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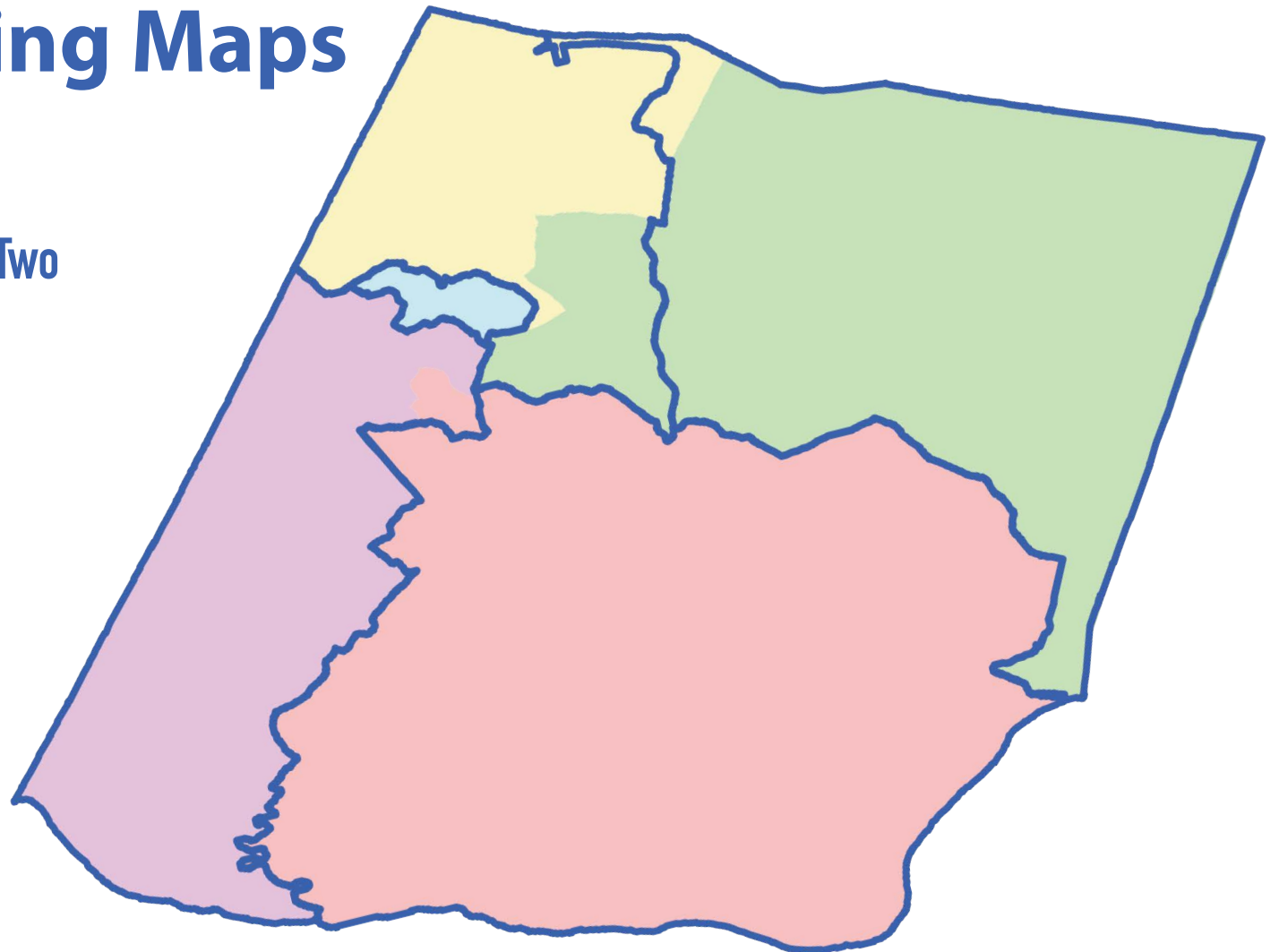
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**EDUCATION:**

- Certificate, AA and BS in Criminal Justice Studies
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- Chief of Operations of a local correctional facility
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- Entrepreneur

**ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION:**

- Wife and mother of Fluvanna graduates and a current Fluco student
- Vice-Chair of Fluvanna Planning Commission
- Fluvanna Leadership Development Program graduate
- Volunteered for 14+ years with Fluvanna Parent Teacher Organization
- Serves on Fluvanna County Schools Safety Committee
- Family began and continues to volunteer with Packed for Success/Fill the Bus (student backpack and school supplies program)

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## Letters to the editor

### Pay deputies fairly to keep them

servants, like police officers.

As mentioned in the article about raising pay for deputies, there have been a relatively high number of Fluvanna police officers transferring to neighboring counties because of better pay. This presents a choice to the government of Fluvanna; raise pay for deputies or deal with a smaller workforce in the police department. Well, that's almost a no-brainer.

As the population of a given area goes up, the number of law enforcement agents in that area also needs to go up proportionally. The population of Fluvanna has been rising quickly over the past 40 years, according to the US Census Bureau.

Because of that, the choice between raising pay for Fluvanna deputies and making do with the salary budget at hand has become more and more constrained. Fluvanna can't afford to keep having deputies transfer out of the county, both in terms of a need for law-enforcement agents, and in a fiscal sense. It costs a lot of money to train up a new Fluvanna police officer, and it would be best to keep that investment in Fluvanna. Hopefully, this new rise in pay will be enough to get those retention numbers up.

-Jack Lindo, Palmyra

### Fluvanna's children deserve better

eight years to pre-2012 levels.

Mr. Rittenhouse's poor attendance record and votes against funding does not show the necessary commitment to the success of our schools.

Mr. Byers has not shown interest in trying to understand the needs of the schools. He sat by Bob Good as he spoke during a contentious school board meeting. Mr. Good wants to cut Virginia's school funding by 1.1 billion, deeply impacting rural schools and passing the burden to localities. He misled and encouraged students to defy statewide school mask mandates. Good is no friend of the schools or the health of students, teachers and their families. Mr. Byers said nothing.

Should Mr. Rittenhouse and Mr. Byers prevail, along with Mr. Pullen, they will enact an agenda of reduced support for our schools, persecution of

our LGBTQ community and a disparity in the treatment of minority students. Rather than working to meet the local needs, challenges, cooperation, commitment and funding to ensure the school's system success, their focus on wedge issues creating an environment where our students can thrive. They will have the ability to tie the hands of the Board of Supervisors as we can only vote yes or no on the school budget (and its inherent priorities) as proposed by the School Board. They will have this power for at least four years with a potential deep negative impact for the next decade. Fluvanna's children deserve better.

-Tony O'Brien, Board of Supervisors, Rivanna District

### Gequetta, an outstanding mother

As the young adult daughter of Gequetta "G" Murray-Key, I wanted to share why I think my mom would be an awesome addition to the Fluvanna County School Board.

Education is very important to my family. My parents instilled in me the importance of working hard and getting a good education, which is the key to a pathway of a successful life. After graduating as a Fluco in 2016, I went on to Virginia Commonwealth University, earning degrees in criminal justice, homeland security, and emergency preparedness.

My family has also demonstrated and taught me the importance of giving back to the

community. With my family's support, I founded Packed for Success and started the "Fill the Bus" program at Walmart in Zion Crossroads. These backpacks and school supplies have been given to children whose families could not afford to buy these necessities at the beginning of the school year. I am so thankful to say that within the past 12, I have donated 3,500 backpacks. My mom has always said "to whom much is given, much is required." I have been blessed with so much and it has always been important to me to ensure that everyone else has what they need in order to be successful as well.

My mother has also been a role model for

discovering and using one of my talents. With her encouragement, I was able to sing the National Anthem at the basketball games all four years that I was in high school. We have so much fun together as a mother-daughter duo singing in our band SALT. She has always been my favorite singer and my absolute role model.

I know that my mother would work hard, as she does with anything she makes a commitment to, as the Rivanna District School Board Member. I hope you will consider voting for her by Nov. 2!

-Bree Key, Palmyra

### Vote for our children

she will work hard for our children and community because she already does.

She is reliable, she is willing to share her views and listen to yours, even if you don't agree. We currently have School Board members that did not show up for a budget meeting so they could campaign; campaigning is more important than the service they agreed to perform, "G" is not like that. She takes her commitments seriously

and will work hard to do the best she can for all our children. These same board members are not going to show up for the candidate's forum. Why? Are they afraid to share their positions with the entire county? That is not the type of representation we need or deserve. If you live in the Rivanna district, please vote for our children by voting for Gequetta Murray-Key.

-Barbara Gibbons, Palmyra

I am proud to say that I cast my vote in early voting for Gequetta Murray-Key. I have known Mrs. Key for over 15 years. We first met serving on the middle school PTO, then on the Parent Advisor Committee in the high school. When I was on the school board, she was a parent that occasionally came to the meetings to tell us what was going on in the schools. She is an involved, active parent and citizen. I know

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## Letters to the editor

### Public office demands a fiduciary level of care and performance

To be elected to public office is one of the highest honors and responsibilities a citizen can enjoy. With that election comes a fiduciary level of care and performance. One definition of this is: A fiduciary is a person or organization that acts on behalf of another person or persons, putting their clients' interests ahead of their own, with a duty to preserve good faith and trust. Being a fiduciary thus requires being bound both legally and ethically to act in the other's best interests.

When an elected official breaches this fiduciary level of care, they should be held accountable by the public. In previous times this generally manifested itself by the offender being censured, voted out of office or in the most egregious cases indictment and conviction of violations of the law.

This past week, we witnessed a breach of fiduciary duty by two of our elected school board members. They chose to put personal interest above their fiduciary responsibility.

How so? They chose to not attend a budgetary workshop in lieu of attending a staged event designed to be used to help in their re-election campaign. Not only did they breach their fiduciary duty, but they chose not to do a job they are getting paid to do. How many of our fellow citizens would have their employment terminated for similar actions?

If you live in the Cunningham District you can hold the incumbent accountable by voting for Eric Anderson. Eric has demonstrated a consistent level of fiduciary care by his involvement as a university professor and volunteer over the years. Vote for Eric and send a strong message that violating the fiduciary trust has consequences.

If you live in the Rivanna District you also have the opportunity to voice your support for a woman of character and a true fiduciary desire to do the right thing. Vote for Gequetta Murray-Key and let all of our elected officials know there are consequences in Fluvanna County for violating the fiduciary trust of the citizens you are sworn to serve.

-Rudy Garcia, Fork Union

### Consequences of electing McAuliffe

Elections do have consequences and boy are Americans experiencing and paying for them now. Open borders, millions illegally entering, more kids in cages, homicide rates increasing, mandates, historic inflation, higher taxes, supply shortages, and low consumer confidence to name just a few. If one wants to continue down this path in Virginia, then vote for Terry McAuliffe. Have you noticed everything costs more from the current Democrat actions and policies which he supports?

The high gas price is due to the current administration's policies and actions, but do not forget that the Virginia Democrat controlled House and Senate also passed a 10 cent increase in gas taxes along with an increase in the regional gas tax. So, depending upon your area, gas tax went from 16.2 cents per gallon to 28.8 cents per gallon. It does not end there either; the Virginia Democrats have included an inflation increase in the gas tax so that it will increase forever. If this is what you want, then vote for Terry McAuliffe. No need to mention McAuliffe's support and defense of defund the police organizations; or that parents shall not have any say in what their schools teach their children; wanting to repeal Virginia's right to work law; free community college paid by you, releasing convicted illegals in our counties, or mocking the Hampton Roads Black Caucus. Looking at the results for Gov Northam's election in 2017, who will not admit if he was the painted face or white hood individual in his own yearbook pages, only won approximately 32 percent of Virginia's voting counties/cities. So every vote matters to overcome NOVA, Richmond, and Virginia Beach. The local voting place is open now for early voting. This election directly affects you the most. Virginians deserve what they get when only 9,225 people vote from Fluvanna County or only 1,847 people vote from Palmyra. In summary, if you want record taxation, record spending, and record regulation, then vote for Terry McAuliffe, but just do not ask him to define critical race theory.

-Eric Parlet, Palmyra

### Show your lack of support

Election day 2021 is approaching fast. I want to remind the voters of Fluvanna and particularly the Rivanna District that Tony O'Brien and Mozell Booker "never met a taxpayer dollar she couldn't spend." O'Brien and Booker were the two dissenting votes on the issue of Fluvanna becoming a 2nd amendment sanctuary county. O'Brien is running unopposed, and Booker is not on the ballot, but by not coloring in the square for O'Brien you can show your lack of support for a man that clearly is anti-2nd amendment. Your choice, just saying.

-Gary Baughn, Palmyra

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## Letters to the editor

### Room for improvement

Mr. Pullen, Mr. Rittenhouse, and Mr. Byers are talking about the dangers of listening to the politicians in Richmond and D.C., yet they've been taking money from the GOP. On top of this, on Wednesday, Oct. 20, Mr. Rittenhouse and Mr. Pullen both missed a School Board meeting in order to campaign. This is unacceptable and speaks volumes about their commitment to their jobs.

Additionally, Mr. Rittenhouse and Mr. Byers both pulled out of the Candidate Forum three days before the event (which took place on Thursday, Oct. 21), after they had previously agreed to participate. I can't help but wonder if this is because there's a question regarding party politics. And wasn't it Mr. Byers who invited Bob Good, who has no affiliation with our county, to come and speak at one of our School Board meetings? There's a disturbing amount of hypocrisy here.

I don't want to waste my time spouting all the issues I have with these specific School Board candidates, but they needed to be

called out. What I'd much rather do is explain why Eric and G have my support, and why they should have yours.

Eric Anderson and Gequetta 'G' Murray-Key are running independent campaigns without taking money from political parties. Both have extensive teaching, leadership, and volunteer experience. They're both highly approachable - I've met with them both and have had nothing but positive experiences. They're both willing to work with others on the School Board and have very exciting ideas on how to make the schools work better.

I've lived in Lake Monticello for 18 years, and in the Cunningham District of Fluvanna for the last eight. I have two children in the school district, and I want them to have the best education and experience they can. I also want the teachers and staff to feel and be appreciated and supported.

Let's face it - there's room for improvement here - and Eric Anderson and Gequetta Murray-Key can help us get there. Please go vote.

-Cindy Girard, Palmyra

### Truant School Board members

The Fluvanna School Board conducted a meeting Wednesday Oct. 20 and on the agenda was FY2023 budget planning. Both Mr. Rittenhouse and Mr. Pullen skipped this meeting, opting to campaign adjacent to the Registrar's Office. Additionally, Mr. Rittenhouse and Mr. Byers dropped out of the candidate forum Oct. 21. Apparently, these gentlemen feel they can coast to the finish line.

We need School Board Members who care

enough about their responsibilities to show up to meetings and not shy away from public debates. Both Rittenhouse and Pullen have terrible attendance records, it's time they were all held accountable.

It's time we voted for change! Guquetta Murray-Key/Rivanna and Eric Anderson/Cunningham will be present and bring positive change to Fluvanna.

-Maureen Smith, Palmyra

### Elections are consequential

Local elections are very important and consequential. Our community, our schools and our will benefit with proper leadership and this will also be reflected in our property values. Affordable housing is irrelevant to buyers if the school district isn't a good one.

Therefore, I strenuously urge Rivanna voters to elect Mrs. Gequetta "G" Murray-Key. She is the mom of two Fluco's and she believes deeply in the importance of a quality education for all and yet she recognizes each child has deeply individual needs and we must provide opportunities and a career options for those children who do not wish to attend a four university post-graduation.

Mrs. Murray-Key has an extensive background having owned her own business prior to attending school as an adult and obtaining her bachelor's degree. She is

currently employed as an instructor of criminal justice at PVCC and as the director of operations for a regional correctional facility.

Lastly, I strongly recommend that the voters of Cunningham district elect Mr. Eric Anderson to the Fluvanna County School Board. Mr. Anderson has had variety of life experiences having grown up as a military brat before graduating college with a degree in engineering. Mr. Anderson recognizes the vital importance of education and he believes in giving back to the community. When his children were in school, Mr. Anderson was instrumental in helping to form and coach a robotics club which traveled and won competitions.

I sincerely hope that the voters of Fluvanna County will elect these two superbly qualified individuals to the Fluvanna County School Board.

-Andrea G Overweg, Palmyra

### Skipped meeting

I would like for the citizens and voters of Cunningham to know that that Mr. Rittenhouse does not deserve re-election.

Mr. Rittenhouse accepted the honor of serving the public on the school board and in doing so, he swore that he would uphold and fulfill the duties of elected office which include attending meetings. As recently as Wednesday, Oct. 20, Mr. Rittenhouse skipped a scheduled school board budget meeting.

It is relevant for voters to know that all FCSB members receive financial compensation by taxpayers for their attendance at meetings.

Mr. Rittenhouse also cancelled his appearance at a candidate forum hosted by the NAACP and League of women Voters citing "schedule conflict" but after public outcry, he issued a statement in which he

complained that questions were "biased" and he falsely characterized both organizations as not being non-partisan.

It is apparent that Mr. Rittenhouse believes that he is entitled to be the School Board and that he will not be held accountable for his dereliction of duties of his office because he is insulated by a network of family and church connections.

I strongly urge the voters of Cunningham to vote in the best interests of our community, our schools and our staff and cast their votes for Mr. Eric Anderson. He not affiliated with any political party and most importantly, he is eager to serve our community and he will take the job seriously. Mr. Anderson is the best candidate for effective and responsible leadership.

-Melissa Irvin, Palmyra



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### WORK EXPERIENCE

- Currently teaches Engineering courses at UVA
- 21 years of teaching engineering at UVA, UConn, Tufts, and MIT
- 15 years in business as an engineer or software consultant

### BACKGROUND

- 11-Year resident of Fluvanna County
- Married almost 40 years; has two adult sons.
- Supports kids through coaching youth sports, after school activities like high school robotics, and tutoring math.
- Attended 7 different schools in 5 states as son of career US Navy officer.

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- Vice Chair

## School Board - minus two - discusses budget

BY RUTHANN CARR  
 CORRESPONDENT

The Fluvanna School Board held its first budget seminar for Fiscal Year 2023 Wednesday (Oct. 20) at 8 a.m. and its first with new Superintendent Peter Gretz.

Two Board members, Andrew Pullen (Columbia) and Charles Rittenhouse (Cunningham) who are running for re-election, did not attend. The pair joined other conservative candidates at the Turkey'sag Shopping Center for a "Coffee with the Candidates" event from 8-9 a.m.

On a video posted on the conservative candidate for School Board in the Rivanna District's Facebook page, Pullen and Rittenhouse put out a plea for votes.

One theme touched upon in the video is a promise to make sure parents are included in educational decisions and not people "who don't even know where Fluvanna is."

Meanwhile Chair Perrie Johnson (Fork Union), Shirley Stewart (Rivanna) and James Kelley (Palmyra) consulted with Gretz on budget priorities.

Gretz shared highlights of a survey he conducted asking parents, staff and the community about educational spending concerns

Of the 125 respondents, 74 were parents, 70 staff, three community members and one student.

Out of 25 cost saving measures sug-

gested, some were:

- Sustainable garden for cafeteria;
- Combine health insurance with the county;
- Reduce funding for athletics; cancel football;
- Ask retired military personnel to volunteer in schools;
- Offer professional development virtually.
- The survey also asked for suggestions on new program or spending ideas. Respondents came up with 53 recommendations, including:
- Free lunch and breakfast;
- Lower student/teacher ratio;
- Better buses;
- More hands-on learning, less testing and homework;
- More mental health and instructional support positions.

Johnson wanted to find ways to equalize planning time for teachers. She said there seemed to be more time scheduled for those teaching upper grades than elementary. Johnson also suggested making a focus on students who aren't college bound by helping them with interview skills and other classes geared to finding a job.

Kelley said he wanted to discuss paying staff better.

Stewart said she wanted to focus on building a budget for the future with a focus on schools doing what they should for students.

Gretz said he will keep the survey up on the school website and to work through issues that are "global and come up often."

Executive Director for Instruction and Finance Brenda Gilliam shared the most recent funding figures from 2020. Out of 11 central Virginia counties and Charlottesville, Fluvanna is second to last in per pupil funding at \$11,185 per student. Only Orange spends less per pupil (\$10,990) than Fluvanna.

The state average is \$13,241.

Student enrollment for 2021-22 school year was projected to be 3,415. However, it hasn't reached that and is likely to settle around 3,271, Gilliam said.

The state promised not to cut funding for enrollment decreases this year.

Gilliam said in every gubernatorial election year, there are more unknowns than is typical regarding the budget.

Governor Ralph Northam will present his budget before the year is out. But there will be a new governor sworn in and he will present a budget. Also, the General Assembly will change, so that adds another wrinkle in the system.

Gretz said the good thing is state revenue has gone up steadily over the years.

"The forecast in Virginia is fantastic. Something like \$4.6 billion in increased revenue," Gretz said. "It grew by 15 percent due largely to non-withholding income revenue."

He said there is talk of using much of that revenue toward education: teacher compensation and making Pre-Kindergarten more accessible to poor students.



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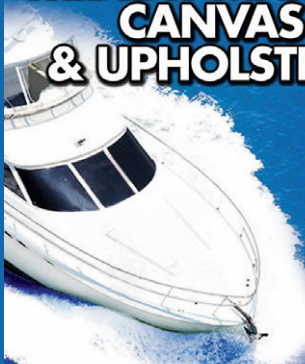
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## Let the playground fundraising begin

CONTRIBUTED BY MIKE FEAZEL AND JUDY FISH,  
LAKE MONTICELLO NEWS

The \$100,000 fund drive to build an all-inclusive playground at Lake Monticello's Lafayette Park officially kicked off Thursday (Oct. 21) – with \$22,000 already committed toward the project. The fundraising is being done by the Lake Monticello Community Foundation.

"This will be a wonderful playground for all kids," said Foundation President Nancy Parsons at the kickoff press conference at the park. "It will also benefit a lot of parents and grandparents."



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Laker Jennifer Valentine, director of special education for Fluvanna schools, told the audience she knew of at least four families within a four-block radius of the new playground that would benefit from the planned playground updates. "This idea is just so inspirational," she said. Valentine had said previously that there are at least 130 children in the area who could benefit from the playground.

"I want to thank LMOA for putting together a work group of staff, LMOA board and Foundation members to develop a plan for the playground," Parsons said Thursday in prepared remarks. "We are indebted to that group for their diligence and determination to make this happen!" She said the group included LMOA Board members Jay Hinkle and Larry Henson, LMOA Staff members Director of Operations Tom Schauder and General Manager Steve Hurwitz and Foundation Board Members Alan Stewart and Scott Mein.

Since the Lake Monticello Community Foundation was founded two and a half years ago, it has given grants to Lake Monticello Fire and Rescue and to families who could not afford season's pool passes, Parsons said, adding "We have sponsored a number of activities and are planning to award community service grants to students and to give grants to organizations that support community needs, but our most ambitious project is this playground."

Parsons said the Foundation is especially grateful to people like "the very generous Dr. Niepraschk" for giving us a great head start to our goal of \$100,000. Dr. Markus, as his patients at Mill Creek Orthodontics call him, presented an \$11,000 check on Monday—doubling the Foundation's playground total, bringing it to \$22,000 raised so far.

Dr. Marcus said at Thursday's official kick-off ceremony that as the father of five chil-

dren (one of them with special needs), the playground project spoke to him. "I love the idea of lots of smiles here as we make this playground even more inclusive," Dr. Marcus said. "I hope other local businesses jump in and contribute. I think the Foundation will reach its goal way before May!"

Schauder also praised Dr. Markus. Thank you, Dr. Markus, for your generosity...your work as a dentist brings smiles to the faces of many, and your generosity will bring smiles and joy to many more in the years to come," Schauder said. "Bringing everyone together at this playground site builds community and fosters friendship."

"The positivity of this project is infectious, and we are very grateful for it," said Schauder. He said the new playground will "bring more smiles, more laughter and more joy" to the entire community, and the work of the Foundation "represents teamwork, generosity, and simply paying it forward."

An inclusive playground simply means "all children can play" in it, Parsons said. She said it will be used by children with "a wide spectrum of abilities," including being fun for the fully-abled, and will "encourage acceptance and belonging" among children of all abilities. "This is truly a game-changer for Lake Monticello," she said.

For more information about the Foundation, visit <http://lakemonticellocommunityfoundation.org/> or contact the Foundation at [lakecommunityfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:lakecommunityfoundation@gmail.com) or 434-591-5169. Donations can be mailed to LMCF, 265 TurkeySag Trail, Suite 102 #143 Palmyra, VA 22963



# LAKE VIEWS

NEWS FROM YOUR LAKE MONTICELLO NEIGHBORS



On September 18, 2021, our Wildlife Committee organized a 'birds of prey' event with Earthquest, filmed by Roy Weinstock (seen with camera) from our Broadcast Committee.

## Committees Make Our Community a Home

COLUMN & PHOTO BY MARIEKE HENRY, LMOA COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

I get it. Living in a gated community isn't everyone's cup of tea, but you don't have to live at Lake Monticello to be part of the fun and natural beauty that makes this HOA so unique. We value our Fluvanna County neighbors and love sharing The Pub, our golf course, rentable spaces, and many of our events with you.

Lake Monticello feels like a warm and friendly hometown to me, but one of our new managers says Lake Monticello reminds her of the peaceful "Catskills" resort in the movie Dirty Dancing. I love it! Family fun and enchanting wildlife are also two

of the most common reasons people from far and wide come to live here. My favorite encounter with wildlife happened while kayaking on the Lake. A hawk dove down and caught a large fish in front of my boat. Before I could catch my breath, a bald eagle swooped in and snatched the fish from the hawk!

As for family fun, we have (deep breath) a community pool, tennis and basketball courts, a track, ballfield, 3 playgrounds (one of which we hope will soon be ADA-compliant), 5 lake beaches, a golf course, restaurant, clubhouse, marina...am I forgetting anything? Oh, and so

### Things to Be Thankful For

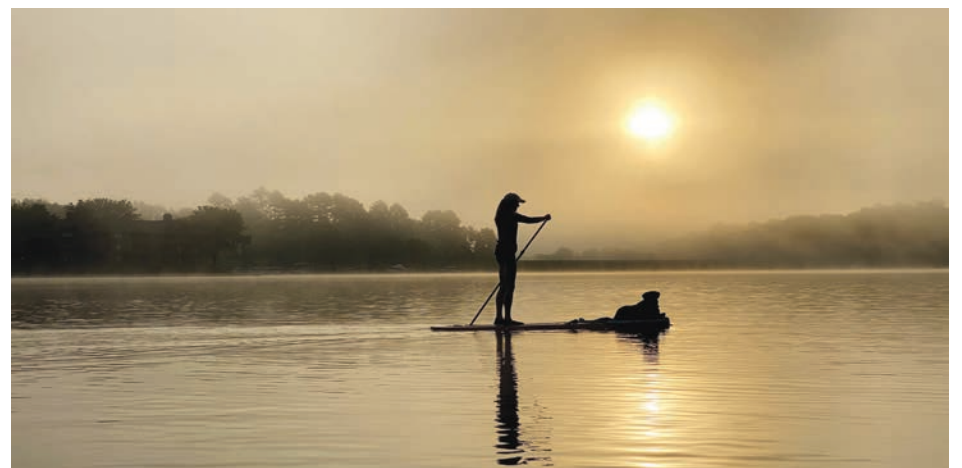
- ✦ The independent Lake Monticello Community Foundation officially kicked off a \$100,000 fund drive last week for ADA-compliant equipment at Lake Monticello's Lafayette Park. Check out their progress at [lakemonticellocommunityfoundation.org](http://lakemonticellocommunityfoundation.org).
- ✦ There is still time to purchase a ticket for the Adult Monster Mash Halloween Party at the Ashlawn Clubhouse! \$20/person includes light appetizers and live music on Saturday, October 30, 7-11 PM. Cash bar available. For reservations, call or email Melissa: 412 715-5894; [mosborne@lakemonticellogolf.org](mailto:mosborne@lakemonticellogolf.org).
- ✦ Veterans, come to Central Virginia Veterans' monthly buffet breakfast on Saturday, October 30, 8:30 AM at WAHOO BBQ Bar & Grill. Vets are encouraged to bring spouses. The cost is \$12 per person.
- ✦ Feast and have fun at The Pub's Fall Festival on Saturday, November 6, 12:30- 6:00 PM with live music all day! Don't miss wine, beer & whiskey tastings, as well as oysters, cotton candy, hayrides, games, and more.
- ✦ The Fluvanna Rotary is preparing for another MACAA Food Bank Thanksgiving Food Drive on November 10. Be on the lookout for a flyer in this newspaper on November 4 or contact Betsy Gunnels for more information: [betsy@gunnelsgroup.com](mailto:betsy@gunnelsgroup.com).
- ✦ The Monticello Cup Golf Tournament is on Saturday, November 13, and Sunday, November 14. Make sure to register by Saturday, November 6!
- ✦ Join Young Residents and Families Committee on October 29, 6:30-8:30 PM to show off your Jack-o'-lantern and stroll down the magical Bunker Pumpkin Path at 13 Bunker Boulevard.
- ✦ Plans for the Beach 4 bathrooms have been submitted to the Environmental Control Committee (ECC). The goal is to complete this project by Summer 2022, yay! ECC will not meet on November 23 due to Thanksgiving. The deadline for submitting applications for the November 16 meeting is November 11. The deadline for submitting applications for the November 30 meeting is November 24. The ECC office is closed November 25-26. Thank you for your understanding. ECC wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving holiday!

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## Our First Instagram Post!

Wow! All the pictures submitted for the very first post were gorgeous, what a hard choice to make! Not only did this one take our breath away, it captures the peaceful beauty that makes our community so unique.

Thank you Laker Joe Kofler for sharing such a stunning shot of Debi Forshey and her puppy Kita enjoying the early morning serenity on our Lake. This is why we love Lake Monticello!  
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## We Have a Winner!

Great job, **Liam Newberry!** You win a free dessert at The Pub for submitting the Skeleton word search, which we posted in the Fluvanna Review on October 14!

We can be found here every second and last Thursday of the month.

Or follow us on: <http://lmoa.news>,

the 'Lake Monticello Owners's Association' official Facebook page and YouTube channel (be sure to subscribe, so you never miss a beat).

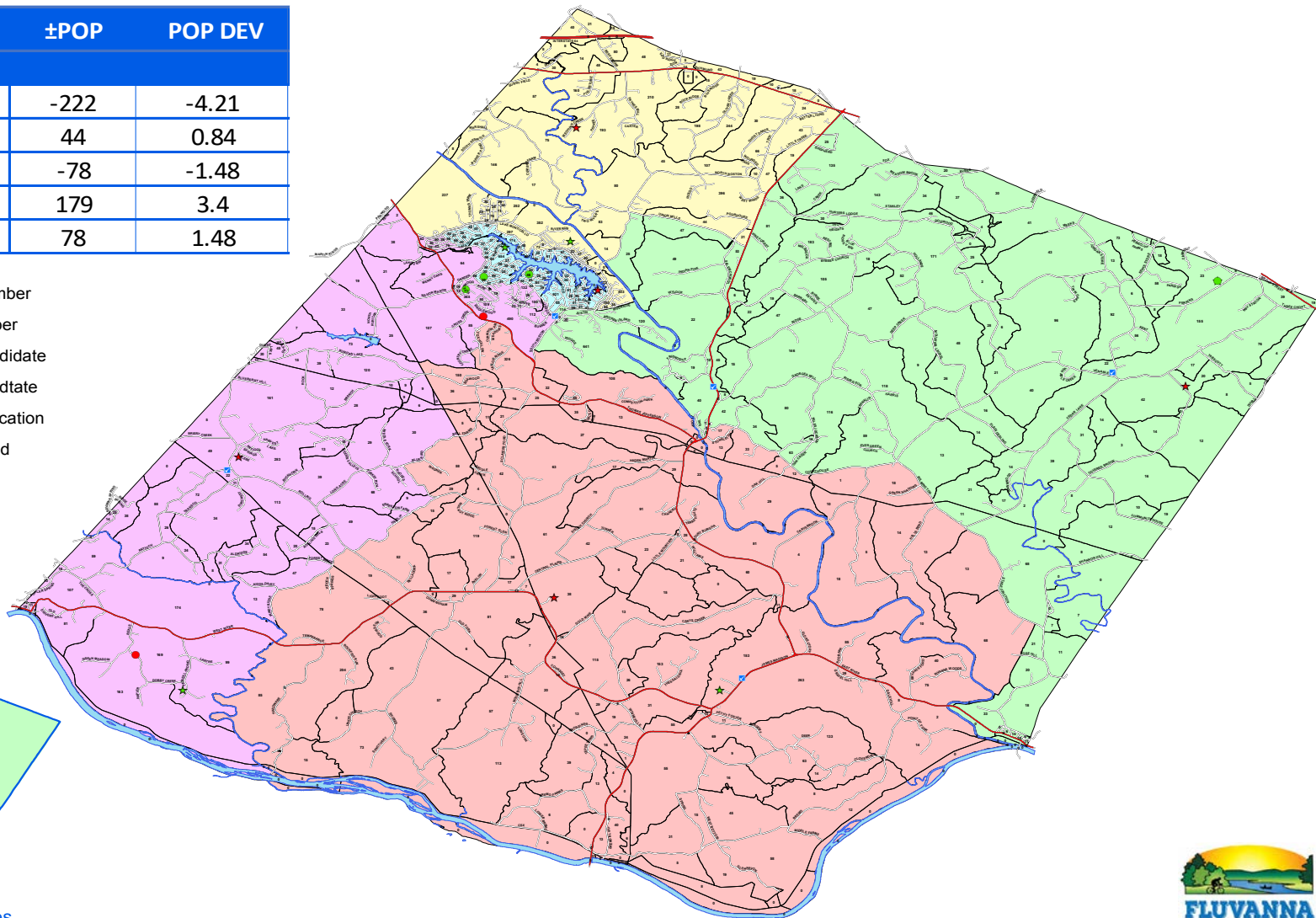
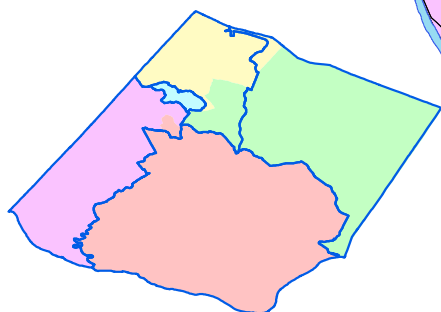
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# Fluvanna County Redistricting Committee: Five District Scenario 1

DISTRICT	POP	±POP	POP DEV
<b>IDEAL</b>	<b>5262</b>		
COLUMBIA	5040	-222	-4.21
CUNNINGHAM	5306	44	0.84
FORK UNION	5184	-78	-1.48
PALMYRA	5441	179	3.4
RIVANNA	5340	78	1.48

- Columbia
- Cunningham
- Fork Union
- Palmyra
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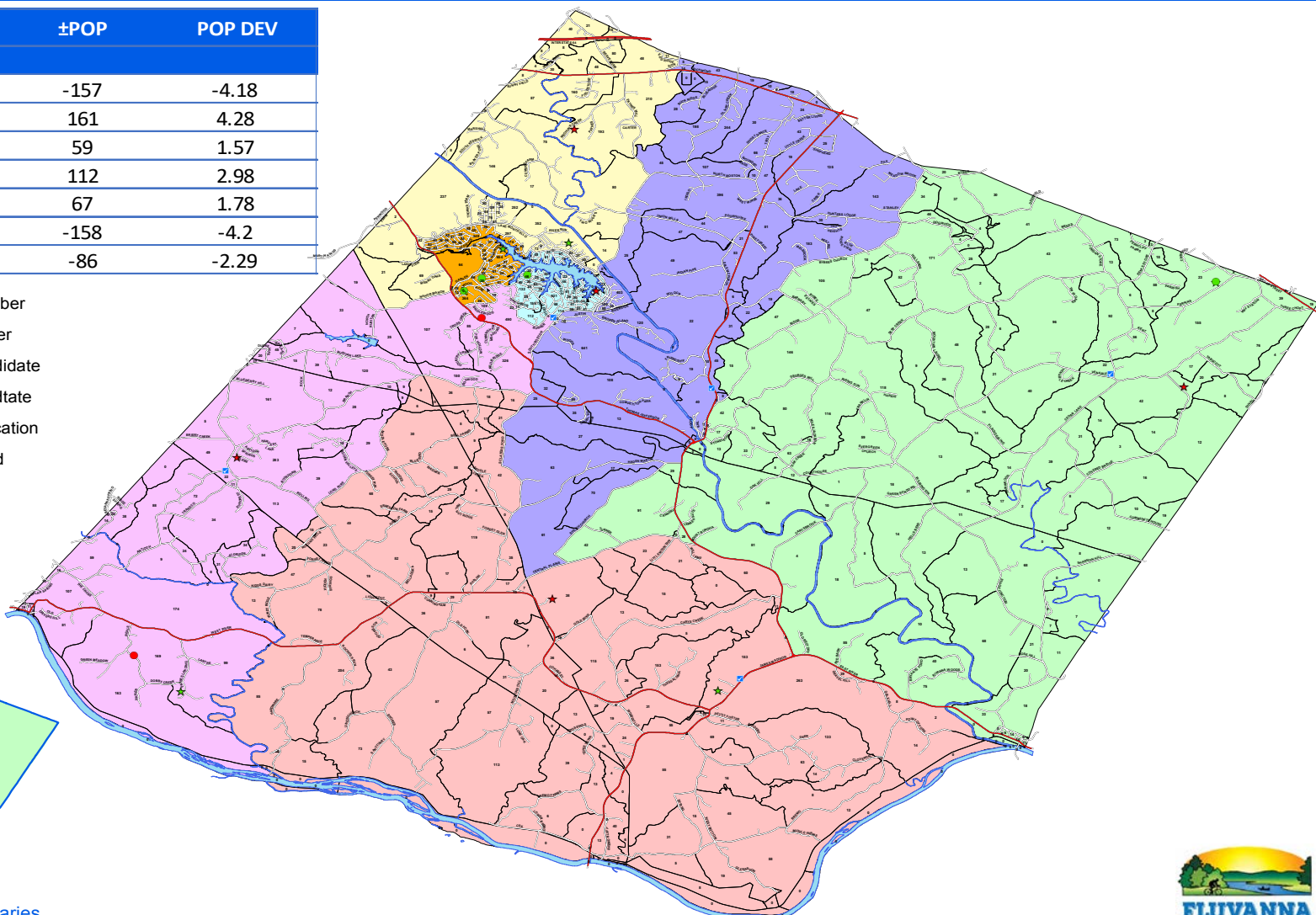
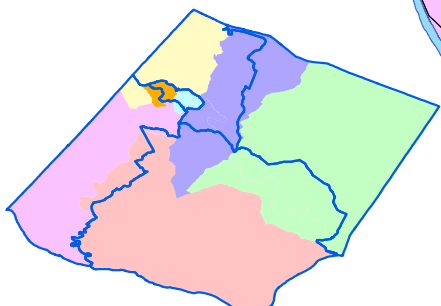
Current Voting District Boundaries



# Fluvanna County Redistricting Committee: Seven District Scenario 2

DISTRICT	POP	±POP	POP DEV
<b>IDEAL</b>	<b>3759</b>		
COLUMBIA	3602	-157	-4.18
CUNNINGHAM	3920	161	4.28
FORK UNION	3818	59	1.57
PALMYRA	3871	112	2.98
RIVANNA	3826	67	1.78
NEW DISTRICT 6	3601	-158	-4.2
NEW DISTRICT 7	3673	-86	-2.29

- Columbia
- Palmyra
- Cunningham
- Fork Union
- Rivanna
- New District 6
- New District 7
- Census Block
- ★ BOS Member
- ★ SB Member
- BOS Candidate
- SB Candidate
- Voting Location
- Main Road



Current Voting District Boundaries



## County unveils preliminary redistricting maps

BY HEATHER MICHON  
CORRESPONDENT

The Board of Supervisors got its first look at potential new voting districts during a redistricting work session ahead of its regular meeting on Wednesday (Oct. 20).

County Administrator Eric Dahl presented a series of maps showing the county split into five, six, and seven districts, based on the newly-released 2020 Census numbers.

Under Virginia law, localities must redistrict every decade in the year following the national census.

While redistricting can be a complex process, the general guidelines are straightforward: districts have to be about equal in population size, they have to be geographically compact, they have to be contiguous, and they have to avoid any sort of racial or other demographic bias.

Supervisors are also prohibited from splitting census blocks, a geographic unit defined by the Census Bureau.

Assistant County Administrator Kelly Belanger Harris said Fluvanna had fewer census blocks in 2020 than in the previous census. Supervisor Tony O'Brien (Rivanna), who sits on the redistricting committee, noted that this provides an additional challenge, as the population within each census block can vary quite a bit in size, "with some being 600 and some being eight."

### Growth to the West

The census numbers show that Fluvanna's population has grown primarily along the western half of the county. O'Brien said "45 percent of the county [population is] concentrated within about two miles of the Lake."

According to adjusted census numbers from the Virginia Department of Legislative Services, Palmyra gained 885 residents and Cunningham grew by 403, while Columbia lost 971 residents and Fork Union lost 197. Rivanna, which encompasses much of Lake Monticello, added only 71 residents.

To keep at the current level of five districts, Palmyra and Cunningham would have to shed some population, and Columbia and Fork Union would have to gain some. Each district would have approximately 5,285 residents.

Dahl presented two scenarios, each showing the boundaries of Fork Union and Columbia pushing west into the developments that have grown around Lake Monticello.

He also introduced a map showing the county split into six districts of roughly 4,381 residents. Here, the borders of Fork Union and Columbia would shift less dramatically, but the western end of Lake Monticello and the growing developments on that side of the county would split into a new district.

Finally, he showed two different scenarios for a seven-district county, with each district containing around 3,756 residents.

One idea is to create two districts around Lake Monticello, one along the south side of the lake down to Rt. 53 between South Boston Road and Nahor Manor Road, and a second hugging the north side of the lake from South Boston Road to the western border of the county, and extend along one side of Mechunk Creek north almost as far as I-64.

The second map envisions the Lake split into two districts above and below Jackson Cove, and also creating a large V-shaped district between the current Palmyra and Columbia districts, ending at Central Plains Road.

O'Brien said he felt this was the scenario that would work best for the long-term growth of the county population, as development was clearly going to remain concentrated on the western side of Rt. 15 over the next 10 to 20 years.

### Equal representation

During the discussions about the merits of each scenario, some of the emotional and practical issues that surround redistricting came to the forefront.

Chair Mike Sheridan (Columbia) stressed that he wasn't trying to make it "us and them," but especially in the five-district scenarios, the 45 percent of residents who live in the population center in and around Lake Monticello would be represented by 80 percent of the supervisors.

At five districts, there is no way for Columbia and Fork Union to reach 5,258 residents unless they absorb some of that western population.

But with that sort of over-representation, "you could end up with somebody representing the entire east side of the county that has never been to the east side of the county," he said. "I just want to make sure that each voice is heard equally."

No matter what the final map looks like, voting locations are likely to move for many Fluvanna residents.

O'Brien said that this was perhaps the biggest complaint following the previous redistricting in 2010. "The more you move people around, the more it frustrates folks from that standpoint. It's just human nature," he said.

### Legal ramifications

County Attorney Fred Payne also weighed in with his perspective on the ramifications of expanding the number of districts.

In his opinion, a five-district scenario "will be easier to administer and less inclined to have somebody challenged if somebody wants to challenge. It's also less costly to the county."

Adding one to two seats would require a special election and two more annual salaries to the county budget. The School Board and the Social Services Board would also have to add additional seats, and Supervisors would have to decide if they wanted to expand the Planning Commission.

"I guess I'm just a simple-minded kind of guy," said Payne. "It's easier to have a simple solution than a more sophisticated one. I'm not saying you can't do it or you shouldn't do it, but that's the way I view the pros and cons."

### Next steps

Wednesday's work sessions as just one more step in a process that will continue for the next several weeks.

Plans are underway to hold one or more community meetings to introduce the different plans to residents.

The preliminary maps are available for viewing online at <http://www.fluvannacounty.org>. To keep informed on upcoming redistricting meetings, be sure to sign up for the county's electronic newsletter, FAN Mail.

See Scenario Maps on Page 12.

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## FOL ends the year with mystery writer

BY PAGE H. GIFFORD  
CORRESPONDENT



Fred Shackelford. Submitted photo

The Friends of the Library will welcome Fred Shackelford on Nov. 3 at 10 a.m. to discuss his book, "The Ticket," a suspense novel about a lottery ticket and a lot of money. This will be FOL's last program of 2021. With COVID they were able to eke out two programs and the annual book sale and hope 2022 will be a little brighter for more programming.

First-time novelist Shackelford has written a thriller that readers have raved about and have called a page-turner that burns and blisters the fingers with deliciously evil plot twists and a surprise ending. Shackelford is far more modest about his journey to write his first novel. With an undergraduate degree in economics and a law degree, lotteries and legalities are his field of expertise. Whereas

the law worked for John Grisham in his legal thrillers, Shackelford is not looking for the end-game glory but seeing where the journey would take him.

A character-driven book that builds suspense, his protagonist, Channing Booker is a compulsive gambler, drug abuser, and philanderer; an overall loser whose marriage is crashing miserably. When everything seemed like it was closing in on him, Channing wins the Mega Bucks Lottery. Hoping for a quick divorce, he devises a plan to hide his fortune from his soon-to-be ex-wife. He plans to have a friend claim the \$241-million jackpot and secretly return the money to Channing after the divorce is final. But Susan leaves town with all her things, including the rare book in which Channing hid the winning lottery ticket. With time running out before the lottery ticket expires, Channing desperately searches for Susan, but she's covered her tracks well, fearing retaliation. To support herself, Susan begins selling possessions, including her rare books, unleashing a chain of events that puts not only her life in danger but others as well.

"I've never won much money in the Powerball or Mega Millions games, but I won \$1,000 when I bought my first scratch ticket," said Shackelford. "Five months ago, three of the six winning numbers for a \$515 million Mega Millions jackpot matched the numbers of the winning lottery ticket in my novel. Unfortunately, the prize for matching three numbers was only \$10." His winning numbers were 6, 9, 17, 18, 48, 8. In his book, the winning numbers were 2, 6, 9, 17, 55, 12.

Shackelford considers himself a mix of plotter and punster when it comes to writing.

"When I started writing *The Ticket*, all I had in mind was the beginning and the end, so I just started writing and decided to see how it would go. I had no real concept of the "middle part" until I had written a couple of chapters," he said. "At that point, I had thought of some ideas to develop the whole plot, and I decided to write a rough outline. I plotted each chapter in a couple of sentences, describing the key events that would unfold in that chapter. As a rookie novelist, I hesitate to give writing advice, but if any aspiring writer asks me, I would recommend preparing an outline before starting a novel. Without an outline, there's a risk that you won't have enough material to carry the plot, and the book might fizzle out after a few chapters."

Many challenges face novelists, particularly first-time novelists. Staying engaged and keeping the momentum going is key to completion but how a writer views the journey can be what prompts the next novel, if there is one.

"I think the biggest challenge in writing any kind of novel is figuring out how to hold a reader's interest through several hundred pages of text. To do that, I introduced several subplots to keep the readers guessing," he said. "My novel is about a winning lottery jackpot ticket that is missing. Lottery tickets expire and become worthless if they aren't cashed in within 180 days. One of the challenges in writing *The Ticket* was timing. I tried to ratchet up the tension as the lottery deadline approached, timing it so that the search for the missing ticket would go down to the wire. I jotted down my clues and key plot events on an actual calendar to guide me as I wrote the book." According to his readers' reviews, he accomplished what he set out to do.

Though he is categorized as suspense, it has mystery. Channing needs to investigate and follow the clues to his wife's whereabouts to find the ticket and this element is what Shackelford enjoyed and what most mystery writers savor when putting the literary puzzle together.

"I enjoy sprinkling clues throughout the story to give readers a chance to unravel the mystery. I also like to develop interesting characters, often through their dialogue, and I try to include enough action to keep the plot flowing quickly."

He said he has experienced many forms of writing, from essays when he was at Woodberry-Forest where his father taught, to writing poems for family members, including grandchildren, to writing legal briefs. His first book was a departure from his current work. Titled *Judges Say The Darndest Things*, the book is a collection of humorous excerpts from legal cases. For some writing a novel could be compared to running a marathon and getting to the finish line has its rewards. He says "getting to the end" is one of the things he likes about writing in general.

"Writing can be tedious, so I feel a real sense of accomplishment when I write the last word of a story. It's like crossing the finish line in a race. There's a catch, though. It's hard to decide when a novel or short story is finished," he said. "Usually you have to go back and revise and polish your story. I was naive when I wrote the final chapter of *The Ticket*. I thought my work was over, but I quickly realized that I needed to edit the manuscript to take out unnecessary material that was bogging it down. Eventually, I whittled my initial draft of 117,000 words down to the final version of 93,000 words."

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## Fluco football team loses 8-0 in overtime

BY DUNCAN NIXON  
CORRESPONDENT



Flucos take on the Warriors.  
Photo by Deborah Nixon

It was the Flying Flucos' Homecoming game. The crowd was large and the play on the field was spirited. Despite the fact that neither team scored in 48 minutes of regulation play, the game was entertaining and interesting. There were a number of big plays but both sides had some of their biggest plays called back for offensive holding penalties. There were turnovers and there were fourth down stops resulting in changes of possession. The Warriors from Western Albemarle High School had a long field goal try, but it was no good.

In high school football, if the score is tied after regulation play, each team gets to try to score from the ten-yard line, and if one team outscores the other, the game is over. The visiting team goes first, and Western Albemarle ran for two and three yards on its first two downs. Their quarterback then ran a sweep to the left and just got in for the touchdown before being forced out of bounds. The Warriors lined up to kick the extra point, but a bad snap forced their holder to run to his right and at the last second he spotted a receiver in the end zone and hit him with a pass for the two-point conversion.

The Flucos now started at the ten-yard line, with a tall order. If they did not score a touchdown and a two-point extra point they would lose. It was not to be. On first down, junior quarterback Owen Leydig handed to Addison Patchett for a two-yard gain. On second down, Leydig threw for Patchett in the right corner of the end zone. Patchett made the catch, but the throw was just too far right and Patchett came down out of bounds. On third, a Leydig pass was knocked down. On fourth and eight Leydig was forced out of the pocket and had to throw a desperation toss. The Warriors intercepted and the game was over.

Coach Michael Morris' squad played an outstanding game against an imposing opponent. The Warriors were decidedly taller and heavier than the Flucos, but the Fluco defenders worked hard all night and made a number of swarming team tackles. Frankly, the Flucos were not expected to be competitive. The Warriors came in with a 6-1 record, while the Flucos came in 2-5. The Warriors won, but they were in a real battle.

The Flucos started the game with a surprise passing attack. Leydig opened with a pass to junior Jacob Seymore for 19 yards. He

then hit Patchett for nine yards and Seymore again for nine more. Unfortunately, a ten-yard penalty set the Flucos back and they gave up the ball on downs at the Western 31. The Warriors started to march down the field on the ground but their drive was stopped when they fumbled and the Flucos recovered. The teams then exchanged punts and the first quarter was scoreless.

On the Flucos' first possession of the second quarter Leydig made an impressive run dodging a number of defenders, but as he went down at the Western Albemarle 20, he fumbled and the Warriors recovered. The first half ended with a long pass by the Warriors that Leydig intercepted at the Fluco nine. In the third quarter both teams ran the ball almost exclusively, so the quarter went quickly. Both teams had big plays called back due to penalties.

Early in the fourth quarter the Warriors were facing fourth and three at the Fluco 20. Rather than go for the first down, they choose to attempt a field goal. The kick was wide left and the Flucos took over. The Flucos ran off a lot of clock, moving the ball down field, but an interception turned the ball back to the Warriors late in the game. The Warriors could manage only one first down and the Flucos intercepted a long desperate pass. The game was scoreless after four quarters. Overtime followed.

After the game, Coach Morris noted that senior fullback/linebacker Chase Paschall was outstanding throughout the game on defense, and he is a grinding power runner. Morris described Paschall as "definitely our team leader." The Flucos offense after the early passing spree was mostly on the ground. The burden was split between Leydig and Paschall, with senior Kobe Edmonds and Patchett contributing as well.

The Fluco season is winding down. On Oct. 29, the Flucos travel to Charlottesville to take on the Black Knights. Their regular season finale is on Nov. 5 when they host the Albemarle Patriots

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Individuals attending the meeting are asked to wear a mask in accordance with the CDC guidelines. The meeting will be available on Facebook Live and will be held at 14455 James Madison Highway, Palmyra, VA 22963.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**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.

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**Byrd Christmas extravaganza**

Byrd Chapel UMC will be having a Christmas Extravaganza on Saturday, **Nov. 6** from 8 a.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.

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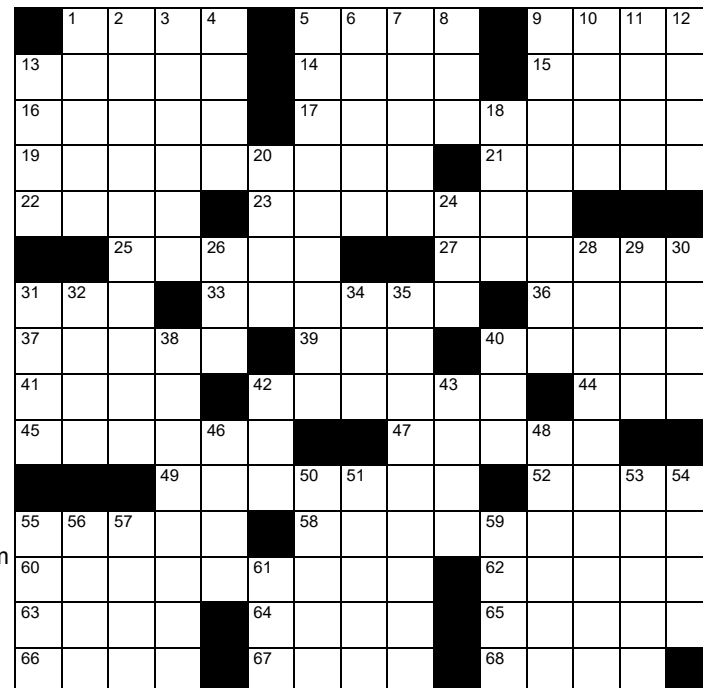
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by Margie E. Burke

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- 5 1999 film, "10 Things I \_\_\_ About You"
- 9 Norwegian king
- 13 Excel shortcut
- 14 Roswell sightings
- 15 Barn topper
- 16 Stomach lesion
- 17 Oscar, for one
- 19 Place for petunias
- 21 News media
- 22 Notability
- 23 Hearing range
- 25 Hog the mirror
- 27 Puzzling problem
- 31 Ind. neighbor
- 33 Gary who portrayed Churchill
- 36 Dinner, e.g.
- 37 \_\_\_ terrier
- 39 Hightailed it
- 40 Past or present, in grammar
- 41 Anagram for "cone"
- 42 Energetic person
- 44 Barely manage, with "out"
- 45 Phonograph feature
- 47 Large-eyed primate
- 49 Hand over, as for sale
- 52 Big bash
- 55 MGM opening?
- 58 Kind of drill
- 60 Mistaken
- 62 Cordial flavoring
- 63 Gets ripe
- 64 Rihanna nick-name
- 65 False gods
- 66 Turn's partner
- 67 Smart-\_\_\_
- 68 Zebra feature



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- 38 Disaster-aid group
- 40 Jones who sang "It's Not Unusual"
- 42 Cubby hole?
- 43 Waiter's handout
- 46 Crazy as a \_\_\_
- 48 Kenya's neighbor

- 50 Go bad
- 51 Get used (to)
- 53 Cotton thread
- 54 High cards
- 55 Vegan no-no
- 56 For that reason
- 57 Half of seis
- 59 Badly injure
- 61 Historic time

**Answers to Last Week's Crossword:**

S	N	O	W	P	U	T	T	S	O	D	D	S
H	O	N	E	A	P	A	R	T	R	E	A	L
R	O	A	R	R	E	M	A	R	K	A	B	L
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G	E	L	C	O	D	A	L	O	G			
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S	P	O	O	R	C	R	E	E	K	R	A	P
L	A	U	D	S	H	I	R	R	M	A	R	A
A	P	R	S	P	I	C	I	C	P	E	N	A
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	N	A	N	N	O	E	L	V	A	N		
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R	E	A	R	E	L	D	E	R	A	S	A	P
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**SUDOKU**

Edited by Margie E. Burke

Difficulty: Medium

	2		4				3	8
				1	3		4	
		7			6			1
			6					9
		3		7				
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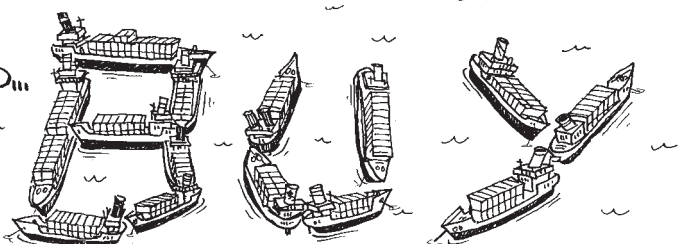
Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

**Answers to Last Week's Sudoku:**

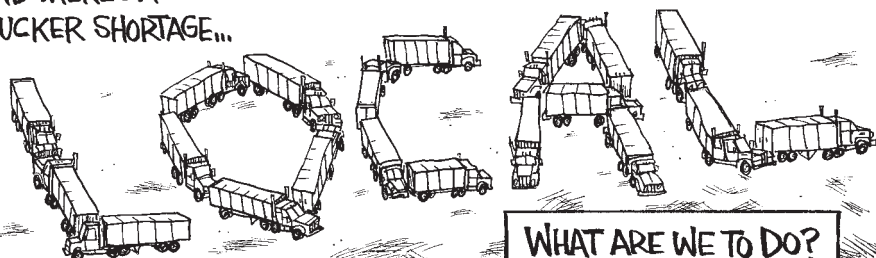
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## Lake Monticello women golfers win third consecutive Jefferson Cup

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Judy Kordella, Charlene French, Debbie Burke, Lorraine Bergstresser, Barbara Scanlon and Ande Kirchenheiter.

The women golfers at Lake Monticello can really play. For the third year in a row, they have won the Jefferson Cup title. They bested teams from Greene Hills, Orchard Creek, Like of the Woods, Birdwood and Spring Creek.

The Lake team played each of these opponents once. The format was three two women teams competing in best ball matches. This means that, in each two women match, the team with the best net score of the two competitors on a hole wins one point. If the best net score of the opposing teams is the same score, each team gets one-half point. Accordingly, there are 18 points in each of the three matches for

54 points, in the team contest. In its five matches the Lake Monticello team won 149 ½ points, an average of just under 10 points per match. Greene Hills finished second with 142 ½ points. The last place team finished with 126 ½ points which is around eight points per individual match. This was, therefore, a very competitive competition as a 10-8 match is about as close as it can get.

A number of women played for the Lake Monticello team during this season. Including: Judy Kordella, Charlene French, Debbie Burke, Lorraine Berstresser, Barbara Scanlon, Ande Kirchenheiter, Alice Flanders, Chris Hoogmoed, Donna Dinora, Gaye Wormington, Heidi Maloney and Peggy Colville.

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PRESS RELEASE

The Lake Monticello Community Foundation is looking for sponsors for its second Annual Festival of Trees celebration. Sponsors will be given a 6-foot or 3-foot tree to decorate, typically with things that are representative of their business. Proceeds from the event will go to help fund the all-inclusive playground at Lafayette Park. Sponsors will be eligible awards based on creativity or overall quality.

The first Festival of Trees, held the year before the COVID pandemic shut everything down, was highly successful, with large and tabletop trees beautifully decorated by local businesses and groups that highlighted their business and supported their individual themes. Over \$5,000 was raised to support Caring for Creatures, Peaceful Passings, the Fluvanna County SPCA, the LM Beautification work group, the MAVA Food Bank and Happy Faces.

Trees will be set up and decorated beginning Thursday, Dec. 2. They'll be on display during the LMCF Christmas Dinner/Dance at the Ashlawn Clubhouse Friday evening, Dec. 3. Then adults and children will be able to stroll among the trees at the Clubhouse Saturday, meet Santa, sit for story time with Mrs. Claus, and listen to live music. They'll be able to buy raffle tickets which they can deposit at their favorite trees in hopes that

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Tree Sponsorship includes: a string of 300 white LED lights for large trees (\$55 sponsorship), 50 for tabletop trees (\$30 sponsorship), with the option to buy more; a sign with your business name and tree theme; the business name listed in the event program and map of decorated trees; and likely plenty of media exposure (the last Festival of Tree event was even visited by Channel 19).

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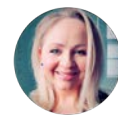
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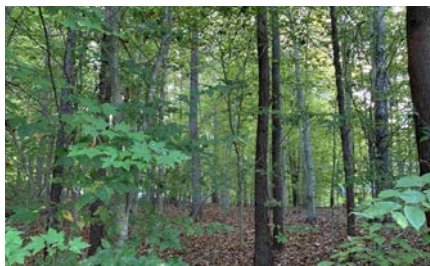
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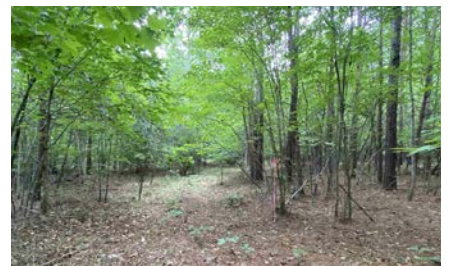
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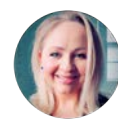
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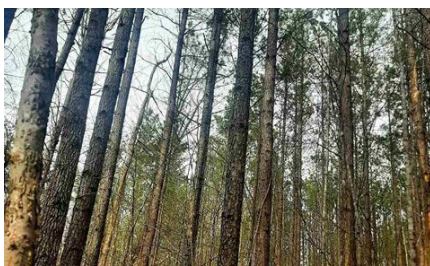
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