A vibrant photograph of a sunflower field at sunset. The sunflowers are in full bloom, with bright yellow petals and dark brown centers. The background shows rolling green hills under a sky with warm orange and red hues from the setting sun. The overall scene is peaceful and scenic.

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Lauren Steele

Quick Facts

About Botetourt County

- Population: 33,440
- Land area: 541 square miles
- Homeownership rate: 85.2%
- Median household income: \$72,719; median housing value: \$257,750
- Unemployment rate: 2.3% (March 2022), compared to the U.S. rate of 3.6%
- Industries include: Mining, Advanced Manufacturing, Transportation, Agriculture and Health Care
- Moody's estimates cost of doing business: 15% lower than national average
- Cost of living averages 5–6% lower than national average
- Male/Female ratio of population is nearly 50:50
- Fincastle, the County seat: Incorporated in 1772 and attracts genealogists from all over the world
- Dream destination for outdoor recreation: 70,000 acres of the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests; James River with boating access; miles of off-road opportunities for all-terrain vehicles; Appalachian Trail access; 35 miles of Blue Ridge Parkway
- Botetourt Sports Complex: Championship softball, youth baseball fields; soccer fields; cross-country course; 18-hole disc golf course; Wi-Fi

Sources: U.S. Census, Botetourt County, Virginia Economic Development Partnership (2019/2020)

Welcome

To Botetourt County

The Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce and its members welcome you to the 24th edition of *Botetourt Living* magazine. This edition also covers activities from our Chamber's activities in 2021. The magazine serves as a guide for visitors and for citizens — those who recently moved here or have lived here for a lifetime. It's particularly geared to our business community and each of us who has a vested interest in the continuing mission to develop this great place to live, work, and play.

Botetourt County is an ideal environment for business and family. Major markets and resource bases are located within a few hours of here and the labor pool is strongly supported with educational and training venues. As an area for arts and culture, Botetourt offers a wide range of amenities with attractive shopping and entertainment opportunities. Outdoor recreation in Botetourt County, including many square miles of Jefferson National Forest and rivers, is second to none in every season.

Botetourt County, a repository for many forms of historical information, was founded in 1770. Lord Botetourt, for whom the County is named, served as Governor of Virginia. The County is now part of the Roanoke Metropolitan Area, though in early times its lands extended as far west as Illinois and Wisconsin. The County shares the Southern Shenandoah Valley with its neighbor jurisdictions of Roanoke County, the cities of Roanoke and Salem, and the Town of Vinton.

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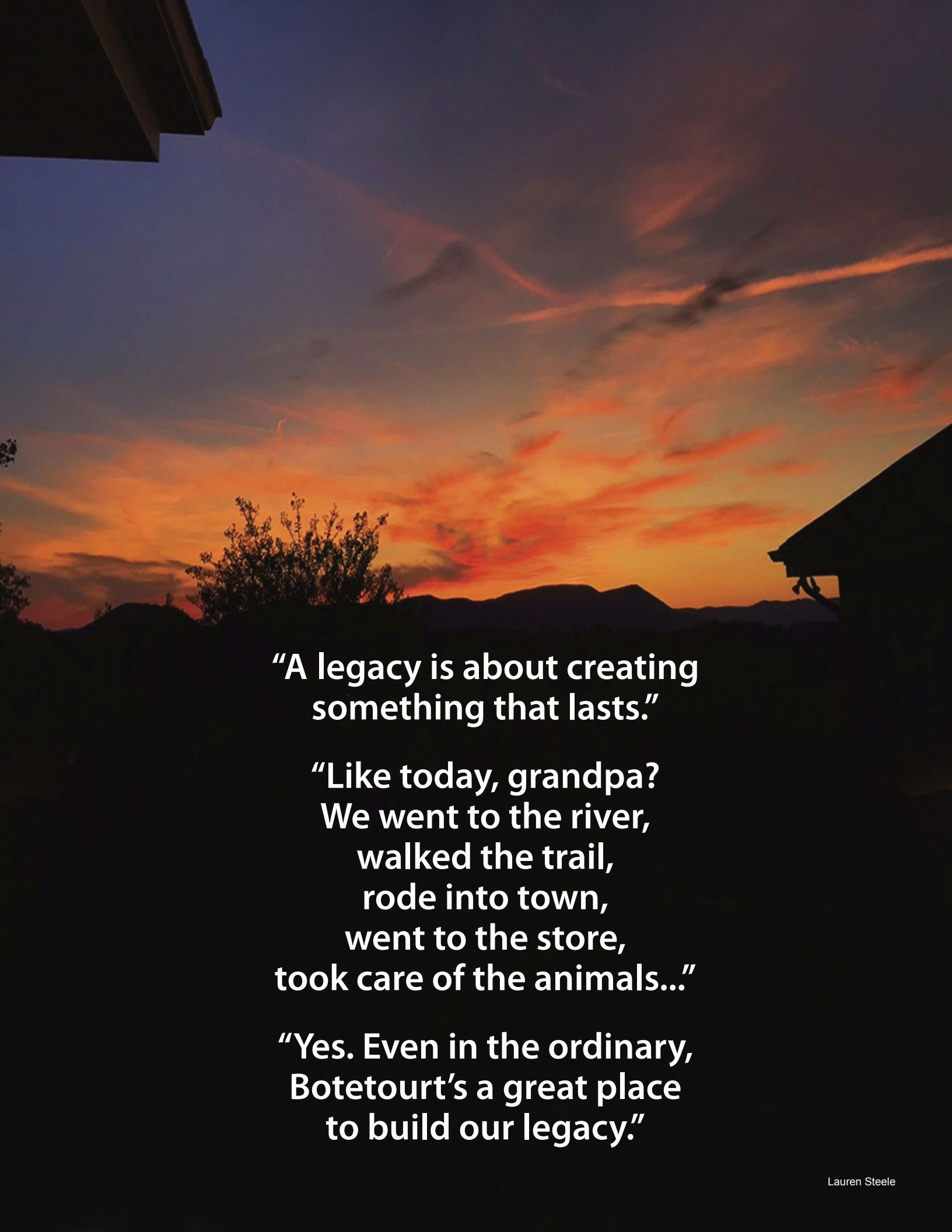
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A photograph of a sunset over a mountain range. The sky is filled with orange and red clouds, with a dark mountain peak visible in the distance. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of trees and buildings, including a house on the right and a structure on the left.

“A legacy is about creating something that lasts.”

**“Like today, grandpa?
We went to the river,
walked the trail,
rode into town,
went to the store,
took care of the animals...”**

**“Yes. Even in the ordinary,
Botetourt’s a great place
to build our legacy.”**



Stoney Brook
VINEYARDS

Stoney Brook
VINEYARDS

Judy and Traci Showalter

Old Farm New Farm

The legacy of the Showalter family farm was already well-established. And then—the wine came along.

“It occurred to me... as we were chatting at a winery.”

We’ve all heard the story of a business that started out as a note on a cocktail napkin. That’s not a whole lot different than what happened with Traci, Carrie, and Kevin.

“The three of us were in NOVA (Northern Virginia); and we were batting around ideas on what we could do with the family farm,” Traci Showalter recalls, referring to the property off Stoney Battery just on the eastern outskirts of the Town of Troutville. “I mean, we talked about a Christmas tree farm, even a golf course; and then someone said, ‘if you can grow tomatoes, you can grow wine.’”

Tomatoes had been in the family farm lineup, Traci thought. And here the three of them were sitting and enjoying the very thing they could do on their own farm.

Traci Showalter and her mother, Judy, both chimed in on the five-word phrase that followed the “revelation” of starting the winery and vineyard:

“How hard could this be?”

Laughter erupts.

Although the Showalters come from a long line of generational farming, this current generation was employed by a different

industry: the technology profession. The IT business isn’t easy—but neither is farming... especially when you’re reworking it to a whole new venture.

Stoney Brook Vineyards was fast-tracked from the first grape planting in 2012 to its recent opening as one of three wineries folks can visit in Botetourt.

“It’s been a ten year journey,” says Judy Showalter. “The operation is like a homage to all the stories.” Those stories began in the mid-1800s when the Showalter family started the farm and is now celebrating the sixth generation. Correction: “Seventh generation, counting Carrie’s daughter,” the ladies say.

All family members end up working all jobs at Stoney Brook—that’s the nature of the vineyard and event business—but each member does have a specific charge as well.

Mom Judy is essentially the CFO managing finances; Dad Jim manages the property and facilities; Daughter Traci is the operations officer, Daughter Carrie serves as winemaker and the winery manager; and her husband (Kevin Vernon) is the vineyard manager.

The family of five are the principal operators; and of course, they call on an extended army of family and

friends and volunteers when help is needed on the 27-acre vineyard (nearly five acres under vine) and 5,000 vines in ground.

“Very good friends,” Judy clarifies.

“We absolutely could not have done this without our friends and the community.”

Traci was enthusiastic about the “startup” which is an accurate description as the business was much more than merely transitioning a crop and purpose. She started taking classes and learning everything she could. “I’d rather try and fail than not try at all,” she says. Now, she speaks of Stoney Brook like it was a reunion of sorts.

“We wanted to do something with the land. And we also didn’t want to be sitting at a computer. I am so happy to be back, using the farm, and making a special place that’s kid and dog and family-friendly.”

“We love Botetourt,” Judy says. “When we open the doors here and guests start coming in, that’s the best.”

“I’m most proud—of this farm and my family—when I hear conversations from people enjoying what we have here at Stoney Brook Vineyard.”

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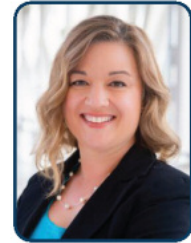


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David is the managing partner of Rader Funeral Home in Daleville. Founded in 1898, the funeral home is one of the oldest businesses in Botetourt, making it familiar to so many families.

"It was actually founded by a gentleman with the name 'Ryder,'" David says. "And the story goes, Mr. Ryder was given some valuable advice: 'if you would change your name to Rader, you would do well in business.'"

Sure enough, though the names were similar, the Rader name was already well-established in Botetourt.

"Ryder, from New York, became good friends with the Rader family," David says. "There are descendants of the Rader family still alive."

David originally hails from northeast Ohio. He graduated from the Pittsburg Institute of Mortuary Science and has worked with the US Department of Health and Human Service on the Disaster and Medical Response Team.

The past two years have been especially challenging due to the pandemic.

"COVID changed everything with how we grieve," David says. "We have evolved in many ways from the pandemic; and the things we're doing have been remarkable and well-received."

David mentions the first livestreaming of a service in Botetourt by Rader.

"I knew livestreaming would be useful to people in retirement communities; but to be able to watch it anywhere in the world, live or the recording, well that became more significant than ever when everything was shut down."

Many Families Many Years

"We managed to stay open every day during the pandemic."

The mission is an important one at Rader. David says it's his and the staff's job to "honor the life lived, the memories, and to facilitate that. Everyone deserves to be treated with respect."

Another development from the pandemic is the 'Goodbye Room' at Rader, which includes a customized type of Murphy bed that enables family to spend time together and celebrate the life lost.

Rader Funeral Home has over 20 on staff, but only two full time.

With all the families served, the Rader Funeral Home began its legacy not long after its founding... in 1898.

David says a lot of the part timers are retired folks.

David continues to respond to his calling, after more than four decades. Now in its 124th continuous year of operation, Rader Funeral Home has carried along a lot of legacies in Botetourt County.

"Everyone deserves to be treated with respect."



David Williams



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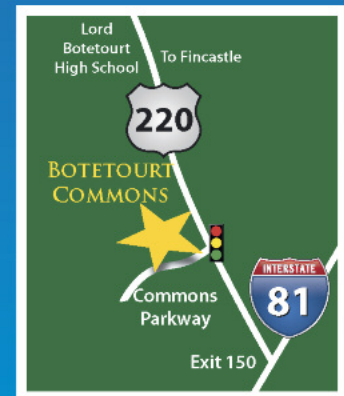
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The Towns and Communities of Botetourt County

Three Towns, Three Identities

Botetourt County has three towns and about a dozen communities, depending on how you designate them.

The Town of Buchanan

Established: 1832

Location: feels like it's north, but actually eastern part of Botetourt County; on Route 11 (parallel to US 81; between exits 162 and 168); James River at Town's north end

Area: 2.2 square miles

Population (2020): 1,196

One Way Buchanan is Unique from the Other Two Towns: the river (of course) gives Buchanan an adventurous spirit; along with the swinging bridge; come off the James and enjoy a festival or fair at Riverside Park and visit the shops in town

The Town of Buchanan offers the tranquility of fresh and clean air while also providing safe and family-inviting



activities year round. Whether it is taking a stroll on the streets or floating the James River, you will always find that our community is friendly... and tough to leave.
– Mayor Craig Bryant

The Town of Fincastle

Established: 1770

Location: center of Botetourt County; US 220; about 8 miles from US 81 exit 150

Area: 2.054 square miles

Population (2020): 755

One Way Fincastle is Unique from the Other Two Towns: no doubt, there's no stronger history than this town; the quaint town with wood sided farm houses to red brick shops is resurging in vibrancy, you can feel it in the air

The Town of Fincastle is rich in heritage and tradition. We're blessed with a vibrant spirit of community and volunteerism, which promote family-friendly activities and events,



and we continue to work to improve our public walkways, parks and spaces.
– Mayor Mary Bess Smith

The Town of Troutville

Established: 1956 (unnamed 1881)

Location: south Botetourt County; Route 11 just north of US 81 exit 150

Area: 0.89 square miles

Population (2020): 458

One Way Troutville is Unique from the Other Two Towns: that rare straight-stretch of Rte 11 is adorned with shops on both sides, while hosting gorgeous rolling hills and farmlands merely one block off "Lee Hwy" – best of both worlds

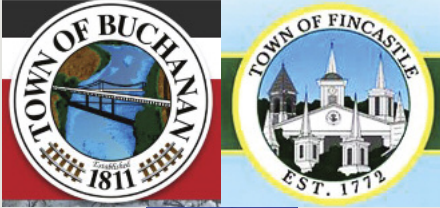
Troutville is my home town, so of course I know it's great; but visitors are always telling us how much they love the charm. It's 'good people' and we're



continuing to build on this community as a great place to be.
– Mayor David Horton

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Towns



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Political Districts

- Amsterdam District
- Blue Ridge District
- Buchanan District
- Fincastle District
- Valley District

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Census-Designated Communities

- Blue Ridge
- Cloverdale
- Daleville
- Eagle Rock
- Glen Wilton
- Hollins
- Laymantown

Unincorporated Communities

- Arcadia
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“It was tough to do, but exciting.”

So says Scott Steele, regional president of the “new” First Bank in Botetourt County—which is also the very old Bank of Fincastle.

Scott is telling the recent story of the acquisition of Bank of Fincastle by First Bank—a deal that catapulted the bank to \$1.4 billion in total assets, an extended market service network up, down, and over the I-81 corridor, all while preserving the branches here in the County, including offices in Fincastle, Daleville, Troutville, Cloverdale, and The Glebe retirement community.

The great “conversion” happened in October 2020 (yes, in what was perhaps the worst time of the global COVID pandemic); and it involved the changing, adoption, institution, and reinstatement of “a lot of sophisticated systems,” as Scott puts it, mildly.

“A lot of bank mergers and acquisitions don’t go well,” Scott continues, echoing a sentiment many banking customers share (from case studies going back as far as one can imagine). “But we had a strong board of directors and an exceptional advisory board.”

Sure enough, a visit to any of the Botetourt First Bank branches reveals the same customers, doing the same transactions, walking in and out or through the drive-thru in the same fashion, all in the

same culture and environment the Bank of Fincastle always offered.

There is a new logo, though.

“Yes, that’s still our biggest challenge,” Scott says. “We still have to differentiate who we are.”

And that differentiation has to happen like icing on top of a multilayered cake that goes all the way back to 1875—the founding of Bank of Fincastle.

“For any business to be successful, there are going to be changes,” Scott says. “Even though you get really good at things, the world is changing. Along with that, we have to pay attention to what our shareholders want.”

One thing the shareholders apparently want in Botetourt County, has little to do with the banking operations themselves, at least on the surface. And given the bank is almost 150 years old, it makes sense: they want a deep connection to community.

Much of that connection is demonstrated in the Bank’s activities outside of the brick and mortar branches.

“Our 5k/10k ‘Fall Run’ partnered with the Rotary Club” is a favorite activity and sponsorship of the Bank that keeps growing its fan base; hitting its 36th year, and traditionally held on the third Saturday of October every year.

“We also award scholarships,” Scott says; and First Bank is also the title sponsor of the relatively new ‘Tinsel Trail’ holiday tree decoration event (a popular draw in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce).

There’s no denying some folks were skeptical about changing the name of the bank they regarded as practically sacred, as it was part of their families and generations, as well as a legacy in its own right as one of Botetourt’s oldest businesses. Nevertheless, the transition has fared well; and no one can deny the continued loyalty and commitment from the people who “work the Bank.”

Scott moved to Botetourt in 2015 (from Lexington, Virginia and White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia); and his family (wife, Kisha; daughter Lauren, 19, son Garrett, 14) are fully entrenched in the community. Kisha enjoys spending time and doing things with family, the kids attend Botetourt high school and middle school, and Scott is on the board of directors at Botetourt Chamber of Commerce, and is the treasurer and a founding member, current treasurer, and president-elect of the Botetourt County Rotary Club.

Botetourt County is part of the Steele family, and vice versa. Just like the Bank’s legacy, there are so many layers to enjoy here.

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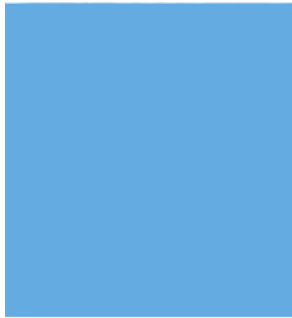


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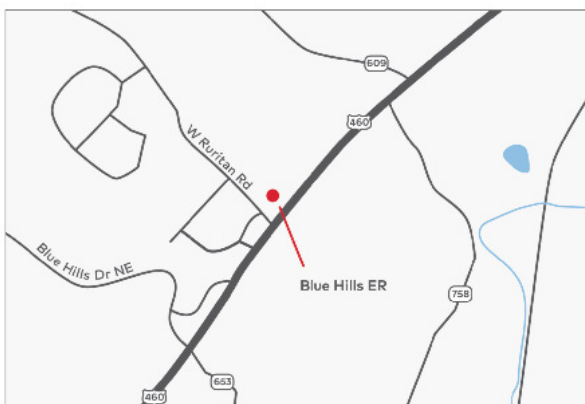


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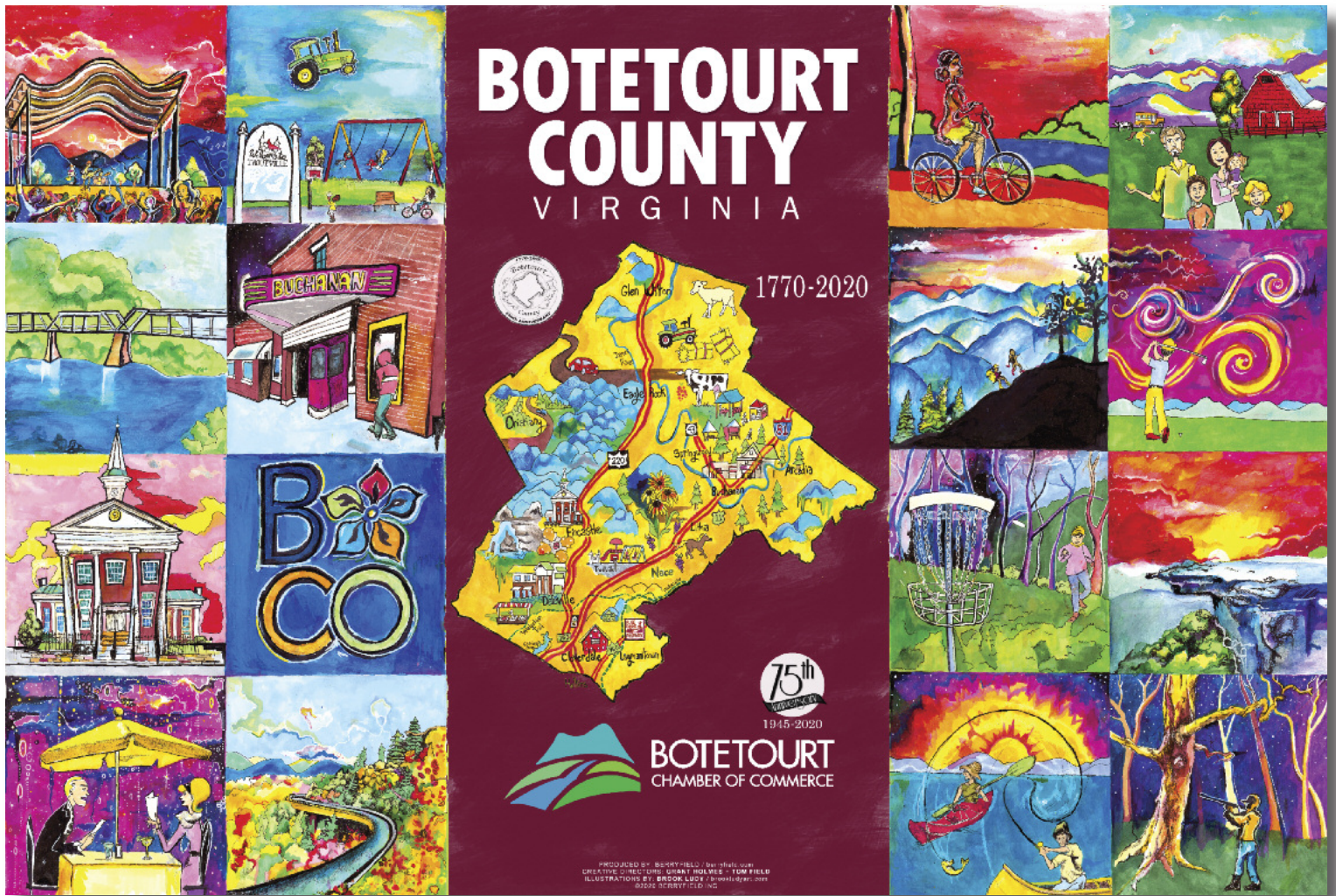
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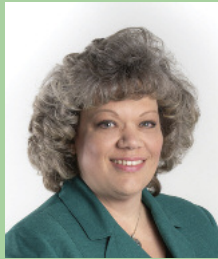
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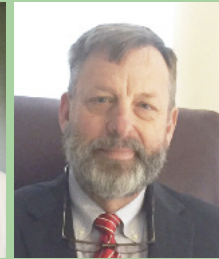
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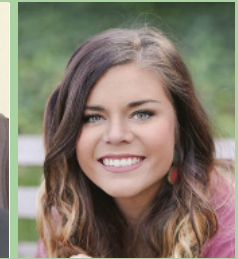
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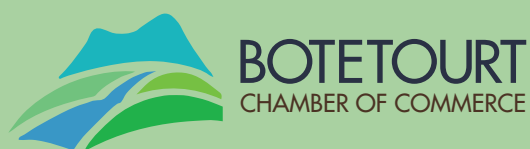


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Hello Botetourt County,

The Botetourt Chamber has undergone a series of positive changes this past fiscal year. We implemented a new website and member platform, we moved back to Fincastle, and we have continued to add new members and new Sponsors! Botetourt County has grown this past year since I started as Executive Director last February. Small business registration numbers are up, and a new large global business named Munters is coming into the area.

As we move ahead into our new fiscal year, I want our members, and our business community to know that your Botetourt Chamber is indeed a valuable resource for your business success and a supporter of the wider community. We continue to serve as the voice for Botetourt

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Chamber Event

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Botetourt Chamber Annual Golf Tournament at Ashley Plantation

businesses; small, medium, and large. We continue to give our members access to our network, be an extension of their operations arm, and give greater exposure to the community through our events, social media, and web platforms.

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Everybody's talking about "Botetourt's Sunflowers" It only took 120 years.

"But what if everything worked out?"

Candace Monaghan was talking with her father. Looking over the books on the family farm, she had an idea.

"People were stopping and taking pictures all the time here on the farm," Candace explains. Beaver Dam Farm, located about midpoint between Troutville and Buchanan, has always offered up a picturesque scene. Rolling hills, sprawling farm lands bordered by thick treelines tumbling off mountain fingers. And the whole Virginia farm calendar panorama is lifted to the skies—often azure blue with puffy clouds—or waking up and bedding down at sunrise and sunset on the edge of golden rays.

Candace, who is married (to Patrick) with two children (Ella, 15 and Brennen, 13) lives on the farm. So does her brother and sister, and the whole lot at various points over the 121 years since the family purchased the property in 1900.

"We supplied tomato canning back in 1916 to 1927," Candace begins, "and we operated as a dairy farm for 92 years." The farm also raised beef, hay, straw; and then in 2015, "We planted our first batch of sunflowers."

But back to the books—and the chat Candace had with her father,

Preston. Candace told her father she had an idea how they might offset some of the farm bills.

"People are taking pictures here," Candace began her pitch. "I think we can charge for that."

As then she described her vision on how the farm could also host visitors—the people stopping to see the sunflowers up close. Her father, the most practical sort who knew well the workings on the farm, was concerned about the liability, Candace says. He was worried about crowds walking all over the farm.

And that's when Candace pulled out the figures and the successes that some farms were having in the "agritourism" sphere. She convinced her dad, the first sunflowers were planted, and she prepared to introduce a "festival" for the new revenue stream, albeit modest expectations.

"I set a goal of 300 people [to visit when Beaver Dam Farm Sunflower Festival opened]," Candace says, "and 1,600-plus showed up."

Everyone was impressed. This includes not only the folks of Botetourt County, but visitors passing through serendipitously, visitors seeking out the sunflowers, and yes, even Candace, the extended family and volunteers "running the show."

"The sunflowers are ready for view

only 12 days," Candace says. And yet, last year, Candace says her Sunflower Festival hosted 20,000 people, from 24 states.

"The whole reason we started this was to help the farm pay off debt and help future generations." The mission and operation evolved into much more than that solution.

"You can tell people about it [the onsite experience with the sunflowers]; but until they come... that's when you really see the reactions." Candace says. "We work all year in the new venture; and I've been overwhelmed with the blessings. It's humbling. I've learned so much."

As an event venue, "we want people to have a good, pleasant experience... from parking to the porta potties." Beyond the festival itself, Beaver Dam also hosts field trips and works with organizations such as churches, schools, businesses, and Future Farmers of America (FFA) kids.

There's also the business of the crop itself. Candace says the farm sells cut sunflowers, sunflower seeds, and sunflower oil (used in lip balm). Much of the harvest goes to local retailers like Ikenberry Orchard, Northwest Hardware, and The Best Place Antiques in Buchanan.

The tall, commanding, golden sunflowers are impressive to see. As a business, it's a lot of work to cultivate.

But yes, you could say it's worked out.

A woman with blonde hair, wearing a white lace dress and black sandals, is sitting on a wooden chair in a field of sunflowers. She is smiling and looking towards the camera. The sunflowers are tall and yellow, with large green leaves. The ground is dirt and grass.

Candace Monaghan





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I also want to take a moment and recognize my fellow members of the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors – Dr. Mac Scothorn, Mr. Steve Clinton, Mr. Billy Martin, and Mrs. Amy White. I greatly respect each and every Board member and I deeply appreciate their dedication and service. Also, let me recognize our County Administrator Gary Larrowe, Deputy County Administrator David Moorman and Assistant County Administrator Jon Lanford. The Board is so thankful for Gary and his team’s leadership and dedication to the residents, businesses and visitors of Botetourt County; and it is truly an honor to work alongside them each day.

Many of you know this, but I not only grew up here in Botetourt, I also have raised my family here and have been fortunate to practice veterinary medicine in our beautiful county for 34 years. Botetourt is home, and I am pleased to be able to talk to you today about the State of our County.



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First, I want to take a step back and reflect on 2021. It was a year of challenges but also a year of hope.

Healthcare

Our community showed incredible resiliency and innovation when it came to tackling the hurdles and ever-changing recommendations that have followed COVID19 since it crept into our world two years ago. We continued as a nation to combat the virus. Here locally, we have heroes that stepped up to help keep our communities safe, healthy, and informed. Our doctors and nurses at our local hospitals and urgent care centers as well as adult assisted living facilities – you have been heroes in our community.

Dr. Cynthia Morrow and her team at the Roanoke City and Alleghany Health District continue to amaze us with the hard work and grit that they show when it comes to providing vaccinations and testing for our community.

Public Safety

I also wish to commend all of our Botetourt County First Responders in the Sheriff's Department as well as the Department of Fire and EMS. As examples of what has gone on in BoCo, Chief Jason Ferguson, Emergency Manager Daniel Murray and Paramedic Kyle Sperber, as well as our Operational Medical Director Dr. Carol Bernier were instrumental in developing a COVID19 vaccination program for some of our most vulnerable community members. Botetourt County Fire and EMS achieved vaccination distribution status with the Virginia Department of Health and the CDC,



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and this allowed them to launch the “Boost Botetourt” initiative. This initiative ensured equitable vaccine access by leveraging community paramedicine to vaccinate citizens in their homes or other convenient locations. This made the vaccine attainable to those who had mobility issues or those that could not attend larger vaccination events. “Boost Botetourt” also allowed our paramedics to bring vaccinations to places of business. To date, Botetourt Fire and EMS has administered over 1,100 COVID19 vaccines. Not only was our Fire and EMS department recognized by our community, but they were also recognized by the Governor’s Office and received the 2021 Governor’s EMS Award for Outstanding EMS Agency of the year. This award would have been excellent during what we might consider a “normal” year; however to have been recognized during the pandemic was extra

special. We are proud of the men and women that care for our community and we are very thankful for their service. Thank you Chief Ferguson and Sheriff Ward for your leadership.

Youth, Education & Recreation

Also last year, we know that our children and families were challenged in ways we could never have even imagined. School became virtual. Vacations were halted. Visits with family members were postponed or became virtual. Play dates were nonexistent and the thought of youth sports during a global pandemic was in question. But, through the innovative thinking of our Parks and Recreation Department and our volunteer booster clubs we were able to offer youth baseball, softball, soccer, basketball and football to our community. The booster clubs planned and ran the program and the Department of Parks and Recreation

provided sports fields and facilities free of charge and provided financial support. The collaboration and partnership between county administration and community volunteers ensured that our youth had an outlet and were able to just get outside and play. We are very proud of these partnerships and will continue to build on them in the coming year. Parks and Recreation also hosted COVID friendly events like the inaugural movie in the park that kicked off at Blue Ridge Park and the drive through Easter “Egg”stravaganza”. Thank you Mandy Adkins, our director of Parks and Recreation and Tim Snyder, who chairs the county recreation commission for your leadership.

Libraries

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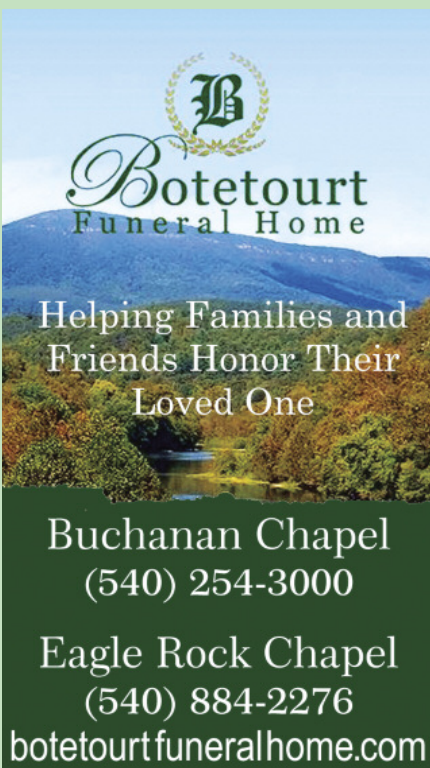
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county educated, engaged and reading! Even though our library branches were closed to the public for half of the year, our librarians quickly pivoted and explored opportunities to keep engaging with our families and citizens. They provided high-quality take-home kits for families to work on together. They also launched creative digital events such as the "Reading Colors Our World" Summer Reading Challenge, the Read Grateful campaign and Beanstack challenges. They also had calls to action to keep us reading like Library Card Sign Up Month. Libraries also embraced diversity and culture during campaigns focusing on Hispanic Heritage Month. Our librarians also focused on STEM related activities that lined up with virtual storytimes and visits with popular authors. And they ended the year with the popular BOCO Grateful campaign that invited people to share who and what they

are grateful for. This initiative was then adopted county wide and our library staff showed gratitude to various county departments. When you visit one of our branches you will also find new automatic doors at our Blue Ridge and Buchanan branches that allow for better accessibility for our patrons that have mobility issues; and you will also find that our children's book area is now organized into genres for ease of access. We also had some new faces join our library team this year; so make sure to stop by a branch and say hello. I want to take a minute and thank those that worked tirelessly. They not only provided all of these programs, but our libraries also became a hub for scheduling COVID19 vaccine appointments and distributing COVID 19 at home test kits. I am so proud of this team and what they have accomplished during a very tough year. Thank you Julie Phillips for your leadership.

Economic Development

2021 proved to be a year of challenges but also a year of great opportunity. One of the largest announcements in our county and in the region came in March when Munters Group AB, a global leader in its industry announced that it would be building a state-of-the-art facility in the Botetourt Center at Greenfield. The company is investing \$36 million dollars in the county and plans to retain its approximately 200 workers in the new location. The 365,000 square feet facility will house manufacturing, research and development, and sales of data center cooling systems and high-temperature industrial process systems. Botetourt County worked with our partners at Munters and the Roanoke Regional Partnership to support this important win for our county. This facility is expected to be operational in the summer of 2022.



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Botetourt County also sought to enhance its ability to attract more businesses to Greenfield. Our Economic Development Department worked with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership to secure over \$360,000 dollars in state funding to prepare a 121-acre site for industrial development, including the extension of public sewer and an access road to the site, and the preparation of engineering studies and grading plans. Doing this work now will make the County more competitive for another desirable economic development project by reducing a company's time to open. Grading of Lot 3 will be the next step as we move forward.

Projects like this and the completion of Colonial Elementary school last December are managed by our Economic Development Authority. The EDA is also responsible for providing guidance on economic

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development policy in the county. I want to thank EDA Chairman John Kilby, Vice Chairman John Griffin, and our other EDA members for their dedication and commitment to economic development and business opportunities in our county. Under their leadership, projects have been completed on time and under budget. This group of Botetourt citizens are truly the backbone of the most recent business and construction successes we have seen in our county.

Utilities

When we talk State of the County, we also want to talk about initiatives and milestones that will impact every member of our community. Our big news this year is that universal broadband coverage for Botetourt is on the horizon. For the past five years, Botetourt County has actively been working to improve broadband connectivity throughout our entire

community – to every household and business. Since this work began, the county has worked with the state/federal grant programs, communication providers and the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority to jointly invest approximately \$38 million in total for this endeavor. Botetourt County applied nearly half of our allotted CARES Act funding—approximately \$3 million dollars—to advance broadband projects. All-in-all, for every County taxpayer dollar dedicated to providing broadband access to Botetourt residents, businesses, schools and institutions, we have secured \$190 in non-County funding. These partnerships and investments will deliver universal broadband coverage across our county by the end of 2024.

The past two years has proven that broadband is an essential utility. Telemedicine, telehealth, remote work, and virtual education are basic

necessities. We are pleased to work alongside our partners and friends at the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority, the Botetourt County Broadband Commission, Roanoke Regional Partnership, and our local internet providers to complete this vital work.

We know that our broadband journey has at times been frustrating for our community, however we want you to know that all of the hard work that our dedicated team has put in over the past five years is reaping rewards.

We want to thank all of you for your patience and support as we continue to work together on this transformational project. I would like to recognize our local Broadband Commission, formed in 2017; Dr. Mac Scothorn, Mr. Walter Griggs, Mr. Daryl Hicks, and Mr. Brandon Evans.



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Development Projects

Now it's time to look towards 2022. This year, the Town of Fincastle will begin to see some changes in the center of Town. Following detailed study and community engagement, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a plan for a new circuit courthouse. The plan includes enhancement of the entire Courthouse Square area and is the result of partnering between the County, the Town of Fincastle, the Botetourt County Historical Society, our Sheriff, Clerk of Court, Commonwealth's Attorney, and the Court, itself. All had valuable input in this extremely important and necessary project. Architectural Partners of Lynchburg is preparing all design, construction, bid plans and documents for the project.

The first phase of work will start this spring and will include the renovation of space in the County's Public Safety Building and its Old General District Court Building to house the Circuit Court and Clerk's of Court office until the new courthouse is completed.

Phase 1 will also include the relocation of the historic Breckinridge Law Office/Westin Hotel building and monuments in preparation for the main courthouse work. Site improvements will include the demolition of the Fincastle Community Center building and the former Botetourt County Public Works building. Expanded parking and the construction of a "Courthouse Green" will also take place. Demolition and construction of the existing circuit courthouse will start in 2023 and conclude in early 2025 barring any unexpected delays. The end result will be a new courthouse that closely resembles today's facility while meeting the needs of tomorrow.

We also want to update you on a private/public partnership with Virginia Western Community College. We are currently constructing an 8,900 square feet expansion adjacent to our County Administration Building. Using the leadership once again of the EDA to manage the project, Botetourt has taken the lead to design and construct the facility to support

our partnership with Virginia Western in meeting the needs of existing and future workforce in Greenfield and the greater Botetourt community. The EDA will own and maintain the facility, with all costs associated with this effort being paid for by Virginia Western. This is another great example of teamwork between Botetourt County, the EDA and our partners.

Financials

Botetourt County has been able to accomplish big things in the last several years and we are set to have another record-breaking year in regard to growth and business. You will be glad to know, we have been able to continue projects and initiatives all while staying fiscally sound and responsible. Our Financial Team was recognized by the Governmental Finance Officers Association receiving the Award of Excellence for the Fiscal Year 2020 audit report. Finance Director Tony Zerrilla and his team have been recognized with this

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award of excellence for the last 14 years. It is because of the teamwork and financial stewardship of our county officials and our partners at Botetourt County Schools, the School Board, the Department of Social Services, our Constitutional Officers, and many other county departments that we continue to receive glowing reports like this from our auditing firm. I want to commend this team for their exemplary efforts.

Partnerships, Collaborations

In closing, what makes Botetourt County such a great place is our partnerships. Partnerships with the Chamber of Commerce and Small Business Development Center to help our small businesses excel and flourish, just like our famous Sunflower Festival at Beaver Dam Farm!

Our partnerships with the EDA, Roanoke Regional Partnership and Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge that help our county be such an attractive

venue for business, travel, or leisure.

Our partnerships with Dr. Russ and Botetourt County Schools Administration, teachers, staff, and bus drivers, as well as the Botetourt County School Board that take care of our children during these unprecedented times.

To VDOT – Mr. Varney (retiring) and Ms. Smith who update our Board and community each month about the state of our county's roadways.

To our partners that help manage solid waste in our community... because of which we were able to close our landfill for zero cost to our community and a new facility will be opening on Route 11 to better serve our citizens.

To our county employees who show up every day, who persevere and give their best to not only provide valued services to our residents and businesses, but who go above and beyond to help make Botetourt County

an ever-better place: thank you.

To our public safety departments – Botetourt County Sheriff, Fire and EMS and our E-911 Dispatchers – thank you during this particularly challenging time for answering the call and serving our county so well.

To our partners at the Virginia Department of Health and our hospital systems, we want to give a sincere thank you for all that you have done since March of 2020. We know you are tired, and we hope that 2022 will see COVID19 become a distant memory as we continue to care for each other in true Botetourt fashion.

Thank you for your time this morning and thank each and every one of you for making Botetourt County truly the best county not only in Virginia, but in my opinion, the best county in the United States of America.

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Botetourt Sports Complex posts its schedule of tournaments and other sporting events at <https://botetourtva.gov/living-in-botetourt/recreation-facilities/botetourt-sports-complex/>

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Beaver Dam Farm in Buchanan hosts its annual **Sunflower Festival**, date dependent on blooming season: www.beaverdamsunflowers.com

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Town of Buchanan posts its events schedule at www.townofbuchanan.com/town-events

Town of Troutville posts its events schedule at <https://townoftroutville-va.gov/events.php>

Botetourt Chamber of Commerce posts its events at <http://botetourtchamber.com/events>

Schedules are subject to change (particularly with COVID-19).

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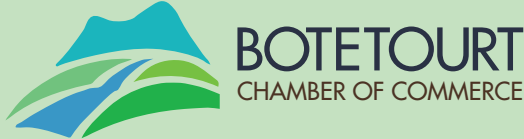
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