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# Today's West End Wednesday to feature Fritz Schindler Band



The Fritz Schindler Band will perform this evening, Wed. June 8, at the June installment of West End Wednesdays at Glencoe Mansion, Museum, and Gallery.

RADFORD - The grounds of Glencoe Mansion, Museum, and Gallery is the place to be this evening, Wednesday June 8, for live music, food, and family fun.

The latest installment of West End Wednesdays features Radford's own Fritz Schindler Band and kicks off at 5:30 p.m. The free, family-friendly concert series is hosted by Moun-

tainTrotter Arts.

The Fritz Schindler Band is described as a group that "brings enthusiasm, musician-

See Fritz Schindler Band, page 2

# Abbott initiates recall for infant formula purchased at Food City

Abbott Laboratories has initiated an infant formula recall that includes Similac, Alimentum, and EleCare powdered formula after receiving a consumer report stating they had purchased a powdered infant formula with a recalled lot code from a Food City Store.

Food City has a location at 1701 Tyler Ave. in Radford.

The formula under question is Similac Adv Complete Nutrition 12.4 oz.

The UPC is 7007455958, and the lot code is 35985K800 with an expiration date of Dec. 1, 2024.

Food City has issued an alert advising consumers not to use the recalled product and to return it to any Food City store for a full refund.

For complete information on the Abbott recall, consumers may call Abbott at 1-800-986-8450 or visit www.similacrecall.com. The Federal Drug Administration is advising consumers not to use Similac, Alimentum, or EleCare powdered infant formulas if the first two digits of the code are 22 through 37, the code on the container contains K8, SH, or Z2, and the expiration date is 4-1-2022 or later.

A spokesman for Food City has released a statement declaring that "customer safety and service are our number one priority and recalls of any nature receive immediate attention."



The Radford City Police Department has arrested Quickeem Dashawn Boynes on charges of credit card theft and larceny of a firearm. He was previously wanted on a number of criminal charges.

## **Radford Police** arrest local man wanted on numerous criminal charges

Thursday, June 2, the Radford City Police Department executed a warrant in the 400 block of Sanford Street on 26-yearold Quickeem Dashawn Boynes of Radford. He was charged with credit card theft and larceny of a firearm.

Boynes was already wanted for aggravated assault with a gun, auto theft by taking, possession of a firearm during a crime, pointing a pistol at another person, theft by receiving stolen property, obstruction, and fleeing to elude (from Columbus, Ga.) and carrying a concealed firearm (from Orange Co., Fla.)

Boynes is being held without bond at the New River Regional Jail.

The Radford City Police Department encourages anyone who has recently been a victim of theft to contact Det. Sgt. E.B. Martin at 540-267-3196 or Eric.Martin@Rad

## **Radford PRIDE March** set for Saturday





## Baby formula shortage is temporary and relief is on the way, says Virginia Tech expert

The recent shortage of infant formula has left parents who are dependent on the formula to feed their babies struggling to find it, says Carlin Rafie, an assistant professor in the Department of Human Nutrition, Foods, and Exercise, and Virginia Cooperative Extension specialist.

"The shortage is certainly causing a lot of anxiety for parents that depend on infant formula for their baby's nutrition," Rafie said. "The shortage has also exposed some vulnerabilities in our current supply system of this critical food. Fortunately, parents still have a few options as to what they can do to feed their infants."

According to Rafie, the emergency efforts to import more infant formula will provide some immediate relief to the problem. Abbott has also come to an agreement with the FDA to reopen its infant formula plant in Sturgis, Michigan, the first week of June. Specialized infant formulas will be prioritized and should become available as soon as the end of June.

"Parents should take heart that the shortage is temporary and relief is on the way," Rafie said.

In the meantime, Rafie has a few suggestions for families:

Check smaller stores, drug stores, pregnancy centers, food pantries, and family resource centers.

Check social media groups that are sharing information about the location of the formula.

If formula cannot be found, call your pediatrician to see if they have samples.

United Way's 2-1-1 (211) connects people to a community resource specialist who may be able to help find a local source of formula.

Purchasing formula online is not recommended as it may be counterfeit. If purchasing formula online, be sure that it is from a reputable source.

If a source of formula is found, it is strongly recommended that only a 10 to 14-day supply be purchased in order not to contribute to the shortage problem. Many stores are now limiting the amount of formula that can be purchased for this reason.

Rafie has some general recommendations for common occurrences as

mothers search for formula, which include:

If your infant does not have special dietary needs and you cannot find the brand of formula that you normally use, it is okay to change brands. Be sure to select the same type of formula that you have been using. Try mixing small amounts of the new formula into the old formula as you transition so that the baby accepts the new taste.

Consult your pediatrician if your infant is on a special dietary formula and you cannot find it. They may be able to solicit special formula from the manufacturers. Consult your pediatrician with any concerns you may have.

Do not add water to your formula to make it last longer; this may cause malnourishment in your infant.

Making your own baby formula is not recommended. The risk is that you will not provide sufficient nutrients and that the formula may be contaminated..

Accredited human milk banks can supply human breast milk.

By Max Esterhuizen



FILE PHOTO

Radford's Second Annual PRIDE march is set for this Saturday, June 11. Organized by the RADical Change Commission, the march begins with brief remarks at the Radford Public Library and then gets underway at 7 p.m., marching from the library to the City of Radford administration/police building. Any questions about the event can be directed to the RADical Change **Commission on Facebook.** 

## Masters program a perfect fit for healthcare communicator

Hannah Curtis, M.H.A. '20, had a thriving career with Carilion Clinic as a media relations specialist and public information officer when she decided she wanted to build on her professional experience with a graduate degree.

She considered pursuing a master of business administration, but her growing career with the largest healthcare organization in Western Virginia changed her mind.

"After working in corporate communications for Carilion, I saw a future for myself in the healthcare industry," Curtis said. "I wanted to build on my professional experience to ensure that I was choosing a master's that complemented my broad bachelor's degree in communication studies."

Curtis said the Master of Healthcare Administra-

tion (M.H.A.) program at Radford University Carilion (RUC)was a natural fit. The program is offered online, which is one of its most popular features, and it has allowed her to work and go to school full time. In addition, RUC's Roanoke-based location offered Curtis hybrid options if she needed a library or classroom setting.

"Another benefit was Carilion's partnership with the institution," Curtis said. "The reputable faculty and leaders at RUC, partnered with access to benefits like tuition reimbursement, were major factors in my decision."

Curtis said she researched several M.H.A. programs but ultimately chose RUC's program because it offered the best of both worlds: the flexibility of a high-quality, remotelearning experience paired

# PCOMING EVENTS

#### Wednesday, June 8:

#### Brown Bag Book Club

At the Radford Public Library on the second Wednesday of each month at noon. To be discussed this month is "84 Charing Cross Road" by Helene Hanff. Participants may bring a lunch or enjoy Aaron's latest delicious culinary creation (tea & scones). To be discussed next month is "Malibu Rising" by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

#### Thursday, June 9:

#### River City Quilt Guild

The River City Quilt Guild meets the second Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in Grove United Methodist Church, 1020 Tyler Avenue, Radford. All skill levels of quilters are welcome. For more information call Anna Handy, 540-320-7791.

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

At Warm Hearth Village 2387 Warm Hearth Drive, Blacksburg, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce presents its Eggs & Issues breakfast and 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 LewisĞale 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. Register and pay online or contact programs@montgomerycc.org.

#### Meet the author event

At the Radford Public Library at p.m. Award-winning garden writer Barbara Pleasant, author of "Homegrown Pantry," will share dozens of tips for enjoying a garden's bounty in every season. A copy of Pleasant's book will be given out during the event.

#### Thursday Chapel Services

Luther Memorial Lutheran Church will hold a series of Thursday chapel services at noon on June 9, June 23, July 7, July 21, Aug. 4, and Aug. 18. The services will feature scripture, silent meditation, and reflection. The services will be crafted and led by volunteers, drawing on the diverse Christian traditions that express God's imaginative creativity. The services will last approximately one-half hour, and everyone is welcome.

#### Thursday, June 9-Thursday, June 23:

utensils at each class and a slow cook- due to limited supplies. Call or stop er upon completion of the four-week by the circulation desk to register. series. Activities will be provided for

children ages 3 and older. The pro-

gram is co-sponsored by the Virginia

Cooperative Extension Service. For

more information, call the Meadow-

2 p.m. Participants will learn tech-

make a water filter out of a water bot-

tle and how to build a shelter. Rec-

ommended for ages 10 and up.

Saturday, June 11:

Mt. Tabor Ruritan Fish Fry

ter, 1543 Mount Tabor Rd, Blacks-

burg. The club will serve up helpings

of fish, fries, and slaw with home-

Organized by the RADical Change

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At the Christiansburg Library;

10:30 a.m. Swim on in to make a craft

and watch a movie about a clownfish

At the Blacksburg Library at noon.

Sign up for a 10-minute time slot to

read with a therapy dog. Call the li-

Teen goldfish taste test challenge

At the Meadowbrook Public Li-

brary at 1 p.m. Teens will try to iden-

tify different goldfish flavors while

blindfolded. A prize will be awarded

to the winner. This program may not

be suitable for those with food al-

lergies. Registration is required. For

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ritan.

March

Facebook.

Movie and a craft

brary at 540-552-8246.

ages 11 and up.

Family craft time

who loses his way.

brook Library at 540-268-1964.

Friday, June 10:

**Could You Survive?** 

#### Music on the Lawn: Rag Top

At the Christiansburg Library at 6 p.m. This is the second show in the Music on the Lawn concert series. Participants should bring a lawn chair and/or blankets. This free concert will be held rain or shine.

#### Mill Mountain Zoo at RPL

At the Radford Public Library at 11 At the Christiansburg Library at a.m. Mill Mountain Zoo will bring its animal ambassadors for a fascinatniques to survive stranded on a de- ing educational visit. Participants will serted island? These include how to learn all about these amazing critters and perhaps will get the chance to meet one or two of them up close for a quick pet. This event will take place in the children's area and is sponsored by Radford Public Library's Lamplighters.

#### The Mount Tabor Ruritan Club Monday, June 13, 20, will hold its June Fish Fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at Slusser's Chapel Picnic Shel- 27:

#### Nature walk/library talk

Each Monday in June at 10 a.m. made desserts and beverages. The cost at the Meadowbrook Public Library is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children Courtyard. Participants will walk with under 12. Children under 3 will eat babies or children in strollers, slings, free. Carry-outs are also \$12. The fish or carriers. Everyone will get togethfry will be held rain or shine. Call or er and walk, make new friends, talk text 540-449-6178 for further infor- about nutrition and feeding babies mation. On Facebook at MtTaborRu- and toddlers, and learn more information about the library. Sponsored by the Family Nutrition Program of Second Annual Radford PRIDE the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service of Montgomery County.

#### Monday, June 13:

#### Red Cross blood drive

From 10:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Blacksburg Library. Register to donate blood at Red.Cross.Blood.org.

#### Teen Gaming

At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 1 p.m. Teens will challenge their friends to a fun afternoon of Nintendo video games and board and card games. Snacks and drinks will be provided while supplies last. For ages 11-17..

#### STEM Club

At the Christiansburg Library at 1 p.m. This homeschool STEM club will explore science, technology, engineering, and math. For ages 8 and up.

#### Crafternoon for Adults Only

At the Radford Public Library from 1 to 2 p.m. Participants will knit, crochet, embroider, and cross stitch with new friends, assisted by library staff. Drop in when it suits. No commitment is needed.

#### Tuesday, June 14:

brook Library at 540-268-1964.

#### Wednesday, June 15:

American Business Women's Association June luncheon meeting

The American Business Women's Association's June luncheon meeting will include the presentation of its Woman of the Year awards to a chapter member and a non-member community businesswoman. From 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Christiansburg-Blacksburg. 99 Bradley Drive, Christiansburg. Cost is \$14.25. RSVP by noon on June 13, 2022. Contact: Terri Welch christiansburg@wineanddesign.com.

#### 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 played, 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 from the event will benefit local youth educational activities and programs. The program will begin at noon and will be 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 on site. If an organization wants to have a booth, contact the NAACP 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 on June 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Friday, June 24:

#### Blacksburg Museum Sunset Rhythms 2022

The Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Center kicks off its summer concert series 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 as well. Tickets are \$5 for adults. Children ages 13 and under are free. All proceeds support the work of the Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Center. Visit www.blacksburgmuseum.org for more information.

Set sail to healthy eating and cooking for the family

At the Meadowbrook Public Library; Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Participants will learn how to make affordable, healthy snacks and meals for the family. They will receive free cooking

At the Blacksburg Library at 2 p.m. Participants will decorate a small box for all the items that they find on meeting this summer's nature walks. All supwill include responsible ways to colboxes. Registration is recommended

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Sons of Confederate Veterans

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, plies will be provided. Discussion Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet at 7 p.m. at Aly's Italian lect nature's treasures. Appropriate Family Restaurant at 3204 Riner Rd. for all ages, but those under 8 may Members of the United Daughters need adult assistance to decorate their of the Confederacy are invited to attend. For further information, call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

#### Tuesday, June 14, 21, and 28:

#### Summer Backpack Program

At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 3:30 p.m. The Summer Backpack Program is intended to help families with children and teens stretch their grocery budget. One bag per child per week will be filled with nutritious food. This is a drop-in program with crafts for the kids each week in addition to the bags of food. The program is drive-thru only at the curb side of the library. Open to residents of Eastern Montgomery County only. For more information, call the Meadow-

#### Throughout June and July:

"Turtle-y Awesome" sidewalk obstacle course

At the Meadowbrook Library during the months of June and July. Participants will attempt to navigate the tropical-themed sidewalk obstacle course in the courtyard. Those who complete the course will be eligible for a special prize drawing.

#### Ongoing:

#### Free GED classes with NRCC

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.

## Fritz Schindler Band from page 1

ship, and good times to every venue and event. This talented, fun-loving band weaves a multitude of genres, time periods and instruments together in a vibrant tapestry as they take you on a journey sure to inspire dancing, laughter, and singing along."

In addition to the concert, the event features food and beverages for purchase and several craft, artisan and farmers market vendors. Cabo Fish Taco is the featured food vendor for this month. On-site craft beer and soda will be available for purchase (proper ID required). Attendees can also visit the Glencoe Mansion Gift Shop and tour the gallery, which currently features the artwork of Radford City Public Schools art students.

Outside food, lawn chairs, blankets, and leashed animals are allowed. No outside alcohol or smoking/vaping is allowed.

MountainTrotter Arts is a local non-profit dedicated to enhancing the arts of the community. Partners in this evening's event include the Radford Heritage Foundation, Glencoe Mansion, Ballpark Signs, New River Valley Rent-All and the New River Radio Group. \

Sponsors include Thompson and Litton, Plott and French Financial Advisors, Belinda Blodgett: Farmers Insurance, Colley Architects, Caroline Gaskins: Edward Jones Financial Advisor, Cooke Lavender Massey and Company PC, Sam's Brothers, Bondurant Realty Corp, Long Way Brewing, and Keith Weltens: Ameriprise Financial.

Heather Bell

## 'End of the Line' exhibit artist to talk at Alexander Black House

The Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation has announced that "End of the Line" exhibit artist Bill Ratcliffe will talk on Saturday, June 18, at 11 a.m. in the Alexander Black House main galleries, 204 Draper Road SW.

A native of Southwest Virginia, Ratcliffe first worked in a darkroom in 1993 and went on to earn a Bachelor of Fine Arts and a Master of Fine Arts in photography at Radford University. He has worked as a freelance photographer, exhibiting artist, and photography instructor.

Ratcliffe has exhibited in numerous solo, group, and juried shows across the country. His images have been published in magazines in the United States and the Philippines, and he has received numerous awards for his photography. End of the Line, Ratcliffe's multi-media exhibition now on view at the Alexander Black House, examines the final destination for most consumed goods: the landfill. The exhibit allows for the viewing of sites rarely seen by the general public.

As Ratcliffe considers the spaces occupied by our waste, he says, "They represent the idea of a magical place called away where things can be sent and forgotten. With examination, these places may help us to heal from our obsession to consume at all costs. In the United States alone, an estimated 146 million tons of material went into landfills in 2018. Sites such as those featured in this body of work address aspects of the burial of solid waste. As much as we love to buy things, no one wants to pay for their disposal."



Artist Bill Ratcliffe's 'End of the Line' exhibit illustrates the final destination of the nation's consumer goods, a place rarely seen: the landfill.

# $\mathbf{P}_{ ext{ETS} ext{ OF THE WEEK}}$



Sam is a friendly boy who is eager to please when a delicious treat is at stake



Sweet Breezy loves people. She's affectionate and enjoys attention and a good head scratch. She doesn't mind being carried or coddled. Breezy was a young mama

He understands the "sit" command and would benefit from some additional basic training. He is a happy, energetic dog and would enjoy hikes with his humans.

# Martha Glass named interim dean of students

Martha Glass, assistant vice president for administration for Student Affairs at Virginia Tech, has been named interim dean of students. Glass will officially assume her new role on July 1 while continuing in her current position.

Glass's appointment as interim dean of students follows the announcement that Byron Hughes, current dean of students, has accepted the position as assistant vice chancellor for student life and dean of students at the University of Tennessee.

"Dean Hughes is among the most student-centered professionals I know, and I can't thank him enough for his uncompromising care for students and his uplifting approach toward the mission within Student Affairs," said Frank Shushok Jr., the outgoing vice president of student affairs. "Every student is important to Byron, and there is no barrier he won't try to remove for a student's success. The University of Tennessee is getting a gem of a human being and educator."

A member of the Virginia Tech community since 2010, Glass currently oversees several key administrative functions in Student Affairs including communications, human resources, information technology, and assessment and professional development. She also is an affiliate assistant professor of educational leadership and policy studies, higher education, at Virginia Tech.

"Dr. Glass is an exceptional educator with an unwavering commitment to student success," said Frances Keene, who was recently named interim vice president for Student Affairs. "She is a tireless advocate for students, and she will provide continued strong leadership to the Dean of Students Office, New Student and Family Programs, and Services for Students with Dis-

abilities."

As interim dean of students, Glass will continue as Virginia Tech's foremost student advocate, leading a team of passionate, student-centered educators who support more than 34,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students. With a strong focus on facilitating learning and community with and for students, she and the Dean of Students Office team will work closely with Virginia Tech's seven colleges and administrative offices, embracing a focused pursuit of holistic student support and inclusion. Glass will oversee the New Student and Family Programs Office and Services for Students with Disabilities Office.

"I am honored to serve in this interim role and work alongside amazing leaders across the university to support the success and well-being of each and every student," said Glass.



Martha Glass has been named VT's interim dean of students. She will assume her duties on July 1.

and all of her kittens have found homes. Now it's her turn. Stop by the Animal Care and Adoption Center to get to know Breezy. You could be her purrfect match

#### **ONLINE AUCTION**

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#### Preview Date - Friday June 10th @ 3 PM

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# $O_{PINION}$ Virginia gas prices skyrocket by 18.5 cents per gallon

Average gasoline prices in Virginia surged upward by 18.5 cents per gallon last week, averaging \$4.64/g Monday, according to GasBuddy's survey of 4,081 stations in Virginia.

Prices in Virginia are 44.4 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand \$1.71/g higher than a year ago. The price of diesel has risen 11.5 cents nationally in the past week and stands at \$5.62 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price

reports, the cheapest station in Virginia was priced at \$4.19/g Monday while the most expensive was \$5.99/g, a difference of \$1.80/g.

The national average price of gasoline rose 26.0 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$4.85/g Monday. The national average is up 56.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands \$1.81/g higher than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

"After a blistering week of gas prices jumping in nearly every town, city, state and area possible, more bad news is on the horizon. It now appears not if, but when, we'll hit that psychologically critical \$5 national average," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "Gasoline inventories continue to decline even with demand softening due to high prices, a culmination of less refining capacity than we had prior to COVID and strong consumption, a situation that doesn't look to improve drasti-cally anytime soon," according to De Haan. "Nine states have average gas prices that stand beyond the \$5 per gallon mark with more set to join in the days and weeks ahead. In addition, diesel prices also stand at a record high, a second gut-punch to consumers which pushes the prices of most

goods higher."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. Gas-Buddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data are accessible at http://prices.GasBuddy.com.

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR Van Yandell: My daddy's pocket knife

Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

To find a treasured item that has been lost and mostly forgotten makes for a great day. Recently, Margie was going through a box of old items. She found a pocket knife. When she showed it eyes because I instantly recognized it as being my dad's.

Daddy always carried a pocket knife as did most men in those days. He had further reason to carry one in that he was an electrician and used it to remove insulation from wires.

Most of his lineman's pliers (also called side cutters)

to me, tears came into my have burnt notches in the cutter blades where he cut into live wires and the arc burned out a chunk. I still have such a plier I kept for the memories. The flying sparks didn't seem to bother him. I can't say the same for mvself.

> Daddy would not be seen without his pocket knife. It went into his pocket in the mornings and came out at bedtime. It was a part of him. To find that knife was like finding a part of him that had left me October 31, 1984.

In today's world, to carry a knife is seen by some as a crime or a threat. I was talking to a TSA agent in Los Angeles Airport (LAX) recently. He showed me a box containing confiscated knives. There must have been at least two hundred in that box, and he said that was from less than one month.

I have had knives taken from me in airports in Amsterdam and Memphis. The point I am making is that we are not being penalized because of crimes by knife carriers but by the insanity of our society.

We carried our knives to school and church. I don't remember any knife attacks or murders because of them. To be taught to carry a knife was seen as a matter of necessity and not as having a need for a weapon.

Dads taught sons many things back in the fifties and sixties. Many of those lessons are seen by today's generation as foolishness. For example, to consider a handshake as being a binding contract in today's world is foolishness. My dad considered a handshake or even a simple verbal agreement as binding. His life was in a different generation.

Many have come to believe, usually from an experience, never to take someone's word for anything without having it on paper, signed, witnessed, and notarized. Trust has become a thing of the past, and my Dad would "turn over in his grave" if he knew the status of trust in today's world.

My first pocket knife actually came from Uncle Charlie. He was like my second dad. I'm not sure how old I was, but Uncle Charlie handed me a nickel. He said, "I've got this knife to sell you. It's bad luck to give someone a knife; it will cut their friendship." So I bought the knife. Our relationship was preserved, and I was the proud owner of my first knife.

Pocket knives became collector's items, keepsakes and, of course, that handy tool we could not live without. To say the knife Margie found belonging to my Dad is precious to me is an understatement. It not only reminds me of him but of all the things he taught me.

I now carry that knife myself. I had most always had one with me for whatever reason I might need it. But this one has a special place and feeling for me. A day rarely passed that I did not think of my dad, but having the knife provides a perpetual stream of great memories.

Fathers in today's world, many cases, do not fulfill the obligation of being a father. To list the shortcomings of 2022 fathers would take pages, and that is not the purpose of this article. Of course, many good fathers try their best to teach their children and "bring them up right" in this world we live in. The relationship of a father and a son is priceless. The example set, the teachings both in practical applications but also in concepts and philosophies. My dad was constantly teaching me. The subject may have been plumbing or electrical wiring, or even human relationships.

He had the idea I would become a businessman following in his paint, plumbing, and electrical store. A book he insisted I read as a teenager was "How to Win Friends and Influence People" by Dale Carnegie, published in 1936. That book helped form my life, not in that it taught me how to manipulate people but how to simply be a decent person.

Daddy taught me the importance of adhering to what Christians call the Golden Rule or Matthew 7:12: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

I, of course, cannot claim to have always lived up to his teachings, but Daddy tried. Of all the things he taught me, the most important were to go to church, to believe in Jesus and to read and to study the Bible, God's word revealed to us.

The Bible provides numerous lessons for fathers. Colossians 3:21 "Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged." A similar verse is Ephesians 6:4 "Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."

It is so easy for a parent to be discouraging to a child. One of my recent articles was titled "Failure to Encourage is to Discourage. Constant criticism gives a child the belief, "I can't do anything right." We live in a world consumed with envy, so encouragement is minimal. This must not carry over to one's children.

How a parent responds to a child in most every situation can have lifetime effects. To be prepared to respond positively is a skill that must be cultivated.

Fathers hold such an important role in a child's life. We find that nearly 28% of the children in America are being raised by a single parent. Of those only 2% are being raised by a father.

We also find in America about 2% (2.9 million) of the children are being raised by grandparents. In most cases, this situation exists because of alcohol or drug abuse, broken homes, or simply because of negligent parents who have walked out. For the elderly to raise children is exhausting, and, simply stated, grandparents are usually out-of-touch with the realities of today's world.

The percentage of non-European and non-Asian ancestry children raised by only the mother is over 42%.

Studies of specific area's demographics tell us that in some people groups, that number is as high as 72%. These numbers vary from one area to another. Worldwide, 14% are raised by a single parent.

A man will become the father his father has guided him to be. Any father must never forget, "I'm not rearing one generation. I'm also responsible for future generations.

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On a mission assignment at a church in Nebraska, a little girl showed Margie a picture she had drawn and colored. I would probably have asked, "What is it?" Margie said to the child, "Tell me about your picture; it's beautiful." Building up the child's esteem resulted in an excited little girl explaining her artistic talent.

A primary responsibility of any dad is to teach his children in the ways of the Lord and the Bible's teachings. Wouldn't it be a much better world if that really happened? I have a lot to be thankful for, and at the top of my list was the father I had and the precious memories I have of him.

Van Yandell is a retired industrial arts (shop) teacher, a commissioned Christian missionary, and an ordained gospel evangelist.

#### **Masters Program** from page 1

with in-person resources and support.

Curtis said that during her time in the program and through collaboration with her classmates, she was able to build her own voice on topics that she is often asked to weigh in on professionally. She said she often writes for others and develops talking points for thought leaders. Her experiences at RUC helped develop that talent.

"I'm fortunate to work for an organization that values strong communicators," Curtis said. "As a young professional, my M.H.A. helped to sharpen my skills and acted as a catalyst for me to ask informed questions, making the most of my seat at the table."

Curtis also said that she appreciated the focus on interprofessional education at RUC, which encourages students in different programs to interact with one another as they learn so they are aware of what each healthcare professional does in clinical and non-clinical settings.

"I loved having the opportunity to work with students in other programs through our ethics course," she said. "RUC is a hub for the future allied health workforce, and I appreciated being able to engage with and understand the perspectives of different providers."

Curtis said that she would encourage other students to pursue their M.H.A. degree at RUC based on her positive experience in the program.

"RUC's M.H.A. program is a valuable

asset, especially to those living and working in our region," Curtis said. "As someone with a more general undergraduate degree, it allowed me to focus on my interest in healthcare and build a career that I am passionate about, ultimately contributing to improving the health of my community."

Since her graduation, Curtis has continued to experience success and build her career. Recently, she was recognized by The Roanoker magazine as one of the Class of 2022 "40 Under 40." This annual list honors young professionals who are making a difference in the Roanoke area. Curtis made the list out of the 135 candidates that were nominated.

Since she graduated, Curtis has been promoted from specialist to consultant due to her master's degree. She said that she has found her place in the Roanoke Valley and that she is "privileged to work alongside and learn from seasoned communicators and national thought leaders." She said that having the support of her team to pursue school full-time and challenge herself professionally is something she's grateful for.

"Having access to quality postgraduate education close to home was an opportunity that I was glad to take full advantage of," Curtis said. "RUC and the M.H.A. program provided everything I needed to complete my graduate education."

Mark Lambert Radford University

# Virginia Department of Transportation road watch

The following is a list of forecasted highway projects that may impact traffic traveling in the 12-county Salem Transportation District this week. Work schedules and construction project timelines are always subject to change and weather dependent. The Salem District covers Bedford, Botetourt, Carroll, Craig, Floyd, Franklin, Giles, Henry, Montgomery, Patrick, Pulaski and Roanoke counties

#### MONTGOMERY COUN-ΤY

NORTHBOUND I-81 AT EXIT 105 NEW RIV-BRIDGE REPLACE-ER MENT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY - Traffic on northbound I-81 has been switched onto the newly constructed bridge over the New River at the Montgomery/Pulaski County line. Lane and shoulder closures may be in place near exit 105. Lane closure may be in effect during the week from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Shoulder closures may be in effect at any time during the week. Slow rolls may be performed on I-81 in the north and southbound lanes from mile marker 98 to 109. Speed limit is reduced to 60 miles per hour in the work zone. Shoulder closures will remain in place though the duration of the project. Project completion is estimated by summer 2023.

LANE CLÓSURES: Nighttime alternating lane closures will be in place on I-81 northbound between mile markers 104-106 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

SLOW ROLLS: Slow rolls may be utilized periodically on both the northbound and southbound lanes from mile marker 98-109 for structural steel deliveries and setting beams.

ROUTE 615 CULVERT REPLACEMENT - Route 615 (Pilot Road) is undergoing a culvert replacement located at the intersection of Pilot Road and Old Pike Road, across from the Pilot Post Office. Lane closures on Route 615 maintained by utilizing temporary traffic signals are expected to begin on May 9 and will be in place through August 2022. Flagging operations may be in place. Route 615 will be limited to one 10 foot lane. Expected completion is October 2022.

ROUTE 641 CULVERT REPLACEMENT - Route 641 (Wayside Drive) will be closed at 8 a.m. on June 21 for a culvert replacement over Spring Branch. Drivers should watch for signage. The road will reopen on July 22 at 5 p.m., weather permitting. ROUTE 114 TURN LANE CONSTRUCTION - Starting June 6, road improvements on Route 114 (Peppers Ferry Road) will begin for the construction of a new entrance to Belview Elementary School. Motorists should expect daily

lane closures controlled by flagging forces. Work is expected to last until August 2022.

PAVING OPERATIONS -Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

Route 765, both east and west lanes, will have a flagging operation in place for paving from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

#### INTERSTATE 81

INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUC-TION PROJECT EXIT 137 TO EXIT 141 – A \$179 million design-build project to widen both directions of I-81 between mile markers 136.6 and 141.8 from two to three lanes is set to begin. Continuing into the early summer, work will be performed on the inside and outside shoulders along a five mile section of both northbound and southbound Interstate 81 in Roanoke County and the city of Salem. The shoulders will be built up before a barrier wall can be installed for road crews to work behind. The barrier wall will be installed along the shoulders in the spring and summer. Two lanes of I-81 traffic in each direction will remain open during the project with periodic lane closures scheduled during nighttime hours or outside of peak travel times as needed. Drivers can expect the following lane closures and upcoming impacts on northbound and southbound I-81:

BARRIER WALLS: Barrier wall installation is in process. Nighttime lane closures will be in place and lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet.

TRAFFIC SHIFT: Drivers should expect a traffic shift towards the shoulder of the roadway the week of May 9 for southbound,

Until mid-June, nighttime right lane and shoulder closures between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursdav

To mid-June, alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday

Nightly lane closures may be in place along the right lane with possible nightly ramp narrows as needed for guardrail and shoulder strengthening. Northbound I-81 lane closures from mile marker 138 to 142 Northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows possible at Route 311. The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 off-ramp intersection at Wildwood Road and

adding interchange lighting at exits 137, 140 and 141 are also included in the project. Expected completion in early 2026.

I-81 TROUTVILLE REST AREA CLOSURE - The Troutville Rest Area located on southbound Interstate 81 near mile marker 158 in Botetourt County is currently closed until Sept. 2, 2022. Signage indicating the closure has been posted in the rest area. During the closure, a temporary concrete barrier wall will be installed in front of the facility. The rest area facility, ramps and parking lot will be closed to the public. This project will extend the ramp into the rest area by 500 feet and the ramp out of the rest area by 2,100 feet. It will also include expanding the truck parking area at the facility by about 10-13 spaces. Work is expected to be completed in early fall 2022.

**REST AREA OPTIONS:** While the Troutville Rest Area is closed, southbound I-81 drivers can use the Fairfield Rest Area at mile marker 195 in Rockbridge County or the Radford Rest Area at mile marker 108 in Montgomery County. In addition, the Troutville Weigh Station, located on southbound I-81 at mile marker 149, will have portable toilets and parking will be temporarily available for commercial vehicles.

INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUC-TION EXIT 141 TO EXIT 143 - A project to widen the lanes on I-81 in Roanoke in both northbound and southbound directions between Exit 141 to Exit 143 has been underway. All lanes now open and will remain open through winter with periodic lane closures at night as needed. The final surface paving and markings for northbound will resume this summer. Drivers can expect rough pavement. Estimated completion date of the project is summer 2022.

I-81 PAVING OPERA-TIONS - Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

I-81 BRIDGE DECK RE-PAIRS - Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 138 to 152 right and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays. I-81 POTHOLE PATCH-ING OPERATIONS - Weather permitting, crews will patch potholes along southbound and northbound Interstate 81. Mobile right and left lane closures will be in place and moving along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for moving vehicles and equipment. Expect possible delays.

#### **INTERSTATE 581**

ROUTE 581 BRIDGE WORK OVER WILLIAM-SON ROAD -- On Route 11 (Williamson Road) drivers can expect intermittent and alternating lane closures between the intersections with Rutherford Avenue and Wells Avenue. Intermittent daytime and nighttime lane closures between the intersections above might be required, and will be in place utilizing flagging operations. Any impacts to I-581 will be minimal. The project is expected to be complete in the fall of 2022.

LANE CLOSURES:

o A left lane closure will be in place on northbound and southbound I-581 from mile marker 0-1, Monday at 7 a.m. through Wednesday at 7 p.m.

o A right lane closure will be in place on northbound and southbound I-581 from mile marker 0-1, Thursday at 7 a.m. through Saturday at 7 p.m.

o À left and center lane closure will be in place on northbound and southbound I-581 from mile marker 0-1, Saturday at 5 p.m. through Sunday at 2 p.m.

A right lane closure may be in place on Route 11 northbound between the intersections of Rutherford Avenue and Wells Avenue periodically.

Nighttime left lane closures for both the northbound and southbound directions of Route 11 are possible between the intersections referenced above.

I-581/220 EXPRESSWAY PAVING OPERATIONS Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

I-581/220 LANE & RAMP CLOSURES FOR PAVING AND MAINTENANCE OP-ERATIONS IN ROANOKE COUNTY- Weather permitting, crews will be milling and paving along Interstate 81. Right and left lane closures will be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours. Drivmay be in place on I-581 northbound from Orange Avenue to Valley View Boulevard from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Left or right lane closures may be in place on I-581 from Valley View Boulevard to Orange Avenue from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Flagging operations may be in place on Liberty Road NW from Lukens Street NE to Hunt Avenue NW from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

INTERSTATE 77 (CAR-ROLL COUNTY)

I-77 PAVING OPERA-TIONS – Weather permitting, crews will be performing paving operations along Interstate 77 between mile marker 24 and 0. Right and left lane closures may be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours, 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Drivers should watch for moving vehicles and equipment. Expect possible delays.

Milling and paving operations on I-77 southbound lane. Right lane closure will be in place from mile marker 9 to 7.

Latex application on I-77 northbound two lanes near mile marker 11. Ramp closures possible. Message boards will alert drivers.

I-77 BRIDGE DECK RE-PAIRS - Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 77. Right and left lane closures may be in place northbound or southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

I-77 LANE & RAMP CLOSURES FOR MAIN-TENANCE OPERATIONS IN CARROLL COUNTY-Weather permitting, crews will be milling, paving and performing maintenance along Interstate 77. Right and left lane closures will be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours. Drivers should expect possible delays.

I-77 MOWING, BRUSH REMOVAL & SHOULDER WORK - Weather permitting, crews will remove and clear brush and work on shoulders and slopes along I-77 northbound and southbound from mile marker 17 to 14 during nighttime hours, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. the following morning. A left lane closure will be in place.

ers should expect possible delays

I-581 BRIDGE REPAIRS Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 581. Right, center and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays. Scheduled traffic impacts include:

Left or right lane closures

#### ROANOKE CITY

13th STREET SE IM-PROVEMENTS WITH DE-TOUR – A project to improve a portion of 13th Street SE in Roanoke is underway. Located in a residential neighborhood just east of downtown Roanoke, this project will improve traffic flow and connectivity along 13th Street SE from Tazewell Avenue to Norfolk

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# BITUARIES

## Underwood, James Edward

Edward James Underwood, 79, of Elliston passed away on Thursday, June 2, 2022.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 54 years, Melinda Dobbins Underwood; and his mother, Offiley Underwood.

Survivors include his sons and daughters-in-law Jason and Jenni Underwood of Glenvar, Doug

and Donna Underwood of Elliston, and Kevin Underwood and Emma Cox of Elliston; grandchildren and their spouses Vanessa and Julian Stewart, Brandon and Lindsey Underwood, Brittany and Cameron Williams, Justin Underwood, Zachary Moore, and Ashley Moore; great-



grandchildren Lillian and Laurel Stewart; a brother tiansburg, passed away on Friday, June 3, and sister-in-law, Joe and 2022. Loretta Underwood; and many other relatives and friends.

The family received friends on Monday, June 6, 2022, at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. Memorial services followed with Rodney Collins officiating. Interment followed in the Southwest

Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Intrepid Hospice, 101 W. Main St., Radford, VA 24141.

The Underwood family is in the care inson, 77, of Radford, of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.

Send community news and photos to communitynews@ourvalley.org band Randall Bishop, Sr.; a son, Randy Robins, Jr.; and several siblings. Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Randall Bishop, Jr., and Lind-

Margaret Ann Duncan, 72, of Chris-

She was a loving mother and grand-

She was preceded in death by her par-

mother whose family meant the world to

ents, Preston and Ruby Duncan; ex-hus-

sey; grandchildren Jadon, Daisy, Haley, Kacie, Maycee, Blake, and London; a great-grandson, Bahr; her sister, Marie Prevost; and many other relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends today, Wednesday, June 8, 2022, from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford.

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

## Robinson, Linda Adams

Duncan, Margaret Ann

Linda Adams Robpassed away on Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert Lee and Marie Elizabeth Adams; a sister, Carolyn Adams Webb; and her aunt and uncle, Rebecca and Samuel Robinson.

Survivors include her daughters, Jonette Robinson and Fannie Robinson;

a special grandson, Kristoffer "KJ" Robinson, who was her whole heart; a niece, Angela Wray; great-nephews DeAndre



Thompson and his son Luka, Brandon Wray, Jr., and Braylon Wray; greatnieces Breana Thompson and Brooklyn Wray; and many other family members and special friends.

The family will receive friends for a memorial visitation on Saturday, June 11, 2022, from 10:30 a.m. until noon at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford.

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

# Local college students receive honors, graduate

Radford's Jessica McPeak graduates from Bridgewater College

Jessica N. McPeak of Radford graduated with a master of science in athletic training from Bridgewater College during the May 7, 2022, commencement exercises.

Dr. David W. Bushman, president of Bridgewater College, conferred the degrees. Bushman also served as this year's commencement speaker. In his address, titled "All of Us," Bushman touched on the Class of 2022's accomplishments, resiliency, and capacity of greatness. Bushman reminded graduates of their connections and the community they have at BC, as well as the sacrifice, care, and commitment of everyone who helped them arrive at this day.

Blacksburg's Anna Jenkins named to Belmont's dean's list

Anna Jenkins of Blacksburg qualified for the Spring 2022 Dean's List at Belmont University. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C. Belmont Provost Dr. Thomas Burns said, "At Belmont, we are happy to celebrate the success of these students and know that their continued, consistent and comprehensive dedication to their academic work will equip them to make the world a better place. The Dean's List recognition at Belmont clearly demonstrates students' commitment to their educational endeavors."

Blacksburg's Emily Barron named to University of Mississippi's honor roll

Emily Barron of Blacksburg was named to the University of Mississippi's Spring 2022 Honor Roll lists. Barron, majoring in international studies and Chinese, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.50-3.74. To be eligible for honor roll designation, a student must have completed at least 12 graded hours for the semester and may not be on academic probation during the semester.

Blacksburg's Jack Calvert awarded memorial scholarship at North Georgia

Jack Calvert of Blacksburg has been awarded the Major Kevin Jenrette NG '95 Memorial Scholarship at the University of North Georgia. Awards were given at the Military Awards Ceremony on March 31 and the Military Awards Review on April 24. The University of North Georgia is a University System of Georgia leadership institution and is The Military College of Georgia. With almost 19,000 students, the University of North Georgia is one of the state's largest public universities. The university offers more than 100 programs of study ranging from certificate and associate degrees to doctoral programs

Blacksburg's Sydney Forbes graduates from DePauw University

Sydney Forbes of Blacksburg graduated from DePauw University on May 22 with a Bachelor of Arts in biochemistry degree. Founded in 1837, DePauw is ranked fifth for study abroad, and 80% of students receive academic credit for offcampus study, including internships, independent projects and service work. The university is ranked in the top 20 for both graduate salaries and internship opportunities among private institutions, eighth for Fulbright Scholars, eighth for producing top business executives, eighth for graduate salaries, and second for Teach For America employees.

Blacksburg's Chase A. Beams wins National Merit Scholarship

Chase A. Beams of Blacksburg and a student at the University of Alabama has been announced as the winner of a National Merit Scholarship. College-sponsored Merit Scholarship winners are a part of a distinguished group of about 7,500 high school seniors who will receive National Merit Scholarships for college undergraduate study worth nearly \$28 million.

Local students graduate from James Madison University

The following local students have graduated from James Madison University with bachelor's degrees:

Erin Alderman of Fairlawn

graduated with a bachelor's degree in general psychology.

Reagan Sellers of Radford graduated with a bachelor's degree in health sciences.

Davison Mesmer of Blacksburg graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in computer information systems.

Angel Santiago of Blacksburg graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in political science. Naomi Hemphill of Elliston graduated with distinction with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology. Molly Helton of Blacksburg graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in nursing. Abby Caudle of Christiansburg graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in dietetics.

Caitlyn Pharis of Christiansburg graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology.

Jasmine Kitts of Christiansburg graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in political science.

Vivian Lawrence of Blacksburg graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree in economics.

## Expert: Landscape choices can reduce risk of tick-borne illnesses

Rethinking our landscaping choices – from the municipal level down to individual yards – is one way to reduce our interaction with infected ticks and therefore the threat of tick-borne illnesses, according to a Virginia Tech geography expert who studies how Lyme cases are associated with certain land cover characteristics and configurations

"We found higher rates of Lyme disease in areas with herbaceous cover, such as meadows and grass, as well as the edges or boundaries between herbaceous land cover and forest patches," said Korine Kolivras, a professor in Virginia Tech's Department of Geography, part of the College of Natural Resources and Environment.

Many neighborhoods in Southwest Virginia could take steps to reduce our interaction with tick populations, she said.

"At the broad scale, we may want to rethink how we develop residential neighborhoods in terms of this landscape configuration that mixes herbaceous and forested land," said Kolivras. "For individual risk though, we need to consider very local characteristics of the areas in which people move around as well as their individual behavior. Yard modifications can make a difference when it comes to the probability of interaction with ticks."

She offered these tips:

Rethink how we create our residential neighborhoods. By reducing the number of small forest patches that are interspersed with patches of herbaceous cover and keeping large, forested areas intact, we can likely reduce Lyme disease risk at the broad scale.

Modify individual yard spaces. If we zoom in to the individual spaces in which many of us live, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has specific recommendations such as regular mowing, placing a mulch edge



around play areas, and clearing brush at the edge of open spaces.

Minimize risk by reducing interactions with ticks when outdoors. With respect to human behavior, the CDC and other groups recommend hiking in the center of a trail to minimize the likelihood of brushing against vegetation where ticks could be "questing" or hanging out

looking for a host.

Korine Kolivras is an environmental geographer with specialization and expertise in medical geography and the examination of links between environmental variability and human health. Her research has examined the incidence of Lyme Disease in Virginia, and its prevalence among areas where forest land meets agricultural land.

Avenue. The project entails reconstructing about 0.2mile of 13th Street as an improved, two-lane roadway with 10.5-foot-wide travel lane and a raised median. A new roadway will extend 13th Street to Norfolk Avenue and the intersection at 13th Street and Wise Avenue will be reconfigured to include a roundabout. Bike lanes, sidewalks, crosswalks and curb and gutter will also be added. Southbound 13th Street traffic has a detour in place using Norfolk Avenue onto 12th Street to Tazewell Avenue. This detour will be in place throughout the duration of this project. Signs will be posted to designate the detour route. Northbound 13th Street will remain open to traffic. Flaggers may be possible and the speed limit through the work zone is 25 mph. The project is expected to be completed in summer 2023.

ROANOKE COUNTY

(NEW 6-3-22) \* IRON-MAN 70.3 VIRGINIA'S BLUE RIDGE TRAFFIC - On June 5, the right northbound lane of Route 11 will be closed between Route 648 (Reservoir Road) and the Town of Buchanan.

On June 5, Route 43 will be closed to through traffic from 7 a.m. until 12 p.m. between Buchanan and the Blue Ridge Parkway.

During the event, police will be present to assist with traffic control, particularly at the Route 220 Alternate and Gateway Crossing intersections.

ROUTE AND 311 419 ROUND-ROUTE ABOUT AT HANGING ROCK - A road project to replace the signalized intersection of Route 311 and Route 419 in Roanoke County at Hanging Rock with a roundabout is set to begin. During construction, lane closures and a road closure with a detour June through August will be in place. Drivers should expect the following:

Early June through early August: Portions of the Route 419 and Route 311 intersection will be closed, and a detour will be in place for approximately four to six weeks sometime between early June

and mid-August. During this time period, some drivers will need to detour around the partial intersection closure onto Interstate 81 using exit 140 onto Thompson Memorial Drive and exit 141 onto Route 419. For four to six weeks, drivers will not be able to turn left from northbound Thompson Memorial Drive onto Route 311. In addition, northbound Route 419 traffic will not be able to continue straight at the intersection onto Thompson Memorial Drive. Southbound Thompson Memorial Drive traffic will not be able to drive straight onto Route 419.

August through November: The new roundabout is expected to be open to traffic in August or September. Drivers should still expect nighttime lane closures with flaggers between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday around the roundabout for final paving, pavement marking and sign installation.

ROUTE 628 CULVERT REPLACEMENT – Route 628 (Greenridge Road) is undergoing a culvert replacement located .25 miles east of the road's entrance from Route 780 (Cove Road). Lane closures on Route 628 maintained utilizing temporary traffic signals will be in place through August 2022. Expected completion is October 2022.



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\$123.717.00 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Botetourt, Virginia on June 29, 2017, as Instrument Number 170002499, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will sell at public auction on July 6, 2022 at 2:00 PM, in front of the building housing the County

in the terms of a certain

Deed of Trust dated June

28, 2017, in the original

principal amount of

of Botetourt Circuit Court, 1 W. Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090. The property designated as BEGINNING at a point in the centerline of State Route 643, corner to Johnnie B. Eubank (DB 373, PG 785); thence with the said centerline of State Route 643, S. 08° 18` 06" W. 26.22 feet to a point: thence continuing with said centerline, S. 11° 30` 53" W. 163.15 feet to a point; thence following the curvature of said centerline

an arc distance of 42.16 feet (said arc having a chord bearing of S. 05° 42" 56" W. and a chord distance of 42.09 feet) to a point; thence leaving said centerline and with the line of Parcel 2 on the below referenced plat, S. 83° 12` 30" W. 389.48 feet to an iron pin set, corner to E.C. and Rebecca Montgomery property; thence N. 87° 54 35" W. 129.75 feet to an iron pin found; thence N. 01° 50` 24" W. 337.19 feet to an iron pin set; thence S. 83° 10` 18" E. 571.84 feet

to the point of BEGINNING, containing 3.60 acres, more or less, and designated as Parcel 1 on plat of survey for Pat H. Eubank, dated June 14, 1990, prepared by Charles R. McMurry, C.L.S. and recorded in the

aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 35, page 266. Sale is subject to all prior liens, easements,

restrictions, covenants, and conditions, if any, of record, or other matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or

inspection of the premises. TERMS: CASH. A deposit of \$12,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required of the successful bidder at time of

sale. Prior to the sale, interested bidders will be required to register with and must present a bid deposit

Blue Ridge Springs being a portion of the original tract which contained 7 acres, more or less, on the northeast side of the Grubb Railroad, and more particularly described as

follows, to-wit:

All of the following tract or

parcel of land lying and

Botetourt, Virginia, near

being in the County of

BEGINNING at a southwest corner of the property now or formerly owned by Blue Ridge Heights Corporation recorded at Deed Book 159. page 352, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia, S. 74 degs. 19' 07" for a distance of 243.87 and along a curve to the right along an arc at 198.30' as set out on the recorded plat of Buford T. Lumsden and recorded at Deed Book 290, page 161, to the point of BEGINNING, thence S. 74 degs. 19' 07" E. on a curve to the right along an arc at 616.49' to an iron pin set thence; S. 34 degs. 37 07" E. for a distance of 210.60' to an iron pin set; thence N. 55 degs. 22' 53" E. for a distance of 25.25' to an iron pin set; thence N. 21 degs. 15' 07" W. for a distance of 819.30' to a point; thence S. 55 degs. 38' 0" W. for a distance of 372.71' to the point of BEGINNING, being 2.89 acres

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

WOODS ROGERS PLC, Substitute Trustee

#### For Information Contact:

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

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#### Legals - City of Salem

#### Notice

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(Title 42 United States Code, Section 290dd-2 and Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 2.66). If you want to exercise your right to revoke or amend the Court Order in relation to the use or disclosure of your patient file, or if you want a copy of the Court Order, you may contact the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Virginia at 540-857-2250.

#### Legals -Montgomery County

#### ORDER OF PUBLICATION

#### Case No. CL22000744-00

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA. CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, 317, 20-104

Montgomery County Circuit Court 55 East Main Street, Suite 1, Christiansburg, VA 24073

Yonce, Sandra Kay Yonce, Kenneth Lee, II

The object of this suit is to: OBTAIN A DIVORCE It is ORDERDED that KENNETH LEE YONCE, II appear at the above-named court and protect his/her

Thomas Luciano, President

Beer OFF Premises license

to sell or manufacture

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NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.



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Notice is hereby given that Storage King USA, 1914 East Washington Ave, Vinton, VA 24179, will sell the contents of the storage units listed below at a public Auction to satisfy a lien placed on the contents (Virginia Statute 55). The sell will take place at the website

StorageTreasures.com on 6/21/2022 at 9:00 am. The sale will be conducted on Storage Treasures.com, under the guidance of Christopher Rosa (2907004316) on behalf of the facility's management. Units will be available for viewing prior to the sale on StorageTreasures.com. Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder. A 15% buyer's premium will be charged as well as a \$100 cleaning deposit per unit. All sales are final. Seller reserves the right to withdraw the property at any time before the sale or to refuse any bids. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. D08 - Michael B Ulrey -Household Items, G26 James Maxey – Household Items – G41 – John Reynolds - Household Items - G51 - Dean T Carter - Household Goods - H33 – Mark Ames -Household Goods - H49 -Mariah Roberson



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# Radford Sports

# Radford boys, Auburn girls win state track championships

The Auburn High School girls and the Radford High School boys won state track championships this past weekend.

For Auburn, Haley Hollins claimed her second consecutive state Class 1 title in the shot put (39' 10"), and Kasey Rosenbaum won the 3,200 meters as Auburn finished with 96.5 points to Cumberland High School's 87 points. Riverheads was third, and Eastern Montgomery brought home a ninth-place finish.

The Auburn boys finished third in the team competition with Patrick Henry-Glade Spring winning the gold with 107.15 points. Northumberland was second with 63 points to Auburn's 50 points.

Andy Vaughn gave Auburn a state title in the pole vault, and Daniel Graham was victorious in the 110 hurdles.

The Radford boys took fourth place in the day's final event, the 1,600-meter relay, to give the Bobcats the team title in Class 2. Radford had 66 points to second-place Brunswick's 62 points. Glenvar finished third with 52 points.

Individually, Radford's David Woodward won the triple jump with a leap of 44' 9," and Elliott Grayson took the long jump by covering 25' 5½". Grayson also finished second in the high jump.

The Radford girls' team finished in 22nd place during the competition in Harrisburg on Saturday.

In Class 3, Christiansburg's Madelyn Moles brought home a state title in the pole vault after clearing 11 feet even. But it was not enough as Christiansburg finished out of the top 10 in 14th place. The Christiansburg boys' team also finished 14th in the team competition.

For Blacksburg High School in the Class 4 state championships, Connor Rutherford crossed the finish line first in the 1,600 meters with a time of 4:17.58 clip, but the BHS boys as a team finished in fourth place. The Blacksburg girls finished in 18th place.



The Radford High School boys' track team won the Class 2 state championship this past weekend.

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# Christiansburg boys fall 1-0 in region finals



# RU baseball coach Karl Kuhn resigns

#### Marty Gordon NRVsports@ourvalley.org

ing with those found at schools with greater resources and solid records of achievement," Kuhn said. "Radford is comprised of many wonderful, dedicated people who are success-oriented, and it is my hope it continues to thrive." According to Kuhn, he has accepted an opportunity to consult on an open-ended contract with a private entity. "This job demands that we spend so much time with other people's kids, and you realize that our own wives and kids don't receive near as much of the attention they deserve. Going forward, this is an opportunity to be part of baseball on a broader scale but also to 'catch up' with my family," Kuhn said

PHOTOS BY KYMN DAVIDSON-HAMLEY

Micah Meyer (left) and his Cave Spring opponent vie for possession mid-air in Friday's regional soccer championship. Cave Spring won 1-0 on a penalty kick in the first half. Both teams advanced to the state Class 3 quarters.



Isaac Prather (right) keeps the ball in bounds and in play for the Blue Demons against strong pressure from a Cave Spring opponent. Christiansburg was scheduled to play Tuesday at Charlottesville High School.

Radford University has announced the resignation of baseball coach Karl Kuhn.

The move comes in the midst of an investigation into Kuhn's coaching practices and the program as a whole.

University officials have not publicly stated any details surrounding accusations that the coach used both physical and mental methods in his day-to-day coaching. Over the past 18 months, at least a dozen former and current players have reported the incidents.

In the announcement of the coach's resignation, the athletic department did not mention the reports.

Athletic Director Robert Lineburg said despite the challenges of COV-ID-19 and significant complications, Coach Kuhn has upgraded the facilities while at the school, has added more than 200 donors to the program, has secured an endowed baseball scholarship, and has spent significant time recruiting top players to the program. "We look forward to seeing what

"We look forward to seeing what these young and talented players are able to accomplish in future seasons and wish the coach well on his future endeavors," Lineburg said.

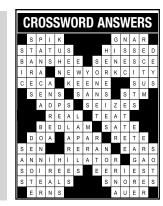
Kuhn came to Radford in 2020 after 16 successful years as pitching coach at the University of Virginia. In his three seasons with the Highlanders, he raised over \$1.5 million through donations, installed a new state-of-the-art turf field and bullpen, and launched new fan loyalty amenities such as a field level VIP seating area and season ticket opportunities.

"I was honored to have the opportunity to implement programs and strategies at Radford that are in keep-



Radford University head baseball coach Karl Kuhn has resigned.

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# Blacksburg's Andre Guynn commits to Averett for lacrosse

Blacksburg High School senior lacrosse star Andre Guynn, who had 144 saves during the season, has announced his intentions to move on to the next level at Averett University.

The Bruins finished 6-9 this past season.

Guynn said he chose the school for its academics and because it allowed him to continue his lacrosse career.

Averett University is a private university in Danville, Va., with a current enrollment of 881 students.

The school's athletic programs play in NCAA Division III in the USA South Athletic Confer-

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ence. In 2021, the school I have to offer," Guynn announced it was moving to the Old Dominion Athletic Conference for in pre-med studies at Avthe start of the 2022-2023 academic year.

This past season, Averett finished the season 4-11.

Guynn received the Bruin coach's award for 2022. In 2021, he was awarded the Bruin Tenacity award, given to one of the players on the team who shows perseverance, resilience, and determination on and off the field.

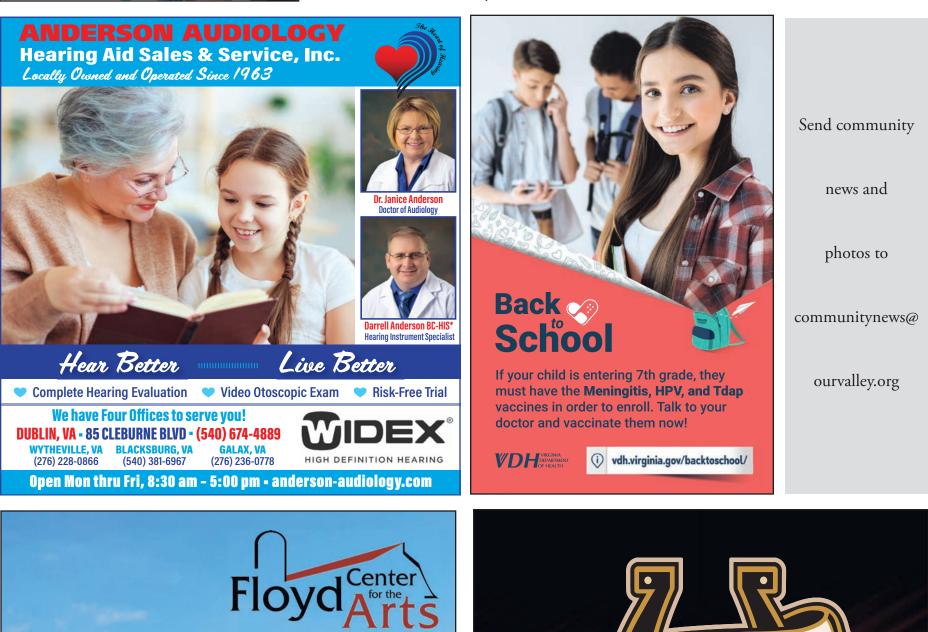
"On the lacrosse field (at Averett) my goals are to further develop my skills as a goalie and really show the team what

said.

Guynn hopes to major

erett and become either a family doctor, a physical therapist, or a sports trainer.





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