



BLAND COUNTY

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New Playground Equipment in Mechanicsburg

Children across the area have an excellent opportunity to be active and play with new playground equipment in the Mechanicsburg community of Bland County.

New playground equipment consisting of various slides and other activities was recently installed in the Mechanicsburg Community Park. Funding for the new equipment was provided by a grant from the Wythe-Bland Foundation. County maintenance staff and volunteers with parks and recreation and the Mechanicsburg Ruritan Club, constructed the equipment, along with the work crew from the New River Valley Regional Jail.

“The new playground equipment will provide a wonderful opportunity for young people to get outside and play,” stated Randy Johnson, Supervisor for the Mechanicsburg District. “Projects such as this playground would not take place if it was not for the outstanding support Bland County receives from the Wythe-Bland Foundation, parks and recreation volunteers, community support such as the Mechanicsburg Ruritan Club, and the outstanding assistance provided on projects from the New River Valley Regional Jail.”





Voter Registration & Elections Office

General & Special Election

Tuesday,
November 6, 2018

Member, United States Senate

Member, House of Representatives- 9th District

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

A PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED TO VOTE

Please verify your voter registration,
polling place and VALID Photo ID before Election Day!

elections.virginia.gov

POLLS OPEN 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Monday, October 15, 2018: Last day to register to vote or change your voter registration information for this election.

Mailed voter registration applications must be sent to the Bland County Voter Registration and Elections Office postmarked on or before the deadline.

In-Person Absentee Voting

599 Main Street, Suite 2, Bland, VA 24315

Monday-Friday, Sept. 21-Nov. 2, 2018: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.- Last day to vote a regular, in-person, absentee ballot at the Bland County Voter Registration and Elections Office

Mail Absentee Voting

Tuesday, October 30, 2018: Last day to request an absentee ballot by mail. Applications must be received in the Bland County Voter Registration and Elections Office by 5 p.m.

Tuesday, November 6, 2018: Election Day ALL Absentee voted ballots must be returned to the Bland County Voter Registration and Elections Office by 7 p.m. to be counted.

Stacy Tibbs Grady, Director of Elections and General Registrar

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Email: govote021@embarqmail.com

Website: <http://www.blandcountyva.gov/departments/voter-registration/>

Wytheville-Wythe-Bland
Chamber of Commerce
Bland Beautification Committee

**Flowers,
Wreaths,
Flags, and
more.....**



DOWNTOWN BLAND
Help us Beautify Downtown Bland!

Goals/Actions: *Improve Bland Central Business District - Flowers/Flags, Seasonal Themes, Involve Others such as Schools and Civic Organizations, Encourage Businesses to Adopt a Project*
Enhance/Protect Property Value - Encourage Cleanup of Areas, Bridge Maintenance, Make Beautification Contagious
Promote Community Pride - Decorations, Parades, Agriculture Festival/Tractor Ride Route

Committee Members: *Rita Palmer, Debra Walker, Kristi Blewins, Eric Workman, Cindy Wright, Donna Coward, Lucy Litton, Diana Billips, Johnny Gains, Jennifer Atwell*

To join the committee or make a donation, contact
Wytheville-Wythe-Bland Chamber of Commerce
276.223.3365 or chamber@wytheville.org
150 East Monroe Street, Wytheville, VA 24382

Fuel Assistance Program

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

The Fuel Assistance component will begin October 9, 2018 in all localities and will end November 9, 2018.

Checks or credit authorizations will be issued in December.

Applications are accepted online (<https://commonhelp.virginia.gov/access/>) or by calling the Enterprise Customer Service Center at (855) 635 – 4370, and at the local Department of Social Services

Bland County Treasurer's Office

2018 Personal Property and
Real Estate
tax due date of December 5, 2018

2018 dog tags expire Dec. 31, 2018

Dog tags for 2019 will be available
November 1, 2018

Contact: Bland County Treasurer's Office
276-688-3741



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A FOSTER
PARENT**

Learn More

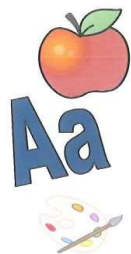
Contact: Sara King at 276-688-4111 or by email:
sara.king@dss.virginia.gov

Fall 2018 STORY TIME

September

20th-The Letter A

Dr. Seuss's Book of Animals
And ABC



27th-The Letter B

Ballet Cat Dance Dance
Underpants



October

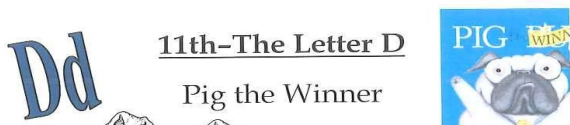
4th-The Letter C

The Petes Go Marching



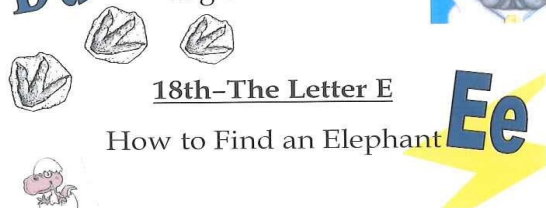
11th-The Letter D

Pig the Winner



18th-The Letter E

How to Find an Elephant



25th-Halloween Party

Dress Up and Refreshments



November

1st-The Letter F

What's Your Favorite Favorite



8th-The Letter G

Gilbert Goldfish



15th-Thanksgiving Party

Refreshments



29th-The Letter H

Do Your Ears Hang Low?



December

6st-The Letter I

Idea Jar



13th-The Letter J

Jinx and the Doom



20th-Christmas Party

Story time will Resume
in January.



For more information please call the library at
276-688-3737 or email us at bcpl@bland.org

EVENTS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2018

September 3—County Administration Offices
Closed for Labor Day

September 7, 8—Horse Show

September 11—Economic Development Authority
Meeting @ 6:30 pm

September 20—Children's Services Act Meeting
@ 9:30 am

September 25—Service Authority Meeting @ 4:00 pm

September 25—Board of Supervisors Meeting @ 5:00 pm

NOVEMBER 2018

November 5—Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:00 pm

November 12—County Administration Offices
Closed for Veterans' Day

November 13—Economic Development Authority Meeting
@ 6:30 pm

November 15—Children's Services Act Meeting @ 9:30 am

November 21—County Administration Offices
Half-day for Thanksgiving Holiday

November 22, 23—County Administration Offices
Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

November 27—Service Authority Meeting @ 4:00 pm

November 27 —Board of Supervisors Meeting @ 5:00 pm

OCTOBER 2018

October 1—Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:00 pm

October 4—Wireless Authority Meeting @ 5:00 pm

October 6—Lords Acre Sale

October 6—Tour De Bland

October 8—County Administration Offices
Closed for Columbus Day

October 9—Economic Development Authority Meeting
@ 6:30 pm

October 13, 14—Festival of Leaves

October 18—Children's Services Act Meeting @ 9:30 am

October 23—Service Authority Meeting @ 4:00 pm

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

TOUR DE BLAND
Charity bike ride

Saturday Oct 6th
RIDE GOES OUT @ 8 AM

2018
Sign up now at
www.tourdebland.org

4 road bike courses, 15 - 100 miles in length Start and Finish line @ Bland County Courthouse All proceeds go to support Relay For Life of Bland County

Finish the season right!

ABB, Bland County Medical Clinic, HIGHLAND, H&R, Nationwide, State Farm, and other logos.

Meeting dates and times are subject to change . Calendar will be updated on our website:

www.blandcountyva.gov