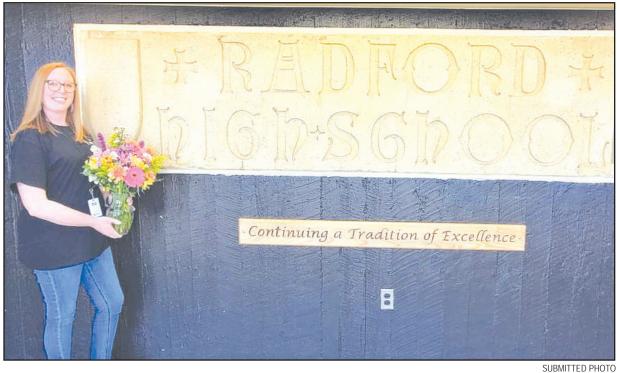




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RADFORD - Katie Givens, agriculture teacher at Radford High School, has been selected as the Radford City School Division Teacher of the Year.

Givens, who was chosen from among a winner at each of the four RCPS schools, will be the school district's representative for the statewide 2023 Mary V. Bicouvaris Virginia Teacher of the Year Program.

Givens teaches horticulture, floriculture, small animal care, and veterinary science in the Career and Technical Education program at RHS. RCPS

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Meals on Wheels searching for volunteer drivers

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RADFORD - Meals on Wheels offers seniors a chance for a hot meal five times a week, and an often welcome respite from the isolation felt by some homebound folks.

Now, the Meals on Wheels program is searching for volunteers to deliver those vital meals to the people who need them.

In Radford and Fairlawn, the Meals on Wheels program is administered by Radford Fairlawn Daily Bread at their facility in Radford. Meals on Wheels coordinator Karen Jones said she is looking for people to help deliver Meals on Wheels.

Jones said volunteers pick up home-cooked meals from Radford Fairlawn Daily Bread between 9:30 and 10:15 a.m. on the day scheduled and deliver to the homes listed on their route. Safety protocols are in place, she said. Each Meals on Wheels route takes 60 to 90 minutes to complete. Volunteers typically deliver one route on the day they are scheduled. They are scheduled based on availability and the need for each day, Monday through Friday.

"We would like to add 10 volunteers to our MOW program," Jones said. "A weekly or monthly commitment is not required. Scheduling is flexible and is based on a volunteer's availability and need for each week. Jones said the effects of the Meals on Wheels program on its recipients often go beyond food. "For our neighbors who receive a home-cooked meal, it is more than a meal," she said. "For some, it means seeing at least one person each day when otherwise they may not. For others, it is their only means to a meal. And for many, it is also a sense of security for their family who may not be able to see them due to living far away or work schedules that keep them away all day. But for each of them it is a sign that there is a community that cares for them. 'Being a volunteer with Meals on Wheels is a rewarding experience and one that makes a big difference in the lives of many," Jones said. Anyone interested in volunteering may sign up on-line for one of two upcoming MOW Volunteer Informational/Trainings: Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 9 a.m. (https://bit.ly/May25MOW) and Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 9 a.m. (https://bit.ly/May26MOW).



displaying the students' art for the show at Glencoe Mansion.



Elementary art teacher Michelle Saunders works on Belle Heth Elementary students Emma and Owen Yates pose in front of their respective works now on display at Glencoe Mansion and Museum.

Glencoe Mansion, Museum & Gallery hosts Radford City Public Schools art show

Glencoe Mansion, Museum and Gallery is displaying a new art show featuring the works of students from Radford City Public Schools.

The show is open through June 24 with an opening reception scheduled for today, Saturday, May 14, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The show features the works of students from the second through the twelfth grade representing all four Radford City schools. The students are primarily showcasing work that was created in the classroom where they learned about

a variety of art movements, styles, and mediums. Some students also submitted work that was created outside the classroom. Works from McHarg and Belle Heth elementary schools were created under the direction of Michelle Saunders and Ashley Syphrett. Works from Dalton Intermediate School were created under the direction of Kristy Bryant. Works from students at Radford High School were created under the instruction of Savannah Leeman.

"We are so excited to have

this dynamic exhibit showcasing the artistic talents of Radford's youngest citizens," said museum director Scott Gardner. Gallery coordinator Lauri Murphy said, "Showcasing the works of young artists in a public setting can be so inspiring, both for the artist and the viewer. It is an honor to have this exhibit on display at Glencoe."

Glencoe Mansion is free to visit and is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Radford cyclists to participate in **Ride of Silence**

Radford cyclists will be among those taking part on May 18 in the worldwide Ride of Silence, a silent, slow-paced ride in honor of vulnerable road users who have been hurt or killed while cycling on public roadways.

This year's ride is the 15th such event.

Cyclists will have a police escort along the 7-mile route and will ride at a slow pace. Though solemn, the group ride is enjoyable and inspirational to riders of all ages, experience and ability. Helmets are required.

Co-sponsored by the New River Valley Bicycle Association and Pathways for Radford, the New River Valley ride was first organized in 2008 after the untimely death of Fess Green, local professor and veteran cyclist.

Staging will begin in the Sal's/El Charro (Central Lumber) parking lot, 709 W. Main St., in Radford at 6:30 p.m. The route will take cyclists from Sal's and El Charro to the Dedmon Center.

The schedule of events is as follows:

6:30 – staging begins; 6:45 – speakers and instructions; 7:00 - Ride of Silence begins

Participants are invited to gather at Sal's and El Charro following the ride.

City of Radford to host the 2022 Summer **Concert** Series

The City of Radford will be hosting a 2022 Summer Concert Series this summer on the fields of Glencoe. The concerts will be one a month beginning on Saturday, May 21, and will run through Saturday, September 24, for a total of five concerts.

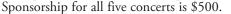
The schedule and bands/groups are as follows: Saturday, May 21 - The Legacy Motown Revue (Motown)

Saturday, June 18 - Ryan Perry (Country)

Saturday, July 24 - Cassette Rewind (80's Band)

Saturday, August 20 – Stars Go Dim (Christian Contemporary / Pop) **NATIONAL ACT**

Saturday, September 24 – Catalina's (Beach Music) Gates will open at 6:00 p.m., and all concerts will begin at 7:00 p.m. Food trucks will be onsite, and the Radford Chamber of Commerce will partner to provide beer for purchase (all concerts except Saturday, Aug.20).





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<u>Upcoming events</u>

Saturday, May 14:

Mount Tabor Ruritan Club fish fry

Mount Tabor Ruritan Club will hold its May fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at Slusser's Chapel Picnic Shelter, 1543 Mount Tabor Rd, Blacksburg. Single servings of fish, fries and slaw; homemade desserts; and beverages are \$12 for adults; \$6 for children under 12; children under 3 eat free. Carry-outs are \$12. The fish fry will be held rain or shine. Call or text 540-449-6178 for further information. On Facebook at MtTaborRuritan.

Radford Public Library book sale

From 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The money raised from the book sale goes to help with programs and other needs at the library. Hardbacks are \$1.00 and paperbacks \$.50. Children's books are half that.

Monday, May 16:

Book tasting

Come visit the Rock n' Read Diner at Radford Public Library from 5 to 6 p.m. as the library hosts its first-ever book tasting, an event during which students "taste," or sample, a selection of books they have chosen ahead of time. They can rotate among tables to sample the books and record notes about the ones that interest them. Tables of middle grade books will be set up. All books will be pulled from the J-Fiction and J-Nonfiction sections of the library.

Crafternoon delight for adults only

Participants can bring their crafting supplies to the Radford Public Library from 1 to 2 p.m. and knit, crochet, and needlepoint. Some crafting supplies will be provided.

Tuesday, May 17:

PATH Committee meeting

The New River Health District's PATH (Partnership for Access to Healthcare) Committee will convene from 8:30 to 10 a.m. at the Cross Point Foursquare Conference Center at 900 Life Dr. in Christiansburg for a discussion of PATH's future. The meeting will be in person with remote access available. Coffee and light refreshments will be served.

Family Reads with LVNRV

Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley will provide English as a Second Language (ESL) lessons to parents of children ages 3-8 (Older siblings are welcome.). This is a 7-week program that started Tuesday, April 12. Children will have fun activities to work on while parents learn to read English. Call (540) 382-7262 or email Anne Abbott at aabbott@lvnrv.org for more information.

Wednesday, May 18:

American Business Women's Association May luncheon meeting

At the Holiday Inn Christiansburg-Blacksburg, 99 Bradley Dr., Christiansburg; 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$14.25 Guest speaker Caitlyn Scaggs will share an uplifting message on how we can brag about our successes without being boastful. RSVP by noon on May 16, 2022. Contact: Terri Welch at: Christiansburg@wineanddesign.com.

Art Club: Helen Frankenthaler and soak-stain art

At the Christiansburg Library; 2 p.m. Participants will explore the art of Helen Frankenthaler and create soak-stain art inspired by her art style. For ages 8 and up. Registration is required.

Thursday, May 19:

Black and white photography at Radford Photo Club

Charles Lynch of Radford, a longtime member of the Radford Photo Club, will discuss black and white photography at the club's May 19 meeting at 6 p.m. at the Radford Public Library. As a follow-up to the March meeting about night photography, at 5:15 p.m., Adi Ben Senior will answer questions about night photography and offer suggestions for photographers who bring their photos, either prints or on a computer. Radford Photo Club, which includes professional and amateur photographers from across the New River Valley, meets monthly at the Radford Public Library. Programs, events, and outings are open to tor Dan McKinney said, "The traveling trophy is back at the chamber office ready to be presented to this year's winning team. We are truly appreciative of the businesses that support this fundraiser for us. We are looking forward to a full field again this year, We have several spots for teams still available. We also have sponsorships available. A special part of this year's tournament will be a Closest to the Pin on the new golf simulator that the river course recently acquired. A portion of the money for this contest will go to the chamber's scholarship fund, and we have a great winning prize. We are inviting both the players and others to compete with this contest. Visit https://radfordchamber.com/annualgolf-tournament for more information.

Thursday, May 26:

Scrabble Tournament for Literacy

The 14th Annual Scrabble Tournament for Literacy will raise funds for Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley (LVNRV) to help local adults learn to read. At the German Club Manor on Virginia Tech's Blacksburg campus from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Radford City Mayor David Horton will emcee the event. Local food offerings will be available. Teams of three will play two games of Scrabble against two different teams with the scores from both games added together to determine the winner. Awards will be given to the top scorer, the longest word, the highest scoring word, and the most creative team name. Register as a team for \$100 or sign up as an individual for \$35, and the organization will match a player with a team. To register, go to www.lvnrv.org, email info@lvnrv.org, or call 540-382-7262.

Friday, May 27:

Reception for Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation "End of the Line" exhibit

The Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation has an exhibit "End of the Line," through June 25, 2022, in the Alexander Black House main galleries, 204 Draper Road SW, Blacksburg. Admission is free. Exhibit hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The museum will host a reception on Friday, May 27, from 5 to 7 p.m. that is open to the public.

"End of the Line" is a multimedia exhibition by Bill Ratcliffe that examines the final destination for most consumed goods, the landfill. The exhibit allows for the viewing of sites rarely seen by the general public.

Monday, May 30:

MFRL closure

The Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library will be closed on Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day. All branches are closed on Sundays from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

Saturday, June 4:

Blacksburg Museum gospel sing

Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation will hold its annual gospel sing on Saturday, June 4. from noon to 6 p.m. on the Alexander Black House lawn, 204 Draper Road SW. Admission is free. Donations are encouraged to support the museum's educational programs.

Under the big tent on the Alexander Black House lawn, area choirs and soloists and praise dancers will sing current and old-time gospel favorites. Everyone is welcome to bring an instrument and join in the group sing. The schedule of the musical groups is as follows: Noon to 1 p.m.: Bob and Claudia Goldstein; 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.: the Glorylanders; 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.: Joann's This and That Singers; 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Simple Gifts; 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Indian Run Gospel Trio; 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Alexis Johnson. The gospel sing is sponsored by the Virginia Tech Foundation.

Saturday, June 18:

NAACP Juneteenth commemoration

The Montgomery County-Radford City-Floyd County Branch and Youth Council of the NAACP will celebrate Juneteenth, the traditional African-American commemoration of freedom from slavery, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Rosa Peters Playground, 300 Depot St. NF. Christiansburg

the public.

Friday, May 20 – Sunday, May 22:

Friends of the Library book sale

At the Meadowbrook Public Library. Stock up on books (plus DVDs and CDs) at this three-day book sale. Fill a paper grocery bag (provided) for \$5. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library. Friday, May 20 through Sunday May 22, during regular library hours.

Friday, May 20:

Radford Church of God of Prophecy ladies evening ministry

The Radford Church of God of Prophecy will hold a ladies evening ministry at 6:30 p.m. with Phyllis Cooper. The night will feature song, devotions, prayer, praise, a message, and refreshments. The church is located at 811 Sixth St. in Radford.

Saturday, May 21:

Friends of the Library book sale

At the Blacksburg Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fill a plastic grocery bag for \$5. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library.

Caturday

At the Christiansburg Library; noon. Sign up at the front desk for a 15-minute slot to read to a cat from the Montgomery County Animal Care and Adoption Center to practice reading and to socialize shelter cats. All ages. Email shodges@mfrl.org for more information.

Music on the Lawn: American Roots

At the Christiansburg Library; 6 p.m. This is the first show in the library's Music on the Lawn concert series featuring Southwest Virginia's own American Roots. This free concert will be held rain or shine.

Monday, May 23:

8th Annual Radford Chamber of Commerce golf tournament

Virginia Tech River Course will host the Radford Chamber of Commerce's golf tournament again this year with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Radford Chamber Executive Direcour rub, onnotanoourg.

The celebration will include music and will have food available for purchase. The NAACP Youth Council will sell hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and other snacks. An ice cream truck courtesy of Freedom First Credit Union will provide free ice cream to youth. All proceeds benefit local youth educational activities and programs. An informative program on Juneteenth will start at noon, followed by swimming, children's games, a silent auction, a raffle and door prizes. Various talents will be shared by youth and community members. The NAACP and other community organizations will have informational booths and give-a-ways! If an organization wants to have a booth, contact info@mrfnaacp or call 540-382-6751. Entry is free.

Ongoing:

Radford-Fairlawn Daily Bread seeks volunteer names

Radford Fairlawn Daily Bread and its sister program, Meals on Wheels, are searching for the names of everyone who has volunteered with either service. Anyone who knows of past volunteers, especially those over the programs' first two decades, should contact feherzog66@gmail.com or by mail addressed to Herzog, at RFDB, P. O. Box 3323, Radford 24143.

Free New River Community College GED classes

At the Radford Public Library; 9 a.m. to noon. Free GED prep classes offered by New River Community College in the library's community room. Call (540) 674-3682 for additional information.

Grab & Go Meals

At the Meadowbrook Public Library. Free grab-and-go lunch and snack meals. Children and youth 18 and younger can come and get a weeks' worth of lunches and snacks every week. Sponsored by Feeding Southwest Virginia.

Glencoe Mansion calls for Art for Mary Draper Ingles show

Glencoe Mansion is calling for art for its July-through-August 2022 Gallery Exhibit, "Follow Her Journey," a multi-artist show themed on Mary Draper Ingles. Artwork should reflect or be based on the life and times of Mary Draper Ingles including depictions of local landmarks (for example, Ingles Farm, the Cultural Heritage Park, Ingles Tavern and ferry site), and Colonial style art.

All fine arts and fine craft media will be considered. Artists may submit up to three artworks for consideration. Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. on June 3. Participation, which is subject to acceptance, is open to artists in and around the NRV area, ages 16 and up. Artists will be notified via email no later than June 15. The show will be on display throughout July and August with an opening reception during the Mary Draper Ingles Festival of July 29-31. For more information, go to www.GlencoeMansion.org or email gallery coordinator at art@glencoemansion.org.

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Virginia Tech, Radford rated among best value colleges in Virginia

Where are college students in Virginia getting the most return on their educational investment? SmartAsset has released a study comparing the best colleges and universities in each state by measuring them across five metrics: scholarships, average starting salary for graduates, tuition, living costs, and student retention rate.

With a value index of 71.65, Virginia Tech emerged from the study as the college with the second-best value in the commonwealth. Only the University of Virginia's main campus, with a value index of 74.5, ranked as a greater value.

Radford landed in the rankings as the university with the eighth-best value with a value index of 43.91.

Others in the best value rankings ac-

cording to SmartAssert are 3. VMI 4. Washington and Lee University 5. James Madison University 6. University of Richmond 7. George Mason University 9. University of Mary Washington and 10. Christopher Newport University.

Repairs scheduled for Jacob's Ladder Trail in Poverty Creek Trail System, Montgomery County

BLACKSBURG – The George Washington and Jefferson National Forests are working with partners to repair erosion damage to the popular Jacob's Ladder trail (Forest Service trail #990), in the Poverty Creek Trail System in Montgomery County.

The entire 1.3-mile trail will be temporarily closed today, Saturday, May 14 and Sunday, May 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the repair work.

Volunteers with the Poverty Creek Trails Coalition will be using a miniexcavator donated by a Roanoke-based trail club to repair the trail tread and improve drainage to prevent future erosion issues.

"Thank you so much to

our volunteers and partners who put the work in to help the Forest Service maintain these trails," said Beth Christensen, Eastern Divide District Ranger. "These trails see a tremendous amount of use, and we are fully aware of how essential this resource is to the Blacksburg community."

The Jacob's Ladder trail connects the Poverty Creek trail (Forest Service trail #1000) to Horse Nettle Trail (Forest Service trail #985) and is part of a system of over 24 miles of trail.

The Poverty Creek Trails Coalition is a volunteer non-profit dedicated to improving trails in the New River Valley.



With nearly 30 years of nursing experience, Lisa Carson has been hired by LewisGale Hospital Montgomery as its chief nursing officer for its 146-bed medical and surgical facility.

LewisGale Hospital Montgomery names new Chief Nursing Officer

LewisGale Hospital Montgomery has hired Lisa Carson as chief nursing officer for the 146-bed medical and surgical facility.

Carson brings nearly 30 years of nursing experience with HCA Healthcare. She has developed her nursing career through progressive leadership roles including patient care tech, staff nurse, nursing supervisor, nurse manager, and nurse director. Most recently, she served as assistant chief nursing officer for Henrico Doctors' Hospital, a 340-bed community hospital located in Richmond. "Lisa has served the central Virginia market for many years by dedicating herself not only as a patient caregiver but as a healthcare leader," said Sean Pressman, LewisGale Hospital Montgomery interim chief executive officer. "She has fostered a culture of care and safety for patients, families, and staff."

Carson earned her associate's degree in nursing from Reynolds Community College and her Master of Science in Nursing from Western Governors University. She is currently pursuing a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) at American Sentinel University.

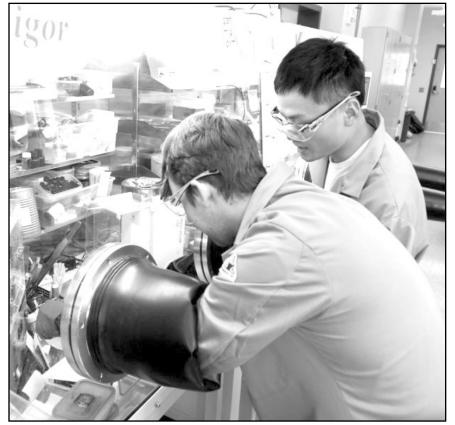
VT research team seeks to develop batteries with long life and fastcharging capability

It doesn't come on fast. It may take weeks to notice. You have the newly recharged lithium-ion AA batteries in the wireless kitty water fountain, and they last two days. They once lasted a week or more. Another round of charging, and they last one day. Soon, nothing.

You would be forgiven if you stood there and questioned your own actions. "Wait, actually change over time in fast-charging conditions.

Early on, the study finds, battery decay seems driven by the properties of individual electrode particles, but after several dozen charging cycles, it's how those particles are put together that matters more.

"This study really sheds light on how we can design and manufacture battery electrodes to obtain a long cycle life for batteries," Lin said. His lab is now working to redesign battery electrodes with the goal of fabricating electrode architectures that provide fast-charging capabilities and sustain a longer life at a fraction of today's cost, as well as being environmentally friendly. When the electrode architecture allows for each individual particle to quickly respond to electrical signals, we will have a good toolbox to charge batteries fast. We are excited to implement the understanding to next-generation, low-cost, fast-charging batteries," Lin said.'



did I recharge these?"

Relax, it's not you. It's the battery. Nothing lasts forever, not even the supposed long-lasting rechargeable batteries, be they AAs or AAAs bought in store or the batteries inside our cellphones, wireless earbuds, or cars. Batteries decay.

Feng Lin, an associate professor in the Department of Chemistry, part of the Virginia Tech College of Science, is part of a new international, multi-agency/university study published today in Science that takes a new look behind the factors that drive a battery's lifespan and how those factors

PHOTO FOR VIRGINIA TECH BY NATALEE WATERS

Callum Connor, an undergraduate student in the Virginia Tech Department of Materials Science and Engineering, works with highly sensitive chemicals used in the creation of lithium-ion batteries. His work requires gloves, then long rubberized arms inside a sealed argon-filled workstation. Inside the tank, a third pair of gloves is required. Next to Connor is Department of Chemistry postdoctoral researcher Zhengrui Xu.



Moss Arts Center announces lineup for 2022-23 season

The Moss Arts Center's 2022-23 season features vibrant sights and sounds from around the world jazz and global beats, classical music favorites, familyfriendly cirque selections, vibrant dance, and theater works, and engaging new perspectives. Subscriptions are now available for the upcoming season.

"Art has the power to reshape — and reframe our understanding," said Ruth Waalkes, executive director of the Moss Arts Center and associate provost for the arts at Virginia Tech. "Onstage, in our galleries, and in the community this season, artists will bring new context to experiences and histories. They will illuminate cultures from around the world, reimagine old stories in new ways, and reclaim traditional narratives and heritage."

"We're thrilled to be presenting Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's premiere ensemble for the

first time ever in Southwest Virginia," said Margaret Lawrence, Moss Arts Center director of programming. "Ailey is truly one of this country's most popular and indomitable moderndance companies."

Moss Arts Center 2022-23 performances Čimafunk

Wednesday, Sept. 7, 6 p.m.

This free outdoor dance concert is led by one of the most exciting new performers in the Latin music space. With a joyous rhythm section, back-up singers, and a horn line, young Cuban sensation Cimafunk offers a bold mix of funk, Cuban music, and African rhythms that is revolutionizing the island's music scene.

Eileen Ivers and Universal Roots Friday, Sept. 16, 7:30 p.m. In the hands of celebrated nine-time All-Ireland Fiddle Champion Eileen Ivers, the violin pushes fiddling tradition boundaries from a folk music staple to an intensely driving world stage experience. Ivers and her band open the season with an upbeat evening celebrating the influences of Celtic tradition.

Redman · Mehldau · McBride · Blade

A MoodSwing Reunion Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m.

Celebrated jazz saxophonist Joshua Redman introduced his first permanent band with his 1994 album, "MoodSwing." The with Redman, pianist Brad Mehldau, bassist Christian McBride, and drummer Brian Blade — for an unforgettable performance.

Rhiannon Giddens with Francesco Turrisi

Wednesday, Oct. 5, 7:30 p.m.

Grammy-winning singer and instrumentalist Rhiannon Giddens excavates the past and reveals bold truths about the present. She collaborates with Italian multi-instrumentalist Francesco Turrisi to forge exultant sounds from the lullabies, ballads, and folk songs of their native and adoptive countries of America, Italy, and Ireland.

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"Andares"

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 13, 7:30 p.m.

"Andares" reveals the extraordinary spirit of Mexico's remote corners and the pathways of its humblest of inhabitants. With live music and three inspired actors, this profound play shines a light on a range of realities — land usurpation, widespread violence, community resistance that Indigenous people face.

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says Givens is integral to the Farmers of America program that for your dedication to students.

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Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's Chalvar Monteiro and Yannick Lebrun perform.

Acrobuffos "Air Play"

Sunday, Oct. 23, 2 p.m. Circus meets science - umbrellas fly, fabrics soar over the audience, balloons swallow people, and the whole stage turns into a snow globe. "Air Play" is part comedy, part sculpture, part circus, part theater. Great for all ages, "Air Play" creates beauty and inspires laughter across cultures and continents.

Farruquito

"Intimo"

Friday, Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m.

Heir to the most renowned self-proclaimed Gypsy flamenco dynasty, Farruquito is hailed by The New York Times as "the greatest flamenco dancer of this new century." With a stellar cast of dancers, musicians, and vocalists, Farruquito's performances are true expressions of pure flamenco.

Danish String Quartet Friday, Nov. 4, 7:30

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"Āhuti"

Nrityagram Dance Ensemble

Saturday, Nov. 12, 7:30 p.m.

Nrityagram Dance Ensemble and Chitrasena Dance Company collaborate in a contemporary fusion of Odissi classical dance from India and traditional Kandyan dance from Sri Lanka. "Āhuti" explores the differences and similarities that bring the two companies together in rhythm, lyrical interludes, physical expression, vibrant colors, and live music.

Soweto Gospel Choir

"Hope" Thursday, Nov. 17, 7:30

p.m. Three-time Grammywinning Soweto Gospel Choir brings "Hope," a program celebrating artists associated with struggles for social justice. From South African freedom songs to the music of Aretha Franklin, Harry Belafonte, and Mahlia Jackson, to traditional African gospel and spirituals, Soweto brings audiences to their feet.

Roanoke Symphony Orchestra

"Holiday Pops Spectacular'

David Stewart Wiley, conductor

Saturday, Dec. 3, 4 p.m. This much-anticipated holiday music tradition and audience favorite returns to the Moss. Friends and family gather to savor the spirit of the holidays as the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra fills the theater with music and cheer with its "Holiday Pops Spectacular" program for audiences of all ages.

Concerto Budapest Symphony Orchestra

András Keller, chief conductor Zoltan Fejérvári, piano

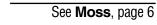
Thursday, Jan. 19, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

With a rich history and dynamic musicians, Concerto Budapest Symphony Orchestra is one of Hungary's leading orchestras. This performance showcases Hungary's most beloved composers — Dvořák, Liszt, and Bartók - and features Hungarian pianist Zoltan Fejérvári.

"An Evening with Kevin Young"

Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

A groundbreaking voice of his generation, poet Kevin Young is the director of the National Museum of African American His-



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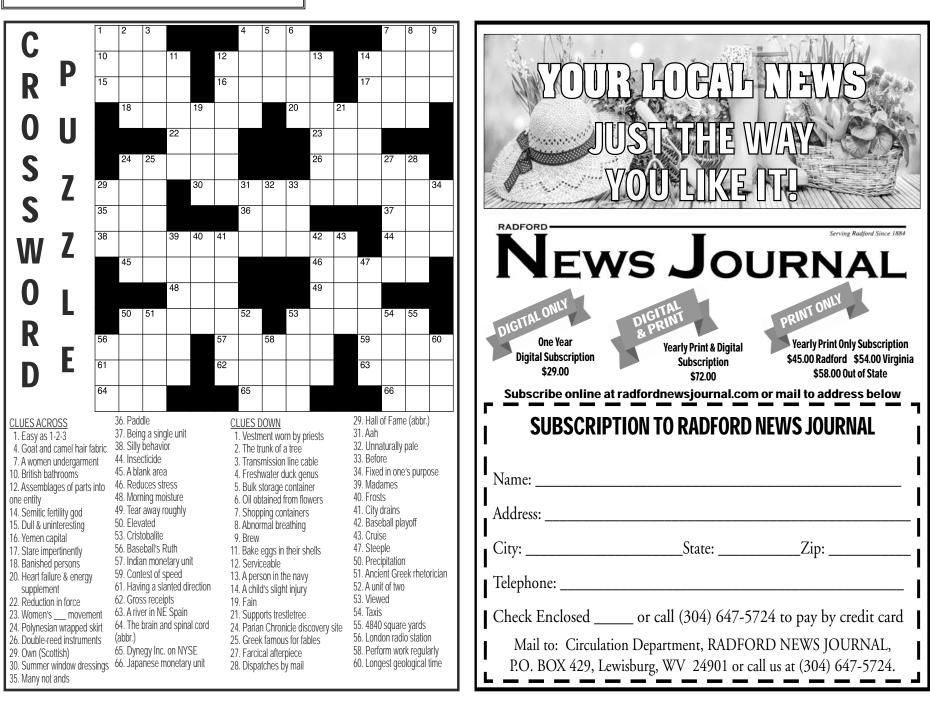
development of the program at the high school.

"It wasn't long ago when RCPS decided to bring a new agricultural program to our school division, and we were lucky enough to find and hire Katie, who has grown this program every year since she started with us," said Graham. "In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Katie also has earned many accolades over the years. We are certainly very proud of Katie and wish her the best of luck moving forward."

Radford City School Board Chair Lee Slusher offered Givens congratulations on behalf of the school board.

"Congratulations from the RCPS School Board," said Slusher. "Such a richly deserved honor. The agriculture program is such a shiny star in our division, and we thank you for its continued growth and success."

The other winners of Teacher of the Year at the individual schools are: Ranglette Dobson at McHarg Elementary School, Jenny Zienius at Belle Heth Elementary School and Sarah Coneras at Dalton Intermediate School.



BITUARIES

Paul Douglas Manuel, 76, of Dublin, went home to be with his Lord on Sunday, May 8, 2022.

Doug was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Helen Manuel; his sister and brother-in-law, Dennis and Joyce Rash; one son, Scott Clay Jones; and one brother-in-law, David Morehead.

He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Connie; his children, son Jeffrey Ray Manuel of Dublin, daughter Lori Ann Hale of Pulaski, daughter Kimberly Ann Draper of Pulaski, son John Douglas Manuel and wife Rose of Dublin, and daughter Madison Lynn Manuel of the home; sisters Jeannie (Tommy) Dalton of Ivanhoe, Mary (Jay) Cochran of Barren Springs, and Betty Morehead of Max Meadows; and a brother, Tommy (Nancy) Manuel of Tennessee.

Manuel, Paul Douglas

also the

grandfather of Harley Manuel of Beckley W.Va., Christopher McGlothlin Amanda Roanoke, Borntrager of Lincoln, Ala., Josh Knott of Christiansburg, Lauren Jones of Grahams Forge, Va., Kearsten Jones of Grahams Forge but currently serving in the United States Army

in Korea, and Skye, Quin, and Ella Manuel, all of Dublin.

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He is also survived by special nieces and God's caregivers to him, Shannon O'Dell and Erin Byrd and their little helpers Addison O'Dell and Zachary Byrd, several great-grandchildren, an "adopted granddaughter," Abby

doting East, who had a very special place in his heart, and his furry companion, Gracie.

Doug was a proud member of the United States Air Force and a Vietnam Veteran who was awarded the Purple Heart for his service. He was also a member of the New River Rescue Squad many years ago. He coached little league, teeball, baseball, football,

and soccer for over 100 rec teams for more than 20 years for the Pulaski Recreation Department. He attended the Fairlawn Church of God with Connie for several years.

Connie and the family would like to thank Intrepid Hospice of Radford's home health and nursing staff for

the care and love they have shown over the last one and a half years, the VA Medical Center/caregiver support staff, and Pastor Marcus Harrison and the church family for all the love and support shown to the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Children's Ministry of Fairlawn Church of God.

The family received friends on Friday, May 13, 2022, at the Fairlawn Church of God. Funeral services began at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Marcus Harrison officiating.

Interment with full military honors followed in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

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

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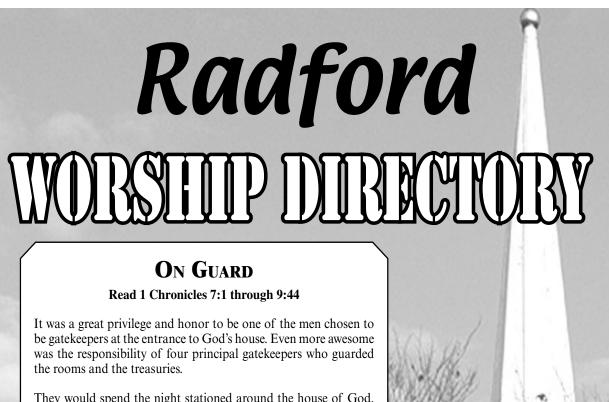
St. Philip's Anglican Church, 306 Progress Street, NE, Blacksburg, Virginia 24060, (540) 552-1771, www.stphilipsblacksburg. org. Reverend Fr. Wade Miller, Priest. Eucharist Sunday's at 11am and Wednesday's at 12pm.

St. Thomas Anglican Church- located at 4910 Hubert Rd, NW Roanoke, Va. Traditional Liturgical Lenten Services, Sunday at 10:30 am. Call (540) 589-1299 or visit www.sttofc.org for midweek masses and events. (In Roanoke, go E on Hershberger, L on Hubert to 4910).

BAPTIST

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

First Baptist Church on 3rd Ave., 215 Third Ave at the corner with Downey St. We nurture meaningful connections to God and others through worship, spiritual growth, and community ministry. We celebrate the dignity and worth of all persons, created in the image of God. Sunday Bible Study Groups - 9:45, Sunday Worship - 11:00. Website: fbcradford.org 540-639-4419. Worship is in-person and livestreamed on Facebook and on our YouTube channel: First Baptist Church Radford. Trinity Community Church, 1505 N. Franklin Street, C'burg. John Altizer, Lead Pastor, Brian Cockram, Associate Pastor, 382-8121. Worship at 10:45 a.m., Outreach Ministries - 6:00p.m. Wednesday, Growth Groups - 5:00p.m. Sunday, Youth and Children's Ministry - 5:00p.m. Sunday, www. trinitycburg.org.



They would spend the night stationed around the house of God, because they had to guard it; and they had charge of the key for opening it each morning (1 Chronicles 9:27).

No doubt some nights must have felt especially long, but falling asleep while on duty was not an option. The gatekeepers needed to remain alert to any sound or movement that might indicate the treasures they guarded were in danger.

Today many churches install electronic security systems, although they probably rely on a person to make sure all the windows and doors are locked each night. But when it comes to guarding that which is most important-our children and youth-nothing can replace the prayers of parents and the church family.

Challenge for Today: Ask the Lord for the name of a young person He wants you to safeguard with prayer.

Quicklook: 1 Chronicles 9:22-27

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Blacksburg Church of Christ, 315 Eakin St., 552-1331. Sun. Bible Classes 9:30 a.m., Sun. Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. Bible classes, 7 p.m., Outreach Minister Curt Seright, Community Minister Tom Gilliam, Dean Meadows, Campus Grace Episcopal Church, 210 4th Street, Rad-Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD

Childress Church of God, 4187 Piney Woods Rd., C'Burg. 381-3693. Sun. School 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m. & Wed. 7 p.m. Rd., C'Burg. Rev. T. Michael Bond, pastor, 731-3178. Sun. School 10 a.m., Worship 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m. Thurs., 7:00 p.m.

West Radford Church of God, 1824 West Christ Lutheran Church, 201 Harvey St. Sun-Main Street, Radford, VA 24141, Sunday School – 10:00A.M. Morning Worship – Sunday Evening – 6:00P.M., Wednesday Night – 7:00P.M., Pastor Danny Newman, Church Office – 540-639-6562 or 804-921-0828

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Radford Church of God in Christ, 206 Rev. Larry Russell Ave., Radford. Supt. Ronald A. Watson, Sr.; Elder, 639- 5948. Sun. School 9 a.m.; Prayer 11:30 a.m.; Worship 6 p.m.

(DOC - DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) Snowville Christian Church, 5436 Lead Mine Rd., Hiwassee, VA 24347, Pastor: Jerry King, Website: www.SnowvilleChristianChurch.com (and Facebook), Office:

If your church is not listed and if you are interested, call Randy Thompson at 540-389-9355 or email at advertise@ourvalley.org

540-633-3761, Email: office@SnowvilleChristianChurch.com, Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 a.m., Sunday School: 10:00 a.m., Thursday Bible Study: 6:00 p.m., We are: "Inspiring hope, helping people grow their faith, and sharing God's love with others!"

EPISCOPAL

ford, 639-3494. A friendly, mission-oriented spiritual community sharing the Word of God. ALL ARE WELCOME. In person and live-streamed services 10:30AM Sundays. Holy Eucharist twice a month. Morning Prayer twice a month. Fellow-New Hope Church of God, 1404 Mud Pike ship and refreshments follow services. Find us on Facebook: Grace Episcopal Church and www. graceradford.org.

LUTHERAN

day worship with communion at 10am; fellowship & snacks at 11am. All are welcome. Upcom-11:00A.M., Children's Church 11:00A.M. ing events and fellowship opportunities (Senior Brunch, Faith & Film, Rough Draught, etc.) detailed in weekly email and on website: clcradford. org. 540-639-2671.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

Merrimac **Pentecostal Holiness** Church, Christopher 552-7194. (540)l.christopher695@comcast.net. Sunday school at 10 a.m. and morning worship is 11 a.m. Evening service at 6 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Compassion Church, 1820 Second Street, Radford, 639-6287, Our music is passionate, our worship is real, and Pastor Chandler Jones brings relevant messages for everyone at any place on their journey, Sunday Worship Experience at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM, Wednesday Family Night at 7 PM, Children Ministry provided for all services. Our vision is to see all Saved. Freed. Restored. Fulfilled. Find us on facebook and Instagram Walton Pentecostal Holiness Church, 4003 Morning Glory Rd., off Walton Rd. on Rt. 114. 731-1755. Lee Sarver, pastor. Sun. School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6: p.m., Wed., 7p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

Join us at The Presbyterian Church of Radford, 201 4th Street, at the corner of 4th & Randolph. Sunday school at 10am; worship at 11am in the sanctuary. Phone 639-2585. Watch the service live on Facebook: The Presbyterian Church of Radford. www.pcradford.org. We are called to share the love of Christ in this community & beyond.

UNITED METHODIST

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

Central United Methodist Church, 803 WadsworthStreet,Radford.639-3529.8:30a.m.Sunday Services: 8:30am (interpreter provided); 9:45am SundaySchool(interpreterprovided);and11:00am. Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm. Child care is www.centralmethodistchurch.com. provided. St. Paul United Methodist Church, 220 W. Main St., C'Burg. Rev. Moonsup "Paul" Song (540) 382-2410. Sunday Worship 10am, Sunday School 9am. Live streaming Sunday Service www.twitch.tv/stpaulumc.

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McCoy, Fred Douglas "Doug"

Fred Douglas "Doug" McCoy, 79, Savannah is also where he developed of Radford, passed away Wednesday, May 4, 2022. He was a master

woodworker who singlehandedly built his own fishing boat, The Terry Lee. Doug also enjoyed grilling, gardening, driving over the speed limit in his Mustang GTO, pranks, and hitting targets at thirty yards with his 38 Special.

An active participant in mischief for longer than most, Doug loved spending time with his friends, many of whom he'd known since he was a child growing up in Radford and many more that he met as a young adult coaching Radford High School track and the Belle Heth Bulldogs' football team.

He was a gifted sprinter and loved running track for his beloved Bobcats where he earned the nickname Flash. Doug spent some of his early adult life in Charlottesville and Maryland before moving back to Radford with his young family where he started his lifelong career in banking at First and Merchants National Bank.

He married the love of his life (Terry) and moved to Savannah, Ga. in the early 90's. Savannah became his second home where he knew many professional successes as a commercial loan officer for Suntrust Bank.



a love for restoring stained glass windows, antique furniture, and Birkenstock sandals. Terry and he traveled extensively and celebrated many shared passions such as cooking, gardening, and spending time on Tybee Island.

Doug was preceded in death by his parents,

Fred and Kitty McCoy; his wife, Terry McCoy; and his brother, Jimmy McCoy (Susan). He is survived by his children, Kelly (Stephen), Kate (Josh), April (Gary), and James; his grandchildren, Austin, Morgan, Parker, and Spencer; a greatgrandchild, Curtis; special cousins Nancy and Jay; and many dear friends.

A celebration of life memorial will be held at Mullins Funeral Home on Saturday, May 21, from 4 to 6 p.m.. A graveside service will be held at West View Cemetery in Radford on Tuesday, May 24, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Radford Athletic Boosters Club (50 Dalton Drive Radford, VA 24141) or the Radford High School Foundation (P.O. Box 2823 Radford, VA 24141) would be appreciated.

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

Smith, Robert Harrell

Robert Harrell Smith, Blacksburg, left home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on May 6, 2022.

He was born in Palatka, Fla., on April 15, 1939. After graduating from high school, he was a certified small engine mechanic. In 1978 he married Myrna F. Smith at "Say I Do!" Chapel in Orlando.

Robert surrendered his

life, heart, and soul to Jesus, and for over 50 years he sang and played the guitar bringing pure delight to the Lord's ears. He loved his wife, family, and dogs with all his heart. Robert also enjoyed the outdoors as fishing became the one true getaway he enjoyed.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Christie Smith; his best friend Charlie Pinner; a daughter Teresa Altizer; a granddaughter Kathy Balcom; and a grandson Matthew Altizer.

He is survived by his faithful and loving wife of 47 years, Myrna F. Smith; a brother Jim Smith of Humble, Texas; a son, Dr. Michael Lee Smith and Dr. Jesica



83, of S. Smith of Dublin; daughters Sharon Stender of Rocky Hill, Conn., Sharon Smith of Blacksburg, Donna and James Underwood of Christiansburg, and Elizabeth and Ron Dowdy of Tennessee; grandchildren Shannon Smith and Shelley Flood of Christiansburg, Michael Brandon Smith "Grandpa Onetimes Helper" of Dublin, Donald Smith of East Hartford, Conn., Reuel Maslog of

Philadelphia, Richard Roberts of Colorado, Jann Collado of Philadelphia, Alexandra Stender of Arizona, Rhyanne Maslog of Philadelphia, A.J. Stender of New Britain, Conn., Roshayne Maslog of Philadelphia, and Becky Sanders of Connecticut; and great-grandchildren Ian Smith, Ashton Smith, Kaylee Smith, Dakota Smith, Nihl Vivo, Arrio Maslog, Chill Vivo, Debin, Cayden, Zoe, Shyana, Gaven, Tavie, Richie, Naomi, and Wyatt.

A memorial was held Thursday May 12, 2022, at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Christiansburg. Contributions can be made to his wife.

Micah's Pantry has grand opening at Warm Hearth Village

Micah's Pantry at Blacksburg's Warm Hearth Village held a grand opening Friday at the village's Karr Activity Center.

The Warm Hearth Foundation hosted a luncheon for residents of the Trolinger and New River House apartments benefited from the new Micah's Pantry.

In the last 10 years, the Micah's Programs on the Warm Hearth Village campus have grown to include shelf stable foods, personal care items, pet supplies, and fresh vegetables grown locally and right on campus.

Micah's Pantry is a new shop on

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tory and Culture and poetry editor of The New Yorker. A National Book Award finalist and Guggenheim fellowship recipient, he also won the PEN Open Award, and the judge remarked that Young shows "how Black identity is indispensable to American culture."

Machine de Cirque

"La Galerie"

Friday, Jan. 27, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Seven zany acrobats and an eccentric musician in a monochrome exhibit. With a creative spark, they set off an explosion of color. Dizzying feats, astonishing discoveries, poetic liberties, and a serious dose of some silly good fun come together to fuel this ode to creativity.

PUBLIQuartet

Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Bursting with rock-star energy, the Grammy-nominated PUBLIQuartet is changing the perception of string quartets, digging into utterly fresh music, from classical to jazz to improvisation and creating an American original style all its own.

"Akutagawa"

Co-created by Koryū Nishikawa V and Tom Lee

Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, 2023, 2 and 7:30 p.m.

Tales of the supernatural are presented with beautifully detailed miniature sets and extraordinary effects. Created by Japanese master puppeteer Koryū Nishikawa V and American puppet artist Tom Lee, the new stage work uses bunraku puppets, video projection, and live music to explore the creative process of Japanese writer Ryūnosuke Akutagawa.

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2023, 7:30 p.m Wednesday, March 1, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Celebrate over 60 years of unparalleled artistry when the groundbreaking Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's premiere ensemble comes to Southwest Virginia for the first time. Two evening performances offer different works, and campus centralizing items from all of these programs to allow incomequalified residents to come in and shop for what they need at no cost while reconnecting with neighbors. Homebound seniors can place orders through the service coordinator for delivery.

Inventory comes from cash and product donations contributed by local businesses such as BB&T, Food Lion, Blacksburg Fit Body Boot Camp, and Walmart; civic groups such as the Blacksburg Newcomers' Club and Sigma Kappa; individuals and area churches.

each includes founder Alvin Ailey's masterpiece, "Revelations."

"An Evening with Viet Thanh Nguyen"

Thursday, March 16, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Globally reimagining what we thought we knew about the Vietnam War, Viet Thanh Nguyen's debut novel, "The Sympathizer," is a New York Times best seller and Pulitzer Prize winner. Nguyen's voice is refreshing and powerful as he urges readers to examine the legacy of that tumultuous time and its aftermath from a new perspective.

"Book of Mountains and Seas"

Huang Ruo, composer and librettist Basil Twist, director and production design

Friday, March 24, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Commissioned in part by the Moss, this daring new music theater work by composer Huang Ruo and puppeteer, designer, and director Basil Twist is a modern take on ancient Chinese creation myths that are relevant to our current climate change struggle, featuring the chorus of Ars Nova Copenhagen alongside massive puppets and striking lanterns.

Opera Roanoke and Blacksburg Master Chorale

Benjamin Britten's "War Requiem" Steven White, conductor

Sunday, April 23, 2023, 4 p.m.

Opera Roanoke, Blacksburg Master Chorale, and a local children's chorus come together for a production of Benjamin Britten's "War Requiem," a harrowing and timeless work symbolizing the senselessness of war and the importance of reconciliation.

Cécile McLorin Salvant Saturday, April 29, 2023, 7:30 p.m. MacArthur Fellow and three-time Grammy Award winner and singer Cécile McLorin Salvant brings historical perspective on jazz standards and her own compositions. Classically trained and steeped in jazz, blues, and folk, Salvant embraces a wide-ranging repertoire with her rich, powerful voice.

ONLINE AUCTION Ends Thursday June 2nd at 4 PM **Apartment Building for Sale in Radford VA!** 608 Pendleton St., Radford VA 24141

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Preview Dates - Saturday May 21st at 10 AM and Friday May 27th at 4 PM

Zoning – Property is zoned R-4, Multi – Family Residential Zoning District

Terms - 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to final high bid to arrive at contract price. Earnest Money Deposit of \$10,000 required day of sale. Close in 45 days. Subject to seller confirmation. Property sold as is, where is with any and all faults. Buyer is expected to complete their own due diligence. 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. Download Bidder Pack for complete terms and conditions, purchase contract and maps at VAAuctionPro.com

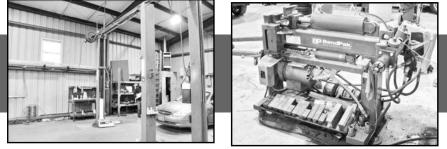
Contact Broker & Auctioneer Matt Gallimore at 540-239-2585 or email gallimore.matt@gmail.com

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ONLINE AUCTION Ends Thursday, May 26th at 6 PM **Automotive Shop and Tool Auction** 3395 N. Franklin St., Christiansburg, VA 24073



Items Include:

6,150 sq. ft. Metal Building, Automotive Lifts, Parts Washer, Engine Stand, Hydraulic Press, OTC Transmission Jack, MAC Automotive Jump Box, Oil Containers, DeWalt Chop Saw, Snap On Zeus Scanner, Heater hose, Exhaust Parts, 12/2 Metal Conduit, Carquest Digital Tire Gauge, Work Bench, Floor Jack, Shop Fan, Cart, 2 Wheel Dolly & MORE!

Preview: Saturday, May 14th from 9 AM - NOON

Terms: 10% Buyers Premium and Sales Tax will be charged. Cash or Certified Check at Pick Up. All items being sold "as is, where is." Lot #7, 8, 21, 22, 23, 24, 33 and 45 are subject to seller confirmation. Seller will detach and disassemble Automotive Lifts prior to pick up. Lot 170 is also subject to seller confirmation and can be removed from the property or can continue lease with Norfolk Southern at \$2,174 per month. Building must be removed or the new lease assumed with Norfolk Southern within 60 days from end of auction (which is July 26th, 2022.) If the buyer is to remove building they must have proper insurance and license to do so. No Shipping.

Pick Up: Saturday, May 28th from 9 AM - 1 PM

Contact: Broker/Auctioneer Matt Gallimore at 540-239-2585 or email Gallimore.Matt@gmail.com; Or Doug Weddle at 540-239-0757 or email DougWeddleRealtor@gmail.com

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RADFORD SPORTS

NIL reshaping college athletic landscape

Marty Gordon

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The idea of college athletes having better control over their name, image, and likeness (NIL) has been filled with lots of criticism. So Monday the NCAA's Division I Board of Directors issued guidance to schools regarding the intersection between recruiting activities and the name, image and NIL environment.

In a statement, the group said the guidance is intended to provide clarity for those engaging in a rapidly evolving NIL environment, acknowledging that the environment will continue to evolve, and ongoing attention will be needed to ensure student-athletes are able to benefit from these opportunities.

The guidance was developed by a task force of national leaders with student-athlete opportunity at the forefront of discussions.

Specifically, the guidance defines as a booster any third-party entity that promotes an athletics program, assists with recruiting or assists with providing benefits to recruits, enrolled student-athletes, or their family members. The definition could include "collectives" set up to funnel name, image, and likeness deals to prospective student-athletes or enrolled student-athletes who might be considering transferring. NCAA recruiting rules preclude boosters from recruiting and/or providing benefits to prospective student-athletes.

The guidance is effective immediately.

Board chair Jere Morehead, who is also the president of the University of Georgia, said this is a significant first step to address some of the challenges and improper behaviors that exist in the name, image, and likeness environment that may violate long-established recruiting rules.

"While the NCAA may pursue the most outrageous violations that were clearly contrary to the interim policy adopted last summer, our focus is on the future," Morehead said. "The new guidance establishes a common set of expectations for the Division I institutions moving forward, and the board expects all Division I institutions to follow our recruiting rules and to operate within these reasonable expectations."

The board noted that the emphasis of this NIL guidance is on boosters in the recruiting process and is not intended to question the eligibility of prospective and enrolled student-athletes involved in NIL deals. Only the most serious actions that clearly violate the previously published interim policy would have eligibility implications.

The board adopted the interim guidance last summer with an understanding that they would consider further guidance as the name, image and likeness environment developed.

At the heart of the matter is NCAA Bylaw 12.5 Purpose: New NCAA rules/guidelines permit studentathletes to benefit from the use of their names, images, and likenesses in a manner that is consistent with the NCAA guiding principles. In an effort to prioritize student-athlete well-being, these name, image, and likeness opportunities may occur in a manner that is consistent with the core values, mission, and principles of Virginia Tech. This policy is to provide guidance as to the types of activities and circumstances with which a studentathlete would be prohibited from participating in an NIL activity.

Under the statute, student-athletes are expected to refrain from engaging in name, image, and likeness ac-tivities that are related to "pay for play," impermissible inducements, or extra benefits. Impermissible name, image, and likeness activities, include, but are not limited to

Agreements without a quid pro quo (e.g., compensation for work not performed);

Agreements where compensation is contingent on initial or continued enrollment at VT;

Agreements where compensation is contingent on specific athletic performance or achievement (e.g., financial incentives based on points scored). Note: Athletic performance may enhance a student-athlete's name, image, and likeness value but athletic performance may not be the "consideration" for a name, image, and likeness activity;

Benefits provided to student-athletes through name, image, and likeness activities must be consistent with institutional policies like Virginia Tech and commensurate with fair market value.

Student-athletes must conduct their activities in adherence to a set of ethical standards that are compatible with those of Virginia Tech's core values. VT in its sole discretion, retains the right to disapprove any activity deemed to suggest an endorsement by VT or that reflects unfavorably upon VT and/or VT student-athletes. VT retains the right to disapprove any activity that promotes or otherwise references certain prohibited categories. Specific prohibitions set forth by Virginia State law include:

Any NCAA banned substances (PDF);

Casinos or gambling, including sports betting; *

- Alcohol products;
- Adult entertainment;

Cannabis, cannabinoids, cannabidiol, or other derivatives;

- Dangerous or controlled substances;
- Performance enhancing drugs or substances;
- * Drug paraphernalia;

* Tobacco and electronic smoking products and devices; and

Weapons, including firearms and ammunition. A student-athlete may not use institutional logos and/or trademarks in non-institutional name, image, and likeness activities when a student-athlete is engaging in an activity thatr promotes or endorses a thirdparty service or product without written approval from Virginia Tech Licensing and Trademarks.

All of this comes on the heels of Virginia Tech's announcing an enhanced partnership with INFLCR, the leading content and compliance software platform for elite athletes, launching the Hokies Exchange platform for student-athletes and businesses to interact and arrange a variety of name, image and likeness (NIL) endorsement deals.

Once a business, collective, or individual has registered and been approved for Hokies Exchange, it will be put into a database where student-athletes and the entity can connect for potential NIL deals. Businesses can filter through the index of student-athletes and narrow down selections using different criteria.

Women's basketball coach Kenny Brooks is thrilled that Virginia Tech and its administration have provided athletes with numerous opportunities in the NIL space.

"From education and the Hokies Exchange platform to these new NIL collectives, we are doing everything that we can to ensure our student-athletes have the resources to make informed decisions and have the confidence to approach NIL opportunities in a manner that will benefit them," Brooks said. "Our mission is to support student-athletes in all of their endeavors on and off the court. This is another step in the right direction for our department and I'm delighted to see this put together with our athletes in mind." he said.

Additionally, director of athletics Whit Babcock, has confirmed that a trio of NIL collectives has offered its services to Virginia Tech student-athletes, businesses, and donors. Babcock indicated the following three organizations have chosen to align with the Hokies: Commonwealth NIL, the brainchild of former state delegate Nick Rush of Christiansburg. He and his son, Forest who is a Virginia Tech grad, will raise resources for NIL contracts through events, activities, and special sales with a unique focus in the Commonwealth of Virginia; Hot Route Marketing has taken a different approach from other organizations in the NIL space. Under the leadership of Virginia Tech alum Kelly Woolwine, Hot Route Marketing, LLC represents a vehicle in which business, donors and fans can invest into a consolidated pool of resources from which NIL opportunities can be arranged for student-athletes; Triumph NIL seeks to partner corporate clients with Tech student-athletes to build compelling campaigns that drive real results, in addition to offering platforms for donors and fans to support their favorite Hokies. This group is led by James Cowan, chairman at CowanPerry and also includes former Tech All-America running back, Kevin Jones.

Also, earlier this year, Virginia Tech Football, along with Fanatics and OneTeam, announced a partnership that will allow fans to buy customized jerseys that student-athletes will be compensated for.

The university has also announced a plan to reward student-athletes for outstanding academic results.

We are pleased to be able to offer this financial incentive for our student-athletes to make the type of academic progress that will benefit them for years to come after graduation," Babcock said. "We are currently finalizing our criteria for this program and plan to roll out the details to student-athletes, their families and our coaching staffs this summer. We anticipate beginning this financial reward package in the fall of 2022. Thanks to the tremendous success of our Drive for 25 campaign and the generosity of our Hokie Club donors, we intend to be very competitive in this space to ensure Virginia Tech remains a very attractive destination for the nation's top student-athletes."





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has signed a letter of intent to play soccer at Randolph-Macon College. Also pictured are Radford coaches (from left) Emily Eagle and Nikki Greco.



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Another local soccer player is taking her game to the collegiate level as Anna Turk of Radford High School signed a letter of intent last week to attend Randolph-Macon College.

"I chose RMC because I loved the campus and the coaching staff and felt like I was home," she said.

Turk was second-team all-state and firstteam all-region as a freshman and was firstteam all-region and all-district last year as a junior.

Randolph-Macon College is a private liberal arts college in Ashland, Va., with a current enrollment of 1,530 students.

The college is a member of the Division III level of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), primarily competing Radford High School's Anna Turk (center) in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference

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(ODAC).

This past season, the women's soccer team finished the season 8-10 and lost only four seniors from the squad. Jay Howell enters his ninth season as the team's head coach. Randolph-Macon had its most successful campaign ever in 2019 with a 21-1-1 overall record. The 21 wins with

20 straight wins to start the season were both program records. The squad went 10-0 in ODAC play, earned the top seed in the ODAC Tournament, and reached a national ranking of 13 before losing in the national Division III first round.

At Randolph-Macon, Turk hopes to major in nursing.



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Radford boys down James River



Fernando Martinez scored a goal for Radford in the 5-2 win on Tuesday night.



Freshman Enzo Pugliese (right) scored three goals in the win for the Bobcats. Brody Shull also added a goal.

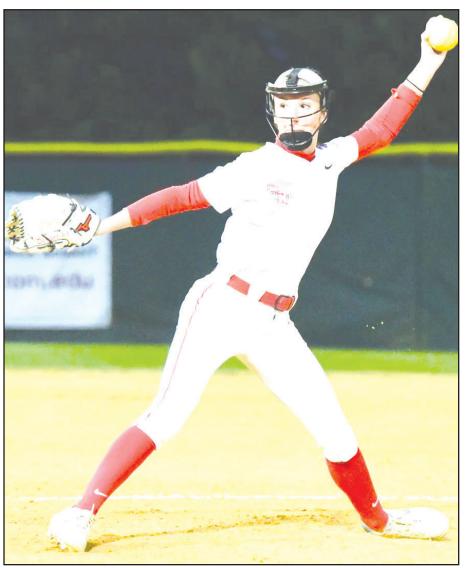


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Auburn High School graduate and current Radford University pitcher Skylar DeHart was named this week to the Big South Conference's All-Academic team.

RU's Cori McMillan named to Big South's all-freshman, all-league first teams

Tech's D'Amour ACC softball coach of the year; 11 Hokies named All-ACC

Following a regular season ACC Championship, Virginia Tech head softball coach Pete D'Amour has been named ACC Coach of the Year, the conference announced Wednesday morning. Senior Keely Rochard has also been named the Pitcher of the Year, Emma Lemley has been honored as the Freshman of the Year, and a conference-high 11 Hokies were named to various All-ACC teams.

Under D'Amour, Tech posted a 40-6 regular season record that included a 21-2 conference record, the highest winning percentage in school history. The Hokies earned their second regular season championship in four years, the first coming in 2019, D'Amour's first year at the helm.

D'Amour earned his 200th career win this season and was the fastest coach in school history to reach 100 wins at Virginia Tech a season ago. His current record at Tech sits at 145-36 (an .801 winning percentage) with a 67-17 mark in conference play (.798). The Hokies currently have 11 wins over Top 25 programs and were No. 1 in the RPI as of May 2.

For the second straight season, Rochard earned Pitcher of the Year honors after ending the 2022 conference season with a perfect 15-0 record. The senior made 17 appearances over the ACC season, with a 1.67 ERA in 96.1 innings pitched. She struck out 132 batters, allowing only 23 earned runs and a .191 opponent batting average. Rochard leads the ACC in strikeouts with 283 total, which also ranks her fifth nationally. She is averaging 11.6 strikeouts per seven innings and has five saves on the season, which is second in the conference and ninth in all of Division I. She was named a Top-10 finalist for USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year and earned ACC Pitcher of the Week honors twice this season. Rochard was also named First Team All-ACC. Lemley made a big impact in the circle for the Hokies, earning Freshman of the Year honors after finishing the conference season with a 6-2 record with two saves. The right hander had three shutouts in ACC play, including then-No. 14/9 Clemson, Louisville, and Boston College to clinch the regular season championship. Lemley struck out 83 batters in her 51.1 innings pitched in conference play, allowing just 19 earned runs. On the season, she is averaging 11.8 strikeouts per seven innings, which is first in the ACC and third in the NCAA. She has 187 total strikeouts and is allowing just 3.97 hits per seven innings.

Lemley is a Top-25 finalist for Schutt Sports/NFCA Freshman of the Year and earned ACC Pitcher of the Week three times this season. She was also named to the All-ACC First Team as an at-large selection.

Along with Rochard and Lemley, outfielder Emma Ritter and designated player Meredith Slaw were named First Team All-ACC. Slaw was huge for the Hokies in ACC play, hitting .477 over 19 games played. She hit five home runs and three doubles with an .886 slugging percentage. Ritter has been one of the Hokies most consistent batters at the plate, hitting .414 on the season and leading the team with 36 RBI's. She has struck out only twice in 133 at-bats, making her one of the toughest batters in the nation to strike out.

Four Hokies made the All-ACC Second Team: Cameron Fagan, Mackenzie Lawter, Morgan Overaitis and Bre Peck. Kelsey Bennett, Kelsey Brown and Darby Trull made the Third Team. Peck and Lemley also made the ACC All-Freshman Team.

2022 ACC Softball Awards

Player of the Year: Karina Gaskins, Notre Dame, So., 1B

Pitcher of the Year: Keely Rochard, Virginia Tech, Sr., P

nior Defensive Player of the Year: Sydney sea- Sherrill, Florida State, Gr., 3B Freshman of the Year: Emma Lemley,

Virginia Tech, P

The Big South Conference office announced the softball annual awards Tuesday afternoon revealing that Radford's Cori McMillan was named to the first team and all-freshman team while Skyler DeHart was named to the all-academic team.

McMillan's freshman campaign has landed her among the conference's best. The Greensboro, N.C., native leads Radford in just about every offensive category including slugging 14 home runs, which is second in the conference. McMillan is one of just two players in the Big South to record 10 doubles and at least 10 home runs.

She has also been a perfect 11 for 11 in stolen bases. Her home runs, slugging percentage, OPS, runs scored, RBIs and stolen base percentage were all either best or within the top-two among Big South freshmen.

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Earlier this season McMillan was named a National Fastpitch Coaches Association Freshman of the Year Top-25 finalist, the lone Big South representative on the list.

Skyler DeHart earned Radford University's all-academic award for 2022. She had a career-best 3.05 ERA in 73.1 innings pitched while striking out a career-best 30 batters. On March 9, she had her best outing of the season with seven shutout innings against Rhode Island.

DeHart currently owns a 3.90 GPA as a nursing major at Radford.

2022 BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE SOFT-BALL AWARD WIN-NERS

First-Team All-Conference

OF - Summer Johnson, Jr., USC Upstate

OF - Jaden Pone, Fr., Longwood

OF - Jaiden Tweed, Jr., Presbyterian College

1B - Jillian Hewes, Soph., Presbyterian College 2B - Tiffany Domingue,

Soph., USC Upstate SS - Sarah Price, Sr.,

USC Upstate

3B - Cori McMillan, Fr., Radford

C - Alexis Wayland, Sr., Longwood

P - Sydney Backstrom, Gr., Longwood P - Hannah Houge, Sr., USC Upstate

DP - Peyton Darnell, Soph., USC Upstate

UTL - Kiaya Jeusi, Sr., Hampton

All-Freshman Team

Jaden Pone, OF, Longwood

Cori McMillan, 3B, Radford

Morgan Hess, DP/P, Presbyterian College

Isabella Smith, P, Campbell

Icess Tresvik, OF, North Carolina A&T

Reese Basinger, P, Winthrop

Dezianna Patmon, 3B, North Carolina A&T

All-Academic Team Georgeanna Barefooot, P, R-Soph., Campbell Annah Junge, P, Jr., Charleston Southern Riley McCurry, 2B, Soph., Gardner-Webb Lauren Brooks, OF, Sr., Hampton Mason Basdikis, 2B, Sr., Longwood Jocelyn Bennett, C, Sr., North Carolina A&T Jaiden Tweed, OF, Sr., Presbyterian Skyler DeHart, P, Jr., Radford Sarah Price, SS, Sr., USC Upstate

Lauren King, 3B, Sr., Winthrop Coach of the Year: Pete D'Amour, Virginia Tech

First Team

C – Emma Kauf, Georgia Tech, Jr., C

INF - Jameson Kavel, Duke, Gr., SS

INF - Sydney Sherrill, Florida State, Gr., 3B

INF - Tricia Awald, Georgia Tech, Gr., 1B

INF - Karina Gaskins, Notre Dame, So., 1B

OF - Kaley Mudge, Florida State, Jr., OF

OF - Carmyn Greenwood, Louisville, Gr., OF

OF - Emma Ritter, Virginia Tech, So., OF

P - Peyton St. George, Duke, Gr., P P - Kathryn Sandercock, Florida

State, Sr., P P - Keely Rochard, Virginia Tech, Sr.,

At-Large - Valerie Cagle, Clemson, R-So., P/UTL

At-Large - Mack Leonard, Florida State, Sr., 1B

At-Large - Meredith Slaw, Virginia Tech, Jr., DP

At-Large - Emma Lemley, Virginia Tech, Fr., P

Motor Mile standings

Late Model Stock: 1) Kress VanDyke, 780 points; 2) Kyle Dudley, 725; 3) Bryan Reedy, 575; 4) Ryan Wilson, 560; 5) Zeke Shell, 440; 6) Karl Budzevski, 300; 7) Justin Carroll, 245; 8) Trenton Kilgore, 240; 9) Mike Looney, 190; 10) Jonathan Worley, 180.

Limited Sportsman: 1) Cory Dunn, 1,270 points; 2) Kyle Barnes, 1,265; 3) Dale Cline, 1,045; 4) Daryn Cockram, 970; 5) James Sweeney, 960; 6) Richard Caldwell, 915; 7) Brian Sutphin, 855; 8) Charles Smith, 820; 9) Chase Ratliff, 760; 10) Scott Lancaster, 720.

MOD-4: 1) Doodle Lang, 545 points; 2) Brittany Cockram, 435; 3) Jessie Yopp, 405; 4) Scott Foley, 365; 5) Josh Phillips, 290; 6) Tony Sarver, 275; 7) Kevin Canter, 260; 8) Drew Holdren, 245; 9) Ricky Hall, 240; 10) Johnathan Hall.

Super Street: 1) Ray Sowers, 670 points; 2) Hank Turman, 590; 3) Matt Gusler, 560; 4) Scooter Hollandsworth, 455; 5) Tristen Barnes, 400; 6) Wayne Corprew, 370; 7) Bryce Blake, 280; 8) Brent Bells, 250; 9) Norm Weaver, 215; 10) Daniel Eakin, 205.

UCar: 1) Peyton Howell, 440 points; 2) Jamie Lafon, 380; 3) Cary Thomason, 305; 4) Blake Gordon, 215; 5) John Songer, 155; 6) Kyle Akers and Joe Vaught, 110; 8) Casey Cupp, 100; 10) Travis Quesenberry, 60.

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