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BLAND COUNTY WELCOMES TRUE BLUE FAMILY PHARMACY

(Bastian, Virginia) – The ribbon was officially cut Tuesday, August 10, 2021, celebrating the opening of True Blue Family Pharmacy in Bland County. The pharmacy officially opened to the public on Wednesday, August 18th, but scores of citizens, business leaders, and local and state representatives were on hand today to get a look at the new store and celebrate its pending opening with owners Matt and Sandra Clarke.

“We were excited to announce True Blue Family Pharmacy was going to locate in our community in April 2021,” stated Supervisor Karen Hodock. “The Clarke’s and their team have worked tirelessly over the past few months to bring pharmaceutical services back to Bland County. All of the county supervisors are eager to not only welcome this new business, but excited to have such a much-needed service available for the citizens of Bland County.”

There was a fabulous turnout from the community in support of the new business ribbon cutting celebration. “We are thankful for the wonderful turnout today and excited to join the great businesses of Bland County and ready to provide prescription and retail services to the patrons in the community,” stated Dr. Sandra Phillippi Clarke, PharmD. “As we stated in April when we started this journey, opening a pharmacy here is an honor. My mother was a pharmacist in Bland County for many years and I worked with her as a technician before pharmacy school. It will be a privilege to follow in her footsteps and provide healthcare service to those she once served.”

“We want to thank everyone for their assistance in getting this project up and running as fast as we did,” stated Matt Clarke, co-owner. Matt continued, “We have completed a lot of work over the past few weeks and while there are a few items to finish, we are excited to be near our opening.”

“Bland County has a strong business community that supports each other, and we are glad there was such a great turnout today. The Economic Development Authority (EDA) welcomes True Blue Family Pharmacy and wish them much success,” stated David Dillow, chair of the Bland County EDA. He continued, “entrepreneurs, such as the Clarks, provide a strong foundation to any business community and we are pleased to be able to support these endeavors with events such as today.”

Additional information about the services provided by Bland County: True Blue Family Pharmacy can be obtained from their Facebook page. Photograph courtesy of Jennifer Atwell, Wytheville, Wythe, Bland Chamber of Commerce.



Bland County Treasurer's office will begin selling dog tags for 2022 on November 1, 2021.

Current tags expire on Dec. 31, 2021.

Real Estate and Personal Property tax tickets for 2021 will be mailed in October. The due date of payment of taxes will be December 6, 2021.

If you have any questions, Please contact

Bland County Treasurer's Office

276-688-3741

Fuel Assistance/

Crisis Assistance Program

Fuel Assistance component is to assist eligible households in meeting their immediate home energy needs. The benefits are not intended to cover the household's total costs during the heating season.

The Fuel Assistance component will begin October 12, 2021 in all localities and will end November 12, 2021

Applications are accepted online (<https://commonhelp.virginia.gov/access/>) or by calling the Enterprise

Customer Service Center at

(855) 635 – 4370,

and at Bland County Department of

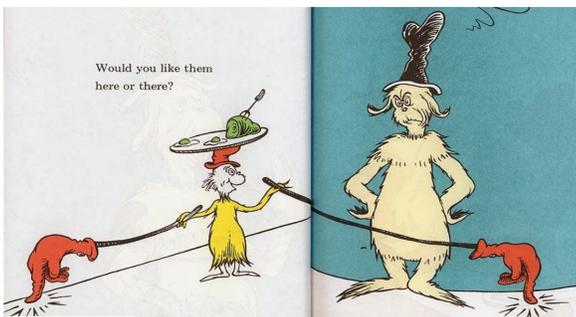
Social Services

(276) 688 - 4111

NEED INTERNET AT YOUR HOUSE?

Or with a mouse? Do you need internet here or there?

Do you need internet anywhere?



Verizon Wi-Fi Hotspots are now available for checkout at the Library!



For details call 276-688-3737 or visit www.blandcolibrary.org



Contact: Sara King at 276-688 - 4111 or by email: sara.king@dss.virginia.gov



The Bland County Public Library

Fall Storytime 2021

Each Storytime lasts approximately 45 minutes and includes a book, craft, and activity that your Preschool Child will Love!

September



16th- Bugs! Bugs! Bugs!

By Bob Barner

"I want to see Bugs!"

23rd- Norman The Slug with the Silly Shell By Sue Hendra

"Norman the slug thought snails were great."



30th- Miss Spider's ABC

By David Kirk

"Fireflies fandango."



October

7th- Mel Fel By Corey R. Tabor

"Sometimes, you might fall down, down, down..."



14th- Special Storytime with a Guest

John Duncan from Claytor Lake



21st- The Ants Go Marching

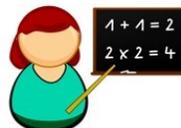
Retold by Nicholas Ian

"Boom! Boom Boom!!"

28th - Halloween Party

Dress Up & Movie.

Treats provided by the Library.



November

4th- Play & Learn

Career Day

11th- Closed for Veteran's Day

18th Thanksgiving Party

Movie and Snacks Provided by the Library.



December

2nd- I Saw an Ant on the Railroad Track By Joshua Prince

"Tickety-Tack, Clickety-Clack!"

9th- Percival the Plain Little

Caterpillar Illustrated By

Helen Brawley

"So many good things are green."

16th- Christmas Party

Movie and Snacks provided by the Library.



Storytime will Resume in January. If you have already registered for the Fall, you do not have to register again.

www.blandcolibrary.org
(276) 688-3737



EVENTS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2021

September 6—Holiday—Labor Day
County Administration Offices Closed

September 14—EDA Meeting @ 5:00 pm

September 21—Children's Services Act Meeting
@ 9:30 am

September 28—Service Authority Meeting @ 4:00 pm

September 28—Board of Supervisors Meeting
@ 5:00 pm

Farmers' Market open every Saturday 9am—12pm

OCTOBER 2021

October 4—Planning Commission Meeting
@ 6:00 pm

October 7—Wireless Authority Meeting @ 5:00 pm

October 11—Holiday—Columbus Day
County Administration Offices Closed

October 12—EDA Meeting @ 5:00 pm

October 13—Library Board of Trustees Meeting
@ 5:30 pm

October 19—Children's Services Act Meeting
@ 9:30 am

October 26—Service Authority Meeting @ 4:00 pm

October 26—Board of Supervisors Meeting
@ 5:00 pm

October 30—Farmers Market Closes

Farmers' Market open every Saturday 9am—12pm

NOVEMBER 2021

November 1—Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:00 pm

November 2—Holiday—Election Day
County Administration Offices Closed

November 9—EDA Meeting @ 5:00 pm

November 11—Holiday—Veterans Day
County Administration Offices Closed

November 16—Children's Services Act Meeting @ 9:30 am

November 23—Service Authority Meeting @ 4:00 pm

November 23—Board of Supervisors Meeting @ 5:00 pm

November 24-26—Holiday—Thanksgiving Day
County Administration Offices Closed



Meeting dates and times are subject to change due to COVID 19.

Please call Bland County Administration for more information: 276-688-4622