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This was a great Community project that will really enhance the appearance and usability of the ARC for many years to come. Thanks to the ARC Board for allowing us to help them out. Also many thanks to the FUMA Interact Club for all their hard work!

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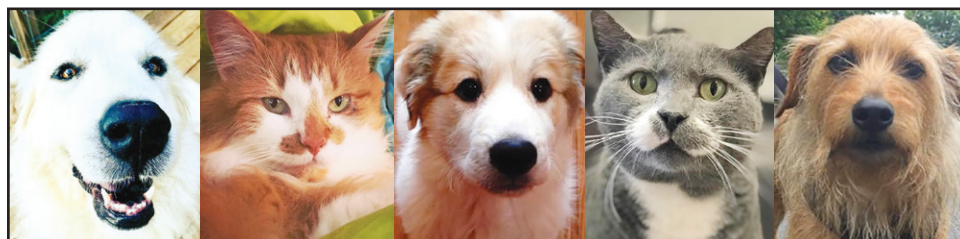
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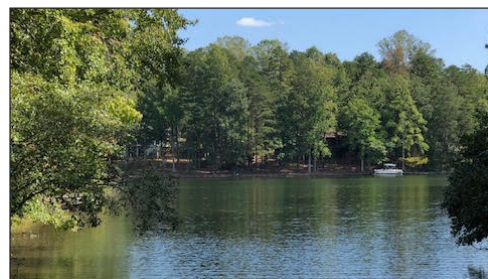
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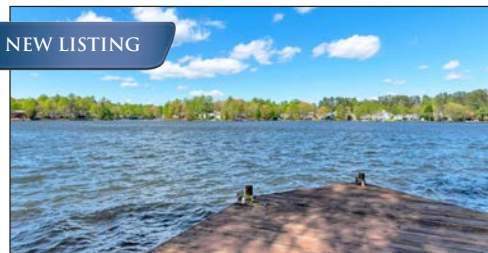


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## Dana Joy Hawks



Dana Joy Hawks, 77, of Palmyra, passed away on Saturday, May 2, 2020. She was born August 29, 1942 in South Haven, Michigan and was the daughter of Clarence C Ullrey and Pauline L First Ullrey. Dana graduated from Benton Harbor High School in Michigan in 1960 and from Bronson School of Nursing in 1963. In 1965, she married Richard Hawks who survives her.

Dana and Richard moved to Potterville, Grand Ledge, Michigan area in 1967 where Dana worked as a registered nurse throughout mid-Michigan. While there, she was a member of Grand Ledge First United Methodist Church and later became of member of Cunningham United Methodist Church when the family moved to Lake Monticello in 2012. Dana was a polio survivor. She enjoyed spending her time sewing, knitting, and was considered an expert quilter. Spending time with her grandchildren was what she enjoyed most of all.

In addition to her husband, Richard, Dana is also survived by a son, Mike Hawks and his wife, Angie; a daughter, Carla Lee and her husband, Hector; and her six grandchildren, Austin, Mercy, Robyn, and Olive Hawks and Harrison and Alexandra Lee.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be sent to Cunningham United Methodist Church 3389 Thomas Jefferson Parkway, Palmyra, Virginia, 22963.

Thacker Brothers Scottsville Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Condolences may be shared at [www.thackerbrothers.com](http://www.thackerbrothers.com)

# Supervisors approve ordinance to waive penalties on late tax payments

BY HEATHER MICHON  
CORRESPONDENT

The Fluvanna Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 Wednesday night (May 6) to approve a temporary ordinance waiving interest and penalties on late tax payments, provided they are paid before June 30.

Taxes for the first half of the year will still be due on June 5. The ordinance is designed to “ease the financial burden on residents and businesses” impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak by giving them a little extra time to pay without penalty, County Administrator Eric Dahl told supervisors.

The county has \$5.5 million in debt service payments due during the first week of July, “so we want to make sure those individuals who can pay them get them in by the end of this fiscal year and prior to those payments needing to be made,” said Dahl.

Chair Mike Sheridan (Columbia) added that, if residents “are still having a hardship come June 30, they can contact the treasurer’s office and possibly work out installment arrangements or figure out what needs to be done.”

### Business Assistance

Economic Development Coordinator Bryan Rothamel briefed supervisors on efforts to help local businesses cope with the disruption caused by the virus.

About 40 business owners replied to a survey conducted

between March 26 and April 6. A total of 29 said they had lost sales revenue, 20 had received cancellations; 14 had supply chain issues; and 11 had revenue collection problems. When asked what the county could do to support them, several respondents said they would like to see a local funding program to help with critical expenses. Rothamel recommended the county re-designate the existing Fluvanna Loan Fund, a micro-loan program under the regional Community Investment Collaborative, which currently has \$34,000 in unexpended funds, as the Fluvanna Business Recovery Fund. This would allow the county to disburse loans of up to \$5,000 to around seven local businesses.

He recommended focusing on businesses with high overhead costs. Loans would be given at a one percent interest rate for a period of two years, with no payments due for the first six months.

Rothamel said this would give some businesses a little breathing room, especially in rent payments. “I wish we could do more. I’m just trying to find a solution with money that we already have appropriated.”

Supervisors added \$1,000 to the funding for a total of \$35,000 in available funds. The motion passed 5-0.

### In other matters, supervisors:

- Deferred a decision on returning \$658,100 in capital improvement project (CIP) funds to the unassigned fund balance. The funds in question were allocated in previous fiscal years for projects that had not yet been started. After some discussion, several supervisors wanted more information on some of the projects. They expect to revisit the issue in June.
- Approved a \$767,569 emergency contract with Fire & Safety Equipment Co. to make initial purchases for self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for first responders. The current supply of SCBAs have exceeded their useful life and the consensus is that they cannot wait to begin purchasing parts of the new system. The county has applied for a grant to cover the equipment, which is expected to cost a total of around \$939,000.
- Approved a supplemental appropriation of \$284,000 to Fluvanna County Public Schools. This is an appropriation from the state, not local funds.



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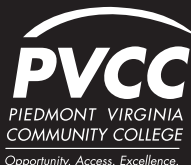


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The company said the call came in around midnight and several fire departments responded to the scene including ones from Fluvanna, Albemarle, Louisa and Buckingham counties.

Christopher Aley, the Fork Union Volunteer Fire Company chief, said the building is used by logging company as a repair shop and said he saw heavy smoke coming from the building, according to the news station.

"It was coming out all the exterior doors and the eaves of

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## Best-case scenario

# School could start up as early as Aug. 3

BY RUTHANN CARR  
CORRESPONDENT

School Superintendent Chuck Winkler told School Board members the "best-case scenario" would be school starting on Aug. 3.

But he added that, "if I'm being realistic, we'll likely have to go back to the drawing board. We're also looking at a September, October or November start and virtual learning."

Winkler made the comments Monday (May 4) in a called video meeting of the School Board to work through budget, school calendar and health insurance concerns. The pandemic has affected almost all aspects of school life.

He said the tentative school calendar calls for staff to come back to school on the last week of July. No professional development days are embedded in the new

proposed calendar.

No changes are proposed for September, October and November. Student Christmas break is from Dec. 21 - Jan 3.

Dec. 21 would be a staff day of which Winkler said, "If they can make it happen at home, they can do that."

School resumes Jan. 4.

No change in February, March, April. Spring break is the same.

New last date of school is May 28. Winkler said the committee didn't set a graduation date.

"We could leave it on the 21st or have it on May 28."

Pullen asked the Board to consider waiving the requirement for home schoolers to prove evidence of progress by Aug. 1. Winkler said he would look into the request.



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During public comments, Johnson read an email from Nancy Hines in which she suggested how to have end-of-year celebrations for graduates and staff retirements.

"Perhaps signs on the road, principal delivering diplomas, a big one-page ad in the paper – and for retirees, a nice gift and a mention on Facebook."

School board members decided to meet in person at the school administration building for the regular May 13 meeting. Chair Perrie Johnson (Fork Union) suggested the in-person meeting because the law limits topics discussed during video meetings to matters affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

"We're so restricted in what we can discuss I fear we won't be well prepared to handle all the issues piling up," Johnson said.

Shirley Stewart (Rivanna) and Andrew Pullen (Columbia) said they would join Johnson at the meeting May 13. Pullen asked that the public be able to sign up for a spot to make public comments in person and wait outside to be

called in when it was their turn.

Winkler said he was uncomfortable opening the building to the public. He said the public may comment by phone, email or letter.

James Kelley (Palmyra) said he would take part remotely. Charles Rittenhouse (Cunningham) did not take part in Monday's meeting.

### Budget

The Covid-19 pandemic caused state and local authorities to adjust their budgets downward.

Because of that, school funding is reduced.

Winkler proposals to reduce the Fiscal Year 2021 budget include:

- Cutting proposed raises to 1 percent;
- Scale adjustments to the speech pathologist, school psychologist and nurses;
- Maintaining staff on Scale B;
- Only hire one more special education teacher rather than two;
- Do not hire an athletic trainer;
- Keep the Career and Technical Education apprenticeship to the same hours as this year rather than increasing them as

originally planned;

- No increases to coach stipends, transportation, substitute coverage.

Johnson was concerned that high school teachers would still get the choice to earn extra money by using their planning time to substitute teach, but that option isn't offered to elementary teachers.

Pullen said he didn't support the first FY21 budget and is troubled by where Winkler proposed the cuts.

"I voted against the proposed budget before the coronavirus, with all the cuts we have to make we're still discussing adding a literacy coordinator," he said.

Kelley said the literacy coordinator is vital given problematic achievement disparities among students.

"With widening gaps we need this more so than ever," he said. "I don't find it expendable - the need of the position. It's something I feel very passionately about and I think it belongs in this budget."

Stewart said the "world has

turned upside down" since they started working on the budget. She said they have to ask themselves, "What will school look like when we get back?"

Johnson asked the Board members to "give serious consideration" to use any money that may be leftover in the FY21 budget to "reinstate compensation already approved."

Kelley said he agrees in principal with Johnson but did want to do so in a formal vote.

"I'm indicating (that if we have left over money) this seems like a reasonable thing to put forth," he said. "Circumstances changed dramatically (since the Board voted on the FY21 budget) I'm ready to support the new proposal. We need to tighten our belt..."

Stewart agreed.

"Hard decisions had to be made and I support the changes you're supporting."

The Board will vote on the revisions at the May 13 meeting, as well as proposed changes to health insurance.

School, continues on page 8.

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School, from page 7.

Those health insurance changes include:

- Adjustment to the rate for the high deductible plan;
- Rates for two employees;
- Health Savings Account employer contributions;
- Assuming a spousal exclusion.

The spousal exclusion means if a spouse is eligible for health insurance with their employer, they will not be able to join the school plan. Also for FY21, dental and vision

coverage are offered as separate plans. That coverage was included in previous plans.

Board members pushed back against the changes.

Pullen said these additions weren't in place when they voted for the health insurance plan in April.

Kelley asked the administration to provide the Board with information on how many employees would be affected by the changes – particularly the spousal exclusion.

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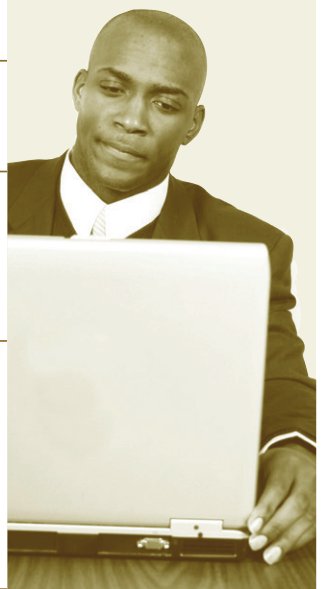
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# Groups in Fluvanna try virtual gatherings

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Zoom has revolutionized teleconferencing and business travel and has now become primarily a platform for not only businesses and students, but for a variety of gatherings including birthday parties, family reunions, cocktail parties, celebrations, virtual gallery tours, concerts, and even online dating. It is free and easy to download and easy to use as long as one has the online tools to support it.

Ronald Harris, who is a huge fan and loving retirement with Zoom, sees its potential influence on society and how we do things in the future.

"Friends who live elsewhere in the U.S. got together with me the other night and we had a party. People can dress comfortably, you don't have to get in the car and drive for miles, and you can have a drink or two and not worry about driving home."

Many who have used Zoom touted its free use as well as the easy download. It is difficult to find any drawbacks other than the general false sense of security and privacy which is a given on any online video conferencing. Webex and Skype, Zoom's competitors, are trying to catch up to Zoom's meteoric rise in the marketplace.

But it was the coronavirus that catapulted Zoom into the spotlight and the videoconferencing company found its niche in a volatile business world with the company shares rising in a rocky stock market.

Zoom quickly caught on and became a bonanza for the self-quarantined like Harris and others. Recently the Fluvanna County Arts Council gave it a try and were satisfied with the outcome of its meeting. Some sat outside and enjoyed beautiful weather, one person sat inside, comfortable with a cup of tea and her dogs by her side, while others did the same in a far more relaxed atmosphere.

"I am putting together a virtual tour of a house I am going to sell," said enthusiastic realtor Adele Shaeffer, who is also president of the Fluvanna County Arts Council. Old or young, everyone was willing to try it and many felt the biggest advantage was not driving long distances for meetings, particularly in rural areas like Fluvanna.

FCAC member and PTP co-chair George Gaige spoke to the members about resolving the dilemma of not having the spring performance of "Moon Over Buffalo" and that PTP was looking at doing a virtual performance.

A packed house is usually a good thing in the theater but not with the po-

tential spread of the new coronavirus.

"How it works is you sell it online for the price of a ticket. The royalties are based on how many performances, so if we had five performances then we can sell it online five times," said Gaige. Theaters throughout the country are doing the same and ticket companies like Showclix are helping them do it.

All live performances are getting a second chance.

"I watched a great opera event online with opera singers from around the world," said Harris, who is also an opera buff and often attends The Metropolitan Opera when visiting New York. They aren't the only ones. Musicians are streaming online concerts, and artists are doing online events and virtual gallery tours. When stay-at-home orders were mandated in most states, many toured great museums online.

Some will still venture out for the live experience, but others may enjoy just kicking back and relaxing in their own homes. Sharon Harris (no relation to Ronald), favors live theater but views live performances with trepidation while living through the pandemic.

"I'm not sure how I will feel about seeing a live Broadway performance again," she said.

It's a new world unfolding before us and while some will still embrace the old ways of attending live performances, others may play it safe and opt for the other direction in the comfort of their home. When the pandemic finally subsides and the coast is clear to gather again, Zoom and others will most likely continue to gain momentum resulting in some societal changes.

The biggest change will most likely be in business travel.

"If I were still working with the Bloomberg Group, I would skip the business travel and have everyone use Zoom," said Ronald Harris. There is evidence to support his claim with 24 percent of Zoom users reporting a decrease in business travel. Many in business agree that video conferencing increases productivity, saves time, and reduces travel expenses. There are other benefits including better cooperation and less employee burn-out and turnover. He believes this may have a domino effect on other industries, including the airlines and the hospitality field, but its impact may take us in other directions that help to reduce costs for businesses, help the environment, and the best part – allow us to spend time with family and friends.



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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:

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## The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

### ACROSS

- 1 With-ring link
- 5 Army bases
- 10 L.A. problem
- 14 Gaggles greeting
- 15 Item in a Greek salad
- 16 Bone-dry
- 17 One opposed
- 18 Sideline for some journalists
- 20 Beach bird
- 21 Lord's Prayer starter
- 22 Search for food
- 23 Rule from the bench
- 26 Oust
- 28 Wide's partner
- 29 Check information
- 33 Renowned
- 34 Prefix with "shock"
- 36 Selfies, e.g.
- 37 Supply for a newborn
- 39 Run over
- 41 NY time zone
- 42 Waste away
- 44 More despicable
- 45 Marsh growth
- 47 Crime boss
- 48 Setting for "Lawrence of Arabia"
- 49 Reductions
- 52 Type of staircase
- 55 Word on a door
- 56 Finn's floater
- 59 If-all-else-fails strategy
- 61 Continental coin
- 62 Look like a creep
- 63 Grazing ground
- 64 PC maker
- 65 Angry, with "off"
- 66 Type of jacket
- 67 Kind of idol

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- 2 Sharpen, as skills
- 3 Type of commerce
- 4 Like beauty, they say
- 5 Lame excuse
- 6 One way to read
- 7 Six-pack location
- 8 Pipe material
- 9 Columbus, for one
- 10 Abhorrence
- 11 Diva's rendition
- 12 Zestfulness
- 13 Perimeter
- 19 Boozer
- 24 World-weary
- 25 Like some remarks
- 26 Prefix for "age" or "arm"
- 27 Library no-no
- 30 Mott's offering
- 31 Flooring pro
- 32 Put forth, as effort
- 34 High-class tie
- 35 Baltimore player
- 38 Serious warning
- 40 Abuse
- 43 Buttercup's cousin
- 46 Moved like a squirrel
- 48 Needing a bit of body work
- 50 Watering hole
- 51 Use the on-ramp
- 52 Vegas coin-eater
- 53 Patti who sang "Tennessee Waltz"
- 54 Cruise stopover
- 57 At no cost
- 58 Conflicted
- 60 Woodshop tool

Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

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# PUBLIC NOTICES



## PUBLIC HEARING

### Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors

Wednesday, May 20, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

The Virginia Department of Transportation and the Board of Supervisors of Fluvanna County, in accordance with Section 33.2-331 of the Code of Virginia, will conduct a joint Public Hearing in the Morris Room, located in the Fluvanna County Administration Building, 132 Main Street, Palmyra, Virginia, at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2020. The purpose of this Public Hearing is to receive public comment on the proposed Secondary Six-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2020/21 through 2025/26 in Fluvanna County, and on the Secondary System Construction Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/21. Copies of the proposed Plan and Budget may be reviewed at the Louisa Residency Office of the Virginia Department of Transportation, located at 3709 Davis Highway, Louisa, or at the Fluvanna County Administrator's Office located at 132 Main Street, Palmyra, Virginia.

All projects in the Secondary Six-Year Plan that are eligible for federal funds will be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which documents how Virginia will obligate federal transportation funds.

Persons requiring special assistance to attend and participate in this hearing should contact the Virginia Department of Transportation at 540 829-7500. Persons wishing to speak at this public hearing should contact the Fluvanna County Administrator's Office at 434-591-1910.



## PUBLIC HEARING

### BY ORDER OF FLUVANNA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Pursuant to Virginia Code Sec. 15.2-1427, the Board of Supervisors of Fluvanna County, Virginia (the "County") will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2020, in the Morris Room of the Fluvanna County Administration Building in Palmyra, Virginia, located at 132 Main Street, Palmyra, Virginia, 22963 for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to be heard by the Board of Supervisors for the following items:

TO READOPT AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO EFFECTUATE TEMPORARY CHANGES IN CERTAIN DEADLINES AND TO MODIFY PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH PANDEMIC DISASTER

Complete information concerning this temporary ordinance is available in the County Administration Office, located at 132 Main Street, Palmyra, Virginia 22963, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Persons requiring accommodation to facilitate participation are encouraged to contact the Office of the County Administrator at 132 Main Street, Palmyra, Virginia 22963 or at (434) 591-1910, at least five days prior to the meeting.

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# County to offer low-interest loans to Fluvanna businesses

PRESS RELEASE

# FLUVANNA

## Business Recovery Loan

The Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors voted May 6 to redirect loan funds, previously allocated to the Community Investment Collaborative (CIC), to address immediate business needs related to the COVID-19 disruption.

The Fluvanna Business Recovery Loan will provide low-interest loans of up to \$5,000 for businesses from Fluvanna. Businesses are eligible to apply if they own or rent a physical location in Fluvanna; show an ability to repay prior to March 1, and give a personal guarantee. Loans will have a 1 percent interest rate over a two-year term. There is a six-month grace period for the first payment. The Community Investment Collaborative is administering the loan fund.

"Small businesses, retailers, restaurants, and offices help strengthen the fabric of a community. We don't want to miss any of the businesses that have contributed to the Fluvanna we have today," said Bryan Rothamel, Fluvanna's economic development coordinator.

The Fluvanna Business Recovery Loan targets businesses with overhead such as a mortgage or rent. Businesses cannot use the funds for

items such as paying off debt or purchasing equipment or real property.

The application portal will be available May 15 and businesses will have until May 29 to submit. The Community Investment Collaborative will underwrite the loans shortly after the application window closes.

"Fluvanna County was a leader in the region by being the first locality to establish a microloan fund with CIC in 2013. We're grateful for their partnership and to be able to quickly redirect these funds to maintain their operations in these uncertain times," said Stephen Davis, President of CIC.

In 2012, Fluvanna County made a restricted allocation to the Charlottesville Investment Collaborative to be used as a revolving microloan fund for Fluvanna entrepreneurs wishing to start a business. The current balance of that fund will become the Fluvanna Business Recovery Loan. Once proceeds of the loans are repaid, the fund will revert to its original purpose.

Businesses interested in applying for the Fluvanna Business Recovery Loan should contact the Fluvanna Economic Development Office at econdev@fluvannacounty.org.



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# Senior Flucos participate in Decision Day

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Zikala Palmer. Submitted photo.



County High School seniors were able to celebrate their Decision Day on May 1 but with a virtual twist. In the past, seniors would have the end of the day to celebrate with their fellow classmates and teachers about their postgraduate plans. However, with the challenges brought by COVID-19 and changing in-classroom teaching to online, seniors were able to celebrate virtually and safely from home.

"I thought it was important to have Decision Day on May 1 last year and thought it was important to do it again this year on the actual day," said FCHS College Adviser Haden Parrish. "I wanted to do what I could to have a structured event for my students since other major events for them are being cancelled or postponed."

Back in March, Parrish received an email from student Chloe Morris

who was inquiring about Decision Day shirts and the event, even if it was to be held at home. Parrish knew how much his students were looking forward to the event, and this email inspired him to work harder for a real event to take place.

Parrish got the okay for funding the event on April 16 and got to work to make sure this Decision Day was going to be memorable for his students. Students were notified through email, robocalls to home, and through a Facebook and Instagram post about the three days they could come to the school and receive their free Decision Day shirt. On the first day of pick up -- April 24 -- 97 students and parents came within the first hour. Parrish was not alone and received help from teachers Hunter Pace, Jason Davis, Maureen Stone-sifer, and Erika Morris. Parrish and

him team wore masks and gloves and students and parents were asked not to get out of their cars to maintain distance from one another. Along with the shirt, students received an information packet that contained a "to" and "from" thank you cards that allowed students to write in their sentiments. Students then took a picture of the note and emailed it to Parrish who passed it along to the recipient.

"The virtual decision day was an awesome idea! Decorating the shirt gave me something to do and it was super fun," said FCHS senior Abby McGrath. "After seeing everyone's shirt posted along with the school or military branch they were going into, it was like we were all coming together as a class, although we are all apart in these times. I feel like it gave everyone a chance to be proud of what they will be doing after high school as

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well as being able to be recognized before all of us go our own way.”

Senior Zikala Palmer picked up her decision day shirt on the first day, but was not ready to design her shirt just yet.

“It took me some time because I felt spiritless, never thinking that a virus could come and change events that were a part of my senior year,” said Palmer. “On April 29 I started on my decision day shirt with a more positive mindset because you cannot dwell on things that are out of your control.”

Palmer was grateful for the time to create her Decision Day shirt the way she wanted to and with enough time to put effort into it. Palmer will be attending Virginia State University to pursue nursing.

A total of 145 shirts were distributed, which is almost the same number of students that came to Parrish’s decision day event last year.

FCHS students are traveling far and wide to start their new adventures. While some are joining the military and will be traveling, senior Alisha Hunsaker is traveling the farthest (college-wise) and attending Utah State University, which is 2,082 miles away from the high school. Another Fluco traveling far is Sarah White, who will be traveling the second farthest away

to University of Colorado, Boulder, which is 1,635 miles from the high school.

“I had doubts about how we could celebrate virtually, but my expectations have been far exceeded and I have been beyond proud of what all my Flucos have been able to accomplish,” said Parrish. “I applied to become a college adviser because I recognized how much this county had done for me and how it was fundamental in making me who I am, and I desired to return just a portion of what I had been given. My AmeriCorps service further opened my eyes to my passion for education, and I hope to return to the area to work as a school counselor with future generations of Flucos,” said Parrish.

With the school year coming to an end, Parrish will be wrapping up his time at FCHS like his senior students to start his Masters of Education in the Human Development Counseling Program in the School of Counseling track at the Peabody College at Vanderbilt University. This was Parrish’s second year as a college adviser with FCHS in an AmeriCorps program called the Virginia College Advising Corps.

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