



Christiansburg-Blacksburg Rotary Club presents youth awards to Montgomery County Public School students

The Rotary Club of Christiansburg-Blacksburg presented its 2021-2022 youth awards to Montgomery County Public School students at the club's meeting on May 9.

Rotary Code of Ethics Awards were presented to the senior boy and girl at each school, nominated by their teachers, who best exemplify the traits delineated in the Rotary Four-Way Test "of the things we think, say or do: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

Receiving this award were Haley Hollins and Tyler Sparrer of Auburn High School; Cody Miller and Kylene Monaghan of Blacksburg High School; Nathan Filipiak and Kara Wright of Christiansburg High School; and Ann Sisson and Kellen Walthall of Eastern Montgomery High School.

Career and Technical Education Awards were presented to two students from each school, nominated by their teachers, who have achieved excellence in their chosen field of vocational education. Isabella Capozzi and Jackson David Brockman of Auburn High School; Alexis Snyder and Luke Spagnolo of Blacksburg High School; Alexis Cox and Joseph Tuck of Christiansburg

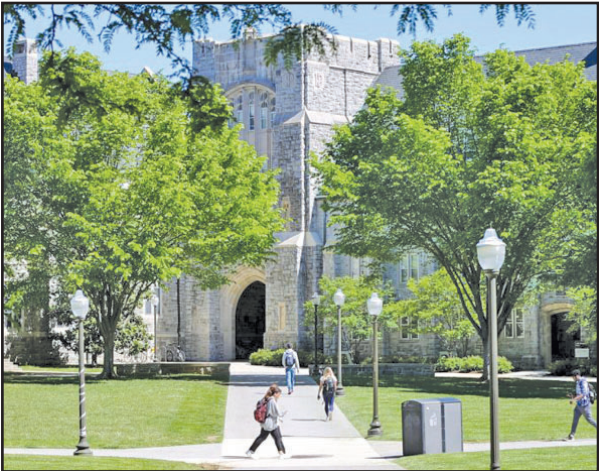
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Seniors from Montgomery County High Schools were recognized for their adherence to the Rotary Code of Ethics by the Rotary Club of Christiansburg-Blacksburg at the club's annual Youth Awards ceremony on May 9.



Students from Montgomery County High Schools were recognized for excellence in Career and Technical Education by the Rotary Club of Christiansburg-Blacksburg at the club's annual Youth Awards ceremony on May 9.



Students make their way across the Blacksburg campus on a sunny spring afternoon. Photo by Ray Meese for Virginia Tech.

VT Board of Visitors Executive Committee to consider 2022-23 tuition, fees at meeting June 14

The Executive Committee of the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, June 14, at the Virginia Tech Richmond office, located at 11 S. 12th St. in Richmond, to consider tuition and mandatory fees for the 2022-23 academic year.

As part of that consideration, Virginia Tech held a public comment opportunity March 22 at the Holtzman Alumni Center on the Blacksburg campus. At that event, several members of the Board of Visitors

were on hand as university officials provided an overview of proposed tuition and fees ranges and received public comment in accordance with guidelines that had been posted to the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors website. All comments received were provided to the full board.

Virginia Tech's tuition and fees strategy is intended to support the university's strategic plan within the context of the various budget implications.

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Virginia Tech Rescue Squad announces new officers for 2022-23 academic year



Members of the Virginia Tech Rescue Squad. Photo by Meghan Marsh for Virginia Tech.

The all-student run Virginia Tech Rescue Squad elects new officers each academic year to lead its 35 members and help advance the campus community's safety.

The squad held a virtual swearing-in ceremony in early April to honor and recognize the new leaders.

The new officers for the 2022-23 academic year are Connor Duda, chief, a rising senior majoring in biological sciences in the College of Science.

Bella Filippone, administrative captain, a rising junior majoring in human nutrition, foods, and exercise in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Matt McLaughlin, operations captain, a rising senior majoring in electrical engineering in the College of Engineering.

Colin Carnley, personnel lieutenant, a rising junior majoring in public health and neuroscience in the Virginia-Maryland College of

Veterinary Medicine and College of Science.

Jessica Sova, training lieutenant, a rising junior majoring in biological sciences in the College of Science.

Ana Montoya, public outreach lieutenant, a rising senior majoring in experimental neuroscience in the College of Science.

Lydia Kuo, equipment lieutenant, a rising senior majoring in hu-

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VDOT Traffic Alert: Blasting along Route 58 for Lovers Leap widening project to begin week of May 23

As part of the ongoing project to widen Route 58 over Lovers Leap Mountain in Patrick County, blasting is tentatively scheduled to begin the week of May 23.

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 to 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.

Intermittent blasting will be scheduled between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on weekdays and will begin in the spring of 2022 and continue at various locations on the project through the summer of 2025. Approximately 11 million cubic yards of material must be moved as part of the \$300 million road widening project.

Detours and long-term closures are not planned as part of the Route 58 Lovers Leap widening project. However, in the event that debris or rock moves into the roadway as part of a blast and a detour is needed, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)

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A team of four Virginia Tech students from the Blackwood Program in Real Estate bested 30-plus teams representing 23 colleges in the Mulroy Real Estate Challenge. Pictured (from left) are academic advisor Jeffrey Robert and students Kate Kersey, Allison Gray, Luke Whalen, and Cooper Ball.

Virginia Tech students earn top prize at national collegiate real estate competition

A team of four Virginia Tech students from the Blackwood Program in Real Estate within the Pamplin College of Business bested 30-plus teams representing 23 colleges to earn first place in the Mulroy Real Estate Challenge, hosted by the Villanova School of Business.

The Mulroy Real Estate Challenge is akin to March Madness for undergraduate real estate majors. It's a real estate development case competition in which students from top undergraduate real estate programs compete.

"This is the most preeminent competition for under-

graduate real estate majors," said Jeffrey Robert, collegiate assistant professor of real estate and the team's academic advisor.

The Virginia Tech team was junior economics and real estate major Cooper Ball, senior finance and accounting major Allison Gray, senior real estate major Kate Kersey, and senior finance and real estate major Luke Whalen.

In the first round, held virtually in January, the Virginia Tech team evaluated a 160-acre site near Tampa, Florida. They had just three days to propose a develop-

ment concept and conduct a financial analysis and feasibility study for the site. The team submitted a PowerPoint presentation along with an executive summary to be judged by industry experts. Sixteen teams were selected from across the country to travel to Philadelphia and participate in the semifinal and final rounds.

In the semifinal round, teams were placed in groups of four and presented their development proposals to panels of five or six judges. For the final round, the top

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Now through May 31:

Photography show and sale at Long Way Brewing
During the month of May, Long Way Brewing is showcasing a display of photos that talented members of the photo club have available for sale. Each photo is priced, some as low as \$25.00, and proceeds from the sales go to the Lamplighters, which are Radford Public Library's volunteer fundraisers. Long Way Brewing is located at 501 Second St. in Radford.

Wednesday, May 18:

American Business Women's Association May luncheon meeting
At the Holiday Inn Christiansburg-Blacksburg, 99 Bradley Dr., Christiansburg from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$14.25. The featured guest speaker is Caitlyn Scaggs, who will share an uplifting message on how we can brag about our successes, without being boastful.

Art Club: Helen Frankenthaler and soak-stain art
At the Christiansburg Library at 2 p.m. Come explore the art of Helen Frankenthaler and create soak-stain art inspired by her art style. For ages 8 and up. Registration is required.

Thursday, May 19:

Black and white photography at Radford Photo Club
Charles Lynch of Radford, a longtime member of the Radford Photo Club, will discuss black and white photography at the club's May 19 meeting at 6 p.m. at the Radford Public Library. As a follow-up to the March meeting about night photography, at 5:15 p.m., Adi Ben Senior will answer questions about night photography and offer suggestions for photographers who bring their photos, either prints or on a computer. The Radford Photo Club, which includes professional and amateur photographers from across the New River Valley, meets monthly at the Radford Public Library. Programs, events, and outings are open to the public.

Friday, May 20 through Sunday, May 22:

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

Friday, May 20:
Radford Church of God of Prophecy ladies evening ministry
The Radford Church of God of Prophecy will hold a ladies evening ministry at 6:30 p.m. with Phyllis Cooper. The night will feature song, devotions, prayer, praise, message, and refreshments. The church is located at 811 6th St. in Radford.

Saturday, May 21:

2022 Radford summer concert series

Radford's 2022 Summer Concert Series will begin on Saturday, May 21, and will be held once a month throughout the summer. The kickoff concert will feature "The Legacy Motown Revue," a fan favorite. Gates will open at 6 p.m. and concerts will begin at 7 p.m. Food trucks will be on hand for each concert, and the Radford Chamber of Commerce will provide adult beverages for purchase. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and children under 12 are free. Concert goers are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket.

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

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

Music on the Lawn: American Roots
At the Christiansburg Library at 6 p.m. This is the first show in the library's Music on the Lawn concert series. The featured performers are Southwest Virginia's own American Roots. The concert is free and will be held rain or shine.

Sunday, May 22:

NAACP meeting
The May general body meeting of the Montgomery-Radford-Floyd branch of the NAACP will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The speaker will be Kim Niewolny, Program Director for the Center for Food Systems and Community Transformation. Everyone is welcome.

Monday, May 23:

Eighth annual Radford Chamber of Commerce golf tournament
The Virginia Tech River Course will host the Radford Chamber of Commerce's annual golf tournament again this year with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Radford Chamber Executive Director Dan McKinney said, "The traveling trophy is back at the chamber office ready to be presented to this year's winning team. We are truly appreciative of the businesses that support this fundraiser for us. We are looking forward to a full field again this year; we have several spots for teams still available. We also have sponsorships available. A special part of this year's tournament will be a Closest to the Pin on the new golf simulator that the River Course recently acquired. A portion of the money for this contest will go to our scholarship fund, and we have a great winning prize. We are inviting both the players and others to compete in this contest. Visit <https://radfordchamber.com/annual-golf-tournament> for more information."

Teen gaming
At the Meadowbrook Public Library at 1 p.m. Spend a fun afternoon with video games, board games, and other activities. Snacks and drinks will be provided while supplies last. For ages 11 through 17.

Talking about Books: "Kindred"
At the Blacksburg Library at 11 a.m. To be discussed is "Kindred" by Octavia Butler. Call (540) 552-8246 for more information or to reserve a copy.

Tuesday, May 24:

Bad art afternoon
At the Christiansburg Library at 3 p.m. The library will provide a variety of supplies so participants can draw, paint, and glue to create the best worst art. A trophy will be given to the creator of the best bad art. All ages are welcome. Registration is required. Contact Spahl@mfrl.org for more information.

Edible STEM: DNA
At the Blacksburg Library at 4:30 p.m. Participants are invited to come make some yummy edible DNA models.

Wednesday, May 25:

Lunch & Learn: Growing medicinal herbs
At the Blacksburg Library at noon. Learn how to grow, harvest, and use several common medicinal plants with Herbalist Sarah Gibbs. Several plants that grow in yards and fields and some gardeners can grow on their own will be discussed.

Thursday, May 26:

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

Friday, May 27:

Reception for Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation "End of the Line" exhibit
The Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation has on display the exhibit "End of the Line" through June 25, 2022, in the Alexander Black House main galleries, 204 Draper Road SW. Admission is free; the hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A reception that is open to the public will be held on Friday, May 27, from 5 to 7 p.m. "End of the Line" is a multi-media exhibition by Bill Ratcliffe that examines the final destination for most consumed goods: the landfill. The exhibit allows for the viewing of sites rarely seen by the general public.

Monday, May 30:

MFRL closure
The Montgomery-Floyd Regional Li-

brary will be closed on Monday, May 30, for Memorial Day. All library branches will be closed on Sundays from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

Thursday, June 2:

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

Saturday, June 4:

Blacksburg Museum annual Gospel Sing
Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation's annual gospel sing will be held from noon to 6 p.m. on the Alexander Black House lawn, 204 Draper Road SW. Admission is free; donations are encouraged to support the museum's educational programs. Area choirs, soloists, and praise dancers will sing current and old-time gospel favorites. Everyone is welcome to bring an instrument and join in the group sing. The schedule for the musical groups is as follows: Noon to 1 p.m.: Bob and Claudia Goldstein; 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.: the Glorylanders; 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.: Joann's This and That Singers; 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Simple Gifts; 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Indian Run Gospel Trio; 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Alexis Johnson. The sing is sponsored by the Virginia Tech Foundation.

Thursday, June 9:

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

Tuesday, June 14:

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

Saturday, June 18:

NAACP Juneteenth Commemoration
The local NAACP will celebrate Juneteenth, the traditional African-American commemoration of freedom from slavery from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Rosa Peters Playground, 300 Depot St. NE, Christiansburg. Music will be presented and food will be available to purchase. The NAACP Youth Council will be selling hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and other snacks. An ice cream truck courtesy of Freedom First Credit Union will provide free ice cream. All proceeds will benefit local youth educational activities and programs. The program will begin at noon, followed by swimming, children's games, a silent auction, a raffle, and door prizes. Various talents will be shared by youth and

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ONLINE AUCTION

Ends Thursday, May 26th @ 4 PM

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Preview Date - Saturday, May 14th at 10 AM

Terms - 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to final high bid to arrive at contract price. Earnest Money Deposit of \$5,000 required day of sale. Close in 45 days. Subject to seller confirmation. Property sold as is, where is with any and all faults. Buyer is expected to complete their own due diligence. Download Bidder Pack at VAAuctionPro.com

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Beta Sigma Phi bestows honors on sorority members

The Golden Circle Ritual was recently bestowed on Libby Pettigrew of Blacksburg, honoring her for completion of 50 active years of membership in Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, the largest women's organization in the world.

Pettigrew has been an active member since pledging in April 1972 while living in Honolulu, Hawaii. She was able to transfer membership when she relocated to South Carolina and Tennessee before joining the Alpha Mu Master Chapter in Christiansburg.

During her 50 years of membership, Pettigrew has held all chapter offices and has served on numerous committees. She has been awarded the Order of The Rose and has been honored as Chapter Valentine Queen. She is currently serving as the chapter extension officer, the chair of

the program committee, and as a member of the social committee. She is a retired accountant living in Blacksburg.

Pettigrew was presented with a dozen yellow roses and a 50-year pin during a candlelight ritual conducted by Officiant Sue B. Warden assisted by Phyllis Durham and Carolyn K. Sowers.

A second honor, the Ritual of Jewels, was bestowed by the sorority on Kristen Talley.

Talley pledged to the chapter on Nov. 19, 2019, and has successfully completed pledge training. A candlelight ritual was conducted by Officiant Robin Grove with Sue B. Warden assisting.

Talley currently serves as a member of the sorority's service and social committees. She is employed by Virginia Tech and resides in Christiansburg.



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Radford requests public comments regarding West Precinct polling place change

All Radford citizens are invited to comment on a planned change to the Radford City, West Precinct polling place.

The Electoral Board and the Director of Elections have recommended to the Radford City

Council that the West Precinct Polling place be moved from Carter Street United Methodist Church at 1223 2nd St., (the corner of Carter and Second) to Compassion Church, Radford, at 1820 2nd St., (the corner of Ingles

and Second).

The move is intended to provide better traffic flow, more parking, and a larger polling room to accommodate the increasing numbers of West Radford voters. No other polling places will be affected

by this change.

Public comment will be accepted through July 5, 2022. Written comments may be directed via email to tracy.howard@radfordva.gov or by mail to Radford Elections, 619 Second St., Radford,

VA 24141.

These comments will be compiled by the registrar and will be presented to the Radford Electoral Board and the Radford City Council prior to their joint meeting on July 11, 2022.

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community members. Information booths from the NAACP and other community organizations will be on hand. If an organization wants to have a booth, contact info@mrfaacp.org or call the bBranch at 540-382-6751. Entry is free.

Friday, June 24:

Blacksburg Museum sunset rhythms 2022

The summer music series sponsored by the Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Center kicks off from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Alexander Black House. Singer/songwriter Grace Campbell will provide the music. Spoons' shaved ice truck will serve treats, and guests are welcome to bring a picnic or other snacks as well. Tickets are \$5 for adults. Children ages 13 and under are free. All proceeds help support the work of the Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Center. For more information, visit www.blacksburgmuseum.org.

Ongoing:

Radford-Fairlawn Daily Bread volunteer names

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

Free GED classes with New River Community College

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

Grab & Go Meals

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

Feeding Southwest Virginia,

Glencoe Mansion calls for art for Mary Draper Ingles Show

Glencoe Mansion is calling for art for its July through August 2022 gallery exhibit, "Follow Her Journey," a multi-artist show themed on Mary Draper Ingles. Artwork should reflect or be based on the life and times of Mary Draper In-

gles including depictions of local landmarks (for example, Ingles Farm, the Cultural Heritage Park, Ingles Tavern and ferry site), and Colonial style art. All fine arts and fine craft media will be considered. Artists may submit up to three artworks for consideration.

Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. on June 3. Participation, which is subject to acceptance, is open

to artists in and around the NRV area, ages 16 and up. Artists will be notified via email no later than June 15. The show will be on display throughout July and August with an opening reception during the Mary Draper Ingles Festival of July 29-31. For more information, go to www.GlencoeMansion.org or email gallery coordinator at art@glencoeMansion.org.

ONLINE AUCTION

Ends Thursday, May 26th at 6 PM

Automotive Shop and Tool Auction

3395 N. Franklin St., Christiansburg, VA 24073



Items Include:

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

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

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

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

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Offering # 1

This property features a house built in 1946 and has over 1,100 sq. ft. of living space plus a full basement. Features an oil furnace and has a flu for wood stove. Roof is approximately 8 years old. Has private well and septic. House is in need of improvement. Nice level lot with mature apple trees, white and red grape vines.

Offering # 2

This property is a vacant land tract behind the home. It features 0.71 +/- acre and has over 147 feet of road frontage. Beautiful lot with mature apple trees. Has 3 phase power available. Would make an ideal lot for storage buildings or small business location. Purchaser expected to perform their own due diligence in regards to perk and land uses.

Preview Date - Monday May 23rd at 4 PM

Terms - 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to final high bid to arrive at contract price. Earnest Money Deposit of \$5,000 per tract required on day of sale (June 3rd 2022). Close on or before July 18th 2022. 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 both tracts, bidder will need to be the high/winning bidder on both tracts. Download Bidder Pack at VaAuctionPro.com

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OPINION

Virginia gas prices unchanged last week

Average gasoline prices in Virginia were unchanged last week, averaging \$4.31/g Monday according to GasBuddy's survey of 4,081 stations in Virginia.

Prices in Virginia are 37.5 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand \$1.36/g higher than a year ago. The price of diesel rose three cents

per gallon nationally in the past week and stands at \$5.55 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Virginia was priced at \$3.66/g Monday while the most expensive was \$5.69/g, a difference of \$2.03/g.

Likewise, the national average price of gaso-

line was unchanged last week, averaging \$4.46/g Monday.

"Those filling their tanks last week saw another jolt at the pump, as both gasoline and diesel prices continued their multi-week rally," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "New records continued to be set on a

near-daily basis as the national average edges even closer to \$4.50 per gallon. Prices later this week could be closer to \$5 per gallon than \$4, as demand continues to edge higher and inventories of both gasoline and diesel continue to decline," said De Haan. "Temperatures warm and motorists get back outside and we near

the Memorial Day weekend, the start of the summer driving season. While the increases may start to slow in the days ahead as pump prices catch up to oil, there isn't much reason to be optimistic that we'll see a plunge any time soon."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices

and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. 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>.

Tuition

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tions of the state's General Assembly actions and other major initiatives that impact university costs in the upcoming year.

Over the last several years, the board has prioritized the affordability of a Virginia Tech education while making targeted investments that enhance the value to students and the commonwealth and continue to position the university as a leader in teaching, research, and innovation.

With a heightened focus on student affordability amidst the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the university has leveraged incremental state funding with cost-containment strategies, administrative efficiencies, and internal reallocations to maximize available resources and mitigate tuition increases.

As a result of these continued efforts, the board has been able to limit the average tuition increase to just 1 percent per year over

the last three years and has kept tuition increases well below inflation for the last six years. This moderation was achieved while making a sustained commitment to advancing underserved and underrepresented student enrollment, increasing institutional support for student financial aid, and advancing critical initiatives that enhance Virginia Tech's mission as a leading global land-grant institution.

On June 14, the Executive Committee will consider a combination of cost containment and revenue enhancement strategies that will address employee compensation and benefit increases (including graduate assistants), fixed cost increases, continued investment in academic programs including faculty, and the

enhancement of high-demand student support services.

To further advance affordability, the university continues to expand private philanthropy in support of the university and increase student financial aid programs, namely the university's Funds for the Future program that keeps the net cost of tuition and fees flat for returning students with family incomes below \$100,000. In concert with additional financial aid from the commonwealth, these efforts can help to lower the net cost of higher education for Virginia undergraduates.

The following ranges of tuition and educational and general (E&G) fee adjustments for fall 2022 will be considered by the Executive Committee. These ranges were first

published March 4 in anticipation of a vote on April 4, which did not occur. Final decisions are contingent upon the outcome of the General Assembly session, when total mandated costs and the level of state support are fully understood by the university. The university is hopeful that additional state support will help to continue to moderate tuition increases.

Virginia resident undergraduates: Tuition and Educational & General fees may increase between 0 percent and 4.9 percent.

Non-resident undergraduates: Tuition and Educational & General fees may increase between 0 percent and 4.9 percent.

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All students: Mandatory non-Educational & General fees may increase up to 5.9 percent to support mandated cost increases, including employee compensation and benefits, the cost of the transit system, and enhancements in student health and counseling services. Virginia Tech maintains the lowest mandatory non-Educational & General fees among public four-year institutions in the commonwealth.

These recommendations are designed to continue Virginia Tech's trend of below-average increases in undergraduate tuition and fees, made possible through state investment and the university's focus on cost containment and strategic allocation of limited resources.

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reminds drivers that the fluorescent pink posted detour signs are for incidents or emergencies.

VDOT provides notices of traffic incidents through the www.511Virginia.org website and mobile app. In addition, electronic

message boards will be activated along the Interstate 77 corridor and at some locations along Route 58 in the event of an incident that requires a detour.

The project on Lovers Leap Mountain will improve safety on

Route 58 by expanding the road from two lanes to four lanes starting 0.3 mile east of Route 610 (Cloud-break Road) and extending to 0.7 mile north of Stuart. Construction is estimated to be completed in late spring 2026.

Top Prize

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team from each group presented to all judges with other teams and advisors and competition sponsors in attendance.

What set the Virginia Tech team apart from the competition, Robert said, was the team's analysis of the project site and recommended development.

"In their pitch, the students developed an innovative residential community comprised of single-family dwellings, duplex units, and condominiums," he said. "The

primary praise coming from judges was that, in five years, you are going to see exactly what the team suggested built on that site. The team successfully recognized the best development opportunity for the site and conducted credible analyses to support their proposal."

The team received the top prize of \$5,000 and a plaque commemorating their win. Also, Virginia Tech will be engraved on a trophy that memorializes all winners.

"I am very proud of

the team's accomplishments," Robert said. "I am proud of the team's commitment, effort, and perseverance."

"The students' hours of work were evident and culminated in their victory. They showed tremendous personal and professional growth from this experience. From where they began to when they performed their final presentation, they grew individually and as a team. With this experience and additional confidence that they have built, it is no doubt in my mind

that they will become successful real estate professionals."

For this competition, Robert's role as an academic advisor was unique. He was prohibited from providing the team with any guidance on the case study. Instead, he equipped the team with the tools needed to succeed before the competition case was released.

"Once the team completed their submission materials, we worked on formal presentation skills," he said.

Rotary Club

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High School; and Yesenia Mercado and Mitchem Sutphin of Eastern Montgomery High School received this award.

In addition, academic achievement awards were presented to the top 5% of the junior class from each school based on grade point average. Receiving these honors from Auburn High School were Lauren Connelly, Bryce DeHart, and Dawson Richards.

Honored by the club from Blacksburg High School were Aun Ali, Linden Ambrose, Haley Bortner, Elizabeth Bryan, Caoilainn Christensen, Jonathan Distler, Kai Feng, David Garza, Carson Gilmore, Henry Goldschmidt, Yashwanth Gollapudi, Suzie Kim, Jackson Lawrence, Heewon Lim, Justin Lin, Erik Midkiff, Erika Miyazaki, Jack Nussbaum, Nevin O'Dowd, Lea Pa-

tel, Leah Rockwell, Annelise Rosmaita, Sean Ruan, Mila Santsaver-Jones, William Shi, Eli Sterling, Gabriel Syed, Samantha Wang, Zijun Wang, Samuel Woolsey, and Edric Zhang.

Students honored by the club from Christiansburg High School were Iain Abbott, Carson Ballard, Alexis Bentley, Evan Cline, Christopher Junio, Lauren Kwak, Lauren Logwood, Faith McDowell, Bridget Miller, Eden Mitchell, Hannah Parker, Taylor Rasmussen, Anna Rayne, Brendan Robertson, Nathanael Seife, Owen Walker, Brailyn Wilburn, and Hannah Williams.

From Eastern Montgomery High School, the club presented academic achievement awards to Logan Boone, Madison Bruce, Jenna Gadd, and Madeline Mirolli.

Rescue Squad

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man nutrition, foods, and exercise in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Nathan Duda, vehicles lieutenant, a rising senior majoring in environmental science in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Jake Weirer, communications lieutenant, a rising sophomore majoring in aerospace and ocean engineering in the College of Engineering.

Josh Brown, special operations officer, a rising

junior majoring in public health in the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine.

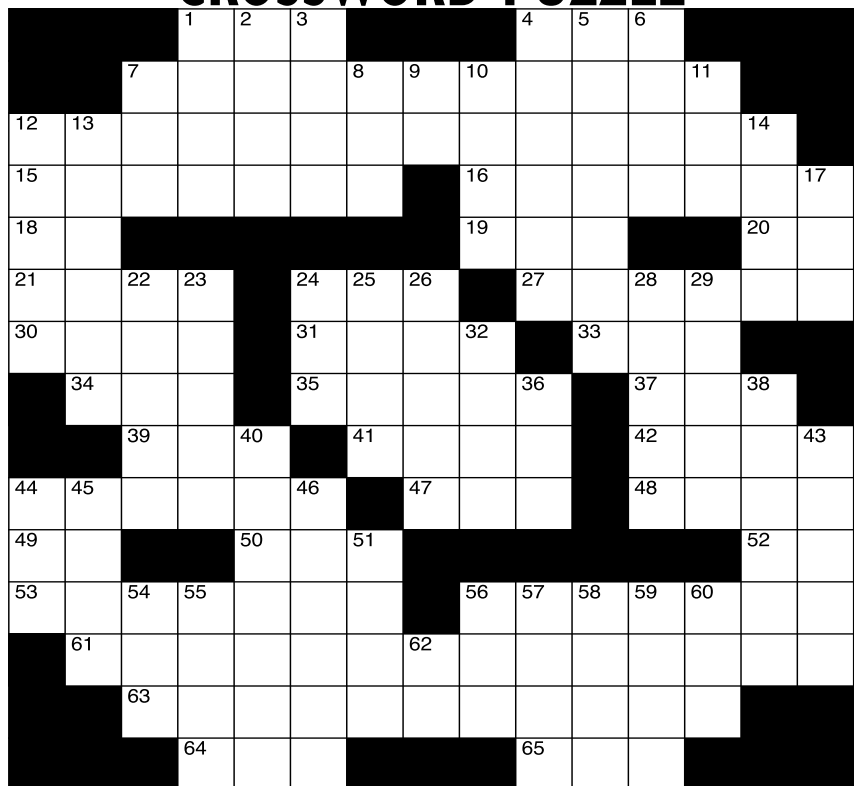
Alice Rosales, member at large, a rising junior majoring in criminology, College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences.

Sheharyar Khan, membership chair, rising senior majoring in psychology, College of Science.

Tim Wojcik, parliamentarian, rising junior majoring in aerospace engineering in the College of Engineering.

Responding to around 1,200 emergency calls on the Blacksburg campus in a typical year, the Virginia Tech Rescue Squad performs the same functions as that of a municipal rescue squad. Its members also provide emergency medical services at major university and athletic events, manage the AED program on the Blacksburg campus, and offer ongoing health and safety-related training — such as Stop the Bleed — for the university community.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- CLUES ACROSS
1. Small lump
4. Helps little firms
7. A way of performing
12. Lawyers
15. Stirred up
16. Believed in
18. The Bay State (abbr.)
19. Makes computers
20. Sodium
21. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
24. Institute legal proceedings against
27. More compact
30. Ethiopian river
31. Quantitative fact
33. No (Scottish)
34. A concession of no great value
35. Tony-winning actress Daisy
37. More (Spanish)
39. Russian space station
41. Helicopter
42. At the peak
44. Makes ecstatically happy
47. Excellent
48. Material body
49. The Golden State (abbr.)
50. A unit of plane angle
52. Argon
53. Fancy
56. Fried mixture of meat & spices
61. How green plants use sunlight
63. Without wills
64. Unhappy
65. Meat from a pig's leg
- CLUES DOWN
1. Mentor
2. Lyric poems
3. A dry cold north wind in Switzerland
4. Trapped
5. Used for road surfacing
6. Cuckoos
7. Prefix "away from"
8. Seth McFarlane comedy
9. Not out
10. "The Simpsons" bus driver
11. Popular HBO drama (abbr.)
12. Acclaimed Indian physicist
13. Removes
14. One-name NBA player
17. Revolutionary women
22. Smell
23. Ground-dwelling songbird
24. Midway between south and southeast
25. American state
26. Keen
28. Khoikhoi peoples
29. Int'l defense organization
32. Samoan money
36. A sign of assent
38. One from Somalia
40. Boat race
43. Trims
44. French coins
45. Indigenous Scandinavian
46. Flew alone
51. Loch where a "monster" lives
54. Japanese title
55. Pros and ____
56. Present in all living cells
57. Something to scratch
58. Branch of Islam
59. Appear
60. Former CIA
62. Yukon Territory

Local college students receive honors, graduate

Blacksburg's Spencer Amacher earns dean's list recognition at Ohio Wesleyan

Spencer Amacher of Blacksburg has been named to the 2022 spring semester dean's list at Ohio Wesleyan University. To earn dean's list recognition, Ohio Wesleyan students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale in all applicable classes.

Blacksburg student Michael Cruz graduates from Cumberlands, named to Cumberlands president's list

Michael Cruz of Blacksburg

has been named to the president's list for the spring 2022 semester at University of the Cumberlands. He has also graduated from Cumberlands with a Bachelor of Applied Science in Business Administration degree.

University of the Cumberlands held commencement ceremonies recently to celebrate its newest graduates. Participants in this year's commencement ceremonies included graduates from 49 states and territories and the countries of Canada, India, Brazil, Spain, New Zealand, and Italy. A total of 2,068 graduates received their degrees

from Cumberlands.

To be eligible for the president's list, students must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours (a full course load), maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 4.0, receive an "A" grade in UC Engage, and be in good academic standing. (Note: All students who are named to the president's list automatically make the dean's list, which requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5; however, Cumberlands only lists students on either the dean's list or the president's list, to avoid overlap.)

Located in Williamsburg,

Kentucky, Cumberlands is an institution of regional distinction offering quality undergraduate, graduate, doctoral, and online degree programs.

Aaron Greenough graduates from Utah State University

Aaron Greenough was among the May 5 graduates from Utah State University. He received a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Management and a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Technology. He was among the 6,588 students who received degrees and certificates. The 2022 graduating class included graduates

from summer and fall 2021 and spring 2022 semesters.

Blacksburg's Brandon DeLorenzo recognized by Ohio University College of Business with leadership excellence and sports scholarship awards

Ohio University's College of Business has announced that Blacksburg's Brandon DeLorenzo has received the 2022 Excellence in Leadership and Scholarship Award in sports.

DeLorenzo, who is set to graduate in 2022, is studying sport management and marketing with a certificate in sales.

PET OF THE WEEK



Dusty would purr-fer the simple life without a lot of commotion. He is an independent and shy boy but he has lived with other cats. Come by the Animal Care and Adoption Center to see if Dusty is the cat for you.



Evie is a very good girl! Always up for a walk, she would be a great hiking buddy and would do best in a home where she is the only pet. She's a smart girl and knows "sit," "shake," and "high-five." Stop by the ACAC and meet her. She could be the paw-some pup you have been looking for.

Virginia Tech team works to address legacy nutrient issues affecting water quality

Excess nutrients in water can affect human health, the environment, and the economy, costing federal, state, and local governments billions of dollars per year to minimize the impacts. In order to evaluate and measure nitrogen — one of the key nutrients — a group of scientists from Virginia Tech is developing and evaluating nitrogen removal programs at a test site in Virginia.

The team, which is made up of researchers

from the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics and others at the university, is investigating options for "pay for demonstrated performance" programs that compensate agricultural landowners for nutrient reduction removal success in local water systems. This program would create incentives to manage bioreactors to maximize removal performance.

The four-year project is funded by a \$499,627

grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Harmful algal blooms, dead zones, and fish kills are the result of eutrophication, which begins with the increased load of nutrients to fresh and coastal waters.

An important source of nitrogen is historical applications of fertilizers and manures, called legacy nitrogen. This nitrogen leaches through soils and into groundwater. Legacy nitrogen may have been stored in groundwater

aquifers for decades before being discharged in springs.

Although the water is clear from the Shenandoah Valley spring where the team is working, it contains relatively high levels of nitrate. The levels are not high enough to be of concern for human

health, but the nitrogen does contribute to eutrophication, most notably the Chesapeake Bay.

One of the few technologies available to treat legacy nitrogen is using bioreactors to remove the nitrogen from the water by chemical reduction.

Bioreactors are lined beds filled with carbon material, typically wood chips. The carbon provides energy to microbes that convert nitrates into dinitrogen gas, which is biologically unavailable for plant growth.

By Melissa Vidmar



Pictured is a side view of the Shenandoah Valley spring bioreactor. The water inlet pipe is on the right, and the bioreactor is outlined by dotted line. Beneath the surface is 3 feet of wood chips. Photo illustration by Kurt Stephenson for Virginia Tech.



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MAY 17 7:05
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MAY 18 7:05
GAME TWO - GATES OPEN 6:00 PM

MAY 19 7:05
THIRSTY THURSDAY & BARK IN THE PARK - GATES OPEN 6:00 PM

MAY 20 7:05
TEACHER APPRECIATION & FIREWORKS - GATES OPEN 6:00 PM

MAY 21 6:05
GAME FIVE - GATES OPEN 5:30 PM

MAY 22 5:05
KIDS RUN THE BASES - GATES OPEN 4:00 PM


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OBITUARIES

Lloyd, Sylvia Miller Medley

Sylvia Miller Medley Lloyd, 79, of Radford, passed away on Wednesday, May 11, 2022.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Irving Lloyd, Jr.; and her parents, Richard and Winifred Miller.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Angela and Scott Hill; grandchildren Michael and Matthew Hill; stepchildren and their spouses, Dianne and Timothy Clark and Benjamin and Laura Lloyd; grandchildren Zachary and Nicholas Clark, and Caleb and Isaac Lloyd; sister and brother-in-law Cheryl and Neil Rogers; a brother, Kent Miller; special caregivers Amy Rhodes, Lou Ellen White, Paulette Walling, and Ava Bayne; and many other nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Sylvia was a loving wife, mother, grandma, sister, friend, teacher, follower of Jesus and child of God. She was a graduate of Radford High School and Radford College and received a Masters



of Science Degree in December 1991 from Radford University. She loved teaching and taught thousands of students over her 32-year teaching career before retiring in 1998. She began teaching at Dublin High School and went on to teach sixth and seventh grade English and social studies at McHarg Elementary School and then Dalton Intermediate

School.

The family received friends on Saturday, May 14, 2022, at Central United Methodist Church in Radford. Funeral services began at noon with the Rev. Don Smith officiating. Interment followed in Fairview Cemetery in Narrows.

Donations can be made to Central United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 611, Radford, VA, 24143, or Valley Junction Camp, 4500 Adam's Way, Randleman, N.C., 27317.

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

Moss, Allyn Marilyn "Alwyn"

On April 21, 2022, at the age of 95, Alwyn Moss left this life and the Earth she loved so deeply. She leaves behind several cousins and a multitude of friends who cherished and loved her. These include members of the Quaker community of the Blacksburg Friends Meeting and neighbors at Warm Hearth Village.

Alwyn had a long, rich, and interesting life as a writer, an artist, a teacher, and an activist.

She was born and grew up in New York City. She graduated from Antioch College having majored in English and theater, then studied anthropology at the University of California in Los Angeles. Back in New York, she worked as a staff writer for Mademoiselle and freelanced for other magazines as well. She was married briefly.

When she was around 30, she went to live in Italy to write and to study art. She published her first book at age 36: "Shaping a New World, a Biography of Margaret Mead." She also lived in England for a time where she worked at the London Zoo next to the wolf enclosure. She also trained in the Waldorf method of education, which stresses art and nature in educating young children.

After having been away for 11 years, she returned to the United States and embarked on a new journey. She was now a Quaker, an artist, and a kindergarten teacher. She became a founding teacher of the Blue Mountain School in Floyd and was one of the first people to bring Waldorf education to the area. She also became a tireless crusader for environmental and animal rights.

After she moved to Blacksburg in



1987, she began writing her famous commentaries for The Roanoke Times and other papers. One of her most important accomplishments was forming the Friends of the Brown Farm group, which resulted in the preservation of a large acreage of farmland which became Heritage Park.

Over the years she took on many issues, such as

the protection of old stately trees, beavers, songbirds, and public transportation and the opposition to hunting, cruelty to animals, war, and waste. One of her great loves was cats—especially feral cats, whom she fiercely protected, defended, fed, and wrote about.

She was particularly prolific in her 80s despite struggling with many health issues. Her booklet, "To Love the Earth: A New Way of Being Human on This Planet" came out when she was 82, followed by "Remembering their Names," a collection of nature poems.

Also at 90, Alwyn published her notable book "Never Love a Feral Cat," a subject particularly dear to her heart. Later she added a section of personal poems to her volume of nature poems, renaming the collection, "Remembering their Names: A Gathering Time."

Alwyn was a true original, always doing things on her own terms. She even died according to her principles, at home, in her own bed. She was buried, unembalmed, in a cardboard box, so she could be close to the earth.

Donations may be made in Alwyn's honor at maraelephantproject.org. The Mara Elephant Project was Alwyn's most recent cause. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

Dunagan, James "Jamie" Ellis

James "Jamie" Ellis Dunagan, 64, of Dublin, passed away at his home, surrounded by his family on Friday, May 13, 2022. He worked for F&W for Willow Woods as a maintenance man for 15 years. Jamie then went on to work for Flow Labs for 10 years. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lisa Cook Dunagan; his parents, Margaret and Robert C. Dunagan; and his brother, Daniel Dewayne Rorrer.

Survivors include his sister and brother-in-law, Teresa and Gary Bailey; brothers and sisters-in-law, Dennis Rorrer

(Donna), Daniel Dunagan (Carol), and David Dunagan (Cora); special canine companion, Buttons; and many other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

A celebration of life was held on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at Bread of Life/Assembly of God Church in Pulaski.

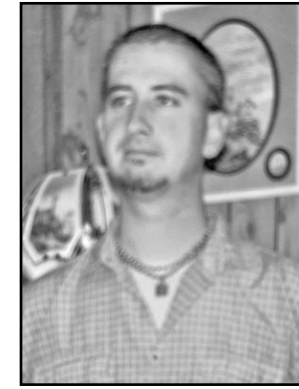
In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Bread of Life/Assembly of God, Attn: Pastor Mabel Caudill, 3104 Mt. Olivet Road, Pulaski, VA, 24301.

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

Rowan, Benjamin John Chesley

Benjamin John Chesley Rowan, 43, of Christiansburg, passed away May 7, 2022.

He is survived by his parents, David and Linda Rowan; uncles and aunts John and Natalie DeWalt of Kane, Penn., Jay and Chris Rowan of Warren, Penn. and Bill and Theresa Rowan, also of Warren. He is also survived by cousins Mike, Andrew, Jake, Karen, Deidra, Robin, Jamie, and Sandy; god-sons Ethan and Gavin; and special



friends Jeremy and Becka Jackson of Floyd. He leaves behind his beloved pets, Daisy, Rusty and Tom. He was loved by all of those who knew him in his job at Rainbow Riders.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Christian Fellowship Tabernacle with the Rev. Stephen Coffey officiating. Arrangements with Horne Funeral Home & Crematory.

NOTICE RADFORD RESIDENTS

The deadline for paying **REAL ESTATE TAXES** (first installment) for **2022** is **JUNE 6, 2022**.

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Cook Jr., Haven Robert

Haven Robert Cook Jr., 84, of Blacksburg, went to be with the Lord, Sunday, May 15, 2022, at LewisGale Hospital-Montgomery. He was born in Blacksburg on July 20, 1937 to the late Haven Robert Cook, Sr. and Lillie Mae Cook. He is also preceded in death by his brothers, Cecil Caldwell, Doc Caldwell, and Richard Caldwell; and sisters, Eva Craighead and Estee Hunter. He is survived by

his wife, Wanda Cook; daughter, Angie Linkous (Dewayne); sons, Greg Cook and wife, Karen; Scott Cook and wife, Melissa; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild, brother, Bob Caldwell.

Graveside service will be conducted Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 2 p.m. at Roselawn Memorial Gardens, Christiansburg. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

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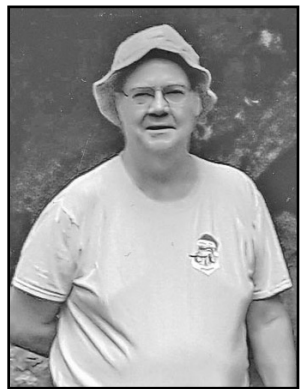
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Fox, John W.



A celebration of life for John W. Fox will be held on Sunday, May 22, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Unity Christian Church, Radford. Anyone wishing to visit with the family is welcome to the family home after the 2 p.m. service.

On Monday, May 23, 2022, at 11 a.m. John's ashes will be interred at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, Dublin. A short service with military honors will be held. All are welcome to attend.



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for Craig County, Virginia, in
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Book 74, page 635. Date of
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Court, 182 Main Street,
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David C. Hellscher, Esq.
Substitute Trustee

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**Legals - Botetourt
County**

**ORDER OF
PUBLICATION**

COMMONWEALTH OF
VIRGINIA VA. CODE §§
1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317,
20-104
Case No. CL22000143-00
BOTETOURT COUNTY
1 WEST MAIN STREET,
P.O. BOX 219,
FINCASTLE, VA 24090

FLORIARES DE LA CRUZ
ANTIVOLA
v.
LINDY MICHAEL SANTOS
MONTANA, JR

The object of this suit is:
DIVORCE. It is ORDERED
that LINDY MICHAEL
SANTOS MONTANA, JR
appear at the above-named
court and protect his/her
interests on or before MAY
16, 2022.

APRIL 15, 2022
Tommy L. Moore
Clerk

**Legals -
Montgomery
County**

**ORDER OF
PUBLICATION**

Case No. CL22000727-00
Montgomery County Circuit
Court, 55 East Main Street
Christiansburg, VA 24073

YINGQIU ZHANG
v.
LI JIA

The petitioner's object of
this proceeding is to obtain
a divorce of bond of
matrimony from the
Defendant on the ground of
having lived separate and
apart for a period exceeding
one year.
It appearing by affidavit that
the Defendant's last known
address was 1101 Joyce
Street, Apartment 2318,
Arlington, Virginia 22202,
the Defendant's present
whereabouts are unknown,
and diligence has been
used by the Plaintiff to
ascertain in what county or
city the Defendant is without
effect, it is ORDERED that
the defendant appear
before this court on July 20,
2022 and protect her
interests herein.

It is further ORDERED that
the foregoing portion of this
order be published once a
week for four successive
weeks in the News
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Virginia, and a copy of this
order is to be posted at the
front door of the
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House of Virginia.

May 4, 2022
Erica W. Conner
Clerk of Court

**ORDER OF
PUBLICATION**

Case No. CL22000744-00

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

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

Yonce, Sandra Kay
v.
Yonce, Kenneth Lee, II

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The object of this suit is to:
OBTAIN A DIVORCE
It is ORDERED that
KENNETH LEE YONCE, II
appear at the above-named
court and protect his/her
interests on or before July
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May 10, 2022
Erica W. Conner
Clerk of Court

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Tax Map No.: 051-A
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Page 482.

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RU and VT benefitting from transfer portal

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The words “recruiting” and the “transfer portal” have become interchangeable.

Both Virginia Tech and Radford University are benefitting from players who like the idea of a change of scenery. The schools announced major transfers this past week who provide some depth and experience to squads depleted by graduation.

The NCAA transfer portal is a compliance system created in October 2018 by the National Collegiate Athletic Association to manage and facilitate the process for student athletes seeking to transfer between member institutions.

Many schools like Virginia Tech and Radford University have devoted an assistant coach who watches the database of those players wishing to transfer.

Tech managed to grab two players, Justin Mutts and Keve Aluma, who were instant starters in Blacksburg. The Hokies are hoping the same will be true with two players who announced this past week.

The Virginia Tech men’s basketball team has added depth to its frontcourt with the addition of Rice transfer Mylyjael Poteat who has three years of eligibility remaining. The 6-foot-9, 260-pound forward comes to Blacksburg after competing for two seasons with the Owls.

The Reidsville, N.C., native averaged 7.7 points and 4.2 re-

bounds per game last season at Rice. He shot 62.0% from the floor, which was the seventh-highest mark in school history.

The Hokies also gained some experienced front court help in Wright State forward Grant Basile, a two-time All-Horizon League second-team pick.

More than 50 schools had contacted him before he picked the Hokies over the likes of Wisconsin, Notre Dame, and Iowa State.

The 6-foot-9, 225-pound Basile averaged 18.4 points, 8.5 rebounds, 1.6 blocks, and 32.6 minutes as a fourth-year junior this year. He started every game for Wright State, which won 22 games and the Horizon League tournament title.

John Camden, a transfer from Memphis, has signed with Virginia Tech and will be immediately eligible to compete beginning with the 2022-23 men’s basketball season.

A former 4-star recruit, Camden battled injuries throughout his freshman campaign at Memphis. Camden and the Tigers finished the 2021-22 season at 22-11 and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

Across the river, Radford has added junior college transfer D’Auntray Pierce from Western Wyoming Community College, DaQuan Smith from Murray State University, junior college transfer Justin Archer from Florida Southwestern State College, and Madiaw Niang from Florida Atlantic University.

D’Auntray is a 6-9 center hailing from Denver. Pierce will add immediate size and strength to the Highlanders’ roster. In 25 games this season, he averaged 11.0 points, 5.6 rebounds, 2.0 blocks, and 1.2 assists per game.

Those numbers came with an impressive efficiency to them, as Pierce shot 60.1% from the field, 33.3% from 3-point range, and 69.0% from the free-throw line. He posted season-highs of 23 points, 12 rebounds, eight blocks, and three steals over the course of the year as well.

After redshirting the 2018-19 season, Smith appeared in 90 games during the 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 seasons, including 30 starts in 2020. He finished his Murray State career with 13 games in double-figure scoring while providing strong numbers in both steals and assists.

In his lone season with Florida Southwestern, Archer appeared in 17 games, starting six, providing 6.3 points on 65.6-percent shooting and 4.1 rebounds per game.

Niang has made 97 appearances and 19 starts thus far in his collegiate career, collecting 242 points, 278 rebounds, 34 steals, and 30 blocks. His best season while playing for the Owls came in 2019-20 when he made 10 starts out of 31 games played and averaged career highs of 2.6 points and 3.5 rebounds per game.

The Virginia Tech women’s

team also gained an important transfer from Boston College as All-ACC standout Taylor Soule is headed to Blacksburg. A 5’11” guard, Soule is a former winner of the ACC’s Most Improved Player award. She is the second player from BC to join the Hokies. Soule will reunite with center Clara Ford, who announced her destination in April.

Soule was one of the most consistent players for Boston College during her time in Chestnut Hill. In the COVID-19 shortened 2019-2020 season, she averaged 14.5 points and seven rebounds per game for the Eagles. She continued her strong play in 2020-21, averaging more than 14 points and seven rebounds per game. She averaged 16 points per game this last season.

“I am very excited to add Taylor to our team,” Virginia Tech Coach Kenny Brooks said. “Her versatility on both sides of the floor along with her leadership abilities will be a huge benefit. Her energy, defensive prowess and athleticism add dimensions that can make us better. We are thrilled to have her.”

Ford is a graduate transfer who played for four years at Boston College and will utilize her fifth year of eligibility in Blacksburg.

“We are extremely excited to add Clara and her family to our team,” Brooks said. “She will add much needed depth to our front court, and her maturity and leadership qualities will be

an asset for our group.”

In 2021-22 Ford played in 30 games, starting once. She averaged 2.2 points and 1.3 rebounds and shot 59% from the field.

For her Boston College career, she played in 91 games tallying a career-high 19 points in 2020 against Syracuse and secured 16 rebounds vs. UMass, also in 2020.

They will join Maryland transfer, 6-0 guard Ashley Owusu. With the Terrapins for the last three seasons, she was a 1,000-point scorer and a two-time AP All-America and was honored as the Ann Meyers Drysdale Award winner in 2021.

“I am thrilled to add Ashley to our already talented and experienced squad,” Brooks said. “Ashley’s experience and abilities will tie directly to the philosophies we desire. Her versatility will give us the ability to play multiple people in multiple positions. She adds an element that we haven’t had here before. Her desire to win and willingness to do what’s best for the team will elevate our program.”

This past season, Owusu averaged 14.3 points, 3.1 rebounds, and 3.6 assists per game while shooting 42% from the field. She scored in double figures in 20 of 27 games and registered eight 20-point games, scoring a season-high 30 points vs. Stanford in November.

In 2022, Owusu was named to the Big Ten’s Second Team.

Blacksburg boys soccer downs Christiansburg 4-0



Blacksburg goalie DJ Garza (right) snags a save from a left side kick as Caleb Yopp (left) watches. The Bruins picked up a 4-0 shutout Friday against Christiansburg.



Sean DeLorenzo makes a goal attempt that is saved on the line by goalie Mason Sowers.



Micah Meyer (center) weaves his way up the sideline with tight double coverage from Straun Baker (left) and Luke Milauskas (right) in Friday’s Battle of the Burgs.



Mason Sowers (left) and Kendall Britt (right) attempt to make a save, but Sean DeLorenzo (center) succeeds in scoring his first of two goals in Blacksburg’s defeat of Christiansburg.

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Blacksburg wins boys and girls titles at Saturday's Invitational

Blacksburg High School claimed both the boys and girls titles at Saturday's Blacksburg Invitational. The boys' team tallied 114 points to second place Pulaski's 100. Glenvar was third with 50 points and Christiansburg finished fourth with 51 points.

Radford finished sixth in the boys' competition with Auburn eighth and Eastern Montgomery twelfth.

On the girls' side of the field, Blacksburg totaled 142 points to Glenvar's 76 and Christiansburg's 61. Floyd was fourth at 59 with Auburn finishing in eighth place and Eastern Montgomery winding up in eleventh place.

Radford's David Woodward claimed the long jump field event with a leap of 20.75. Teammate Elliott Grayson was third.

Christiansburg's Tyrique Taylor won the boys' discus with a mark of 155' 2". Woodward finished fifth.

Grayson followed up his long jump finish with a first in the high jump at 6' 6". Woodward also took the triple jump at 43' 6." Grayson was fourth.

Taylor finished third behind teammate Ayden Conley who had a throw of 49' 1".

Daniel Graham led the boys' 110-meter hurdles for Auburn while Blacksburg's Conner Rutherford led the 1,600 meters to the line. Bruin runners also took positions three through eight in the event.

Andy Vaughn of Auburn took the pole vault at 11 even, and Blacksburg's Linden Ambrose finished second at 10' 6".

Christiansburg's Lawson Mecom rolled to the boys' 3,200 meters with a time of 9:53.96.

The Eastern Montgomery 4X800 relay team of Alec Elkins, Camre Sampson, Greg Richardson, and Lance Elkins took second in the event as Floyd finished first.

Blacksburg was first and third in the 400 meters as Ben Hager led the group to the tape. Isaac Shimozone gave the Bruins a top finish in the 200 meters. The Christiansburg 4X400 meter relay team of Spence Conner, Braid Beckner, Donald Richardson and Jonah Bremner finished in first place.

Blacksburg dominated the girls' competition, doubling up second-place Glenvar.

Blacksburg's Amy Fugate finished third in the girls' long jump with a mark of 16'3.5". Christiansburg's Madelyn Moles was fourth.

Auburn's Haley Hollins continued her dominance in the shot put with a throw of 38'5.75". Her teammate Kenzie Swicewood was fourth. Hollins also won the girls' discus with a mark of 113'8.5".

Christiansburg's Madelyn Moles sailed to a mark of 12'0" in the pole vault to give the Blue Demons a first place. Blacksburg's Maggie Zier and Sarah Duetsch were second and third with Auburn's Kylee Turman fourth.

The Blacksburg competitors finished two through five in the girls' high jump. Blacksburg's Katja Kehlenbeck was second and Christiansburg's Blythe Akers was third.

Christiansburg's Hannah Parker won the 3,200 meters with Blacksburg's Ele Norton second.

Blacksburg dominated the girls' 100-meters with first (Sophia Krouscas) and second (Maggie Zier). Christiansburg's 4X100 relay of Madelyn Moles, Summer Hamlin, Leila Hale, and Lilli Shepherd finished first.

VT's Cole Beck earns track MVP

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Blacksburg native Cole Beck had three podium finishes at this past week's ACC outdoor track championships.

Cole Beck of Virginia Tech visited the podium three times Saturday en route to winning the men's most valuable performer on the track at the 2022 ACC Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Morris Williams Stadium on the campus of Duke University.

He became the first Hokie to win the award at the outdoor meet.

Beck's strong showing fueled the Hokies to a second-place finish in the team race on the men's side. He helped account for 26 of Tech's 93 points scored. The Blacksburg native captured a gold (4x100 relay) and two silvers (100 and 200).

Florida State won the men's title with 149 points. Virginia finished third with 83 points. With the second-place finish, the Hokies added another point to their side in the Commonwealth Clash presented by Smithfield.

On the women's side, Miami won the team title with 108 points, edging host Duke (100.5 points). UVA clipped Tech 54.25-54 to take seventh, leaving the Hokie women in eighth place.

The day started with a bang as the men's 4x100 relay tandem of Kahleje Tillmon, Torrence Walker, Kennedy Harrison, and Beck ran the third-fastest time in the country at 38.69 to win the program's first-ever ACC title in the event. In addition to the national attention, the time was a school record, a facility record, and a meet record.

Leigha Torino (4:18.09) and David Whitfield (3:45.75) recorded a pair of eighth-place showings in the 1,500.

Barbora Malikova and Tyreke Sapp both earned All-ACC second team honors by placing fourth and sixth, respectively, in the 400. Malikova clocked a 53.22 in the women's division while Sapp was timed at 46.49 in the men's race.

In the women's 800, Grace Boone secured All-ACC second team recognition by crossing the line in fifth place at 2:05.96. Seb Anthony also placed fifth in the men's race, stopping the watch at 1:48.21.

This set the scene for a 1-2 finish by the Hokies in the men's 200. Tillmon edged teammate Beck at the finish line for the ACC crown, posting a 20.41 to set a school record and a facility record. Beck's 20.47 is the third-fastest time in the 200 in program history.

Antonio Lopez Segura rounded out the scoring for Tech with his fifth-place finish in the men's 5,000. He crossed the line in 13:40.38 to earn All-ACC a second-team distinction.

In the field events, Essence Henderson took fourth in the women's discus to secure her second All-ACC honor of the outdoor championships. She unleashed a throw of 175' 6" on her fourth attempt of the event.

Aidan Clark clinched four points in the men's standings for the Hokies by placing fifth in the high jump. He cleared 6' 11.5" on his fifth attempt to garner All-ACC second-team honors.

Tech now turns its attention to the NCAA East Region Championships, May 26-28 in Bloomington, Ind.

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