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## ARTGAWK exhibition to showcase world-renowned artists at RU Art Museum



This work by Pablo Picasso is one of the pieces that will be on display at Radford University's newest art exhibit.

The Radford University Art Museum is presenting a new art exhibit featuring work from world renowned artists, including Picasso, Andy Warhol and more. The "ARTGAWK: Choice Pickings from the Radford University Permanent Collection," exhibition will be on display beginning January 27 through April 17, 2021, at the Art Museum at the Covington Center on the campus of Radford University. The exhibit opening will be stretched across three nights to maintain safe social distancing guidelines. Groups of 10 attendees will be allowed into the exhibit for 30-minute sessions to view the artwork on display. The opening dates will take place on January 27, 28, and 29 from 4:30 until 8 p.m. each evening. According to information re-

leased by the university, the exhibition "will highlight significant and interesting works from the university's extensive art collection, including recent acquisitions that have never before been on public display." The art museum's permanent collection was founded by acclaimed artist Dorothy Gillespie, whose work will be among other famous artists on display in the exhibit. During her time as a distinguished faculty member with the university, Gillespie began to acquire select pieces of art that she believed would be important for preservation. Since that time, numerous works of art have been added to the collection. The newest acquisitions include See ARTGAWK, page 3

## Radford police arrest three in home invasion robbery



Jamari Melton

RADFORD -- After responding on Tuesday, Jan. 12, to a report of a home invasion robbery in the 600 block of Calhoun Street and conducting an investigation, the Radford City Police Department executed a search warrant in rela-



Tyeshawn Goodnight

tion to a robbery in the 400 block of Sanford Street and arrested three individuals. Arrested were Jamari Melton, 19, of Radford; Tyeshawn Goodnight, 22, also of Radford; and Desean Anderson, 20, of Richmond.



Desean Anderson

All three individuals were charged with robbery, breaking and entering, larceny of a firearm and wearing a mask to hide their identity. They are being held without bail at the New River Valley Regional Jail.

## News Brief: Radford police arrest man wanted out of Richlands

After responding Wednesday night, Jan. 13, about 8:30 p.m. to the Rock Road area to a tip about a wanted individual out of Richlands, Va., and conducting a search of the area, Radford City Police arrested Jason Edward Matney, 45. Wanted on six warrants, Matney was taken into custody in the early morning hours of Jan. 14. The Radford City Police Department was aided in the search by members of the Radford University Police Department, the Virginia Tech Police Department and the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. Matney is being held in the New River Valley Regional Jail without bond.

Members of the RU community will be competing in teams to gather the most donations and raise the most money for their team's designated community partners. Day of Service Teams include: RUC & Waldron College of Health and Human Services – donations will benefit Friendship House and Ronald McDonald House. Davis College of Business and Economics & College of Education and Human Development – donations will benefit Radford Fairlawn Daily Bread and Women's Resource Center. College of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences & Artis College of Science and Technology – donations will benefit The Giving Tree and New River Community Action. College of Visual and Performing Arts & College of Graduate Studies and Research – donations will benefit Bobcat Backpacks and Beans & Rice Programs. Team Highlander: Administration, staff & students with undeclared majors – donations will benefit New River Community Action. Donations will be accepted through

Wednesday, January 27. Monetary donations can be made directly to respective team names at <https://www.givelocalnrv.org/event/Rumlk2020>. On the Radford University main campus, donation boxes for each team will be located in its respective college buildings and all residence halls. Donation Items Lists: Radford University Carilion & Waldron College of Health and Human Services: Friendship House Roanoke Inc. - money Ronald McDonald House - individually wrapped potato chips, cracker packs, pudding, Jell-o, cereal, bottled water and any other items that are individually wrapped for use in large lunch bags Davis College of Business and Economics & College of Education and Human Development: Radford Fairlawn Daily Bread - any non-perishable food items Radford Women's Resource Center - money College of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences & Artis College of

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## RHS student places in district VFW essay contest



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Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 776 Commander Gary Harris (right) presents an award to Radford High School student Abby Barnes (left) for her third place district win in the VFW's national Voice of Democracy essay contest. Barnes won first place at the local level for her essay on this year's theme of "Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned?" The VFW Voice of Democracy audio essay program has been awarding scholarship funds to teens in the U.S. for more than 70 years. Participants write an essay based on a yearly theme and then record themselves reading the essay. Those recordings are judged by members of the VFW.

## Kimberly Lowe qualifies as Republican candidate for 38th District Senate seat



Kimberly Lowe is a farmer and a sixth-generation Southwest Virginian.

Kimberly Lowe, a farmer, policy advisor and homeschooling mom of three, has qualified to run for the seat from Virginia's 38th Senate District vacated by the death of Sen. Ben Chafin. A sixth-generation Southwest Virginian, Lowe has been active locally both helping in the community and working on policy and legislation. She has said she believes most issues at the local level are non-partisan and knows that it takes everyone working together to improve the quality of life in the area. In the last 12 months, Lowe has been able to secure funding for special needs education and has worked on funding for local schools, fire and EMS, and sheriff's offices. To improve healthcare accessibility and area health outcomes, she started a mobile COVID-19 test clinic when testing wasn't available and has worked on securing funding for mobile health clinics. Lowe has worked to solve flood issues; has worked as an intermediary between families, the state and prisons during COVID outbreaks; and has worked hand-in-hand with mayors and state offices. She has been active in finding creative solutions to the need for more broadband in rural areas and helps navigate families through family court and issues with the Department of Social Services/CPS. Further, she helped start a domestic violence transitional shelter that will help individuals be self-sufficient by partnering with businesses for job training, economic guidance, professional counseling, childcare, housing, education and employment assistance. If elected, Lowe plans to introduce a bill to help veterans, a comprehensive bill to reform family court and child welfare, a bill to allow farmers to produce and sell locally without burdensome regulations, bills that will help consumers and survivors of domestic violence and bills to ensure election integrity. Lowe has worked with Virginia State University to find profitable crop solutions for farmers and is negotiating with investors to bring farm-related manufacturing and new jobs to the area. Aware not every problem requires a legislative solution, she has hired a grant writer to bring money into the area to close the gaps and improve the quality of everyone's life. When she is not entrenched in the community and grassroots on the ground, she enjoys her endangered breed of sheep and spending time with her family and her horses. More information about her candidacy and her qualifications is available at [www.kimberlylowe.com](http://www.kimberlylowe.com).



# UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, Jan. 17:**  
*NAACP Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration*  
The Montgomery County-Radford City-Floyd County Branch of the NAACP will hold its annual celebration of the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., at 3:30 p.m. virtually. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Jefferson Jones, pastor of Surge Ministries and Race & Grace. All are welcome. The celebration will be via Zoom and Facebook Live. To register and receive additional information, visit <http://bit.ly/2021MLKCelebration>.

**Monday Jan. 18:**  
*Town Hall, Rec Center closed*  
In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Christiansburg Town Hall will be closed on Jan. 18.  
The Christiansburg Aquatic Center will be open from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. on Jan. 18, but the administrative offices will be closed.  
The Christiansburg Recreation Center will be closed on Monday, Jan. 18, for an athletic event.

**Tuesday, Jan. 19:**  
*100+ Women Who Care NRV Winter 2021 Quarterly Meeting*  
Every quarterly meeting, each member contributes \$100 directly to a charity selected by majority vote with approximately \$10,000 being donated to the elected organization. No membership dues or additional commitments of time or money are required, and members can enter the quarterly drawing to represent a favorite not-for-profit to the group for consideration of that meeting's entire donation amount. All funds remain in the NRV area. 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. on Zoom. Contact [nrv100wwc@gmail.com](mailto:nrv100wwc@gmail.com), [www.100womenwhocarenrv.com](http://www.100womenwhocarenrv.com) or Sarah Black at (937) 205-3722.

**Thursday, Jan. 21:**  
*Discord Comic Book Club*  
Join the Radford Public Library for an all-ages voice chat discussion of Comic Books via Discord. To be read and discussed this month is Neil Gaiman's "Eternals." It can be checked out on Hoopla at Eternals<https://www.hoopladigital.com/title/12003687>. Send the library a Facebook message or email [duncan.hall@radfordva.gov](mailto:duncan.hall@radfordva.gov) to sign up. The library will then send an invitation to the RPL Discord server.

**Thursday, Jan. 28:**  
*Writing Flash Fiction Workshop*  
Blue Ridge Writers, an affiliated chapter of the Virginia Writers Club, is offering a workshop "Writing Flash Fiction" (less than 1500 words) for writers, both high school students and adults at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Blue Ridge Writers is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit member organization that supports beginning writers and seasoned writers through critique programs, quarterly literary journal publication and monthly workshops. Contact Dr. John Nicolay [nicolay0211@gmail.com](mailto:nicolay0211@gmail.com) or visit <https://blueridge-writers.com> for additional information. Class size is limited.

**Ongoing Throughout January:**  
*Keep Your Lights Up for Healthcare Heroes*  
Every citizen and business of the county's communities is being called upon to keep holiday lights up through January 31 to recognize those working in healthcare.  
*StoryWalk*  
All month at the Christiansburg Library. Brains and bodies get exercise by reading and walking the trail. The walk begins at the library at the College Street entrance of Downtown Park. This month's book is The Emperor's Egg.

**Through Thursday, Jan. 21:**  
*Girl Scout Cookie Sales*  
The Girl Scouts of the Virginia Skyline Council are taking orders for cookies that will be delivered in mid-January. Girl Scout cookies are \$5 a box. To locate a Girl Scout to take an order, contact the girl scout at [info@gsvsc.org](mailto:info@gsvsc.org) or 540-777-5100. When the cookies arrive in the region in mid-January, Girl Scouts will be delivering them in different ways: masked drop-offs to the customer's door; cookie booth drive-thrus; online ordering with shipping via Digital Cookie; a cookie delivery service; and voice-activated sales via Echo home systems.

# Virginia Tech COVID-19 lab ready to ramp up testing for thousands of student samples

Starting next week, as students begin returning to campus for the spring semester, Virginia Tech's COVID-19 Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory will begin processing samples from approximately 7,400 students who are anticipated to move into on-campus housing. These student tests will be processed over a nine-day period.

The lab is also prepared to process hundreds of samples from students that are anticipated to come through the Schiffert Health Center over the next few weeks, plus the more than 500 weekly samples collected from Virginia Tech employees working in high-contact roles.

The lab is also responsible for processing several thousand samples per week for the university's rigorous surveillance testing program and voluntary testing program available for students and employees.

"We are building on what we learned in the fall as we ramp up our testing for the spring, with emphasis on mandatory random prevalence testing of students and surveillance testing of high-contact employees," Virginia Tech President Tim Sands said Wednesday in his state of the university address.


In addition to processing samples for Virginia Tech's community, the lab will continue to analyze tests collected by the Virginia Department of Health (VDH). In November, Virginia Tech was selected as one of the state's three exclusive OneLab Network Tier 2 laboratories to help expand COVID-19 testing capacity across Virginia.

Under the OneLab agreement, the university's laboratory provides capacity to process up to 5,000 test samples per week. These samples are collected via VDH and come from community testing events, businesses, school, and assisted living facilities across Virginia.

Since its launch in April, the lab has processed more than 70,000 samples. Since the fall semester, the lab has increased its maximum daily COVID-19 testing capacity from 1,200 to 1,600 total samples. This increased capacity is due to gained workflow efficiencies, investments in new equipment and the ability to occasionally pool surveillance testing samples collected through Virginia Tech's Schiffert Health Center.

Students are asked to quarantine for 10 days prior to returning to campus. Mandatory surveillance testing for high-contact employees resumed on Jan. 5, and voluntary testing for students and employees began last week.

Test results are typically reported back to the VDH or Virginia Tech's Schiffert Health Center within 24 to 48 hours.



**Nghi Phung, a research technician at the Virginia Tech Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory at the Fralin Biomedical Research Institute at VTC, is one of 25 skilled staff members who keep Virginia Tech's COVID-19 testing lab running seven days a week.**

# With new agreement, RU offers nursing and business programs online



RADFORD - Radford University has entered into an agreement with Academic Partnerships (AP) to provide its nursing and business degree programs online throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia and beyond.

To be offered through the partnership are the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN), the Master of Science in Nursing Administration and the Master of Business Administration degrees.

Through this partnership, Radford University will also expand its outreach of the Vinod Chachra IMPACT Lab by offering cybersecurity and geospatial intelligence certificates to help individuals accelerate their careers in technology. Additional certificate programs are planned for the future to meet the expanding workforce demands of Virginia and beyond.

The expanded programs will help combat the impact of COVID-19 on the economy by providing working adults with affordable and easily accessible degree programs in critical, high-growth fields.

Radford University President Brian O. Hemphill said of the innovative partnership, "Radford University is honored to enter into this important collaboration with Academic Partnerships, a well-known and highly-regarded company that has assisted institutions in reaching new student markets by implementing and supporting fully online programs that are both in-demand and top-quality.

"The important work associated with this new partnership will be driven by our world-class faculty with strong support from various administrative areas. The Radford family looks forward to welcoming new Highlanders to both engage in and learn in fully online environments now and well into the future."

Academic Partnerships is a leading online facilitator in the United States. Based in Dallas, AP is a partner to more than 50 universities across the country, primarily regional public universities, helping those institutions expand access to top-quality, affordable and workforce relevant education.

"We at Academic Partnerships are proud to help Radford University expand access to its top-quality degree programs," said Rob Ganji, AP's CEO.

"At AP, we're passionate about the positive impact of affordable education on students and their families, and we look forward to helping offer more opportunities to students in Virginia and across the surrounding states," Ganji said. "We've deliberately designed our business model to ensure that our university partners, such as Radford University, and Academic Partnerships serve distinct roles and utilize each of our core competencies to deliver a high-quality student experience and to enable student success."

"Under the terms of our working relationship, Radford and its faculty will continue to drive academic quality by controlling all aspects of the online programs such as teaching, curriculum and course content, admissions, student grading, financial aid and credentialing," said RU's Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Lyn Lepre.

"It was very important to us that the programs be driven by Radford faculty, while AP works in partnership with our faculty to convert their courses to an online format and recruit and help retain students through program completion," Lepre said. "In this way, we are aligned to help ensure that student success is paramount across the duration of the program."

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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19. East of NYC  
20. Influential Norwegian playwright  
22. School for healing  
23. Of the cheekbone  
25. Disco rockers The Bee \_\_\_\_  
26. Gorged  
28. Khoikhoi people  
29. Payroll firm  
30. A hiding place  
31. Georgia rockers  
33. Spanish soldier El \_\_\_\_  
34. Deerlike water buffalo  
36. Second epoch of the Tertiary period

**CLUES DOWN**  
1. Pressed against lightly  
2. Rural delivery  
3. Semicircular recesses  
4. Groan  
5. Donation  
6. Mariner  
7. One who accepts  
8. \_\_\_\_ King Cole, musician  
9. Streetcar  
10. Silk fabric  
11. \_\_\_\_ route  
12. Used to make plastics  
13. Swampy coniferous forest  
15. Angry speeches  
18. A way to soak  
21. One who divides  
24. Deeply cuts  
26. A very large body of water  
27. "Raisin in the Sun" actress Ruby  
30. Medicated

**CLUES DOWN**  
32. Single unit  
35. Parasitic insect's egg  
37. House pet  
38. African nation  
39. Saddle horses  
42. Press lightly  
43. One of 12 sons of Jacob  
46. Cause to suffer  
47. Hang 'em up  
49. Breakfast dish  
50. Wrongful acts  
52. NASCAR driver  
54. Indian dish  
55. Type of giraffe  
57. Selling at specially reduced prices  
59. Czech city  
62. "Orange is the New Black" character  
63. Records electric currents  
66. Country doctor  
68. Chronic, progressive disease (abbr.)

# Virginia Tech Transportation Services establishes electronic payment option for parking on Blacksburg campus

Virginia Tech Transportation Services has partnered with ParkMobile to provide a convenient, contactless electronic payment option for parking on the Blacksburg campus.

Parking is now available with ParkMobile in any campus parking space or lot that has standard F/S, C/G or R parking. This does not apply to 24-hour restricted lots designated for specific groups such as service vehicles and carpools.

While using ParkMobile, faculty and staff should park in F/S spaces, and undergraduate and graduate students should park in C/G and R spaces. Visitors may park in F/S, C/G or R spaces.

The goal of the new system is ultimately to make paying for campus parking easy and convenient and thus avoid parking citations. Parking sessions can be extended remotely to avoid a ticket.

Use of the app is not limited to the Blacksburg campus; it can be used nationwide at thousands of parking locations. Multiple time increments are available, including hourly and daily parking.

The first step in participating in ParkMobile is to create a free account, easily done by visiting the ParkMobile site or downloading the ParkMobile app in the App Store or Google Play.

The following information will be needed to create a profile for the ParkMobile account: 1) the vehicle's license plate number. Up to five license plates may be added to the profile. 2) payment information. Most major credit cards, PayPal and Apple Pay are accepted.

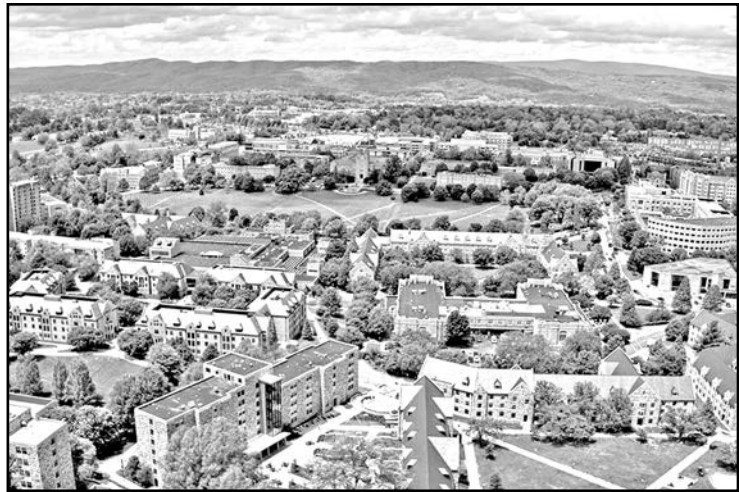
Once the profile is created, then you can park in any space or meter marked with a ParkMobile sign or sticker. Parking is enforced on the Blacksburg campus Monday

through Friday from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Once you start parking, 1) enter the meter parking zone number in which the vehicle is parked. This information is available on nearby signage, the sticker on the meter or by using the map within the ParkMobile app or website.

2) select the duration of your parking. To prevent the possibility of having your time expire, time may be extended remotely. If you opt into notifications, text messages or emails, you will receive a notification to extend your parking duration. You can also set customizable parking expiration alerts.

The meter parking zones with their numbers and location are the Bookstore Lot, 85102; the Coliseum Lot, 85103; the Perry Street Lot, 85104; the Drillfield Lot, 85105; Wright House, 85106; Alumni Mall, 85107; the Squires



Lot, 85108; Steger Hall, 85109; Oak Lane, 85110, Parking Services, 85111; and Laundry Tailor (the old security building), 85112. You can also save "favorite" and recently used parking zones.

Traditional parking options re-

main in place: purchasing a daily parking permit at Parking Services at 505 Beamer Way and using coins at parking meters on campus.

Questions about the new system may be addressed to parking@vt.edu or by calling 540-231-3200.

## ARTGAWK

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**This work by John Sinclair is one of the pieces that will be on display at Radford University's newest art exhibit.**

a collection of 23 Mithila artworks from India which were donated by The Ethnic Arts Foundation in August of 2020. A painting by Urmila Devi from that col-

lection will be on display during ARTGAWK. Two joint exhibitions focusing on Mithila art and mythology are being planned for the fall of 2022.

ARTGAWK will include such artists as Honoré Daumier, Adolf Dehn, Urmila Devi, Jim Dine, Gustave Doré, Audrey Flack, Dorothy Gillespie, Guadalupe González Ríos, Francisco Goya, Jasper Johns, Käthe Kollwitz, Elaine de Kooning, Harold Little, Dinh Luc, Aristide Maillol, Joan Miró, Robert Motherwell, Pablo Picasso, Robert Rauschenberg, Georges Rouault, Frank Stella, Andy Warhol, Alison Weld, and James Abbott McNeil Whistler.

Dr. Steve Arbury, Director of the Radford University Art Museum,

and guest curator John H. Bowles are co-curating the exhibition.

Bowles says "it has been a joy going through the museum's collection of some 2200 art objects to select works for this exhibition."

Arbury says that he is looking forward to displaying works from the collection.

"Radford University has a noteworthy art collection that deserves to be seen and enjoyed by the wider community," he said. "I am pleased the Radford University Art Museum can offer this aesthetic and educational

experience, especially during these trying times."

Margaret Devaney, Dean of the College of Visual and Performing Arts at Radford University, said she is excited about the upcoming event.

"The isolation of the last year has been difficult for everyone, and we are thrilled to be able to offer an art exhibition for both our campus and surrounding community where we can gather safely and enjoy world-class artwork from our permanent collection," said Devaney.

Since ARTGAWK's opening event sessions will be limited to 30 min-

utes each with a maximum of 10 people at a time in the museum gallery, anyone wishing to attend opening events is encouraged to register early. Opening sessions will take place starting January 27 through 29 from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. each evening. After those dates, regular museum hours will be Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays noon until 4 p.m. through April 17, 2021. Anyone seeking to attend ARTGAWK's opening sessions can register for admission by visiting [www.radford.edu/artmuseum](http://www.radford.edu/artmuseum).

# NRCC spring semester to begin Feb. 1 with 500+ classes

Registration is now open for the spring semester at New River Community College, which begins Monday, Feb. 1, and offers more than 500 classes.

Class options include art, automotive, creative writing, early childhood development, history, human services, medical coding, paralegal administrative support, personal finance, and police and forensic science.

The semester will be offered online with the exception of some career/technical and workforce development programs that require hands-on or clinical experiences.

Some specific courses of interest in the spring semester include:

"ART 243: Watercolor I," an online course that presents

abstract and representational painting in watercolor with a focus on design, color, composition, technique and value.

"AUT 136: Automotive Vehicle Inspection," an evening course that helps students prepare for the Virginia Safety Inspector's License test.

"ENG 211: Creative Writing I," a course that introduces students to the fundamentals of writing imaginatively with students writing in forms such as poetry, fiction, drama and essays.

Several childhood development courses will be offered as online classes this semester and are part of the early childhood development programs. Those include: Introduction to Early Childhood Education, Guid-

ing the Behavior of Children and Introduction to Exceptional Children.

"HIS 266: Military History of the Civil War" is an online course that analyzes military campaigns of the Civil War, including factors contributing to the defeat of the Confederacy and problems created by the war.

Human services courses will be offered online this semester and are part of the human services programs.

The medical coding program prepares students to take the certified coding associate exam offered by the American Health Information Management Association. The courses needed for the program will all be offered online this spring.

Several courses that are part

of the Paralegal Administrative Support Specialization Program will be offered online this spring.

"FIN 107: Personal Finance" is an online course that presents a framework of personal money management concepts, including establishing values and goals, determining sources of income, managing income, preparing a budget, developing consumer buying ability, using credit, understanding savings and insurance, providing for adequate retirement and estate planning.

Several administration of justice courses will be offered this spring with mostly online options.

These administration of justice courses can be taken as part of the police science or forensic science programs.

Re-Employing Virginians funding is available for individuals who lost a job due to COVID-19. Recipients of REV funds must be pursuing classes in a high-demand area such as early childhood education, health care, information technology, manufacturing, public safety or skilled trades.

The spring class schedule is available at [www.nr.edu/schedule/](http://www.nr.edu/schedule/). Current NRCC students may register for classes online by visiting their student accounts. Prospective NRCC students may visit [www.nr.edu/register](http://www.nr.edu/register) for enrollment information.

NRCC staff members are available online at [www.nr.edu](http://www.nr.edu) and by telephone at 540-674-3600 to assist with registration or other matters.

# NRCC to offer online pharmacy technician program

Registration is now open for the next session of New River Community College's pharmacy technician program, which will be offered completely online beginning Tuesday, Feb. 2.

The course teaches students information, techniques and procedures needed to assist the pharmacist in the delivery of pharmaceutical products and services. The main objective is to provide students with a working knowledge of most

aspects of pharmacy in community and institutional practice settings.

Upon completion, graduates will be eligible to apply for registration as a Pharmacy Technician in Virginia and be prepared to take the national Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) exam.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of pharmacy technicians is projected to grow seven percent from 2018 to 2028, faster than

the average for all occupations. Increased demand for prescription medications will lead to more demand for pharmaceutical services.

The regular cost for the program is \$1,950; however, Virginia residents can qualify for a discounted price of \$650. Additional financial assistance may also be available.

This course is one of several NRCC FastForward programs that provide affordable and short-

term training through the NRCC Office of Work-

force Development.

To register, email

WFDtraining@nr.edu or call (540) 674-3613.

## MLK Day

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### Science and Technology:

The Giving Tree - money  
New River Community Action - baby supplies including diapers, bottles, new or gently used books, blankets, canned/non-perishable food items

College of Visual and Performing Arts & College of Graduate Studies and Research:

Beans & Rice, Inc. - money

Bobcat Backpack Program - canned fruit, canned veggies, peanut butter, Beanie Weenees, canned ravioli, popcorn, Chunky soup, Boxed Mac 'n' Cheese, granola bars, oatmeal packets

Team Highlander: Administration, staff & students with undeclared majors

New River Community

Action) - monetary donations and fruit cups, raisins, dried fruit, peanut butter crackers, fruit snack gummies, graham crackers, granola bars, pretzels,

Wheat Thins, Chex cereal, Triscuits, Goldfish crackers (large box or individual size), Teddy Grahams, Multigrain Cheerios, applesauce cups

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# OBITUARIES

## Marshall, Ronnie Ray

Ronnie Ray Marshall, 53, of Hiwassee, passed away Sunday, Jan. 10, 2021.

He was a fireman for more than 21 years with the Snowville Fire Department. Ronnie was preceded in death by his father, Rufus William Marshall.

Survivors include his mother, Vivian F. Marshall; a brother, Timothy W. Marshall; a sister,



Rhonda Ann Marshall; a niece, Tonya Flinchum; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and other relatives and friends.

In light of the current COVID-19 crisis, memorial services will be planned for a later date.

The Marshall family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.

## Orange, Gloria Kay

Gloria Kay Orange, 88, died Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021, at Highland Ridge Rehab Center.

She was born in Roanoke on Feb. 20, 1932. She was a lifelong member of Blacksburg First Wesleyan Church, and she loved to embroider, sketch, listen to old music, watch classic TV shows and play the piano.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Edward Orange; a daughter, Sharon Lee Arrowood; her parents, Courtney and Rosa Caldwell; and a great-granddaughter, Everly Margaret Rose Orange.

She is survived by her two daughters, Pa-



tricia Dianne Sheppard and Cynthia Orange Harris and her husband, Kenneth; two sons, Barry James Orange and his wife, Virginia, and Win-fred Michael Ball and his wife, Linda; a sister, Elizabeth Hale; grandchildren Amy, Carrie, Eric, Tony, Aaron, Dara and Michael Henry; and numer-ous great-grandchildren.

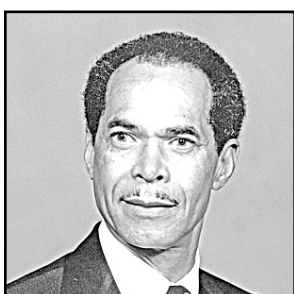
Funeral services were conducted Tues-day, Jan. 12, 2021, in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. John Hop-kins officiating. Interment followed in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, Dublin. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

## Jones, Sr., Robert Albert

Robert “Bob” Albert Jones, Sr., of Radford, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2021.

He was well known as the Radford City Schools’ “Mr. Bob,” who was the bus driver to most of the athletic and academic competitions. He worked at Central United Methodist Church for 42 years, was a deacon at Zion Hill Baptist Church and was a former su-pervisor at both Hercules and Lynchburg Foundry.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry C. and Julia Lewis Jones; his wife, Betty B. Jones; sisters Cathleen, Dorthelia and Sybil; and brothers Joshua, Edward and James.



Survivors include his sons, Robert Jones, Jr. (Paula) and William Jones; grandchil-dren Robert Jones III and Roshonda Jones; a great-grandson on the way; and a host of nieces, nephews, rela-tives and friends.

The family will receive friends from noon until 1 p.m. today, Jan. 16, 2021, at

the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. Fu-neral services will begin at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Romie Horton officiating. Interment will follow in Sunrise Burial Park in Radford.

The Jones family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford, Virginia. www.mullinsfuneralhom.com.

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**ANGLICAN CATHOLIC**  
**St. Philip’s Anglican Church**, 306 Pro-gress Street, NE, Blacksburg, Virginia 24060, (540) 552-1771, [www.stphilips-blacksburg.org](http://www.stphilips-blacksburg.org). Reverend Fr. Wade Mill-er, Priest. Sunday Morning Prayer 9:45 AM, Sunday Morning Eucharist 10:30 AM, Traditional Anglican Worship us-ing the King James Bible, 1928 Book of Common Prayer, And the 1940 Hymnal.  
**St. Thomas Anglican Church**- located at 4910 Hubert Rd, NW Roanoke, Va. Traditional Liturgical Lenten Services, Sunday at 10:30 am. Call (540) 589-1299 or visit [www.sttofc.org](http://www.sttofc.org) for midweek masses and events. (In Roanoke, go E on Hershberger, L on Hubert to 4910).

### BAPTIST

**First Baptist Church**, 555 West Rock Road, Radford, 639-3873. Rev. Cor-win C. Casey, Pastor. Worship with us: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.; Praise and Worship: 11:00 a.m. Morn-ing Worship Service; Therefore, my be-loved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmove-able, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 15:58.

**First Baptist Church on 3rd Ave.**, 215 Third Ave. at the corner with Downey St. We are committed to personal spiritual growth and to providing leadership in com-munity ministry. We celebrate the dignity and worth of all persons, created in the im-age of God. Sunday Bible Study Groups - 9:45, Sunday Worship - 11:00. Web-site: [www.fbcradford.org](http://www.fbcradford.org), 540-639-4419. Worship is broadcast live on 105.9 FM, 101.3 F, 1430AM.

**Trinity Community Church**, 1505 N. Franklin Street, C’burg. John Altizer, Lead Pastor, Brian Cockram, Associate Pastor, 382-8121. Worship at 10:45 a.m., Outreach Ministries - 6:00p.m. Wednes-day, Growth Groups - 5:00p.m. Sunday, Youth and Children’s Ministry - 5:00p.m. Sunday, [www.trinitycburg.org](http://www.trinitycburg.org).

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Blacksburg Church of Christ**, 315 Ea-kin St., 552-1331. Sun. Bible Classes 9:30 a.m., Sun. Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. Bible classes, 7 p.m., Out-reach Minister Curt Seright, Community Minister Tom Gilliam, Campus Minister Deonté Watkins.

### CHURCH OF GOD

**Childress Church of God**, 4187 Pin-ey Woods Rd., C’Burg. 381-3693. Sun. School 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m. & Wed. 7 p.m.

**New Hope Church of God**, 1404 Mud Pike Rd., C’Burg. Rev. T. Michael Bond, pastor, 731-3178. Sun. School 10 a.m., Worship 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m. Thurs., 7:00 p.m.

**West Radford Church of God**, 1824 West Main Street, Radford, VA 24141, Sunday School – 10:00A.M. Morning Worship – 11:00A.M., Children’s Church 11:00A.M. Sunday Evening – 6:00P.M., Wednesday Night – 7:00P.M., Pastor Danny Newman, Church Office – 540-639-6562 or 804-921-0828

# Radford

# WORSHIP DIRECTORY

### Generations to Come

Read Exodus 10:1 through 12:51

Floyd looked forward to the times his grandchildren visited. They reminded him of his youth with their energy and vitality. Floyd loved telling them the stories of his childhood, especially when he told them of how he came to Christ.

God also gave Israel an important story to pass on.

“This is a day you are to com-memorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord—a lasting ordinance” (Exodus 12:14).

Several times in today’s reading God told the nation of Israel to share the events of the Passover with the generations that fol-lowed. Even today, people cele-

brate the Passover every year, and this reminds Israel’s descen-dants that God delivered His peo-ple from bondage.

We too should learn from their example and pass on our expe-rience of God’s goodness to our children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and any others in our spheres of influence. God wants everyone we know to come to the saving knowledge of Christ and will gladly use our testimony to point them to that relation-ship with Him.

Thought for Today: God wants us to testify of our experiences as Christians to those who come after us.

Quicklook: Exodus 12:11–16

**If your church is not listed and if you are interested, call Randy Thompson at 540-389-9355 or email at [advertise@ourvalley.org](mailto:advertise@ourvalley.org)**

### CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

**Radford Church of God in Christ**, 206 Rus-sell Ave., Radford. Supt. Ronald A. Watson, Sr.; Elder, 639- 5948. Sun. School 9 a.m.; Prayer 11:30 a.m.; Worship 6 p.m.

### LUTHERAN

**Christ Lutheran Church**, 201 Harvey St. Sunday worship with communion at 10am; fel-lowship & snacks at 11am. All are welcome. Upcoming events and fellowship opportunities (Senior Brunch, Faith & Film, Rough Draught, etc.) detailed in weekly email and on website: [clcradford.org](http://clcradford.org). 540-639-2671.

### PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

**Merrimac Pentecostal Holiness Church**, Rev. Larry Christopher (540) 552-7194. [l.christopher695@comcast.net](mailto:l.christopher695@comcast.net). Sunday school at 10 a.m. and morning worship is 11 a.m. Eve-ning service at 6 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m.

**Radford Worship Center**, 1820 Second Street, Radford, 639-6287, Our music is passionate, our worship is real, and Pastor Hal Adams brings relevant messages for everyone at any place on their journey, Sunday Worship Experience at 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM, Wednesday Family Night at 7 PM, Children Ministry provided for all services, join us as Love, Grow, Serve, find us on facebook and Instagram

**Walton Pentecostal Holiness Church**, 4003 Morning Glory Rd., off Walton Rd. on Rt. 114. 731-1755. Lee Sarver, pastor. Sun. School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6: p.m., Wed., 7 p.m.

### PRESBYTERIAN

Join us at **The Presbyterian Church of Rad-ford**, 201 Fourth Street, at the corner of 4th and Randolph Streets. Phone 639-2585. Worship at 11 am in the parking lot. In case of rain, the service will be streamed on Facebook. Bible study on Tuesday at noon, also on Facebook. Find us on Facebook (The Presbyterian Church of Radford) and on our Website ([www.pcrad-ford.org](http://www.pcrad-ford.org)) The mission of our church is to exhibit our belief in God’s love for us by sharing and extending that love to all of our brothers and sis-ters. Kelsey and Peter Hawisher-Faul, Pastors.

### UNITED METHODIST

**Asbury United Methodist Church**, 500 Stu-art Street, Christiansburg. 540-382- 0743. Rev. Ryan Schaeffer. Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Sunday Worship, 11:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7pm, alternating month’s with Schaeffer Memorial Baptist Church, Senior Bible Study Thursday, 10:30 a.m. All are welcome.

**Central United Methodist Church**, 803 Wadsworth Street, Radford. 639-3529. 8:30 a.m. Sunday Services: 8:30am (interpreter provided); 9:45am Sunday School (inter-preter provided); and 11:00am. Wednes-day Bible Study: 6:30pm. Child care is pro-vided. [www.centralmethodistchurch.com](http://www.centralmethodistchurch.com).

**St. Paul United Methodist Church**, 220 W. Main St., C’Burg. Rev. Moon-sup “Paul” Song (540) 382-2410. Sunday Worship 10am, Sun-day School 9am. Live streaming Sunday Service - [www.twitch.tv/stpaulumc](http://www.twitch.tv/stpaulumc)

# OBITUARIES

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## Bowling, Jr., Carroll Alton

Carroll Alton Bowling, Jr., 77, passed away Friday, Jan. 8, 2021, at his home in Dublin.

He was a graduate of Pearisburg High School where he enjoyed being in the Drum Corps. He was a retired computer analyst with the Department of Defense. He was a longtime member of Dublin Baptist church where he served as a deacon, a church clerk, a Sunday school teacher and a member of the choir.

He was a past member of the Pulaski Jaycees, a former president of the Golden Cougar Marching Band, and he coached basketball in both the recreational and AAU leagues.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carroll Alton, Sr., and Dora Boyer Bowling, and a son, Christopher Aaron-Adair Bowling.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years,

Judith Ann Surface Bowling; a son, Curry Bowling; daughters Natalie Quesenberry (Randal) and Cheryl Hall (Mike); grandchildren Chandler, Hunter, Kerrigan, Sawyer, Maylee, Cathryn and Savannah; a sister, Connie Strasser (Steve); a K-9 companion, Trixie; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

The family received friends on Monday, Jan. 11, 2021 at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. Funeral services followed with Pastor Dennis Jones officiating and special remarks from Phil Taylor. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to Dublin Baptist Church Children's Ministry, PO Box 669, Dublin, VA 24084.

The Bowling family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford. [www.mullinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.mullinsfuneralhome.com).

Betsy Weaver Green, 84, of Dallas, Texas, passed away on Jan. 9, 2021.

Betsy was born on Sept. 28, 1936, in Radford to Irene B. and G. Roy Weaver.

She had a typical small-town childhood in Radford where her father was President of the Clover Creamery Company. She took ballet lessons for many years and enjoyed playing sports, including basketball on the Radford High School team, and graduated in 1954.

She went on to major in elementary and physical education at Baylor University, graduating in 1957. She taught fifth and sixth grade at First Baptist Academy in Dallas and Spring Creek Elementary School in Garland for almost 30 years. She treasured the relationships she had with her fellow teachers, many of whom were lifelong friends. Former students would frequently comment that Mrs. Green was a teacher who had significant influence on them.

Betsy was a longtime member of First Baptist Church in Dallas where she served in a number of ministries such as Stephen Ministry and Apartment Life. Her relationship with God was the defining thing about her life. She loved others with the same compassion that



Jesus loved her. She enjoyed supporting Christian missionaries around the world as they shared the gospel message.

While at FBC, Betsy met her husband of 44 years, Jim Green, marrying him in June of 1958.

Betsy enjoyed many hobbies over the years, including sewing, crafts like calligraphy and macramé and reading by the fire or out on the patio on a warm Sunday afternoon. She also loved to travel, going all over the U.S. including Hawaii and Alaska. She visited Mexico, the UK and Israel and many of the continental European countries.

Betsy is survived by her sister, Barbara Lee, of Allen, Texas; her three sons: Robert and his wife, Linda, of Dallas; David and his wife, Carol, also of Dallas; and Michael and his wife, Amy, of Mansfield, Texas; and eight grandchildren: Jake, Matt, Cliff, Kyle, Katelyn, Carson, Taylor and Ava.

She was preceded in death by her husband James Gordon Green, and her parents, Irene and Roy Weaver.

In lieu of flowers, her family requests that donations be made to two organizations Betsy supported that sponsor missionaries around the world: [cru.org](http://cru.org) and [sim.org](http://sim.org).

## Elliott, Mary Elizabeth

Mary Elizabeth Elliott, 73, of Radford, died Monday, Jan. 11, 2021, at her home.

She was born in Giles County on Feb. 25, 1947, to the late Joseph and Annie Perkins Honaker. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Shelly Rae Scaggs; a sister, Joanne Honaker Zell; and two brothers,

James Honaker and Frank Honaker.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Scot and Sonya Elliott; a grandchild, Jes-



salyn Babcock; a sister, Joyce Honaker Hedge; two nieces, one nephew, seven great-nieces and great-nephews and many special friends.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 15, 2021, at 11 a.m. in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dennis Hutchinson officiating. The

family received friends from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

## Joyce, Charlotte Sue

It is with deep sorrow and much love that our family announces the passing of Charlotte Sue Joyce, 85, of Blacksburg. She died Sunday, Jan. 10, 2021, at her home surrounded by the love of her family.

She was born in Murray, Kent., on Oct. 11, 1935. She will be remembered by everyone and all of those who grew to know her over the years. She will always remain in our hearts as the "queen of sass."

She was a mother to some and a safe place to others, but she was always someone you knew you could come to and chat with about anything on your mind. She was and always will be a Virginia Tech fan who loved nothing more than celebrating and entertaining with those around her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Beuton Vance and Buell Donelson; her husband, Michael B. Joyce; and her daughter, Carol Anne Mehmood.

She is survived by her daughters Don-

na Hall (Dan) of Virginia Beach; Brenda Holdaway of Blacksburg and Susan Tafesse of Christiansburg; her sisters Carlotta Clark (Gerry) of Pearisburg and Patty Campbell (Larry) of Somerset, Kent.; her brother Sam Underwood (Susan) of Murray, Kent.; as well as her eight grandchildren, Isha, Heem, Nicole, Kelly, Victoria, Elias, Michael and Maleah.

The family would like to thank Good Samaritan for the compassionate and loving care they provided Charlotte and for the love and support shown to the family.

A graveside ceremony was held at the Westview Cemetery on Friday, Jan. 15, 2021. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers donations be made to Good Samaritan Hospice or the Parkinson's Foundation. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

## Houston, Barbara Ruth Dunn

Barbara Ruth Dunn Houston passed away peacefully on Monday, Jan. 11, surrounded by her children in her home in Radford.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Benjamin Walter Dunn and Ruth Vlcek Dunn; her sister, Janie Dunn Hughes; and her loving partner Bob Young.

She is survived by her sister, Patricia Jones; her former husband, Crosby Houston; and her three children, Emily, Amanda and Ben; and seven grandchildren.

Barbara was a member of Grace Episcopal Church and a longtime member of the Blacksburg Presbyterian Church.

She was born into an Air Force family on May 30, 1939, in Fort Sill, Okla. She grew up in Puerto Rico, Georgia, Germany and Texas and graduated high school at Thomas Jefferson High School in San Antonio, Texas.

Barbara earned a bachelor's degree from Texas Woman's University and master's degrees from the University of Northern Colorado and Virginia Tech. She spent her professional years as a full-time mother,



teacher and finally as a high school guidance counselor in Christiansburg.

She lived all over the world, including Texas, Colorado, Ethiopia, Saudi Arabia, Florida and New York. Her favorite place by far was her family lake cabin located in the north woods of Minnesota where her ashes will be scattered.

The family would like to express their love and appreciation for the Young family for all their caring, support and friendship over the years, and for the many friends and acquaintances Barbara made over the 25 years she lived in Southwest Virginia.

In light of the current COVID-19 crisis, memorial services will be planned for a later date in coordination with Mullins Funeral Home and the Blacksburg Presbyterian Church.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the Blacksburg Presbyterian Church at 701 Church St SE, Blacksburg, VA 24060.

The Houston family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.



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#### Legals - City of Radford

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Council of the City of Radford will hold a public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting of Council on Monday, January 25, 2021 at 7:00 pm, in the City Council Chambers located in the City Administration Building, at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, Virginia to receive citizen comment and input regarding the Radford Transit application for FTA F.Y.21 Operating Funds, in the amount not to exceed \$1,778,500 and Capital not to exceed \$855,000. Due to the threats posed to the public by COVID-19, the public hearing will be conducted virtually. The members of City Council will participate in the public hearing by electronic means, and the public will be able to participate and make comments as set out below.

The City has established the following ways for you to share your public comments with City Council. The deadline to share your comments for the public hearing is Noon on January 22, 2021. Any comments received by that time will be shared with City Council and will be added to the meeting minutes,

### Legals - City of Radford

making them a matter of public record.

When providing your public comments, please be sure to provide:  
1. First Name;  
2. Last Name;  
3. Residential Address; and,  
4. Your Comment.

Ways to submit your public comments:  
• Email: [Jenni.Wilder@radfordva.gov](mailto:Jenni.Wilder@radfordva.gov)  
• Mail comments to: City Clerk, 10 Robertson Street, Radford, VA 24141  
• Voicemail message: 540-267-3145

Ways to participate in the public hearing:

The public is encouraged to participate in the public hearing scheduled on Monday, January 25, 2021, beginning at 7:00 P.M., Facebook Live at the following links:  
<https://www.facebook.com/Radford-City-Government-301072910338>. The public hearing meeting agenda can be viewed at: [www.radfordva.gov](http://www.radfordva.gov).

### Legals - Montgomery County

#### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Christiansburg Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Christiansburg Town Hall, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, Virginia 24073. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments concerning:

### Legals - Montgomery County

1. A Rezoning request by Gay and Neel, Inc. (applicant), for an approximately 1.38 acre property owned by Depot Street Development LLC, located at the intersection of Depot Street, N.E. and Harless Street, N.E. (tax map nos. 497-A-288, 497-A-288A, 497-A-288C, 497-A-285, 497-A-286, 497-13-3, 497-13-1E). The request is to rezone the property from B-3, General Business to R-3, Multi-Family Residential with proffers. The property is designated as residential on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

2. Two Conditional Use Permit requests by Balzer & Associates, Inc., on behalf of SHAH Development, LLC (applicant/owner), for property located at 1145 West Main Street (tax map no. 556-A-39) in the B-3, General Business District:

1. A conditional use permit request for residential uses as permitted in the R-3, Multi-Family Residential District. Residential uses as permitted in the R-3, Multi-Family Residential District include single-family dwellings, two-family dwellings, townhouses, and multiple-family dwellings at a density of development of up to 20 units per acre.
2. A conditional use permit request for a proposed planned housing development to consist of single-family, two-family, and multiple-family dwellings at a density of development not to exceed 7.8 units per acre.


The property is partially designated as Business/Commercial and partially designated as Residential on the Future

### Legals - Montgomery County

Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

Town Hall will be open and available to receive public comment in-person at the time of this Public Hearing. Additionally, the meeting will be streamed live on the Town of Christiansburg's YouTube channel at [www.christiansburg.org/youtu](http://www.christiansburg.org/youtu) ube and will remain on the Town's YouTube page once the meeting concludes. For information on contactless methods for submitting public comment, please visit [www.christiansburg.org/publichearings](http://www.christiansburg.org/publichearings).

Copies of the applications are available for review at the following link: [www.christiansburg.org/publichearings](http://www.christiansburg.org/publichearings). A copy of the applications,, the Town's Zoning Map, Zoning Ordinance, and Future Land Use Map may be viewed in the Planning Department Office, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073 during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact Andrew Warren, Assistant Town Manager, by phone at (540) 382-6120 ext. 1130 or by email at [awarren@christiansburg.org](mailto:awarren@christiansburg.org) with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.



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# RADFORD SPORTS

## COVID takes down RU men's basketball

**Marty Gordon**  
*NRV@sports@ourvalley.org*

The Gardner-Webb at Radford University men's basketball series that had been scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 14, and Friday, Jan. 15, was postponed due to a COVID-related pause in the Highlanders program. This comes on the heels of the Radford women's program's being temporarily shut down twice over the past two months.

The series, which had been slated for a national ESPN audience, will be rescheduled for later this season.

While the university as a whole had not commented on the status of individual players, staff and/or coaches, women's head coach Mike McGuire admitted he had a COVID incident during their shutdown.

The men's program showed some transparency in stating that Radford-native Quinton Morten-Robertson had been sitting out for the past two weeks as part of COVID protocol.

The percentage per population of positive COVID cases has been on a downward trend, but no one is predicting whether that will continue.

As of Wednesday, the Montgomery County public school system had hoped to finally begin winter sports this coming Monday, Jan. 18.

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) are following the "Return to Play Criteria" approved late last year. In addition, they are using the Virginia High School Phase III Guidelines as they continue to see high numbers of positive cases that have not been trend-

ing down for the past two weeks.

"We continue to look at those numbers and monitor them as we move forward," said Danny Knott, the school system's Human Resource Director.

The "MCPS Return to Play Criteria" was approved by Region VI superintendents from Allegheny, Covington, Craig, Botetourt, Roanoke County, Roanoke City, Salem, Montgomery, Floyd, Franklin, Patrick, Henry, Martinsville, Pittsylvania and Danville.

A "Let Them Play" effort has gained momentum as a Facebook page has advocated for measures to change. Currently, Montgomery County athletes are allowed to practice, but none have seen competition as of yet.

The timetable comes at a critical point for winter sports as fall sports are scheduled to begin practice in early February.

Under the county plan, the school system looks at the numbers and determines on a weekly basis whether they are playing.

If and when Montgomery County sports do start up, basketball players will be required to wear masks during competition, making Montgomery one of only two localities to do so.

Under the current plan, the school system is requiring all competition participants to be screened including temperature checks before entering the school facility. Also, county schools will not allow spectators to attend athletic or academic competition.

In between any indoor jayvee and varsity competitions and middle school games, the gym will be cleared and sanitized.

## Radford girls celebrate senior night with defeat of Giles



**Senior Maggie Turk drives in for a layup in Monday night's 58-51 win over Giles. Radford High School held senior night that included recognition of Turk and her parents before the game.**



**Senior Makenzie Page dribbles past a defender in the Bobcats' 58-51 win. Page finished with four points and eight rebounds. Laney Cline led the Bobcats with 21 points and 12 rebounds.**



**Senior Bobcat cheerleader Aubrey Nolan was among those recognized at halftime of senior night Monday.**

PHOTOS BY BRYANT ALTIZER

## ACC announces schedule changes for women's basketball

GREENSBORO, N.C. (theACC.com) - The Atlantic Coast Conference recently announced changes to its women's basketball schedule, including postponements, rescheduled games and adjustments to tip-off times.

The Pitt at Notre Dame game scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 14, has been postponed with Pitt remaining in the COVID protocol. Each program is adhering to the outlined protocols within the ACC

Medical Advisory Group report, which is available on theACC.com.

The league also announced four rescheduled games following postponements earlier in the season. Miami will travel to Louisville on Jan. 26, Virginia and Virginia Tech will meet on Feb. 2, Miami will visit Georgia Tech on Feb. 16 and Florida State will travel to Louisville on Feb. 23.

The full 2020-21 ACC women's basketball schedule can be found on

theACC.com. The adjusted league schedule now sets up as follows: Thursday, Jan. 14: Pitt at Notre Dame (Postponed); Tuesday, Jan. 26: Miami at Louisville, 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Feb. 2: Virginia at Virginia Tech, 6 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 7: Wake Forest at Georgia Tech, noon (new tip time), Syracuse at Pitt, 2 p.m. (new tip time); Tuesday, Feb. 16: Miami at Georgia Tech, noon; Tuesday, Feb. 23: Florida State at Louisville, 2 p.m.

## Former Hokie pops the question on NFL field

**Brian Hoffman**  
*bhoffman@ourvalley.org*

While 2020 was a terrible year for many, Craig County native Carly Whiting and former Virginia Tech football standout Wyatt Teller will have at least two very good memories: On Dec. 21, they got engaged on the Cleveland Browns' NFL field, and Teller, an offensive lineman, helped clear a path for the team's best season in 26 years.

"We're so excited, he proposed to me in the coolest way," said Whiting, a 2009 graduate of Craig County High School. Whiting's mom, Melissa, is the principal at Craig County High, and her dad, Bud, is a well-known figure in the county as well.

The video of the proposal was shown on ESPN as Teller proposed on the 50-yard line of FirstEnergy Stadium. Whiting had suspected something was up when Teller had asked for her ring size not long before the proposal.

"We had talked about our future, but I thought something might happen after the season," Whiting said. "I was getting ready to come back to Virginia for Christmas, and he had a half day of practice on that Monday. We were on our way to a Christmas party, and I almost wore a 'Santa Baby' sweater. I'm glad I didn't."

The Browns' practice facility is about a 20-minute drive from the stadium. Teller told Whiting he left something at the stadium and had to drive there to pick it up.

"It was super believable," she said. "He's somewhat hyper and he's done that before. He told me the security guard at the stadium only had a certain window when he could let him in and we had to be there at that time. That's happened before."

The security guard let them in, and Teller then es-

corted Whiting to the field. They walked to midfield, arm in arm, as the fan vision played a video that Whiting's older sister, Rachel, had made for the occasion. Rachel is also a Craig County graduate who is now a lawyer in Roanoke. When they got to midfield, Teller got down on one knee and proposed. An obviously emotional Whiting quickly accepted.

"Honestly, my reaction was so genuine," said Whiting, who could be seen hopping up and down with joy on the video.

And that was another win for the Browns, who have now added Whiting to the official family. She's been attending all the home games and some of the road games when the coronavirus pandemic guidelines allow. At the games, Whiting sits with some team family members near the tunnel where the Browns take the field. She's gained some new friends in the past two years, and Emily, the wife of 2017-Heisman-Trophy-winning quarterback Baker Mayfield, was one of the first to congratulate her when she broke the news on her Instagram account the following night.

"I'm a social butterfly so I've made some really good friends," she said. Teller and Whiting both went to Virginia Tech, but that's not where they met. Whiting attended football games but had no idea her future husband was wearing the maroon and orange in Lane Stadium.

"I went all the time but I never even noticed him," she said.

Teller is from Manassas, Va. He was a standout player for Liberty High School of Bealton and the now-6-4, 315-pound lineman chose the Hokies over 15 other FBS programs who offered him scholarships. He was in Frank Beamer's last recruit-

ing class, recruited as a defensive end.

"He's very proud of being in Coach Beamer's last class," said Whiting. "He told me the story of Bud Foster coming to his house, and that was very exciting for him."

Teller didn't disappoint in Blacksburg. After moving to the offensive line, he was named to the All-ACC first team, and his senior year he was the runner-up for the Jacobs Blocking Trophy, given to the top lineman in the ACC. He was invited to the 2018 Senior Bowl.

Teller was drafted by the Buffalo Bills in the fifth round of the 2018 draft. It was about that time that he first met his future fiancée.

"We met through a friend in Blacksburg," she said. "He had just gotten drafted by the Bills and was training for football."

Teller opened the 2018 NFL season as a backup guard but earned a starting spot by Week 10, starting the final seven games for the Bills. The following year he went to camp in Buffalo, but on Aug. 29, 2019, just before the season, he was traded to Cleveland for two draft picks. He became a starter in Cleveland by mid-season, and for the past year and a half he has been a key member of the Browns' heralded running game, one of the best in the NFL.

Whiting moved to Cleveland in 2019 to be with Teller, and the two have grown to enjoy the city by Lake Erie. It's a little colder than Virginia, but "Wyatt doesn't mind the cold," she said. "We love it here. The city loves the Browns, and he's really excited about the team. It's a cool city."

In the past two years, the Browns have turned things around. They had the longest streak of not making the NFL playoffs prior to their win over Pittsburgh on

January 3 in Cleveland. That clinched a wild-card berth and gave them an 11-5 regular season record, their best since they were also 11-5 in 1994. They've won more than 11 games in the regular season only four times, and three of them were in the old All-American Football Conference from 1946 to 1948 with Otto Graham at quarterback. The Browns didn't join the National Football League until 1950.

While the Browns struggled with a dozen straight losing seasons prior to this year, the Cleveland fans never lost faith. "Believeland" has always been a football town, and when Pittsburgh failed to make a two point conversion in the waning minutes of a 24-22 win on the last Sunday of the regular season, the Browns punched their ticket to the playoffs.

"It was very exciting," Whiting said. She was joined at the game by Northside High graduate Samantha Bailey. Both Whiting and Bailey were outstanding volleyball players in high school and played on the same travel team. Bailey now works in the marketing department for the Detroit Lions, so it wasn't a long trip to join Whiting in Cleveland for the game. Bailey had previously worked for the Salem Red Sox baseball team and for NASCAR in Miami.

Sunday night, the Browns won their first playoff game since 1994, defeating the hated Steelers 48-37. Cleveland scored 28 first-quarter points, an NFL-playoff record. The win broke a string of 17 straight losses by the team in Pittsburgh.

Since the Browns won that 1994 playoff game, the franchise has moved to Baltimore to become the Ravens, and Cleveland then returned to the NFL as an expansion team in 1999.

"I never realized how big a



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**Former Virginia Tech and current Cleveland Brown Wyatt Teller popped the question to his longtime girlfriend, Carly Whiting, on the field of the NFL team in December.**

rivalry this is," Whiting said. "They hate the Steelers in Cleveland."

This Sunday the Brown, one of only eight teams still alive in the playoffs, will play the defending champion Kansas City Chiefs at 3:05 p.m. in Kansas City.

Teller has been named to the Associated Press All-NFL second team at right guard. During Sunday's telecast, analyst Cris Collinsworth called Teller the best guard in football, and with a fiancé who plays in the NFL, Carly has picked up some knowledge about the game. She really can't avoid it.

"I cared about football when I was at Tech, and now all Wyatt's meetings are on Zoom and I can hear them," she said. "It's hard not to hear football talk around here."

Because of the pandemic, Teller couldn't train at the Browns' facility during the summer. Instead, he came to Roanoke and trained with Ryan Shuman, a former offensive guard for the Hokies who is now a member of their strength and conditioning staff.

"He trained with Ryan in his garage with just the basic resources," Whiting said. "Ryan's amazing, and he's one of the reasons Wyatt was one of the top guards in the league this year."

COVID-19 struck Whiting during the fall, but Teller was able to dodge that bullet. In fact, Browns' coach Kevin Stefanski and several

players and coaches missed the playoff game because of COVID.

"After the Nashville (in December) game, I bit into a cheeseburger and I couldn't taste it, so I knew something was wrong," Whiting said. "I spent 14 days in the house and lost my taste and smell, then I got a fever and was fatigued. I was wiped out."

Having missed the virus, Teller was taken off the watch list in time to play in the big games against the Steelers. He had missed two previous games with an ankle injury.

Teller has one more year on his rookie contract and then figures to cash in big as one of the top guards in the NFL. Teller and Whiting say they would love to remain in Cleveland. She's working for a salon there, they have a puppy, and they are happy in the city by the lake.

Meanwhile back in Craig County, the Whitings are excited to be adding Teller to the family. It's been a tough time for them as Melissa has been coping with the pandemic and Bud has been battling a case of Rocky Mountain spotted fever that has affected his health. Their daughter's good news was very welcome.

"We're excited," said Melissa. "Wyatt is a really good guy and very humble. He's a Virginia boy and he fits right in. We love him."

And, with good reason, so do the Browns.





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