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Radford Police offering civilian response and casualty care course

RADFORD – The Radford City Police Department is offering a free course to the public designed to give life-saving skills.

“This in-person course of Civilian Response and Casualty Care (CRCC) provides a coordinated effort through a ‘whole community approach’ to establish stakeholders within the community and empower citizens to become ‘Immediate Responders’ who do what they can, where they are, with what they have to work with until first responders arrive,” states a description of the class. “This course uses the basics of Avoid, Deny, and Defend to teach against an active attack, and also how to provide life-saving medical aid to the injured from the Stop the Bleed campaign.”

In a Stop the Bleed course, participants will learn three quick techniques to help save a life before

someone bleeds out: How to use your hands to apply pressure to a wound; how to pack a wound to control bleeding; and how to correctly apply a tourniquet.

These three techniques will empower participants to assist in an emergency and potentially save a life. The course is for people who are interested in learning this lifesaving skill. The course, by the American College of Surgeons, has trained over one million people including students, teachers, and community groups.

The second part of the course will teach participants the Avoid, Deny, and Defend method of self-defense. AVOID starts with individuals’ state of mind. They should pay attention to their surroundings. They should have an exit plan. They should move away from the source of the threat as quickly as possible, and the more distance and barriers

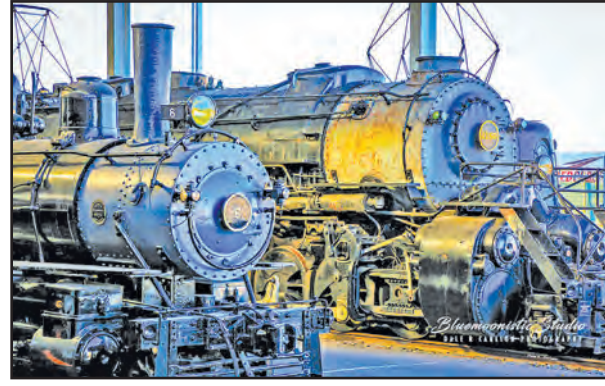
between them and the threat, the better.

DENY when getting away is difficult or maybe impossible. Persons keep distance between themselves and the source. Create barriers to prevent or slow down a threat from getting to them. Turn the lights off. Remain out of sight and quiet by hiding behind large objects and silencing their phones.

DEFEND because people have the right to protect themselves. Persons who cannot avoid or deny should be prepared to defend themselves. Be aggressive and committed to their actions. Do not fight fairly. This is about survival.

Persons interested in taking the course can sign up at www.radford.va.us. It will be held on Sept. 14, 2021, with the choice of a morning (8 a.m. until noon or an afternoon (1 p.m. to 5 p.m.) session.

Glencoe Mansion to host closing reception for “Mountain Rail Tales” gallery exhibit



Dale R. Carlson's "Big and Little"



Dale R. Carlson's "Iron Logging Horse"

RADFORD - Glencoe Mansion, Museum and Gallery will conclude its summer gallery exhibit “Mountain Rail Tales,” featuring the photography of Dale R. Carlson of Bluemoonistic Images, with a closing reception on Sun., Aug. 29, from 2 to 4 p.m.

All across the Appalachian Mountains, culture has been influenced by railroads, which created new communities like Radford, allowed new industries to flourish, and provided convenient transportation for residents. When the railroads ceased all passenger service in this region in the 60s and 70s, many depots were aban-

doned and the rails were removed. Many of these localities then struggled to find a new identity.

Fast forward to today and many of those same communities have implemented creative ways to reutilize their railroad heritage to benefit their local economies. “Mountain Rail Tales” explores these revitalized aspects of our rail heritage through imagery, evoking its former and current power.

Photographer Dale R. Carlson grew up in the waning days of passenger rail service and retained a strong fondness for that mode of travel with

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Radford Sheriff's Office hosts life skills camp



Radford Sheriff Mark Armentrout takes a photo with one of the more than 100 kids who attended the Radford City Sheriff's Office life skills camp, held last weekend in Bisset Park.



Radford City Sheriff's Office Deputy Charlie Burton hands out prizes at the life skills camp hosted last week by the sheriff's department.

RADFORD – More than 100 kids spent the weekend in Bisset Park learning everything from archery to car repair to law enforcement scenarios and fishing skills.

The Radford City Sheriff's Office hosted its first Life Skills Summer Camp, packing tons of activities into the weekend. Children learned outdoor skills that included archery, fishing, camping and hiking, hand tool use, general automobile care and knowledge; safe fire practices, campfire

building and extinguishing; traffic stop simulation, 911 and dispatch and law enforcement scenarios; and running a course similar to the one law enforcement agencies use. The camp was free and open to all children in Radford.

Camp participants also enjoyed food and drinks, camp shirts, goodie bags, and a competition certificate.

More than \$7,000 in prizes were awarded, donated by sponsors. Sheriff Mark Armentrout also allowed all 100-plus campers the

chance to dunk him in a dunk tank.

“We are proud to offer the children of Radford a camp that is unlike any typical camp or organized sports camp,” the sheriff's office said in a written statement about the camp. “Our goal is to expose our youth to real life situations and help develop skills that will prove invaluable as they grow. Giving Radford's youth access to life situations and activities they typically may not run into in day-to-day life is our focus.”

Quest orientation program welcomes new Highlanders

RADFORD - After two days on campus, Deandre Granberry had a warm, easy feeling that Radford University would be the place where he could begin building a rock-solid foundation for his future.

The recent graduate of Kipp College Preparatory in Washington, D.C., examined scores of schools where he could further his academic pursuits — like studying geology and climate change — and during his research, it became crystal clear that Radford would be the best fit for him.

“One thing that stood out to me about Radford was how close-knit it was,” said Granberry as he

sat inside Peters Hall with his sister, Lacaya Granberry, and grandmother, Neysha Abbott. “It's like a community of people getting to know each other and making a ton of friends and relationships.”

Deandre Granberry visited Radford in July during one of the university's numerous two-day Quest sessions. Quest is the university's signature new student and transfer orientation program, organized by the Office of New Student and Family Programs.

The Quest program offers information and activities for incoming students and their families to learn more about Radford University. This year, eight, two-

day freshman Quest sessions ran from July 6-31. Three transfer Quests were offered in late June and early July.

Day One for freshman Quest began in the mornings with participants gathered in Bondurant Auditorium, where various Radford family members welcomed them to campus, including interim President Carolyn Ringer Lepre, Ph.D.

“This caring community will support you as you pursue your undergraduate degree and set a strong foundation for your future,” Lepre said at one of the Quest openings in mid-July. “I am confident that you will make lifelong friends and make incredible memories while developing vast knowledge and critical skills in your chosen areas.”

The first-day welcoming also included current Radford students — the very helpful Quest staff — acting out a play they wrote, “Scenes from a Freshman Year,” which delves into stories about their Radford experiences.

“I especially liked those student stories because, as parents who have a kid coming to college here, we're always a little nervous,” said George England of Boynton Beach, Florida, who along with his wife, Linda, has a son, Joseph England, who will be

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RADical Change Commission hosts Third Annual School Supply Shopping Day



Radford City Police Chief Jeff Dodson spends time at the RADical Change Commission's Third Annual School Supply Shopping Day, held Saturday.

RADFORD - The RADical Change Commission gave out free school supplies — and free haircuts — over the weekend just in time for the start of the new school year.

“Our Third Annual School Supply Shopping Day was a success. Our village is truly the best,” said Janiele Hamden, chair of the commission, following the event.

Mike Wyms, who owns and operates Cut Nice and is also a RADical Change Commissioner, gave children free haircuts all day along with other stylists while kids got to pick out new backpacks and school

supplies.

Hamden thanked several community members for assisting the effort: Wyms, Tosha Mosier, Sarah Viars, David Horton, Kent Taylor, RCPD Chief Jeff Dodson, Diana Farrell White, Chasity Lawson, Ryan Adams, Angie Austin, Teagan Crane, Robert Morris, Randy Cunningham, Heather Leon Bell, Tina Baldwin Tapp, Andrew Crane, Misty S. Cox Henderson, “and so many others including the best RAD little's ever.”

Hamden also thanked sponsors Old Brick Church, First Baptist Church on Third Avenue, The Shelter, and Cut Nice.



Incoming Radford University students get to know each other during Quest, the university's orientation program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Through Saturday, Aug. 21:

town." Food trucks, beer, and sweets will be part of the fun. The gates will open at 6 p.m.

Eastmont Tomato Festival
The free outdoor festival features contests for tomato art and tomato recipes, as well as competitions for biggest, ugliest and best-tasting tomato. Participants can also don their best tomato-themed outfits to compete in the ever-popular tomato pageant, and belly up to become the tomato-eating champion. Enjoy great food (including fried green tomatoes, BLTs, pizzas, tomato sandwiches and tomato biscuits), live music, games, music, and arts and crafts. The festival will be held at the Meadowbrook Community Center courtyard, 267 Alleghany Spring Road, Shawsville from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. For more information, contact eastmontcf.com, facebook, or eastmonttomatofestival@gmail.com.

Noise Alert: Skipper to be Fired
Skipper, the Corps of Cadets cannon, will be fired three times as part of the New Cadet Parade on Virginia Tech's Drillfield. There will be three shots total: The first shot will be around 9:50 a.m., and the final shot will take place

around 10:45 a.m.

Virtual Dungeons and Dragons
Radford Public Library is offering both a virtual and an in-person one-shot session of library D&D this month. To play virtually or for help creating a level-four adventurer, email duncan.hall@radfordva.gov. Otherwise, feel free to just show up. All ages are welcome. Virtual via Discord at 4:30 p.m. In person on Thursday, Aug. 26 at 4:30 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 23:

Blood Drive
The New River Health District and the American Red Cross are teaming to host a blood drive from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Blue Ridge Church, 1655 Roanoke St. in Christiansburg.

Thursday, Aug. 26:

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Virtual via Discord Saturday, Aug. 21 at 4:30 p.m. In person on Thursday, Aug. 26 at 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 28:

Dialogue on Race 2021 Summer Summit
From 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the Montgomery County Moose Lodge No. 1470, 115 Fairview Rd. NE, Christiansburg. The theme is Student Voices: Reflections on Race and Racism in our Schools. Register at <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventR?eg?oeidk=a07eib8sml7c5ba&cc8a&oseq=&c=&ch=>.

Triwizard Tri-Mile Trail Race
At Bisset Park, at 9:30 a.m. This is a fundraiser for Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley. Register for the Triwizard Tri-Mile Trail Race at www.lvnrv.org/potterinthepark. For more information, call (540) 382-7262 or send an "owl" to info@lvnr.org. Follow <https://www.facebook.com/LVNRV/> for race updates.

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Glencoe Mansion, Museum and Gallery exhibit "Mountain Rail Tales"
Glencoe Mansion, Museum and Gallery continues

its exhibition of "Mountain Rail Tales," featuring photography by Dale R. Carlson of Bluemoonistic Images. The exhibit dovetails nicely with the train observatory platform and exhibit found at the edge of the grounds of Glencoe. Everyone is welcome to visit the museum with no admission charge. Glencoe is located at 600 Unruh Dr. in Radford.

Wednesday, Sept. 8:

Rent Relief Workshop
Virginia's Rent Relief Program can provide funds to assist in paying rent, late fees, and other lease-related costs back to April 2020 for those impacted by COVID-19. Learn about the requirements and get help completing online applications at Blacksburg's Rent Relief Workshop, at 7:30 p.m. at the Blacksburg Montgomery Floyd Regional Library. For more information, call the library at 540-552-8246.

Brown Bag Book Club
At noon at the Radford Public Library. In September, the Brown Bag Book Club will be discussing Kate Moore's "Radium Girls." Bring a lunch and make some new friends at the group's casual book discus-

sion. In October, the brown baggers will be discussing the classic Halloween read "Frankenstein" by Mary Shelley.

Through September:

Blacksburg's Market Square Jam 2021
Blacksburg's Market Square Jam 2021 continues each Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. through September at Market Square Park.

Simply Elemental Art Exhibit
The Simply Elemental art exhibit in the Hahn Horticultural Garden (on the Virginia Tech campus) is on display through Sept. 30.

Through October:

Radford Farmers Market
The Radford Farmers Market is held each Saturday through October 30 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the New River Valley Community Service parking lot (the Old Wade's parking lot) on West Main Street.

Christiansburg Farmers Market
The Christiansburg Farmers Market is held every Thursday through October at the Christiansburg Recreation Center parking lot from 3 to 7 p.m.

Christiansburg Aquatic Center September aquatic fitness schedule

Morning Fit (Monday/Wednesday)
9:15-10:15 a.m.; Sept. 1-29 (no class 09/06); \$42 for residents, \$52 for non-residents.
This shallow water workout combines calisthenics style movements with variations of upper and lower body resistance exercises. Participants will jog, kick, march, and jump through the water to improve their cardiovascular fitness, muscular endurance, and flexibility.
Danielle Bland is the class instructor in the slide side of the leisure pool with a maximum enrollment of 16.

1-29 (no class 09/06); \$50 for residents, \$60 for non-residents.
This warm water exercise program is designed for individuals with arthritic and mobility limitations. These classes are for those whose goals include increasing strength, flexibility, and range of motion in a relaxing and low-impact atmosphere.
Danielle Bland will teach the classes in the therapy pool with a maximum enrollment of 10.
Due to limited spacing and class popularity, the center is limiting the classes to one session per person per month.
Rolling in the Deep (Tuesday/Thursday)

9:30-10:30 a.m.; Sept. 2-30 (no class 09/07). \$42 for residents; \$52 for non-residents.
Participants are invited to strap on an aqua belt and join in for a deep water class in the competition pool. Class members will perform aerobic exercises such as jogging and skiing to develop core strength.
Jilliann Kowalcik will teach the classes in the competition pool with a maximum enrollment of 20. These classes will have drop-in participation.
Warm Water Workout (Tuesday/Thursday)
9:15-10:15 a.m.; Sept. 2-30. \$57 for residents; \$67 for non-residents.
Danielle Bland will teach

the classes in the therapy pool with a maximum enrollment of 10.
Due to limited spacing and class popularity, the center is limiting the classes to one session per person per month.
Warm Water Workout (Tuesday/Thursday)
10:30-11:30 a.m.; Sept. 2-30; \$57 for residents; \$67 for non-residents.
Danielle Bland is the class instructor in the therapy pool with a maximum enrollment of 10.
Due to limited spacing and class popularity, the center is limiting these classes to one session per person per month.
Hydro Power (Tuesday/Thursday)
5:45-6:30 p.m.; Sept. 9-30; \$37 for residents; \$47 for non-residents.
This aqua class combines cardiovascular training and muscle conditioning through methods of interval training, abdominal work, and muscle enduring activities. These combinations provide a great workout with the use of equipment such as pool noodles and water weights in the leisure pool.
Jilliann Kowalcik will teach the classes with a maximum enrollment of 20.
These classes will have drop-in participation.
Swim and Trim (Wednesday)
7-7:45 a.m.; Sept. 1-29; \$27 for residents; \$37 for


non-residents.
Participants will start their day off right with a new routine consisting of half dryland workout and half water workout. This is guaranteed to hit all the right muscles and have those taking part ready to conquer the rest of their day. Participants are asked to bring their own mats or extra towels for the deck exercise portion of the class.
Jilliann Kowalcik is the instructor in the leisure pool with a maximum enrollment of eight and a limit of two participants per lane.
These classes will have drop-in participation.
Rise N' Shine Water Aerobics (Wednesday)
7-7:45 a.m.; Sept. 1-29; \$27 for residents; \$37 for non-residents.
Participants are invited to gear up for this morning class that will get them ready for the day. This is an aerobics class for the early risers to kick off their day energized.
Edward Tickle will teach the classes in the slide side of the leisure pool with a maximum enrollment of eight.
Fluid Movement (Friday)
8-9 a.m.; Sept. 17- Oct. 15; \$27 for residents; \$37 for non-residents.
This class provides exercises that assist with balance, stability, and range of motion with a gentle, movement filled workout in shallow water. Low impact, the water helps relieve the discomfort of exercise

or stretching while relieving stress and increasing flexibility and balance control.
Instructor Ana McRoberts will lead the classes in the therapy pool with a maximum enrollment of 10.
Fit and Fabulous (Friday)
9:15-10:15 a.m.; Sept. 17- Oct. 15; \$27 for residents; \$37 for non-residents.
This one-hour workout will increase functional movement, range of motion, muscle strength and flexibility by using inspiration from workouts such as HIIT, Tabata, Kickboxing, Aqua Zumba, and Pilates. Workouts will vary weekly to keep participants moving in a fabulous workout for all fitness levels.
Ana McRoberts will teach the classes in the leisure pool with a maximum enrollment of 12.
These classes are open to drop-in participants.
Aqua Yoga (Saturday)
9-10 a.m.; Sept. 25-Oct. 16; \$30 for residents; \$40 for non-residents.
Aqua Yoga utilizes the principles and movements of hatha yoga and adapts them to the water. The yoga poses practiced in this class will help participants develop strength and static balance, and increase their range of motion. Beginners are welcome.
The instructor is Thea Vincenti with a maximum enrollment of 10.
Please note that instructors for classes may vary.

ONLINE ONLY AUCTION

Commercial Development Opportunity in Blacksburg VA

26.7 Acres on Harding Rd, Blacksburg VA 24060



Bidding Opens Aug. 26th & Ends Sept. 9th at 4 PM
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26.7 acres of open development land in the Town of Blacksburg VA. Within walking distance to downtown Blacksburg & VA Tech. Property has ideal topography for development with 1,365 +/- ft of road frontage on Harding Road. Town water & sewer at site and readily available along with Natural Gas & Gigabit Internet Connectivity. Property is gently sloping and allows for potentially unblocked mountain views from every lot. Property is equally suited for Single or Multi-Family Development, Student Housing, 55+ Active Adult or Retirement Community and/or Private Estate.


There is extensive local & regional public transportation network (Blacksburg Transit) & Smart Way Commuter Bus with direct links to Airport, & Northern VA. Newly approved rail service and Amtrak Station scheduled for 2024. Existing Bus Stop within 100 ft of property. Walkable Community to all convenient amenities.

Download Bidder Pack for Maps, Terms, Zoning, Sample Purchase Contract, sample development plan. Sample Development is not approved & is shown only for illustration purposes of what might possibly be accomplished. Bidders are expected to do their own research and due diligence for their own ideas for intended use approval and feasibility.

Terms – Bidding opens on August 26th. 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to final high bid to arrive at contract price. Buyers are expected to complete due diligence prior to bidding. Earnest Money Deposit of \$150,000 required on day of sale. Close in 60 Days. Subject to seller confirmation. Property sold as is where is any and all faults. Auction starts ending at 4 PM on September 9th 2021. Please note that during the last two minutes of bidding, if a new bid is placed, the clock is automatically extended an additional two minutes.

Contact – Broker & Auctioneer Matt Gallimore at 540-239-2585 or email gallimore.matt@gmail.com

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PETS-OF-THE-WEEK

Each week the paper features pets from the Montgomery County Animal Care and Adoption Center (480 Cinnabar Road, Christiansburg). Those interested in adopting a pet can call 382-5795 or visit www.montgomerycountyva.gov/acac. Hours are 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Walk-ins are welcome.



Kitten Brittlebush came to the Animal Care and Adoption Center in June with a few of her pals. Most of them have found homes, and now it's her turn. Brittlebush tends to be a little more independent and reserved until she feels comfortable in her environment. She may come out of her shell a little more in a home that gives her time to adjust to her surroundings.



Dapper Oscar is dressed to impress! He's a smaller dog who is a bit shy and may prefer to tuck himself away until he has scoped out the situation. Once ready, Oscar doesn't mind being petted and given attention. He would be good with older children in a home with no other dogs.

More than 90 percent of Hokies returned to classes fully vaccinated for COVID-19

With move-in for Virginia Tech students having started on Saturday, Aug. 14, some 94 percent or approximately 34,066 Hokies returned to school having been vaccinated.

All enrolled Virginia Tech students are required to receive a coronavirus vaccine unless they submitted a medical or religious exemption. Graduate students who are taking classes fully online also can receive a vaccine exemption.

The high percentage of vaccinated Hokies gives Virginia Tech the opportunity to return to a level of normalcy, including resuming in-person classes and many campus activities that could not happen last fall due to the pandemic and before COVID-19 vaccines were available.

"This fall will feel like the Virginia Tech we knew and loved before COVID-19 entered our lives," said Frank Shushok, vice president of student affairs. "Full residence halls, award-winning dining, intra-

mural sports, amazing student activities, in-person classes, and football are just some of the many things we can expect this fall. Thank you to our students for their abiding commitment to public health and getting us to this moment."

Noelle Bissell, health director for the New River Health District, has said that the requirement for all university students to be vaccinated is a "wise" move to keep the community safe. This week she said she was thrilled at the high vaccination rate of Virginia Tech students.

"They are starting in a great place," she said. "Because of the vaccine mandate and because a lot of them [students] had COVID and are now vaccinated, we don't expect they will be a significant contribution to our cases right now. If we can get our entire community to that level, then we are in really good shape."

Charity Hall, a senior at Virginia Tech, is among the vaccinated student population. She

said getting a vaccine was important to her after she watched her grandfather suffer in the hospital, in critical condition with COVID-19. He still is experiencing side effects from the coronavirus.

"It was an easy decision to make once I was able to get the vaccine, that I was going to get it," Hall said.

Plus, as a wildlife conservation major, she's excited that her lab courses finally will be held in person again.

Last school year "it was difficult to get the full scope of what we were learning online," Hall said.

Students like Hall are the reason that Virginia Tech can have a fall semester that resembles a pre-pandemic campus, said Chris Wise, assistant vice president for student affairs.

"Students have shown us through their vaccination uploads that that's what they want," he said. "That includes being face-to-face in class, that includes groups and organiza-

tional activities and attending concerts. That's what the Virginia Tech experience is all about. That's why we are doing all of the things we are doing as an institution so that the students are the beneficiaries of that experience."

Unvaccinated students will be required to be tested for COVID-19 with an initial frequency of once a week. There are four testing locations on campus: Steger Hall south wing, Squires Student Center, Sterrett Center, and Perry Street parking garage. The nasal and saliva tests will be self-administered.

Virginia Tech also strongly encourages faculty and staff to be vaccinated, and 77 percent of the university's employees have been vaccinated. Vaccinated faculty and staff are exempt from COVID-19 surveillance testing.

To align with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control, the university has instituted an interim requirement for face masks for everyone, regardless of vac-

ination status, when indoors in designated public areas on campus. In addition, all Blacksburg Transit (BT) riders must wear a mask while on the bus at all times.

Another vaccinated Hokie, Ana Sotelo said she's excited for the student community to be able to be together again, notably for intramural sports and other physical activities. Some intramural teams could not compete last year due to COVID-19 restrictions for certain contact sports.

"The Virginia Tech intramural program has truly become a home for me," said Sotelo, a senior at Virginia Tech who is an intramural supervisor and a member of several sports teams. "The program has been a solid rock that students can depend on for entertainment and community. Through getting the vaccine, we can regain the sense of community that we once had."

-By Jenny Kincaid Boone



Jett Hooker is vaccinated by Virginia Tech Rescue Squad member Layla Milani during Virginia Tech's student vaccine clinic held at Lane Stadium. Photo by Ryan Young / Virginia Tech.

Virginia Cooperative Extension helps make gardening accessible

Debby Freeman knows firsthand the impact that gardening can have on people's lives.

As an activities director at a long-term care facility, Freeman saw residents light up whenever plants came around and witnessed a people-plant connection that spans ages and abilities.

"Putting your hands in soil has meaning and healing power. Gardening is more than just playing in the dirt, it's more than a hobby," said Freeman, a Norfolk Extension Master Gardener volunteer and registered horticulture therapist.

This summer, as Virginia gardeners are busy growing home vegetables, maintaining community gardens, and nurturing indoor plants, Virginia Cooperative Extension works to ensure all Virginians can enjoy the benefits of gardening.

Gaylynn Callahan, an Extension agent in the City of Hampton, helped develop the Hampton Urban Garden program, which provides city residents with access to an urban garden bed and education on basic gardening skills. Through a collaboration with the local food and nutrition program, participants

also learn how to turn their harvest into nutritious meals.

Callahan and local Extension Master Gardener volunteers use community centers and local libraries to bring programming to areas identified by the local government as needing an infusion of programming.

"Growing up, these kinds of things weren't available to me," Callahan said. "Gardening teaches you a skill, gives you confidence, and teaches responsibility, which is important, especially for kids. We've had people shy away from gardening because they feel like they've always killed plants. When you get your first harvest, it gives you a boost of confidence."

"Everybody should have access to gardening," she said. "It just doesn't have to look like a traditional garden."

For the quarter of Americans who grow vegetables, berries, or fruit trees at home, gardening is a source of fresh produce, but gardening also has other benefits. According to the National Initiative for Consumer Horticulture, plants have a positive impact on physical, social, and mental health, and through hor-

ticulture therapy, gardening can help people with conditions like PTSD, addiction, and dementia. Community gardens, parks, and arboreta provide important community greenspace, allowing neighbors the chance to connect and build a sense of place and community.

In Southwest Virginia's Lee County, Extension agent Amy Byington agrees that access to gardening is important to many people's wellbeing.

"Gardening gives people purpose," she said. "We have people here who feel like gardening is the one thing in the whole year they have control over. It gives people a sense of self-worth. For people with physical limitations, having something like gardening means a lot."

Byington teaches a flexible and low-cost style of raised-bed gardening that uses plastic children's swimming pools, which can be raised on pallets for people who can't bend over.

"You can get a kid's pool for \$5 and just set it on pallets instead of having to build an expensive wooden bed raised off the ground," Byington said. "We also teach other kinds of alterna-

tive gardening, such as pallet gardening and tower gardening for sweet potatoes. Gardening can be affordable."

Byington and her team of Extension Master Gardeners also run the Lee County Garden Voucher program, which provides low-income residents with vouchers to buy garden supplies and annual education about home gardening. Through the Lee County Extension Office, they also offer a seed library where residents can borrow garden seeds.

"If you grow your own vegetables, you help to feed yourself, you don't rely on someone else," Byington said. "If you're low-income and you can give somebody something, if you have extra tomatoes that you can give to a neighbor, that's meaningful."

Gardening is also a way to address food insecurity and help people connect back to nature, Callahan said.

"Food insecurity is an ongoing battle. During the pandemic, a lot of folks started to see gardening as something you could do when everything was shut down. It started more conversations for Extension with people asking,

"Well how do I do this? How do I grow this?" Callahan said.

"Gardening is a way to let folks have normalcy and a connection to the outdoors. Especially for kids in a city, it's a chance just to stop for a minute, get your hands in the dirt, learn responsibility and confidence, and know that you can grow your own food. That's something you take with you," Callahan said.

Freeman recalls one particularly important example of the lifelong impact gardening can have. At a recent intergenerational gardening event, a 105-year-old community member had the opportunity to make mud pies, which were filled with flower seeds. Though she had not put her hands into the earth for a long time, she happily made mud pies along with the children excited to play with mud.

"In your life, you become a lot of things to different people," said Freeman. "For many people, gardening is the centerpiece of who you are. It is more than a hobby. Gardening connects plants to people, and there's healing power in that."

-Written by Devon Johnson

NRCC offers programs in police and forensic science

New River Community College is offering police and forensic science degree programs with classes beginning this fall. Police Science and Forensic Science prepare students for a career in an in-demand field.

These programs provide students with the educational credentials necessary to enter police work and serve current officers who wish to upgrade their education for career development and promotion. The programs are designed to maximize transfer courses to four-year colleges and universities.

The Police Science program begins with a theoretical and practical understanding of the criminal justice system and its components of police, courts and corrections and how each operates. Students are made familiar with concepts such as community policing, criminal and constitutional law, criminal and forensic investigation techniques, and the judicial process. Elective courses are available on subjects ranging from narcotics and dangerous drugs to exploring serial criminality.

The Forensic Science program provides stu-

dents with specialized knowledge and skills in the areas of collection, preservation and analysis of physical evidence. NRCC has an extensive, modern analytical laboratory equipped to give students an introduction to theoretical and practical application of many analyses found in crime labs. Students will be introduced to the science of criminalistics with lecture/lab work in general crime scene processing, latent evidence processing, ballistics, toolmark and impression analysis, and drug

and other organic analysis.

Students who enroll in these programs may be eligible for free tuition through the Virginia Community College's new G3 assistance program. The G3 program is a tuition assistance program for any Virginia resident who qualifies for in-state tuition and whose family income falls below an identified threshold. Eligible students may enroll in designated programs leading to jobs in high-demand fields. For more information on G3 eligibility,

visit www.nr.edu/g3.

Classes begin Monday, Aug. 23. Prospective NRCC students may visit www.nr.edu/register

for enrollment information. Advisors are available at advising@nr.edu or (540) 674-3609 or in person to assist with reg-

istration.

For more information about the administration of justice programs, visit www.nr.edu/adj.

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Radford Army Ammunition Plant Notice of Availability

Environmental Assessment, Draft Finding of No Significant Impact, and Draft Finding of No Practicable Alternative for the Implementation of Master Planning Actions at the Industrial Core District Radford Army Ammunition Plant, Virginia

The United States Army (Army) announces the availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) regarding the Implementation of Master Planning Actions at the Industrial Core District Radford Army Ammunition Plant (RFAAP), Virginia. Notice is also made for a Finding of No Practicable Alternative (FONPA), prepared in accordance with Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management.

The Draft EA assesses the potential environmental and socioeconomic effects of implementing various real property master planning actions and Area Development Plan actions at RFAAP within the next approximately 5 to 7 years. The Area Development Plan considered long-term mission requirements and fiscal constraints and identified projects for execution over the next 20 years. The Proposed Action focuses on the implementation of the short-term requirements as identified in the Area Development Plan. These repairs are needed to address RFAAP's real property deficiencies and suboptimal conditions. The proposed action is needed to provide safe, flexible, and efficient facilities to meet current and future installation mission requirements effectively and cost efficiently.

The Draft EA, Draft FNSI, and Draft FONPA are available for public a 30-day public review at the following address: <https://www.jmc.army.mil/Radford/RadfordDefault.aspx>. Interested parties are encouraged to send comments on the Draft EA, Draft FNSI, and Draft FONPA via e-mail to Mr. Charles Saks, Public Affairs Officer at charles.e.saks3.civ@mail.mil. Alternatively, comments may be sent via US Postal Service to Radford Army Ammunition Plant, Rte. 114, P. O. Box 2, Radford, Virginia 24143-0002. For general questions, Mr. Charles Saks can be reached at (540) 731-5785. All comments must be emailed or postmarked by September 20, 2021. All comments submitted will be reviewed and addressed prior to a final determination by the Army as to whether to issue a Final FNSI and Final FONPA or issue a Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

OPINION

DMV now offering drop-off service for vehicle titling

Customers who have purchased a vehicle from another individual or a business that is not a motor vehicle dealer/dealership and need to apply for a Virginia title can now opt to drop off applications at any Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) customer service center (CSC) for processing.

This new service began Monday, Aug. 16, 2021, further enhancing DMV's expanding and diverse service portfolio, and will result in more appointment opportunities available for people who need in-person service.

Virginia titles for vehicles purchased from most dealerships are processed by the dealer. Titles for vehicles purchased from individuals or businesses that are not dealerships (known as casual sales) are processed by DMV in three ways: by mail, by appointment at a full-service DMV CSC or DMV Select location, and now by drop-off service at DMV's 75 full-service CSCs.

Customers can bring completed applications and supporting documents to an office without an appointment. Staff will review to ensure the application package is complete for processing and provide the customer an acknowledgment of receipt. DMV will conduct the transaction within five business days. Customers can opt to either pick up the credential at the same location or have it mailed to them. Customers who want same-day service must schedule an appointment.

"The ability to drop off titling applications and payment will provide a convenient way for more Virginians to access critical DMV services."

To prepare for this new option, customers should first fill out the required form and gather the necessary information to bring with them. Before arriving to drop off the required paperwork, customers should make and retain copies.

Payment is required at the time of submission by check or money order. Fee information is available at <https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/webdoc/pdf/dmv201.pdf>. Typically, a titling fee and the motor vehicle sales and use tax are due at the time of titling the vehicle. If a vehicle is being registered at the same time, the registration fee should also be included. Any additional fees owed will be billed.

If customers have previously scheduled an appointment for this transaction, DMV urges them to cancel that appointment by accessing the confirmation email.

For more information on titling a vehicle or trailer in Virginia, visit <https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/vehicles/#titling.asp>.

Virginia providing third doses of Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for immunocompromised people

The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) announced Monday that Virginia is making third doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines available for moderately and severely immunocompromised Virginians.

This move comes after the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) updated its vaccination guidelines to recommend third mRNA doses for people who have significantly compromised immune systems. Vaccines are readily available throughout Virginia, and vaccine providers are expected to make third doses available over the next several days as they adapt their processes.

"This is important additional protection for people who have impaired immune systems," said State Health Commissioner M. Norman Oliver. "As COVID-19 cases rise across Virginia and the country, everyone who is eligible should get appropriately vaccinated as soon as they can."

The CDC's move is the final step in the authorization process for third doses of the mRNA vaccines for some eligible populations. Studies have shown that people with a compromised immune system can have a weak response to the standard vaccine regimen and that a third dose is needed to strengthen immunity in these persons and protect them from serious COVID-19 complications. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) evaluated those studies and recommended the change to the CDC on Thursday.

Only Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna are mRNA vaccines, and therefore the FDA has not recommended additional doses of the Johnson & Johnson (J&J) vaccine. Additionally, the FDA has not recommended booster vaccines for the general public.

Those immunocompromised who have already received two doses of either Moderna or

Pfizer-BioNTech should wait at least 28 days after their second dose before receiving their third dose. The third dose should be from the same manufacturer as the previous two doses when possible, but this is not required.

This expansion is estimated to include approximately 3% of the people in the United States. Immunocompromised persons are those whose immune mechanisms are deficient because of certain immunologic disorders or immunosuppressive therapy. As of Monday, approximately 4,144,080 Virginians have received two doses of an mRNA vaccine and approximately 124,322, or 3% of these Virginians, may be immunocompromised and therefore will be eligible to receive a third dose. Individuals with questions about whether they are significantly immunocompromised should consult their healthcare providers.

While available evidence shows that a third dose provides a modest benefit to improving

the immune response to mRNA vaccination, it is important to remember that immunocompromised persons might still not have a strong level of protection against COVID-19, even after receiving a third dose of vaccine. Additional COVID-19 precautions remain important for this population. These include wearing a mask, maintaining physical distance from others outside of the home, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces until advised otherwise by their healthcare provider.

Persons who are significantly immunocompromised should also discuss the possibility of monoclonal antibody treatment options with their healthcare provider in case they get infected with or are exposed to COVID-19. Household members and other close contacts of significantly immunocompromised persons should get fully vaccinated to provide increased protection to their loved ones.

VDH, physicians and

healthcare workers, and vaccine providers across the commonwealth stand ready to assist this vulnerable population to obtain the added protection a third vaccine dose will provide against COVID-19. Just like previous authorizations and CDC approvals, additional clinical considerations have been published that provide more detailed guidance. These clinical considerations will provide necessary guidance to assist COVID-19 providers in implementing these new recommendations. In Virginia, providers may begin administration of third mRNA doses for this vulnerable population across the commonwealth in accordance with these clinical considerations.

For more information on COVID-19 in Virginia, visit vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus. Anyone age 12 or older can find free vaccination clinics near them by visiting vaccinate.virginia.gov or calling 877-VAX-IN-VA (877-829-4682, TTY users call 7-1-1).

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WalletHub ranks Virginia's community college system among nation's best

The personal finance website WalletHub has released its state-by-state ranking of the best and worst community college systems and ranked Virginia among the country's best at No. 16.

As the website pointed out in its report, cost is often a major consideration when choosing a college, and with tuition rates continuing to rise every year — not to mention all the other expenses related to attendance — many would-be students are unable to afford a university education.

Community colleges offer students the ability to get higher education without having as much financial strain, WalletHub noted. During the 2020 to 2021 academic year, tuition and fees for full-time, in-state enrollment at a public two-year college averaged \$3,770 per year versus \$10,560 at a public four-year institution and \$37,650 at a four-year private school. Students who earn their general-education credits at a community college before transferring to an in-state public four-year university can potentially save a lot of money.

The website went on to say that other than serving as an affordable, and in some cases free, option for education, community colleges have a number of attractive qualities. They often provide more flexible schedules, smaller class sizes, and rigorous coursework. Some even go beyond two-year pro-

grams to offer four-year bachelor's degrees. These advantages appeal especially to students who need to balance their studies with other commitments such as family and work.

The website cautioned, though, that individual community colleges vary in quality and affordability. To determine where students can receive the best education at the lowest price, WalletHub compared more than 650 community colleges across 19 key indicators of cost and quality.

Those 19 key indicators were further divided into three key dimensions: cost and financing, education outcomes, and career outcomes.

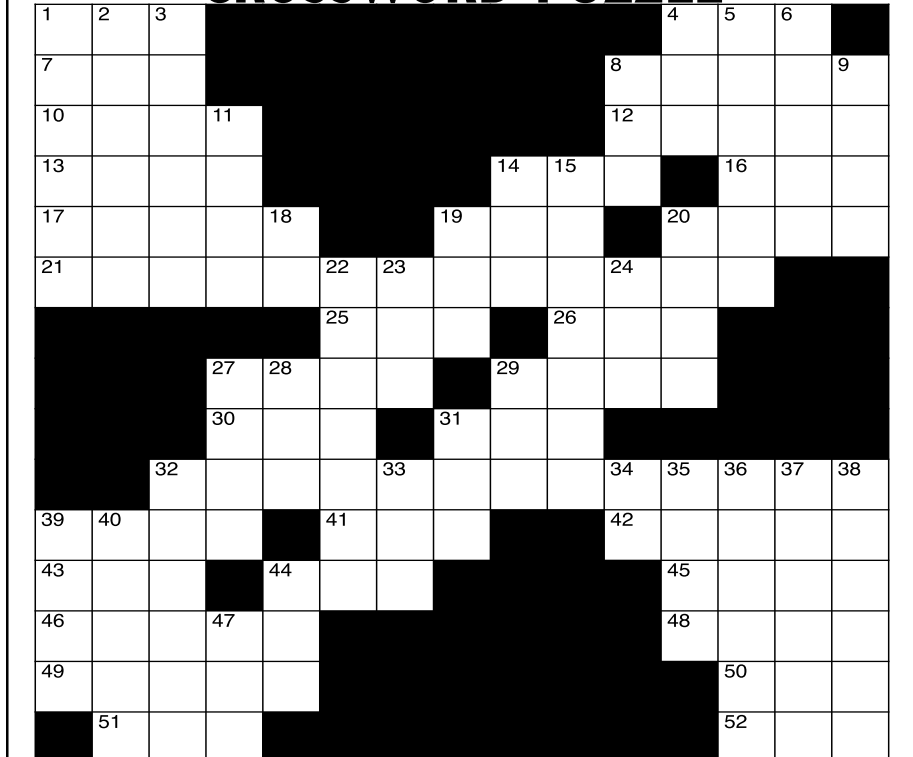
The indicators in the cost and financing dimension used by WalletHub to determine its rankings were the cost of in-state tuition and fees, the presence of free community-college education, the average amount of grant or scholarship aid received, the availability of employment services for students, the per-pupil spending, the school spending efficiency, faculty salary, core revenues per full-time-equivalent enrollment (FTE refers to the total number of credits taken divided by 15 for a semester of 30 for a year.

The idea is to aggregate part-time students into full-time students.)

The indicators in the education outcomes used by WalletHub to determine its rankings were the first-year retention rate, the graduation rate, the transfer-out rate, the credentials awarded per 100 full-time-equivalent (FTE) students ("credentials" refers to degrees and certificates), the student-faculty ratio, the share of full-time faculty, the presence of special learning opportunities (these include accelerated programs, cooperative (work-study) programs, distance education, dual enrollment, weekend/evening college etc.), and the presence of credit for life experiences.

The indicators in the career outcomes dimension used by WalletHub to determine its rankings were the student loan default rate, the median salary after attending (which measures the median earnings 10 years after entering the school), and the share of former students earning above the average earnings of a high school graduate (which measures the share of former students earning more than \$25,000 or above the average earnings of a high school graduate aged 25 to 34, six years after they first enrolled.)

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OBITUARIES

Costigan, Jr., Charlie Surface

Charlie Surface Costigan, Jr., 79, of Christiansburg, was promoted to glory on Aug. 12, 2021. Charlie was a caring husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend. He retired from the Radford Army Ammunition Plant after 38 years of service and was a faithful member of Bible Baptist Church.



Charlie's favorite thing to do was play with and spoil his two beloved granddaughters, who were the apple of his eye. He loved gardening, especially watching his tomatoes grow. He also really enjoyed watching the trains pass behind his house. The 611 was his favorite train that he rode as a young boy. Charlie was a friend to all and could put a smile on your face with his funny jokes and stories like only he could do.

Charlie was preceded in death by his

first wife and mother of his children, Neva Collins Costigan; his parents, Charlie Surface Costigan, Sr., and Pauline Gibson Costigan; and his sister, Loretta Costigan Musselman.

He is survived by his wife, Frannie McDaniel Costigan; his daughters and sons in-law, Julie Costigan Farmer, Paula Costigan Rutherford (Jim), Penny Costigan Hall (Scott); granddaughters Lyndsey Neva Rutherford and Katelyn Mae Rutherford; and many nieces, nephews and special friends.

All services were held outdoors with Pastor Kenneth Wells officiating. Visitation was on Monday, Aug. 16, 2021, at Horne Funeral Home. Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, at Horne Funeral Home, and interment followed at Roselawn Memorial Gardens.

Reed, Tracy Marie Barrett

Tracy Marie Barrett Reed, 43, of Pulaski, went to be with her Lord on Aug. 11, 2021.

She was employed with Volvo Trucks. Tracy was preceded in death by her stepfather, Ronnie L. Lytton.

Tracy was a mom that put her children before anyone or anything. Whether biological, adopted, or a child through love, Tracy's life revolved around her children and those she cared for. Not afraid to try new things, she had a spontaneous nature about her. She never backed down from a challenge, whether tangible or not. She found a way to always get the job done.

Survivors include her mother, Debra R. Lytton; her father, Michael W. Barrett, Sr.; her fiancée, Ann Madigan; a



son, Chase Elder-Raper; stepdaughters Whitney Saul and her wife, and Catelyn Raper; her children through love, Jah Jah, AJ, Lee Lee, Timmy and Jericho; brothers Michael W. (Amanda) Barrett, Jr., Lee (Jessica) Lytton, and Nick Barrett. She was loved by several special and close aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and other family members and friends.

The family received friends on Monday, Aug. 16, 2021, at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. Funeral services followed with Pastor Perry Slaughter officiating. Interment followed in Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Christiansburg.

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

Fox, John W.

John W. Fox, of Radford, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, Aug. 12, 2021.

John was retired from Radford University and had previously worked at the Radford Army Ammunitions Plant and Kollmorgen.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Elliot and Byrdann Fox.

He is survived by his wife, Betty B. Jones; his daughter, JoAnna Fox and her fiancé, Jered Trayler; beloved siblings Catherine Fox (John Didier) of Washington D. C., Jim Fox (Mary Anne) of Alexandria, and Jeff Fox (Carol) of Alexandria; and many other family members and friends whom he loved.

John was a kind and gentle soul with a unique sense of humor. He was committed to his family and was always proud to be a dad, and what a good dad he was. He will be remembered as a loyal and dedicated supporter of community events as well as supporting others to become all that they could be. He was involved in many community activities, such as Kiwanis, "See You at Nine" WVRU, scouting, the Memorial Day Committee, Unity Christian Church, and Radford VFW Post #776.

He was also an active caver with a deep

commitment to cave conservation.

John Fox . . . caver, father, husband, brother, cousin, friend, uncle, nephew, veteran, "dancing bear," lover of music, the I.T. go-to person, DJ extraordinaire, Boy Scout, and friend of bats. Always extending a helping hand, he will be remembered.

Sometimes the universe sends us a lesson and sometimes the universe sends us a guiding light. In the underground darkness of caves, John was a beacon. Walking a trail or the city streets, climbing a mountain or playing music, or setting up or running a sound system, John was a beacon of kindness, joy, and genuine concern for the well-being of others. He leaves behind a light so bright it will continue to shine now that he is gone.

Due to COVID, a memorial service will be planned at a later date. John's memory may be honored by making a donation to The National Speleological Society, 6001 Pulaski Pike, Hunttsville, Ala.335810-1122, or Unity Christian Church, 400 Tyler Ave., Radford, Va. 24141 or Radford EMS, 1500 Wadsworth St., Radford, Va. 24141.

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

Sayers, Sharon Ann

Sharon Ann Sayers, 55, of Pulaski, passed away Friday, Aug. 13, 2021.

She was the daughter of the late Fred and Okie Martin.

She became a full time MeMaw when the light of her life, grandson Maddox, was born. Sharon loved helping Matt in the garage and reading, especially Harry Potter.

Survivors include her husband, Matt Sayers; a son and



daughter-in-law, Jeff and Ashley Foutz; her grandson, Maddox; her dog, Trixie, who was like her child; her grand-dog, Max; and many other relatives and friends.

To honor Sharon's wishes, a private family service of remembrance will be held at a later date.

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

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its terminals, passenger cars and their rumble over the rails. Carlson, originally from the Midwest, has practiced his passion for photography for over 40 years in both his professional and artistic careers.

When Carlson and his wife Becky moved to the Blue Ridge Mountains, his photography shifted to focus on this region. His works have been featured in numerous publications, including

Western North Carolina (WNC) and Blue Ridge Country magazines. Carlson and his wife Becky founded their photography business, Bluemoonistic Images, in 2008 in order to offer his fine art photography on-line.

"Mountain Rail Tales" is on view now through Aug. 29. Everyone is welcome to visit the museum and attend the closing reception. There is no admission charge.

McDaniel, Barbara Thomas

Barbara Thomas McDaniel, 63, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2021 at her home in Radford surrounded by her family.

She was a member of Gethsemane Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents, James Albert and Lillian Bugg Thomas; her husband, Garland Rosi Gale McDaniel; a sister, Wanda Thomas Graham; and a beloved pet, Ruby Gale McDaniel.

Survivors include her sons and daughter-in-law, James and Kelly McDaniel, and John McDaniel; daughter and son-in-law Mary and Louis Hayton; grandchildren Patrick Marchbanks, Brady,



Zachary, Nicholas, and Mattison McDaniel; a sister and brother-in-law, Laura and David Mercier; and many other relatives and friends.

The family would like to thank Carilion Hospice for their dedicated care for Barbara.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford.

Interment followed in the West View Cemetery in Radford. The family received friends on Monday at the funeral home.

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

Palmer, Phyllis Marie

Phyllis Marie Palmer, 71, of Riner, took the hand of her Lord on Aug. 13, 2021 and passed from this life into the next where there will be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither will there be any more pain; where God wipes away all tears from our eyes.

She was born on Jan. 2, 1950 to the late Charles Edward Palmer and Anna Underwood Palmer. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Shirley Lee Palmer, for whom she provided loving care for more than 20 years.

Those left to mourn her passing are her son, Kevin Palmer (Tammy); sisters and brothers Barbara Bibb (Hen-



ry), Charlotte Walton, Charlene Clark; brothers Charles E. Palmer, Jr., Mark Palmer, and Jerry Palmer, all of Virginia; as well as her grandchildren, Caleb Palmer (Hilary) and Adelee Palmer.

Visitation was held Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, at Horne Funeral Home. Funeral services followed in the chapel, with Pastor Wes Conner and Delores Caldwell officiating. A graveside service will be held at Sunset Cemetery today, Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2021, at 11 a.m.

Let it always be remembered of Phyllis that she loved her Lord, her family, and her church, and that she gave of herself freely to anyone who needed her help.

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Toler Properties LLC to North Franklin Associates, 1.696 ac., lot D-1, Christiansburg, \$2,000,000

Hannah Beth Reigel Chandler to Richard Hunt, 0.133 ac., lot 154, Blacksburg, \$475,000

Eric Sallee to John Scalse, Lot 10, Cambria Crossing, Ph I, Christiansburg, \$257,000

Darryl J. Gillspie Executor to Rebecca M. Ovelgoenner, Lot 19, Diamond Pointe, Ph III, Sec B, \$530,000

Leona P. Ransdell to Alexia O. Zarco, Lot 4, Warren Heights Subdv., Christiansburg, \$249,900

John R. Lemaire to Brandon R. Laroussini, 0.252 ac., lot 22, Woodbine PDR, Blacksburg, \$392,000

Sarah E. Bechtel to Godofredo Mendiola Negrete, 4.670 ac., lot 5, Riner Magisterial District, \$248,000

Dusek Living Trust to James W. Radford, Jr., Living Trust, 9 ac., lot 1, Riner Magisterial District

Robert A. Phillips Trust to Robert Jerry Graybeal, two parcels, see legal

Robert A. Phillips Trust to Carol G. Chafin, 190 Church St., Christiansburg, two parcels, Christiansburg

Janet G. Barr to Old River Capital LLC, 190 Church St., Christiansburg, two parcels, Christiansburg, \$320,000

Amy Woods to Kathy Williams, lot 35A, Blacksburg, \$565,500

Hiltrud J. Kroemer to Anne Dorothee Kroemer Hoffman, lot 725, Sec III, Blacksburg Country Club Estates

Wendy Eckenrod-Green to Robert A. Shock, 1.431 ac., lot 5B, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$275,000

Chris P. Graham to Cody Austin Yarbrough, lot 20, Ph. II, Kelseywood Subdv, \$299,000

Dana Greer Sheffield to Princess Lynn Belcher, Lots 5-7, Christiansburg, \$140,000

Mark Van Dyke to Yao Fu, Lot 84, Sec. III, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$860,000

Zane Bagwell to Liberty Property Investments LLC, metes and bounds, see legal, \$55,000

Matthew S. Seckers to Lexicon Government Services LLC, lot 23, Blacksburg, \$520,000

Lexicon Government Services LLC to John Casamento, lot 23, Blacksburg, \$520,000

Karen P. Depauw Trust to Emmett J. O'Leary, 1.6897 ac., lot 27, Brush Mtn. Estates, Ph II, \$430,000

E. Todd Mills to Kimberly K. Mills, 407 Ellis St., Elliston, two parcels, route 11, see legal

Heart Holdings LLC to Richard J. Obiso, Jr., lot 3,

Charles Ridge Subdv, Riner Magisterial District

Richard J. Obiso, Jr., to William Andrew Schaudt, two parcels, lots 3, 4, Charles Ridge Subdv, Riner Magisterial District, \$465,000

J. Patterson Reuter to Joanne Ruth De Jongh, Lots 16-18, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$252,000

Clayton I. Mills to Blacksburg Renter LLC, Lot 12, Ph IIA, Rutherford Townhouses, Blacksburg, \$295,000

Anthony S. Deanes to Braxton Wall, Lot 7, Warren Hts Subdv., Christiansburg, \$250,000

Dennis W. Wilborne to Jose L. Alvarez, Family unit 95, Bldg 17, Piedmont at Blacksburg, Ph IV, Blacksburg, \$201,000

Thomas D. Fox to Ian Michael Shoemaker, Lot 42, Highland Park, Blacksburg, \$406,000

Barbara J. Crocker to Bruno McCartney, Lot 28, Oak Tree, Ph IV, Christiansburg, \$265,000

George E. Hahn III to Dylan Richard Penn, 0.220 ac., lot 3, Overlook Court, Christiansburg, \$275,000

Thomas Fagan, Jr., to Denise D. Young, metes and bounds, see legal, Riner Magisterial District, \$205,000

Betsy M. Rowe to Uria Seth Miller, 1.129 ac., lot 3, \$130,000

Jimmy L. Mullins to Rannie Dale Humphreys, Lot 52, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph I, Christiansburg, \$217,800

Pavli Mykerezzi to Nour Dib, Lot 67, Blacksburg, \$380,000

Yung C. Chan to Jessica M. Gilbertie, Lot 32, Sec II, Mission Hill, Blacksburg, \$279,000

Clark L. Owen to Jacob H. White, Lot 8, Ph I, Mtn Top Estates, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$325,000

Clark L. Owen to Jacob H. White, Lot 8, Ph 1, Mtn Top Estates, Shawsville Magisterial District

Joshua M. Swift to Lottie A. Simmons, 3 parcels, Pilot, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$119,000

Matthew B. Moeller to Hong Thu Nhi Nguyen, Lot 16 Carma Hts, Sec I, Christiansburg, \$226,000

F&B Land LP to Fralin Construction, Inc., Lot 3, Ph IX, Kensington, Christiansburg, \$58,000

Milton Harding Graham to Matthew L. Heslep, 10.019 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$69,000

Kenneth H. Noonkester to George Ellis, 1/5 ac., Blacksburg Magisterial District, \$171,600

Kenneth H. Noonkester to George Ellis, 4.2275 ac., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$49,800

Kenneth H. Noonkester to George Ellis, metes and bounds, see legal, \$1,400

Kenneth Noonkester to George Ellis, 0.915 ac., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$112,200

Toni C. Hedges to Toni C. Hedges Trust, five parcels

Bernard W. Taylor III to

Bernard W. Taylor III Trust, lot 6 and 1/2 of lot 5, Sec. 3, Miller Addition, Blacksburg

Bernard W. Taylor III to Bernard W. Taylor III Trust, 0.1788 ac., lot 2, parcel 1, Blacksburg

Michael N. Creamer to RDT Construction, Inc., 0.424 ac., lot 10, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$128,000

Amanda G. Stump to Rebekah A. Stump, Lot 1, Ph 1, Collins Park Subdv., Christiansburg, \$225,000

Ron Stewart Dooley to Justin Lewis, 5.0 ac., lot 1, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$50,000

Craig J. Alia to Craig J. Alia Trust, Lot 622, Preston Forest, Ph IV

Ronald T. Bonofiglio to Mark Alan Stone, 4.001 ac., lot 54A, \$680,000

R Fralin Construction, Inc., to Cody L. McClintock, Lot 3, Ph IX, Kensington, Christiansburg, \$368,397

NW Development Inc., to Richard L. Shryock, 6.7928 ac., lot 4, village 5, Blacksburg, \$100,000

Brantley T. Walden to Toby F. Tracy, lot 23, Sec. CIII, Windmill Hills, Christiansburg, \$300,000

David E. Shelor, Jr., to L.D. Shelor LLC, lots 9-11, Riner Magisterial District

Nicholas A. Rector to Lifu Huang, 0.164 ac., lot 3, Villas on North Main, Ph. 1, \$375,000

Oak Street Investment Grade Net to Town of Christiansburg, .009 ac., 390.79 sq. ft., Christiansburg, \$5,100

Jeffrey W. Woolwine to STK Investment Group LLC, See legal, Christiansburg

Melissa D. Epperly to Gary W. Stockner, 2.288 ac., lot 1, Hogans Retreat, Riner Magisterial District, \$428,000

Rachael E. Kennedy to TPBC LLC, three parcels, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$153,000

Hanumanthrao Kannan to Sarah B. Hoffman, 0.162 ac., lot 8, \$415,000

June C. Gross to Scott F. Oertle, Lot 11B, Ph I, Ridinger Acres, Christiansburg, \$206,000

Golden Triangle Development LLC to Ronald J. Rojewski, lot 56, Christiansburg, \$296,900

May Family Trust to Glenn P. Reynolds, Lot 20, Ph II, Sec II-B, Knollwood Commons Townhome Development I, Blacksburg, \$340,000

Joseph G. Pallante to Morgan Abigail Culver, 0.282 ac., Christiansburg, \$189,900

William R. Hawkins Estate to Prime Home Buyers LLC, two parcels, Christiansburg, \$109,000

Rolando P. Burgos to Hanumanthrao Kannan, lot 65, Fiddlers Green, Blacksburg, \$650,000

Prime Home Buyers LLC to Benny H. Hagy, Jr., two parcels, metes and bounds, see legal, Christiansburg, \$126,000

Triple J Associates LLC

to Sharon Rasnake Noren, 2.205 ac., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$75,000

Cedrick K. Miller to Caitlin D. Armstrong, lot 29, Vistavia Subdv., Ph I, Christiansburg, \$220,000

Daniel J. Tamul to Joseph B. Cummings, lot 29, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph I, Christiansburg, \$215,000

Valaipetch Street to Valaipetch Street, 3.084 ac., lot 4E, Prices Fork Magisterial District

James C. Baker to James Carson Baker Trust, 1.942 ac., metes and bounds, Blacksburg

Susan Draper Silas Executor to Russell C. Combs, 10.3560 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$490,000

Jones Real Estate Investment to Jessica N. Jones

Jessica N. Jones to Sue Anne Tysor, 30.004 ac., parcel A, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$395,200

Stateson Homes LLC to Crystal Hazzard, lot 24, Clifton, Ph II, Christiansburg, \$553,105

Alexander Adams to John L. Beagle, lot 49, Blemont Farms, Unit 2, \$330,000

Gary Arnold Smith to Stephen Cort Smith, Misty Hills Cir., Blacksburg, Lots 1-4, Block 2, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Kimberly Marie Linkous to Teresa A. Guth, lot 20, Grand View Estates, Riner Magisterial District, \$319,000

Mark Lewis Mear to Jacob A. Levitt, 0.315 ac., lot 15, Hardie Hills, Sec. II, Blacksburg, \$515,000

Kim W. Newman Executor to Tyler Matthew Bryant, lot 32, Lynnwood Terrace, Christiansburg, \$200,000

George R. Kuhn, Jr., to JG and RG LLC, lot 21, Cambria Crossing, Ph I, Christiansburg, \$275,000

Donald D. Sowers to Michael Dean Sowers Trust, 15 Woodridge Dr., Christiansburg, 0.795 ac., lot 1, Christiansburg

Samuel D. Norman to Megan Elizabeth Jacobs, two parcels, see legal, Christiansburg, \$201,000

Jimmy D. Howery to Brandon D. Howery, lot 6, Park Street Townhomes, Christiansburg

Jason P. Cowden to David Anthony Dress, Lot 5, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$350,000

Liqing Zhang to Kelsey M. Deshambo, lot 13, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph VIII, Christiansburg, \$209,900

Henry D. Lagan to Frank W. Kregloe, 2.255 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$45,000

Jerry W. Sheppard to Benny Hagy, 0.258 ac., Christiansburg, \$112,500

Virginia Capital Investment LLC to Steven Brent Jones, 0.0455 ac., LOR 47, Blacksburg, \$275,000

Phillip R. Spoon to Filmon Beraki, lot 7, Sec II, Carriage Hill Townhomes, Blacksburg, \$240,000

James R. Berry II to Stephen Nevarez, Unit E, Bldg. 3, Berry Field Condos, Blacksburg, \$232,000

Jordan R. Head to David M. Sweeney, lot 23, Lusters Mill Subdv, Ph II, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$600,000

Edwin S. Kirkman to Lisa Denise Murphy, lot 1, Blacksburg, \$395,000

Michael Taylor Reed to Shah Development LLC, Lot 3, Chrisman Property, \$39,900

Tonya A. Kessinger to Joshua M. Gray, 3.27 ac., metes and bounds, Prices Fork Magisterial District

Peter G. Dorrell to Hannah J. Howard, two parcels, 4.201 ac. and 1.717 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Vitor RG Mercadante to Stuart M. Bradbury, Jr., lot 30, McBryde Village, Sec. 3, Blacksburg, \$465,000

Austin Seth Kemp to Austin Seth Kemp, 1.993 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District

Brock Gilmer to Fred Hoback, 0.4933 ac., lot 12, Riner Magisterial District, \$70,000

Ricky A. Boyd to Albert Welcher, 2.634 ac., Riner Magisterial District,

\$48,000

John Byron Patterson to Peter M. Benoit, lot 61, Brush Mtn. Estates, Ph. III, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$370,000

Kermith Bernard Harrington Trust to Kermith Vernard Harrington Trust, lot 41, Cedar Orchard, Ph IV-A, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Zachary Kane Kennedy to Michele Minsterman Kennedy, lot 3, Edgemont of Diamond Hill, Ph I, Christiansburg

Marshall L. McNeil to Ricky D. Keith, 1.978 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$28,000

Guy A. Sims to Jason R. Fox, lot 41, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$375,000

Marjorie Coale Lawson Trust to Jason Tarun Oberoi, lot 104, Highland Park Addition, Blacksburg, \$351,000

Megan Degnan Atkins to Megan Degnan Atkins, 0.402 ac., lot 4, Ph I, Windmill Hills, Christiansburg

Jackie Bates to Kim C. Harich, 0.932 ac., Christiansburg

Sterling Manor LLC to Robert B. Jones II, 0.587 ac., lot 52, Ph III, Sterling Manor Subdv., Blacksburg

Donald A. Sulloway, Jr., to Austin Elwood Epperly, lot 7, White Pine Subdv., \$165,000

Michael David Bishop to Michael David Bishop, two parcels, 0.83 ac and 1.101 ac.

Blacksburg IRA Holdings LLC to Jeffrey Puuri, lots 69, 70, Blacksburg Heights, Blacksburg, \$342,000

Michael J. Perdue to Kevin N. Blacka, lot 10, Oak Grove Subdv., Christiansburg, \$174,000

Vickie L. Caldwell to Joseph S. Woods, Pilot Road, Virginia Route 615, Pilot, Va., Shawsville Magisterial District

Sams Custom Homes LLC to Dennis Nagel, metes and bounds, see legal, Christiansburg

Emily Truelson to Beverly Marie Baker, lot 22, Cambria Crossing, Ph I, Christiansburg, \$274,500

Susan Y. Harrison to Susan Y. Harrison, 5.000 ac., parcel 3-A, Yearwood Minor Subdv., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Susan Y. Harrison to Guille R. Yearwood, 16.487 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Thomas W. Triplett to Benjamin Stephen Marks, lot 4, Fincastle Subdv., Blacksburg, \$357,500

Teel and Duncan, Inc., to Albert Alan Graybill, lot 33, Sec VIII, Ph V, Falling Branch Subdv., Christiansburg, \$298,000

Kevin G. Sullivan to Donna Ann Mitchell, lot 12A, Fiddlers Green, Blacksburg, \$1,400,000

Brian A. Hazzard to Margaret Jacks, lot 4, Ph IV, Falling Branch Subdv., Christiansburg, \$280,000

Frederick Thomas Syx II to CMH Homes, Inc., 1.846 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$55,000

John H. Fike to Michael D. Warren, 0.285 ac., Blacksburg, \$360,000

Dominic Sano-Franchini V to Michael Putallaz, lot 14, Ph I, The Glen, Blacksburg, \$360,000

Leonard Charles Moore to Ian A. Tester, 1.228 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$165,000

Stateson Homes, LLC to Lars Burdorf, lot 30, Clifton, Ph I, Christiansburg, \$683,550

Mark A. Teachey to Somiah Lattimore, Condo unit 41, Bldg D, Cascades Pointe Condos, Blacksburg, \$185,000

Carolyn J. Ruble to Stephen Norman Shylton, lot 1, Blk 1, Christiansburg, \$215,000

Milumagio LLC to Xiaoguang Wang, Lot 14, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph VI, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$210,000

Robert Brian Pennington to Richard K. Best, two parcels, lot 7 and lot 7, see legal, \$662,500

Kevin Concannon to El-

len N. Cranwell Trust, lots 9-11, Sec 5, Blacksburg, \$850,000

Jason M. Ronan to Marya Caresse McPherson, lot 49, Christiansburg, \$245,000

Keth A. Walters Executor to Sameul S. Kittinger, two parcels, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$160,000

Joseph Hartmann Trust to Joseph Hartmann, 2.3246 ac., lot 62, Sec II, Laurel Ridge Subdv., Blacksburg

Joshua A. Crowder to Bora Sul, lot 30, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph VI, \$214,900

Kelli A. Whitfield to Joseph Thomas Newman, lot 45, Maple Ridge Village 3, Blacksburg, \$412,000

Chester Steven Tuggle to Sujatha Dantuluri, condo unit #76, Bldg G, Cascades Point, Blacksburg, \$169,900

Lorna Esther Weldon to Jon Nathan Peterson Weldon, Lot, Hagan St., Christiansburg

Dorothy A. Glidden to Hughes Investments LLC, 0.45 ac., lot 2, Christiansburg, \$275,000

Shah Development LLC to Donald Bloodworth, 0.137 ac., Midway Estates, Lot 13, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$266,750

Gary D. Mullins to Leonard Charles Moore, Lot 22, Sec. 2, Bethel Woods Subdv., Riner Magisterial District, \$266,110

John D. Weatherspoon to Dana Richmond, 0.687 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$279,350

D/O Land and Development LLC to Bernardo A. Castellanos, lot 21, Carriage Hill Townhouses, Sec II, Blacksburg, \$209,000

George Gray to George Robert Gray, 0.68 ac., metes and bounds, Christiansburg

Lizette Dorantes Rebollo to Allison D. Sanchez, 0.266 ac., lot 5, Blacksburg, \$368,000

Kelly J. White to Stephen B. Whitfield, lot 16, Coal Bank Ridge, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$1,050,000

Aldawood and Sons LLC to Jason McGrady, Condo unit 102, Brownstone Condos, Blacksburg, \$290,000

David L. Cruise to Susan Overstreet, Lot 7, Ph 5, Springview Subdv., Riner Magisterial District, \$141,400

Jeffrey H. Nooger to Randall J. McDaniel, Condo unit 312 Clay Court Condos, Blacksburg, \$310,000

Dana S. Reeder to Robert W. Wilson, 5.633 ac., lot 3, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$380,000

Golden Triangle Development LLC to Jodi Elizabeth Kurupy, lot 42, Reagans Ponte, Christiansburg, \$239,900

William B. Newsome to Catherine Lee, See DB 368, Pg. 624, Riner Magisterial District, \$185,000

City Light Development Corporation to Tolani Walwin Edwards, 125 Ashby St., Christiansburg, Lot 63, Christiansburg, \$225,000

WD3, LL to Maria D. Gomez, two parcels, 14.9594 ac. and 26.619 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$210,000

Anita McCoy Zwolinski to David McCoy, see legal, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$106,000

Charles Even Schoolfield III to Samuel Jesse Epperly Jr., Lot 2, See 2005005103, \$160,000

Walnut Creek Development Group to Blue Ridge Development Group, 16.61 ac., Walnut Creek Subdv., Ph V-B, Shawsville Magisterial District

Meyer Co. LLC to Town of Christiansburg, \$191,799

Joshua L. Herschler to Dana Andrew Robertson, lot 124, Sec IX, Woodbine, Blacksburg, \$405,000

Mark D. Hopper to Victor Bernard Zimbardi, Lot 5, Highland Park #3, Christiansburg, \$175,000

Cen Zhong to Edward Peck Lawrence, condo unit 1207-C, Ph IX, University Terrace, \$220,000

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Yard Sales - Craig County

New Castle Estate Sale

At the historic Home of Senator George W. and Addie Reynolds Layman, Daughter Kate Layman, 17 Main Street New Castle, VA 24127 Saturday, August 21 8am-4pm Sunday, August 22 1pm-4pm Layman/Reynolds Family Items Antique Beds, Tables, Mission Oak Furniture, China, Books, Bottles, Glassware, Pictures, Linens, and many other items. Additional info on EstateSale.net Sale Conducted by and for the benefit of the New Castle United Methodist Church Parking available in church parking lot.

Yard Sales - Salem

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 Experience working with families.
 Knowledge of ERSEA (Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment and Attendance)
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Legals - Botetourt County

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF PROPERTY
400 Quail Ridge Road, Fincastle, VA 24090
Tax Map No. 72(8)28, Parcel No. 23467

In execution of an Amended and Restated Credit Line Deed of Trust dated October 6, 2014, in the principal amount of \$1,086,105.42, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 140003493, Woods Rogers PLC, Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the Botetourt County Circuit Court, Courthouse, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, on August 24, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain tract or parcel of land designated as TM #72(8)28 and containing 17.614 acres, more or less, all as shown on that certain "Boundary Line Adjustment & Family Subdivision, Plat of the Property of Kendall W. & Ann P. Austin", dated August 11, 2011, prepared by McMurry Surveyors, Inc., of record in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, in Plat Book 52, page 44.

TERMS: Cash - Bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sales price by cashier's or certified check may be required. Balance of purchase price shall be due and payable not later than ten (10) days after sale.

WOODS ROGERS PLC, Substitute Trustee

For Information Contact: Woods Rogers PLC, P.O. Box 14125, Roanoke, VA 24038-4125 Telephone: 540-983-7729

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit from the

Legals - Botetourt County

Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of industrial wastewater and stormwater into a waterbody in Botetourt County, Virginia PERMIT NO.: VA0072397 NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY: Roanoke Cement Company LLC, 6071 Catawba Road, Troutville, Virginia 24175 DEQ CONTACT: Becky L. France, 540-562-6793, becky.france@deq.virginia.gov, 901 Russell Drive, Salem, VA 24153 The full public notice is available at <https://www.deq.virginia.gov/permits-regulations/public-notices/water/virginia-pollution-discharge-elimination-system-vpdes>

Legals - City of Radford

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF RADFORD

THE CITY OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, **Case No. CL21-6456** Plaintiff, v. COLE-PHILLIPS BUILDING CO., and MICHAEL H. COLE and PARTIES UNKNOWN, any heirs, devisees, and successors in title, including Successors in interest of Cole Phillips Building Co., A General Partnership collectively made Defendants, Defendant(s).

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to order abatement of nuisance or allow for razing of a structure owned by Cole Phillips Building Co., and located at 103 Polk Street in the City of Radford, Virginia, and enforce a lien for the costs of the same. An Affidavit having been filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the location of the named Defendant(s), that the Defendant(s) may be non-residents of Virginia and maintain no domicile within the borders of the Commonwealth, or are deceased, or that there may be parties who have an interest in the property but are unknown, namely, the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the named partnership, made Defendants by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the named Defendant(s) and all Parties Unknown appear on or before September 24, 2021, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.

Entered: 7/22/2021
Melissa White
Circuit Court Clerk/Judge
City of Radford, Virginia

I Ask For This:
Michael R. Bedsaul, Esq.
(WSB # 41273)

Legals - City of Radford

Mary Foil Russell (VSB No. 46440) Sands Anderson PC P.O. Box 2009 Christiansburg, Virginia 24068-2009 540-260-9011 (phone) 540-260-0022 (facsimile)

Legals - City of Salem

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA. CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 **Case No. CL21-888** ROANOKE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT 305 E. MAIN ST SALEM, VA 24153 ALTIZER, ZANDER LEE v. MCGUIRE, CONNER LEE The object of this suit is to: NAME CHANGE OF MINOR It is ORDERED that Ashley Altizer appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on 8/27/21 @ 11:00 AM Enter 7/16/21 Judge Dorsey

Pursuant to the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act

of 1994, 12 U.S.C. Chapter 38A and the Secretary's Foreclosure Commissioner designation, a COMMISSIONER'S SALE of 1407 Longview Avenue, Salem, VA 24153 (Short Legal Description: LT 6 BLK 3 SEC 1 MIDDLETON GARDENS) will occur at public auction outside the main entrance to the building of the Circuit Court of Salem, VA located at 2 East Calhoun Street, Salem, VA 24153-7933 on September 9, 2021 at 11:00 AM, pursuant to a default of a note secured by a deed of trust executed by Calvin C. Overstreet by Nellie C. Overstreet, his attorney in fact, and Nellie C. Overstreet recorded 2/10/2012, in the Circuit Court for Salem, VA, as Instrument No. 120000317, and the Assignment in favor of the Secretary of HUD recorded 1/18/2018, in the Circuit Court for Salem, VA as Instrument No. 180000119. TERMS OF SALE can be reviewed by the recorded notice of default on file with the Salem Circuit Court for which all terms are incorporated herein into this notice. A 10% deposit is immediately required for winning bidder in certified funds. Anderson Law, 2492 N. Landing Rd, #104, Va Beach, VA 23456, <http://www.virginalawoffice.com/hud> Run date 8/19/2021, 8/26/2021, and 9/2/2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the

Legals - City of Salem

provisions of Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2309 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, on August 26, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, to consider the following applications.

The request of Matthew and Kathryn Cookston, property owners, for a variance from Section 106-202.3(B)(1) of the City of Salem Zoning Ordinance pertaining to site development regulations, for the property located at 436 Westland Street, Tax Map # 171-2-13. The petitioners are requesting a variance of 8.2 feet of side-yard setback and 25 feet of rear-yard setback to allow an addition. Section 106-202.3(B)(1) states that a side-yard setback of ten percent (8.2 feet) and a 25 foot rear-yard setback is required.

At this hearing, all parties in interest will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and show cause why such requests should or should not be granted. For additional information, contact the Office of the Zoning Administrator, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375 3032).

THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM BY: Mary Ellen H. Wines, CZA, CFM Zoning Administrator

AT&T Mobility, LLC

is proposing to modify an existing wireless telecommunications facility on a building located at 220 East Main Street, Salem, Roanoke County, VA. The modifications will consist of the addition of remote radio units at approximately 70 feet above ground level on the 61.7-foot building. Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6121005335- MAB EBI Consulting, 6876 Susquehanna Trail South, York, PA 17403, or via telephone at (617) 909-9035.

Branch Civil, Inc. invites all DBE and SWaM subcontractors and vendors

to attend an Outreach Meeting pertaining to the upcoming project to widen 7.4 miles of Route 58 over Lovers Leap Mountain in Patrick County, VA:

Route 58 Lovers Leap Project

From: 0.7 mile north of Stuart To: 0.3 mile east of Route 610 (Cloudbreak Road) in Patrick County, VA State Project No.: 0058-070-E18, P101, R201, C501

Patrick Henry Community College 645 Patriot Ave Martinsville, VA 24112 Frith Hall: Exhibit Hall Tuesday, August 24, 2021 / 10AM – 2PM

Courtyard Roanoke Airport 3301 Ordway Drive Roanoke, VA 24017 Appalachian Room Wednesday, August 25, 2021 / 10AM – 2PM

The Branch Civil team will be available to answer questions regarding the plans, specifications, and requirements of the project. This is a drop-in event open to any and all contractors interested in participating in the project, you do not need to attend the entire time.

We are soliciting quotes for the following selected items of work: Surveying, Demolition, Earthwork, Blasting, Erosion Control, Seeding, Dust Control, Hauling, Retaining Walls, Storm Sewer, Box Culverts, Curb and Gutter, Miscellaneous Concrete, Guardrail, Barrier, Paving, Pavement Marking, Signs, Fueling, and Traffic Control.

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For information about the project, contact Branch Civil, Inc., Chad Wirsig, Senior Estimator at email: chad.wirsig@branchcivil.com

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The Virginia Department of Transportation invites heavy equipment owners to sign up for the rental of their equipment with operators for SNOW & ICE REMOVAL purposes in Christiansburg Residency which includes the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski during the winter of 2021-2022. Price per hour shall include operators, fuel, tire chains, supplies and required insurance. VDOT will need dump trucks, pickups with plows, motorgraders, backhoes, dozers, track loaders, tractors, rubber-tire loaders and farm tractors. All equipment shall be equipped for night work and be in good mechanical condition to ensure a safe and dependable 24/7 operation. VDOT reserves the right to determine acceptability of equipment size and condition for the task. Contractors submitting prices meeting the requirements of the Agreement may be contracted with and may be eligible to receive a mobilization payment.

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Applications received by 7:00 PM on Friday September 24, 2021 may be eligible for a mobilization bonus. See the EVA posting for additional information, including contract requirements.

Questions can be directed to the Christiansburg Residency from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday – Friday. Phone: 540-381-7201 Email: SalemDistrictSnow@vdot.virginia.gov

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How to create your own sunroom

Spring, summer and fall provide ample opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors, but such chances are few and far between once the winter freeze settles in. Though winter might compel the masses to huddle up inside, there's still a way to take in the great outdoors on cold winter days and nights.

It might not prove an exact substitute for summer nights around the firepit, but a sunroom affords homeowners a chance to marvel at snowy winter landscapes without venturing out into the cold. Sometimes referred to as "all-season rooms," sunrooms can make for a great retreat on quiet summer mornings or crisp autumn afternoons. Sunrooms can be treated as blank canvases, which makes decorating them more fun. But a few tricks of the trade can help homeowners turn their blank canvases into welcoming spaces to take in all that nature has to offer throughout the year.

• Define the purpose. The experts at Better Homes & Gardens recommend homeowners decide how they want to use the sunroom before they begin decorating it. When the weather gets too chilly to dine

outside, will the sunroom serve as an alternative dining space in the same way patios and decks do during the warm weather? Or do homeowners want to turn their sunrooms into reading rooms? Though it's possible to make sunrooms multipurpose spaces, it may be hard to create a relaxing vibe in rooms that are too crowded with furnishings or too busy. Defining how the space will be used also makes it easier when shopping for furnishings.

• Define when the room will be used. In addition to defining how the room will be used, homeowners should give ample consideration to when the room will be used. A year-round sunroom will need to be heated, while a three-season sunroom likely won't require heating. Cooling might be a concern on hot summer afternoons, but many homeowners will likely spend such days outside anyway, so cooling the room may be as simple as installing a ceiling fan and ensuring windows can be opened to let fresh air in. Homeowners who want a year-round sunroom should install insulated glass to keep the room even warmer when the mercury dips.

• Opt for bright colors. Bright colors can make sunrooms feel all the more inviting and make for a perfect match with all the natural light already in the room. The renovation experts at HGTV note that white walls and ceilings can maximize the warm illumination of the natural light that will be pouring in from the floor-to-ceiling windows. Better Homes & Gardens adds that brightly colored cushions, pillows and area rugs with similarly hued colors and patterns can add visual interest and texture to a sunroom.

• Make use of a view. Homeowners needn't direct too much of their focus on decor if their sunrooms come with a view. Art on the walls and other decorative items around the room are less important if a sunroom affords a view of the ocean or a lake or dense woods that attract local wildlife. In rooms with a view, arrange furniture so residents and guests can comfortably look outward and take in all the surround landscape has to offer.

Sunrooms are a great place to take in nature no matter the weather.

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Campsite planning and safety tips



Camping has long been a popular pastime for outdoor enthusiasts

The appeal of camping is undeniable. According to The Business Research Company, a market research and intelligence company, the global camping and caravanning market is expected to grow from just under \$40 billion in 2020 to more than \$45 billion in 2021. Estimates suggest the market will grow even more in the coming years, reaching \$56.6 billion by 2025.

Camping has long been a popular pastime for outdoor enthusiasts, but it may have developed an entirely new group of devotees in 2020. Traditional vacations may not have been possible in 2020, when governments across the globe urged citizens to avoid conventional travel as the world found itself in

the throes of a global pandemic. In an effort to overcome cabin fever, many people viewed camping as a safe way to get out of the house while still limiting contact with people from other households. That no doubt inspired new generations of camping fans, many of whom will continue to pitch their tents and sit around campfires long after the pandemic has ended.

The National Park Service recognizes the popularity of camping and urges people to stay safe. Veteran campers and novices alike can benefit from reviewing these safety tips, courtesy of the NPS.

• Plan ahead. Camping trips may not require hours of scouring travel websites in an effort to find the best deals on

flights and hotels. But camping trips still require ample planning. When planning a trip, take into account who's coming along. Assess their camping skills and physical fitness to determine the most appropriate place to camp. Campers with limited mobility may be best suited for accessible campsites. The NPS urges campers to consider if everyone in the group will be able to make a long hike from the parking lot to the campsite. If not, choose a site that you can pull right up to or is just a short, easy walk from the parking lot.

• Research the campsite and surrounding area. Know as much as possible about the campsite prior to embarking on your trip. Learn about everything from the local wildlife you may encounter while camping to the condition of surrounding areas, including the altitude, the difficulty of nearby hiking trails and where to go in case of emergency.

• Develop an emergency plan. The NPS urges campers to develop an emergency plan, noting that it's always wise to expect the unexpected when camping. Bring a first aid kit along when leaving the campsite to engage in activities like hiking or fishing. Go over safety protocols before going on a hike, including the need to stay together and remain on the trail at all times. More information about what to do should anyone be injured during your trip is available at www.nps.gov.

• Bring the right gear. The NPS notes that each camping trip will have its own equipment needs, which will be dictated by the setting, the time of year of the trip, the difficulty of the terrain, and the duration of the trip. Navigational supplies, sun and insect protection, insulation (i.e., extra clothing and blankets), shelter, flashlights and headlamps, first aid kits, extra food and water, firestarters, repair kits and tools, and a communication device like a smartphone or satellite phone are the essential necessities that should be brought along on all camping trips.

Camping is a great way to get away. Campers of all skill and experience levels can make the most of their trips by emphasizing safety at all times.

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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, at (540) 382-6128 ext. 1130 or by email at awarren@christiansburg.org with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.

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VT welcomes Hokie Nation back to campus with Fan Day

The Virginia Tech football team welcomed Hokie Nation back to campus as fans of all ages met the coaches, players and spirit squad members in the Beamer-Lawson Practice Facility Sunday for the 2021 edition of Fan Day.

The celebration started at 1:30 p.m. and concluded at 4 p.m. The HokieBird and members of the Virginia Tech Spirit Squads were on the scene outside the practice facility starting around 1:30. Once the gates opened, the HokieBird and the members of the Spirit Squads entered the practice facility.

Current Hokie Kids' Club members

had exclusive early access to Fan Day at 2:30 p.m. before the general public entered 15 minutes later.

Fans were able to get autographs from the coaches and their favorite players with the autograph lines closing at 3:30 p.m. Posters and autograph cards were provided, and attendees were allowed to have one outside item autographed, though no posed photographs were allowed.

Admission and parking were both free. Tickets were not available to purchase on site, though VT representatives were on hand to answer ticket-related questions.



WVU, Tech on RU non-conference slate

The non-conference portion of the Radford Women's Basketball 2021-22 schedule was announced by Head Coach Mike McGuire on Thursday morning.

The 12-game slate includes one pre-season exhibition, four regular season home games to be played at the Dedmon Center, six road contests, and a neutral site showdown as part of the Coastal Classic.

"Each year, we schedule in a way that will prepare and challenge our team for Big South Conference play and we believe this schedule will do just that," said McGuire. "Not only do we have three contests with Power 5 schools, we have some exciting match-ups with some excellent and well-coached pro-

grams within our region."

The Highlanders return to the court on Thursday, Nov. 4 when they welcome Emory & Henry to the Dedmon Center. Regular season play then kicks off less than a week later on the road at Pittsburgh on Wednesday, Nov. 10.

From there, Radford plays back-to-back home games against Marshall (Sunday, Nov. 14) and Lenoir Rhyne (Friday, Nov. 19) before making its way to Morgantown for a big match-up against West Virginia on Sunday, Nov. 21.

A home game against Lees-McRae on Wednesday, Nov. 24, and an away game at UNCW on Saturday, Nov. 27, then wrap up the first month of the season. Note that the Nov. 24th game will be

part of a doubleheader with the Radford Men's Basketball program.

On Wednesday, Dec. 1, Furman makes its way to the New River Valley for Radford's final home game of the non-conference schedule. The Highlanders then head to American (Sunday, Dec. 5) and Virginia Tech (Sunday, Dec. 12).

Final tune-ups before conference play will take place in Myrtle Beach, S.C. where Coastal Carolina is hosting the Coastal Classic. The Highlanders face College of Charleston on Saturday, Dec. 18, and Coastal Carolina the very next day on Sunday, Dec. 19.

"We have high expectations to compete and represent the Big South Conference in non-conference play," said Mc-

Guire. "This schedule will help us learn a lot about ourselves."

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Goforth to coach in Pirates organization

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Former Blacksburg High School baseball player Ethan Goforth has been appointed an assistant coach in the Florida Complex League for the Pittsburgh Pirates organization.

Goforth has been assigned to Team Gold, which is one of two Pirate league teams, where he will be working main-

ly with catchers.

"I was recently released by the Pirates as a player, and I was given two options," said Goforth, "to find another place to play, or stay on as a coach."

"Coaching has been a dream of mine since before I went to college, and it is a great opportunity to start my coaching career in an organization that I be-

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Position preview for Hokies: Tight end



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James Mitchell is a key returner at tight end for Virginia Tech this season.

Tech's tight end unit may be the deepest position group on the squad, but James Mitchell is

clearly the alpha male in this group. The Big Stone Gap, Va., native led Tech with four re-

ceiving touchdowns in 2020 and had a rushing score. No returning ACC tight end can top

the 435 receiving yards he produced a year ago.

With big, fast pass catchers who are willing blockers becoming the desired prototype for NFL tight ends, the Hokies appear to have the next incarnation in Mitchell, who can create match-up issues and has shown the ability to set the edge as a blocker. And there's nothing a quarterback prefers more in the red zone than a big, tall target who has the ability to get up and secure the ball in traffic.

Both Drake Deluliis and Nick Gallo are even taller than Mitchell, yet provide similar versatility and blocking ability in addition to receiving aptitude.

Deluliis made his first two career starts last season and had three recep-

tions for 25 yards. The Charlotte, N.C., native has played in 25 games over the past four seasons for Tech.

Gallo has played in 22 games (five starts) since he arrived on campus in 2019. Last season, the Richboro, Penn., product recorded 11 catches for 83 yards with one touchdown.

POSITION NOTES
Mitchell flourished as Tech's top tight end target in 2020, setting career marks in receptions (26), receiving yards (435) and receiving touchdowns (4).

Mitchell (9), Gallo (4) and Deluliis (2) all made starts at tight end for Tech in 2020.

Gallo saw action in every game last season and produced three-

catch games at Wake Forest and vs. Liberty.

POSITION OUTLOOK

After developing Dalton Keene into a third-round NFL Draft pick, tight ends coach James Shibest appears to have another potential prospect in the pipeline with James Mitchell. While Mitchell could be poised for a big year, Deluliis and Gallo give Tech the flexibility to utilize multiple tight end sets, which can be particularly important in short-yardage and goal-line situations.

With a good bunch of young players in this position group, tight end appears to be a spot where the Hokies will continue to be strong going forward.

Goforth

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lieve in. My assignment is in the Florida Complex League as an assistant coach, working primarily with catchers," the former Blacksburg High Bruin said.

A catcher, Goforth played in the Appalachian League with the Bristol Pirates before returning to spring training in 2020 when COVID shut down the minor leagues. He was invited back to spring training in 2021 and was assigned to play in Low A for the Bradenton Marauders. He finished his minor league career with a .225 batting average, two home runs, three

doubles, and three stolen bases in 26 games.

This followed an outstanding career at Carson-Newman College.

While at Blacksburg, Goforth hit .437 and was a two-time team most valuable player and first-team All-River Ridge District as a catcher.

In his final season at Carson Newman, Goforth was named second-team All-Southeast Region by the American Baseball Coaches Association. He put together one of the best years in recent memory with a .376 batting average, 11 homers, 42 RBIs, 70 runs scored,

and 15 stolen bases. Those numbers put him in the top 10 in average, homers, and runs scored, where he led the country during the regular season. His 70 runs scored was good for third on the school's all-time runs scored list.

He led all conference catchers by a wide margin with 32 assists on the year, committing only five errors in 420 chances for a .988 fielding percentage. He also threw out 16 of the 38 runners attempting to steal, a 42-percent rate that led the league among players with at least a dozen attempts against them.

Goforth believes he brings a lot of energy and passion for the game of baseball to the coaching position.

"I was fortunate enough to be around some great coaches growing up in the Virginia Tech athletic department with Coach Beamer, Coach Foster, and Coach Pete Hughes, just to name a few," he said. "I also played under three great coaches at Blacksburg High School in Coach Danny Shouse, Coach Dave Crist, and Coach Jason Waelti in baseball, football, and wrestling respectively. I will try to take all of the valuable lessons

that these men passed down to me and apply them to my career."

He said he never thought that he would get the opportunity to coach at this level.

"I am extremely grateful to the Pirates for giving it to me," Goforth said. "Coaching gives me a chance to stay in the game that I love so dearly and impact lives on and off the field along the way. This opportunity will be a great experience to be around numerous cultures and great coaches that will allow me to continue to learn every step of the way."

Hokies position preview: Defensive line

Amaré Barno had a breakout campaign in 2020 in his first season as a defensive end after moving to that spot from linebacker. Barno was an All-ACC Honorable Mention selection last season after leading all Power Five players with

16 tackles for loss, including 6.5 sacks.

The Blythewood, S.C., native played in all 11 games last year with six starts. He got off to a hot start with eight tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks in the first five games.

With last season's ex-

perience under his belt and a full spring working at the position, his trajectory should go nowhere but up.

While the Hokies hope Barno continues his rapid development as an edge rusher, the addition of Clemson transfer Jor-

dan Williams to the interior of the defensive front could be intriguing. The Virginia Beach native produced 55 total tackles, 9.5 tackles for loss, and 4.0 sacks during his stint with his Tigers. He figures to be part of an interior line rotation that includes Mario Kendricks, Norell Pollard, and Josh Fuga. Kendricks and Pollard are both Florida natives who flourished under Bill Teerlinck last season and should only benefit from the addition of J.C. Price to Tech's

staff. TyJuan Garbutt started 11 games for the Hokies in 2019 and came on down the stretch. He owns 62 career tackles with ten tackles for loss and two sacks.

What is unclear, though, is whether he'll be able to return after an injury cost him the final half of 2020.

Emmanuel Belmar owns 29 career starts and earned ACC Defensive Lineman of the Week honors following a three-sack performance at Duke last year.

POSITION NOTES

Defensive line coach Bill Teerlinck made an immediate impact in his first season with the Hokies as Tech ranked sixth in the nation with 36 sacks (3.27 per game) to rank ninth among football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) squads.

Of Barno's 16 tackles for loss in 2020, 14 were solo efforts, the second-highest total among all FBS players.

The Hokies ranked 10th in the Power Five in 2020 with 76 tackles for loss, with 65 percent of those coming from the defensive line.

POSITION OUTLOOK

Teerlinck and Price developed a solid rapport in the spring, and it was evident that their players enjoy working with them. While Barno will deservedly get plenty of preseason hype, Tech needs solid work from the interior quartet of Kendricks, Pollard, Williams, and Fuga.

After missing the early portion of 2020, a healthy and inspired Garbutt could provide a nice bookend to Barno at defensive end. Unquestionably, the Hokies will need other players to step and take quality snaps throughout the year.

Jaylen Griffin, Maxx Philpott, and Eli Adams all saw duty a year ago and could help keep Tech's frontline players fresh.

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