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## City Council forms Opioid Abatement Commission to oversee settlement funds

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RADFORD – The City of Radford is one of thousands of communities across the U.S. that will soon be receiving a yearly allocation of funds as a result of the landmark multi-billion-dollar lawsuit against the manufacturer and distributors of opioid pain medications. The Radford City Council recently passed a resolution creating an Opioid Abatement Commission to oversee how those funds will be used in the city. Radford is expected to receive between \$70,000 and \$80,000 each year as one of the many litigating local governments nationwide in the \$26 billion global opioid settlements that were finalized with drug distributors Amerisource-Bergen, Cardinal Health, and McKesson, and opioid manufacturer Johnson & Johnson, in Feb. 2022. The settlements require 85% of the funds be allocated to programs that will help address the ongoing opi-

oid crisis through treatment, education, and prevention efforts. It is the first of its kind, administering funds directly to state and local governments specifically for relief programs to help address the effects of the opioid epidemic on communities. “Rather than simply adopting these funds into the budgets of the organization that are already working on these things, we’re creating something a little different, something that would be new for Radford and maybe even for the commonwealth, where a group of citizens could take a look at what’s out there, ask people to submit concepts on how best to address this problem, and then have them make recommendations to the council on how best to appropriate that money on an annual basis,” said Radford Mayor David Horton in introducing the concept of the new commission. Horton said the funds “could go a long way in helping a variety of different programs and maybe pilot something

that would do something very different for folks,” than the help currently available. Horton said he hopes some members of the commission, the members of which have not yet been chosen, could have first-hand knowledge of addiction. “Part of my hope with this is that we can engage people who have struggled with addiction, who have had family members involved with addiction, who have experienced it in a first-hand level [as members of the Commission],” said Horton. “So often with this, we look at it from a 30,000-foot level, and a program might logically make sense, but does it really make a difference to the person who is using, to the person who is struggling?” In addition to Radford’s local allocation, millions of dollars in state grants will be available by application and approval. At its next meeting set for Oct. 24 at 7 p.m., Radford City Council members plan to nominate individuals to serve on the seven-member commission.

## Radford University named Hidden Gem in Virginia

RADFORD - Radford University is listed at No. 14 on Online Schools Guide’s recently released rankings of the Top 15 hidden gems in Virginia. The editors at onlineschoolsguide.net searched for “smaller Virginia schools with an excellent academic reputation that offer online degree programs,” they said, and then created their top 15 rankings based on each school’s cost of attendance and the number of online offerings. “Hidden Gems in Virginia offer quality education and online degree programs and are some of the best small schools in the commonwealth,” Online Schools Guide wrote in its news release announcing the rankings. Radford University offers online undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs in the fields of business, computer science, criminal justice, data science, design thinking, education, English, geospatial intelligence, and healthcare. The full list of programs is available on the Online Programs site at Radford.edu. “At Radford University, our commitment is to meet learners where they are and provide flexible and affordable pathways to a degree,” said RU President Bret Danilowicz. “Our new Competency Based Education

(CBE) courses and certificates along with our traditional online programs allow students from all backgrounds to have accessible options for high-quality education. Employers have found that graduates with Radford University online degrees and certificates are well-prepared for their career with the company.” Known for its strong faculty-student bonds, innovative use of technology in the learning environment, and vibrant student life on a beautiful 211-acre American classical campus, Radford University offers students many opportunities to get involved and succeed. “Students at Radford University strive to be of service to the Commonwealth of Virginia and the nation in general through an array of academic, cultural, human service, and research programs,” Online Schools Guide said. To read the full rankings, visit [www.onlineschoolsguide.net/hidden-gems-virginia](http://www.onlineschoolsguide.net/hidden-gems-virginia). Online Schools Guide provides free resources, it says, “to help prospective students make informed decisions about online degree programs.”

*Becky Brackin  
 Radford University*

## 2022 Craft & Draft planned as biggest and best yet

RADFORD – The countdown is on for this year’s Craft & Draft, set for Saturday, Oct. 22, and organizers say it will be the biggest and best yet. This year’s festival marks the “eight-year anniversary, [with]

seven hours of enjoyment, six lanes of merchants, five craft beers on tap, four food trucks, and three live bands” at the event that is “too good to pass up [and is] one festival for the whole community,” according to MountainTrotter Arts,

host of the festival. Craft & Draft is a day-long festival featuring handcrafted artisans, live music, food trucks, craft beer, and more. The festival is “an opportunity for local artisans to bring quality hand-crafted goods straight

to you, their neighbors, and to provide an enjoyable community experience while showcasing the value of the creative spirit,” according to MountainTrotter Arts. “Never forget: a handmade item is made with love, with heart, and with joy,

and is simply irreplaceable.” The event runs from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. on the grounds of Glencoe Mansion, Museum, and Gallery and will feature more than

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SUBMITTED PHOTO  
 Dozens of artisans will be selling their creations at this Saturday’s Craft & Draft on the grounds of Glencoe mansion, Museum & Gallery from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## DAR chapters clean gravestones at Radford cemetery for DAR Service Day



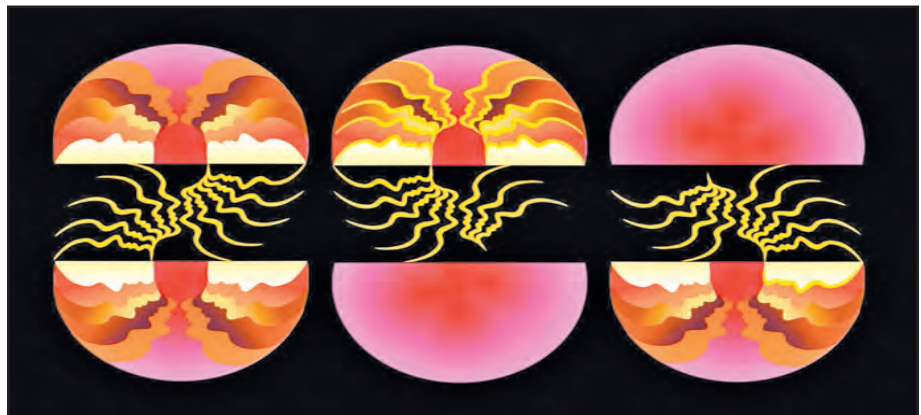
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Gathering on Monday, Oct. 10, to clean gravestones as part of DAR Service Day were (left to right) Jennifer House, Dot Cupp, Debbie Haught, Harriet Tuck, Diane Catley, Jama Mason, Wynona Gabbert, Karen Finch, and April Martin.

On Monday, October 10, 2022, two local chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) gathered at West View Cemetery in Radford to clean gravestones as part of DAR Service Day. On the National DAR Day of Service, DAR members all over the world celebrate the anniversary of the founding of the DAR on October 11, 1890 by participating in special volunteer service projects in their communities. Members of both the Alleghany Chapter and the General William Campbell Chapter participated

Monday. They were able to clean many stones in the Ingles plots and Governor James Hoge Tyler’s family plot. A memorial stone for Colonel William Ingles of the Virginia Militia during the Revolutionary War was included in the cleaning efforts. Both Colonel Ingles and his wife Mary Draper Ingles are buried in the family graveyard at the Ingles Farm. A large memorial for Mary Draper Ingles is also at the entrance of West View Cemetery.

*Written by April Martin*



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These images are untitled stills from the video animations that make up the visual art component of an electronic music/animation collaboration that display at Radford University on Oct. 19 and 20.

## Digital music and art fusion featured at Radford University

RADFORD - Radford University’s College of Visual and Performing Arts will present a two-day world premiere of music videos created by

guest composer James Caldwell and animator and art professor, Eloise Philpot. The event is a visualization of Caldwell’s

2021 album, Pocket Music, a series of electronic works that gets its name from the raw materials

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Wednesday, Oct. 19:

**American Business Women's Association October luncheon meeting**  
The American Business Women's Association will hold its October luncheon meeting from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Christiansburg-Blacksburg Holiday Inn, 99 Bradley Drive, Christiansburg. The speaker will be Dr. Barbara Johnson, who will speak on women's health. Theda Blackwood of Theorem is the speaker sponsor for this event. RSVP by Oct. 17, 2022, by contacting Terri Welch at christiansburg@wineanddesign.com.

**Art Club: Mexican folk art and Día de los Muertos**  
At the Christiansburg Library at 2 p.m. Participants will explore Mexican folk art and the art surrounding Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). Activities will include creating sugar skull art pieces. For ages 8 and up. Registration is required.

**Library Board of Trustees meeting**  
At the Meadowbrook Public Library; 7 p.m.

## Thursday, Oct. 20:

**Radford Photo Club meeting**  
The Radford Photo Club will meet at the Radford Public Library at 6 p.m. Sharon Gilbert of Radford will talk about the different formats she uses to print her photos, such as ceramic tile, wood, slate, and metal. Meetings, events, and outings are open to the public. The photo challenge for October is pets. The club is made up of professional and amateur photographers from throughout the New River Valley.

**Legend of Sleepy Hollow**  
A performance of the classic "Legend of Sleepy Hollow" by Bright Star Theater will be presented at the Radford Public Library at 5 p.m. Follow Ichabod Crane as he becomes the schoolmaster in Sleepy Hollow and encounters spooky events he will never forget. Appropriate for ages 4+. Sponsored by the Lamplighters.

**Talking about books**  
At the Christiansburg Library at 11 a.m. To be discussed is "The Castle on Sunset" by Shawn Levy, in-person and virtually.

## Friday, Oct. 21:

**Irresponsible science: Puking Pumpkin!**  
At the Radford Public Library at 4:30 p.m. Watch Dave do some Halloween science. Get a sneak peek at the Puking Pumpkin experiment on the library's Youtube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m8RhjqO3KY>.

## Saturday, Oct. 22:

**Craft & Draft festival**  
The festival features handcrafted artisans, live music, food trucks, craft beer, and more. 11 a.m. - to 6 p.m. on the grassy field of Glencoe Mansion, Museum and Gallery. More than 35 handcrafted unique and original artists, crafters, and makers from around the region will be on hand. Five types of craft beer will be available. To help keep the event green, Craft & Draft will be selling a limited number of metal tumblers and will allow the use of outside non-lidded 16-ounce reusable metal cups. Four food trucks will be at the festival. Live music will be part of the fun. Performing will be The

Kind, Curtis Eller's American Circus, and JoJo Stockton & Solacoustix. The event is kid- and dog-friendly. Hosted by MountainTrotter Arts, supported by festival partners Ballpark Signs, New River Valley Rent-All, New River Radio Group, and Glencoe Mansion. No outside alcohol is allowed, and no smoking is allowed in the event area. The event is free, but donations are encouraged. Event info: [www.craftand-draftva.com](http://www.craftand-draftva.com).

**Blacksburg Brew Do**  
From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., with VIP early access at noon, rain or shine, on the grounds of Historic Smithfield, adjacent to the Virginia Tech campus. The festival will feature craft beers from across the mid-Atlantic, popular food trucks and delicious fare, live music, and a variety of culinary and unique merchandise from Blacksburg, the New River and Roanoke valleys, and beyond. Tickets are now on sale and available for purchase online at [www.blacksburgbrewdo/tickets](http://www.blacksburgbrewdo/tickets). Attendees are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance. Regular admission tickets can be purchased on site the day of the festival. VIP tickets are pre-sale only.

**Spooky movie Saturdays**  
At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 12:30 p.m. Enjoy a movie (rated PG) about a hilarious trio of witches as they are resurrected on Halloween night in Salem. A spooky good snack will be provided, and participants will get a chance to enter their names in a drawing for a prize. Call 540-268-1964 for more information.

**Trunk or treat**  
At Meadowbrook Public Library; 3 p.m. Participants are encouraged to wear their best costumes and come and take part in Trunk or Treat. For ages two and up. For more information, call the Meadowbrook Library at 540-268-1964.

**Blacksburg leaf compost pickup**  
Loose and bagged leaves collected by the Town of Blacksburg are composted into leaf mulch, which can be used as a soil additive for composting and is available to Blacksburg residents for pickup.  
Register at: [https://www.blacksburg.gov/Home/Components/News/News/10139/304?backlist=%2fhome%2f-siteid-1#](https://www.blacksburg.gov/Home/Components/News/News/10139/304?backlist=%2fhome%2f-siteid-1#/).

**Sons of Norway meeting**  
All people of Scandinavian/Nordic heritage or those interested in the Nordic countries (Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Iceland), interesting programs and activities on heritage and culture are invited to attend a meeting of the local lodge of the international Sons of Norway from 1 to 3 p.m., at College Lutheran Church, 210 South College Ave., Salem. All ages are welcome, men and women, boys and girls. For information, call Joann Barfield, 540-380-2926.

**Fall Children's Consignment Sale**  
Blacksburg United Methodist Church is holding its semi-annual consignment sale of children's items at the Whisner Building of the main church campus, 111 Church Street in Blacksburg, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Great deals will be available on gently used kids' clothes and shoes, toys, books, games, movies, baby gear and accessories, sports equipment, maternity clothing and more. Many items will be like new. Some items will even be brand new. Some items will be half-price between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. so shoppers can arrive early for the best selection. Proceeds will benefit local charities.

**150th church anniversary and homecoming**  
First Missionary Baptist Church-New River, 7318 Manns Dr., Fairlawn will hold a weekend celebration of its 150th anniversary. Church pastor the Rev. Richard A. Goodman, Sr., and Sister Carla Harvey will be the guest speakers at 3 p.m.

## Sunday, Oct. 23:

**Next-Gen Quilting**  
At the Blacksburg Library at 1 p.m. Kits will be provided for participants. Ages 8 to 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Machines will be provided as will irons that can be used by adults only. The class is co-sponsored by The Quilting Party.

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## Monday, Oct. 24:

**Monday movie matinee**  
At the Blacksburg Library at 1 p.m. When a single mom and her two kids arrive in a small town, they begin to discover their connection to the original ghostbusters and the secret legacy their grandfather left behind.

**Board of Supervisors meeting**  
The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors will meet at the Government Center, 755 Roanoke St. in Christiansburg. A closed session will begin at 6 p.m. if needed. The open sessions will begin at 7:15 p.m. Citizens are invited to attend and are allowed to speak at each meeting. All regular meetings of the Board of Supervisors are rebroadcast on Montgomery County Comcast and Shentel Channels 190 daily.

**Radford City Council meeting**  
The Radford City Council will meet in the Starnes Council Chambers at the Radford Municipal Building, 10 Robertson St. at 7 p.m. The agenda can be found at [www.radfordva.gov](http://www.radfordva.gov).

**Mother and daughter book club**  
At the Radford Public Library from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This is a fun book club for mothers and daughters (ages 8-12). To be discussed this month is "The Witch of Blackbird Pond" by Elizabeth George Speare. Registration is not required.

## Tuesday, Oct. 25:

**Blacksburg Town Council meeting**  
The Blacksburg Town Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Roger E. Hedgepeth Chambers of the Blacksburg Municipal Building, 300 S. Main St. These meetings are open to the public and are televised live on WTOB Channel 2.

**Christiansburg Town Council meeting**  
The Christiansburg Town Council will meet in the Council Chambers of Town Hall (100 E. Main St.) at 7 p.m.

**Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce training**  
The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce will host "Citizen Response to Active Threats and Personal Safety" training in the com-

munity room at the new Blacksburg Police Department, 200 East Clay St., Blacksburg from 10 a.m. to noon. The training is open to all businesses, faith communities, school personnel, and civic organizations and will be conducted by law enforcement personnel from the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, and the Blacksburg Police, Christiansburg Police, and Virginia Tech Police departments. The training is free to chamber members and \$10 for non-members. Register at <https://www.montgomerycc.org/events/details/citizen-response-to-active-threats-and-personal-safety-9023>.

**Chess club for teens and tweens**  
At the Radford Public Library from 6 to 7 p.m. Teens and tweens may join Youth Services Specialist Dave in the community room for a game of chess. For ages 8-17.

## Wednesday, Oct. 26:

**American Red Cross blood drive**  
At the Christiansburg Library at 10 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome, or schedule an appointment at [www.redcross-blood.org](http://www.redcross-blood.org).

**DMV Connect at the Library**  
At the Jessie Peterman Memorial Library at 10 a.m. DMV will be at the library providing most of their services. Walk-ins are welcome.

**Sustainable Blacksburg lunch & learn: Stadium Woods**  
At the Blacksburg Library at noon. This is a conversation about the history and conservation of Stadium Woods. <https://sustainableblacksburgva.org/participate/lunch-learn/>.

## Saturday, Oct. 29:

**Pancake supper**  
The Pilot Community Center, 4449 Brush Creek Rd., will host a pancake supper from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, and Saturday, Nov. 5.

**Book sale**  
At the Radford Public Library 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hardbacks are \$1, and paperbacks \$ .50. Also, a free cart and table will be available.

## Thursday, Nov. 10:

**River City Quilt Guild**  
The River City Quilt Guild will meet at 9:30 a.m. at Grove United Methodist Church, 1020 Tyler Ave., Radford. All skill levels of quilters are welcome. For more information, call Anna Handy, 540-320-7791.

## Ongoing:

**Stormwater utility credits available**  
Residents of the Town of Blacksburg who have a stormwater facility on their site may qualify for a credit on their monthly stormwater utility fee. Go to [www.blacksburg.gov/stormwater-fund](http://www.blacksburg.gov/stormwater-fund) and review the Stormwater Utility Credit Manual to determine eligibility. The deadline to apply is Jan. 1, 2023. For questions, contact [stormwater@blacksburg.gov](mailto:stormwater@blacksburg.gov) or call 540-443-1354.

**Coat drive in memory of Cindy Collins**  
Underway at the Meadowbrook Public Library. Donations of new and gently used coats sizes 4t-XXL may be dropped off at Meadowbrook Public Library in memory of Cindy Collins, who died Aug. 3. Coats will be for students in Eastern Montgomery. Contact Cindy Minnick with any questions. (540) 268-1964.

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# PETS OF THE WEEK



Andre is ready to be the goodest boy. He will just need a little help and training from his future human(s). He's a younger, energetic dog who would love a home where he can be active. Andre does well with other dogs and may be housetrained. Come by the Animal Care and Adoption Center to meet Andre.



Molly-O is a younger dog in search of her forever home. She's friendly and enjoys playing with plush squeaky toys. Molly-O would be best suited to a home with older children and adults who can take her outside for exercise. She gets along with other dogs.

## Salem, Christiansburg robotics alliance wins at Blue Ridge Brawl

Roanoke College and the Salem High School Spartan Robotics team co-hosted an off-season FIRST Robotics Competition, Blue Ridge Brawl, Saturday at the Cregger Arena, and Spartan Robotics from Salem and Copperhead Robotics from Christiansburg were among the winners.

Dr. Catherine Sarisky, a professor in the Roanoke College Chemistry Department, said, "We had a great day. We're super happy to have all of the teams come out and get to drive around on a real field."

The competition provided high school students with an up-close experience with the real-world engineering industry. Students who participated learned problem-solving skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

The competition required students to work under strict rules with limited time and resources to build industrial-sized robots. The robots were programmed to play a field game with other teams.

"We want kids to get excited about science and technology and math," Sarisky said. "We have kids who are excited about math—that's great and all, but there aren't a whole lot of jobs for professional athletes. There are a tremendous number of jobs in STEM. This is an opportunity to do something competitive and exciting. It's a pretty good spectator sport."

Teams that competed in the Blue Ridge Brawl were Copperhead Robotics of Christiansburg, Copperhead Robotics B-Team of Christiansburg, Cometbots of South Boston, the STAGS of Martinsville, Flagship of Knoxville, Tenn., Botetourt 4-H

Robotics of Buchanan, Spartan Robotics of Salem, Mean Caiman, of Cedar Bluff, CAVBOTICS of Fairfax and Tex Mex Lizards of Richmond.

Teams competed in alliances with Spartan Robotics and Copperhead Robotics claiming victory during the competition. With some 30 students, Spartan Robotics was started in 2015. "Our two local teams were victorious, which is always fun," Sarisky said.

The competition, which was open to the public, lasted from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A demonstration by FIRST Lego League teams consisting of grades four through eight was held from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

The first year the competition was held was 2019 at Salem High School. Although it had been scheduled to return last year, COVID-19 restraints led to the cancellation of the competition.

Sarisky said that the partnership between the college and the high school came about from a desire she and Randy Brinkley, the now deceased mentor of the Spartan Robotics team, had to work together. She recalled they wanted "to get more robotics opportunities into Salem and the Roanoke Valley."

"While the high school had construction going on, it seemed like it made good sense to put it over at the college," she said. "We carried on without him this year. I'm super glad to get to do that."

The Blue Ridge Brawl is an off-season competition. The actual season runs January through late April. Sarisky said the plan is to hold the event again next year.

## 'Canine instructors' help dogs find their forever homes



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE VIRGINIA-MARYLAND COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
From August to mid-October, through its Animal Care for Education (ACE) program, the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine fosters dogs that come from local shelters.



Roanoke College and the Salem High School Spartan Robotics team co-hosted an off-season FIRST Robotics Competition, the Blue Ridge Brawl, Saturday at the Cregger Arena.



A team danced to the song "Y.M.C.A." during the competition. Dr. Katherine Sarisky explained that teams do such things whenever there is a time out or a pause or when something has gone wrong.

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# OPINION

## Buddy King: College football memories from Oct. 10, 1959

I have found that when I'm struggling to come up with an idea for a column it's a good idea to rummage through my junk drawers (of which I have a lot) or my attic (of which I have a large one, with significant detritus of combined families and lost loved ones).

Once again I was rewarded, to the relief of A Cat of a Certain Age, who says she wasn't inspired this morning either. Shockingly, she seemed indifferent when I had asked her if she cared to write this week's column.

I came across a college football game program, bearing the date of Oct. 10, 1959. Given this is the middle of October and that I like to write about sports when given the chance, I wanted to see what memories this nostalgic souvenir induced. Surely this was an omen.

It was from a game I attended when I was 6. I have remarkably strong and warm memories of the day. Among my earliest memories, of anything, not surprisingly from the sports world, it also brought back poignant memories of family.

What was the game? Given that I was raised in Christiansburg and the folks took me to

most "home" games at VPI (Until Lane was opened in 1965, Tech played 2 games a year on campus at the old and wonderful Miles Stadium, and a couple of games a year in Roanoke at Victory Stadium, or in Richmond at City Stadium, each of which had twice the capacity of Miles and were located in towns that opposing teams could find.), I expected this program to be from a contest between the Fighting Gobblers and one of their staunch foes of that era, like Davidson or George Washington.

But, no, this game was between UVA and VMI. It had more meaning in my family than the Tech games on which I lived and died at the time. We were at this game, and I have such vivid memories of it because my Cousin Joe, raised on Mockingbird Hill at the top of Cherry Lane where I grew up, was a starting cornerback for Virginia. As an interesting aside, Joe's last name was "Board" and at one time he played in a secondary with a "Plank" and a "Wood," and they were known as the "Lumber Company, without the notoriety of the Willie Stargell-led Pittsburgh Pirates team later of the same nickname.

As I have written here before, probably ad nauseam, Cousin Joe was, in my unbiased opinion, the greatest athlete ever to come out of Christiansburg High School, holder of three state track records when he graduated and scorer of 40 touchdowns or so in 4 years of varsity football. I do give a close second to Brenden Motley for all he did for CHS in football and basketball just a few years ago.

A little more on the game. My future alma mater, as well as my daughter Beth's, was in the midst of a national record 28 game losing streak. Under the expert tutelage of Coach Dick Voris, the Cavaliers never won a game in which Cousin Joe played, although in fairness to Dick and the players of that era, the school had failed to recognize that most of their opponents were beginning to put less emphasis on recruiting good students and more on guys who were big and fast. Joe was the fastest player on these teams, of course, winning several national track events during his years at the U, but he was generously listed at 160 lbs. in the game-day program. As much as he wanted to carry the ball and as tough an athlete as he was, he couldn't run into ACC defensive

lines successfully.

The biggest kid on the team was Cousin Joe's roommate, Henry Koehler, who weighed in at 228. The team produced many doctors and lawyers (like Cousin Joe) and engineers (like the aforementioned Hank Koehler, NFL player not so much).

Back to the game. As the program cover says "V.M.I. 'Keydets' vs. U.V.A. 'Cavaliers.'" Now if you know Virginia colleges at all you would put money that means something on this game having been played in Scott Stadium in Charlottesville, or alternatively, in Lexington, at the classic little stadium on VMI's campus. But, no, the game was played at "Municipal Stadium, Lynchburg, Virginia." I have the program to prove it.

Per the program cover, the game was designated "THE JAY-CEE BOWL Presented by The Lynchburg Junior Chamber of Commerce."

During this period, with small on-campus stadiums and small budgets (the Virginia coaching staff had five assistants and I bet most had part-time jobs), and with "big time football" only being a faint rumor in the Commonwealth), the Cavaliers

and the Gobblers played several "bowl games" a year - at "neutral sites" - in order to attract a few more fans and to induce schools like Clemson and N.C. State to come. There was the "Harvest Bowl" in Roanoke, the "Tobacco Bowl" in Richmond, and the "Oyster Bowl" in Norfolk, usually featuring schools from the somewhat ironically named "Big 5": Tech, UVA, VMI, Richmond, and William & Mary. At a point in this era, the Big 5 was so bad that the Oyster Bowl had Duke as the host, playing Navy one year and Maryland another. I remember years later when I was in law school, one of my friends said "the Big 5 went 3-2 this week." Of course, two of the victories were over other Big 5 teams. Alas, the Big 5 standings are no longer carried in the Roanoke Times.

Rest assured, these types of games were as close as Tech or Virginia ever got to real "bowl games" during those times. These games should not be confused with the "Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl" or even the "Poulan Weedeater Bowl," "invites" to the Harvest Bowl or the Tobacco Bowl depending only on proximity

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## Financial Focus: What should Alzheimer's caregivers know?

If you have a family member who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, or is starting to show symptoms, you will face some real challenges. Navigating the Alzheimer's experience involves a long journey, and there's no easy answer for how you can cope with your emotions. But you can at least address some of the financial issues involved to help give yourself a greater sense of control.

Here are some moves to consider:

Plan for care costs and identify insurance coverage. The list of Alzheimer's-related medical expenses is long and includes ongoing medical treatment, medical equipment, home safety modifications, prescription drugs and personal care supplies. As a caregiver, you'll want to know the extent of your loved one's health insurance: Medicare, supplemental policies, veteran's benefits if applicable, and so on. One big question is how much coverage they might have for adult day care services, in-home care services and full-time residential care services, and other long-term care options. Long-term care is one of the largest health care costs not covered by Medicare, so you'll want to determine if your loved one has a long-term care policy or another

insurance policy with a long-term care rider.

Identify assets and debts. You'll need to know your family member's financial position, both what they own — bank accounts, investments, property, etc. — and what they owe, such as credit card debt, a mortgage, lines of credit, and so on. This knowledge will be essential if you're granted power of attorney to take over your loved one's finances.

Look for tax breaks available to caregivers. If you're a caregiver, you may have to pay for some care costs out of pocket. Consequently, you could receive some tax credits and deductions. These benefits vary by state, so you'll want to consult with your tax advisor to determine your eligibility.

Ensure necessary legal documents are in place. As a caregiver, you may need to ensure some legal documents are in place, such as a durable power of attorney for finances, which lets you make financial decisions for your loved one with Alzheimer's, and a durable power of attorney for health care, which lets you make health care and medical decisions on their behalf. It's important to have these and other necessary documents drawn up before someone is diagnosed with Alzheimer's or when

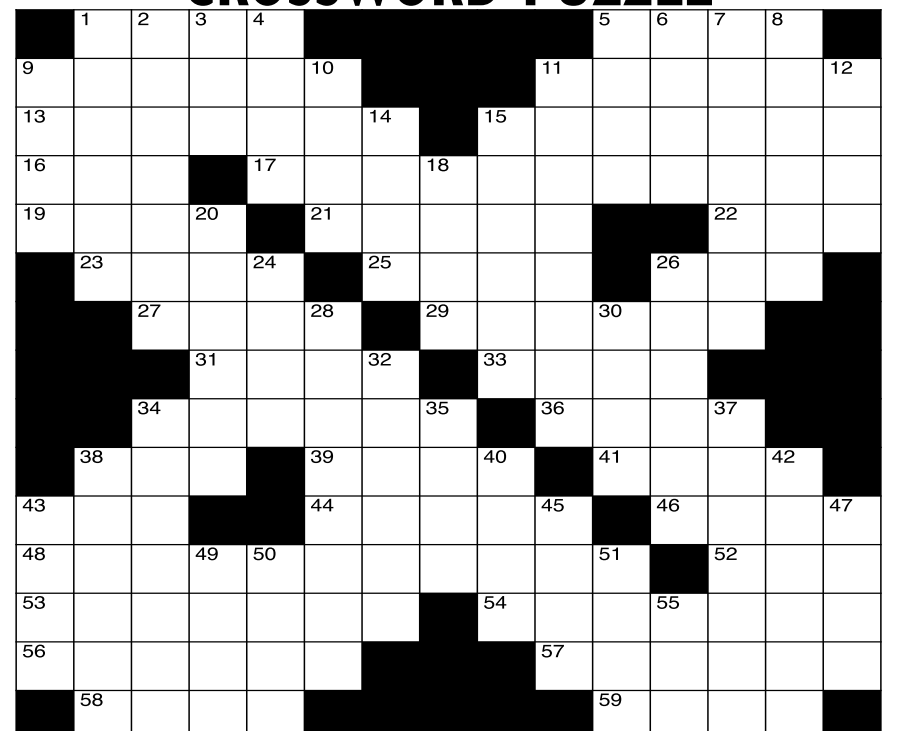
they're just starting to exhibit the earliest signs of the disease, so they can understand what documents they are signing. If you wait until they no longer have this cognitive ability, things will get much more challenging. You could apply to become a conservator, which grants decision-making abilities similar to a power of attorney, but the conservatorship process takes time and could involve court procedures. To avoid this potential difficulty, work with your tax and legal professionals to ensure all the relevant legal documents are in-force and updated.

Finally, you don't have to go it alone. To help deal with the emotional challenges of caregiving, you can find local Alzheimer's support groups that can offer practical suggestions for coping. As for the financial issues, consider working with a financial professional who can look at your family's overall situation and recommend appropriate actions.

A diagnosis of Alzheimer's will change the lives of everyone in your family. But as a caregiver, you can help ease the burden.

Submitted by local Edward Jones Financial Advisor Meghan Kuczarski (540) 552-1421.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- CLUES ACROSS**
1. A way to communicate
  5. Historic city
  9. Not the same
  11. Hitting a horse to clear a jump
  13. One hurt the Titanic
  15. Fine dense cloth
  16. Architectural structure
  17. Where Serena works
  19. Stringed instrument
  21. Estimate
  22. Where sailors work
  23. Popular Terry Pratchett novel
  25. Popular slow cooked dish
  26. Twisted Sister's Snider
  27. "Office Space" actor Stephen
  29. Put the ball in the net
  31. Ancient Greek city in Thrace
  33. High school math subject
  34. Looked into
  36. Rhode Island rebellion
  38. A pea is one type
  39. You can put it on something
  41. Where golfers begin
  43. Make a mistake
  44. Semitic Sun god
  46. Ancient Greek City
  48. Beheaded
  52. A place to stay
  53. Inanely foolish
  54. Most unnatural
  56. "Dennis" is one
  57. Soothes
  58. Exam
  59. Leaked blood
- CLUES DOWN**
1. Triangular bone in lower back
  2. Building toy
  3. Pointed end of a pen
  4. Insect repellent
  5. College army
  6. Highly spiced stew
  7. Exploited
  8. Main course
  9. A bottle that contains a drug
  10. The most worthless part
  11. Everyone needs one nowadays
  12. Japanese wooden shoe
  14. Antelopes
  15. A way to cut
  18. Brooklyn hoopsters
  20. Gradually receded
  24. Ripped open
  26. College grads get one
  28. Amino acid
  30. Unruly gathering
  32. Legislative body
  34. Resembling pigs
  35. Russian assembly
  37. Take over for
  38. Put in advance
  40. Satisfy
  42. Felt
  43. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
  45. Witnesses
  47. Some build hills
  49. de Armas and Gasteyer are two
  50. Ancient people of Scotland
  51. Cheerless
  55. Unwell

## Virginia gas prices rise again

Average gasoline prices in Virginia rose 7.1 cents per gallon last week, averaging \$3.56/g Monday, Oct. 17, according to GasBuddy's survey of 4,081 stations in Virginia.

Prices in Virginia are 15.9 cents per gallon higher than they were a month ago and stand 35.6 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has increased 18.7 cents in the last week and stands at \$5.06 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Virginia was priced at \$3.00/g Monday while the most expensive was \$4.49/g, a difference of \$1.49/g.

The national average price of gasoline fell 5.4 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.86/g Monday. The national average is up 20.6 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 56.6 cents per gallon 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 sharp rise in the national average over the last few weeks, we've seen an abrupt, yet expected decline as refinery

issues have eased in the West and Great Lakes, overpowering some increases elsewhere. Though at the same time, diesel prices have soared," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "We'll see a continued sharp drop in gas prices on the West Coast, including areas like Las Vegas and Phoenix, which are supplied by refiners in California, as refinery outages have been addressed. The Great Lakes will see prices drift lower as BP's Whiting refinery is soon to complete maintenance. In addition, oil prices have cooled off slightly after OPEC's decision to cut production, and that should slow increases elsewhere. Diesel and heating oil prices are likely to continue to rise as extremely low inventories of middle of the barrel products like these two push prices higher."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data. GasBuddy'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>.

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# V DOT ROADWATCH

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 COUNTY

**I-81 NORTHBOUND AT EXIT 105 NEW RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT 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. The old bridge is being demolished. 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.

**SLOW ROLLS SCHEDULED:** A slow roll operation will be in place daily beginning on Monday, October 17 through Friday, October 21, between mile marker 101 and 105 northbound and between mile marker 109 and 105 southbound, between

the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 12 p.m.

**ROUTE 605:** Intermittent flagging operations will be present on Route 605, located under the New River Bridge, for work overhead on the bridge.

**LANE CLOSURES:** Night-time 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.

**PAVING OPERATIONS** – Botetourt County: Left lane closures on I-81 northbound between mile marker 147 and 149.

– Montgomery County: Right lane closures in place for paving of I-81 southbound between mile marker 130 to 128.

– Pulaski County: Right lane closures in place for paving of I-81 northbound between mile marker 102 to 104.

– Roanoke County: Alternating lane closures on I-81 northbound for milling and paving from mile marker 134.5 to 132.4, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Periodically, exit 132 northbound may be closed. Message boards will notify drivers.

– Roanoke County: The exit 141 on-ramp on southbound I-81 may periodically be closed. Message boards will notify drivers.

**ROUTE 615 CULVERT REPLACEMENT** – Route 615 (Pilot Road) is undergoing a culvert replacement lo-

cated at the intersection of Pilot Road and Old Pike Road, across from the Pilot Post Office. Road is now open. Flagging operations may continue to be in place. Route 615 will be limited to one 10 foot lane.

**ROUTE 11/460 MAINTENANCE WORK** – The right lane is closed on Route 11/460 (Roanoke Road) towards Christiansburg Mountain from Route 641 (Den Hill) to just east of Route 639 (Mt. Pleasant) for shoulder and ditching. This lane closure will be in place throughout the week.

**ROUTE 622 BRIDGE WORK CLOSURE** - Route 622 (Bradshaw Road) is closed for a bridge maintenance project over Bradshaw Creek. The location of the bridge is 0.10 mile from the Roanoke County line and 2.0 miles from Route 623. Drivers will need to seek alternate routes and residents on the road will have access to their homes during the closure. The road is expected to be open on October 20.

**ROUTE 8 EVENT TRAFFIC CONGESTION** - Route 8 may experience heavy traffic on fall weekends due to congestion related to tourist events at local farms in the area. If possible, motorists should utilize detours to avoid traveling on Route 8 between Christiansburg and Riner during the peak hours of 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**INTERSTATE 81 INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION 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. 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. A 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:

**RAMP CLOSURES:** Ramp closures at exit 137 are possible during nighttime hours, 12 a.m., to 5 a.m. Drivers should watch for message boards dates and times the ramp will be closed.

**LANE CLOSURES:** Alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, are possible. Lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet.

o Northbound lane closures from I-81 mile marker 136 to 141.

o Southbound Lane closures from I-81 mile marker 141 to 136.

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 will remain closed until before Thanksgiving to support holiday travel. The opening scheduled for the end of September has been rescheduled due to the contractor encountering challenges with a slope on the project.

Signage indicating the closure is posted in the rest area. A temporary concrete barrier wall will remain in place in front of the facility. The rest area facility, ramps and parking lot are 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 before Thanksgiving to support holiday travel.

**REST AREA OPTIONS:** While the Troutville Rest Area is closed, southbound I-81 drivers can use the Fair-

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## Art Fusion

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for the creation.

“The original set used sounds I made with things I found in my pockets while working in the studio,” Caldwell said. “Coins, keys, a plastic pill bottle, a comb, a paperback book, a rubber band, and a screwdriver struck against a wrench.”

As he worked on the project, Caldwell expanded his assorted musical tools to include ping-pong

balls, a stapler, M&M’s, binder clips, finger cymbals, a pencil run over the back of a chair, and a

wine glass. He also included objects he found in his yard from cicadas and birds to lawn furniture and garden stones.

Caldwell then manipulated the sounds into music by filtering, modulating, slicing and dicing, using a myriad of techniques available to the digital sound sculptor.

The collaboration with Philpot began to take shape when Radford music professor Bruce Mahin

received a copy of Pocket Music and thought it would be a good focus for a composer’s residency at Radford. Mahin shared the music with

Philpot and found her interested in making videos in response. Then over the summer she digitally animated images she and some of her students created for the project.

“I felt that Mr. Caldwell’s electronic manipulation of sound into the rhythms and phrases of music was compatible to the way I electronically manipulate images into a time-based artwork,” she said.

For her contribution, Philpot used video software to lay out the timeline. Artwork for the animation was drawn on paper shot in a program called Dragon Frame and incorpo-

rated into the editing process of the video. But despite the contemporary technology, Philpot said the principles applied go back to her undergraduate and graduate studies in painting, animation, and media theory.

“The playfulness, experimentation, and exploration I learned at the New School continue to inform my work and teaching today” Philpot said. “The old revisits the present and is revised in new forms. So if some of my images have an old-fashioned look, I am finding these things are returning to inform the new.”

The unique audio-visual experience will take place in two locations from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. on each of two days beginning today, Wednesday, Oct. 19 in the Scartelli Atrium of Covington Hall. At 7:30 p.m. in a panel discussion, Caldwell and Philpot will discuss their collaboration.

On Thursday, Oct. 20, the exhibition will be relocated to the atrium of Hemphill Hall on the

third floor. All events are free and open to the public.

Sean Kotz  
Radford University

## Craft & Draft

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35 handcrafted unique and original artists, crafters, and makers from around the region. Craft & Draft will also be selling signature T-shirts with original artwork by Main Squeeze Press, as well as other event-themed merchandise.

Four food trucks will provide snacks and meals to suit all appetites. Five types of craft beer will be available. To help keep the event green, Craft & Draft will be selling a limited number of metal tumblers and will al-

low the use of outside non-lidded 16-ounce reusable metal cups. Live music will run throughout the day, featuring The Kind, Curtis Eller’s American Circus, and JoJo Stockton & Solacoustix.

The event provides a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere that is kid- and dog-friendly. It is hosted by MountainTrotter Arts, whose mission is to promote the arts and create opportunities for artists, makers, and creators of all types in

the mountain community. The festival is supported by its partners, Ballpark Signs, New River Valley Rent-All, New River Radio Group, and Glencoe Mansion, as well as local sponsors. No outside alcohol or smoking will be allowed in the event area.

The event is free to attend, but donations are encouraged. For event info: [www.craftanddraftva.com](http://www.craftanddraftva.com).

Submitted by  
MountainTrotter Arts

## ONLINE AUCTION

Ends Thursday October 27th @ 4 PM  
Farm Land for Sale in Floyd VA  
Laurel Branch Rd, Floyd VA 24091

Bid Now at [VaAuctionPro.com](http://VaAuctionPro.com)



Farm Land for sale in Floyd County VA. There are 8 offerings available being sold simultaneously. The tracts are located on Laurel Branch Road just outside the Town of Floyd. Great location convenient to Floyd, Christiansburg VA, Blacksburg VA, Radford VA & Hillsville VA. Land is mostly open farmland with great views and frontage on Dodd’s Creek. Properties are great for building country homes or for farming. Bidders desiring multiple tracts will need to be high bidder on all tracts desired. Each offering will stay open until all bidding is complete and all offerings will close simultaneously. Easements for electricity available.

Offerings range from 5 to 65 acres. The 5 acre tract has a 2 BR, 1 BA Home on it.

**Terms** - 10% Buyer’s Premium will be added to final high bid to arrive at contract price. Earnest Money Deposit of \$10,000 per tract required day of sale. Close in 45 days. Subject to seller confirmation. Property sold as is, where is with any and all faults. Buyer is expected to complete their own due diligence. Tracts are being offered individually and if bidder wishes to purchase multiple tracts, bidder will need to be the high/winning bidder on both offerings. Download Bidder Pack at [VaAuctionPro.com](http://VaAuctionPro.com)

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# Virginia fall wildfire season is here

Virginia's fall wildfire season began Saturday, Oct. 15, and the Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOF) reminds everyone to be extra careful when burning yard debris or enjoying a campfire or backyard fire pit.

The Virginia Department of Forestry has forestry staff assigned to every county across the state who work with local fire departments to provide emergency response to protect people, property, and natural resources. While there is no statewide 4 p.m. burn ban this fall, citizens should always be sure to check with local fire officials for possible regional restrictions or bans.

In Virginia, debris burning is the leading cause of wildfires. This time of year, burning leaves, branches, and other yard waste is common. Dry grass and leaves, low humidity, and windy conditions create favorable conditions for wildfires.

When planning to burn yard debris, always keep safety in mind:

Avoid burning on dry, windy days. Keep the pile small. Have a rake or shovel on hand. Keep a charged water hose nearby. Have a phone ready to call 911 if a fire gets out of control. Stay with the fire until it's completely out (drown, stir, ensure it's cool). Consider a "green" alternative to burning yard debris: compost or-

ganic yard waste for a garden or yard.

"Virginia's fall wildfire season runs from mid-October through November," said VDOF Director of Fire and Emergency Response John Miller. "As we see all too often with natural disasters and emergencies, the time to prepare is long before a crisis hits. Create a plan now that to put into action if it is needed."

When thinking about fire safety, follow three simple words: Ready, Set, Go.

Ready: Create a family disaster plan. Discuss an evacuation plan with the family and practice it.

Assemble an emergency kit. Maintain a list of emergency contact numbers. Arrange a meeting place for your family if you get separated.

Set: Be prepared. Monitor weather conditions and the news. If a wildfire threatens, put a plan into motion. Alert family members and neighbors of approaching danger. Pack a vehicle (prescriptions, change of clothing, important documents, etc.). If time, prepare the home by turning off gas or propane and turning on lawn sprinklers.

Go: Leave if asked to evacuate. Have different travel routes to a pre-planned meeting place. Take an emergency kit, cell phones, and chargers. Take a three-day supply of food and water.

# Section of Broad Run Road to close for repairs beginning Monday, Oct. 17

BLACKSBURG – The USDA Forest Service will temporarily close a section of Broad Run Road (Forest Service Road #183) in Botetourt County beginning on Monday, October 17, to replace a culvert.

The section of Broad Run Road will be closed to all through traffic 2.1 miles past the intersection with Haymakertown Road. Broad Run Road provides access to North Mountain Trail (Forest Trail #263) and Ferrier Trail (Forest

Trail #189). Trail users can still access these trails from Broad Run Road via State Route 311 or via Wildlife Road (Forest Road #224).

The road work is expected to be completed by Nov. 4. Once the repair work is completed, the road will reopen.

"This road endured storm damage several years ago, and the Forest Service is improving the road for access and safety," said District Ranger Beth Christensen.

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field 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. (UPDATED 10-14-22) \* I-81 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.

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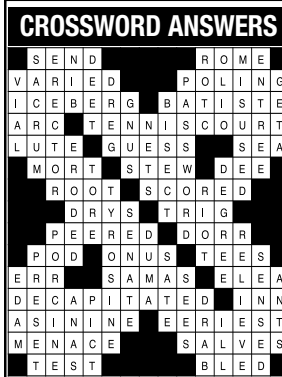
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# Buddy King

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and availability. Most of the dollars went to local charities.

My special memories of the game. My Mom



and Dad took me and Joe's mother, my Aunt Mary Alma, and Joe's younger brother, Cousin Bobby, down the mountain for a two o'clock kickoff. My best memory is of Cousin Bobby getting to serve as water boy for the Cavaliers. I'm not sure how he was so lucky, but I remember seeing him running out to the huddle during timeouts, carrying a rack of paper cups and kneeling on the field while the players consumed something. It was pre-Gatorade days, but it might not have been water.

The VMI band, like others at the time, had played the Schlitz Beer theme ("when you're out of Schlitz, you're out of beer") when the Virginia players ran out of the locker room before the kickoff. The Hoos lost a lot of games during this era, but never a post-game party. Cousin Bobby's appearance on the field, carrying "whatever" to Cousin Joe and his teammates, was as thrilling to me as if he had been the starting quarterback.

The Cavaliers, in one of their best played games

of the season, went down to the Fighting Keydets by only 19-0. (I had to look it up, but I had remembered correctly that we lost and didn't score.) In the team's defense (better than its offense), the Keydets were coached by the legendary John McKenna and they were the power of the Big 5 some years, even bearing VPI occasionally in the "Military Classic of the South," the epic Thanksgiving Day game (in Roanoke, of course). That game was discontinued in 1970, when "Tech got too big

for its britches" as my Dad said.

A few more memories of that long ago fall day. Cousin Joe made several tackles and played some wide receiver, Cousin Bobby ran onto the field a bunch of times as "Water Boy" without spillage that I recall, and we got to sing the UVA "fight song", the Good Old Song, only at the end of the game, since our team never scored.

I remember not caring much for the song, which I thought sounded like a hymn and we weren't even in church. I was used to "Hail to the Victors" and "Yea, Alabama" and even the Tech Triumph (still in my Christiansburg Days playlist).

Little did I know how many times later in life that I would stand in Scott Stadium or on the front porch of my frat house and sing the Good Old Song. I remember getting to go down to the bus where the UVA players were loading up after the game and meeting a bunch of Cousin Joe's teammates. They were all dressed in blue blazers and gray pants and wore starched white shirts and ties and mostly spoke without the Southwest Virginia twang I knew.

I also remember that

Cousin Joe got to ride back to Christiansburg with us and that we stopped at a fancy restaurant in Roanoke, called Archie's, I think. I remember seeing live lobsters in a tank. (I had no idea what they were.) and was terrified when someone told me they got thrown in pots of boiling water and eaten.

Ugh. I also remember that we never got served and the word was that the cook had "gotten drunk." I didn't know what that was either, but I realized it made him extremely unpopular with my Dad and Cousin Joe, who was so starved that he ate bread left on a table by departing customers.

The next day Cousin Joe put on his blazer and tie, grabbed his suitcase with the big UVA sticker on it, and walked down the hill to Main Street (Route 11), stuck his thumb in the air, and hitchhiked back to Charlottesville. Simpler times, no NIL deals, just happy to have a "full ride."

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## Legal Notice

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS FUEL FACTOR PURSUANT TO § 56-249.6 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUR-2022-00139

Appalachian Power Company ("APCo") has filed an application pursuant to § 56-249.6 of the Code of Virginia seeking to increase its fuel factor from the current factor of 2.300 cents per kilowatt-hour ("¢/kWh") to 4.319¢/kWh, effective for use on and after November 1, 2022.

According to APCo, the total proposed fuel factor would increase the average monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity per month by \$20.17, from \$127.81 to \$147.98.

A Hearing Examiner appointed by the Commission will hold a telephonic hearing in this case on December 13, 2022, at 10 a.m. for the receipt of public witness testimony.

An evidentiary hearing will be held on December 14, 2022, at 10 a.m., in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, VA 23219, to receive the testimony and evidence of the Company, any respondents, and the Staff.

Further information about this case is available on the SCC website at: [sec.virginia.gov/case](http://sec.virginia.gov/case).

On September 15, 2022, Appalachian Power Company ("APCo" or "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application ("Application") pursuant to § 56-249.6 of the Code of Virginia ("Code") seeking an increase in its fuel factor. The Company proposes to increase the current factor of 2.300 cents per kilowatt-hour ("¢/kWh") to 4.319¢/kWh, effective for service rendered November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2023 ("Fuel Year"). To mitigate its requested rate increase, the Company is proposing to recover its deferred fuel balance as of October 31, 2022, over two years. In addition, APCo seeks Commission approval to establish a new rider, designated Rider DFCC. The Company states that it proposes to implement Rider DFCC at a zero rate, to be updated and tied-up in the future, as an alternative to the recovery of the carrying costs on its deferred fuel balance through base rates.

The Company's proposed fuel factor consists of both an in-period component and a prior period component. APCo's proposed in-period component is designed to recover its estimated Virginia jurisdictional fuel expenses during the Fuel Year of approximately \$416,140,161, which includes non-incremental costs associated with APCo's Beech Ridge and Grand Ridge wind contracts; the energy components of the Company's other wind and solar resources, a credit for 75% of projected Off System Sales margins; PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. ("PJM"), Load Serving Entity transmission losses; PJM congestion charges; 100% of incremental transmission line loss margins; and Financial Transmission Right revenues. The Company proposes an in-period factor component of 3.011¢/kWh.

The prior-period component is a true-up component designed to recover from customers over a two-year period an estimated under-recovered deferred fuel balance as of October 31, 2022, of \$361,411,867, or \$180,705,934 per year. The Company states that it divided the projected deferred fuel cost balance by the projected Virginia jurisdictional energy sales for the Fuel Year to obtain the prior period under-recovery component of 1.308¢/kWh.

The Company represents that the combined impact of the Company's proposed fuel factor over the Fuel Year is an annual revenue increase of approximately \$279 million. APCo maintains that this proposal would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity by \$20.17, from \$127.81 to \$147.98.

The Commission entered an Order Establishing 2022-2023 Fuel Factor Proceeding ("Order") that, among other things, scheduled public hearings on APCo's Application. On December 13, 2022, at 10 a.m., a Hearing Examiner appointed by the Commission will hold a telephonic hearing for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses, with no public witness present in the Commission's courtroom. On or before December 7, 2022, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at [sec.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting](http://sec.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting); (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to [SCCInfo@sec.virginia.gov](mailto:SCCInfo@sec.virginia.gov); or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141. This public witness hearing will be webcast at [sec.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting](http://sec.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting).

On December 14, 2022, at 10 a.m., in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, a Hearing Examiner appointed by the Commission will convene a hearing to receive testimony and evidence offered by the Company, any respondents, and the Commission's Staff on the Company's Application.

In its Order, the Commission allowed the Company to place its proposed fuel factor of 4.319¢/kWh into effect on an interim basis for service rendered on and after November 1, 2022.

The Commission has taken judicial notice of the ongoing public health issues related to the spread of the coronavirus, or COVID-19. In accordance therewith, all pleadings, briefs, or other documents required to be served in this matter shall be submitted electronically to the extent authorized by 5 VAC 5-20-150, Copies and format, of the Rules of Practice. Confidential and Extraordinarily Sensitive Information shall not be submitted electronically and should comply with 5 VAC 5-20-170, Confidential information, of the Rules of Practice. Any person seeking to hand deliver and physically file or submit any pleading or other document shall contact the Clerk's Office Document Control Center at (804) 371-9838 to arrange the delivery.

Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-140, Filing and service, of the Rules of Practice, the Commission has directed that service on parties and the Commission's Staff in this matter shall be accomplished by electronic means. Please refer to the Commission's Order for further instructions concerning Confidential or Extraordinarily Sensitive Information.

An electronic copy of public version of the Company's Application may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company, Noelle J. Coates, Esquire, American Electric Power Service Corporation, 3 James Center, 1051 East Cary Street, Suite 1100, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or [njcoates@aep.com](mailto:njcoates@aep.com).

On or before December 6, 2022, any interested person may file comments on the Application by following the instructions on the Commission's website: [sec.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments](http://sec.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments). Those unable, as a practical matter, to submit comments electronically may file such comments by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2022-00139.

On or before October 31, 2022, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation at [sec.virginia.gov/clk/efiling](http://sec.virginia.gov/clk/efiling). Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel, if available. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, Participation as a respondent, of the Rules of Practice, any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, Counsel, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2022-00139.

On or before November 14, 2022, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. Any respondent unable, as a practical matter, to file testimony and exhibits electronically may file such by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. All testimony and exhibits shall be served on the Commission's Staff, the Company, and all other respondents simultaneous with its filing. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Rules of Practice, including 5 VAC 5-20-140, Filing and service, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, Prepared testimony and exhibits. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2022-00139.

Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by the Commission's Order, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, Copies and format, of the Rules of Practice.

The Company's Application, the Commission's Rules of Practice and the Commission's Order may be viewed at: [sec.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information](http://sec.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information).

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**ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**  
VA CODE § 8.01-316.-317 Case No. 22-409  
BOTETOURT COUNTY Commonwealth of Virginia, in re. KIEU CANH THI PHAM v. TAN DUUY THAI  
The object of this suit is to: Obtain a decree of divorce pursuant to Virginia Code Section 20-91(9)(a). It is ORDERED that TAN DUUY THAI appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before November 3, 2022.

Signed: Tommy L. Moore, Clerk on 9/12/22

### NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE, COUNTY OF ONSLOWDISTRICT COURT DIVISION 22 CvD 2016  
**LORA S. BUTCHER vs. STEVEN BUTCHER**  
TO: STEVEN BUTCHER ADDRESS UNKNOWN  
**TAKE NOTICE** that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of relief being sought is as follows: **ABSOLUTE DIVORCE.** You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than November 14, 2022, said date being 40 days from the day of the first publication, and upon your failure to do so, the plaintiff who is seeking relief against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This, the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.  
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### Legals - Craig County

### TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 146 HANNAH CIR AKA RR 2 BOX 1482, NEW CASTLE, VA 24127

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$165,000.00, with an annual interest rate of 3.000000% dated March 6, 2006, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the COUNTY OF CRAIG as Deed Book 154, Page 537, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction all that property located in the COUNTY OF CRAIG, on the courthouse steps at the front of the Circuit Court building for the County of Craig located at 303 Main Street, New Castle, Virginia on November 15, 2022 at 3:00 PM, the property with improvements to wit: 5.00 ACRE AS DESCRIBED ON PLAT RECORDED IN CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CRAIG COUNTY, VIRGINIA IN DEED BOOK 135, PAGE 266 Tax Map No. 35-2-2 THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. TERMS OF

### Legals - Craig County

**SALE: ALL CASH.** A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price, will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale. Loan type: Conventional. Reference Number 17-265489. **PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION OF VIRGINIA**, Substitute Trustees, C/O LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, 10021 Balls Ford Road, Suite 200, Manassas, Virginia 20109 (703) 449-5800.

### Legals - Montgomery County

### Storage Unit Sale

Auburn Self Storage located at 796 Auburn Avenue, Radford, Virginia will host a storage unit sale on Saturday, October 22, 2022 @ 10:00 am, registration begins at 9:30 am. The contents of the storage units will be sold off in an attempt to collect delinquent storage fees. Contents will be sold by the UNIT for the following: Unit sizes: 5x10: B-1, B-4, & C-12 10x10: B-9 & B-16 10x15: A-2, A-12, & A-14 10x20: B-31 & C-7 Units available for sale are subject to change due to customer payment prior to sale.

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Christiansburg Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Christiansburg Town Hall, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, VA. The purpose is to receive public comments concerning: 1. Street vacation request by the Town of Christiansburg for an ordinance vacating and relocating an approximate 0.200-acre portion of public rights of way, including 0.198 acres of the Patricks Way, NW right of way and 0.002 acres of the Oak Tree Boulevard, NW right of way, located between and connecting the North Franklin Street right of way to the Oak Tree Boulevard, NW right of way (1400 Block of North Franklin Street). 2. Intent by the Town of Christiansburg to take ownership of said 0.200-acre area of land formerly subject to the vacated rights of way. A copy of the application and associated maps may be reviewed in person in the Town Manager's Office, 100 East Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073 during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact Andrew Warren, Assistant Town Manager, by phone at (540) 382-6128 ext. 1130 or email at [awarren@christiansburg.org](mailto:awarren@christiansburg.org) with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.

### TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA THE CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER)

The Town of Christiansburg, as a recipient of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding, is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to prepare the 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER is an evaluation and performance report detailing accomplishments toward meeting the goals outlined in the 5-year Consolidated Plan. The CAPER compares the actual performance measures with those measures listed in the 2021 Annual Action Plan. Public Comments will be received through November 15, 2022. **PUBLIC HEARING** Town Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room, Christiansburg Town Hall, 100 E. Main Street to receive comments on Council's intention to adopt the 2021 CDBG CAPER. A

### Legals - Montgomery County

draft copy of the 2021 CDBG CAPER is available for review ending November 15, 2022 and may be viewed in the Office of the Town Manager, Town of Christiansburg, 100 E. Main Street during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. In addition, a draft electronic copy is available on the Town's Web Site. Any interested party whose participation in this meeting would require reasonable accommodation of a handicap or language services should contact Andrew Warren at (540) 382-6128 ext. 1130 or by e-mail at [awarren@christiansburg.org](mailto:awarren@christiansburg.org).

### VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY IN RE: ESTATE OF VIVIAN W. WILLIAVIS, DECEASED SHOW CAUSE AGAINST DISTRIBUTION ORDER

It appearing that a report of the account of National Bank of Blacksburg, Executor of the Estate of Vivian W. Williams, Deceased, and of the debts and demands against her Estate have been filed in the Clerk's Office, and that six months have elapsed since the qualifications, on Motion of National Bank of Blacksburg, Executor, it is ORDERED that the creditors of, and all others interested in, the Estate to show cause, if any they can, on the 30th day of November, 2022, before this Court at 8:30 a.m., against the payment and delivery of the Estate of Vivian W. Williams, Deceased, to the distributees with or without requiring refunding bonds as the Court prescribes. ENTER this Order this 13th day of October, 2022. SIGNED Robert M.D. Turk, JUDGE

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# RADFORD SPORTS

## Week 8 previews: Key matchup in Radford versus Floyd

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Area high school football teams are sliding into week number eight with some answered questions for key matchups including Christiansburg at Patrick Henry, and Radford squaring off with Floyd County.

Christiansburg rushed for a total of 403 yards on the ground in picking up their fifth win of the year, 43-17 over Hidden Valley last week.

Tanner Evans (8 rushes for 71 yards) and Thaxton Henley (8 rushes for 89) led the Christiansburg rushing attack in the first half before both being knocked out of the game. Their return for this week's big matchup with Patrick Henry, who lost last week to Cave Spring, is in doubt.

Radford took a break and enjoyed an open date before facing once-beaten Floyd County, whose only loss came to Christiansburg in Week 1. Since then, the Buffaloes do not have a blemish on

their record, and Friday's night game means the winner will be the Three Rivers District champ.

Floyd topped Glenvar in overtime 33-27 two weeks ago and James River 21-2 this past Friday night.

Floyd has outscored its opponents 171-97 while Radford holds a 287-87 margin.

Matt Annis was this week's player of the week after subbing for the injured Tanner Evans in Christiansburg's win. Annis rushed for 78 yards on seven carries with a score. He also returned several punts while also picking off a Hidden Valley pass.

The Virginia High School League points standings did not change much this past week. Christiansburg remains in second behind Lord Botetourt, 22.8 to 21.4. Bassett is third at 20.4 and Cave Spring is sneaking up at fourth with 20.3.

In 2C, Radford continues to lead with 25 points with Martinsville hanging around in second at 24.4. Floyd moved into the third spot after their wins this past two weeks.

Grayson County is the 1C leader with George Wythe now in second after their win this past week over Galax.

Area Top Five: 1) Salem, 2) Radford, 3) Christiansburg, 4) Narrows, 5) Floyd.

Predictions this week: Christiansburg 30, Patrick Henry 28; Radford 38, Floyd 14; Narrows 32, Eastern Montgomery 20; Galax 44, Auburn 7; Hidden Valley 27, Blacksburg 14.

## Christiansburg downs Hidden Valley 43-17



Christiansburg Recreation cheerleaders joined CHS varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders for the first half of Friday night's homecoming game and recreation night.



Christiansburg running back Thaxton Henley gets by a Hidden Valley opponent and gains substantial yards for the Demons, setting up another Christiansburg touchdown.



A Hidden Valley running back gets sandwiched by Curtis Altizer (left) and Brody Blount (right) in Friday's 43-17 Blue Demon win. Christiansburg moved to 5-2 on the season.



Matt Annis (left) recovers a Hidden Valley fumble for the Blue Demons.

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## Bolen returns to anchor the Hokies

Former Christiansburg High School wrestler Hunter Bolen is returning to the wrestling mat this season for Virginia Tech.

The first wrestler looking to don the maroon and orange for the Hokies once again is the "Christiansburg Cowboy," redshirt senior Hunter Bolen. In high school, he won four district titles, four region titles, and three state titles. In addition, Bolen was a two-time Fargo All-American.

In his first collegiate season, Bolen made the starting lineup at 174 pounds and posted a 20-9 record. During the season, Bolen claimed the Appalachian State Open title, went 3-0 at the Journeymen Collegiate Classic, 3-2 at the Cliff Keen Invitational, 2-2 at the Southern Scuffle, and claimed two victories over ranked opponents.

Bolen entered the ACC Championships as the top seed but fell to North Carolina's Ethan Ramos in the finals. Bolen's runner-up finish automatically qualified him for the NCAA Championships where he went 0-2. Bolen was one of 16 true freshmen to qualify for the 2018 NCAA Championships.

He went on to redshirt in his second collegiate season and made the move up to 184

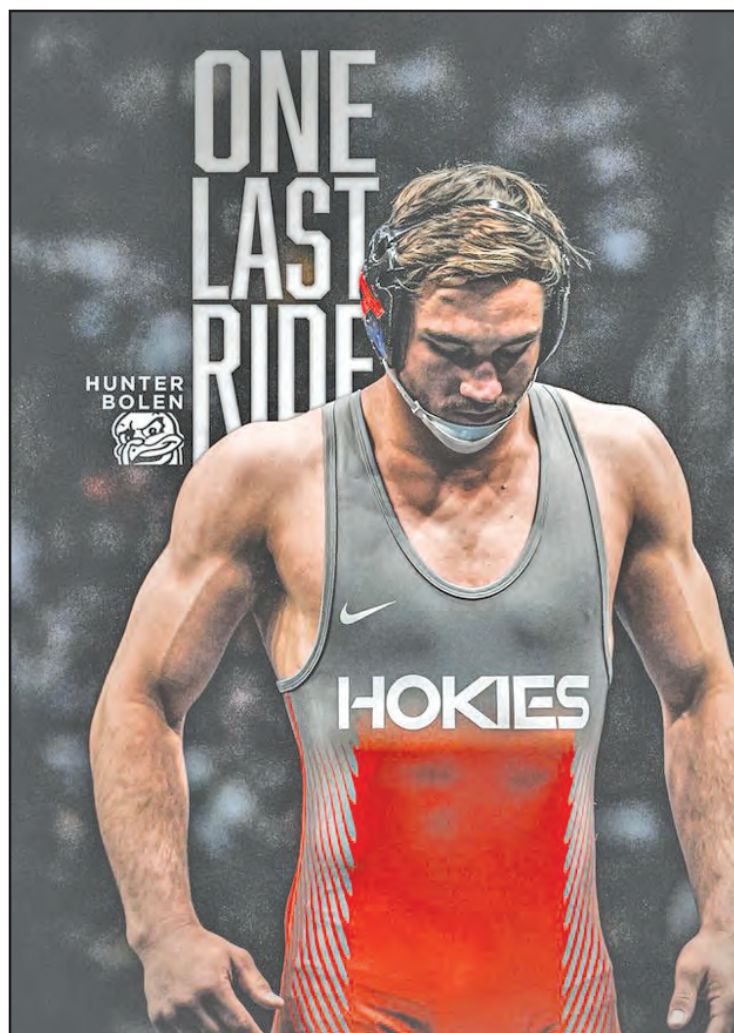
pounds. During the season, Bolen accrued a record of 13-1 and was named one of the top redshirts in the country by The Open Mat. He won the Hokie Open with two tech falls and a 4-2 decision over North Carolina's eventual 2019 All-American Chip Ness, won the Wolfpack Open with all of his victories coming by bonus points, and placed second at the Southern Scuffle, falling 4-1 to 2018 NCAA All-American Shakur Rasheed of Penn State in the finals.

In his redshirt sophomore season, Bolen went 24-2 and finished the regular season ranked No. 1 by InterMat. Bolen was a key component in Virginia Tech's upset victories over No. 9 Missouri and No. 3 Ohio state as he claimed wins over Dylan Wiseman of Missouri and Zach Steiner of Ohio State. In addition, Bolen won the Navy Classic, picking up two wins over ranked opponents, and placed third at the Cliff Keen Invitational, going 4-1 against ranked opponents. Bolen entered the ACC Championships as the top seed and defeated NC State's Trent Hidlay to claim his first ACC title and qualify for the NCAA Championships, which were canceled due to COVID. Bolen was named a first-team

All-American by the National Wrestling Coaches Association.

In his fourth collegiate year, Bolen amassed a record of 13-3. He went 8-0 in duals including a 5-0 record in ACC duals. His victory over Trent Hidlay played a major role in Virginia Tech's victory over the Wolfpack to claim the ACC Dual Meet title. His second-place finish qualified him for the NCAA Championships where he was the No. 5 seed. Bolen went on to finish seventh, defeating Binghamton's Lou Deprez in the seventh-place bout to earn his second All-America honor.

In his fifth season with the Hokies, Bolen finished the season with a record of 23-7. He started the season by winning the Southeast Open, claiming three falls, a tech fall, and a major decision along the way, and placed third at the Southern Scuffle. He also played a major role in Virginia Tech's upset over No. 3 Missouri with a decision over eventual All-American Jeremiah Kent. At the ACC Championships, Bolen came in as the No. 3 seed and finished third, falling to North Carolina's Gavin Kane in overtime. His ACC performance qualified him for the NCAA Championships where he went 1-2 as the No. 15 seed.



Hunter Bolen, the "Christiansburg Cowboy," will return to Virginia Tech for one more wrestling season.

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# VDOT

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boards will notify drivers.

**Roanoke County:** The exit 141 on-ramp on southbound I-81 may periodically be closed. Message boards will notify drivers.

**I-81 BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS** – 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.

**INTERSTATE 581 ROUTE 581 BRIDGE WORK OVER WILLIAMSON 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 completed at the end of December 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 A 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 OPERATIONS 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. Drivers 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 may 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 (CARROLL COUNTY)**

**I-77 PAVING OPERATIONS** – 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.

**I-77 BRIDGE DECK AND MAINTENANCE REPAIRS** – 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 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

Right and left lane closures in place on I-77 southbound, mile marker 13.5 to 12.5 over Route 702 and I-77 northbound, mile marker 11.5 to 12.7 over Route 702. Height restrictions are in place at 14' 6".

**ROANOKE CITY 13th STREET SE IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETOUR** – 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 Avenue. The project entails reconstructing about 0.2-mile 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 ROUTE 311 AND ROUTE 419 ROUNDABOUT 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. The new roundabout is currently open to traffic. During the remaining construction, lane closures may be in place. Drivers should expect the following:

**PAVING:** Paving is underway until complete. Drivers should expect lane closures and flagging operations during nighttime hours, 7:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

**THROUGH NOVEMBER:** With the new roundabout now open to traffic, 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** – BRoute 628 (Greenridge Road) is undergoing a culvert replacement located .25 miles east of the road's entrance from Route 780 (Cove Road). Both lanes are open to traffic with flagging operations in place through the end of the project.

**BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY CLOSURE** – The Blue Ridge Parkway will be repairing slope failures and a culvert failure at mile marker 127.9. A 15-mile stretch of the Parkway, mile marker 121.4 to 136, will be closed to all uses including cyclists, pedestrians and drivers. Detour signs to detour traffic around the Bent Mountain section of the Parkway will be in place. Traffic will be rerouted to Route 220 south to Route 419 north to Route 221 south. Traffic traveling north on the Parkway would be reversed. The detour is expected to be in place until 2023.

**BEDFORD COUNTY ROUTE 608 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT** – A bridge

replacement on Route 608 is underway. The bridge is located 0.20 mi south from Route 793 (Watsona Road) to 2.30 miles north from Route 122 (Moneta Road). The road is closed and a detour is in place. The road is scheduled to reopen in November 2023.

**ROUTE 221 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS** – A project to improve safety and operations at three signalized intersections is underway. Two intersections are on Route 221 in Bedford County in the Salem District and one is at Route 460 Business (Timberlake Road) and Route 622 (Waterlick Road) in Campbell County in the Lynchburg District. In Bedford County, this project will improve two adjacent signalized intersections in the Forest area on Route 221 at Route 1425 (Graves Mill Road) and at Route 1426 (Gristmill Drive). Most work will be performed during nighttime hours, Monday through Friday, 6 p.m. – 7 a.m. the next morning. Drivers may see shoulder and lane closures during daytime hours on the weekends. The project is expected to be completed in spring 2023.

**ROUTE 715 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT** – A bridge replacement project over Norfolk Southern Railroad has closed Route 715 (Lowry Road). The bridge is located 0.085 mile south of Norfolk Southern Railroad to 0.048 mile north of Norfolk Southern Railroad on Route 715. Message boards will alert drivers. This replacement will change the current single lane steel and wooden bridge to a two-lane concrete bridge. A detour will be in place. Travelers will use Route 671 (Timber Ridge Road) to Route 221 (Forrest Road). The detour will remain in place until project completion which is scheduled for the end of December 2022.

**ROUTE 24** will have operations in place for paving. Expect pilot trucks, flaggers and alternating lane closures with day and nighttime hours.

**BOTETOURT COUNTY ROUTE 11 BUCHANAN BRIDGE PROJECT** – A construction project on the Route 11 Bridge in the Town of Buchanan is underway. Water Street is closed for the duration of the project and drivers should expect lane closures with flagging operations. Message boards are present to alert and update drivers.

**ROUTE 1095 (HIGHLAND DRIVE) PIPE FAILURE CLOSURE** – Route 1095 (Highland Drive) near its intersection with Sanderson Road is closed until further notice due to a pipe failure. The road is currently impassable and drivers will need to seek alternate routes to avoid the area such as Murray Court to Richardson. Please adhere to closure signs. The road is expected to be closed approximately or at least through Mid-December 2022.

**ROUTE 622 CLOSURE** – A road closure is in place on Route 622 (Prices Bluff Road) to install a concrete slab span located 0.23 miles from Route 696 (Locust Bottom Road) and 0.40 miles from Route 622 (Bridge Street.)

**ROUTE 611 (GREYLEDGE ROAD)** – A 1.5 mile section of Route 611 (Greyledge Road) is closed due to flooding that damaged the roadway. Extensive repairs will be needed and a detour will be in place. There is no estimated time for the road to reopen.

**ROUTE 817 (OLD RAIL ROAD) BRIDGE WORK** – Old Rail Road in Oriskany is closed for repairs to the bridge over Craig's Creek, the historic McCallister Truss Bridge. The bridge is located 0.60 miles from Route 704 (Branchwater Road) and 0.20 miles from Route 770 (Edlo Lane). The bridge will be closed during daytime hours, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, when the water level is low. Work on this bridge is restricted when water in the creek is high. All traffic between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. will use the Edlo Ford. Signs have been posted to

alert drivers. Estimated time for completion Fall 2022.

**CARROLL COUNTY ROUTE 645 CULVERT REPLACEMENT** – Partial removal and demolition of the existing culvert on Route 645 (Stone Mountain Road) is underway. The road will be closed for removal of existing culvert and installation of a new box culvert. A detour will be in place at the intersections of Route 645 and Route 618 and Route 645 and Route 638. Estimated completion is April 2023.

**ROUTE 97 AND ROUTE 52** Will have operations in place for paving. Expect pilot trucks, flaggers and alternating lane closures with day and nighttime hours.

**ROUTE 58 WESTBOUND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT** – Work is underway to replace the bridge on Route 58 westbound over Crooked Creek is underway near the Woodlawn area. The bridge is located between the intersections with Route 822 (Fieldview Road) and Route 887 (Glendale Road). Initially, the project will focus on constructing crossovers between the above-mentioned intersections with intermittent and temporary single lane closures in place. These crossovers are temporary during the bridge replacement with single lanes in each direction until the end of the project. Once the crossovers are complete, Route 58 westbound will be temporarily detoured through the left lane of Route 58 eastbound, limiting travel in each direction to a single lane. A right lane closure will be in place traveling westbound and a left lane closure traveling eastbound. The project is scheduled to be completed in December 2022.

**TRAFFIC SHIFT** – A traffic shift is in place reducing both directions to one lane near Glendale Drive. It will be in place for approximately 12 months. All eastbound traffic will use the existing right eastbound lane. All westbound traffic will be shifted to the existing left eastbound lane.

Right lane closures may be in place on Route 58 eastbound between Route 822 (Fieldview Road) and Route 887 (Glendale Road).

**CRAIG COUNTY ROUTE 311 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER MEADOW CREEK** – Temporary signals controlling traffic across the bridge will be in place throughout the project. Construction will begin on the northbound side of the bridge and once completed, work will switch to the southbound side. In addition, a section of Route 646 (Allen Street) between Route 650 and Route 311 will be closed during construction and a signed detour will be in place. All traffic will be detoured to Marshall Street and Kanawha Street to access either 311 or the homes located off Allen Street. Speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph in the work zone with a width restriction of 9 feet. Drivers should expect delays and allow extra travel time through the work zone. Weather permitting, the bridge is expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2022.

**TRAFFIC SWITCH:** Traffic has been switched from using the southbound lane to the northbound lane while work continues. Southbound lanes are closed. Temporary traffic signals will continue to direct traffic and message boards will notify drivers.

**FLOYD COUNTY 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.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY ROUTE 834 AND 670 ROUNDABOUT PROJECT** – The roundabout project at Route 834 (Brooks Mill Road) and Route 670 (Burnt Chimney Road) is underway. Flaggers will be controlling

traffic around the intersection of Route 670 (Burnt Chimney Road) and Route 834 (Brooks Mill Road) on weekdays during the spring and summer months. The speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph in the work zone. Drivers should expect traffic shifts and new traffic patterns throughout the duration of the project as turn lanes and portions of the new roundabout are being constructed. The new roundabout with lighting is anticipated to open to traffic in late 2022. The **ROUTE 775 CLOSURE** - Route 775 (Iron Ridge Road) is closed to traffic as an emergency closure from Route 697 (Wirtz Road) to Route 220 due to a bridge washout. The road will remain closed until further notice.

**GILES COUNTY ROUTE 100** will have operations in place for paving. Expect pilot trucks, flaggers and alternating lane closures with day and nighttime hours.

**HENRY COUNTY ROUTE 220 BUSINESS NORTHBOUND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER REED CREEK** – The Route 220 Business northbound bridge over Reed Creek is undergoing a bridge replacement. It is located on Route 220 Business over Reed Creek approximately 0.4 miles east of the Route 220 and Route 220 Business intersection. The bridge work will require the northbound bridge being restricted to one lane of travel across the bridge throughout the duration of the project. The bridge will have a width restriction in place of 13' 6" and lane closures will be in place. Message boards will be in place to alert drivers. Expected completion date is September 2024.

**PATRICK COUNTY ROUTE 58 LOVER'S LEAP PROJECT** – Construction is underway on the Lover's Leap area of Route 58. Current work includes clearing and grading activities on the west and east portions of the project. While traffic impacts are limited in the east section, flagging operations may be in place in the west section. A 45 mph speed reduction is in place on Route 58 for the entire length of the project. Message boards are in place to alert traffic and drivers should expect delays. Estimated completion date is May 2026.

**BLASTING NOTICE:** Blasting operations are underway on the project. Intermittent blasting will be scheduled between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on weekdays and continue at various locations on the project through summer 2025. The first blasting will impact traffic in the vicinity of Dehart Botanical Gardens, approximately 1.7 miles east of the Lovers Leap Mountain overlook and Fred Clifton Park. For blasting that is close to Route 58, traffic in both directions may be blocked for approximately 15-20 minutes at a time. Drivers and residents along the Route 58 corridor should expect loud noise and allow extra travel time. Electronic message boards will be used to inform drivers of scheduled blasting that will impact traffic.

**DETOUR SIGNS:** While detour signs in a fluorescent pink color are in place, these do not designate a permanent or scheduled detour. The signed detour route is suitable for all traffic during incidents including tractor-trailers and other large vehicles. These signs are used for incident detours only.

**PULASKI COUNTY 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 100** will have operations in place for paving. Expect pilot trucks, flaggers and alternating lane closures with day and nighttime hours.