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Abbott initiates recall for infant formula purchased at Food City

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

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

The formula under question is Similac Adv Complete Nutrition

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

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

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

For complete information on the Abbott recall, consumers may call Abbott at 1-800-986-8450 or visit www.similacrecall.com. The Federal Drug Administration is advis-

Blacksburg Transit hiring

ing consumers not to use Similac, Alimentum, or EleCare powdered infant formulas if the first two digits of the code are 22 through 37, the code on the container contains K8, SH, or Z2, and the expiration date is 4-1-2022 or later.

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

The Radford City Police Department has arrested

Quickeem Dashawn Boynes on charges of credit card theft and larceny of a firearm. He was previously wanted on a number of criminal charges.

Radford Police arrest local man wanted on numerous criminal charges

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

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

Boynes is being held without bond at the New River Regional Jail. The Radford City Police

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

summer bus driver trainees



Blacksburg Transit is now hiring up to 20 bus driver trainees through July.

Blacksburg Transit's summer bus driver hiring program is underway through July.

The program features a \$2,000 ĥiring/training bonus along with a \$13.56 per-hour training wage.

BT Director Brian Booth said, "This is a great opportunity for anyone looking for either parttime or full-time employment as a bus driver. We provide the training, we provide the \$2,000 bonus, and we pay you \$13.56 per hour while you train."

Since the program is available only through July with a limit of 20 trainees, job seekers are encouraged to apply now at www. ridebt.org/drive or call 540-443-1500.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Rafie has some general recommendations for common occurrences as mothers search for formula, which

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

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

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

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

Accredited human milk banks can supply human breast milk.

By Max Esterhuizen



Auburn Middle School claims first place in Virginia Arrive Alive campaign

Auburn Middle School was a first-place winner in Virginia's statewide Arrive Alive: Buckle Up and Slow Down campaign.

With teen driver-relatfatalities on the rise in Virginia, Auburn Middle School was recognized for its efforts to educate students about driver and passenger safety as part of the statewide Arrive Alive campaign.

The annual campaign runs through August and is sponsored by Youth of Virginia Speak out about Traffic Safety, the Virginia State Police, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles Highway Safety Office, and State Farm Insurance.

Thirty-four high schools, middle schools, and youth groups across the commonwealth participated in the campaign that focuses on reminding teens to drive safely during the high-risk warm weather months in spring and summer.

As part of the campaign, participating schools and youth groups competed for prizes by developing a creative project, completing call-to-action activities, and conducting pre- and postseat belt checks to evaluate the campaign's impact within their school or youth group community. The initial portion of the campaign took place from April 4 through May 6, 2022. Campaign surveys revealed a 7.6% increase in seat belt use at competing schools and youth groups.

Schools and youth groups conducted activities such as a Battle of the Belts, which focused on seat belt use and involved students racing to see who could buckle up the quickest. Other activities included door decorating contests, safe driving pep rallies, buckle-up photo booths, an egg hunt for students to hunt plastic eggs with safety messages and candy inside, producing videos about why

safe driving is important, organizing mock crashes, and hosting an "I am Dead" Day with mock student obituaries.

As the statewide winner, Auburn Middle School re ceived a check for \$300, funded by State Farm Insur-

We are proud of these schools and youth groups for taking the lead in encouraging young drivers and passengers in their communities to buckle up, slow down, and drive safely during this high-risk period," said Mary King, program manager for Youth of Virginia Speak out about Traffic Safety. "With the alarming increase we are seeing in teen fatalities across the state, it is especially important for schools, youth groups, community organizations, and parents to get involved in reminding teens to make good decisions when driving or riding as a passenger. Our challenge now is to increase these safe-driving messages and programs as we head into summer break and the 101 critical days of summer."

According to data from the Virginia DMV, teen motor vehicle fatalities rose 31% from 2020 to 2021. Speed and failure to buckle up continue to be an issue with 62% of teens killed in 2021 being unrestrained. DMV data reveal that 60 percent of fatal teen driver crashes in 2021 involved speed.

With the increase in teen motor vehicle fatalities and speed-related fatal crashes, Youth of Virginia Speak out about Traffic Safety is encouraging schools and youth groups to continue promoting safe driving and passenger safety throughout the summer months. Businesses and community members may register for free buckle-up/slow-down vinyl banners, posters, and buckle-up message cards

PCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, June 8:

Brown Bag Book Club

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

Thursday, June 9:

River City Quilt Guild

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

June 2022 Eggs & Issues: COVID after-action report

At Warm Hearth Village 2387 Warm Hearth Drive, Blacksburg, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce presents its Eggs & Issues breakfast and a COVID after-action report on how the community has adapted. Invited speakers are Dr. Noelle Bissell, Director of the New River Health District; Bill Flattery, Vice President of Carilion Clinic, Western Region; Devin Tobin, COO of LewisGale Hospital Montgomery; and Kevin Byrd, Executive Director of the New River Valley Regional Commission. Admission is \$25 for chamber members and \$35 for non-members. Space is limited. Register and pay online or contact programs@montgom-

Meet the author event

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

Thursday Chapel Services

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

Thursday, June 9-Thursday, June 23:

Set sail to healthy eating and cook-

ing for the family

At the Meadowbrook Public Library; Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Participants will learn how to make affordable, healthy snacks and meals for the family. They will receive free cooking utensils at each class and a slow cook- due to limited supplies. Call or stop er upon completion of the four-week by the circulation desk to register. series. Activities will be provided for children ages 3 and older. The program is co-sponsored by the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service. For more information, call the Meadowbrook Library at 540-268-1964.

Friday, June 10:

Could You Survive?

At the Christiansburg Library at 2 p.m. Participants will learn techniques to survive stranded on a deserted island? These include how to make a water filter out of a water bottle and how to build a shelter. Recommended for ages 10 and up.

Saturday, June 11:

Mt. Tabor Ruritan Fish Fry

The Mount Tabor Ruritan Club Monday, June 13, 20, will hold its June Fish Fry from 5 to 7 p.m. at Slusser's Chapel Picnic Shelter, 1543 Mount Tabor Rd, Blacksburg. The club will serve up helpings of fish, fries, and slaw with home-

Organized by the RADical Change Commission. The march begins with brief remarks at the Radford Public Library and then gets underway at 7 p.m. from the library to the City of Radford administration/police building. Any questions can be directed to the RADical Change Commission on Facebook.

Movie and a craft

At the Christiansburg Library; 10:30 a.m. Swim on in to make a craft and watch a movie about a clownfish who loses his way.

PAWS to Read with Derek

At the Blacksburg Library at noon. Sign up for a 10-minute time slot to read with a therapy dog. Call the library at 540-552-8246.

Teen goldfish taste test challenge At the Meadowbrook Public Li-

brary at 1 p.m. Teens will try to identify different goldfish flavors while blindfolded. A prize will be awarded to the winner. This program may not be suitable for those with food allergies. Registration is required. For ages 11 and up.

Family craft time

At the Blacksburg Library at 2 p.m. Participants will decorate a small box for all the items that they find on this summer's nature walks. All supplies will be provided. Discussion Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will include responsible ways to collect nature's treasures. Appropriate for all ages, but those under 8 may need adult assistance to decorate their boxes. Registration is recommended

Music on the Lawn: Rag Top

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

Mill Mountain Zoo at RPL

At the Radford Public Library at 11 a.m. Mill Mountain Zoo will bring its animal ambassadors for a fascinating educational visit. Participants will learn all about these amazing critters and perhaps will get the chance to meet one or two of them up close for a quick pet. This event will take place in the children's area and is sponsored by Radford Public Library's Lamp-

Nature walk/library talk

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

Monday, June 13:

Red Cross blood drive

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

Teen Gaming

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

STEM Club

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

Crafternoon for Adults Only

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

Tuesday, June 14:

Sons of Confederate Veterans

meeting

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, will meet at 7 p.m. at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant at 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.

Tuesday, June 14, 21, and 28:

Summer Backpack Program

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

brook Library at 540-268-1964.

Wednesday, June 15:

American Business Women's Association June luncheon meeting

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

Saturday, June 18:

NAACP Juneteenth Commemora-

The local NAACP will celebrate Juneteenth, the traditional African-American commemoration of freedom from slavery from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Rosa Peters Playground, 300 Depot St. NE, Christiansburg. Music will be played, and food will be available to purchase. The NAACP Youth Council will sell hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and other snacks. An ice cream truck courtesy of Freedom First Credit Union will provide free ice cream. Proceeds from the event will benefit local youth educational activities and programs. The program will begin at noon and will be followed by swimming, children's games, a silent auction, and a raffle with door prizes. Various talents will be shared by youth and community members. Information booths from the NAACP and other community organizations will be on site. If an organization wants to have a booth, contact the NAACP at info@mrfnaacp or call the branch at 540-382-6751. Entry is free.

Wednesday, June 22:

Red Cross blood drive

The New River Health District in partnership with Blue Ridge Church, 1655 Roanoke St. in Christiansburg, will host a blood drive with the American Red Cross on June 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Friday, June 24:

Blacksburg Museum Sunset Rhythms 2022

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

Throughout June and July:

"Turtle-y Awesome" sidewalk obstacle course

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

Ongoing:

Free GED classes with NRCC

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

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

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

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

Ratcliffe has exhibited in numerous solo, group, and juried shows across the country. His images have been published in magazines in the United States and the Philippines, and he has received numerous awards for his photogra-

End of the Line, Ratcliffe's multi-media exhibition now on view at the Alexander Black House, examines the final destination for most consumed goods: the landfill. The exhibit allows for the viewing of sites rarely seen by the general public.
As Ratcliffe considers

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



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



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Sweet Breezy loves people. She's affectionate and enjoys attention and a good head scratch. She doesn't mind being carried or coddled. Breezy was a young mama and all of her kittens have found nomes. Now it's her turn. Stop by the Animai and Adoption Center to get to know Breezy. You could be her purrfect match

Martha Glass named interim dean of students

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

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

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

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

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

and Services for Students with Dis-

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

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



assume her duties on July 1.

Martha Glass has been named VT's interim dean of students. She will

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Virginia gas prices skyrocket by 18.5 cents per gallon

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

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

According to GasBuddy price

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

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

"After a blistering week of gas prices jumping in nearly every town, city, state and area possible, more bad news is on the horizon. It now appears not if, but when, we'll hit that psychologically critical \$5 national average," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "Gasoline inventories continue to decline even with demand softening due

to high prices, a culmination of less refining capacity than we had prior to COVID and strong consumption, a situation that doesn't look to improve drasti-cally anytime soon," according to De Haan. "Nine states have average gas prices that stand beyond the \$5 per gallon mark with more set to join in the days and weeks ahead. In addition, diesel prices also stand at a record high, a second gut-punch to consumers which pushes the prices of most

goods higher."

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

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Van Yandell: My daddy's pocket knife

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

To find a treasured item that has been lost and mostly forgotten makes for a great day. Recently, Margie was going through a box of showed it to me, tears from wires. came into my eyes be-

He had further reason to carry one in that he was

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Most of his linecause I instantly rec- man's pliers (also called ognized it as being my side cutters) have burnt notches in the cutter Daddy always carried blades where he cut into a pocket knife as did live wires and the arc most men in those days. burned out a chunk. I still have such a plier I kept for the memories. The flying sparks didn't

seem to bother him. I can't say the same for Daddy would not be

seen without his pocket knife. It went into his pocket in the mornings and came out at bedtime. It was a part of him. To find that knife was like finding a part of him that had left me October 31, 1984.

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

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

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

Dads taught sons many things back in the

of those lessons are seen by today's generation as foolishness. For example, to consider a handshake as being a binding contract in today's world is foolishness. My dad considered a handshake or even a simple verbal agreement as binding. His life was in a different generation.

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

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

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

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

Fathers in today's world, in many cases, do not fulfill the obligation of being a father. To list the shortcomings of 2022 fathers would take pages, and that is not the purpose of this article. Of course, many good fathers try their best to teach their children and "bring them up right" in this world we live in.

The relationship of a father and a son is priceless. The example set, the teachings both in practical applications but also in concepts and philosophies. My dad was constantly teaching me. The subject may have been plumbing or electrical wiring, or even human relationships.

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

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

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

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

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

On a mission assignment at a church in Nebraska, a little girl showed Margie a picture she had drawn and colored. I would probably have asked, "What is it?" Margie said to the child,

"Tell me about your picture; it's beautiful." Building up the child's esteem resulted in an excited little girl explaining her artistic talent. How a parent re-

sponds to a child in most every situation can have lifetime effects. To be prepared to respond positively is a skill that must be cultivated. Fathers hold such

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Virginia Department of Transportation road watch

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

MONTGOMERY COUN-TY

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

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

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

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

ROUTE 641 CULVERT REPLACEMENT – Route 641 (Wayside Drive) will be closed at 8 a.m. on June 21 for a culvert replacement over Spring Branch. Drivers should watch for signage. The road will reopen on July 22 at 5 p.m., weather permitting.

ROUTE 114 TURN LANE CONSTRUCTION - Starting June 6, road improvements on Route 114 (Peppers Ferry Road) will begin for the construction of a new entrance to Belview Elementary School. Motorists should expect daily lane closures controlled by flagging forces. Work is expected to last until August 2022.

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

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

INTERSTATE 81

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

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

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

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

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

Nightly lane closures may be

Nightly lane closures may be in place along the right lane with possible nightly ramp narrows as needed for guardrail and shoulder strengthening.

Northbound I-81 lane closures from mile marker 138 to 142.

Northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows possible at Route 311.

The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls

along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 off-ramp intersection at Wildwood Road and adding interchange lighting at exits 137, 140 and 141 are also included in the project. Expected completion in early 2026.

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

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

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

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

I-81 BRIDGE DECK RE-PAIRS – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 138 to 152, right and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

I-81 PÔTHOLE PATCH-ING OPERATIONS – Weather permitting, crews will patch potholes along southbound and northbound Interstate 81. Mobile right and left lane closures will be in place and moving along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for moving vehicles and equipment. Expect possible delays.

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

LANE CLOSURES:

fall of 2022.

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

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

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

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

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

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

I-581/220 LANE & RAMP CLOSURES FOR PAVING AND MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS IN ROANOKE COUNTY— Weather permitting, crews will be milling and paving along Interstate 81. Right and left lane closures will be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours. Drivers should expect possible delays.

I-581 BRIDGE REPAIRS – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 581. Right, center and left lane closures will be in place north-

bound and southbound during nighttime hours, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays. Scheduled traffic impacts include:

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

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

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

INTERSTATE 77 (CAR-ROLL COUNTY)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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OBITUARIES 1

Underwood, James Edward

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

He was preceded in

death by his loving wife of 54 years, Melinda Dobbins Underwood; and his mother, Offiley Underwood. Survivors include his sons and daughters-in-law

Jason and Jenni Underwood of Glenvar, Doug and Donna Underwood of Elliston, and Kevin Underwood and Emma Cox of Elliston; grandchildren and their spouses Vanessa and Julian Stewart, Brandon and Lindsey Underwood, Brit-

tany and Cameron Williams, Justin Un-

derwood, Zachary Moore, and Ashley

Moore; great-grandchildren Lillian and



Laurel Stewart; a brother and sister-in-law, Joe and Loretta Underwood; and many other relatives and friends.

friends.

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

etery in Dublin.

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

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

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JUNE 17 7:05

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JUNE 18 6:05

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE NIGHT-GATES OPEN 5:00 PM

Duncan, Margaret Ann

Margaret Ann Duncan, 72, of Christiansburg, passed away on Friday, June 3, 2022.

She was a loving mother and grandmother whose family meant the world to her

She was preceded in death by her parents, Preston and Ruby Duncan; ex-husband Randall Bishop, Sr.; a son, Randy Robins, Jr.; and several siblings.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Randall Bishop, Jr., and Lind-

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

friends.

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

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

Robinson, Linda Adams

Linda Adams Robinson, 77, of Radford, passed away on Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

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

Survivors include her daughters, Jonette Robinson; a special grandson Kristof

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



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

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

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

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Local college students receive honors, graduate

Radford's Jessica McPeak graduates from Bridgewater

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

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

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

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

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

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

Blacksburg's Jack Calvert awarded memorial scholarship at North Georgia

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

Blacksburg's Sydney Forbes graduates from DePauw Uni-

Sydney Forbes of Blacksburg graduated from DePauw University on May 22 with a Bachelor of Arts in biochemistry degree. Founded in 1837, DePauw is ranked fifth for study abroad, and 80% of students receive academic credit for offcampus study, including intern-

ships, independent projects and service work. The university is ranked in the top 20 for both graduate salaries and internship opportunities among private institutions, eighth for Fulbright Scholars, eighth for producing top business executives, eighth for graduate salaries, and second for Teach For America employ-

Blacksburg's Chase A. Beams wins National Merit Scholarship

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

Local students graduate from James Madison University

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

Erin Alderman of Fairlawn

graduated with a bachelor's degree in general psychology.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Expert: Landscape choices can reduce risk of tick-borne illnesses Rethinking our land-

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

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

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

"At the broad scale, we may want to rethink how develop residential

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

She offered these tips: Rethink how we create our residential neigh-

borhoods. By reducing the number of small forest patches that are interspersed with patches of herbaceous cover and keeping large, forested areas intact, we can likely reduce Lyme disease risk at the broad Modify individual yard

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



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

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

looking for a host.

Korine Kolivras is an environmental geographer with specialization and expertise in medical geography and the examination of links between environ-

mental variability and human health. Her research has examined the incidence of Lyme Disease in Virginia, and its prevalence among areas where forest land meets agricultural land.

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

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

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

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

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

Early June through early August: Portions of the Route 419 and Route 311 intersection will be closed, and a detour will be in place for approximately four to six weeks sometime between early June and mid-August. During this time period, some drivers will need to detour around the partial intersection closure onto Interstate 81 using exit 140 onto Thompson Memorial Drive and exit 141 onto Route 419. For four to six weeks, drivers will not be able to turn left from northbound Thompson Memorial Drive onto Route 311. In addition, northbound Route 419 traffic will not be able to continue straight at the intersection onto Thompson Memorial Drive. Southbound Thompson Memorial Drive traffic will not be able to drive straight onto Route

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

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



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Trustee S Sale 1104 Bobletts Gap Road,

Buchanan, VA 24066 (Parcel ID: 78-41) Default having been made in the terms of a certain Deed of Trust dated June 28, 2017, in the original principal amount of

\$123,717.00 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Botetourt, Virginia on June 29, 2017, as Instrument Number

170002499, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will sell at public auction on July 6, 2022 at 2:00 PM, in front of the building housing the County of Botetourt Circuit Court,

1 W. Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090. The property designated as BEGINNING at a point in the centerline of State Route 643, corner to Johnnie B. Fubank (DB) 373, PG 785); thence with the said centerline of State Route 643, S. 08° 18` 06" W. 26.22 feet to a point;

thence continuing with said centerline, S. 11° 30` 53" W 163 15 feet to a point: thence following the

curvature of said centerline an arc distance of 42.16 feet (said arc having a chord bearing of S. 05° 42" 56" W. and a chord distance of 42.09 feet) to a point:

thence leaving said

centerline and with the line of Parcel 2 on the below referenced plat, S. 83° 12` 30" W. 389.48 feet to an iron pin set, corner to E.C. and Rebecca Montgomery property; thence N. 87° 54 35" W. 129.75 feet to an iron pin found; thence N. 01° 50` 24" W. 337.19 feet

to an iron pin set; thence S. 83° 10` 18" E. 571.84 feet to the point of BEGINNING. containing 3.60 acres, more or less, and designated as Parcel 1 on plat of survey for Pat H. Eubank, dated June 14, 1990, prepared by Charles R. McMurry, C.L.S.,

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

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

inspection of the premises TERMS: CASH. A deposit

of \$12,000.00 or 10% of the

sale price, whichever is lower, will be required of the successful bidder at time of sale. Prior to the sale, interested bidders will be required to register with and

must present a bid deposit

Legals - Botetourt County

which may be held during the sale by the trustee. The bid deposit must be certified funds and/or cash, but no more than \$9,900.00 of cash will be accepted. The successful bidder's deposit will be retained at the sale and applied to the sale price. If held by the trustee, all other bid deposits will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders. Settlement is to be made within 15 days. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining

related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Memorandum of Trustee's Sale, available for review upon request before the sale, outlining additional

possession of the property,

and for all costs and fees

terms of sale and settlement. A Trustee's Deed will be prepared by Trustee's attorney at high bidder's expense. This is a communication from a debt collector. Tromberg, Morris & Poulin, PLLC on behalf of Southeast Equity Trustees, LLC and/or Auction.com-VA, LLC, Substitute

Trustee(s), 413 Stuart Circle, Suite 314, Richmond, VA 23220, File No. 22-000435, Tel: 804-525-1570.

TRUSTEE'S SALE **OF PROPERTY**

290 White Oak Drive, Blue Ridge, VA 24064 Tax Map No. 103-59B Parcel ID 12202

In execution of a Deed of Trust dated September 26, 2002, in the principal amount of \$59.850.89. recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 0207122, Woods Rogers PLC, Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the **Botetourt County Circuit** Court, 1 W. Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, on June 21, 2022 at 12:00 noon, the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, and more fully described as follows:

All of the following tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, near Blue Ridge Springs being a portion of the original tract which contained 7 acres, more or less, on the northeast side of the Grubb Railroad, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

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

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

WOODS ROGERS PLC, Substitute Trustee

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

ABC NOTICE Stebbins and Frate, LLC.

trading as Tammie's Place 19857 Main Street Buchanan, VA 24066.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Wine and

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Beer ON/OFF Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages

Tammie Frate and Frank Stebbins, Owners.

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

> Legals - City of Radford

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING TO GRANT A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR A NATURAL GAS TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IN THE CITY

OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA, AND INVITING BIDS

The Radford City Council

will hold a public hearing on

June 13, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at 10 Robertson Street to receive public comment on an ordinance proposing to grant a non-exclusive franchise for a natural das transmission and distribution system in the City of Radford, Virginia. A copy of the full text of the ordinance, including the terms of the proposed franchise agreement, may be obtained by contacting the Office of the City Clerk at (540) 731-3603. In addition, bids are hereby invited for the franchise proposed to be granted under the ordinance. All bids must be in writing and submitted to the Office of the City Clerk at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, Virginia 24141 or at Jenni.Goodman@ radfordva.gov. ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 13, 2022 AT 5 P.M. Bids will be opened and read aloud during public session at Council's regular meeting on June 13, 2022 at 7 PM. After the reading of the bids. Council will proceed with consideration of the proposed ordinance and franchise. Council reserves the right reject any and all bids and to defer action until a subsequent meeting.

Legals - City of Salem

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If you were a patient on or before May 03, 2022, and received substance abuse treatment from one of the following providers at The

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Attorney's Office for the

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Legals -Montgomery County

ORDER OF **PUBLICATION**

Case No. CL22000744-00

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

Montgomery County

Circuit Court 55 East Main Street, Suite 1, Christiansburg, VA 24073 Yonce, Sandra Kay

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

Yonce, Kenneth Lee, II

Legals -Montgomery County

interests on or before July 11, 2022.

> May 10, 2022 Erica W. Conner Clerk of Court

ORDER OF

PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA CODE §§ 1-211 1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 Case No. CL22000837-00 Montgomery County

Circuit Court 55 East Main Street, Suite 1, Christiansburg, VA 24073 Adkins, Shay Marie v. Commonwealth of Virginia The object of this suit is to: Name Change of a Minor It is ordered that Billy Baxter Mullins appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before July 29, 2022.

May 25, 2022 Erica W. Conner, Clerk

ABC NOTICE

Ghaly INC, trading as The Black Hen Bar & Blue, 126 Jackson St NW Blacksburg, Montaomery County, Virginia 24073.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine and Beer ON Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages

Magdy Ghaly, Owner

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

ABC NOTICE

Roanoke Commons Inc., trading as Sheetz #750, 2390 Roanoke Street Christiansburg, Montgomery County, Virginia 24073.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Wine and Beer OFF Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Thomas Luciano, President

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

Legals - Town of Vinton

Notice Of Public Sale

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

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

Household Goods - H49 -

Mariah Roberson

Legals - City of Radford

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE **OF IMPROVED REAL ESTATE** Located at: 1011 Sutton Street, Radford, VA 24141,

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$143,000.00 DATED THE 291H DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013, RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA, AS INSTRUMENT NO 201301396. DEFAULT HAVING OCCURRED IN THE PAYMENT OF THE NOTE SECURED THEREBY, AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE HOLDER OF THE NOTE. THE UNDERSIGNED SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE. WILL OFFER FOR SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF RADFORD LOCATED AT: 619 SECOND STREET, RADFORD, VIRGINIA, ON JUNE 17, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M., THE REAL ESTATE WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON KNOWN AND **DESCRIBED AS**

Being that certain 0.3665 acre certain plat of survey entitled "PHYSICAL SURVEY OF LOT OF LOT 23, SEC. 2, FOREST 7,1993, prepared by Matthews &

Legals - City of Radford

Office in Deed Book 176. Page 747.

TAX MAP #: 15-(8)-Sec 2-23-24 / ACCOUNT #: 0000321 Address: 1011 Sutton Street Radford, VA 24141

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AT: 619 SECOND STREET RADEORD VA 24141

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Daniel D. Hamrick, PC Substitute Trustee

Agent FOR INFORMATION

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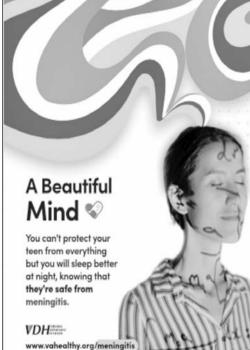
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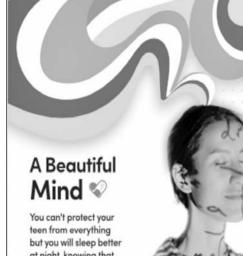
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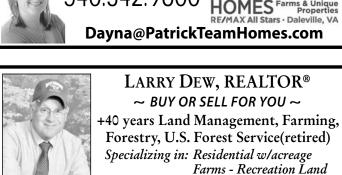




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MONTGOMERY SPORTS

Radford boys, Auburn girls win state track championships

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

For Auburn, Haley Hollins claimed her second consecutive state Class 1 title in the shot put (39' 10"), and Kasey Rosenbaum won the 3,200 meters as Auburn finished with 96.5 points to Cumberland High School's 87 points. Riverheads was third, and Eastern Montgomery brought the 110 hurdles. home a ninth-place finish.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



The Auburn High School girls' track team won the Class 1 state championship this past weekend.

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Christiansburg boys fall 1-0 in region finals



Micah Meyer (left) and his Cave Spring opponent vie for possession mid-air in Friday's regional soccer championship. Cave Spring won 1-0 on a penalty kick in



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

RU baseball coach Karl Kuhn resigns

Marty Gordon

NRVsports@ourvalley.org

Radford University has announced the resignation of baseball coach Karl

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

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

In the announcement of the coach's resignation, the athletic department did

not mention the reports. Athletic Director Robert Lineburg said despite the challenges of COV-ID-19 and significant complications, Coach Kuhn has upgraded the facilities while at the school, has added more than 200 donors to the program, has secured an endowed baseball scholarship, and has spent significant time recruiting top players to the program.

We look forward to seeing what these young and talented players are able to accomplish in future seasons and wish the coach well on his future en-

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

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

ing with those found at schools with greater resources and solid records of achievement," Kuhn said. "Radford is comprised of many wonderful, dedicated people who are success-oriented, and

it is my hope it continues to thrive." According to Kuhn, he has accepted an opportunity to consult on an open-ended contract with a private entity. "This job demands that we spend so much time with other people's kids, and you realize that our own wives and kids don't receive near as much of the attention they deserve. Going forward, this is an opportunity to be part of baseball on a broader scale but also to 'catch up' with my family," Kuhn said



Radford University head baseball coach Karl Kuhn has resigned.

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Blacksburg's Andre Guynn commits to Averett for lacrosse

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

The Bruins finished 6-9 this past season.

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

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

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

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announced it was mov- said. ing to the Old Dominion Guynn hopes to major Athletic Conference for in pre-med studies at Avthe start of the 2022-

This past season, Averett finished the season

2023 academic year.

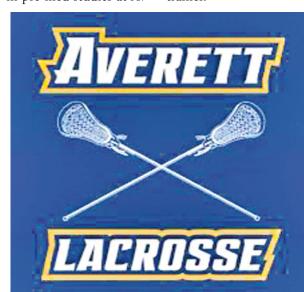
Guynn received the Bruin coach's award for 2022. In 2021, he was awarded the Bruin Tenacity award, given to one of the players on the team who shows perseverance, resilience, and determination on and off the field.

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

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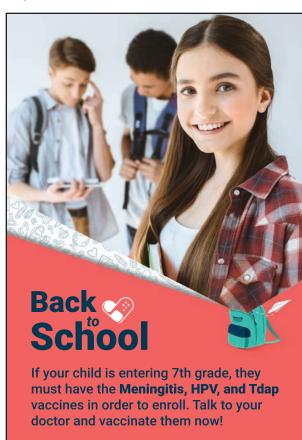




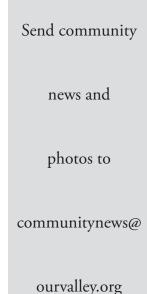
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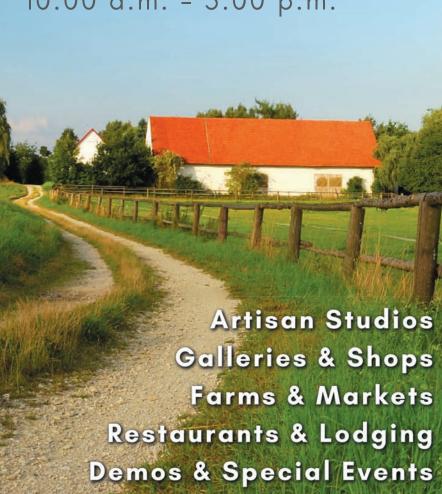
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