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## Radford Memorial Day ceremony set for Monday

**Heather Bell**  
*communitynews@ourvalley.org*

RADFORD - A ceremony to honor American military service members killed in war will be held on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, at 11 a.m. in Radford's Bisset Park.

The ceremony, which will include speakers, a 21-gun salute, music by the Radford High School Choir and Concert Band, and other memorializations, will be held at the park's gazebo.

Speakers this year include Radford Army Ammunition Plant Commander Lt. Col. Russell Jones, Lt. Col. and Delegate Jason Ballard, Rev. Diana White of First Baptist Church with the invocation, and a reading of the names of Radford's war dead. Bagpiper Andrew Meeks will perform "Taps," and VFW Post 776 will present a

Piper Andrew Meeks plays "Taps" during a previous Memorial Day ceremony at Bisset Park in Radford.

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Abigail Ridpath



Alexandra Redden



Amanda Hopkins



Annika Lovik

## Radford residents named outstanding students at NRCC

Seven students from Radford were recently recognized as 2022 Outstanding Students in a Curriculum/Subject Area by New River Community College.

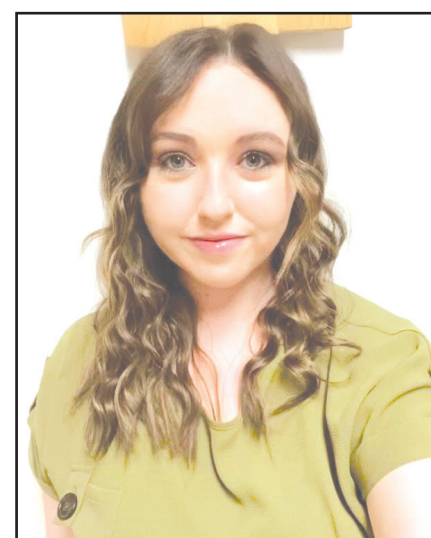
Those students and their subject areas were Erika Hall, nursing; Amanda Nicole Hopkins, human services; Margaret Hoskins, engineering design technology; Annika Lovik, general studies fine arts; Bethany Sarah Peters, information technology mobile applications; Alexandra Celeste Redden, public speaking; and Abigail Elaine Ridpath, English.

The students received a congratulatory letter from the college president and a plaque honoring their awards. They are also being individually recognized on NRCC's social media outlets.

The awards were determined by the faculty in the various programs at the college. All students receiving the Outstanding Student in a Curriculum awards have completed requirements for an associate degree, a certificate, a diploma, or a career studies certificate and are eligible to graduate from the college this spring or summer.



Bethany Peters



Erika Hall

SUBMITTED PHOTOS

## Rebecca Harris wins Radford Photo Club's May contests

By Susan Trulove

RADFORD - Rebecca Harris of Radford won the open category and tied for first with Michele Borgarelli of Blacksburg in the theme category in the Radford Photo Club's May photo contest.

The photo challenge was "kindness." Harris's photo showed Melinda Dunford of Radford helping her grandmother, Edith Harless, also of

Radford, with her makeup. Borgarelli's photo, taken in Amsterdam, showed a child getting money from his grandmother to give to a street band.

Harris calls her open-theme-winning photo "Swallowtail Butterflies on Parade." She was fishing at Philpott Lake in Henry County and swerved the boat to shore to take the photo.

The Radford Photo Club is made up of

professional and amateur photographers from throughout the New River Valley. It meets monthly at the Radford Public Library. Meetings, events, and outings are open to the public.

At the June 16 meeting at 6 p.m. Edward Rhett of Draper will demonstrate photo editing software and will share it and a tutorial with anyone who brings their laptop or a thumb drive.

## VFW Post 776 donates kibble for puppies

Radford VFW Post 776 recently answered the call when the Radford Animal Shelter put out a plea for puppy food. Pictured is VFW Post 776 Commander Gary Harris holding one of the puppy recipients of the donation of seven big bags of kibble.



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This photo by Rebecca Harris of Radford's Melinda Dunford, helping her grandmother, Edith Harless, with her makeup, won the May Radford Photo Club contest in the theme category.

## Growing as an educator through the Doctor of Health Sciences program at Radford U Carilion

By Mark Lambert  
*Radford University*

Julia Castleberry, DPT, D.H.Sc., '21 started her journey to a doctoral degree in 2017.

She said the balance of working full-time, raising her sons, caring for a small farm and commuting long distances for work limited how much time she could dedicate to her studies.

"It certainly required some good time management skills," she said, adding that she began the Radford University Carilion (RUC) Doctor of Health Sciences (D.H.Sc.) program by taking one course at a time.

The self-paced curriculum and 100% online coursework are some of the most popular aspects of the D.H.Sc. program since it allows professionals to work on their terminal degrees in harmony with the other demands in their lives.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Through May 31:

### Photography show and sale

Through the end of the month, Long Way Brewing is displaying photos that talented members of the photo club have available for sale. Each photo is priced, some as low as \$25.00, and proceeds from the sales go to the Lamp-lighters, the volunteer fundraisers for the Radford Public Library. Long Way Brewing is located at 501 Second St.

## Saturday, May 28 through Monday, May 30:

### Radford Public Library closed

The Radford Public Library will be closed through Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day.

## Monday, May 30:

### MFRL closure

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

### Radford City Offices closed

Radford's city offices will be closed on Monday, May 30, for Memorial Day. The solid waste collection for Monday will be on Tuesday, May 31. Please have garbage ready for collection by 7:30 a.m. The drop center will be closed.

### Town of Blacksburg closures

Blacksburg's town administrative offices will be closed. No Blacksburg Transit services will be available, and BT offices will be closed. Trash pickup in the SE quadrant will be rescheduled to Wednesday, June 1. Please have all trash at the curb by 7 a.m. The Blacksburg Community Center will be closed but will be open to previously scheduled camps. The Blacksburg Aquatic Center will be closed.

## Tuesday, May 31:

### Chess Club for teens and pre-teens

At the Radford Public Library from 6 to 7 p.m. Youth Services Specialist Dave will be in the community room for some chess. For ages eight through 17.

## Wednesday, June 1:

### Talking about Books: "Harlem Shuffle"

At the Christiansburg Library at 11 a.m. To be discussed is "Harlem Shuffle" by Colson Whitehead, in-person and virtually.

### Talking about Books: "The Righteous Mind"

At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 6 p.m. To be discussed is "The Righteous Mind" by Jonathan Haidt. Call (540) 268-1964 for more information or to reserve a copy.

## Thursday, June 2:

### American Legion meeting

American Legion Harvey-Howe-Carper Post 30 will meet at 7 p.m. at the VFW Post Home on 102 Watts St. in Radford. For further information, call 540-250-2283 or 540-239-9864.

## Chamber Foundation annual bocce ball tournament & Business After Hours

The Montgomery chamber foundations bocce ball tournament will be played at the Montgomery County Moose Lodge 1470 115 Farmview Road NW in Christiansburg from 2 to 7 p.m.

The chamber will also offer Business After Hours from 5 to 7 p.m. with a raffle and the opportunity to win prizes, including an Old Town brand kayak. Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for five. Email programs@montgomerycc.org for more details.

### Crafternoon

At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 2 p.m. Make a variety of ocean inspired crafts. All ages can participate and make a variety of ocean-inspired crafts. Supplies are limited.

### Cupcake wars: Under the Sea

At the Blacksburg Library at 3 p.m. Participants can kick off summer reading with this ocean-themed installment of cupcake wars.

## Thursday, June 2 through Thursday, June 23:

### Set sail to healthy eating and cooking for the family

At the Meadowbrook Public Library Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Learn how to make affordable, healthy snacks and meals for the family. Receive free cooking utensils at each class and a slow cooker on completion of the four-week series. Activities will be provided for children three and older. The program is co-sponsored by Virginia Cooperative Extension. For more information call the library at 540-268-1964.

## Friday, June 3:

### "Nailed it!" Summer edition

At the Christiansburg Library at 2 p.m. Inspired by the hit Netflix TV show, participants will use their wacky, artistic side by recreating a work of art using the provided supplies. Ages eight and up. Registration is required.

## Saturday, June 4:

### Blacksburg Museum annual gospel sing

Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation's annual gospel sing will take place from noon to 6 p.m. on the Alexander Black House lawn, 204 Draper Road SW. Admission is free; donations are encouraged. Area choirs, soloists, and praise dancers will sing current and old-time gospel favorites. Everyone is welcome to bring an instrument and join in the group sings. The schedule for 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.: the Indian Run Gospel Trio; 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Alexis Johnson. The event is sponsored by the Virginia Tech Foundation.

### American Red Cross blood drive

At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 9 a.m. in the Waldron Wellness Center-Carilion community Room. Schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org. Patrons of the Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library with fines who donate blood will be forgiven up to \$10, redeemable only at the Meadowbrook library.

### Caturday

At the Meadowbrook Public Library at noon. Sign up at the library 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. For all ages.

### Father's Day gift program

At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 1 p.m. Participants can make a special Father's Day gift. Fill a mug with treats and then gift-wrap it. Supplies are limited.

### Teen DND

At the Blacksburg Library at 2 p.m. Dungeons and Dragons for ages 11 to 17.

### PanJammers Steel Drum Orchestra

At the Blacksburg Library at 5 p.m. PanJammers is an award-winning steel drum orchestra based in Blacksburg.

### Woman's Club of Radford yard sale

The Woman's Club of Radford will hold a yard sale from 8 a.m. until noon at 207 Tenth St. in Radford. Proceeds will benefit children's literacy projects in the New River Valley. The Woman's Club's Babies into Books program gives a book to every baby born at the Carilion New River Valley Medical Center. The group's Reading Is Fundamental program serves three elementary schools: Riverlawn and Snowville in Pulaski County and McHarg in Radford. Each child gets the chance twice a year to select a book of his or her own.

## Monday, June 6:

### Blacksburg real estate taxes due

The Town of Blacksburg real estate tax invoices have been mailed and are due by Monday, June 6. Anyone who has not yet received a tax statement should call the Department of Financial Services at 540-961-1105. Payment may be mailed, made in person, placed in the drop box at 300 South Main St., Blacksburg, paid by phone with a credit card, or paid online at www.blacksburg.gov/payments. A 10% penalty will be charged if not paid by June 6, 2022. Interest will be charged at the rate of 10% per year beginning July 1, 2022.

## Thursday, June 9:

### River City Quilt Guild

The River City Quilt Guild meets the Second Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at Grove United Methodist Church, 1020 Tyler Avenue, Radford. The guild welcomes all skill levels of quilters. For more information call Anna Handy, 540 320 7791.

### June 2022 Eggs & Issues: COVID after-action report

At Warm Hearth Village, 2387 Warm Hearth Dr., Blacksburg from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Following the eggs & issues breakfast, the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce will present a COVID after-action report on how the community has adapted. Invited speakers are Dr. Noelle Bissell, Director of the New River Health District; Bill Flattery, Vice President of Carilion Clinic, Western Region; Devin Tobin, COO of LewisGale Hospital Montgomery; and Kevin Byrd, Executive Director of the New River Valley Regional Commission. Admission is \$25 for chamber members and \$35 for non-members. Space is limited, and reservations are required by no later than Tuesday, June 7, at noon. <https://bit.ly/june22eggs>. Register and pay online or contact programs@montgomerycc.org.

## Tuesday, June 14:

### Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet at 7 p.m. at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant at 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy are invited to attend. For further information, call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

## Saturday, June 18:

### NAACP Juneteenth commemoration

The local 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. NE, Christiansburg. Music will be part of the fun, and food will be available to 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.

Proceeds benefit local youth educational activities and programs. The day's program begins at noon, followed by swimming, children's games, a silent auction, and a raffle with door prizes. Various talents will be shared by youth and community members. Information booths from the NAACP and other community organizations will be part of the program. If an organization wants to have a booth, contact the local NAACP branch at info@mrfnaacp or call the branch at 540-382-6751. Entry is free.

## Wednesday, June 22:

### Red Cross blood drive

The New River Health District in partnership with Blue Ridge Church, 1655 Roanoke St. in Christiansburg, will host a blood drive with the American Red Cross from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Friday, June 24:

### Blacksburg Museum Sunset Rhythms 2022

This summer concert series kicks off on the lawn of the Alexander Black House from 7 to 8:30 p.m. with singer/songwriter Grace Campbell. Spoons shaved ice truck will have treats for sale. Guests are welcome to bring a picnic or other snacks. Tickets are \$5 for adults. Children ages 13 and under are free. All proceeds support the work of the Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Center. For more information, visit [www.blacksburgmuseum.org](http://www.blacksburgmuseum.org).

## Throughout June and July:

### "Turtle-y Awesome" sidewalk obstacle course

At the Meadowbrook Library during June and July and go through the tropical theme sidewalk obstacle course in the courtyard. For all ages and abilities. Those who complete the course can enter a special prize drawing.

## Ongoing:

### Radford-Fairlawn Daily Bread 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 GED classes with NRCC

At the Radford Public Library from 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

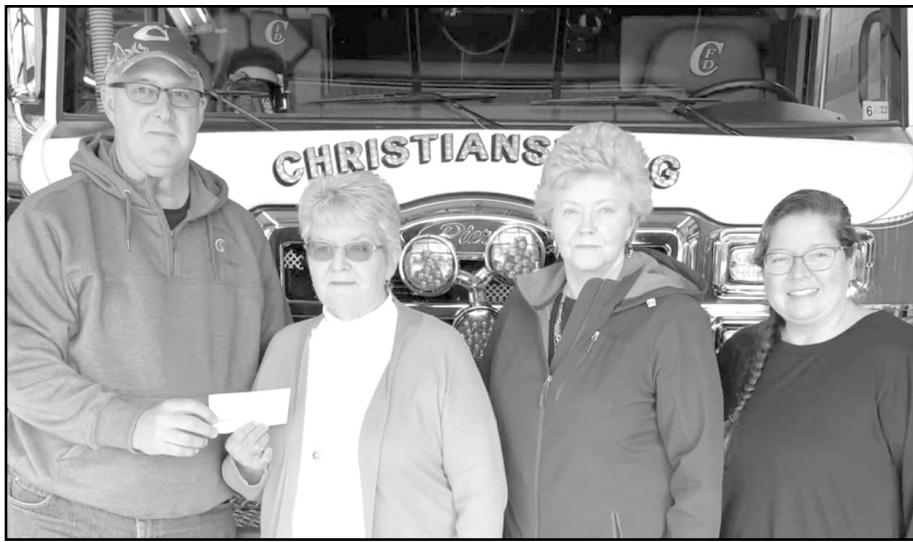
Glencoe Mansion is calling for art for its July-August 2022 Gallery Exhibit, "Follow Her Journey," a multi-artist show themed on Mary Draper Ingles. Artwork should reflect or be based on the life and times of Mary Draper Ingles including depictions of local landmarks (for example, Ingles Farm, the Cultural 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 is open to artists in and around the NRV area, ages 16 and up. 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](http://www.GlencoeMansion.org) or email Gallery Coordinator at [art@glencoe mansion.org](mailto:art@glencoe mansion.org).

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# Beta Sigma Phi sorority's donation supports Christiansburg's rescue, fire departments

Members of Alpha Mu Master Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in Christiansburg have been supporting both the Christiansburg rescue and fire departments as an annual service project for over 54 years. The donations recognize the first responders for their tireless work serving Christiansburg's citizens, and they assist with the purchase of needed items.



**Billy Hanks, Christiansburg Fire Department and Rescue Squad Chief, accepts a donation from (left to right) Alpha Mu Master Chapter Service Chairman Phyllis Durham with Sue Warden and Robin Grove looking on.**



**Paul Wotring, EMT with the Christiansburg Rescue Squad, accepts a donation from the Alpha Mu Master Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. Pictured with Wotring (left to right) are Robin Grove, Sue Warden and Phyllis Durham.**

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## Historic Virginia farmers markets remain popular in modern times

ALEXANDRIA—With a rich history, faithful following and modern versions, farmers markets have withstood the test of time.

The first U.S. market was established in 1730 in the center of Lancaster, Penn., according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Farmers markets were created to support the buying and selling of fresh, local produce, meats and baked goods, and they have increased in number and popularity over the years.

In 2019, more than 8,000 markets operated nationwide, according to the USDA. Virginia has almost 300 of its own, including three that are among the oldest in the nation.

The Old Town Farmers' Market in Alexandria is one of the longest continuously operating farmers markets in the U.S. Within view of Alexandria City Hall, more than 70 vendors sell farm-grown produce throughout the seasons, plus meats, seafood, dairy products, breads, pastries, hot prepared foods, juices, ciders, cut flowers and potted plants.

The market offers something for everybody and attracts thousands of families, foodies, tourists and neighborhood regulars, said Alfred Coleman, deputy director of administration in the city's Department of General Services, which

oversees the market.

Between harvest seasons, vacant produce spaces are filled with vendors selling value-added food products and handmade goods.

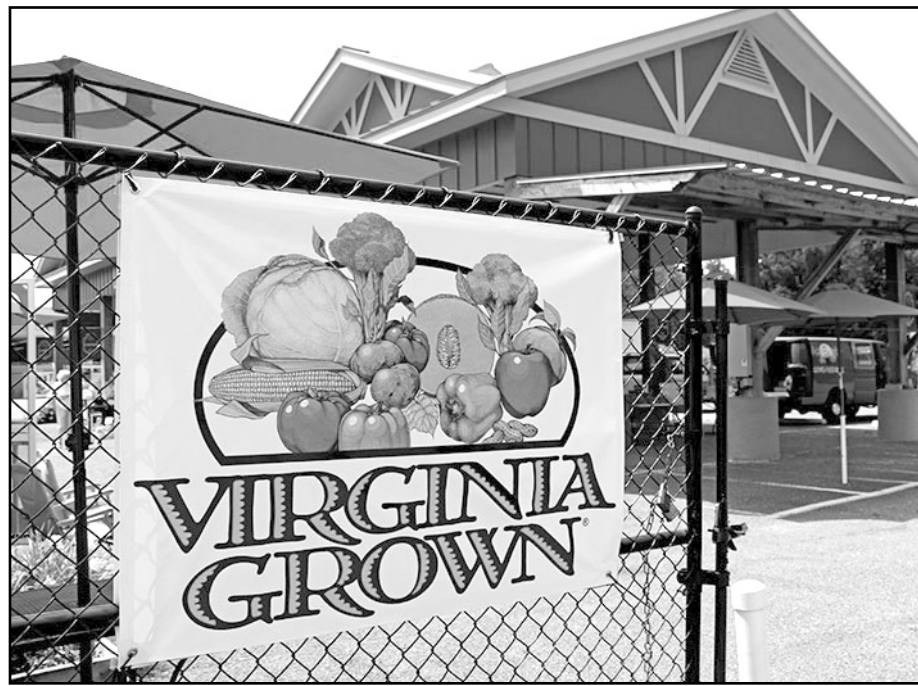
The Lynchburg Community Market is the third-oldest continuously operating farmers market in America. The market was established in 1783 as a town square for the expanding city, serving as a social gathering space. The open-air market took on a commercial component when it was rebuilt in 1814.

After moving from its original downtown location to its current site in 1932, the market's role in the community also shifted. The market moved away from its function as a social center and began operating primarily as a farmers market sometime in the mid-20th century.

Since then, the market's growth has coincided with the downtown area's resurgence, and it now serves as a hub for locals to buy farm-raised foods.

"Downtown Lynchburg is technically a food desert, and on Saturdays we're the only place in (the city) where you can have access to fresh fruits and veggies," said assistant market manager Darius Slaughter. "I think the community really acknowledges how much of an important role the community market plays."

The Historic Roanoke City Market



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**Virginia boasts some of the longest continuously operating farmers markets in the United States.**

has been in the same downtown Roanoke location since its founding in 1882. The market boasts the title of Virginia's oldest continuously operating open-air market. Open seven days a week, it offers residents fresh, local foods and artisan crafts from around 50 farmers and craftsmen.

"It's such a jewel," said Eric Pendleton, the market's manager. "We have some vendors whose families go back to the 1920s at this market. It's become such a tradition."

Named one of the "Great American Public Places," by the Lyndhurst Foundation, the market has evolved over time. In 1979, the old wooden structure was upgraded, and colorful awnings that showcase vendor stalls were added. The iconic City Market Building, which once housed an indoor market, was sold in the '80s.

Drawing thousands during peak season, the market's unique setting and popularity keep it sought-after real estate for vendors.



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**NOTICE OF JOINT PUBLIC HEARING**

The Radford City Council and Planning Commission will hold a joint public hearing on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 7:00pm in the City of Radford Council Chambers, 10 Robertson Street, Radford, VA 24141. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments concerning: First Apostolic Church of Radford, on behalf of ConMat Group Inc (applicant/property owner) to rezone a portion of the 14-acre property located at 10 Forest Ave., Tax Map 18-(1)-1. The request is to subdivide and rezone 9-acres from M-2 General Industrial/Commercial District to the B-1 Limited Business, for the develop of a church. Comments may be presented at the meeting and by phone or in writing prior to the meeting. Additional information on this request may be obtained in the Community Development Department, 10 Robertson Street, Radford VA 24141, 540.267.3188 or by email at Melissa.Skelton@radfordva.gov

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**NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID BY THE CITY OF RADFORD VIRGINIA**

The City of Radford will accept proposals from qualified contractors to supply and/or perform services listed in Section X of the procurement package and identified herein as PROCUREMENT ITEM: Quadrennial Reassessment of All Properties - City Budget Expenditure Account Number 100-1232-403170. The complete procurement package is available upon request to the Commissioner of the Revenue Office, 619 Second Street, Room 161, Radford, Virginia. Written proposals must be received not later than 2:00 PM local prevailing time on August 15, 2022 in the Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue at 619 Second Street, Room 161, Radford, Virginia and will be reviewed accordingly. BIDS MUST BE SEALED IN AN ENVELOPE CLEARLY MARKED "2024 REASSESSMENT BID" ALONG WITH THE NAME OF THE FIRM, ADDRESS AND MAIN CONTACT PERSON. Award of a contract will be based on criteria set forth in City

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Code Sections 15.1-42 through 15.1-47. The entire City Code section on Procurement is available for inspection in the City Manager's Office. The City of Radford is an equal opportunity employer and requires that the successful bidder execute an anti-discrimination and equal opportunity guarantee prior to the award of a contract. The right to reject any and all proposals is and to waive any informality is herewith reserved exclusively by the City. A pre-proposal meeting will be held July 18, 2022 at 10:00 am, in the Conference Room at 619 Second Street, Room 161, Radford, Virginia for the purpose of reviewing the proposal/bid requirements. Only those bidders registered at that meeting will be allowed to bid. Bids will be opened publicly at the time and place specified in this announcement. All bids are the property of the City of Radford and are available for public inspection. The City is required to handle each proposal so that disclosure of the identity of any bidder in the contents of any proposal to competing bidders during the process of bidding or negotiation does not occur. Therefore, each bid proposal shall be

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plain envelope indicating only the subject upon which the bid is being entered. The City will not be held responsible for proposals not marked. Until and unless the responsive proposal from the lowest responsible bidder is rejected or cancelled, the City reserves the right to negotiate with the apparent low bidder for the lower contract price in the event the proposal from the lowest responsible bidder exceeds funds made available for the purchase by the City. Changes or modifications may be made or authorized by the City, in the requirement of any of the contract documents, including the plans and specifications, which may be deemed appropriate by the City or which could be accomplished by a change order after the contract is awarded. If such negotiations result in a contract price within available funds, the City may award the contract based thereon, but reserves to itself the right to reject the same for any reason deemed sufficient by it, in which event the project may be re-advertised or not, as the City deems to be in its interests. By the Authority of: City Manager/Purchasing Agent.



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# Warm Hearth Village joining in effort to save energy, lower residents' electric bills



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**Warm Hearth Village is participating with Community Housing Partners/Energy Solutions, whose employees are pictured above, to provide energy measures for their age- and income-qualified customers that will lower their electric bills.**

Blacksburg's Warm Hearth Village is participating in the Appalachian Power Virginia Low-Income Multifamily Program at Trolinger and New River House Apartments.

Funding from this program has allowed residents in these subsidized apartments to receive education and upgrades to save energy, reduce consumption, protect health and safety, and ultimately lower electric bills.

Community Housing Partners-Energy Solutions connects with electric and gas utility companies to provide energy measures for their age- and income-qualified customers.

Sara McCarter, Warm Hearth Village's Project Manager, coordinated with Energy Solutions on the project. "It was so heartwarming to have Energy Solutions staff working together with us and our residents," McCarter said. "As

a village, we strive to form tight bonds with the greater community, and in this case the funding and Energy Solutions' involvement will have a direct impact on our residents' quality of life."

The apartments were some of the first buildings constructed at the nonprofit retirement community back in 1983. The maintenance needs and keeping pace with energy efficiency is a constant focus, one which Warm Hearth approaches with sustainability in mind. The next phase of the funding involves work on HVAC systems and weatherization measures.

Warm Hearth Village is a nonprofit senior living community in Blacksburg that provides a full continuum of living options on its campus and in the home.

# Meet the interns who keep the drone park humming

Things are a little slower at the Virginia Tech Drone Park by the end of May when the annual April crush of school tours and research projects and class visits and outreach events and drone races has receded.

But earlier in the spring, the mild weather and a packed events calendar brought a steady stream of visitors that kept Madeline Hower, Madelyn Johnson, and Cason Kerrick even busier than their full undergraduate schedules already did.

Johnson just graduated with a bachelor's degree in materials science and engineering from the College of Engineering. Kerrick and Hower wrapped up their third years in the Kevin T. Crofton Department of Aerospace and Ocean Engineering. Kerrick in aerospace engineering and Hower picking up majors in both disciplines.

Together, the three interns helped shoulder the load of keeping the drone education facility, with its towering net and adjacent lab and classroom, running smoothly.

The drone park hosted nearly 1,000 individual visitors this year, including local school groups,

researchers, students from 18 Virginia Tech departments, and companies. Sarah Macey, the park's manager, said it's because of the interns that the park is able to serve so many people and support such a diverse range of projects.

"They are an extraordinary group of students," Macey said. "They bring an incredible level of professionalism and talent to their work, and combine it with a student's fresh perspective that makes drone technology feel more relatable and accessible for many of the people who come to the park."

The drone park, with a net that soars 85 feet high and a footprint the size of a football field, is one of the largest in the country, and it's in high demand. It opened in 2018 under the umbrella of the Institute for Critical Technology and Applied Science, and since then its success has been fueled in part by a string of dedicated undergraduate interns.

Johnson has been there almost the whole time. She met Tombo Jones, the director of Virginia Tech's FAA-designated drone test site, at a career fair in the spring of 2018. He connected her with

Macey, who also runs the test site's training programs.

Hower and Kerrick found their way to the drone park in 2021 through an honors course on drone technology in public safety where they collaborated with Virginia Tech police on a prototype design and developed an online course covering drone use on college campuses. They worked with Macey and some of the test site's engineers on these projects, and Macey was so impressed that she recruited both of them.

Kerrick already has plenty of flying experience as a member of Virginia Tech's drone racing team, but Johnson and Hower started more or less from scratch. Today, they've all earned their Part 107 certificates — the license the Federal Aviation Administration requires to fly a small drone for anything other than strictly recreational purposes — and have racked up enough expertise to pull double duty as interns for the test site, helping the team of pilots and engineers staff the big, complex research operations that have a national impact on drone technology and regulations.

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## Castleberry

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"A colleague had begun the program," Castleberry recalled, "and it inspired me to take a look to see if it was right for me."

At the time, Castleberry had been a practicing physical therapist for almost 30 years. She earned a master's degree in physical therapy from Duke University in 1993 and a clinical transitional doctorate in physical therapy through a hybrid program at Virginia Commonwealth University in 2011. However, she decided to move into academics as a founding faculty member of Radford University's Doctor of Physical Therapy program in 2010.

"Learning through trial and error was not the best for me or my students," Castleberry said. "As a clinician, you do not receive training to teach and assess student learning. Instructional strategies and active learning skills require intention and guidance. Those were skills I needed to develop, and I found that in the D.H.Sc. program, I was able to do that."

Castleberry said that collaborating with the faculty in the D.H.Sc. program was invaluable as she grew as an educator. She cites the support

and mentorship of program director Jeannine Everhart, Ph.D., MCHES®, associate professor Diana Willeman-Buckelew, Ph.D., and professor Lisa Allison-Jones, Ph.D.

"Returning to school can be overwhelming," Castleberry said. "Technology, writing skills and overcoming old habits can be challenging. I found RUC and the D.H.Sc. program supportive and accessible for me."

Castleberry said that communication was key to facilitating her learning and academic success in the program, and the instructors provided multiple pathways to communicate and encourage peer networking.

In 2016, Castleberry moved to teaching at Emory & Henry College's Doctor of Physical Therapy program and has since earned tenure at the institution.

"Working with community members and the students, including physician assistants, occupational therapists, physical therapists and nurses, has been wonderful," Castleberry said. "As I progressed in my academic career, I realized I needed to develop my skills to facilitate student

learning and success. As I worked through the D.H.Sc. program, I was able to implement real-time changes and improvements to my teaching, content organization and presentation, assessments and feedback."

Castleberry said that the ability to build not only on your strengths, but also to develop the skills you need for your chosen profession is one of the best outcomes from the D.H.Sc. program for her. Candidates in the D.H.Sc. program can choose to focus their studies on one of three areas that will support their professional goals, including healthcare administration, community and public health or education and academia.

"The D.H.Sc. program has had a significant impact on my career and on my students," Castleberry said. "Students and peers have asked for my 'toolkit' of teaching materials and community programming. I can't think of a better compliment to the program than to have others want to learn from me what I learned at RUC. I highly recommend the D.H.Sc. program to challenge yourself and strengthen your skillset in the workforce."

## Memorial Day

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21-gun salute. The choir and band are returning to the ceremony this year after an absence last year.

The ceremony has been held for the past 20-plus years, and is presented by Radford VFW Post 776, American Legion Post 30, the NRV Marine Corps League, the Dublin-Radford Ruritan Club, the Radford News Journal, WRAD AM1460, and WPSK 107.1.

Ceremony presenters thank the following for support of the program: the City of Radford, Director of Radford Parks and Recreation Ken Goodyear, the Radford Army Ammunition Plant, Sign Systems, BAE Systems, Sound engineer Russell Brewster, Mullins Funeral Home, and Virginia Chapter 14 of WoodmenLife.

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**CLUES ACROSS**

1. Package
7. Wear away
13. Joins a leaf to a stem
14. Worsen
16. Promotes international cooperation (abbr.)
17. Your folks
19. Publicity
20. Moves up
22. Dept. of Labor
23. Physicist Enrico
25. Whitney and Manning are two
26. Human foot (pl.)
28. Coral is an example
29. Extended error correction
30. Small amount
31. Dash
33. The greatest of all time
34. Middle Eastern country
36. Ravine
38. Cup-like cavity

**CLUES DOWN**

1. Relating to male organ
2. Indicates position
3. Covers with frost
4. Makes a soft murmuring sound
5. Wood
6. Type of fuel
7. Confused
8. Where you go at night
9. Canadian flyers
10. Type of birch tree
11. Beloved Welsh princess
12. Coated
13. Smooth substance of crushed fruit
15. Improves intellectually
18. A sign of assent
21. Island-based Italians
24. Pragmatic
26. Peter's last name
27. A bag-like structure in a plant or animal

**CLUES ACROSS**

30. Mexican city
32. Sir Samuel \_\_\_\_, Brit. statesman
35. Summer Olympics were just here
37. Fiddler crabs
38. Southern military academy
39. Tumors
42. Speaks incessantly
43. Sacred sound in Indian religions
46. Transactions
47. Et-
49. Reminders
50. Doesn't interest
52. Norse gods
54. Canola is one type
55. Beloved sportscaster Craig
57. Irish mother goddess
59. Daddy
62. Press against tightly
63. Sound unit
66. Master of Ceremonies
68. Morning

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## OBITUARIES

## Egger, Dayton Eugene "Gene"

Dayton Eugene "Gene" Egger, 83, an Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Virginia Tech, died peacefully on May 21, 2022 at his home in Blacksburg, surrounded by his loving family. Born March 14, 1939, in Starkville, Miss., he was preceded in death by his father, Earl Egger, and his mother, Francis Hightower.

Just like he dealt with all experiences in life, Gene managed his illness with strength and dignity and wanted to spend as much time with his loved ones as possible. A devoted husband to Dorothy and doting father to Kirsten, he lived a full life of travel and exploration and is leaving behind a sustained impact on generations of architects and students. He received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from Auburn University, and in 1969, while in the Master of Architecture program at Virginia Tech, began what would become a lifelong teaching career. His commitment and dedication to his family and education drove him throughout his life.

Reflecting on Gene's contribution to the college, Jack Davis, Dean Emeritus and Reynolds Metals Professor Emeritus of the School of Architecture + Design at Virginia Tech said:

"Gene was a talented educator,

pedagogical leader, colleague and mentor as many of his former students and colleagues practice, teach and lead in architectural and educational institutions around the world."

Gene's work as an administrator also included serving as Director of Special Programs as well as Chair of the Architecture Foundation Program and Director of the Industrial Design Program. As a studio teacher, he earned the respect of generations of students and colleagues. He served as Chair of the Wine Award Selection Committee and as Chair of the University Academy of Teaching Excellence. In 2007, he was named one of the nation's best design educators by DesignIntelligence, a national organization that ranks architecture and design schools. In May 2010, he retired after more than 40 years of service to Virginia Tech and continued to contribute significantly to the school for many years. He and Dorothy traveled and explored together and in June 2019 had the great honor of being by Kirsten's side as she married the love of her life and has witnessed their happiness ever since.



Those left to honor his memory are his wife of 45 years, Dorothy; his daughter, Kirsten Egger Deyerle and her husband, Anthony Kirk Deyerle of Maidens, Va.; many beloved friends, students who became dear friends, colleagues and cousins. They will find peace in the memories of his gentle manner, thoughtfulness, keen sense of humor and endless encouragement.

In a message recently received from Will Schmidt-Scott, a former student of Gene's in 2014, he wrote: "Your stories linger in my mind and I often hear your voice through my drawing, my writing, and my travels. I am lucky to have studied with you because you showed so clearly how to see the sensitivities of the world. Your influence has made me a more thoughtful person, and knowing you have shaped decades of students provides me hope for the future. We are grateful for you."

A memorial gathering will be held at a later date in Blacksburg. In lieu of flowers, please consider giving to the The Steger Center for International Scholarship in Riva San Vitale, Switzerland, or your charity of choice.

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## ANGLICAN CATHOLIC

**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 steadfast, 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 live-streamed 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.

## 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 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.

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

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

## CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

**Radford Church of God in Christ**, 206 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.

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

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

## PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

**Merrimac Pentecostal Holiness Church**, Rev. Larry Christopher (540) 552-7194. 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.

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## 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 Wadsworth Street, Radford. 639-3529. 8:30a.m. Sunday Services: 8:30am (interpreter provided); 9:45am Sunday School (interpreter provided); and 11:00am. Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm. Child care is provided. www.centralmethodistchurch.com.

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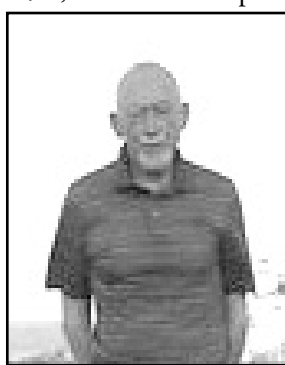
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## Harris, Randall Earl

Randall Earl Harris, 90, of Blacksburg, died Sunday, May 22, 2022, at his home. He was born on June 3, 1931 to the late Earl Wheeler and Arlene Hilt Harris. He is survived by his wife, Jeannie Harris; daughters and son-in-law, Cathy and Dave Blubaugh, and Annie Connelly; sons and daughter-in-law, Curtis Harris, Michael and Arneida Harris, Salem, VA 24153.



Harris; grandchildren, Allison, Sara, Jamie, Rachel, Carrie, Christi, Trisha, Aiden, Christopher, and Lauren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Feeding Southwest Virginia, 1025 Electric Road,

## Sowers, Larry Lee

Larry Lee Sowers, 71, of Christiansburg, 380 Arbor Drive Christiansburg, passed on May 22, 2022, in the comfort of his home. He is survived by his loving wife, Clara Gail Albert Sowers; brother and sister-in-law, Charles "Chuck" and Pamela Spradlin and family; sister-in-law, Angela and Scott Stamper and family; brother-in-law, Dexter and Lorrie Albert and family; dear friends and his Wolverine work family.



Family and friends are encouraged to dress casual. An opportunity to share anecdotes and stories about Larry will begin at 12:30 p.m. Anyone may speak from the heart and share tributes about this wonderful, generous, and loving soul.

The family strongly asks that no flowers be purchased. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to your local food pantry in Larry's memory.

## Moore, Carolyn Lanier

Carolyn Lanier Moore, 91, of Blacksburg, died Monday, May 23, 2022, at her home. She was born in Iredell County, N.C. on Nov. 8, 1930 to the late Samuel McKee and Martha Carter Miller. She was also preceded by her husband, Thomas G. Moore.



grandchildren; and sister, Mary Wood Campbell.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 11 a.m. in the Blacksburg Church of Christ. Graveside followed at 4 p.m. Thursday, May 26, 2022 in the Abilene Church of Christ Cemetery, Statesville, N.C. The family received friends

She is survived by her daughters and son-in-law, Rhonda Brewer, and Candace and Mark White;

son, Brent Lanier; grandchildren, Joshua, Chris, Ned, Allison, Brittany, Bailey, and Sam McKee; two great-

prior to the service time at the church. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

## Webb, Virginia Farris

The lady in pearls, Virginia Farris Webb, age 99, of Christiansburg, peacefully followed the Blood Moon into the heavens on May 16, 2022.



She was born in Winchester, Tenn., on March 25, 1923, to John Thomas and Ethel Kate Farris. She obtained an RN degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville where she met her husband, Willis Keith Webb. They were married for 71 years.

She loved auctions, cross stitching, sewing, reading, playing cards, receiving cards, visiting with friends and family, traveling, making sure your hair was brushed, and the casino.

Virginia is survived by her five children,

Cheryl Farmer (Billy) of Grantville, Ga.; Mark Webb (Shelby) of Christiansburg; Karen Moore (Howard) of Standardsville, Va.; Katherine Dibert (Bruce) of Peachtree City, Ga.; and Laura Webb of Bumpass, Va.; 13 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, 13 great-great-grandchildren, and numerous friends in the Christiansburg area.

The family sends a special thank-you to the hospice team and Margaret, who assisted her youngest daughter, Laura, in caring for her. She gifted her body for the advancement of science with the Virginia Anatomical Program.

In lieu of flowers, a gift to a charitable organization of your choice can be made.

## Polan, Anna Lee (Underwood)

Anna Lee (Underwood) Polan Ann looked forward to spring, to be (October 14, 1934 - May 22, 2022) passed after an extended struggle with dementia and melanoma. She was preceded in death by her parents, James E. And Reain (Davis) Underwood; a son, Mark E Polan; a brother, Louis W. Underwood; brothers-in-law, Clinton R. Polan and Richard Clark; and several cousins.



Polan Ann looked forward to spring, to be outside on the farm, in the yard or garden. When children were young, she was an active leader in Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts. In 1974, she began as a Cross Guard at Gilbert E. Linkous Elementary and continued until 2019 with 45 years of service, most likely a record, and she loved the kids. Many came back years later just

to say "hi." That same year, she became a volunteer at Montgomery Regional Hospital and continued in excess of 40 years, working countless hours.

The family expresses deep gratitude to the support of friends and brothers and sisters at Blacksburg Baptist Church, and also thanks Good Samaritan Hospice, Dr. Isaac Spence, Carilion and Dr. Heather Brooks of Blue Ridge Cancer Center.

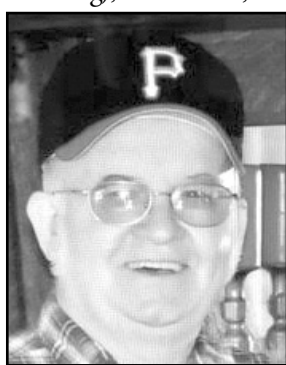
Graveside services were conducted Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 11 a.m. in the Westview Cemetery with the Dr. Tommy McDearis officiating. The family received friends Thursday afternoon at the home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Blacksburg Baptist Church, 550 N Main St, Blacksburg, VA 24060, Northstar Church, 3929 Prices Fork Rd, Blacksburg, VA 24060, and St. Judes Children Hospital. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

Ann is survived by her husband of 66 years, Carl E. Polan; sons, Gregory C. (Pam Linkous-Polan) Polan and David L. (Debby) Polan; daughter, Leanne (Robert) Reynolds; sister, Rosalie Clark, sisters-in-law, Carol Sue Lowther and Wilma (Peggy) Polan and former sister-in-law, Jane Finley; six granddaughters, Rachel (Dwayne) Link, Alice (Aaron) Duty, Emily (Andrew) Polan-Harper, Carly (Brandon) Dove, Sarah Polan, and Lindsey Polan; and great grandchildren, Daniel, Sadie and Natalie Link and Austin Dove.

Annie was very loyal and supportive of her husband as he worked through two advanced degrees and a post-doctorate before coming to VPI and Blacksburg in 1965, giving birth to her three oldest children during that period of time. She was a member of Blacksburg Baptist Church and Fidelis Sunday School Class.

## Williams, Laymon Miller

Laymon Miller Williams (Groundhog), Williams; and three great-grandchildren Megan Shaver, Emmalyn Meister and Cameron Meister.



A special thank you to his youngest granddaughter, Madison, for being by his side during his last inning. Her Paw Paw will be proud of our soon-to-be nurse.

Laymon worked at Corning for 19 years and Virginia Tech Food Services while simultaneously tending to the Dowdy family farm. He loved NASCAR and baseball, especially the Pittsburgh Pirates. He was his kids and grandchildren's number one fan while they were on the field.

Laymon preceded in death by his parents and nine siblings. His one surviving sister, Shirley Hazelwood, resides in Blue Ridge, Va.

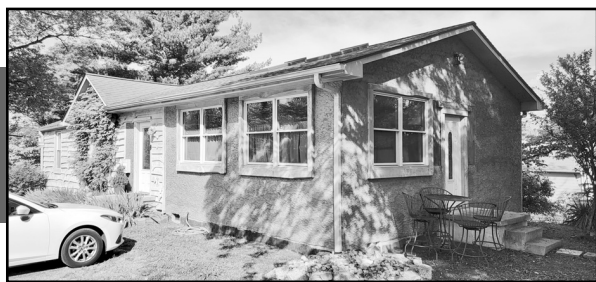
Laymon is survived by his wife of 63 years, Lura Jean Dowdy Williams; daughters, Becky Shaver of Christiansburg, and Ann Rader (Joel) of Newport; and sons Miller Williams (Jane) of Blacksburg and Michael Williams (Melissa) of Pembroke.

A celebration of life will be held on Sunday, May 29, 2022 at Newport Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church at 3 p.m. The family will receive friends after the service. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Newport Sports c/o Newport Ruritan Club PO Box 43 Newport, VA 24128.

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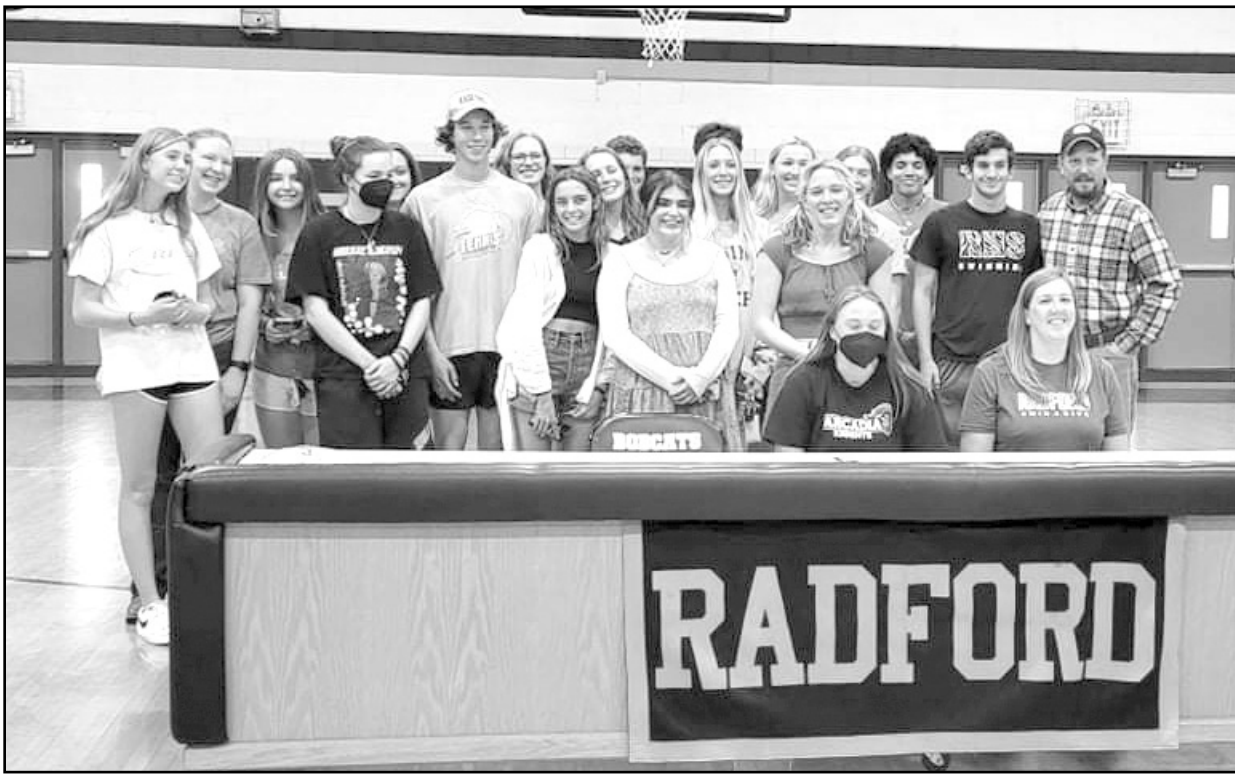


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Maggie Dent (center) signed a letter of intent in the Radford High School gymnasium this past week to attend Arcadia University to continue her swimming career.

## Radford High's Maggie Dent to swim at Arcadia University

**Marty Gordon**  
[NRVsports@ourvalley.org](mailto:NRVsports@ourvalley.org)

Maggie Dent, a member of the Radford High School swim team, will attend Arcadia University this fall to continue her athletic career. She recently signed a letter of intent in the school's gymnasium in front of family, friends and coaches.

There are several reasons why she chose Arcadia. "I love the atmosphere there and I felt really at home each time I visited," she said. "Before I realized I could swim, I was very fond of their study-abroad program and their physical therapy program. When I met their swim team, they were so welcoming as well."

Dent's time in the pool has been a successful one. As a freshman at Radford High, she qualified for state, was the Region 2C 200-free-style champ, and followed that up with state appearances every year thereafter. This past year, Dent was part of a girls' team that finished as the state runner ups.

Arcadia University is a private university in Glenside, Penn. The university enrolls approximately 4,000 undergraduate, master's, and doctoral students.

University teams compete in the NCAA Division III within the MAC Commonwealth of the Middle Atlantic Conferences.

This past season at the MAC

championships, the women's team finished in fifth place with 734 points and one top-three finish.

The Arcadia University Department of Athletics and Recreation announced last month the hiring of Aaron Green as the new head coach of men's and women's swimming. Green comes to Glenside after serving as the head coach and aquatics director at Hollins University in Roanoke.

Outside of the pool, Dent is a drum major for the RHS regiment marching band and is a member of the "Be The Change Club."

Dent plans to major in global public health on a pre-physical therapy track.

## Blue Demons dominate All-River Ridge baseball

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Christiansburg High School has dominated River Ridge District baseball play this season, and the Blue Demons led district honors revealed on Wednesday.

Junior Mason Self, who has played first base and pitched for the team, was named the district player of the year.

Self finished the regular season with a .561 batting average, eight home runs and 38 runs batted in. His on-base percentage was .691; he went 2-0 on the mound with 35 strikeouts in 16 innings.

Dale Nelson, who coached the Blue Demons to the regular season and tournament titles, was named River Ridge District Coach-of-the-Year. His team finished the regular season at 18-2 overall and 12-0 in the district.

Self was joined on the

first team by teammates Nate Hall (pitcher) and Dawson Gragg (outfield).

Blacksburg placed four players on the district's first team: catcher Bennett Shealor, third baseman Bruce Abbott, outfielder Harrison Tate, and shortstop Trevor VandeVord.

Christiansburg added five more to the River Ridge District second-team: Self at pitcher, catcher Marshall Basham, second baseman Tanner Evans, outfielder Colton McGrady, and utility player Joseph Tuck.

On the softball field up the hill, Christiansburg's Kady Camper was named the Player of the Year. The sophomore has 119 strikeouts in the circle while giving up only eight earned runs. Camper has pitched 69 innings with 17 walks. At the plate, she has six home runs and 30 runs batted in with a .580 batting average, which leads her team.

Camper was joined on

the first team by teammates, Baylee Reasor and Blacksburg's Emily Dickerson, Kaley Mathena, and Loreli Spradlin.

Christiansburg placed a trio of players on the River Ridge District second team: catcher Casey Kietrys, third baseman Addison Reasor, and utility player Kyrstin Lowe. Blacksburg's Aubrey Hudgins, Evelyn Rhodes, and Mia Farley were named to the second all-district team.

Blacksburg's McKenzie Cheynet was named the River Ridge District girls' soccer player of the year while Christiansburg's Scott Duff was named Coach-of-the-Year.

Cheyne was joined on the all-district first team by Norin Bortz, Morgan Cheynet, Julia Howland, Kylene Monaghan, and Elayna Witherspoon.

Duff placed four players on the district girls' soccer first team: Jordin

Harris, Lilly Shepherd, Bridget Miller, and Anna Blaine.

Two more Christiansburg players, Ava Landers and Madison Farley, were named to the girls soccer all-district second team as were Blacksburg's Mila Santesaver-Jones, Kat Leedy, Rebecca Webster, and Erin Bishop.

On the boys' side of the soccer field, Blacksburg's Edric Zhang was the district's Player-of-the-Year. Five other Bruins were named to the all-district boys soccer first team: Sean DeLorenzo, Andrew Neely, Wyatt Eschenmann, Caleb Byun, and Luke Milauskas.

Christiansburg placed two on the all-district boys soccer first team: Sami Selfie and Kendall Britt.

Blacksburg's Nevin O'Dowd and DJ Garza made the all-district boys soccer second-team as did Christiansburg's Isaac Prather.

## Radford's Ally Brown headed to Roanoke College for softball

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Radford High School softball's Ally Brown will continue her playing career at Roanoke College. She signed a letter of intent earlier this week in the school's gymnasium in front of family, friends, and teammates.

Brown said Roanoke immediately felt like home. "As soon as I walked on campus, I felt an immediate connection and knew it was the college for me," she said.

Roanoke College is a private liberal arts college in Salem with an enrollment of 2,000 students.

The college is a member of the Division III level of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), competing in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) since the 1976-77 academic year.

This past week, Roanoke's softball team made it to the championship series of the 2022 Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) Softball Championship Tournament with a regular-season record of 30-12.

Mike Mitchell is in his 14th year at the helm of the Roanoke softball program and has amassed over 300 wins at the school.

At Roanoke, Brown will become a teammate of Auburn's Hannah Shepherd. Brown hopes to major in communications with a minor in political science and eventually become a journalist or a news broadcaster.

Brown is a utility player who played almost every position in the infield and on the mound. This season, she has a .455 batting average with a .510 on-base percentage and four home runs.



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Ally Brown (left) has signed a letter-of-intent to continue her softball career at Roanoke College. Also pictured is her high school coach, Haley Smith.

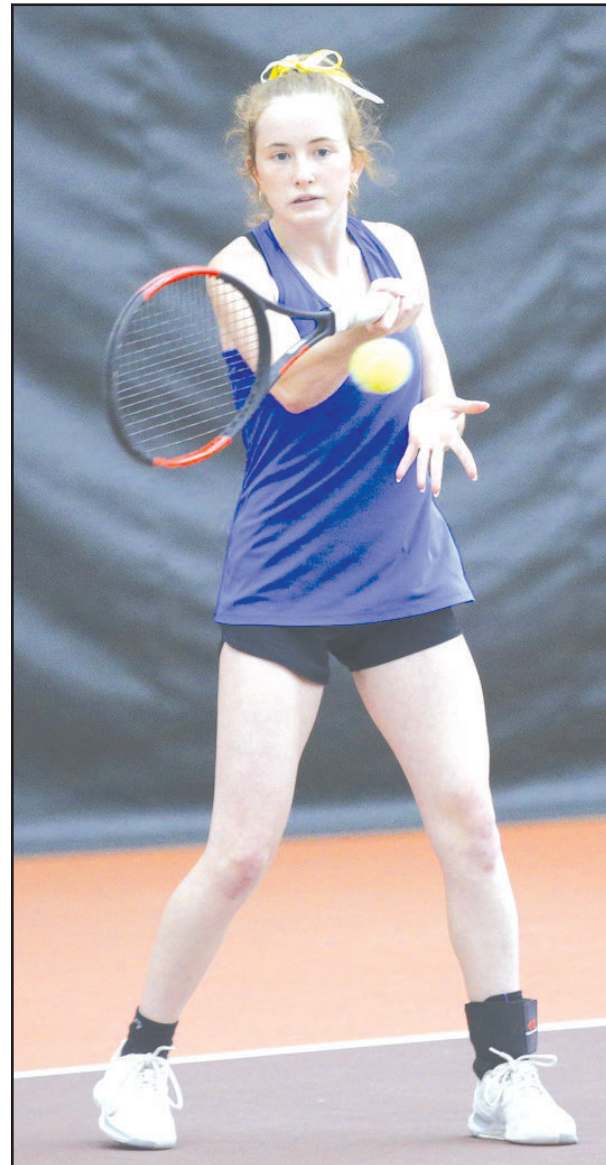
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# Blacksburg girls sweep Salem in 4D tennis



Blacksburg's Raya Freeborn returns during the number 2 singles match against Salem on Monday at Virginia Tech. Freeborn took the 6-1, 6-0 win. Blacksburg swept the first five matches to take the team win.



Blacksburg's Ginsey Thompson hits a forehand return in her 6-0, 6-0 victory.

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Blacksburg number 1 singles player Kirsten Woods prepares to return against Salem's Lauren Baba in a Region 4D tournament match. Woods won 6-0, 6-0.

# Radford soccer advances in Region C



Evan Rupe (left) and Ben Tremblay (right) vie for possession as Rupe enters scoring territory. Rupe scored twice for Radford, and Vance Steele added another goal.



Ben Shull (R) pops in the first goal in Radford's 6-1 win Wednesday night over Alleghany in the opening round of the Region C boys' soccer playoffs.



Aiden Minnick positions for a big boot that scores a goal for the Bobcats. He also added another goal late in the contest. Radford was scheduled to play Appomattox in the next round of the region playoffs.

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## THE NRV MPO SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT FOR TIP AMENDMENT #4

The New River Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is amending its 2021-24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The amendment is to modify funding for Blacksburg Transit, Radford Transit, and New River Valley Community Services. It is available for review at the offices of the Towns of Blacksburg and Christiansburg, the City of Radford, and the Montgomery and Pulaski County. It is also available on the MPO website: [www.newrivervalleympo.org](http://www.newrivervalleympo.org)

Written comments for this amendment will be received until 5:00 PM, June 15, 2022.

The public can also speak at the August 4, 2022 MPO Policy Board meeting at 2:00 PM at the Montgomery County Government Center.

This public notice and opportunity to comment on the TIP amendment meets the program of projects requirements as established by the FTA pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 5307(c).

The NRV MPO ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact Dan Brugh at: [brughjd@montgomerycountyva.gov](mailto:brughjd@montgomerycountyva.gov) or 540-394-2145, TTY/TTD 711.



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## Big South honors RU's Hailey Flowers with academic award

Radford University volleyball's Hailey Flowers has been awarded the 2022 Big South Conference Christenberry Award for Academic Excellence, the league office announced Wednesday afternoon. The prestigious honor is given to the male and female student-athlete who attains the highest GPA during their undergraduate collegiate careers. Flowers earned a

4.00 GPA while majoring in criminal justice and graduating a year early. A native of Eureka, Ill., Flowers also played a pivotal role for Radford on the court, competing in 25 of the team's 28 games and posting 140 kills, the second-most on the team. Big South member institutions nominate one male and one female undergraduate student-athlete for the annual Christenberry Award. The honor is named for George A. Christenberry, the former President of

Augusta College (now Augusta University) and one of the founders of the Big South Conference. A member of the Big South Hall of Fame, Christenberry served as the league's first president from 1983-86. Big South Conference's Award Recipients: Krishna Raj, Charleston Southern (baseball) Jonathan Frye, Gardner-Webb (men's swimming) Louise Schmidtgen, Gardner-Webb (women's track & field)

Faith Parandhamia, Gardner-Webb (women's track & field/cross country) Camille Pereira, Hampton (women's soccer) Hailey Flowers, Radford (volleyball) India Appleton, UNC Asheville (women's track & field/cross country) Alice Walker, UNC Asheville (women's soccer) Grace Volk, UNC Asheville (volleyball) Gillian Oyos, UNC Asheville (women's soccer) Kelly Wiedemann, USC Upstate (volleyball)

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