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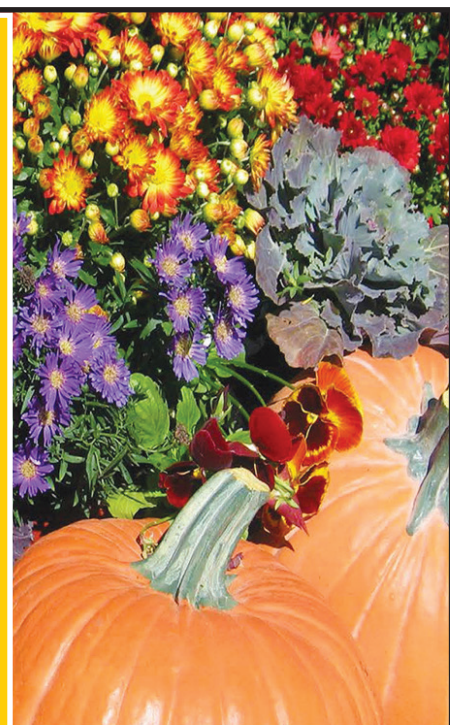
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Mark was born on June 7, 1947, in St. Louis, MO, son of the late Reverend Charles Raymond and Gloria Patricia (Gannon) Dunning.

Mark served in the U. A. Army from 1970 through 1973, following which he worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for 31 years, in Missouri and in Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, specializing in water resources. Following his retirement in 2004, he worked as a consultant for several organizations, including Fluvanna County.

Mark earned a Ph.D. from Washington University in St. Louis, MO. He loved studying, and his greatest interests were gardening, reading, traveling, and most of all, fishing.

In addition to his wife Sally, survivors include three adult children: John Dunning (Kelly) of Leesburg, VA; Aimee Ricker (Frederick) of Williamsburg, VA, and Jeanne Sam (Bin) of Palmyra, VA. His grandchildren include Thomas, Joseph, and Eleanor Sam; Asia (Bryson) Silao; Kiara Hagans; Markus Hernandez; and one great-grandchild, Kanoa Silao. Mark is also survived by his brother Terry Dunning (Alli), and his sister Melissa Brown (Randy), and numerous dear friends, cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts, and in-laws.

He is sorely missed by his two devoted dogs, Baxter and Daisy.

The family will receive friends at a visitation on Tuesday evening, October 19, between 6 and 8 pm, at Thacker Brothers Lake Monticello Funeral Home, and a funeral service will be conducted on Wednesday, October 20 at 11 am, at the funeral home.

Family and friends may share memories and photos at www.thackerbrothers.com.



Byers, Pullen, Rittenhouse provide strong leadership

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our hardworking and concerned parents, and our diligent and smart teachers.

These three gentlemen will provide strong, compassionate and fair leadership on the Fluvanna County School Board.

Vote for Byers, Pullen and Rittenhouse! Let your voices be heard!

-James and Kae Winsett, Fork Union

Gequetta "G" Murray-Key unites community

As a teacher for over 35 years, I know the importance of a competent and forward-thinking school board in preparing our local students for the future. Each school board member must have all students' interests in mind as they make fiscal and educational decisions. They must know the community these students come from and care about this community. G has been involved in the PTO community of her children's schools for 14 years and continues her work to support the schools with her son, who has several years before he graduates. She has prepared school supply backpacks for children who need them for the past 10 years and continues this tradition to this day. She is vice-chair of the Planning Commission for Fluvanna County, where she does her homework, preparing to ask discerning questions at meetings in order to make decisions for the community. She coaches families in our community

to help them make the best decisions for their families to be successful. In every one of these endeavors, G works tirelessly to do the best for all people, without an agenda to serve herself, her own children, or other entity. It should not be a surprise, then, that when G prepared to announce her candidacy, she thought to put together an event that would bring our entire community together: Pleasant Grooves at Pleasant Grove. Planned and executed with another forward-thinking candidate, Eric Anderson, this was a day filled with bands and music from members of our community, including our talented school children. G unites our community, she listens to stakeholders as she contributes in her community volunteer work, and she is willing to put in the work as School Board Member. G is the best candidate for School Board in Rivanna District. She has my vote, and I hope she will have yours as well.

-Chris Dunne, Palmyra

Change is needed on School Board

As a native of Fluvanna, I have seen lots of changes in the county. The most disturbing now is our school board. Obviously, we as parents and grandparents want the best representation for the guidance of all students.

We must consider the future, which is technology. Eric Anderson and Gequetta "G" Murray-Key have college educations and technical backgrounds to stand for the new age. They have the knowledge and proven experience to support the school system in decisions to elevate our children to achieve their greatest potential.

Partisan politics have no place in deciding the education and future of our children. The recent descent into partisan political

rhetoric is very disturbing to me. Our School Board should be focused on serving our children and supporting our staff. They should not be spreading falsehoods and divisiveness.

Ms. Murray-Key and Mr. Anderson have worked with young people on the level that has inspired them to want to do more on a larger scale, and that's working with the school board. We need a change. We need a change to move our county forward and not backwards.

As a business owner of DJ's Unique Services and DJ's Unique Finds and resident in Fluvanna, I support Eric Anderson and Gequetta Murray-Key for school board.

-Delores J Hubert-Christmas, Troy

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Fluvanna Faces - Hannah Youngblood

BY PAGE H. GIFFORD
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Hannah Youngblood and her duck collection. Photo by Page Gifford

Where were you born?

Iceland

How many siblings do you have?

I'm the oldest of four kids, a brother and two sisters. One of my sisters, Rebekah, used to work at Cuppa Joe's with me. She's getting her Master's in education and my brother and younger sister are working on a farm in Missouri.

How long have you been at Cuppa Joe's as a barista and manager?

Ten years. I started when I was fifteen and I just turned 26.

What do you like about working at Cuppa Joe's?

I love to see all the people. Talking to everyone every day; they are my friends.

What is the rubber duck collection all about? They are everywhere and all of them different.

It started as a joke one Christmas. My brother and I had a habit of over-wrapping Christmas gifts so he wrapped 100 rubber ducks and gave them to me for Christmas. So, I brought a few into the shop and put them around, lined the dashboard in my car with them and celebrated Rubber Duck Day by giving away miniature rubber ducks with coffee. It got around that "Hannah liked collecting rubber ducks," and everyone kept bringing them in and giving them to me. I have

ducks of every kind, season and holidays. I also wear duck earrings and a duck T-shirt and have a duck inner-tube for floating on the river. I have about 400 ducks.

What is your favorite duck?

The train conductor but I also like Elvis and the octopus, but I have seven octopus ducks.

How long have you been a bartender at Dogwood, now Wahoo Barbecue?

Five years.

Did any ducks follow you over there?

There are 12 hiding over there.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

Knitting, doodling, I began playing the piano during COVID, and doing jigsaw puzzles, and I love hiking but wish I had more time.

Any pets?

Three guinea pigs and a dog.

If you were stranded on a dessert island, which three celebrities would you choose to be on the island with you?

I love everyone, I can't choose. I'd rather be alone than choose.

Name three of your favorite books and why?

Scott Peck's "The Road Less Traveled," because he talks about humanity as a whole. Any of Jules Verne, he is fun, imaginative, and very descriptive. Another fun one is "The Hitchiker's Guide to the Galaxy."

Which historical figures would you like to have dinner with and why?

Neil Armstrong would be cool to talk to and Albert Einstein is awesome. I want to talk to people who were the first to experience something like landing on the moon.

What is your dream vacation?

I want to go everywhere and experience everything.

Do you think your generation has it easier than past generations and why?

I don't think we have it easier or harder than any other generation. We all create our own issues, battles, and obstacles to overcome.

What have you learned from the pandemic? And has it changed you in any way?

I've learned everyone needs help.

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Your payment never changes

When you obtain a loan, the components of that loan are interest, the number of years to repay the loan, the amount borrowed, and the monthly payment. Assuming a fixed rate note, the payment never changes. Here is an example of a \$250,000 loan.

It is important to note that your payment in month one is \$1,158 and your monthly payment thirty years later is the same amount...\$1,158.

Each payment has two parts

What does change every month is what is inside each payment. Every loan payment has two parts. One is a payment that reduces the amount of money you owe, called principal. The other part of the payment is for the bank, called interest expense. Now look at the component parts of the first payment and then the last payment:

So while your monthly payment never changes, the amount used to reduce the loan each month varies DRAMATICALLY. Remember your total cost of borrowing \$250,000 includes more than \$166,000 in interest!

Use the knowledge to your advantage

Here's how you can use this information to your advantage.

For new loans

- Only sign up for loans that allow you to make pre-payments without penalty.
- When borrowing money, keep some of your cash in reserve. Try to reserve a minimum of 10 to 20 percent of the amount borrowed. So in this example, try to reserve \$25,000 to \$50,000 in cash.
- Immediately after getting the loan, consider



using the excess cash as a pre-payment on the note. By doing this you can dramatically reduce the interest expense over the life of the note, all while keeping your payment constant. Even though your monthly payment may be a little higher, the extra payment amount will pay back the loan more quickly.

For existing loans

- **Create and look at your loan's amortization table.** This table shows how much of each payment is used to pay down the loan balance and how much goes to your lender as interest. In the above example, 67 percent of the first payment is for the bank, while only 1/2 of 1 percent of the last payment is for the bank.
- **Pay more to you than the bank.** Aggressively prepay down any loan until more of each payment goes to you versus the bank. This is the crossover point of your loan.
- **Find your sweet spot.** After hitting the crossover point, next consider the efficiency of each prepayment and determine when you consider your prepayment ineffective. No one would consider prepaying that last payment when interest expense is only \$4.00. But if more than 25% of the payment goes to interest? Keep making prepayments.

Final thought

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Fluco volleyball squad stomps the Hornets from Orange

BY DUNCAN NIXON
CORRESPONDENT

As volleyball is now played, with a point awarded on every serve, a team with superior talent can often run off a series of points while on service and put a weaker team hopelessly behind early in a game. The Fluco volleyball team under Coach Christi Harlowe-Garrett did just that in its match with the Hornets from Orange County High School on Oct. 13. The outcome was not a surprise, as the Flucos came into the match with a record of 13-2.

Fluvanna won the first game of the best out of three games contest relatively easily by a score of 25-16. The second game of the match was a rout, as Fluvanna held Orange to single figures, winning 25-9.

In the third game, the Hornets were more competitive. The Flucos started with junior Faith Shields serving. They won the first two points on volleys, before Shields served an ace for a 3-0 lead. After the teams traded points, Freshman libero Jillian Davis took the serve with the Flucos leading 5-2. The Flucos won three points to boost their lead to 8-2. Davis then fired an ace for a big 9-2 lead.

Three points in row for the Hornets made it 9-5. However, junior Kayla

Gentry won the serve back for the Flucos with a thundering kill shot. The Flucos built their lead to 17-9, and senior Sophia Denby and Junior Shelby Crawford both recorded kill shots to give the Flucos a seeming insurmountable ten-point lead at 19-9. Orange was not done though, as they responded with five straight points to make the score 19-14. The Flucos did not fold and the teams traded points from then on to reach a final score of 25-20.

The statistics for the Flucos were surprisingly well balanced. Denby led in kill shots with 14, but four other Flucos each had six kill shots. That list included Gentry, Crawford, and sophomores Emma Abel and Isabell Garrett. Shields was outstanding in her all-around play as she recorded 31 assists, 9 digs and an impressive seven service aces. Gentry had four aces and a block at the net, while Garrett recorded 10 digs and two aces.

The volleyball season is winding down. The Flucos traveled to Western Albemarle on Oct.19 and are hosting Charlottesville High on Oct. 21. their final regular season match will at Albemarle High on Oct. 26. Post season play would appear to be likely.



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County faces tight deadlines for redistricting

Must complete the process by Dec. 31

BY HEATHER MICHON
CORRESPONDENT

The Fluvanna Board of Supervisors has just weeks to decide on what the country's local electoral districts will look like for the next decade.

Under Virginia law, localities must redistrict every ten years during the year ending in one (2021 in this case), using the most recent census numbers.

Decennial census data is usually available by April of the redistricting year, giving localities ample time to complete the process. But in 2020, the pandemic and other issues forced the U.S. Census Bureau to delay the results by 120 days past the April deadline.

Assistant County Administrator Kelly Belanger Harris said the 2020 Census information finally arrived in September, with critical data from the state's Department of Legislative Services (DLS) coming the first week of October.

This leaves around ten weeks for the supervisors to analyze the data, hold community meetings and public hearings, finalize the district maps and hold their final vote before the state's Dec. 31 deadline.

Compact & contiguous

The 2020 Census found that Fluvanna's

population grew a modest six percent over the past decade.

By district, the population grew in Palmyra, Rivanna, and Cunningham, and declined in Columbia and Fork Union.

State law requires localities to design districts that are "compact and contiguous," roughly equal in population, and show no racial bias.

Supervisors do have some freedom in deciding how to accomplish those goals. They could, for example, try to shift the boundaries of the five existing districts so each has approximately 5,258 residents.

Or they could create more districts.

During informal discussions at their Oct. meeting, they indicated that they might be willing to move to six or seven districts.

"Seven, to me, gives a more appropriate representation of every facet of the county," said Chair Mike Sheridan (Columbia). That would work out to one supervisor for every 3.756 residents.

Adding two seats would expand the size of the Board of Supervisors -- and the School Board -- by 40 percent.

Community involvement

At the Oct. 6 meeting Harris walked through a tentative time frame for the coming weeks.

The Redistricting Committee, composed of Supervisors Tony O'Brien (Rivanna) and Donald Weaver (Cunningham), planned to discuss next steps before the Oct. 20 board meeting.

A work session on redistricting is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Oct. 20 at the Carysbrook Performing Arts Center on James Madison Highway.

County staff has been tasked with taking census data and putting it into a mapping program. From there, they can start creating potential maps of five, six, and seven districts to act as a starting point for further debate.

Supervisors plan on holding at least one informational meeting for the community, and members of the public will be able to attend work sessions and meetings. If everything stays on track, supervisors should vote on the finalized plan by Dec. 15.

Difficult choices

That's when things could get even more complicated.

Redistricting usually takes place in the spring. If new districts are created, candidates have time to run for new seats.

This time around, supervisors will be redrawing district lines during election season.

Sheridan and O'Brien are running uncontested, and two Cunningham candidates are vying to replace Weaver, who announced his retirement earlier this

year. It's not clear what their districts are going to look like by the time their new terms begin on Jan. 1, 2022.

There is also little guidance on how to add new members if new seats are created.

"This is so mysterious," said County Attorney Fred Payne. "There are so many questions open that I think you face some very difficult choices."

The Census found that the population of Fluvanna County grew a modest six percent over the last decade, climbing from 25,691 in 2010 to 27,249 in 2020. Each household has an average of 2.99 residents.

By district, this is how each county changed in population:

	2010	2020	+/-
Fluvanna	5,355	6,240	+885
Rivanna	5,270	5,340	+70
Cunningham	5,229	5,632	+403
Fork Union	5,052	4,858	-194
Columbia	5,187	4,216	-971

The Census counted 1,037 inmates at the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women in 2020. This population is not included in the numbers above, as they are not technically residents of the county. Approximately 90 inmates in other state correctional facilities who were residents of Fluvanna prior to incarceration were added to the county totals.



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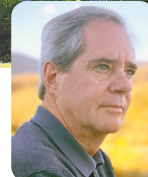


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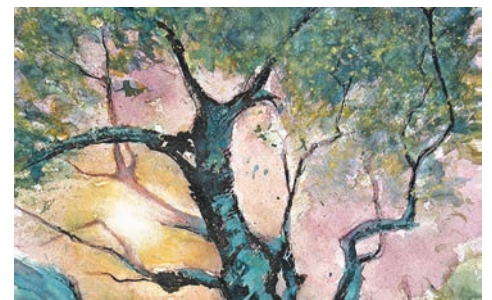


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Women honored at Chamber annual meeting

BY RUTHANN CARR
 CORRESPONDENT

More than 100 of Fluvanna's business owners celebrated four women honored for their professional acumen and good deeds Thursday (Oct. 14).

At its annual meeting and silent auction, the Fluvanna Chamber of Commerce presented awards to the following:

- Carolyn Herbert: Business of the Year, "Herbert's Wine Jelly,"
- Erika Mitchell: Emerging Business of the Year, "Sweet Art Emporium,"
- Jan Tatangelo: Volunteer Service Award winner
- Bertha Armstrong: President's Award winner, Fluvanna's Monticello Area Community Action Agency

Herbert started her business six years ago to help people with mental health issues who've been incarcerated earn an income. Besides making and selling wine jelly, many of the employees come up with their own creations, which Herbert packages and sells. You can buy the products online and in local stores.

Mitchell opened Sweet Art Emporium in Palmyra's Village Station in February 2019 and provides a place for more than 60 local artists to sell their wares. Like many businesses, Mitchell had to become more flexible and develop new strategies to sell when the pandemic hit.

Tatangelo moved to Fluvanna just a couple years ago and didn't hesitate making a splash in the business community. An ID/Legal Shield representative, Tatangelo has been a tireless advocate for the Chamber and founded Fluvanna Women in Business which boasts more than 40 members. Many Women in Business members decorated the tables at the annual meeting with centerpieces and favors highlighting their own business.

Armstrong is the director of Fluvanna's MACAA center in Carysbrook. Rudy Garcia and the Chamber honored Armstrong because during the pandemic Fluvanna's MACAA met the urgent and increased need to provide food for our hungry families. Before the pandemic, the center fed 146 families a month. That went up to 146 families a week. Several area businesses and non-profits stepped up to help MACAA get and distribute food to feed county residents.

The Fluvanna Chamber's annual meeting and auction is the county's biggest business event of the year.

Samuel Anderson, CEO of Direct Learning Solutions, was the keynote speaker. Anderson talked about obstacles he overcame to become a serial entrepreneur. Besides Direct Learning Solutions, Anderson founded Synapse and Enso Media Firm.

He encouraged everyone to work hard, be specific in what they want, value themselves and to care more about what they think of themselves than what

others think of them.

Hardware Hills Vineyard owners Andrea and Rob Nickels were seen in the crowd. The Northern Virginia couple bought the former Thistle Gate Winery in July. Andrea Nickels said they were so busy harvesting grapes and making wine they hadn't met many people in Fluvanna. The Chamber annual meeting was the perfect place to remedy that.

Outgoing Chamber President Rudy Garcia said everyone in the room should be proud of making it through the past two years still in business. A few present, Amy Beyers of Fluvanna Health Clinic and JoAnne Watkins, Small Town Butterfly Boutique, even opened their business in the middle of the pandemic.

The Chamber welcomed three new Board members: Lori Click, RE/MAX Realty; Sarah Sweet, owner of the Scrappy Elephant in the Village of Palmyra and Johnny Williamson, insurance agent with Gary Albert State Farm in the Food Lion Plaza on Turkeysgag.

The new Chamber Executive Committee was also announced: President Darryl Gibson, Vice President Bonnie Mackin, Treasurer Rudy Garcia and Secretary Sarah Monceaux.

Attendees bid on more than 30 items provided by local businesses for the Silent Auction which raised over \$2,200 for the Bill Hughes Memorial Scholarship.

Annual meeting sponsors were Charlottesville Albemarle Regional Airport, Monfalcone & Garris PC, Commonwealth Life & Legacy Counsel, UVA Community Credit Union, Goosehead Insurance The Mackin Agency, Rivanna Woods Financial Tax Services and Jefferson Pharmacy.



Emerging Business: Sweet Art Emporium. Erika Mitchell in middle with Willow Harrison and outgoing Chamber President Rudy Garcia.



Jan Tatangelo, Volunteer Award winner, and Garcia.



Carolyn Herbert Herbert's Wine Jelly: Chamber Business of the Year award. She is flanked by Jim Efstathiou and Garcia.



Bertha Armstrong, President's Award winner, and Garcia.

Fluvanna passes transgender policy

RUTHANN CARR
CORRESPONDENT

The Fluvanna School Board passed its state-mandated transgender policy at the meeting Wednesday (Oct. 13)

Fluvanna is complying with the law by adding the state code each current policy refers to. The motion passed 3-2 with Perrie Johnson (Fork Union), James Kelley (Palmyra) and Shirley Stewart (Rivanna) voting for the motion and Andrew Pullen (Columbia) and Charles Rittenhouse (Cunningham) voting against.

The Board recognized bus driver and teacher aide Ali Marks for superior performance.

During public comments Rebecca Newman introduced herself as the new Fluvanna Education Association president.

"I'm hoping to be proactive rather than reactive," Newman said.

Superintendent Peter Gretz said staff having to quarantine because of COVID-19 exposure won't have to use their sick leave and won't be docked pay. The policy will be retroactive to the beginning of the year.

Gretz said he's seen no abuse of this policy.

During his report, Gretz said a person

at each school will be designated to help coordinate with those learning at home whether because of quarantine or other long-term situation.

There is a higher volume of absences whether based on truancy or parental nervousness about quarantine, Gretz said.

Pullen said the message to parents of not sending their students to school if they have symptoms could be one reason for the lower attendance.

Gretz said he's sent two notices to families about signing up for Virtual Virginia. Sign up for the second semester begins Nov. 1

Director of Elementary Instruction and Federal Programs Gemma Soares and Executive Director Brenda Gilliam presented student assessment data. A full report can be found at <https://go.boarddocs.com/vsba/fluco/Board.nsf/Public>

Gretz pointed out that there were decreases in participation because many of the tests weren't required.

The achievement report showed Fluvanna students doing better than the state average in many areas.

"I'm very proud of this data and I had

nothing to do with it," Gretz said. "Kudos to the instructional team, to you and (former superintendent) Mr. (Chuck) Winkler."

On the other hand, Gretz said, teachers see a lot of students who don't have foundational skills and those skills won't come back quickly.

"The impact of last year will take a long time to recover from," he said.

Gretz said the COVID-19 mitigation plan is working well.

The district had 88 positive cases among staff and students since the beginning of the school year.

An additional 104 had to quarantine because of close contact with someone who tested positive. Of those quarantined, only 11 tested positive for COVID-19.

Gretz suggested a change in quarantine policy with the idea of balancing health and wellness of students and academic needs.

Right now if a person is symptomatic they must quarantine 14 days. If not symptomatic the person in quarantine can return to school on the 10th day with a negative test.

Gretz suggested if a non-symptomatic

quarantining person has a negative test after five days, they be cleared to return on day seven.

The Board agreed.

In other matters, Johnson suggested starting a day care center in the schools. It would serve staff and could possibly tie into a child-care instruction career tract. A discussion followed.

She also suggested having a staff liaison attend Board meetings as a way to get staff input on budget negotiations. Johnson said she thought the Fluvanna Educations Association could choose the liaison.

Pullen said he was against either a staff representative or collective bargaining.

Gretz suggested the role of staff liaison be clearly defined if the Board decides to have one.

No decision was made on either proposal.

The School Board budget seminar is scheduled for Oct. 20.

Spirits of the past

CONTRIBUTED BY EVELYN EDSON, PRESIDENT
SCOTTSVILLE MUSEUM



Bob Talbott guided friends and family of Scottsville Museum during the 2019 Twilight Tour in Scottsville.

"Ah, good my dears; you are the strong ones; the brave, willing to come again and listen to an antiquarian's tales. Quickly, close the door against the fretful wind; hear that rain thrown against the window panes. Put your feet up by the fire, and we'll talk. You're not frightened,

are you? Of course, it is quite near the night when the souls of the dead revisit their homes, but we'll placate the wandering spirits and evil imps, and enjoy a story. Well, of course, it's all true."

"You remember I have told you recently of the old sounds that barely linger,

mere whispers, in our frantic, modern atmosphere, sounds that used to make Scottsville feel safe and children secure in their trundle beds; the old steam train coming around the Horseshoe Bend, and later, twilight games of hide and seek by the depot, someone calling, 'all-ee, all-ee

in free." The lamplighter clattering by, bringing a warm glow to the evening streets; the rustle of water on the weeds and rocks by the ferry landing; cows on the hill, impatiently waiting to be called in for the evening milking at Valmont.

"But behind every sound of comfort and cheer, you must be aware, as well as I am, of the loss and despair of some torment or tragedy. Sad sounds, ominous sounds, sounds still echoing..."

These are the opening lines of a chapter in Ruth W. Klippstein's forthcoming book, *Stories of Scottsville: Tales of a Small Virginia Town*. These words remind us of the Twilight Tours, which for seven years lit of the streets of Scottsville in late October with lively impersonations of spirits of the past. Alas, this year the event is canceled, but we are waiting for better times, and hope that in 2022 these spirits will walk again. Stay in touch.

Above is a photo of Bob Talbott at the Museum as he guided friends and family of Scottsville Museum during the 2019 Twilight Tour in Scottsville.

Above T. J. Sellers and his secretary, played by Mr. Morris and his daughter, Raven Morris. Mr. Sellers was a pioneering newspaper man, writer, editor, and champion of civil rights during the Jim Crow area. It is 1950, and a big story is unfolding in Charlottesville, VA.

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Homecoming celebration

Calling all Fluvanna County High School graduates of 1968 to 1972 to celebrate at the Homecoming game on **Oct. 22** at 7 p.m. Look for the tent. RSVP Bettie White at 208-640-0470.

Veterans meet

The Central Virginia Veterans meet on the last Saturday of the month for a buffet breakfast, G.I.-style. We next meet on **Oct. 30** at the WAHOO BBQ Bar & Grill in Fluvanna (Formerly Dogwood Restaurant) Across from the LM Fire and Rescue station in Palmyra. All veterans are welcome! Come and enjoy the camaraderie, swap tales, opinions, experiences. Breakfast served at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$12 per person.

Byrd Chapel trunk or treat

Join Byrd Chapel UMC and Kents Store Volunteer Fire Department for a trunk or treat on **Oct. 30** from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. We will have lots of trunks, games for kids to play, fire truck and lots of candy. Located at Byrd Chapel UMC, 5371 Venable Road (Route 601), Kents Store, VA 23084. Any questions please call 434-589-2142.

Beulah Baptist fall festival

Beulah Baptist Church (1633 Kents Store Way Kents Store) is holding its annual Fall Festival and Trunk-or-Treat on Sunday **Oct. 31** from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Everything is free! Inflatable bounce houses, snowcones, popcorn, trunks full of candy, and other food and games. Call 434-589-2245 for more information.

Byrd Christmas extravaganza

Byrd Chapel UMC will be having a Christmas Extravaganza on Saturday, **Nov. 6** from 8a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be crafts, Christmas items and baked goods, There will also be kids jackets, sweatshirts, gloves and hats These will be given to local community families. If any questions please call 434-589-2142. Byrd Chapel is located at 5371 Venable Road (Rt. 601) at Kents Store.

H.U.G.S. meeting

Hands United by God's Spirit (H.U.G.S) has begun meeting again at Cuppa Joe's coffee shop near CVS/traffic light (off of Rt. 618) **every Monday** from 3 to 4 p.m. Members knit or crochet shawls and blankets for those in need or are ill and need a warm hug. Interested participants can be taught to knit/crochet. All are welcome!

Monthly hike

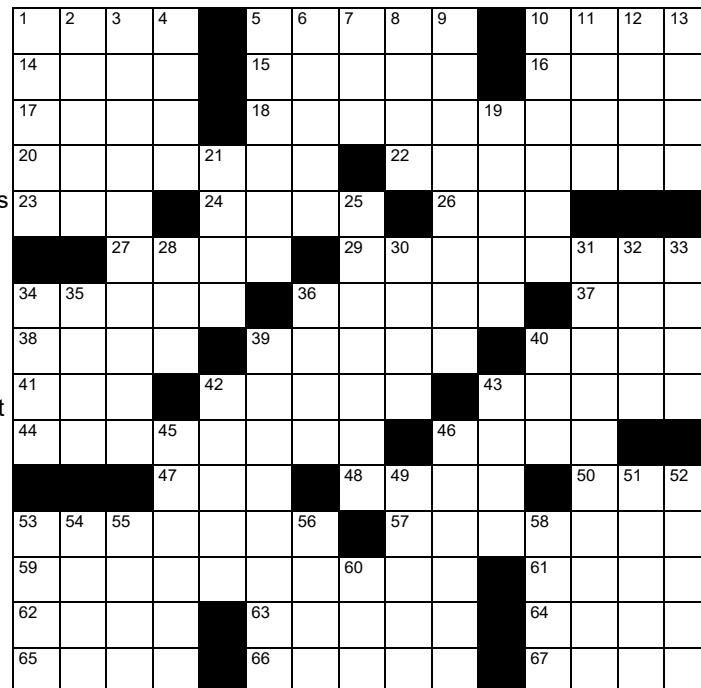
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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 February forecast
- 5 Golf strokes
- 10 "What are the ___?"
- 14 Improve, as skills
- 15 One way to fall
- 16 Like TV title housewives
- 17 Thunderous applause
- 18 Extraordinary
- 20 Break, as a habit
- 22 Like fangs
- 23 Hair stuff
- 24 Musical conclusion
- 26 Nautical journal
- 27 Fuss
- 29 High male voice
- 34 Animal track
- 36 Place for fishing
- 37 Post Malone's genre



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- 38 Give praise
- 39 Bake, as eggs
- 40 Kate of "House of Cards"
- 41 30-day mo.
- 42 Like much Cajun cuisine
- 43 Plane anagram
- 44 Vatican attraction
- 46 Hustles
- 47 Palindromic name
- 48 Christmas carol
- 50 What the "Scooby-Doo" gang rode in
- 53 Cannabis product
- 57 One way to follow
- 59 Call attention to
- 61 Sis to Katniss
- 62 Back end
- 63 Church leader
- 64 Rush job notation
- 65 Verge
- 66 Out of practice

67 Fit together

DOWN

- 1 "Beats me" gesture
- 2 Nary a person
- 3 Crawling, say
- 4 "The Way We ___"
- 5 Pirate's pet
- 6 Flip
- 7 Flat hat
- 8 Fairway feature
- 9 Baby transport
- 10 Sherbet flavor
- 11 Balance sheet item
- 12 Cowgirl Evans
- 13 Downhill racer
- 19 Mall booth
- 21 Computer brand
- 25 Kind of violet
- 28 Serling of Sci-fi TV
- 30 High nest (var.)
- 31 Set crosswise
- 32 Mitchell mansion
- 33 Milky stone
- 34 Concrete section

- 35 Bearded Smurf
- 36 Stylish
- 39 Old maid
- 40 R&B's Boyz II ___
- 42 Struck down
- 43 Marco ___
- 45 Beckoning words
- 46 Stuffing ingredient
- 49 Musical eight-some
- 51 Assumed name
- 52 Woodland deity
- 53 Fabled racer
- 54 Got a perfect score
- 55 Heroin, slangily
- 56 Netflix rival
- 58 Junk E-mail
- 60 Commercials

Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

C	H	A	S	E	S	H	I	A	I	T	C	H
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M	I	N	E	A	G	U	E	T	O	T	A	L
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SUDOKU

Edited by Margie E. Burke

Difficulty: Easy

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

HOW TO SOLVE:

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

Answers to Last Week's Sudoku:

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

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Foundation receives \$11,000 donation prior to fund drive launch

PRESS RELEASE



Even before the Lake Monticello Community Foundation's official fundraising launch later this week to raise \$100,000 to create an all-inclusive playground at Lake Monticello, the effort got a huge boost with an \$11,000 donation from Charlottesville's Mill Creek Orthodontics.

Dr. Markus Niepraschk presented an \$11,000 check to the Foundation Monday afternoon to buy a piece of equipment for the playground. That donation will double what the Foundation has already collected from a yard sale and other donations.

"Dr. Markus"—as he is called by his patients—said he is in the business of smiles and hopes his donation not only brings many smiles at the enhanced playground for years to come, but inspires other businesses to donate too. The father of five said he is proud to be involved in this project.

This Thursday at 9 a.m. the Foundation will officially kick off the \$100,000 fund drive at Lake Monticello's Lafayette Park—the park slated to receive the enhancements. The updated playground will be designed to be a unique playground where children of all abilities can

play side-by-side.

"We're already off to a great start with fundraising," said Foundation President Nancy Parsons, noting a fundraiser and some generous donors, including Dr. Marcus, have already contributed more than 22 percent of the goal. She said the Foundation plans to begin building the new playground in the spring.

"Dr. Marcus is our largest donor so far and we are thrilled by his contribution," she added.

The Lake Monticello Owners' Association (LMOA) has approved building the playground expansion on LMOA land adjacent to the existing playground. The plan calls for adding inclusive playground equipment, installing a surface designed for maximum mobility and safety for all, and fencing the play area.

"The new, inclusive playground will be fun for all kids, not just those with physical or other challenges," said Foundation board member Alan Stewart. "The new surface will be great for wheelchairs or walkers, but it will be better and safer for all kids—allowing children of all abilities to play together."

It will also be much more convenient

for parents and grandparents with mobility issues to take children to the playground, Stewart noted.

Such a playground is definitely needed. Fluvanna County Schools have identified at least 130 students at Lake Monticello with special needs. Also, some parents and grandparents have mobility issues which the playground will help solve. Only a few dozen all-inclusive playgrounds are currently in use in Virginia.

Teri Morgan, executive director of the Virginia Board for People with Disabilities, said the Lafayette playground "is an excellent example of how the needs of people with disabilities can be effectively incorporated into communities, making them better for all people...The Virginia Board for People with Disabilities supports inclusive and accessible opportunities for all children to play together. Our vision statement supports opportunities for Virginians with developmental and other disabilities to direct their own lives and choose how they live, learn, work, and play."

The project will have no cost for the homeowners' association. The Lake Monticello Community Foundation will raise

the full initial cost, though LMOA staff may help with some work such as landscaping. LMOA will also maintain the playground, just as it does others in the Lake community of some 12,000 residents.

"We're quite confident we can make this fundraising campaign a success," Parsons said. The Foundation is applying for private grants and will seek individual donations from local companies and residents. It also plans an extensive list of fundraisers, including the Christmas Memory Tree, teas and other fundraisers at private homes, the Christmas Festival of Trees, donation dinners at local restaurants, a Penguin Plunge, basketball and golf tournaments, a shredding event, a color run and contributions for Foundations volunteers' work at Lake triathlons.

The goal is a unique playground where children of all abilities can play side-by-side. A place where children who use wheelchairs, walkers or braces, or who have sensory or developmental issues can have parallel playground experiences with more-abled children.

In the Foundation's 18 months of existence, it has already made grants to Lake Monticello Fire & Rescue, provided free season-long swimming pool passes to 40 needy persons, organized parades at the Lake and Fourth of July activities, organized a Christmas wreath and decorating contest, conducted a car show fundraiser for the Disabled American Veterans, and is planning to grant scholarships to local high school students who demonstrate service to the community.

For more information about the Foundation, visit

<http://lakemonticellocommunityfoundation.org/> or contact the Foundation at lakecommunityfoundation@gmail.com or 434-591-5169. Donations can be mailed to LMCF, 265 TurkeySag Trail, Suite 102 #143 Palmyra, VA 22963

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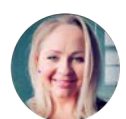
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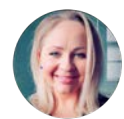
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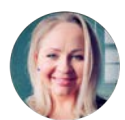
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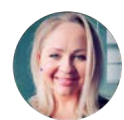
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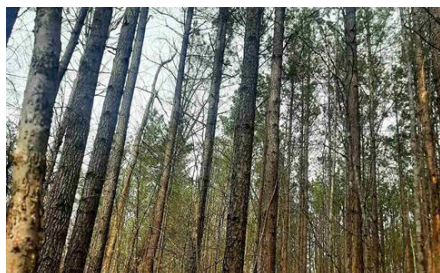
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