



## Big Ray and the Kool Kats

**Friday, March 6th at 7:30pm**

From their very first note, you will know that this group is going to knock your socks off!! We welcome back with great anticipation the Big Band sounds of Big Ray and the Kool Kats with Sinatra-crooning guest soloist, Danny Barrale. This exciting and professional group plays everything from Sinatra to Bruno Mars and has performed at the last four Presidential Inaugural Balls as well as at the Bellagio in Las Vegas and the Kennedy Center in DC. Their music is guaranteed to chase away any leftover winter blues! Don't be surprised to see some dancing in the aisles!!



**Moon Over Buffalo  
April 4, 5, 17, 18, 19  
Friday & Saturday at 7:30  
Sunday at 3:00pm**

It's the summer of 1953, and former Broadway stars Charlotte and George Hay have taken their run-down touring company to Buffalo when they receive word that they might just have one last shot at stardom: Frank Capra is coming to town to see their matinee. Will their performance convince Capra to cast them in his movie remake of The Scarlet Pimpernel? Or will the plethora of pratfalls, slamming doors, and backstage shenanigans ruin their chance of success? This fast-paced, hilarious, screwball comedy is a valentine to the stage and the larger-than-life personalities that inhabit the world of the theatr.



## The Fluvanna Community Singers



### Spring Concert

**Saturday, May 2nd  
at 7:30 pm  
Sunday, May 3rd  
at 3:00 pm**

The Community Singers' Spring Concert always has a few surprises, plus lots of fun and laughter!! Under the skillful directorship of Scott David, the concert is guaranteed to be a highly entertaining musical performance which will have you tapping your feet and humming along.

Admission: Free