



A team effort continues to feed families in Radford



PHOTO BY JENNY RIFFE

Radford City Public Schools staff member Josh Green (left) and RCPS Superintendent Rob Graham load chocolate milk onto a school bus on the first day of food distribution in a partnership with Radford-Fairlawn Daily Bread that will provide food to adults in the households of students receiving weekly meals from the school system.

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RADFORD - Radford City Schools has been focused on food insecurity among its students for years with programs like summer feeding efforts, the addition of breakfast and more, and that focus has been amplified since the pandemic took children

out of classrooms for months on end. Weekly meal distributions began rolling out when schools shut down and the volunteer organization Bobcat Backpacks kept its weekly food program going strong as well. Now, parent or caregivers in the homes receiving food distribution are getting meals as well, thanks to a new partnership with Radford-Fairlawn Daily Bread.

The first delivery of "Ueat2" food boxes for adults in families in the RCPS community went out last week and will continue each Wednesday with the student food distribution, which takes place through school buses traveling the normal bus routes and giving out food along the way.

"Thank you to our Radford City Public Schools bus drivers and cafeteria staff who deliver food to our students every week," said Radford City School Board Member and Bobcat Backpacks co-founder Jenny Riffe. "Thank you also to Radford-Fairlawn Daily Bread who have started a new program to deliver food boxes to our parents on the RCPS food delivery buses.

"What an amazing community," reads a post by Daily Bread. "Thank you to Rob Graham, Connie Woods, RCPS bus drivers and all of the great volunteers who made the first day of Ueat2 food box delivery a success. We delivered 62 boxes with food for up to 434 easy to prepare meals. We also welcomed 10 additional families to the program for delivery next Wednesday. We appreciate the kindness and dedication of the community that cares for our neighbors."

Anyone in need of a parent food box should contact Dora Butler at director@radfordfairlawnbread.org.

NRCC to offer online music course

New River Community College will offer an online music class, Music in Society (MUS 121), as a 10- and a 7-week course spring semester.

The 10-week course begins online March 1; the 7-week course begins online March 22.

The music course will be taught by Dr. Louise Billaud, NRCC professor of music and concert pianist in residence who has trained in the United States and France. In 2014, she received the Outstanding Faculty Award by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, earned a doctorate of musical arts in music education from Boston University, and was honored by the National Association for Music Education with the award for Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation.

Billaud is a National Certified Teacher of Music of the Music Teachers National Association and was most recently recognized with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award and the Marquis Who's Who Top Educator and Top Artist award.

The course is transferable to four-year colleges and universities and explores the language of music through an introduction to basic elements, forms and styles across time. Students will become acquainted with composers' lives and influential creative individualities while discovering representative works and milestones in western society.

Music in Society will also be offered online during the summer session as will Fundamentals of Music.

The class schedule is available at www.nr.edu/schedule. Current NRCC students may register for classes online by visiting their student accounts. New students or those who may need additional support can reach out to an advisor by emailing advising@nr.edu or call (540) 674-3609.

For students who are new to online learning and for those in need of enhanced support services, NRCC has additional support services for remote and online learning available at www.nr.edu/remotesources.

Prospective NRCC students may visit www.nr.edu/register for enrollment information.



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Montgomery Museum exhibit reviews county history with 45 objects

The Montgomery Museum of Art & History at 300 Pepper St. in Christiansburg has a new exhibit with 45 objects in it that review all 245 years of Montgomery County history.

Titled "Montgomery County in 45 Objects: 1776-2021: 245 Years

of History" and inspired by similar exhibits in Richmond, Va., and the United Kingdom, this exhibition allows objects, both beautiful and mundane, to tell the Montgomery County story.

The 45 objects have been gathered from the museum's extensive

collection, through the courtesy of the Christiansburg Institute and through the generosity of private collectors who have loaned objects for this exhibit.

What were the interactions of English and German settlers with native people? On display is a 1790s ironstone platter once owned by the Harman family, who were among the county's earliest settlers. A Confederate sword made in Christiansburg, juxtaposed with slave shackles, helps bring the reality of slavery and the Civil War to life.

Commemorative pins from the opening of Route 11 and a horse doubletree (wagon harness) help to illustrate changes brought by new technology and how the methods of transportation have changed the county.

With a tangible link to the county's past, the objects elicit stories for discussion and thought. Central to the role of museums, objects such as the 45 on display in this exhibit celebrate, commemorate, and speak for those who came before.

The exhibit will be on display through December.



A new exhibit at the Montgomery Museum of Art & History uses 45 objects to tell the stories of the county's 245 years of history.

Itty Bitty Book Sale, browsing and more still available at the library



Two shoppers stock up on books during their in-house browsing appointment at the Radford Public Library. The Itty Bitty Book Sale offers great deals on books and supports the Lamplighters.

RADFORD - RPL continues to offer in-house browsing by appointment and patrons can browse a smaller version of the library's book sale during their visit.

"We know many of you have been missing the quarterly Lamplighters Book Sale," reads information from the RPL. "While it is difficult to safely arrange a book sale of typical scope, please know that the Itty Bitty Book Sale is still up and running! That's right, you can still get great deals on books and support the library during your Library Browsing appointments with hardbacks for \$1,

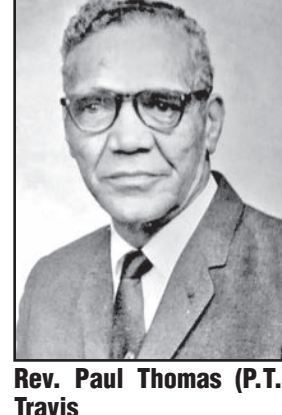
and paperbacks for \$0.50. Additionally two more tables worth of fiction, inspiration and wellness books have been added to increase shopping choices! Help support our Lamplighters and shop when you can.

"Browsing appointments are available on the hour for up to a half-hour. Masks are required, and temperatures are taken at the door. We'll ask a few COVID health screening questions and reserve your time slot. Reservations are taken for families, friends and small groups (less than 10). Call us at 540 731-3621 to schedule your appointment."

Honoring Black History Month in Radford



Donald Wayne Snell



Rev. Paul Thomas (P.T.) Travis

RADFORD - Throughout the month of February, Radford Mayor David Horton has been posting daily spotlights honoring Radford Black History Month. His latest honorees include an icon in the Civil Rights movement, a Radford High School Hall of Fame former NFL player and two sports teams.

He writes: "Friday, February 19, 2021 "Today in #radfordblack-history we go back to the early 80s at Radford High School when the dominant force in Bobcat sports was Donald Wayne Snell.

"Few people have the raw talent of Mr. Snell. Basically, if there was something he attempted, he mastered it. I had the pleasure of watching him play basketball and football and he was electric. Speed, power, and an instinct for success made him THE player to watch under Friday night lights.

"Following his graduation from RHS, he set records with Virginia Tech football that still stand to this day. He is considered one of their all-time greats.

"In 1987, he made it to the Seattle Seahawks in the NFL - a feat that only about

.09% of athletes ever accomplish.

"His legacy continues in the NRV as his son and nephew have been stars on the field at the High School and Collegiate level.

"Donald Wayne Snell was in the inaugural Radford High School Sports Hall of Fame and his legend lives large among those of us who witnessed his talent.

"Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021: "Today in #radfordblack-history we are proud to feature one of the best teams in Radford softball history.

"First, a bit of a backstory. From the 1960s through the 1980s, softball was an insanely popular sport in Radford and around the nation. There was a church league, business league, city rec league and many exhibition games - men's, women's, co-Ed, youth, etc. When the weather was warm, folks in Radford were playing softball on one of more than a dozen fields around the city.

"At one time, teams were segregated, some even playing in different leagues. That began to change in the late 60s.

"We believe that this

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 24:
Introduction to Cross Stitch: Virtual - From 2 to 3 p.m. at the Blacksburg Library. This class is perfect for everyone who always wanted to learn to cross stitch but didn't know where to start. This class will teach such basics as creating the basic stitches and how to follow patterns to create beautiful designs. There will even be some history. Email Sally at sttauffer@mfrl.org for information about attending this virtual meeting.

Friday, Feb. 26:
Teen Creative: Jewelry Making - 1 p.m. at the Montgomery Floyd Regional Library online. This month's teen creative video will cover jewelry making, providing tips, tricks, and more.

Saturday, Feb. 27:
Outdoor Book Sale - From 10

a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Blacksburg Library weather permitting. Prices are \$5 for a bag of books or \$1 for hardbacks and \$.50 for paperbacks. Gift books will be available for \$2 each. Call the library for more details and to confirm that the sale will be held.

Sunday, Feb. 28:
Blacksburg Disc Golf Fundraiser - This is a two-division trophy-only event. The course has been modified into a temporary 16-hole tournament layout. Registration is \$30 and will include a two-disc player pack. The money raised will be used to reimburse the cost of the installation of the new tee pads at Blacksburg Municipal Park. This is a tee-time event. Final tee times will be posted on the event page after registration closes on the evening of Friday, Feb. 26. Arrive at least 15 minutes before your designated tee

time to check in. To register, visit www.discgolfscene.com/tournaments/Blacksburg_Municipal_Disc_Golf_Fundraiser_2021.

Through Friday, March 5:
Blacksburg free curbside brush collection - The Town of Blacksburg is offering free curbside brush collection for snow and ice storm related vegetative debris through March 5. Residents are required to call public works at 540-443-1200 to request a special pickup, and collections will be done in the order they are received. Requests will be taken until Friday March 5, and will be limited to one pickup per household. Pickups will be limited to one dump truck load (10'x7'x3') per location per pickup date. To be picked up, the brush should be cut into lengths no greater than seven feet and no greater than six inches in diameter and

should be stacked outside and away from any fencing, mailboxes, shrubbery, lampposts, or any other structure or obstacles that may be damaged by town equipment.

Tuesday, March 16:
Radford Reads with Monica Rodden - Join the Radford Public Library at 6:30 p.m. for a Zoom conversation with Monica Rodden, author of "Monsters Among Us." Email Elizabeth at elizabeth.sensabaugh@radford-va.gov for details. The library has a limited number of free copies of this book to give away, so call ahead to reserve a copy while supplies last.

Ongoing:
StoryWalk - All month of February at the Christiansburg Library. Exercise your brain and body as you read and walk the trail.

The walk begins at the library at the College Street entrance of Downtown Park. This month's book is "The Big Red Barn."

Through Friday, March 5:
Glencoe Mansion "2020 in Review" Art Show - The show features the works of artists Cheryl Mackian, the Radford Photo Club, and Teresa Regil, whose works all appeared in the Gallery during 2020. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

Through Saturday, April 24:
'Unbearable Beauty' Exhibit at Moss Arts Center - The exhibit is open each Wednesday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. through Saturday, April 24. The exhibit is a demonstration of the devastation human activity has wreaked on the environment. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

Local college students receive honors, degrees

Blacksburg's Allen Briggs named to dean's list
Allen Briggs of Blacksburg was named to the dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology for the 2020 fall semester. Briggs is in the game design and development program.

Undergraduate students are eligible for the dean's list if their GPA is greater than or equal to 3.40 for nine credits of traditionally graded coursework; they do not have any grades of "Incomplete," NE, D, or F; and they have registered for, and completed, at least 12 credit hours.
Rochester Institute of Technology is home to leading creators, entrepreneurs, innovators, and researchers. Founded in 1829, RIT enrolls about 18,600 students in more than 200 career-oriented and professional programs, making it among the largest private universities in the U.S.

Riner's Jessica Musselman named to president's list at Freed-Hardeman
Jessica Musselman, a junior biochemistry major from Riner, was named to the president's list for the fall semester at Freed-Hardeman University.

To be on the President's List, a student must be full-time and have a 4.0 grade point average. The mission of Freed-Hardeman University is to help students develop their God-given talents for His glory by empowering them with an education that integrates Christian faith, scholarship and service. With locations in Henderson, Memphis and Dickson, Tenn., FHU offers bachelors, masters, specialists

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Black History

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Caesar's Cleaners softball team

team was the first city league team comprised of African American women. They dominated play for several years. Records are spotty so if someone has additional information, please share it. "They were sponsored by Caesar's Cleaners, a black owned business on Tyler Avenue which we will be featuring next week. "A big thank you to Earnest Hayden (Pugie) and Earnest Hayden for help with the picture and the

names. Players on softball team: Bottom Row, left to right: Zaida Ward, Kim Snell, Janet Charlton, Lois Snell, Ellen Ferguson. Top row: Paula Rollins, Harriet Clark, Brenda Grubbs, Lulabelle Lewis, Ann Hayden, Candy Adams, Carolyn McNeil, Doris Day "Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021: "As we continue to celebrate #BlackHistoryMonth with stories about #Radford-BlackHistory we would like to say thank you to all the

folks who have reached out with suggestions for profiles and pictures. "There was such a positive response to the pipe shop band picture last week and the softball team photo yesterday, we found another photo to tell the story of sports and the pipe shop (foundry) as well. "John Barksdale compiled the Images of America book for Radford and this picture and story appears there. "During the era of seg-



Radford Pipe Works baseball team

regation, blacks were not permitted to compete with whites in organized sporting events. Some private companies organized and supported leagues of African American teams, such as the Radford Pipe Works, whose baseball team won the southwest Virginia championship in 1920. The pipe works, also know as the Lynchburg Foundry, sponsored African American teams through the 1950s. These clubs had quite a following of fans through the years. (Courtesy of the Ken and Jane Farmer Collection.) "Prior to softball being such a big activity in Radford, it was baseball. Radford even hosted a professional team for a very short period of time - the Rockets. I will have a short profile on

that team as we approach baseball's opening day. "It would be great to share other pictures of Radford teams and trophies that might be in some family collections. "Monday, Feb. 22, 2021: "Today in #Radford-BlackHistory we salute a leader who moved the world from the streets and the pulpit in Radford and around the Nation. "Paul Thomas (PT.) Travis was a pastor, serving many years with Zion Hill Baptist Church in Radford as well as many other congregations. "Reverend Travis was also active with the Civil Rights Movement, helping champion the cause for equity in our communities and participating in national events with Dr.

Martin Luther King Jr. "He served on several local, state, and national church boards and assisted public organizations that attended to the well-being of all people. "He received a Bachelor of Theology (BTh) degree as well as an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the Virginia Seminary and College. "A devout leader, he paved the way in our community for many future leadership roles among his colleagues and peers and those who followed in their footsteps. "P.T. Travis Avenue in Radford is named in his honor. His legacy looms large in our community. "Thank you to Sarah Carter for her help in featuring Rev. Travis today."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Ancient Persian city

5. Spindles

11. Stake

12. Retrain

16. Close by

17. Commercial

18. One who publicly announces

19. American ballplayer

24. Junior's father

25. Go up or climb

26. Concern

27. When you hope to get there

28. Iacocca and Oswald are 2

29. Plant of the lily family

30. Male college organization

31. National capital

33. Raccoonlike animal

34. Symbols of fertility

38. Astronomy unit

39. Series of ridges in anatomy

40. Hebrew leader

43. A portent of good or evil

54. Supreme goddess

45. Gelatinous substance

49. Engage in a contest

50. Famed ballplayer Ruth

51. Pledge

53. -, denotes past

54. Revival

56. Spanish surname

58. Gold

59. Elsa's sister

60. Workplace

63. Large quantity of something

64. Engraved

65. Discount

CLUES DOWN

1. Shoe

2. Disquiet

3. Posture

4. Large nests

5. Soviet "Second Symphony" composer

6. Joins 2 pipes of different diameter

7. Exist

8. Overdose

9. Pleat of fabric

10. Predict the future

13. Burgeoning technology

14. Having made a valid will

15. Having no fixed course

20. route

21. Lethal dose

22. Indian musical pattern of notes

23. Athlete

27. Geological times

29. Atomic #21

30. In support of

31. Brew

32. Certificate of insurance

33. Taxi

34. Type of saying

35. For cigars

36. Phil __, former CIA

37. Local area network

38. Gym class

40. Philippine Island

41. Not great or bad

42. Eastern part of NY state

44. Gov't lawyers

45. Constructions

46. Former British gold coin

47. Unkeyed

48. Rechristen

50. Threaten persistently

51. Southeast

52. Cools your home

54. Removes the leaves

55. Regretted

57. Thus

61. Relief organization (abbr.)

62. Exclamation of surprise

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Neko is a love bug. He prefers people to toys and he loves being petted. He's very sweet and is not shy to express himself, letting out purrs of joy when he feels happy and receives affection.

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Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education, WPI's pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world.

in dance; Annie Combs, who is majoring in media arts and design; Rachel Day, who is majoring in nursing; Alexander Dunn, who is majoring in nursing; Molly Helton, who is majoring in nursing; Jackson Packard, who is majoring in finance; Hettie Roberson, who is majoring in health sciences; Ryan Santa Maria, who is majoring in media arts and design; and Mariah Thompson, who is majoring in hospitality management.

Achieving dean's list honors from Christiansburg were Abby Caudle, who is majoring in dietetics; Shellie Cook, who is majoring in kinesiology; Destiny Gravely, who is majoring in communication studies; Elizabeth Humphreys, who is majoring in theatre; Jasmine Kitts, who is majoring in political science; Rachel Lloyd, who is majoring in communication sciences and disorders; Austin Mathews, who is majoring in marketing; and Jennifer Shaffer, who is majoring in health services administration.

Earning dean's list honors from JMU from Elliston was Naomi Hemphill, who is majoring in kinesiology.

Receiving dean's list recognition from Radford were Cailie Abate, who is majoring in interdisciplinary liberal studies; Ragan Hale, who is majoring in nursing; and Luke Henderson, who is majoring in integrated science and technology.

Christian Shushok of Blacksburg, son of Kelly and Frank X. Shushok, and Lexi Rader of Radford, daughter of Sara and Michael E. Rader, have been named to the dean's list at the University of the South, familiarly known as Sewanee, for the Fall 2020 term.

To earn a place on Sewanee's dean's list, a student must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.625 on a 4.0 scale.

The University of the South is an independent liberal arts college located on 13,000 acres atop Tennessee's Cumberland Plateau between Nashville and Chattanooga. It has been consistently ranked among the top tier of national liberal arts colleges.

Brandon DeLorenzo from Blacksburg in the College of Business and Chris Marks from Christiansburg in the College of Business have been named to the dean's list for the 2020 fall semester at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio.

To earn dean's list distinction, students at Ohio University must earn at least a 3.5 grade point average for the semester with a schedule of classes totaling at least 15 hours, 12 of which were taken for letter grades.

Renee Stewart from Blacksburg graduated with a Master of Arts (Organizational Communication) from Ohio University's Scripps College of Communication in the fall of 2020.

More than 2,300 students graduated with bachelor's, master's or doctorate degrees from Ohio University for the fall semester.

The graduates represented many areas of the United States and an abundance of countries, including China, India, Saudi Arabia, Peru and Canada.

Cameron Earle of Blacksburg, a member of the class of 2024 majoring in robotics engineering, was named to the dean's list at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) for the fall 2020 semester.

The global leader in project-based learning, WPI is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems.

Michael Joseph Joyce of Blacksburg was named to The University of Alabama president's list for fall 2020.

The Alabama dean's and president's lists recognize full-time undergraduate students.

The University of Alabama, the state's oldest and largest public institution of higher education, is a student-centered research university that draws the best and brightest to an academic community committed to providing a premier undergraduate and graduate education.

Twenty-one local students earned dean's list recognition for the 2020 fall semester at James Madison University.

Achieving dean's list honors from Blacksburg were Allison Brauns, who is majoring in intelligence analysis; Emily Clark, who is majoring

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Currently on display at the Floyd Center for the Arts is its ninth annual New Voice: Emerging Artists Exhibit, which welcomes the work of 11 new voices to the regional artists' community, including artists from Christiansburg, Radford and Blacksburg.

The center is located at 220 Parkway Lane South, Floyd, one-half mile south of the stop-light on Route 8.

The exhibit will remain on display through Saturday, April 3.

Each year the center invites regional university art instructors to recommend current and former students who are either just starting along their artistic paths or who are somehow changing their artistic journey in a significant way.

This year's referrals came from Radford University, Virginia Tech, New River Community College, and Floyd-based ceramic artist Silvie Granatelli.

The 2021 list of invited artists in the New Voice: Emerging Artists Exhibit is as follows:

Zach Blevins-Goad

of Christiansburg. Referred by Stuart Robinson of Radford University.

Kevin Meredith of Christiansburg. Referred by Stuart Robinson of Radford University.

Isabella Linkous of Radford. Referred by Stuart Robinson of Radford University.

Jack Miles of Radford.
Referred by Stuart Robinson of Radford University.

Alejandra Moral of Blacksburg. Referred by Stuart Robinson of Radford University.

Charlotte Middleton
of Floyd. Referred by Sil-
vie Granatelli.

Noah Bower of Floyd.
Referred by Tammy Parks
of New River Commu-
nity College.

Bobbie Rhea Daniels
of Bedford. Referred by
Jennifer Hand of Virginia
Tech.

Alexandra Leonetti of Dublin. Referred by Stuart Robinson of Radford University.

Brittiany Rorrer of Barren Spring. Referred by Tammy Parks of New Riv-


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OBITUARIES

Alderman, Deborah Gale

Deborah Gale Alderman was born on July 31, 1959, in Christiansburg. She followed her twin sister, Dinah, into this world three minutes later. We may never know but we were always told, Dinah was born on 7/31 a minute before midnight and Deborah followed two minutes after midnight on 8/1/59 but the records were manipulated so they would share their birthday.

With the exception of a few years in Shawsville, she lived her life in the Town of Christiansburg, a place she loved. She always said the birth of her son, Kyle, was one of her greatest accomplishments. They shared a special bond and love for each other that many of us will never experience.

She worked many years as a weaver at New River Industries until the plant closed in 2007. She moved on to find rewarding work in the cafeteria at Christiansburg High School as well as at Food Lion in the deli, making and decorating cakes and assisting customers at the counter. She enjoyed making and decorating cakes for special occasions, especially for friends and their family members. How fortunate were we to have shared a bite of something she made with love.

She was rewarded by her work doing crafts and teaching in children's church. She loved traveling with family and friends and found many memories in her trips to Hawaii, Arizona, California, Florida, Canada, Midwest locations and several trips to New York City where she took in Broadway plays, Yankee baseball games, various museum visits and the



best pizza by the slice in Penn Station. She also made memorable trips, to name a few, to Pigeon Forge, Dollywood and Disney World with Kyle.

Deborah nurtured many long-term friendships. She felt their sincere love over the years and kindness till the end. Due to COVID, she could only have visits at the window, but that never faded her many friends who were there over and over. Deborah was a good-hearted woman and was dearly loved and will be missed.

She is survived by her son, Kyle G. Maynard, and his girlfriend, Alexis; her sister, Dinah Alderman Rengel, and brother-in-law David Rengel of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Deborah was preceded in death by her loving parents, Dale and Maisie (Lynch) Alderman, and a sister, Linda Cox.

Special thanks go to Carilion Hospice, who gave Deborah the precious love and respect she deserved. She also appreciated the special Santa visit by the Christiansburg Fire and Police departments during the Christmas holiday. Thanks also to Sowder's Chapel, a congregation of family who were very close to her.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Christiansburg Fire Department or the Elliston Fire Department. For virtual service, please go to the Sowder's Chapel Facebook page on Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021, at 2 p.m. for a live stream service. Services will be available to view later.

Arrangements are with Horne Funeral Home & Crematory 540-382-2612.

Alderman, Freda Dixon

Freda Dixon Alderman went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Feb. 18, 2021, at 7:30 a.m.

Freda had struggled for several years with health issues. Her husband of 58 years, Albert (Sammy) Alderman, was with her for her passing.

Freda was preceded in death by her parents, Glen Dixon and Dolly Woods Dixon, as well as several sisters, brothers, nieces and nephews.

Freda is survived by her lifelong husband, Albert (Sammy) Alderman; daughters Vicky L. Boothe/John Precht and Tina A. Whetzel; grandsons Steven L. Minnick/Amanda Min-



nick and Zane W. Whetzel/Emily Story; granddaughter Samantha J. Whetzel/Tyler Bailey; great-grandsons Bryant Minnick, Zander Whetzel and Dawson Henry; great-granddaughter Hadleigh Sutherland; special grandsons Jacob Minnick and Jacob Barker; special granddaughter Sarah Rakes; her sister and her husband, Irene and Harry Neece; as well as many other nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

Funeral services were at McCoy Funeral Home in Blacksburg on Saturday, Feb. 20. Interment followed in Huffville Cemetery in Floyd.

Churchwell, Vatina Saunders

Vatina Saunders Churchwell, 50, of Radford, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021.

She is survived by her husband, Leon Jose Churchwell; her children, Nikita Grant Furrow and Kareem Grant; her mother, Jennifer Saunders; her father, Leonard (Kat) Saunders; her sisters, Alveria M. Saunders, Juanita (Eric) Saunders Penn, and Marchelle (Tommy) Saunders; a brother, Leonard Earl Saunders, Jr.; grandchildren (her bunny rabbits); a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends; and her dog, Oreo.

The family with grateful hearts expresses



our profound appreciation for the many kind expressions extended to us in our hour of sorrow by so many friends. It is with sincere gratitude that we accept your kind words, your prayers, your visits, messages, gifts, food, cards of condolence, flowers and all other acts of kindness. You will always be remembered and cherished in our hearts. May God bless each of you.

Services will be held at a later date. The Churchwell family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.

Gunter, Sharon Diane

Sharon Diane Gunter, 73, of Dublin, passed away Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021.

Per her request, no services will be held at this time.

The Gunter family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford. www.mullinsfuneralhome.com.

Hypes, Mary Frances

Mary Frances Hypes, 99, of Newport, went to her heavenly home on Feb. 19, 2021.

She was born on June 8, 1921 in Abney, W.Va. She was the first of seven children of the late Henry Clarence and Nannie Mae Heavener Hypes.

She made her home on the family farm in the Spruce Run community and graduated from Newport High School in 1939 as valedictorian of her class, and from Virginia Tech with honors and was employed by the Giles County Public School System for 40 years.

Frances was an excellent school teacher and taught at Eggleston and Newport high schools before becoming librarian at Giles High School. A faithful follower of Christ, she was a member of the Newport Lutheran Church and attended Oak View Christian Church where she taught a Sunday school class for many years. She loved to grow beautiful flowers and also had a love for music, playing the piano and singing with her sisters.

Five loving girls, great great-nieces Marin and Lydia Hypes and next door neighbors Molly, Anna and Lacey Morris brought her much joy with their many visits. Frances was a loving aunt to all her nephews and nieces, who all called her "Mamie."

She was preceded in death by three brothers, William Henry, Alva Virgil and Kelly Edward Hypes; a sister, Hilda Hypes Decker; a brother-in-law, Charles D. Decker; and sisters-in-law, Lorraine Rasnake Hypes and Charlsie Hypes Smith.

She leaves to cherish her memory two sisters, Dorothy Jean and Ruth Inez Hypes; nephews and nieces Allen and Tammy Hypes, Eddie and Robin Hypes, Kathy and John Pennington, Lisa and Gordy Sachs and Tammy and J.D. Olinger; great-nephews and nieces Nathan Hypes, David and Kristen Hypes, Brady Hypes and Anne, Stephen and Tanya Hypes, Eric and Jessica Pennington, Michael and Erica Pennington, Adam and Kersten Sachs, Brandon Harvey, Brandy Sachs,

Kelley Olinger, and Casey Olinger; three great-great nephews, eight great-great nieces, and numerous other friends and neighbors whom we sincerely thank for their love, kindness, prayers and help.

To Hadassah Simmons, Dawn Norris, and Chelsey DiRico, we will forever be grateful. We also thank the Newport Volunteer Rescue Squad for their help and kindness.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2021, in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Gary McCoy officiating. Interment followed in Westview Cemetery. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

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Flanagan, Elizabeth Anne "Betsy"

Elizabeth Anne "Betsy" Flanagan, 68, of Blacksburg, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021, at her home in the Catawba Valley.

She was born in Belle Vernon, Penn. to the late Thomas and Julia D. Flanagan.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, H. Michael Mitchell, and their beloved Great Danes, Hunter, Scarlett, Beauregard, and Rufus.

Betsy was an avid learner throughout her lifetime and was a proud member of the Monongahela Valley Catholic High School class of 1970. She continued her education at Bethany College, earning her bachelor's degree with magna cum laude distinction in Spanish. She also earned her master's degree in social work/gerontology from the University of West Virginia and her Ph.D. in higher education with minors in law and graduate business from the University of Virginia.

An educator, she always made time to mentor young professionals at all stages of her career.

Betsy served as Vice President in Personal Trust at SunTrust Bank in Richmond, Assistant Vice President for Development and Director of Individual and Major Planned Gifts for the University of Virginia, and retired as the Vice President for Development and University Relations at Virginia Tech, standing at the helm of the university's first successful one billion dollar fundraising campaign.

Accomplished, compassionate, altruistic, undaunted and fun, Betsy would help anyone and worked to leave things better than she found them.



She ran marathons and loved travel, good wine, dancing, music, art, and dogs and had the most profound understanding of the power of relationships.

She leaves to celebrate her amazing legacy her village: Angela Hayes, Lee Rundquist, Andre

and Erran Smith, Luca and Patty Paschina, Beth Geraghty, Karen Wells, Julie Farmer, Kelly Mulroney, Theresa Norton, and Norman Blanchard her mother-in-law, Mrs. Mildred G. Mitchell; a devoted niece, Nyasi Kelley; special cousins Tommy Flanagan, Rosie Fiorill, and Katie Flanagan; mentor Dr. Annette Gibbs; neighborhood mother Mrs. Genevieve Ward; and a host of cousins, colleagues, friends, mentees, and members of the Hokie Nation who enriched her life.

The family offers our thanks to Dr. Benjamin Purow and his team at UVA for nearly 14 years of support and for the nurturing care she received in Blacksburg, allowing her to remain safe and happy at home.

Services are entrusted to McCoy Funeral Home in Blacksburg and will be held privately. Betsy will be laid to rest in Belle Vernon, Penn.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Virginia Tech Foundation, Inc., for the Betsy Flanagan Women in Leadership and Philanthropy Endowed Lecture Fund, 902 Prices Fork Road, Blacksburg, VA 24060 or to the Purow Laboratory/UVA Neuro-Oncology Fund c/o Erica Cook and Norman Tillman, UVA Division of Neuro-Oncology West Complex, 1215 Lee Street, Charlottesville, VA 22908.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:
Pursuant to the provisions of Section 98-94 of The Code of the City of Salem, Virginia, the Council of the City of Salem hereby gives notice that at the regular meeting of said Council to be held on March 8, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., in the Community Room, Salem Civic Center, 1001 Roanoke Blvd., Salem, Virginia, a public hearing will be held for the purpose of determining the number of public vehicles, taxicabs, and for hire cars for which certificates of public convenience and necessity shall be issued during the next year and for the purpose of determining to which person or persons such certificates shall be issued.
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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA
BY
H. Robert Light
Clerk of Council

PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Salem School Board will hold a public hearing for comment on the FY 2021-2022 budget on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. The hearing will begin at 5:30 PM at South Salem Elementary School, 1600 Carolyn Road, Salem, VA 24153. Any citizen of Salem who wishes to address the Board should contact Kathy A. Jordan, Clerk of the Board, at 389-0130 by Monday, March 8, in order to be placed on the agenda. Individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to bring a copy of their remarks for the record. In accordance with Board Policy KD, Public Participation in Board Meetings, individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to:
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The Board will continue its meeting from time to time thereafter, by adjournments, at and for such time or times, at the same place or such other place or places, as may be designed and deemed necessary by the Board to accomplish and complete its task of equalization of real estate assessments and to discharge the duties imposed by law upon the Board.

Said meeting will finally be adjourned on April 13th, 2021, unless the powers of the Board are extended by order of the circuit court for the City of Salem. The purpose of the Board meeting is to equalize property assessments in the City and to hear and give consideration to all complaints of any inequalities in such assessment so that the burden of real estate taxation shall rest equally upon all owners.

At its meeting, the Board will hear and decide all inequality protest complaints, whether made by property owners, the City, or any taxpayer, on appeal to this Board by property owners. The Board may equalize any assessment by raising, or lowering assessments fixed by the Assessor, in proper cases, in order to make assessments uniform in the City as far as practicable.

If you wish to discuss the assessment with the Board, call 375-3058 for an appointment by March 12th, 2021. The Assessor is required by law to prepare necessary papers for the Board and for the property owner who wants to appeal to the Board of Equalization.

Information pertaining to the Assessor's valuations, along with forms for appeal to the Board of Equalization may be obtained from the Assessor's office by calling (540) 375-3058, or online at www.salemva.gov.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION OF REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CITY OF SALEM

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia Va. Code Ann. §§ 8.01-316,-317
Case No. CL21000021-00
Pulaski County Circuit Court
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The object of this suit is to: obtain a divorce from the bond of matrimony from the Defendant on the grounds of living separate and apart for a period exceeding one year. It appearing by affidavit that the Defendant's last known address of residence was 1670 Spruce Drive, Christiansburg, Virginia 24073; that the Defendant's present whereabouts are unknown; and that diligence has been used by or on behalf of the Plaintiff to ascertain Defendant's whereabouts without effect; that the Plaintiff previously sought service of process on the Defendant at his last known address stated above; and the Sheriff of Montgomery County, Virginia has filed a return of service stating that the process has been in his hands for 21 days and that he has been unable to make service of process; it is ORDERED that the Defendant appear before this Court on or before April 15, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and protect his interest herein.

It is ORDERED that Robert William Long Jr. appear at the above-named court and protect his interests on or before April 15, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

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RADFORD SPORTS

Schedules change, stadium capacity, turtle power



**From the
Sidelines**

Marty Gordon

High school schedule changes

We knew it was going to happen. High school football schedules for this spring are a-changing. Initially, Christiansburg and Blacksburg had Hidden Valley and Cave Spring on their schedule. Well that changed when Roanoke County schools decided it was too dangerous to play outside their county. In came Floyd, Giles and Franklin County as replacements on the schedule.

Then when they were faced with the fact that they would not play enough required games to make the region football playoffs, the Roanoke County schools changed their minds again. So back in are Cave Spring and Hidden Valley, along with Glenvar on the Radford schedule. Also, Monday night's Radford game with Giles has been moved to April 9 as several of the Bobcat players are still playing basketball.

So here are the updated 2021 football schedules, subject, of course, to change:

Blacksburg Bruins
Tuesday, Feb. 23, at Salem; Sunday, Feb. 28, Patrick Henry; Friday, March 5, at Cave Spring; Friday, March 12 at Pulaski; Friday, March 19, Hidden Valley; Friday, April 2, Christiansburg.

Radford Bobcats
Friday, March 5, at James River; Friday, March 12, at Alleghany; Friday, March 19, Glenvar; Friday, March 26, Floyd; Friday, April 2, at Carroll County; Friday, April 9, Giles.

Christiansburg Blue Demons

Saturday, Feb. 27, Salem; Friday, March 5, Pulaski; Friday, March 12, at Hidden Valley; Friday, March 19, at Patrick Henry; Friday, March 26, Cave Spring; Friday, April 2, at Blacksburg.

Eastern Montgomery Mustangs

Monday, Feb. 22, Covington; Saturday, Feb. 27, Auburn; Saturday, March 6, at Bath County; Friday, March 13, Narrows; Saturday, March 20, at Bland; Friday, March 27, at Parry McCluer.

Auburn Eagles

Saturday, Feb. 27, at Eastern Montgomery; Saturday, March 6, Ft. Chiswell; Saturday, March 13, Grayson County; Saturday, March 20, George Wythe; Saturday, March 27, Galax; Saturday, April 3, Bland.

Fans in Lane Stadium

The Virginia Tech Athletic Department is already fielding questions about a return of the fans to Lane Stadium in the fall. In a statement issued late last week, the department said, "Virginia Tech Athletics recognizes that our fans and stakeholders have many questions regarding what federal, state, and local guidelines will look like in terms of seating capacity at Lane Stadium for the 2021 football season, especially in light of the March 1 season ticket renewal deadline. While the situation remains fluid, the department did want to share what we currently know."

"Tech Athletics remains hopeful that Hokie Nation can return to Lane Stadium in 2021 while keeping the health and safety of our student-athletes and fans in mind. In the meantime, the

athletics department staff is hard at work as sanitization enhancements in Lane Stadium are ongoing and include the installation of over 200 hand sanitizing stations, contactless concession options, preparation for socially distanced seating and lines and more."

The university said that if Lane Stadium's capacity continues to be limited, it will offer season ticket holders the same options were offered last fall: donate their ticket order purchase and/or per seat gift, credit their ticket purchase toward a prepaid account, or receive a refund on their ticket purchase and/or per seat gift future football game tickets.

If fans are permitted to attend football games this fall, 2021 Hokie Club members and season ticket holders will have priority access to tickets compared to the general public. More information on those priority groupings will be announced once the athletics department has some clarity on expectations for the fall.

Pulaski Turtle Power

The new Appalachian League continues to be reshaped with teams selecting new mascots in preparation for the upcoming season.

The league will have 10 teams sponsored by USA Baseball and powered by Major League Baseball. The players in the league will be the top 320 non-draft-eligible college freshmen and sophomores.

The new mascot for Pulaski's baseball franchise is Slider, the turtle. He will not replace the Motor Mile Park's Calfee mascot, Calfee the cow. Instead they will join forces for "turtle power."

The Bluefield Baseball Club of Bluefield, W.Va., has announced its new name, the Bluefield Ridge Runners. The 97-year history of baseball in Bluefield continues with the rebranding effort. More than 125 suggestions were submitted by fans and sponsors to rename the team for the future. That exhaustive list was pared down to five contenders, and the final decision was made after all legal hurdles had been cleared and artwork for the logo had been approved.

The new Ridge Runners name is reflective of the rich railroad history of the Bluefield area.

Bowen Field at Peters Park straddles the state line of Virginia and West Virginia as did the original namesake of the team.

The original Ridge Runner in 1964 circumnavigated a one-mile loop atop East River Mountain, half in Virginia and half in West Virginia. The little train now resides just outside the right field wall of Bowen Field. On warm summer days, spectators can see and hear excited passengers as the train makes its loop throughout Lottio Park.

Christiansburg wrestlers finish third in state



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Bryan Taylor (left) grinds his Wilson Memorial opponent Coby Sporse into the mat as they wrestled in Sunday's Class 3 state finals in the 220-pound class. Taylor would claim one of two state titles for the Blue Demons at the Salem Civic Center. As a team, Christiansburg finished third.



Aidan LaComa is Christiansburg's second state champion, winning in the 285-pound weight class. Luke Robie placed second in the state in the 138-lb. weight class.

VT's Mike Young named to College Coach of Year watch list

Virginia Tech men's basketball head coach Mike Young is one of 15 coaches who has been named to the Naismith Men's College Coach of the Year Late Season Watch List as announced by the Atlanta Tipoff Club.

A Radford native, Young is in his second season in Blacksburg and is one of only two coaches out of the ACC named to the prestigious list. FSU's Leonard Hamilton is the other.

Entering into the game on Tuesday night, Feb. 23, against Georgia Tech, the 18th-ranked Hokies were 14-4 overall, 8-3 in ACC play, and third in the conference standings with two weeks remaining in the regular season.

Tech has wins over four ranked wins this season, the most of any league team against ranked opponents: No. 3 Villanova, No. 24 Clemson, No. 19 Duke and No. 8 Virginia.

Young was named the 2019 Sporting News Coach of the Year after his Wofford Terriers went 30-5 and made it to the second round of the NCAA Tournament his final season in Spartanburg.

In addition to Young and Hamilton,


the coaches on the watch list are Casey Alexander (Belmont), Darian DeVries (Drake), Scott Drew (Baylor), Andy Enfield (USC), Mark Few (Gonzaga), Chris Holtmann (Ohio State), Juwan Howard (Michigan), Bob Huggins (West Virginia), Lon Kruger (Oklahoma), Porter Moser (Loyola-Chicago), Nate Oats (Alabama), Kelvin Sampson (Houston), and Shaka Smart (Texas).

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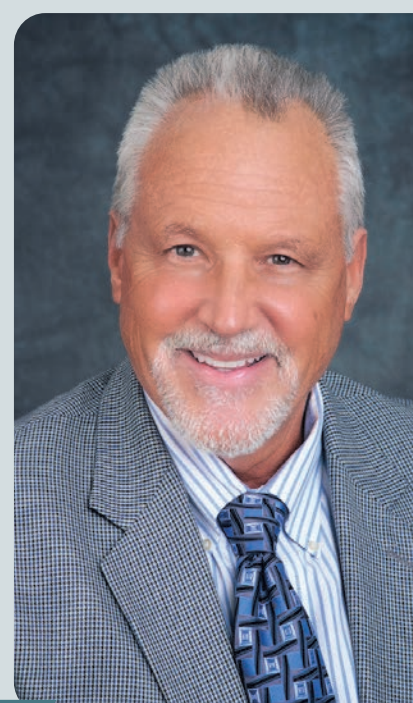
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RU softball player Sydney Fisher chosen as candidate for CLASS Award

Radford University senior softball player Sydney Fisher was named Thursday morning as one of 30 candidates from across the country for the 2021 Senior CLASS Award.

To be eligible for the award, a student-athlete must be classified as an NCAA Division I senior and must have notable achievements in four areas of excellence: community, classroom, character and competition.

Fisher has 106 hits and 52 runs scored through her first two seasons in a Radford uniform. She is on pace to have the highest career batting average in Radford history (currently .402). Her name is in the single-season record book for batting average (.396 – 2019 – T7) and (.421 – 2020 – 4th). She had 82 hits in 2019, ranking third in a single-season at Radford and was just 11 shy of topping the record book.

The Appling, Ga., native has an overall 4.0 GPA with a double major in biology and chemistry and an emphasis in biochemistry and animal studies. She was selected to be a part of the next collegiate organic chemistry textbook (ninth edition,

coming out in 2023). She has been on the dean's list every semester at Radford.

Fisher was recently accepted to LSU's veterinary school. She does research in soil sample analysis and aquatic insect identification and presented some of her research at Radford University's Winter Creative Activities and Research Days (CARD). She will present her newest research later in the year.

Fisher gives softball lessons at home to high school students and works camps at Radford. She did a dog supply drive back home, donating dog food during the winter times when people were in need after spending money on gifts rather than on dog food. She worked for nearly four years as a vet technician in Appling.

Fisher is involved with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) having started Radford University's softball chapter. She is a Huddle Leader for the Southeast FCA and leads a high school softball team in Bible study three to four days a week.

An acronym for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School, the Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities.

The 30 candidates will be narrowed to 10 finalists in March, and those 10 names will be placed on the official ballot. Ballots will be distributed through a nationwide voting system to media, coaches and fans, who will select the one candidate who best exemplifies excellence in the four Cs of community, classroom, character and competition.

The Senior CLASS Award winner will be announced during the 2021 Women's College World Series in June.



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RU's Sydney Fisher is one of 30 softball players nationally to be chosen as a candidate for the Senior CLASS Award.