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After car break-ins, police department reminds residents to take precautions

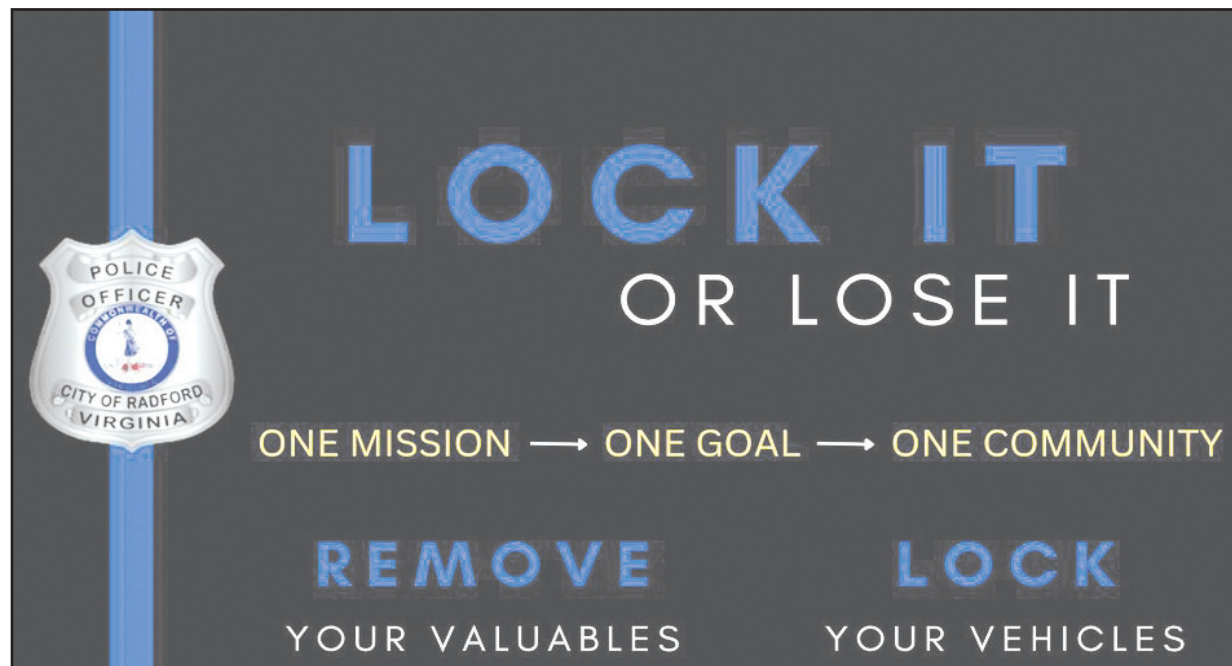


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RADFORD – A recent spate of vehicle break-ins in Radford in the area of Wadsworth Street, Heather Glen Drive, and the surrounding neighborhood has the Radford City Police Department urging residents to take precautions to avoid being the next victim.

“Lock it Up, Take your Keys, Don’t Leave it Running,” the police department urged. “Theft from motor vehicles is crimes of opportunity, and we want to remind our community of the following prevention and safety measures that can be taken to prevent theft.”

To prevent items from being stolen from your car:
- Always lock your vehicle.
- Park in a well-lit area.

- Close all windows and sunroof.
 - Remove or secure all valuables. Don’t leave them in plain view.
 - Never leave your vehicle running unattended.
 - Even during brief stops, shut the car off and lock it.
 - Don’t leave spare keys in or around your vehicle.
- Call the Radford City Police Department at 540-731-3624 to report any suspicious activity or persons who may be checking car door handles, breaking into vehicles, or attempting to steal a car. As always, call 911 in case of an emergency.

- Radford News Journal staff report

Students strategize the future, meet mentors at JumpStart

RADFORD - Aiden Smith is getting an early start on career preparation. A jump start, you might say.

The freshman management major from Richmond stood outside the doors of Kyle Hall’s multipurpose room recently waiting for the opportunity to speak with working professionals to learn how they got their careers started. Many of those pros were Radford University alumni while others were friends of the university.

“This is going to be a great chance to meet people,” said Smith, wearing a white button-up shirt with light blue pinstripes and a paisley tie he borrowed from his brother. “Even though I’m a freshman, I’m starting to build my network, so it will help meeting people I may see further down the road.”

Smith was definitely at the right place to begin networking.

Each year, the Center for Career and Talent Development holds the interactive JumpStart event, which is designed to help students boost their skills and begin working on becoming the best professional version of themselves, the center says.

Over the course of two hours, students had the opportunity to meet young alumni, faculty, and working professionals who shared advice and insight about what led them to where they are now.

Snacks and refreshments were on hand, too.

“The objective of JumpStart is to create a friendly and safe environment for you, the students, and to have frank and genuine conversations with fellow

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SHOP LOCAL + HANDMADE

NOV 26

Small Business Saturday

10AM-4PM

DEC 3

HOLIDAY Farmers' Market

11AM-3PM

DEC 10

Handcrafted Holiday POP-UP Market

11AM-3:30PM

GLENCOE MANSION

PHOTO COURTESY OF GLENCOE MANSION, MUSEUM, AND GALLERY

Glencoe Mansion presents three weekends of holiday shopping

RADFORD - Glencoe Mansion, Museum & Gallery is presenting three weekends of shopping in conjunction with The Radford Farmers’ Market and MountainTrotter Arts.

Today, Saturday, Nov. 26, will be Small Business Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Featured will be gift ideas from local artisans and authors and Radford souvenirs. Additionally, Yvonne Alderman’s exhibit, “Visions in Mixed Media and Wood,” will open with a reception from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Glencoe gift shop will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to allow time to get a head start on Christmas shopping.

Saturday, Dec. 3 will be the Holiday Farmers Market from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the field adjacent to Glencoe Mansion. The market will feature gift items from farmers, crafters, and artisans. Pictures with Santa will be available. A food truck from Bluegrass BBQ will be set up.

Concluding the three weekends of shopping on Saturday, Dec. 10, will be the Handcrafted Holiday

Pop-Up Market from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The pop-up market will be hosted by MountainTrotter Arts and will feature local artisans and crafters. The food truck Empanada Nirvana will be onsite.

Visitors can enjoy the mansion’s Holiday Open house from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The rain date for the Pop-Up Market will be Sunday, Dec. 11.

All three weekends of activities are open to the public, are family friendly, and are free.

- Glencoe Mansion, Museum and Gallery



PHOTOS COURTESY OF LIONS CLUB MEMBER DOUG KANNEY

Christiansburg Lions Club member Doug Kanney estimates that over the 30 years the club has presented its holiday Christmas craft show, more than 50,000 shoppers have helped contribute more than \$300,000 to various local, state, national, and international projects the club supports.

Christiansburg Lions Club’s holiday Christmas craft show set for Dec. 3 at Rec Center

The Christiansburg Lions Club will present its 30th annual holiday Christmas craft show on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Christiansburg Recreation Center.

According to club member Doug Kanney, over the years, the craft show has welcomed more than 50,000 shoppers to an average of 110 vendors with their handmade crafts. Kanney estimates that the craft show has put

back into the community more than \$300,000 for various local, district, and international Lions Club projects including leader dogs for the blind, diabetes awareness and prevention, children’s programs around the world, vision testing and glasses for local school children, and financial support for earthquake and hurricane victims. The craft show also

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Collage artist, painter, and photographer featured in 7th Annual Radford Holiday Open House

RADFORD - Three area artists will be showcasing their works in the seventh annual holiday open house Saturday, Dec. 10, and Sunday, Dec. 11, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days at 408 Eighth Street, Radford.

The event is free and is open to the public. A percentage of all sales will be donated to local

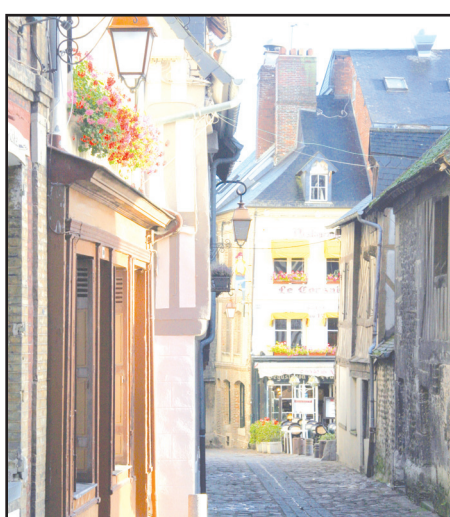
charities.

Martha Olsen, a collage artist, uses recycled and found papers as her preferred medium to create her free-flowing style while painter Ruth Lefko lets each of her works speak for itself, choosing to create a feeling rather than a realistic depiction. Fine arts photographer Susan Lockwood, known

primarily for European subject matter, frames her pieces with archival acid-free materials.

“The three of us are proud to participate in the local art scene,” said show founder Susan Lockwood.

- Radford News Journal staff report



“Honfleur Street Scene” France by Susan Lockwood



“Three Vases,” acrylic on yupo paper, by Ruth Lefko

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Nov. 26 and Sunday, Nov. 27:

Radford Public Library closed

Closed for the Thanksgiving holiday

Monday, Nov. 28:

Crafting for the Holiday: Open crafting

At the Radford Public Library; 1 to 2 p.m. Participants can bring their own needlework, painting or other projects and work with others. These crafting afternoons are not guided and are at the participants' leisure. Some craft items will be supplied.

Tuesday, Nov. 29:

Game on!

At the Christiansburg Library; 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Gamers of all ages are welcome to play a variety of Nintendo games. Participants are encouraged to bring their portable device, but it is not required. Snacks will be provided.

NaNoWriMo Event: We draw what you write

At the Blacksburg Library; 6 p.m. Each group will have an image to write a description about and the rest of the group will draw the image based on the description. All ages are welcome. Snacks will be provided.

Wednesday, Nov. 30:

Sustainable Blacksburg Lunch & Learn: Energy check

At the Blacksburg Library at noon. An introduction to home energy audits. Home owners can learn how to make their homes more comfortable and energy efficient while maximizing returns from current tax incentives. The speaker represents Blacksburg Home Energy Improvement Company: Energy Check.

Thursday, Dec. 1:

American Legion meeting

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

Friday, Dec. 2:

Blacksburg holiday parade

Registration is now open for Blacksburg's annual holiday parade to be held on Friday, Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. This year's theme will be "Hometown Holidays." For more information, contact David Goodman at degoodman@blacksburg.gov or 540-443-1106.

Friday, Dec. 2 – Sunday, Dec. 4:

A Festival of Nativities

Slussers Chapel, located at 1543 Mt. Tabor Rd.,

Blacksburg, will be displaying over 70 vintage Nativity sets from across the U.S. and around the world. Included in the display will be Waterford crystal figures from Ireland, Fantanini figures from Italy, Hummel figures from Germany and many others. The children will enjoy seeing the kitten and puppy manger scenes and of course "A Charlie Brown Christmas." The Christmas crèches will be on display in the fellowship hall Friday, Dec. 2, and Saturday Dec. 3, from 5 to 9 p.m. and on Sunday Dec. 4, from 3 to 8 p.m. Admission is free. For more information call 540-951-1757 or check out the church's website at www.slussers-themount.org.

Saturday, Dec. 3:

Ron Peterson, Jr., at Meadowbrook Library

At 2 p.m. Best-selling author, Ron Peterson, Jr., will discuss his latest book, "Eyes of a Monster," as well as updates to his previous books, "Under the Trestle," and "Chasing the Squirrel." Books will be available for sale and for signing.

Sunday, Dec. 4:

Puppet kingdom

At the Meadowbrook Library; 3 p.m. The Puppet Kingdom presents "The Christmas Express." This joy-filled musical is set on a train and uses a large cast of colorful puppets to discuss the meaning of Christmas. The performance will be by the youth from Hope Valley Church.

Blacksburg Chamber Orchestra fall concert

Blacksburg Community Strings and Chamber Orchestra presents a fall 2022 concert at 2 p.m. in the Christiansburg High School Auditorium. Selections include Mozart Symphony 25, Crusell Concerto No. 2 for Clarinet (featuring soloist Bruce McGarvey), Buxtehude Chaconne in E minor, a Back to the Future medley, and 'Happy' from Despicable Me 2. Admission is free and is open to the public.

Tuesday, Dec. 6:

RSVP holiday recognition party

A holiday recognition party for RSVP volunteers will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Christiansburg Recreation Center in Multipurpose Room 2. RSVP will collect Toys for Tots from anyone wishing to donate to this holiday project.

Montgomery County School Board meeting

The Montgomery County School Board will hold its regularly scheduled meeting at 7 p.m. at the Montgomery County Government Center, 755 Roanoke St., Christiansburg.

Thursday, Dec. 8:

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. The guild welcomes all skill levels of quilters. For more information, call Anna Handy, 540 320 7791.

Radford holiday parade

Radford's holiday parade, themed "Jingle All the Way," will take place at 7 p.m. The lineup will begin at 6 p.m. The parade route will line up on East Main Street between Tyler Avenue and University Drive Bridge and proceed westward along Main Street to the Central

Square Shopping Center.

Monday, Dec. 12:

Radford City Council meeting

The Radford City Council will hold its regularly scheduled meeting at 7 p.m. in the council chambers of the Radford Municipal Building, 10 Robertson St., Radford.

Montgomery County Board of Supervisors meeting

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors will meet in the Montgomery County Government Center 755 Roanoke St. in Christiansburg. Closed sessions begin at 6 p.m. if needed. Open sessions 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.

Tuesday, Dec. 13:

Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet at 7 p.m. at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant, 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are invited to the meeting. If Montgomery County Public Schools are closed on Tuesday or Wednesday of this week due to weather, the meeting is canceled. For further information, call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

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.

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Christiansburg Town Council meeting

The Christiansburg Town Council will meet at 7 p.m. in the council chambers of Town Hall (100 E. Main Street). The public is welcome and is encouraged to attend with a citizen hearing time reserved at each meeting for residents to bring any matter they desire before the council.

Radford City School Board meeting

The Radford City School Board will meet at 6 p.m. unless otherwise noted. All meetings are held at the School Board Office, 1612 Wadsworth St., Radford, unless otherwise noted.

Wednesday, Dec. 14:

Page to screen movies: Rebecca

At the Radford Public Library. A movie screening of the 1940 Hitchcock classic "Rebecca" will be shown on the library's big projector. The movie starts at 5:45 p.m. and has a 130-minute run time. This film is rated PG. Popcorn from Lil'Bit Corny LLC will e provided while supplies last.

Ongoing:

Help the Veterans with donations

The Meadowbrook Public Library is a collection point for items needed at the VA Medical Center in Salem. Donors can bring their donations of the following items to the library all during November: deodorant, denture adhesive, 3-in-1 body wash/shampoo/conditioner, body lotion, toothpaste, nail clippers, sweatpants, sweatshirts, t-shirts (size M, L, XL), and new baseball caps. Co-Sponsored by VFW Post 5311 and Montgomery-Floyd Regional libraries.

Free GED Classes

At the Meadowbrook Public Library, 5 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. New River Community College is offering free GED classes every Tuesday and Thursday until Thursday, Dec. 15. For more information or to sign up, call the library at 540-268-1964.



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Legals - Montgomery County

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG TOWN COUNCIL

The Town of Christiansburg Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on, Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Christiansburg Town Hall, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, Virginia 24073. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments concerning:

A. Conditional Use Permit request by Burch Properties LLC, Property Owner, and Montgomery County Moose Lodge #1470, Lessee, to allow a Lodge on the property located at 1637 North Franklin Street; upon a portion of Northgate Village Shopping Center, Tax Parcel 466 - ((A)) - 20C, Parcel ID 013214 zoned General Business District B-3. The property is designated as Business/Commercial on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

Legals - Montgomery County

Town Hall will be open and available to receive public comment in-person at the time of this Public Hearing. A copy of the application, the Town's Zoning Map, Zoning Ordinance, and Future Land Use Map may be viewed in the Planning Department Office, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073 during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact Benjamin Tripp, Planning Director, at (540) 382-6128 Ext. 1120 or by email at btripp@christiansburg.org, with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.

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Happy tails and happy trails: Taking the Hokie Hike with your Hokie pet

Beautiful fall weather and the colors of the season are perfect reasons to explore the great outdoors and take a four-legged friend along for the hike.

Here are some tips from Mark Freeman, clinical assistant professor of community practice at the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine on how to safely hike with your Hokie pet.

Make sure your pet is up to date on tick prevention. Lyme and other tick-borne diseases are prevalent in the New River Valley, and ticks are active in temperatures down to 40 degrees.

Pack plenty of water. Carry extra drinking water for your pet. There are a variety of portable/collapsible drinking bowl options. (You can even

get one as part of the pet registration option in this year's Hokie Hike.)

Be on the lookout for biting and stinging wildlife. While less active in cooler weather, snakes and insects are still looking for warm spots to soak up the sun. Your pet will often spot these sunbathers long before you will.

Know your pet's limits. While an older or arthritic pet might love the idea of a 5-mile hike, you may end up carrying them for most of the trip. Older pets need to stop to rest often, and shorter hikes may be the best option.

Pack the first-aid kit. If your pet suffers an accident or injury, soap and water, antibiotic ointment, light bandages, and Benadryl (for insect stings) can come in handy.

The veterinary college is expanding to provide new opportunities for patients, students, and care teams. You can learn more about the Veterinary Teaching Hospital Expansion and Renovation Project online.

And if you haven't signed up for this year's Hokie Hike yet, it's not too late! Registration (for both humans and pets) is still open. Get your limited edition hiking gear for you and your furry friend and hit the trail anytime between now and Nov. 27.

Be sure to share your shots of you and your pets safely enjoying the outdoors using #HokieHike. Happy hiking!

- Julie Flanagan
Virginia Tech

Virginia Tech researchers investigating how bird feeding influences humans and birds

A team of researchers with specialties related to birds is flying high these days after receiving some news that ultimately could lead to certain social changes for humans and biological ones for their feathery friends.

Ashley Dayer of the College of Natural Resources and Environment, the lead principal investigator on the project, and Dana Hawley, a co-principal investigator from the College of Science, are leading a team that has received a \$1.6 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to study human-wildlife interactions through bird feeding.

Their collaborative project involves researchers from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, which manages Project FeederWatch, a November-April participatory science project in which birders observe birds that visit backyards, nature centers, community areas, and other locales in North America. By counting birds on select days and submitting their data online, members of the general public are able to participate in and advance scientific research. Researchers from The Ohio State University and the University of Georgia also are involved.

"After more than 35 years of learning about the birds that thousands of people are seeing in backyards across the country,

we are excited to understand what seeing those birds means to these dedicated participatory scientists," said David Bonter, the Arthur A. Allen Director of Citizen Science at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. "Remarkably, linking natural science with social science is unique in the world of participatory science."

The project is multifaceted. The team wants to learn how birds react to what people do in their backyards, how people react to what they see at feeders, and how birds impact people's well-being. A group of more than 10,000 people from across the nation will be submitting information through Project FeederWatch, and the grant allows for the funding of positions to collect, sort, and analyze that data.

"With this study, we will be able to explore how to maximize benefits to wildlife and humans in a dynamic system," Dayer said. "Importantly, we aim to shed light on questions wildlife agencies are asking about how to address avian disease outbreaks. If they tell people to take down their bird feeders, how will that impact populations of birds and how will it impact human well-being if people are no longer seeing birds at their feeders?"

- Virginia Tech report



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Dentist Stephen Tupman joins the Community Health Center of the New River Valley

Stephen C. Tupman, DDS has joined the dental practice of the Community Health Center of the New River Valley. Dr. Tupman is seeing patients in our Dublin office.

"Dr. Tupman is an experienced dentist who takes a collaborative approach with his patients," said Michelle Brauns, CEO of The Community Health Center of the New River Valley. "He is an excellent communicator who explains the patient's options in treatment."

After receiving his undergraduate degree from the University of Virginia and his dental degree from the Medical College of Virginia, Dr. Tupman served two years in the Navy. After discharge, he spent more than three decades working in practices in Northern Virginia, where

he was named Top Dentist three times by a local publication. He has practiced in Southwest Virginia since 2016.

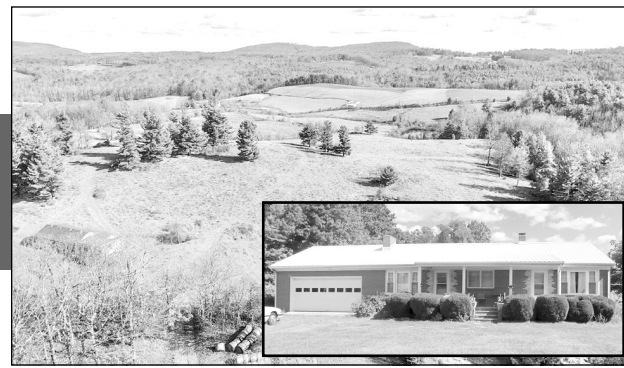
Dr. Tupman is a member of the Southwest Virginia Dental Society, Virginia Dental Society and American Dental Society.

CHCNRV is a federally qualified health center with the purpose of serving medically underserved areas and populations. For more information about the Community Health Center's services and programs in Dublin, Christiansburg, Pearisburg, and Giles High School visit the website at www.chcnrv.org or call 540-381-0820.

- Community Health Center of the New River Valley

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You can purchase this beautiful farmland for sale in Floyd VA at Online Auction. There are 6 offerings being sold simultaneously. Tracts are located on Fairview Church Road and/or Spring Dale Rd just minutes from the Town of Floyd. Great location convenient to the Town of Floyd VA, Christiansburg VA, Blacksburg VA, Radford VA, and Hillsville VA. Only 2 miles from the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway. Land is mostly open farmland with country views. Property is great for a country home, farm or recreational use. They would be great for building your dream home! 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.

OFFERING #1 - 6.592 acres. Mostly open land on Fairview Church Rd. Has a spring on the property which supplies water to water box for livestock and to a hydrant on Offering 2.

OFFERING #2 - 12.915 acres. Mostly open with some wooded acreage on Fairview Church Rd. Has an old barn and large building on the property. Multiple home sites with great long range views. Hydrant located on this property and is supplied with water from spring on Offering 1.

OFFERING #3 - 2 BR, 1 BA, 1,276 sq.ft. brick ranch & 12.355 acres. Has a heat pump, newer metal roof and partial basement. Double attached garage and storage building on the property. Has spring water which is located on Offering 5. Acreage consists of mostly open pasture or hay land with some mature hardwood along back boundary.

House address is 707 Fairview Church Rd.

House Preview: Thursday, December 1st @ 4 PM

OFFERING #4 - 47.910 acres. Mostly open land with some wooded areas. Has creek frontage and 1,583 feet of frontage on Spring Dale Rd. Multiple building sites on gentle to level slope with long range views.

OFFERING #5 - 36.793 acres. Mostly open with some wooded land and long range views. Has a pond and creek frontage. Fronts on Fairview Church Rd and Spring Dale Rd. Spring rights will convey to Offering 3.

OFFERING #6 - 34.031 acres. Mostly wooded and level with some timber value. Has a small spring branch running along the northern boundary and discontinued State Route 715 along southern boundary. Fronts on Spring Dale Rd. Has an old pole shed on the property.

Directions - To Fairview Church Rd - From Floyd Stoplight, take Rt 8 South to right on Rt 717 (Fairview Church Rd) to property on both sides of the road. To Spring Dale Rd - From Floyd Stoplight, take Rt 8 South to right on Rt 714 (Spring Dale Rd) to property on the right.

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Seven things students should know about scholarships

The Office of University Scholarships and Financial Aid is committed to helping Hokies connect with as many scholarship opportunities as possible, whether they be university, college and departmental, or outside opportunities. There is a scholarship opportunity out there for every Hokie. National Scholarship Month is a perfect time to remind everyone to start their scholarship searches for 2023-24 now.

Before being considered for any University Scholarships and Financial Aid-administered scholarships, Hokies must take two important steps: Complete the FAFSA and the General Scholarship Application. Both are open for 2023-24 right now. For maximum scholarship consideration, complete each of these before

Jan. 22.

Three thousand two hundred and fourteen scholarship opportunities are available in Scholarship Central for 2023-24. Scholarship Central allows students to search for scholarships and also makes recommendations for scholarships that appear to match each student's qualifications. After completing their General Scholarship Application, students should remember to do their college's scholarship application (if one is offered). The Office of University Scholarships and Financial Aid also strongly encourages all Hokies to apply for each scholarship opportunity that is a good match.

Students should not let scholarship

requirements, like essays, deter them from applying for a scholarship. Each student's skills, talents, and experiences are unique. Also, Students should not let the actual work of writing an essay keep them from applying for a scholarship. Most essays do not have long length requirements, so completing them ahead of time should not be stressful.

Scholarship Central also makes it easy for students to complete other requirements for their scholarships. For example, some scholarships require references. Students can request these references directly through Scholarship Central. (Students should reach out to their references first to let them know they are applying and to expect an email from Scholarship Central.) Students can also complete their thank-yous for their donors and sign FERPA releases directly in Scholarship Central to make all those "next steps" easier.

In 2022-23, Hokies have received over

\$18.5 million in Virginia Tech scholarships that were privately funded by donors. These scholarship donors make all the difference in helping Hokies complete their degrees. For Hokies who receive a scholarship, writing a well-crafted thank-you letter is a meaningful way to show the donor how the scholarship has helped. Some tips for writing a meaningful thank-you letter include actually naming the scholarship the student received and making sure to actually say thank-you. Also, be specific. Students should Share personal information in the thank-you note, like their major, their hometown, and how this scholarship helps you.

Virginia Tech's students are extremely competitive, and many Hokies receive outside scholarships from high schools, local organizations, places of worship, and

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Craft show

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helps support MCEAP (the Montgomery County Emergency Assistance Program), the Christmas Store, Scout troops, Boys and Girls State and scholars for high school students, and local rescue and fire departments.

Kanney said he expects 145 vendors at this year's show. They will bring their crafts and homemade goodies to share with shoppers from Christiansburg and the New River Valley.

Over the years, the crafters have made Christmas shopping a happy time, allowing shoppers to do some "early" shopping and to see the talents and skills that

go into craft making for the show including homemade wood crafts and jewelry, homemade baked goods, pictures and paintings by local artists and much more. The show will also serve up food at the Lions Club Snack Bar.

The Christiansburg Lions Club is one club among 1.4 million Lions around the world in more than 200 countries. The motto for Lions International is "We Serve."

- Lions Club member Doug Kanney

JumpStart

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Highlanders and friends of Radford University," said JumpStart Chair Teresa Dickens of Career and Talent Development. "You are here to learn from alumni and friends who are here to share their experiences and teach you what they have learned through their journeys."

Samantha Livesay '12 served as this year's JumpStart keynote speaker. She reflected on her time as a student at Radford and what helped her find success.

"It was events and experiences just like this," said Livesay, the director of business engagement at Onward New River Valley. "Just as you are doing, I had to push myself out of my comfort zone. I had to talk and network with people, who, at the time, were strangers, who later became mentors

and folks I looked up to professionally.

"So, tonight feels like coming full circle for me," she said. "I may even have the honor of mentoring some of you who are sitting out here in the crowd this afternoon."

The event covered a variety of topics, including careers, internships and seasonal jobs; finding experiences related to the students' particular interests; the GIG economy; elevator pitches and students' telling their stories; negotiating job offers; creating a budget, and learning strategies for financial success.

McKinley Horton '17 was happy to be back on campus and share his insights from his time at Radford and his career journey thus far.

"I'm proud to have been a student here at

Radford and to be the first in my family to graduate from college," said Horton, a talent acquisition specialist with AEP. "To be able to hand that back and give advice to students who may be first-generation also is very important to me."

Dajia Barrett is three-and-a-half years into her college experience and among the 32% of Radford students who identify as first-generation college students. The senior criminal justice major from Richmond is on schedule to graduate in May 2023 and is applying to law schools. She appreciated the JumpStart experience of getting to know and learn from people who were already established in their careers.

"I've noticed that every couple of weeks, there is

always something that makes me think, 'Wow, I didn't know I could improve on that,'" Barrett said between bites of a falafel. "So, when I think I have it all together, I find there is always something to sharpen. There are always some leadership skills to sharpen, and professionalism, time management and building your brand. You can always add skills."

To have the event on campus "is so amazing, and it's so refreshing to have all these opportunities here to jump-start my career - no pun intended," Barrett said, laughing. "I really love what Radford University does for us students."

- Chad Osborne
Radford University

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OBITUARIES

Baber, Shirley Mae

Shirley Mae Baber, 81, of Blacksburg, finished her earthly work on the 19th day of November, 2022.

She was born in the community of Level Green in Craig County, Va. on August 13, 1941, to the late Billy Thomas and Christine Baber.

She is survived by her three loving and diverse sons, Ashley Thomas Dudding of Yorkville, Ill., Travis Clark Dudding of St. Catherine's Ontario, Canada and Jonathan Clay Dudding of Christiansburg; daughters-in-law, Kristin Dudding, Roya Mir and Deborah Kirby; grandchildren, Kaitlyn Brooke Dudding, Caleb Thomas Dudding and William Thomas Dudding; her sister, Barbara Baber-Martin and brother-in-law, Larry Martin of Christiansburg; niece Sally Ann Howard; and nephews Chris Myers and Brad Martin. Barbara was a pillar of support and compassion in the months and days leading up to her sister's passing. William Thomas Dudding, her ray of sunshine and gift from God was a blessing in Shirley's life. The two spent the last eight years molding their special friendship and strengthening each other's walk through life.

Shirley worked 42 years for Virginia Tech, including



time spent as former University President Dr. T. Marshall Hahn's secretary. She was proud to grow her career with the university and spoke often and fondly of her friends, colleagues, and students that she met throughout her tenure. The joy she felt from her work with Virginia Tech was something that prevailed in her mind, even up until her final few days, despite her retirement years prior from the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

She was welcomed to Heaven into the loving arms of those that preceded her in death: her grandfather and grandmother, Benton P. and Dove Mae Fisher; her parents, Billy Thomas (who she had been anxious to see again for a long time) and Christine Baber; her sister, Judy Myers; and grandson, special angel, Joshua William Dudding.

The family received friends on Friday, Nov. 25, 2022, at McCoy Funeral Home, 150 Country Club Drive SW, Blacksburg, Virginia 24060 and a service followed. Graveside service followed at the Level Green Christian Church Cemetery in Newport, Va.

Shirley's two most favorite things, Carol Lee Donuts and coffee, were served prior to the service.

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ANGLICAN CATHOLIC

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

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

BAPTIST

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

First Baptist Church on 3rd Ave., 215 Third Ave at the corner with Downey St. We nurture meaningful connections to God and others through worship, spiritual growth, and community ministry. We celebrate the dignity and worth of all persons, created in the image of God. Sunday Bible Study Groups - 9:45, Sunday Worship - 11:00. Website: fbradford.org 540-639-4419. Worship is in-person and live-streamed on Facebook and on our YouTube channel: First Baptist Church Radford.

Trinity Community Church, 1505 N. Franklin Street, C'burg. John Altizer, Lead Pastor, Brian Cockram, Associate Pastor, 382-8121. Worship at 10:45 a.m., Outreach Ministries - 6:00p.m. Wednesday, Growth Groups - 5:00p.m. Sunday, Youth and Children's Ministry - 5:00p.m. Sunday, www.trinitychurch.org.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

CHURCH OF GOD

Childress Church of God, 4187 Piney Woods Rd., C'Burg. 381-3693. Sun. School 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m. & Wed. 7 p.m.

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

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

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

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

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Snowville Christian Church, 5436 Lead Mine Rd., Hiwassee, VA 24347, Pastor: Jerry King, Website: www.SnowvilleChristianChurch.com (and Facebook), Office: 540-633-3761, Email: office@SnowvilleChristianChurch.com, Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 a.m., Sunday School: 10:00 a.m., Thursday Bible Study: 6:00 p.m., We are: "Inspiring hope, helping people grow their faith, and sharing God's love with others!"

EPISCOPAL

Grace Episcopal Church, 210 4th Street, Radford, 639-3494. A friendly, mission-oriented spiritual community sharing the Word of God. ALL ARE WELCOME. In person and live-streamed services 10:30AM Sundays. Holy Eucharist twice a month. Morning Prayer twice a month. Fellowship and refreshments follow services. Find us on Facebook: Grace Episcopal Church and www.graceradford.org.

LUTHERAN

Christ Lutheran Church, 201 Harvey St. Sunday worship with communion at 10am; fellowship & snacks at 11am. All are welcome. Upcoming events and fellowship opportunities (Senior Brunch, Faith & Film, Rough Draught, etc.) detailed in weekly

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True and Reasonable

Read Acts 25:1 through 26:32

Late at night, a burglar attempted to enter a home by crawling head-first down the chimney. A few feet into his endeavor he found himself stuck. His cries for help went unanswered because the residents were sound asleep. In the morning, sounds of whimpering coming from the family room led to the man's discovery, and the police were summoned. After the demolition of a few bricks, the perpetrator was in handcuffs. The man claimed not to remember anything. "I'm innocent," he said. His actions spoke much louder than his words.

At this point Festus interrupted Paul's defense. "You are out of your mind, Paul!" he shouted.

"Your great learning is driving you insane." "I am not insane, most excellent Festus," Paul replied. "What I am saying is true and reasonable" (Acts 26:24-25).

Not everyone who hears of our hope will accept our message. The evidence of our lives—the joy we have and the peace we know—speak loudly on our behalf. When we are caught living our faith, some will see our trust in Jesus as true and reasonable.

Prayer Suggestion: Lord, help me to be innocent of sin and guilty of living my faith for all to see.

Quicklook: Acts 26:19-31

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email and on website: clcradford.org. 540-639-2671.

Our Saviour Lutheran Church ELCA, 1845 Cambria St NE, Christiansburg. Worship each Sunday at 10 am, in person and online at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMsB-gbyjmV5ce9mr43dbCw>. Please visit our website at www.oslc-cburg.org and our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/oslcchristiansburg> to learn more about us. Little Free Pantry and Little Free Library located in our parking lot. Pastor Joshua L. Copeland; church office 540-382-2223.

St. Michael Lutheran Church, 2308 Merrimac Road, Blacksburg, VA 24060. Worship service each Sunday at 10 AM, Sunday School 9 AM. We are a community of God's people where people gather for worship, learning and service. Visitors and new members are always WELCOME! Google comments: "Wonderful, welcoming congregation...A place where all are truly welcome... Nice, friendly, competent staff." You will like our minister, The Rev. Michelle L. Stramiello. Her previous service was as Family Faith Formation Director at Cross and Crown Lutheran Church, Indianapolis, IN, Pastor of St Matthew Lutheran Church, Paducah, KY, and Hospice Chaplain in Largo, Fl. St. Michael started and administers Micah's Backpack which has great community impact, Micah's Soup for Seniors, Micah's Garden, Closet, and Mini Pantry. Also, partnering with Rainbow Riders and Total Action for Progress, we opened open the first Early Childhood Head Start in our community (6 weeks to age 3), and have numerous other programs including a Justice & Mercy Fund providing assistance for those needing emergency assistance with critical bills. Further St. Michael sponsors an awesome Scouting program of Boy & Girl Scout Troops, Venture Scouts for older youth, and a new Cub Pack for girls & boys kindergarten - 5th grade. Directions: From Price's Fork Road, turn onto Merrimac Road and St. Michael is 3/10ths of a mile down on the left. For more information about any of our activities: Phone 540 951-8951. Email hope@stmcl.us or visit our Website www.st-michael-lutheran-church.org

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

Merrimac Pentecostal Holiness Church, Rev. Larry

Christopher (540) 552-7194. lchristopher695@comcast.net. Sunday school at 10 a.m. and morning worship is 11 a.m. Evening service at 6 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Compassion Church, 1820 Second Street, Radford, 639-6287, Our music is passionate, our worship is real, and Pastor Chandler Jones brings relevant messages for everyone at any place on their journey, Sunday Worship Experience at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM, Wednesday Family Night at 7 PM, Children Ministry provided for all services. Our vision is to see all Saved. Freed. Restored. Fulfilled. Find us on facebook and Instagram

Walton Pentecostal Holiness Church, 4003 Morning Glory Rd., off Walton Rd. on Rt. 114. 731-1755. Lee Sarver, pastor. Sun. School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6: p.m., Wed., 7p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

Join us at **The Presbyterian Church of Radford**, 201 4th Street, at the corner of 4th & Randolph, for Sunday School at 10 am and Worship and Children's Church at 11 am. Our Interim Minister is Steve Willis. Phone 639-2585. Watch the worship services on Facebook, which can be accessed through the church website at www.pcradford.org or through the Presbyterian church of Radford Facebook page. We are called to share the love of Christ in this community and beyond.

UNITED METHODIST

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

Central United Methodist Church, 803 Wadsworth Street, Radford. 639-3529. 8:30 a.m. Sunday Services: 8:30am (interpreter provided); 9:45am Sunday School (interpreter provided); and 11:00am. Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm. Child care is provided. www.centralmethodistchurch.com. **St. Paul United Methodist Church**, 220 W. Main St., C'Burg. Rev. Moonsup "Paul" Song (540) 382-2410. Sunday Worship 10am, Sunday School 9am. Live streaming Sunday Service - www.twitch.tv/stpaulumc.

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Boothe, Danny L.

Danny L. Boothe, age 86, went home to be with the Lord on Nov. 18, 2022.

He was born on Feb. 10, 1936, to Doc and Opal [Quessenberry] Boothe in Montgomery County.

Danny was a lifelong Virginian, having only recently moved to Independence, KY to be closer to family.

He worked and retired as an examiner and administrator for the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. Danny loved to read, and his family described him "as smart as a tack." He kept up with current events and relished discussing politics with his son, Scott.

Danny's favorite meal of the day was breakfast, and he cooked for himself every morning, making his signature biscuits. A longtime member of Greenridge Baptist Church, he was a prayer warrior and an avid student of the Bible. He enjoyed traditional Southern gospel music, especially The Gaithers.

Danny was what his family called "a walking miracle," having survived multiple cancers and illnesses in his golden years. He knew the depths of God's grace and with a tender and thoughtful heart did his best to live



life. Enveloped in the arms of family, Danny passed into another set of arms, those of Jesus.

Danny was the father to Scott Boothe (Shannon) and Susan Morgans (David); a treasured friend and former husband to Nancy Speedy; a prized papa to his "butterflies," Madison Boothe and

Olivia Boothe; a brother-in-law to Edmund Kirtner (Ruth); a cousin to Zelda Vaughn; and an amazing co-worker, relative and friend to many.

Those preceding Danny in death are his parents; his stepmother Clara [Reed] Boothe; and a stepsister Dot Kirtner.

In keeping with Danny's wishes, he will be cremated. He will be laid to rest at a future date at home on the beach in Florida in a private family ceremony.

Please consider giving memorial donations to the International Missions Board (IMB) at www.IMB.org.

To share an online condolence for the family or to share a memory or photo of Danny, visit www.chambersandgrubbs.com.

Hayes, Patricia Lee

Patricia Lee Hayes, 70, of Salem, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Monday, Nov. 14, 2022.

She was born in Glade Spring, Va., on Jan. 17, 1952, to the late George Preston Hayes, Sr., and Flora Trent Hayes. She was preceded in death by her sisters, Dorothy (Dot) Brown, Rose Marie Goode, Shirley Hill, and Leona Washington, and her brothers, Robert (Rocky) Hayes and George (Gabby) Hayes, Jr.

She leaves to cherish her memory her only son, Sedrick Charles Hayes; his wife Cheryl; grandchildren Zella Trent, Corra Leigh, and Preston Rush; and an older brother, David Hayes and his wife, Veronica of Upper Marlboro, Md. She also leaves behind many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Patricia was known for her



infectious laugh and smile. She loved to have a good time and spend it talking with family and friends. Her son and grandchildren were her pride and joy. She enjoyed watching her grandchildren play and grow and her face lit up when they were around. She loved her church family and made many friends, whom she was very close to at church and in her Bible study group.

A celebration of her life will be held today, Saturday, Nov. 26, 2022, at Shiloh Baptist Church, 201 S. Market Street, Salem, VA 24153 at 2 p.m., officiated by Pastor Adrian E. Dowell. The family would like to thank Intrepid Hospice for their care and guidance over the past few months.

Lucas, Genevieve Sue Moore

Genevieve Sue Moore Lucas, 85, of Radford, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bobby Jennings Lucas; her parents, Paul Cecil Moore and Margaret Ann Lowe Willey; her stepdad, Doug Willey; her son, Timothy Lucas; her daughter, Teri Lopez; and her brother, Doug "Jr." Willey.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, David Lucas and Grace; her daughter and son-in-



law, Susie Worles and Parrish; her son-in-law, David Lopez; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren and one on the way; brother and sister-in-law Jimmy Willey and Deanna; and many other relatives, and friends.

Per her request, a private family service will be held at a later date.

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

Dawson, Doris Ellen Southern

Doris Ellen Southern Dawson, 78, of Newbern, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022. She was preceded in death by her parents, Everett Jordan and Zelma Jennings Southern; sister, Iris; and her brothers, Forest, Ray, Calvin, and Walter.

Survivors include her daughter, Tanya; granddaughter, Tiffany; grandson, Austin; brother, Ron; former husband, Lansford; and many other nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Doris attended Newbern Elementary, Pulaski High Class of '62, Madison College, and graduated with her master's degree from Radford University. She worked in the public school system for over 30 years; teaching at Max Meadows in Wythe County, Central Elementary in Pulaski, and as a counselor at



Pulaski Middle School. Doris was the Director of Personnel for the Pulaski County School Board and retired as Assistant Principal from Pulaski Middle School. After retirement, she remained active in senior activities, playing badminton, doing yoga, traveling, and helping maintain the family farm.

Interment will take place in Newbern Cemetery on the family plot. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Master Gardeners in your area, or to a charity of your choice.

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

Shrewsberry, Randall Wayne

Randall Wayne Shrewsberry, 79, of Snowville, passed away Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022, at Cozy Home Haven in Fairlawn. He was a U. S. Army veteran and was employed with the U. S. Navy. Randy was preceded in death by his father, Every Shrewsberry and mother, Fay Elaine Vancamp; and infant son, Jesse.

Randy loved Bluegrass music, especially the guitar.

Survivors include his son, Kenneth Shrewsberry; sisters, Janice Faye Brannon, Donna Katherine Whisman, and Letha Carol Ratcliff; nieces, nephews, and church family;



and many other relatives and friends.

The family received friends on Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2022, at the Snowville Baptist Church. Funeral services followed with Rev. Tony Hart officiating. Interment followed with full military honors in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

Pallbearers were Dwayne, Trevor, Elijah and Ty Simpkins, and Chad Fox.

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

Elliott, Barbara Clark

Barbara Clark Elliott, 89, passed away Friday, Nov. 18, 2022.

She was reunited with her husband and true love Bobbie Joe "BJ" Elliott. Barbara and BJ were married September 15, 1951, in Prices Fork.

Leaving behind to cherish her memory are her son Robert Steven Elliott and his wife, Sheila, of Pembroke; her daughter Susan Elliott-Reed and her husband, Phil, of New Castle; her grandson and the apple of her eye, Robert William Elliott and his wife, Kenley, of Radford; dearest sisters Pat Linkous of Andersonville, Tenn. and Maggie Clark of Stanleytown, Va.; nieces Kathy Bingham (Ted) and Cindy Smith (Nathan), both



of Andersonville, Tenn.; a great-niece and great-nephew, Elizabeth and Travis Bingham; and beloved friends Sally Elliott and Liz Lindon, both of Blacksburg.

Barbara was a long-time employee at Virginia Tech in the Dairy Sciences department. She loved spending time with her sisters, her family, and her friends. She also enjoyed reading, watching game shows, furry friends, and her fish ponds.

The family received friends on Tuesday Nov. 22, 2022, at McCoy Funeral Home. A funeral service was also held at McCoy Funeral Home, and interment followed at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Christiansburg.

Stanger, Lois Olene Richardson

Lois Olene Richardson Stanger, of Christiansburg, passed away Nov. 2, 2022, at the age of 97.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband, Billy N. Stanger; her parents, the Rev. P.A. and Maggie Smith Richardson; a sister, Arlene Harbert; a brother, Percy Richardson; and a son-in-law, Donald Osborne as well as several nieces and nephews.

Lois is survived by her children, Cynthia Slaughter and husband Lewis, Leisa Osborne, and Bruce Stanger; grandchildren Brent Slaughter and wife Laura, and Andrew Slaughter; sisters Frances Bower, Hazel Talley, Mary Essmann, Martha Laper, Sue Rackley and husband Ron, and Linda Koalkin, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Lois was born and raised in Shawsville. She received her RN degree from Roanoke Memorial Hospital School of Nursing and began her nursing career at New Altamont Hospital in Christiansburg. Later she went to Radford Community Hospital from



which she retired as head nurse of the newborn nursery. The hundreds of newborns she cared for over the years were a source of pride for her.

The family would like to thank the caregivers at Commonwealth Senior Living (Christiansburg), Kindred Hospice, Carilion Hospice, and the LewisGale Hospital Montgomery Palliative Care Unit. Special thanks also go to Patricia Gordon, Hannah Abate, and Jessica Chestnut.

Visitation was held at Horne Funeral Home on Saturday, Nov. 5. The funeral service was held at the Christiansburg First Church of God on Sunday, Nov. 6. An interment service was held on Monday, Nov. 7, at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Christiansburg.

Donations in Lois's memory may be made to the Roanoke Memorial Alumni Association and sent to Sarah Janney, 469 Winding Way Road, Boones Mill, Virginia 24065. Arrangements with Horne Funeral Home & Crematory 540-382-2612.

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Flinchum, Nancy Gearhart

Nancy Gearhart Flinchum, 77, of Pilot, died Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022, at New River Valley Medical Center.

She was born in Montgomery County on Dec. 18, 1944, to the late John Russell and Nanola McGuinness Gearhart. She was preceded in death by her son, Russell Ross Flinchum; her brother-in-law, William Lee Bond, Jr.; and a nephew-in-law, James Wimmer.

She is survived by her husband, Eugene Hamilton Flinchum, Sr.; her son, Eugene Hamilton Flinchum, Jr.; her grandson, Jeremiah Ross Flinchum; her sister, Eunice Elizabeth



Bond; her nieces and nephew, Linda Kaye Bond, Joy Bond Wimmer, Wendell Lee Bond and his wife, Jamie Moran Bond; and many other family and friends.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2022, in the Seneca Baptist Church with the Rev. John Collins and the Rev. Darrell Linkous, officiating. Interment followed in Roselawn Memorial Gardens.

The family received friends on Monday, Nov. 21, 2022, at the Seneca Baptist Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Seneca Baptist Church.

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employers. Many Hokies also receive well-known national scholarships. In fact, thus far in 2022-23, Hokies have received over \$8 million in outside scholarships.

Students should start their outside scholarship search early. They would begin with opportunities in their local community, and then broaden the search to national opportunities. Many local scholarships go

unawarded. National scholarships are more competitive and often have more complex applications, but their awards can be larger and are often renewable.

There are many wonderful outside scholarship providers, but be sure to keep a few things in mind to stay safe. Scholarship applications should be free. Never pay to find or apply for scholarships. Do not give out private

or sensitive information, like a Social Security number. Students should carefully review the terms of each scholarship opportunity and make sure they are applying through reputable sites. If something does not feel right about an outside scholarship opportunity, students should trust their instincts and do additional research before sharing information with an outside organization.

University Scholarships and Financial Aid is here to help students with your scholarship search. Any student with questions about Scholarship Central or needing some tips for starting their scholarship search, should not hesitate to send University Scholarships and Financial Aid an email or schedule a chat.

RADFORD SPORTS

CHS pole vaulter commits to James Madison University

Marty Gordon
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Madelyn Moles, one of the state's top pole vaulters, is taking her talents to James Madison University. The Christiansburg senior announced her commitment this past week.

In Harrisonburg, Moles will follow in the footsteps of another former Christiansburg vaulter in Rachel Lloyd, who is first on the JMU all-time top-10 list in both the indoor pole vault and the outdoor vault (3.91m/12-8ft). Lloyd is a senior this current track season.

It was Lloyd's record Moles grabbed this past year at 12' (3.65 meters) as she won the 2022 titles in both indoor and

outdoor.

"I chose JMU because I felt very welcomed there," Moles said. "They seem to care about their students, unlike other colleges where you are considered just a number. JMU is also fairly close to home so I will still be able to see my family and friends. I believe the JMU track team has a good dynamic and I wanted to be a part of that."

JMU won their first-ever Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Outdoor Track & Field Championship in May of 2022.

Moles plans to major in nursing at JMU with her ultimate goal of qualifying for nationals.

Student-athletes sign with RU, Virginia Tech

Marty Gordon
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Cave Spring's Trey Ludy, one of the area's top baseball stars, has signed a letter of intent to continue his playing career next season at Radford University.

Grace Addison of Abingdon will compete for the golf team at Radford.

West Virginia's Amber Wolfe will play softball at Radford. A catcher, Wolfe was a member of the two-time state champions for the past two years and tied for her high school career home run record of 16.

Patrick Henry golfer Caroline Gilreath will also bring her talent to Radford. She finished third in the Valley Junior Girls tournament that was held at Hunting Hills Country Club.

Virginia Tech also landed several student-athletes from the area. Lord Botetourt golfer Ashton Harper will bring his talents to Blacksburg. In 2021, he won the VHSL Class 3 golf state title.

Abingdon's Ethan Gibson will come to Blacksburg as a member of the baseball team.

In his junior season at Cave Spring, Ludy batted .459 with eight doubles, two triples, and three home runs. He also notched an earned run average of 2.16 from the mound.

For his effort, Ludy was named First Team All-Region outfield and

Second Team All-Region pitcher. This past summer, he also played at the Virginia Commonwealth Games, going eight for 11 at the plate over the entire tournament.

Last week, he put his commitment to pen and paper in front of family, friends, and teammates in the Cave Spring auditorium.

Radford was always one of his top choices. "The location was perfect (just under an hour from home), the coaching staff was all were very positive and had great energy, the facilities are great and having the New River right on campus is great for me. I love fishing and kayaking in my spare time. Also, the size of Radford was exactly what I was looking for, not too big or small," Ludy said.

He is undecided on a major, but admits Geospatial Science stands out to him. "It is one of the fastest growing fields, and I can see myself enjoying this field," Ludy said.

His goal is to contribute anyway he can to the team. "I want to win a championship. I want to earn a starting spot as quickly as possible. I am very excited to face D1 competition. My first year I really want to grow as a player and gain as much experience as possible, get stronger, get better."

At Radford, he will be a two-way player.

Alumnae take aim at building a brighter future for women's soccer



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FutboLISTAS, led by Founder and CEO Brittany Gropp '11, is an extracurricular activity for Spanish girls ages 5 to 12 that teaches English and life skills through soccer and mentorship.

Countries from around the world will turn their eyes to Qatar in late November for the 2022 FIFA World Cup. Thirty-two teams will compete to be crowned the top of the class in men's soccer.

Even so, the playing field for women's soccer continues to grow. Two alumnae of what is now the School of Communication at Virginia Tech are taking their own shots at goal with a mission to grow the women's game.

Brittany Gropp '11 and Betsy Haugh '16 are scoring at building the game in unique ways.

Gropp long has been a soccer fan. She grew up playing the sport competitively, claiming to hang with the best of them. While studying abroad in Malaga, Spain, in 2010, Gropp was shocked to learn that the idea of a girl playing soccer was foreign to most in the area.

"Everyone thought it was so strange that I knew so much about soccer," Gropp said. "They didn't believe that I knew how to play well. I was laughed at when I asked about playing co-ed. People thought it was so absurd that women would play with men."

Still, Gropp loved the culture of Spain and eventually moved to Madrid for two years, where she taught English and participated in volunteer work to transition into the nonprofit sector. While there, the country's women's team competed in the World Cup for the first time in 2015. It opened a lot of doors for Gropp to begin planning the future of more girls playing soccer in Spain.

"I started planning the idea," Gropp said. "I wanted to do something, not only because I love soccer, but because it's a total injustice if we're not allowing girls to play. You're learning so many valuable life skills through the sport. It prepares them to do whatever they want to do in life, whether they go pro or not."

The seeds of FutboLISTAS were planted. While still working for a nonprofit organization in Washington, D.C., Gropp started building the

foundations of an extracurricular activity for Spanish girls ages 5 to 12 that would teach English and life skills through the game of soccer.

In the summer of 2018, Gropp found herself considering a move back to the U.S. in search of career advancement opportunities. She decided to embark on the Camino de Santiago, a renowned network of ancient pilgrim routes across Europe, and had her "aha" moment.

At the conclusion of the pilgrimage, it was clear that she didn't need to leave Spain for her next career move. Her business venture, FutboLISTAS, became a reality, forever changing the trajectory of girls' personal development in Spain.

"I was like, 'You know what. I'm going to give this nonprofit a try,'" Gropp said. "I couldn't see myself leaving [Spain] if I didn't at least give it a chance."

Gropp found a local business partner to navigate the bureaucracy and legalities. She launched a crowdfunding campaign in concert with the 2019 Women's World Cup. With a successful campaign, FutboLISTAS' first 10-week pilot program took place in 2019.

"There are so many other amazing skills that girls can and will learn if given a chance to play," Gropp said. "Every parent should want their daughter to play because of these skills — leadership, teamwork, communication, perseverance - the list goes on and on."

Plus, learning English is valuable.

"For those parents who aren't convinced enough about how those life skills will help their daughters to develop into incredible humans, in Spain, the English language is huge," she said. "School age kids under 12, 99 percent of them are in English-Spanish bilingual schools. Anyone who has tried to learn a foreign language knows it's so much easier to learn that language when you're immersed in it and doing fun stuff versus in a classroom reading a textbook."

- Virginia Tech Athletics

Outdoor Report: Assistance needed from Virginia hunters for chronic wasting disease surveillance

The Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) is asking ask for continued support and assistance from Virginia hunters with the department's 2022 chronic wasting disease (CWD) surveillance efforts.

Each deer hunting season, DWR works closely with local hunters, processors, and taxidermists to monitor the geographic spread of the disease and prevalence trends in deer populations.

Any deer killed on November 19 in Orange, Rappahannock or Shenandoah counties are required to be brought to a CWD sample station to be tested for CWD.

Required CWD sampling helps DWR to maximize CWD testing in specific counties. Any deer, or at minimum the head and at least 4 inches of neck, killed in Orange, Rappahannock, or Shenandoah counties on November 19 must be brought to one of the designated sampling stations listed below:

- Orange County
- Barboursville Volunteer Fire Dept. – 5251 Spotswood Trail, Barboursville
- The Market at Locust Grove – 32301 Constitution Highway, Locust Grove
- Rappahannock County
- Amissville Volunteer Fire Dept. – 14711 Lee Hwy, Amissville
- The School House – 12018 Lee Hwy, Sperryville
- Shenandoah County
- Larkins Store – 19004 Senedo Rd, Edinburg

Woodbine Farms and Market Inc. – 5199 John Marshall Hwy, Strasburg

Deer heads plus at least 4 inches of neck may also be dropped at any of the voluntary refrigerator stations in Orange, Rappahannock, or Shenandoah counties on this day to meet the mandatory testing requirement.

Carcass transport is believed to be a risk factor for the spread of CWD. Whole deer and carcass parts containing brain and/or spinal tissue from deer harvested in Disease Management Area 1 (DMA1, Clarke, Frederick, Shenandoah, and Warren counties) may not legally be transported out of DMA1 to other areas of Virginia.

Whole deer and carcass parts containing brain and/or spinal tissue from deer harvested in Disease Management Area 2 (DMA2, Culpeper, Fauquier, Loudoun, Madison, Orange, Page, and Rappahannock counties), where fewer deer have been confirmed to be infected with CWD, may be transported anywhere in either DMA1 or DMA2.

On November 19, deer harvested in Orange or Rappahannock counties may be taken to any of the six stations listed above for sampling. Deer harvested in Shenandoah may be brought only to one of the two stations located in Shenandoah County.

DWR strongly encourages hunters who are successful on any other day of

RU baseball adds volunteer grad assistant to staff

Radford University baseball has announced the addition of Corey Singh to the coaching staff as a volunteer graduate assistant. He will work primarily with hitters and infielders.

"First of all, I want to thank Alex Guerra for offering me this unbelievable opportunity," said Singh. "Coach Guerra coached me and taught me so much when I was a freshman on the James Madison University

baseball team. It's great to be back together with him in this environment.

"In addition, I get to work with and learn from three other outstanding coaches," Singh said. "I'm honored to be a part of the Radford University baseball program. It's exciting to help build a championship culture where everyone has

the same end goal. Let's get to work."

Singh comes to Radford from Norfolk State University where he spent the past four years playing for the Spartans. As a junior in 2021, he hit a team-high seven home runs while collecting 28 RBI. For

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Radford ousted from playoffs



Running back David Woodward hauls in a touchdown pass against Appomattox in Radford's Friday night second-round playoff 2C 38-33 loss.



Charlie Davis (left) and Brandon Thompson tackle the Raiders running back in Friday's game.



Max Kanipe concentrates to make the touchdown catch after getting behind a defender. Kanipe scored to cut the deficit to 38-33 with 3:32 remaining. He finished with two touchdown catches.



Parker Prioleau races up the field for a long run after a pass reception. Radford finished the season at 10-2. Appomattox advanced to play Glenvar in the region finals.

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FROM THE SIDELINES

By Marty Gordon

Canceling UVA game was the right decision

This week's announcement to cancel Saturday's Virginia Tech-Virginia football game was no surprise. What happened at the University of Virginia two weeks ago was a tragedy that reminded us the world is cruel and plenty of problems must be dealt with.

Gun violence has ripped society at its foundation, and mental health is a bigger part of the problem than we all have admitted for a long time.

Sports is a big part of the world and is not immune to this problem. Too many media reports this past week centered around what happened on the UVA campus and similar incidents in Idaho and New Mexico. Young lives have been taken too soon.

Hokies have poured out their support for the Hoos. I can remember when the Hoos did the same for the Hokies in the wake of the previous shooting massacre. The two incidents have

brought together fans whose different loyalties make them intense rivals.

We must remember the football players and other individuals who were affected by the shooting.

The decision to cancel the game was made following communication between the Atlantic Coast Conference and Virginia and Virginia Tech athletic department administrations.

The ACC and Virginia Tech continue to support

UVA following the tragedy that resulted in the deaths of three members of the Cavalier football team: Devin Chandler, Lavel Davis Jr., and D'Sean Perry, and injuries to students Mike Hollins (also a Virginia football student-athlete) and Marlee Morgan.

No good reason exists to play this game. Neither team was planning to play in a bowl game. Both are in a rebuilding year under first-year coaches.

Yes, ticket holders were bummed. But again, this is bigger than just one game. This is bigger than the Commonwealth Cup.

We cannot imagine what the UVA coaches and players are going through. I would think that all of us shed a tear or two this past week when we watched a memorial service that should never have happened. But it did.

Thus, let's take a moment to remember that "it's just a game."

Life is more important than what we tailgate, celebrate, and cheer for every Saturday in the fall.

So take a moment to hug your loved ones. Remember the person you pass in Walmart or in other public places more than likely is battling his or her own inner turmoil. Smile and say excuse me. Say hello and treat people with more respect.

We must change the world one football game at a time.

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the deer hunting season to submit the head and neck from their deer for sampling by taking it to one of DWR's voluntary CWD testing sites, which can be found at dwr.virginia.gov/wildlife/diseases/cwd/cwd-information-for-hunters/.

Chronic wasting disease has been confirmed in twenty-six states and three Canadian provinces. In Virginia, since 2009, CWD has been detected in more than 100 deer from eleven counties. This incurable disease, found in deer, elk, and moose in North

America, is a slow-acting and progressive neurologic disease that ultimately results in death of the animal. The disease-causing agent is spread through the urine, feces, and saliva of infected animals. Clinical signs of CWD, which typically do not develop for several months to over a year after exposure, include staggering, abnormal posture, lowered head, drooling, confusion, and marked weight loss.

There is no evidence that CWD can be transmitted naturally to humans, pets, or livestock (with the

possible exception of pigs). However, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends hunters test all deer harvested from known CWD-positive areas, wait until test results are received prior to consuming the meat, and not consume any meat from animals that test positive for the disease.

Regulations pertaining to CWD, maps of affected states, and information about CWD can be found on the DWR website at dwr.virginia.gov/wildlife/disease/cwd.

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his career, Singh played 104 games in a Spartan uniform, driving in 58 runs.

In the classroom, Singh was named to the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Academic Honor Roll as well as the Norfolk State University Athletic Director Honor Roll and dean's list. He graduated from Norfolk State University in 2021 with a bachelor's degree in mass communication, and is currently pursuing a Masters of Arts in Media and Communications.

A native of Sangre Grande, Trinidad and Tobago, Singh started his collegiate

career at James Madison University where he played under Guerra, who served as the Dukes' assistant coach and recruiting coordinator. Singh redshirted as a freshman in 2017 before transferring to Patrick Henry Community College the following season, batting .291 with eight home runs and 29 RBI.

In the summer of 2022, Singh worked as an assistant coach with American Legion Baseball, an amateur organization that gives players an opportunity to develop skills and leadership qualities.

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Weeks, Charlie Bascom

Charlie Bascom Weeks, 79, wife Kimberly, Kyle Bascom Cupp, of Blacksburg, died Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022, at Heritage Hall Blacksburg.

He was born in Russell County, Va. on June 19, 1943, to the late Dewey and Artie Kegley Weeks. He is also preceded in death by brothers Guy, Raymond, and Willie; and sisters Frances, Margie, and Leona.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years Frances Cupp Weeks; brother-in-law Everett Scott Cupp and wife Colleen; nephews John Weeks and

and Ryan Cupp; sister Mary Weeks Musick; and numerous extended family.

Charlie was a longtime member of the Episcopal Faith. He served six years in the Army Reserves. He retired from the Arsenal after 35 years of dedicated service. He was also an advocate

and fierce supporter of the feline population.

Charlie was a quiet, dapper gentleman, and he will be missed.



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