

Blacksburg Museum announces artists' exhibit through September



Amanda Lechner's "Four Billion Years" is part of the "Trace Elements" exhibit beginning Aug. 30 at the Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation.



Michael Borowski's "Garden Path" will be featured at the upcoming "Trace Elements" exhibit at the Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation.

Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation will display "Trace Elements: An Installation" by Local artists Amanda Lechner and Michael Borowski Aug. 30 through Sept. 28, 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 Trace Elements reception open to the public will be held on Friday, Sept. 2, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Music and refreshments will be provided.

Lechner and Borowski were invited by the Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation to create an art installation responding to objects in the museum's collection. The resulting collaboration is a conversation between their art, museum artifacts, and items from the Virginia Tech Geoscience Museum and the New River Valley area environment.

Lechner's paintings, created using handmade ink from locally collected walnuts, oak gall, and collected oxidized iron, engage with Borowski's series of cyanotypes processed using the water from Yellow Sulphur Springs in Christiansburg. Both artists' works reflect on time, place, and materials, connecting with the spaces, archives, human history, built environments, and geologic history of Southwest Virginia.

Montgomery County begins receiving dollars from 2022 opioid settlements

Montgomery County has received the first in a series of payments from opioid settlements in the amount of \$48,999.52 with another payment in the amount of \$48,999.52 anticipated this calendar year.

The county is receiving settlement distributions from nationwide settlements with three pharmaceutical distributors and an opioid manufacturer that helped to fuel the opioid epidemic. In all, Virginia and its localities will receive approximately \$530 million over a period of 16 years in the settlements with the drug distributors McKesson Corp., AmerisourceBergen Corp. and Cardinal Health, and the prescription opioid manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceutical.

These settlements resulted in part from the efforts of Montgomery County, which first filed suit against these defendants in December of 2018.

Virginia has been a national leader in creating a transparent and orderly process for deploying its opioid settlement funds. Last year, the Office of the Virginia Attorney General successfully partnered with each of the commonwealth's 133 cities and counties to reach 100 percent agreement in support of a structured program for distributing opioid settlement funds.

"The overall impact the opioid crisis has had on our community is profound," said Sherri Blevins, the chair of the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors. "Not only have lives been either lost or nearly ruined in many cases, but also the opioid crisis has put a huge

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New Montgomery Museum exhibit to feature Blacksburg artist Matt Gentry

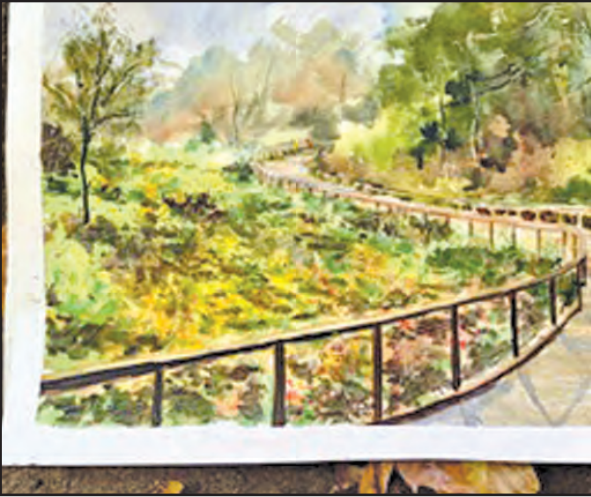
Trails, rivers, and pathways all inspired artist Matt Gentry's upcoming watercolor display at the Montgomery Museum of Art and History, which opens on Sept. 8 with a meet-the-artist reception from 5 to 7 p.m.

The museum is located at 4 East Main St. in downtown Christiansburg.

Visitors to the museum and the exhibit can view more than two dozen paintings on display through October.

A Blacksburg native, Gentry began the leg of what he calls his "home-

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Beginning Sept. 8 with a reception, the Montgomery Museum of Art and History will present an exhibit of the watercolor works of Blacksburg native Matt Gentry.



Blacksburg native Matt Gentry's experience with paintings and sketches goes back 40 years to his high school days. His work will be exhibited at the Montgomery Museum of Art and History at 4 East Main St. beginning Sept. 8.

Survey: Average Virginia family spends \$246 on airport food and drinks due to flight delays

FamilyDestinationsGuide.com has analyzed flight data, including the average air ticket fare per family, in each state to determine how much more of families' vacation budgets are being eaten into (literally) by flight delays.

The data revealed that overall, the average family flying out of airports across Virginia spends the equivalent of 23% of its flight ticket costs on food and drink surcharges alone while awaiting to depart, a total of \$245.61, the equivalent of 23% of the family's flight ticket costs.

The survey revealed that fami-

lies flying out of Delaware airports spend the most on food and drinks, spending an average 87% of their flight costs on these purchases. By comparison, families flying out of Alaska spend an average of only 16% of their flight costs on food and drinks.

In what has become to be referred to as airport armageddon, a surge in flight delays this summer has created chaos in airports around America with the delay domino effect leaving travelers spending more time (and money) inside airports while they await their unpredict-

able departure. Airports are famously renowned for their massively marked-up food and drink charges. In fact, a beer from a vendor at LaGuardia Airport recently made headlines for costing \$28.

For passengers on standby (and who perhaps weren't expecting to spend much money at the airport), flight delays can result in unforeseen, but unavoidably exorbitant, purchases of meals, snacks, and drinks. This can rack up significant costs – especially for traveling families – and particularly so if specific dietary requirements are necessary.

Registrar to explain new voting laws

Connie Viar, Montgomery County Registrar of Elections, will explain the new laws about voting, registration, and redistricting at a meeting hosted by the League

of Women Voters of Montgomery County, on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 5 p.m. The event will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at 1301 Gladewood Dr. Viar

will talk about how the new voting rules and redistricting will affect elections in the New River Valley. The public is invited to attend the meeting.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, Aug. 24:

Sustainable Blacksburg Lunch and Learn: Electric Cars

At the Blacksburg Library; noon. Dave Ropper will talk about electric cars; driving distance, maintenance, charging, and more! Stay for the show-and-share of actual Tesla's in the wild. Presentation will be both in person and virtual.

Christiansburg Central Business District meeting

The Town of Christiansburg's Central Business District Committee will meet from noon to 1 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room at Town Hall.

Thursday, Aug. 25:

Film Screening: "On the Basis of Sex"

At the Blacksburg Library; 6 p.m. Join for a free screening of Ruth Bader Ginsburg's biopic "On the Basis of Sex" to commemorate Women's Equality Day.

Radford Photo Club meeting

Adi Ben Senior of Radford will present his photo exhibit, "The Human Side of Trees," at the Radford Photo Club's meeting at 6 p.m. at the Radford Public Library. The meeting is open to the public. Trees are one of Ben Senior's most well-known subjects in a lifetime of photo projects. In 2016, he was asked to participate in a fundraising exhibit for the Syrian refugees who were coming to Europe. His photos of trees represent humans and their moments in life.

Saturday, Aug. 27:

Noise Alert

The Virginia Tech campus and surrounding community may experience elevated levels of noise emanating from the Drillfield area from Inflate-A-Fest from 5 to 8 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 28:

Coast Guard Auxiliary picnic

The Coast Guard Auxiliary's flotilla picnic will be held at Claytor Lake State Park from 3:30 - 6 p.m. The shelter number has not yet been assigned. That information will be forthcoming. Mission Barbecue is donating pulled pork, pulled chicken, jalapeno cheddar sausage, mac and

cheese, green beans, coleslaw, slider buns, and assorted sauces. They will also provide tablecloths, plates, eating and serving utensils, cups, and sweet tea and lemonade. Those attending the picnic can feel free to bring a side dish, dessert, or drink.

Monday, Aug. 29:

Crafternoon for Adults Only

At the Radford Public Library; 1-2 p.m. Need some time to focus on your crafting? Bring your supplies and knit, crochet, needlepoint, etc. at the library! Some crafting supplies are provided. Want to help make a Linus Project blanket? We have supplies for that! You can work on a blanket to donate to Project Linus! All crafters are welcome, from painting to writing, knitting and more.

Tuesday, Aug. 30:

Teen Book Club

At the Blacksburg Library; 4 p.m. Welcome to Teen Book Club! Every month we get together to discuss a new book. This month we are reading "Last Night at the Telegraph Club" by Melinda Lo. Join for a great discussion.

Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club

At the Blacksburg Library; 6:30 p.m. Join us for a discussion of "The Paper Menagerie" by Ken Lui. Call 540-552-8246 to reserve your copy.

Thursday, Sept. 1:

American Legion meeting:

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

Saturday, Sept. 3:

Potter in the Park 5K to Benefit Adult Literacy

Calling all wizards and muggles! It's time to leave the cupboard under the stairs and run or walk in the Tri-Wizard TriMile Potter in the Park 5K fundraiser for literacy in Radford. Wizarding wear optional! The course winds through the forbidden forest and wizarding world of Bisset Park. Costume contest, "house" prizes, age group awards, Magical Creatures, butterbeer, and magic wands for all

finishers . . . tons of fun for muggles and wizards alike! Can't make it on Sept. 3? Virtual racers are invited to participate! Register as an "invisibility cloak" virtual racer and walk or run 3 miles when it's convenient for you (you'll still receive your official Potter in the Park t-shirt). For more information and to register go to www.lvnrv.org/potterinthepark, send an "owl" to info@lvnrv.org, or call 540-382-7262. Hosted by Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley, all proceeds go to directly to adult literacy programs in our community.

Monday, Sept. 5:

City of Radford closed for Labor Day

City offices will be closed on Monday, Sept. 5. Solid waste collection for Monday will be picked up Tuesday. Drop Center closed on Monday.

Thursday, Sept. 8:

River City Quilt Guild

The River City Quilt Guild meets the 2 nd Thursday of each month at 9:30 AM in

Grove United Methodist Church, 1020 Tyler Avenue, Radford. If you are willing to share your knowledge and learn from others this guild is for you. We welcome all skill levels of quilters. For more information call Anna Handy, 540-320-7791.

Sunday, Sept. 11:

Meet Ninth Congressional District candidate Taysha DeVaughan

The Pulaski Democratic Committee is holding a Meet the Candidate picnic at 4:30 p.m. at Randolph Park. Hotdogs and fixings will be served at 5 p.m., followed by comments from Taysha DeVaughan, the Democratic candidate to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 9th District. DeVaughan, who is from Wise County, works with the Appalachian Community Fund, is the president of Southern Appalachian Mountain Stewards, active in Lonesome Pine Mutual Aid, and a gubernatorial appointee to the Virginia Council on Environmental Justice. "We are confident that hearing Taysha speak on the issues critical to Southwest Virginia - education, jobs, quality of life - will motivate donations for her campaign," said Suzanne Bowen, chair of the Pulaski County Demo-

crats. Learn more about DeVaughan at www.devaughanforcongress.com. The picnic will be at the Dublin High School (DHS) Shelter. Donations for the food are optional but appreciated. For more information, contact Bowen at bowensuzanne@yahoo.com or 540-320-4658, or Rebecca Scheckler at 3050hawks@gmail.com or 540-557-7810.

Monday, Sept. 12:

Radford City Council meeting

The city council will hold its regular meeting at 7 p.m. in the City Administration Building, located at 10 Robertson St.

Tuesday, Sept. 13:

Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting

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

Fri., Sept. 23 and Sat., Sept. 24:

RHS Class of 1972 Reunion

Radford High School's 1972 Class of Champions will hold its 50th Year Reunion on Sept. 23 and Sept. 24. Festivities include a tailgate at the King Center Fri., Sept. 23 and attendance at the football game. A social is planned for Sat., Sept. 24 at Preston's at the River Course. The committee is looking for "Lost" classmates. If you are a class member and haven't received the information contact Reunion Committee Members: jennydoud@gmail.com and Martihale@yahoo.com

On-going:

Fine Free at Radford Public Library

Have you heard the news? In July, RPL waived overdue fines for anyone who returned late items during the month of July. The waiving continues throughout August! Bring your overdue items back and your library account will go back to zero! RPL is going fine-free to create a more equitable library. Help us practice waiving those overdue fines - it's long overdue!

Opioid Settlements

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strain on our first responders, including law enforcement, as well as on our health and human services throughout the county."

Under the terms of the agreement between the state and its local jurisdictions:

15 percent of the settlement funds will be allocat-

ed to the Commonwealth of Virginia, and 30 percent of the settlement funds will be allocated to Virginia's cities and counties. At least half of the funds must be spent on community-based opioid abuse prevention, treatment, and recovery efforts.

Each locality's allocat-

tion is based on specific local metrics, including the number of opioid-related ER visits and overdose deaths and the volume of opioid prescription drugs shipped into each locality.

The remaining 55 percent of the settlement funds will be administered by the new Opioid Abatement

Authority, established in law by the 2021 Virginia General Assembly, to provide additional and ongoing support for local, regional, and state opioid abuse abatement efforts.

These payments will be used for opioid abatement purposes, which will include support for opioid treatment programs, education, and outreach initiatives throughout the community.

According to the Virginia Department of Health, 14,541 Virginians died from opioid-related overdoses between 2007 and 2021. In 2020, 1,478 Virginians died from fatal opioid overdoses, a 17 percent increase over 2019 and an average of four fatal overdoses per day. Nearly

10,000 people were treated for opioid-related overdoses in Virginia hospital emergency rooms in 2020, a 33 percent increase over the prior year.

Fifteen individuals died in Montgomery County from overdose in 2021, and 173 have died from overdose since 2007. In calendar year 2021, New River Valley Community Services (NRVCS) treated an ever-increasing number of clients with substance use disorder. In Montgomery County, 306 individuals were treated at an outpatient clinic.

Through the NRVCS higher levels of care, 40 individuals were treated in an intensive outpatient program, 14 were treated in a partial hospitalization program, and 22 were

treated in a residential care program. According to NRVCS, these individuals are a fraction of the total number of residents both seeking treatment and in need of treatment.

Additional legal activities related to the opioid epidemic are still underway, including Virginia's pending \$80 million settlement with OxyContin manufacturer Purdue Pharma and its founders, the Sackler family.

Going forward, local, regional, and state opioid abatement efforts are expected to be further supplemented by additional settlements, verdicts, or court orders involving others who participated in the manufacture, marketing, distribution, and sale of opioids in Virginia.

Matt Gentry

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grown journey" during the pandemic, sketching and painting watercolors outdoors along the New River.

After that, Gentry and his dog, Toby, could be found immersed in the scenery at various locations on The Huckleberry Trail. Despite changing weather and light conditions, bugs and other distractions, Gentry enjoyed the challenge and immediacy of painting in nature. Typically he develops his composition in pencil, then applies watercolor and sometimes ink. He has found the blend of control and fluidity of the media interesting and exciting, as he can never quite predict the outcome.

A Roanoke Times photojournalist, Gentry has been a visual communicator for 40 years,

and his sketching experience goes back to high school where he was a cartoonist for his Blacksburg High School newspaper, the Tattle Tale. He credits comic book illustrations as his earliest inspiration to sketch.

Gentry hiked the Appalachian Trail for three decades, completing the adventure in 2015. His trail name, Sharpie, came from the marker sketches he did along the way to document his journey. Since that time he has amassed many visual diaries, filling sketchbooks with colorful images and travel notes.

The affection he feels for the New River Valley is evident in his work, which juxtapositions accurate details with care-free, colorful strokes.

Gentry strokes his paintings to be a natural

extension of his photography, both being avenues to recording and understanding the world around him. He joined the Blacksburg Regional Art Association five years ago and says the camaraderie with others in the group has fostered his artistic growth.

"The encouragement and support I've received has been invaluable," said Gentry. "It's all about community. Art displayed in public spaces demonstrates your care about your community."

The Huckleberry Trail has been important to his family, and proceeds of the sales of his original watercolors will benefit the Friends of the Huckleberry Trail, a 30-year-old organization that works to maintain, improve, and expand the trail.

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Nicole E. Iannone to Richard Arden Whitehurst, lot 31, Charleston Place, Christiansburg \$225,000

David Clyde Scanland to Kallie Nichole Covey, Southerly 90 ft. of lot 40, Oakwood Subdv., #1,

Roger M. Powell to Appalachian Valley Properties, 1432-1434 Sandy Circle, Blacksburg, lot 10, Montgomery Farms, Sec. IV, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$360,000

Newport Companies LLC to Teresa J. Cardoza, \$229, 900

Olde Salem LLC to Shawsvintage LLC, 2 parcels, 0.1088 of an acre and 0.029 of an acre, Shawsville Magisterial District

Crystal D. Cultice to Jacob Davis, 2.2554 ac., Rine Magisterial District, \$229,000

Sandra H. Kingrea Trustee to Ronald R. Graham, 0.185 ac., Parcel D, metes and bounds, Christiansburg, \$1,500

Economic Development Authority to United Therapeutics Corporation, 16.646 ac., lot 2C, Falling Branch Corporate Park, Christiansburg, \$1,066,000

CAP Investments, Inc., to Dutch West LLC, 0.679 ac., lot 26R, Blacksburg, \$790,000

Jason R. Kovac to Lance Orlando Orr-Doan, 2.86 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$335,000

Duane M. Mills to Mills Living Trust, lot 2, Apperson Park, Sec. 7 Blacksburg

John C. Jones, Jr., to Rachel Catherine Jones, 2 parcels, Shawsville Magisterial District

Tammie S. Hixon to Larry N. Smith, 2 parcels, metes and bounds, see legal, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$160,000

S&S Construction LLC to Charles Anthony Phillips, 1.319 ac., lot 103, Heritage Place, Ph IV-B, Riner Magisterial District, \$670,000

Benjamin August Lienemann to Travis Dale Coleman, Lot 80, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph I, Christiansburg, \$151,500

Arlene M. Stewart to A. Wyle Bean III, Lot 130, Sec 1, Pheasant run Townhomes, Ph IV, \$265,000

Scott M. Carney to Ali Hossein Mardi, condo unit 47, Bldg D, Cascades Pointe Condos, Blacksburg, \$197,000

Robert P. Chappell Jr., to Mountain 2 Ocean Properties LLC, 306 S. Franklin St., Christiansburg

Charles E. Eagan to Charles E. and Susan G. Eagan, 104 Woodbine Dr., Blacksburg, Lot 13 Woodbine PDR Subdv., Sec. VII

Bandon R. Laroussini to Brandon and Lauren Laroussini, 304 Woodbine Dr., Blacksburg

Christopher J. Monceaux to Christopher W. Luke, Lot 4, Kensington Ph 1, \$305,00

Brian James Plum to Debbieann Seemungal, lot 14, Karr Heights Subdv., Sec III, Blacksburg, \$402,000

Michael S. Morgan to GKM1 Property Management LLC, lot 27, Carriage Hill Townhouses, 4185,000

Tony W. Linkous to Ryan Michael Naff, lot 23, Diamond Hill South Sec IV, Christiansburg, \$430,000

Cristal Raffensberger to Sarah Weber, 0.3445 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$307,500

Sandra J. Williams to Indy k. Sunshine, lot 11, Cambria Crossing Ph 1, Christiansburg, \$415,000

Benny Hagy to Rachel Elizabeth Harriman, 0.69 ac., \$230,000

Brandon P. Taylor to Alton Joshua Lee Willis,

lot 12, Kelseywood, Ph 1A, \$270,000

Roy Phillip Harman to Mary Kelly Harman, four parcels, Riner Magisterial District

Scott Marshall Stewart to Scott Marshall Stewart Trust, 495 Stuart St. NE, Christiansburg, 0.154 ac., Christiansburg

Anita K. Boat to Ania K. Boat Trust, lot 37, The Orchards, Phase III-B, Townhome Subdv., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Anthony J. Palombo to Nino Ceritano, Jr., 3630 S. Main St., 0.1976 ac., Blacksburg

Michele Thomasina Di Blasi Trust to Michele Thomasina Di Blasi, 321 Pheasant Run Circle, Blacksburg, Lot 76, Blk 5B4, Pheasant Run Townhomes, Ph II

Lauren M. Kathary to Jenier Albright, lot 6, Christiansburg, \$195,000

Antonio Perez III to Paris Mountain Holding LLC, 37.4147 ac., parcel A-1B, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$127,000

Benny H. Hagy

Eric Thomas to James Cooper, 17.6969 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$335,000

Timothy E. Gribben Trust to Robert J. Gribben, lot 146, Oak Tree Townhomes, Phase II, Riner Magisterial District, 420 Gold Leaf Dr., Christiansburg

David E. Clark to Pitchayaporn Tanthkarnchana, lot 2, Sec II, Northside Park, Blacksburg, \$401,000

Andrew Hoskins to Zeynep K. Mayorga, 0.850 ac., \$165,000

Annie W. Burton to Annie W. Burton Revocable Trust, 7.444 ac., Riner Magisterial District,

David Timothy Noll to Gloria J. Noll, lot 20 Echo Hill, Christiansburg

R. Stephan Reisinger to R. Stephen Reisinger Living Trust, metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg

Eleanor A. King to Shepherd Contracting LLC, Roanoke St., 2.000 ac, Christiansburg, \$50,000

Daniel W. McTeague to Marian Mollin, lot 2, Rainbow Ridge Subdv., Sec 6, Blacksburg, \$530,000

Stateson Homes LLC to Dan Santantonio, 0.253 ac., lot 17, Kinloch Subdv., Blacksburg, \$532,070

Margaret K. Long Trust to Amanda Crouch, 1.012 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$316,000

Barry C. Compton Inc., to Lee Thomas Wall, Jr., lot 84 Village at Toms Creek, Ph 11B, Blacksburg, \$369,950

Zachary J. Gillespie to Kevin Silas, lot 4, Gedney Park, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$526,500

Ellie T. Sturgis to Deborah Martin, lot 13, Kingston Court, Christiansburg, \$283,500

Norfolk Southern Railway to Virginia Passenger Rail Authority, various, \$10,629,684

Howard Michael Hill to Emily Renee Hill, lot 11, Myers Heights Subdv., Christiansburg Magisterial District, \$695,000

Antonio M. De Jesus Ferreras to Andrew Stuart Burton, lot 36, Belmont Estates, Sec. 1, Christiansburg, \$269,000

Mountain Lake Land Co. to Angela McGoldrick, 0.775 ac., metes and bounds, Christiansburg, \$650,000

Lauren A. McGill to Donald Ray Morris, Jr., 0.1547 ac., Christiansburg, \$175,000

Michael P. Fintel to Larry D. Rush, lot 2, metes and bounds, Riner Magisterial District, \$265,000

Kenneth Irvin Devore, Jr., Executor to Carey Eckert, 2 parcels, lot 30 and ½ of lot 29, Lynwood Terrace, Christiansburg, \$120,000

Corinne A. Rawlins to

Jacob McClean, lot 20A Olde town Estates, Christiansburg, \$350,000

Daly Waterford Enterprises LLC to Christopher C. Watson, condo unit 415 Kent Square Condos, Blacksburg, \$550,000

Adam C. Dalton to Jonathan Russell Collier, 2 parcels, 0.808 ac., parcel 1, .059 ac., parcel 2, Riner Magisterial District, \$160,000

Robert Brian Pennington to Kenton Tarbutton, 19.429 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$675,000

Sarah Elizabeth McCall to Kimberly Marie Martin, lot 13, Ph 1, Auburn Acres, Riner Magisterial District

Michael E. Weseloh to Christy R. Weseloh, lot 2 R&W Subdv., Christiansburg

Ronald W. Buchanan to Jeremy Michael Atwood, 1924 Mt. Pleasant Rd., Shawsville, 19.1677 ac., Tract B, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$350,000

Jeremy Wade Beckner to Vivek Shastry, lot 47, Kensington, Ph 1, Christiansburg, \$306,000

Peter J. Moris to Damon Bungard, lot 94, Brush Mtn. Estates, Ph V, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$599,000

Ralph D. Sisson to Sherri L. Neece, 0.875 ac., lot 6, metes and bounds, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$238,000

Andrew N. McConnell to Elizabeth Ann Harris, 0.232 ac., lot 122, New River Village, Ph VI, Christiansburg, \$285,000

Frank L. Nuhfer to Frank L. Nuhfer Trust, 940 Crosscreek Dr., Christiansburg, 0.303 a., lot 36, Walnut Creek Ph 1, Shawsville Magisterial District

Eric D. Bateman to Jeremy Beckner, lot 22, Mt. Tabor Village, Blacksburg, \$399,000

Carol A. Michie to Lawrence M. Pasquinelli II Trust, metes and bounds, see legal, \$250,000

Judy Austin Atkinson to Rhonda Yvette Hall, unimproved Elliston, 3 parcels, 2.541 ac., and metes and bounds, see legal and 10.7290 ac., and 3.5823 ac.

Judy Austin Atkinson to Rhonda Yvette Hall, unimproved lot Elliston, 60.508 ac., lot 1, multi-jurisdiction between Montgomery and Floyd

Michael Forest Bailey Trust to David W. Caldwell, lot 4, Suburban Hills, Christiansburg, \$30,000

Trevia A. Moses to Eric Moses, 2032 Mud Pike Rd, Christiansburg, lot 5, Riner Magisterial District

Lane Haydens LLC to Sands Construction LLC, 1.002 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$70,000

Donald Maute to Douglas C. Hawkins, lot 6B, Kamran West, Sec 1, Christiansburg, \$212,500

Jennifer R. Holman to Garrett T. Burch, Christiansburg, \$241,000

Melissa Sue Manigault to Derek Adams, lot 110, Cambria Crossing, Ph III, Christiansburg, \$382,000

Daniel Moodie to Mark Michalisin, lot 106, Cambria Crossing, Ph III, Christiansburg, \$443,500

Linda M. Creed to Linda M. Creed, part of 031044

John Edmund Brooker to BB2022LLC, lot 44-A, Ph III, Bk B, Cedar Orchard, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$575,000

Town of Blacksburg to Quang Li, See attached plat, \$1

Town of Blacksburg to John Y. Gooch, See attached plat, \$1

Daniel Buonpane to Joseph Mukuni, lot 51, Ph VII, Oak Tree Townhomes, Christiansburg, \$309,000

Edward D. Smith to Lourie Craddock, 2 parcels, 0.420 ac., parcel 1, and 0.408 ac., parcel 2, Riner Magisterial District,

\$106,000

Mills and Flinchum LLC to Heartsell Properties LLC, 2 parcels, see legal, Christiansburg, \$410,000

Mitchell R. Horten to John J. Scalzi, lot 37, Cambria Crossing, Ph 1, Chrisiansburg, \$294,000

Daniel S. Drysdale to 3645 South Main LLC, lot 3, Park Plaza, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Samson Clay Rogers to Nikolas W. Clark, trac 37, Sec 1, Laurel Ridge Subdv., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$629,000

Erbon Dennis Culver, Jr., to Nabbit LLC, lot 21, Ph XII, Oak Tree Townhomes, Christiansburg, \$265,000

Heart-Sell Properties LLC to Harman Circle LLC, 2 parcels, lot 1, harman circle, parcel 1, and lot 10, harman circle, parcel 2, Christiansburg, \$460,000

James A. Wright, Jr., to Nina H. Wilburn, 320 Briarwood Dr., Christiansburg, 0.036 ac., portion of lot 27, \$2,640

Alison Garst to Alison Garst, 0.8013 ac., Blacksburg

Jannifer M. Burns MD LLC to Shane Aaron Meredith, family unit 12-B, Bldg 14, Ph 1, Piedmont at Blacksburg, \$220,000

David H. Demo to Shawn D. Schlee, lot 39, Ph 1, Mt. Tabor Meadows Subdv., Blacksburg, \$750,000

Constance Lynn to John Elmore, lot 143, Belmont Farms, Christiansburg, \$297,500

Rambler Springs LLC to Michael Bordens, lot 8, Apperson Park, Sec 7, Blacksburg, \$365,000

Donna Adkins to Micah Delcambre, .826 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$165,000

Progress Street Builders, Inc., to Peter Gyarak, lot 98, Ph IV-B, Riner Magisterial District, \$646,817

Shah Development LLC to Sherrell Colbert, 0.053 ac., lot 50, Midway Estates, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$251,750

Wade E. Thomason to James B. Garges, lot 12, highland Park #2, Blacksburg, \$420,000

Joseph J. Simpson to Christopher Said, lot 2, Ph 1, Village at Toms Creek, Ph 1, \$415,000

James A. Wright, Jr., to Nathan B. hudson, lot 2, Town 4 Country Estates, Sec 2, Christiansburg, \$259,900

Justin Lapp Brooks Executor to Briarwood Development LLC, lot 14A, Slate Creek Commons, Christiansburg, \$260,000

Linda M. Creed to Douglas W. Sink, 2 parcels, see legal, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$160,000

Shah Development LLC to Christopher A. Harris, 1.888 ac., Christiansburg, \$475,950

Tracy Diane Freeman to R. Gregory Dudash, 2.327 ac.

Tracy Diane Freeman to Chad E. Harris, 4.223

William M. Pugh to Phillip Wilton Deacon, lot 1, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph III, Christiansburg, \$210,000

Daniel J. Britten to Constance L. Bowden, lot 1A, Happy Hollow Ridge, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$450,000

WEC 2000A-51 LLC to Patriot ExchangeRight 8 Pack LLC, lot 1A, Christiansburg, \$3778,802

Patriot ExchangeRight 8 Pack LLC to ExchangeRight Net-Leased Port, Lot 1A, Christiansburg, \$2,300,000

Nathan Brian Hudson to Florence G. Bishop, lot 3B, Kamran Drive Subdv, Christiansburg, \$139,000

Sylvia M. Mnnick Es-tate to Jason Greene, 1.010 ac, lot A, Riner Magisterial District, \$200,000

Wendy A. Lowery to Samson Clay Rogers, lot 709, Blacksburg Country Club Estates, Sec III, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$706,000

SMD Corporation to Christopher R. Fuller, metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg, \$20,000

Shah Development LLC to Kaitlyn Harris, 0.052 ac., lot 31, Midway Estates, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$251,750

Brenda D. Eanes to Amber Shepherd, 0.386 ac., and 0.5 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$8,500

Rambler Springs LLC to John Elmore, lot 143, Belmont Farms, Christiansburg, \$297,500

Marin Homes LLC to Michael Bordens, lot 8, Apperson Park, Sec 7, Blacksburg, \$365,000

Donna Adkins to Micah Delcambre, .826 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$165,000

Progress Street Builders, Inc., to Peter Gyarak, lot 98, Ph IV-B, Riner Magisterial District, \$646,817

Shah Development LLC to Sherrell Colbert, 0.053 ac., lot 50, Midway Estates, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$251,750

Wade E. Thomason to James B. Garges, lot 12, highland Park #2, Blacksburg, \$420,000

Joseph J. Simpson to Christopher Said, lot 2, Ph 1, Village at Toms Creek, Ph 1, \$415,000

James A. Wright, Jr., to Nathan B. hudson, lot 2, Town 4 Country Estates, Sec 2, Christiansburg, \$259,900

Justin Lapp Brooks Executor to Briarwood Development LLC, lot 14A, Slate Creek Commons, Christiansburg, \$260,000

Linda M. Creed to Douglas W. Sink, 2 parcels, see legal, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$160,000

Shah Development LLC to Christopher A. Harris, 1.888 ac., Christiansburg, \$475,950

Tommy F. Clapp to

Zachary Hunter Maust, 0.696 ac., lot 18, Sec. V Rolling Hills, Riner Magisterial District, \$299,500

Philip Kobezak to Sameh Aiz, lot 17, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph III, Christiansburg, \$270,000

Stephen Paul Dudek to Cameron Hamden, lot 44, Oak Manor, Ph 6, Sec II, Blacksburg, \$300,000

Robert E. Settlage to Sandra Smith Baker, 100 ac., metes and bounds, Price Fork magisterial District, \$825,000

Justin David Gross to Rachel D. Wells, lot 175, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph II, Christiansburg, \$250,000

Mark A. Owczarski to Mark. A. Owczarski, lot 6, Blackwood Annex, Blacksburg

Thomas Finnerty to Venture Investing LLC, 2 parcels, 5.0462 ac., and 2.315 ac., \$20,463

Jerry J. Stump to Shawn Christopher Stump, 1230 Spruce St., Christiansburg, lot 6, Sec. 6, Blue Ridge Court, Christiansburg

Kathryn J. Wood to Backyard Pawpaws LLC, metes and bounds, see legal, Bow Hill Road, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$120,000

VT Popes LLC to Geoffrey Pope, 0.3105 ac., Blacksburg

Rhonda K. Gifford to George S. Goodling, lot 22, Sec VI, Vista Pointe, Blacksburg, \$405,500

George J. Perkovich to MEP Properties LLC, lot 1, Sec 4, Mountain View Estates No. 2

Christopher Craig Cochran Executor to Gina Gonomo, lot 12, Blackwood Annex, Blacksburg, \$385,000

Montgomery County Public School District to Wallace L. Huff, 2 ac., University Apartments LTD, metes and bounds, see legal, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$20,000

Mark E. Curtis to Ryan Daniel Curtis, lots 1A, 2, 3, 4, Chritiansburg,

Bradley W. Finch to Dennie M. Clark, 1.7339 ac., lot 2, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$40,000

Patrick A. Turman to Arika Korneav, 0.310 ac., lot 24, and Northern 10 ft. of lot 26, and 0.310 ac. All southerly 70 ft. of lot 26, and northern 20 ft. of lot 28, Chritiansburg, \$270,000

Cornelia J. Sifford to Domenic Saia, lot 9, Vista Via, Ph 1, Christiansburg, \$303,000

Elizabeth Gaffey Pitts to Gregory D. Duncan, 0.5580 ac., Christiansburg, \$75,000

Stateson Homes LLC to Munavar Lodi, 0.288 ac. Lot 4, Kinloch Subdv., Blacksburg, \$805,400

Kippes Farms LLC to Stateson Homes LLC, lots 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, Westhill Subdv., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$335,500

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OPINION

Buddy King: Preserving The Oaks Victorian Inn

When I returned to Christiansburg for my high school reunion a couple of months ago, I seized the opportunity to stay at The Oaks Victorian Inn, the beautiful old bed and breakfast at the corner of East Main and Park Streets, the crown jewel of the oldest section of town. This area is affectionately known as the “Park.” I don’t know if that neighborhood was called the “Park” because of the street that runs through it, from East Main to Cambria Street or whether the street took its name from this leafy section of town that truly resembles a park.

I vaguely recall a “Park” family, so I am guessing that the street came first. While I did not grow up in the “Park,” being a “West Main kid,” my memories and my families’ connections (on both sides) to this oldest section of Christiansburg are strong and run deep. More on that later.

Back to “The Oaks” for a few more well-deserved compliments. I had enjoyed staying in this lovely old Victorian Inn, known as the “Pierce home” to old time Christiansburgers, a few times in the past after my parents had passed away and I no longer had a “free place to stay” on my returns to my hometown. My visits included a couple of graduations and funerals, and, having driven or walked past the beautiful old yellow house hundreds or thousands of times in my life, it was natural for me to want to stay under its roof.

I was extremely saddened when I heard it had closed a couple of years ago after one of the former owners passed away. While the devil COVID made reopening challenging and maybe unlikely, I thought of the old home as a community asset and was certain that someone, someone special, would come along and take on stewardship – and I was right.

The new stewards ARE special, the wonderful Shannon (Roberts) and Jason Whatchamacallit (actually, the Magenheimers – I couldn’t resist Shannon and Jason). And faithful and dedicated stewards they are. While I have enjoyed all my stays in this wonderful old inn, one of the finest anywhere, the Magenheimers have taken this historic home to new heights

From the moment you arrive until the moment you regretfully have to leave, you can witness (and sense) their love for the home and its character and history. From outstanding breakfasts and front porch hospital-

ity to luxurious amenities, your time is “well wasted” at The Oaks, as the poet Brad Paisley would say. Shannon had me from the moment she said that she had “dreamed of owning this home” since her days as a little girl growing up in Blacksburg.

Speaking of history and family ties, the King and Weaver families, of which I am a member of each, have lots of both with The Oaks and the “Park.” My father attended parties and dances on the third floor of this home when he was in high school in the 1930’s (being friends with Ed Pierce); my aunt Mary Alma and cousins (Joe and Bobby) had lived in the small upstairs apartment directly across the street for several years in the 1950’s and Aunt Mary Alma played bridge during this time at the Pierce home on Friday nights.

My grandmother Weaver and my aunt Maggie and my mother had lived right around the corner, on Junkin, having built their home there in the ‘40’s. I attended first and second grades (and my dad had attended high school and had his office as superintendent of schools for a number of years) in the building directly across the street from the Weaver house.

Farther down Park, on Craig

Street, my grandparents Charlie and Virgie Mae (Sutphin) King raised my dad and his seven siblings, replete with chicken coop in the backyard and a small pasture next door. My third- and fourth-grade years were also spent in the neighborhood, at the original Christiansburg High School, currently an apartment building across East Main from the beautiful homes in the day of the “Grubbs” family and the “Rose” family (The Rose home was owned by my Dad’s good friend, the wonderfully named Roscoe Roland “Railroad” Rose). More ties to an old neighborhood would be hard to find.

While visiting at The Oaks, I took the Magenheimers on a walking tour of the Park, Shannon and Jason graciously indulging my runaway sense of nostalgia. I remembered many residents of the homes along Park and the side streets and wondered what had become of so many people who had been part of my early life. Many have passed on of course, but in my mind’s eye, the Christiansburg of the 1960’s seemed both eerily present and poignantly distant in the “Park.”

This part of Christiansburg (thankfully) seems to have

changed remarkably little over the last 50 years. I couldn’t help but think of my father and his many siblings walking to and from school and afternoon jobs and my grandfather Charlie walking to his work, all up and down that old street. The family owned no car. I thought of my Dad returning from World War II to live on Junkin with my mother in their first home, my grandmother and aunt having died there, my cousins and I having started school there, all on Junkin. I thought of numerous classmates and family friends who populated the area. A lot of family history for such a small parcel of ground.

Thanks again to Shannon and Jason for their hospitality, their patience for my old stories of life in the Park during the day, and most of all, for saving and preserving The Oaks, a true Christiansburg landmark. It is in good hands with the Whatchamacallits.

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Home Country by Slim Randles: The bear and the convertible

Packing people into the backcountry doesn’t sound really exciting, I know. And if it gets exciting, it’s undoubtedly because something went wrong. But we did have occasional chuckles during those eight summers.

I stopped off at the backcountry ranger’s tent near Bullfrog Lake in Kings Canyon National Park. He mostly checked fire permits and had a fun summer. He told me to get off my horse and in the tent ... NOW, to see what he had.

He said no matter how many times they told campers not to feed the wild animals, there was always someone with a hearing problem. On the western slopes of the park, where there are roads, a young guy was driving along

in his brand-new Chevy hard-top convertible when he spotted a bear moseying along.

That’s when the great idea hit him. He wrapped some bacon around the steering wheel, opened the driver’s door, and stepped out with his camera. In a few minutes, the bear climbed in behind the wheel and was eating the bacon. He closed the car door on the bear. Click, click! Wow. It sure looked like the bear was driving the car.

But when he walked over to open the door and let the bear out, the bear had other ideas. He growled and snapped and our photographer backed off.

When the bacon was gone, the bear discovered a creel in the back seat

smelling deliciously of prime trout, and he wanted that, too. So he turned and started climbing into the back seat. Unfortunately, the bear stepped squarely on the car’s brand-new horn as he went for the creel.

So the picture the ranger showed me was a good illustration of what a brand-new hardtop convertible looks like when a hand grenade goes off. Think sardine can. The bear left and without using the brand-new door.

But most of the time

Brought to you by “A Cowboy’s Guide to Growing Up Right” by Slim Randles. Buy one for that problem kid down the street. Only \$2.99 on Amazon.com.

Virginia gas prices continue to fall

Average gasoline prices in Virginia fell 6.9 cents per gallon last week, averaging \$3.68/g on Monday, Aug. 22, according to GasBuddy’s survey of 4,081 stations in Virginia.

Prices in Virginia are 48.4 cents per gallon lower than a month ago but stand 69.9 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

The national average price of diesel has declined 6.3 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.97 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Virginia was priced at \$3.13/g Monday while the most expensive was \$5.19/g, a difference of \$2.06/g.

The national average price of gasoline fell 5.1 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.86/g as of Monday. The national average is down 51.3 cents per gallon from a month ago but is still 72.2 cents per gallon higher than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data.

“While some areas saw

gas prices rise slightly last week, the national average saw yet another weekly decline, extending the streak to ten straight weeks,” said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. “The pace of declines is certainly slowing down as oil prices have bounced up slightly, but the West Coast and Northeastern U.S. are areas that still may see gas prices decline while the South and Midwest see the drop fade and potentially slight increases. According to De Haan, “In addition to falling gasoline prices, the average price of diesel has fallen below \$5 per gallon for the

first time since March, likely helping to cool off aggressive inflation numbers. Thus far, Mother Nature has spared us from disruptions from hurricanes, but that remains a wild card as we head into the peak of hurricane season.”

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

WalletHub: Virginia employers have ninth biggest hiring struggle in the U.S.

As the personal finance website WalletHub notes, during the COVID-19 pandemic, millions of Americans lost their jobs and experienced financial difficulties due to unemployment. Now, for many employers, the shoe is on the other foot. Lots of businesses are struggling to hire enough workers, which has sometimes led to delays in services and reduced business hours.

In fact, the labor force participation rate has experienced the slowest recovery of any recession since World War II. Some businesses aren’t even able to keep the employees they already have as Americans are quitting their jobs at record rates in what’s been dubbed the “Great Resignation.” It’s not just a U.S. phenomenon, though. Twenty percent of global workers plan to quit their jobs this year.

Within the U.S., workers are easier to find in some states than others. To see where employers are struggling the most in hiring, WalletHub compared the 50 states and the District of Co-

lumbia based on the rate of job openings for both the latest month and the last 12 months. The website then ranked the states in the order of which states are struggling the most to find employees.

The rankings revealed that Virginia is among the states having the most difficult time hiring, landing as the state whose employers are having the ninth biggest hiring struggle in the country.

According to WalletHub, the ten states having the most difficulty finding employees are 1) Alaska 2) Georgia 3) Kentucky 4) Vermont 5) West Virginia 6) Montana 7) Louisiana 8) Massachusetts 9) Virginia 10) Ohio

At the opposite end of the hiring problems, WalletHub’s survey revealed that the following ten places are having the easiest time finding employees: 42) Pennsylvania 43) New Jersey 44) Oregon 45) California 46) Florida 47) Utah 48) Connecticut 49) District of Columbia 50) New York 51) Washington.

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- CLUES ACROSS

1. One point north of due west

4. Indigenous peoples of northern Scandinavia

9. Popular California/Nevada lake

14. Go quickly

15. Fatty acid in soaps

16. Brand of fuel stations

17. State of fuss

18. Romance novelist

20. Members of a household

22. Asserts to be the case

23. Type of infection

24. With metal inlays

28. Chinese philosophic principle

29. Early multimedia

30. Employee stock ownership plan

31. He investigated Clinton administration

33. Shells

37. Six
38. Snake-like fish

39. Capital of Kenya

41. Influential group (abbr.)

42. Used to chop

43. It comes as a case

44. Challenges

46. Small amounts

49. The Golden State

50. Peyton’s little brother

51. For walking in Alaska

55. Buddhist honorific titles

58. Lively ballroom dance

59. Capital of Albania

60. Late night host

64. Draw from

65. A way to utilize

66. One who is not native Hawaiian

67. A power to perceive

68. Bulky

69. Horse mackerels

70. Proclaim out loud
- CLUES DOWN

1. Hits

2. Bathroom accessory

3. Youth

4. Beef cattle

5. It’s often in soap

6. For each

7. Innermost membrane enveloping the brain

8. A way to leave

9. Emaciation

10. Punish with a fine

11. Steeds

12. Having eight

13. Greek goddess of the dawn

19. Mature reproductive cells

21. Armadillo species

24. Ancient country in what is now Romania

25. Extreme greed

26. Stars

27. Poems

31. Places to sit
32. One from the Lone Star State

34. Small rails

35. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)

36. Where coaches work

40. Indicates position

41. Mammals

45. Resembling a wing

47. Beliefs

48. Hindu male religious teachers

52. Mischievously

53. Where athletes want to end up (abbr.)

54. Large, deep-bodied fish

56. Horned squash bug genus

57. Excessively sentimental

59. Shared verbally

60. You can put it on toast

61. Data mining methodology (abbr.)

62. Resin-like substance secreted by certain insects

63. Mauna __, Hawaiian volcano

LAND TRANSFERS

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Dorothy Nester Bolt to Daniel Lloyd Bolt, 12.363 ac., Riner Magisterial District

Canda Property LLC to Goodwill Industries of the Valley, 1.671 ac., lot 39, Christiansburg, \$1,995,000

Christopher French to French Living Trust, lot 16, Maple Ridge Village 4 Brittany Meadows Balcksburg

Robin Scully to Robin Scully Living Trust, 3.313 ac., lot 7, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Tammy S. Costigan Executor to Tammy S. Costigan, lot 5, Sec 4, Craig Mtn. Christiansburg

Michael Penn Huffman Trustee to John Lloyd, 2 parcels, 2 and ⅓ ac and 4 ac.,Blacksburg, \$85,000

William R. Winemiller to Deborah Winemiller, lot 1, Olde Towne Estates, Christiansburg, \$340,000

Jeffery M. Czarnecki to Joseph Daniel Rudolph, lot 513, Blacksburg Country Club Estates, Sec III, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$885,000

Kramer Davis Luxbacher AIF to Julia C. Klapproth, lot 32, Ph 1, Village at Toms Creek, Ph 1, Blacksburg, \$590,000

Kipps Farms LLC to State-son Homes LLC, lots 413, 414, 415, and 416, Westhill Subdv., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$268,400

Glenn A. Cobb to Glenn A. Cobb Trust, 3.3725 ac., lot 2, Walnut Hills Subdv.

Raymond S. Smoot, Jr. Trust to Bradley Whitney Babcock III, 0.313 ac., Lusters Gate Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Benjamin S. Hutchins to Samantha Clark Underwood, lot 36, Vistavia Subdv., Ph II, Christiansburg, \$356,500

Matthew G. Gross to Matthew g. Gross, 0.765 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Anthony Scott to Anthony

Scott, 2021007983

Anthony R. Scott to Double V LLC, 1.0980 ac., lot 1, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$365,000

Omni Om LLC to Dutt Export Inc., 2.008 ac., new lot 1, riner Magisterial District, \$850,000

Roger W. Woody to John Kirk McGuire, lots 1 and 2, Vistavia Subdv., Ph II, Christiansburg, \$625,000

Michael D. Quesinberry to Anthony R. Scott, 1.127 ac., lot 51, Heritage Place,Ph III, riner Magisterial District, \$615,000

Patricia W. Wood to Nancy S. White, 1.0426 ac. Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$5,000

Zachary T. Sowers to Craig Cronenwett, lot 25, Town and Country Estates, Sec. 1, Christiansburg, \$353,000

Zhargal Dampilon to Brian D. Booth, 0.9582 ac., lot 5, Maple Spring Farm II Subdv., Blacksburg, \$479,450

Traveling Manns LLC to Blue Sky Homes LLC, 2.01 ac., metes and bounds, Blacksburg, \$675,000

Harold George Philippi, Jr., to Robert W. Bentley, 5.670 ac., lot 9, Riverwood Estates, Ph 1, Riner Magisterial District, \$630,000

Anthony L. White to Oracio Izaguirre Montenegro, lot 11, Ph IV, Kensington Subdv., Christiansburg, \$412,500

Kelly R. Nelson to CB Smith Construction, Inc., lot 24, Sec 1, Harman Forest, \$32,800

Christopher S. Russo to Bradley Russell Horton, lot 1, East Ridge Subdv., Christiansburg, \$265,000

Carol Shelor to John M. Shelor, 1.385 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District

Leslie G. Dove to Joshua M. Dove, lot 19, Windsor Estate, Ph 1, Christiansburg, \$330,000

Mary Dean Coleman to Jacob Sells

Juanita W. Gambill to Andrew G. Burns, metes and bounds, see legal, Christiansburg, \$259,900

Kipps Farms LLC to State-son Homes LLC, 2022005831, \$90,200

Estate of Calvin Duncan to Lesa V. De Los Rios, lot 5, Lilly Auburn Magisterial District, \$29,900]

Phillip Nelson Martin to Hedgehog Properties LLC, see legal, Christiansburg, \$128,000

Charlotte H. Epperly to Wendy R. Carter, three parcels, See legal, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$30

Victoria H. Andrews to Jaemont Investments, Inc., Lot 3, Oak Tree Townhomes, Christiansburg, \$219,900

Kipps Farms LLC to State-son Farms LLC, lots 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, Westhill Subdv., Pris Fork Magisterial District, \$335,500

Chabad of Virginia to Chabad Serving Virginia Tech, los 3, 4, Sec VI, Blacks Addition Prices Fork Magisterial District

Paul D. Simpkins to Justin Bryant Dowdy, 5.751 ac., lot 3, Riner Magisterial District,

Daniel L. McRorie to Zhenhua Tian, 0.292 ac., lot 50, Fiddlers Green, Blacksburg, \$706,000

Hunter F. Gately to Christopher Shaver, lot 40, Belmont Farms, Unit 2, Christiansburg, \$232,000

Travis L. Kingrey to Philip T. Pope, 5.000 ac., lot 3A, Riner Magisterial District, \$390,000

Sandra C. Davis to Cap Investments, Inc., 0.4359 ac., Blacksburg, \$1,250,000

Jeffrey M. Joiner to Cunnigham G. West, lot 4, Longview Estates, Sec III, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$425,000

William K. Griffith to Sarah Gayle Leonard, 0.341 ac., Parcel B, Christiansburg, \$272,650

Curtis W. Absher Trust to Neal t. Vines, 1.161 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$190,000

Tyler O. Walters to Walters Living Trust, lot 38, Countryside Estates, Ph III, Blacksburg

Kent F. Murrmann to Murrmann Living Trust, 2 parcels, lot 48, Woodland Hills, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, and lot 22, Karr Heights, Sec 1, Blacksburg

Dorin Shen to Vandelay Property Management, lot 8, Olde Towne Estates, Christiansburg, \$370,000

Marvin W. Wrenn to Jier Y. Han, lot 4, Mtn. top Estates, Ph 1, \$340,000

C C and B Development LLC to SAS Eagle Givens LLC, 0.202 ac., lot 107 and 0.184 ac., lot 116, Northside Park, Sec XII, Blacksburg

Robert W. Vaughan to Robert N. Wills III, lot 6, East Ridge Subdv., Christiansburg, \$249,900

Roger W. Woody to RWW40 LLC

Roger W. Woody to RWW46 LLC

Walter I. Stultz, Jr., to Walter I. Stultz, Jr., 3 parcels, see legal, Riner Magisterial District

Wallace L. Andrus, Jr., to Matthew J. Kelly, 24.737 ac., tract 5, Riner Magisterial District, \$222,500

Hughes Investments LLC to Kmerly Scott, 0.45 ac., lot 2, \$285,000

JBC Properties LC to Jimmy S. Martin, 2 parcels, 0.8614 ac., parcel 1, and 1.5655 ac., parcel 2, Shawsville Magisterial District

Glade Heights LLC to Glade Spring Crossing LLC, 3 parcels, 0.318 ac, parcel 1; 41.713 ac., parcel 2; and 3.719 ac., parcel 3,

Blacksburg

Devon E. Smith to Michael C. Midkiff, lot 40, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph IV, Christiansburg, \$295,000

Robert M. Ballenger to Herbert Randolph Patton, Jr., lot 1, Auburn Hills Fairway Homes, Riner Magisterial District, \$485,000

Earving L. Blythe to John Famolari, lot 7, Ph IV, Preston Forest, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$785,000

Robert Deal to Marcio R. Rodriguez Guzman, lot 127, Windmill Hills Subdv., Sec. 14, Christiansburg, \$425,000

Joseph M. Reynolds to Larry D. Elliott, lot 9, Riner Magisterial District, \$222,000

DEEDS TRANSFER UPON DEATH

David Clyde Scanland to Kallie Nicole Covey, Southerly 90 ft. of lot 40 Oakwood Subdv., #1

Roy Phillip Harman to Mary Kelly Harman, 4 parcels, Riner Magisterial District

Duane M. Mills to Mills Living Trust, lot 2, Apperson Park Sec 7 Blacksburg

R. Stephan Reisinger to R. Stephen Reisinger Living Trust, metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg

Mark E. Curtis to Ryan Daniel Curtis, lots 1A, 2, 3, 4, Christiansburg

Christopher French to French Living Trust, lot 16, Maple Ridge Village 4 Brittany Meadows, Blacksburg

Robin Scully to Robin Scully Living Trust, lot 38, Countryside Estates, Ph III, Blacksburg

Kent F. Murrmann to Murrmann Living Trust, 2 parcels, lot 48 Woodland Hills, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District and lot 22 Karr Heights, Sec 1, Blacksburg

Inside Design summer camp provides transformative experience for high school students

In the summer of 2003, Ryan Patterson, then a high school student, attended the Inside Design summer camp at Virginia Tech. “This was my first foray into architecture, and I remember feeling even at the time how impactful that spark would be,” he said.

Patterson joined Virginia Tech’s architecture and design school in 2005 and earned his bachelor’s degree in architecture in 2009.

Fast forward to the summer of 2022, Patterson, now an architect at the firm of Fultz & Singh, taught a new generation of high school students at the same summer camp.

Founded by faculty members Donna Dunay and Robert Dunay 20 years ago, the Inside Design program introduces high school students to the Virginia Tech college experience and teaches them to think and approach the world like professional designers. Chris Pritchett, an associate professor in architecture, now leads the program.

“One of my goals was to not only introduce young students to design and to our school, but to introduce them to individuals in the profession as well,” he said.

This year, Pritchett recruited active architecture and design professionals to serve as instructors at the camp.

He connected with a team of designers from Fultz & Singh, an architecture firm in Richmond. Instructors Ryan Patterson, Amrit Singh, Logan Healy, Jessie Gemmer, Kylie Heald, and Chase Long are all alumni of Virginia Tech’s architecture program, and they welcomed the opportunity to connect their alma mater with their community.

Pritchett and the instructors from Fultz &

Singh saw this partnership as strengthening the relationship between Virginia Tech and the professional design world. Over the course of the six-day camp, the instructors and their teaching assistants guided 154 students into a new way of perceiving the world and helped them see through the eyes of a designer.

Their first task was to explore a familiar, personal object to better understand why and how it was created. Each student brought a small item from home, dubbed an “artifact.” They were instructed to treat it as “a precious object.” In addition, they cataloged every detail of the artifact in a variety of media as though it would

become a museum display.

As the sessions progressed, the students explored more complex concepts. They worked with light and shadow, spatial analysis, and other techniques as they became more familiar with the thought process of a designer.

“Seeing the progression of the students thinking they had no idea what to do, and then getting to a place where they were proud of what they made, had a profound impact on me - because I remember that feeling myself,” said Patterson.

These moments, he said, “revealed the inherent potential of every

student.”

On the final day of the camp, students collected everything they created over the course of the week — models, designs, and drawings – and assembled a Cabinet of Curiosities exhibition in the lobby of Cowgill Hall. Family members were invited to view the exhibits and tour the studio space. The exhibits demonstrated the students’ progression over the course of the week and highlighted the evolution of their thinking processes.

“The final exhibits they put up looked like college-level design work,” said Lauren Malhotra, an events planner in the school.



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Professionals from Fultz & Singh, all alumni, partnered with Chris Pritchett and AAD teaching assistants to lead the Inside Design program. From left are Mei Machuga, Chris Tucker, Isabel Parras, Chase Long, Logan Healy, Kylie Heald, Rebecca Rainey, Jessie Gemmer, Amrit Singh, Ryan Patterson, Chris Pritchett, and Grayson Bennett.

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Large-scale research effort on drone traffic management will answer a critical need in a growing industry

Virginia Tech has won its sixth major federal contract to lead research on an increasingly urgent question: How to safely manage drone traffic.

The Virginia Tech Mid-Atlantic Aviation Partnership (MAAP) was selected to lead one of two teams participating in the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) UTM Field Test, a research project designed to evaluate the technology and standards being developed to help safely coordinate and prioritize drone flights as drone activity in the low-altitude airspace ramps up. "UTM" is short for "unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) traffic management."

MAAP is one of seven FAA-designated drone test sites. For this project, it will be teaming up with a sister test site, the Lone Star UAS Center of Excellence and Innovation at Texas A&M University Corpus Christi. MAAP, the Texas test site, and eight companies leading the charge on developing technology in this area will collaborate with the FAA and NASA on the project.

Drone technology is becoming more capable; regulations are evolving to accommodate more advanced operations. Multiple companies have announced plans in the last few months to launch services such as drone delivery in locations around the country. All this suggests the advent of a time when drone technology can begin to pay dividends on its potential — but also when the physical distance that has allowed most operations to be managed in isolation from each other will begin to close.

"We're just now beginning to see things scale," said Tombo Jones, MAAP's director. "As we advance beyond individual operations in self-contained areas, it will be essential to have technology that can safely schedule and prioritize flights so that they don't interfere with each other."

"These flight tests are critically important in the further development of UTM — the ability to take operational concepts and testing them in complex, 'real-world' environments," said Mike Sanders, the

executive director of the Texas test site. "We're very pleased to be a part of the MAAP team and leverage our ongoing work in UTM to contribute to the depth and breadth of the testing environment."

Safely managing drone traffic requires diverse sources of data routed through multiple software platforms. Each of these technologies is being developed by individual companies, with oversight and evaluation from the FAA through research programs such as this one. The composition of MAAP's field test team reflects how complex this ecosystem is.

ANRA Technologies, Collins, and OneSky have all developed software platforms to schedule and deconflict drone operations. Wing, which has recently launched a residential drone delivery service in the Dallas metro area to complement its inaugural program in Christiansburg as part of its U.S. operations, is developing technology to enable the identification of nearby drones and evaluate other UTM software.



PHOTO BY MARK BLANKS FOR VIRGINIA TECH.

An engineer at the Virginia Tech Mid-Atlantic Aviation Partnership launches a drone during tests of systems designed to manage drone traffic.

OBITUARIES

Bryan, Paul Louis

Paul Louis Bryan, 56, of Blacksburg, went to be with the Lord on Aug. 20, 2022, at home. Born in May 1966 in Portsmouth, Va., he was the son of the late Louis Linwood Bryan and Faye E. Bryan.

Left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife of 31 years, Kristina Hadsell Bryan; beloved daughters Ashley Bryan Harvey (Tim) of Christiansburg, Brittany Bryan Rose (Martin) of Blacksburg, and Cassandra "Sandra" Bryan (Lindsey Nanz) of Boise, Idaho; five grandsons; and additional family members listed below.



Paul and Kristina moved from Portsmouth to Dublin, Va., in 1993 and to Blacksburg in 1999. Paul worked in the food service industry for over 25 years for establishments such as Pizza Hut, High's Ice Cream, KFC, Hardee's, McDonald's, Wendy's, Warm Hearth Dining, Virginia Tech Dining Services, Mellow Mushroom, Zaxby's, Burger King, and Hwy 55. He worked in the lawn service industry in Portsmouth, including as a live-in groundskeeper for Meadow Brooks Memorial Gardens Cemetery; likewise, he performed grounds maintenance for the Blacksburg Parks & Recreation Department. He was a parts driver for Harvey's Chevrolet and held positions at Pulaski Furnishings, Findley's, and the Foundry.

Paul loved all things sci-fi, especially Star Trek, Star Wars, and Transformers. He shared his love of Transformers with his grandsons, as he was just a big kid at heart who loved his family well. Some of his favorite sayings were, "Transform and roll out!" and "Beam me up, Scotty!" Paul grew up in Portsmouth's Sweethaven Baptist Church and later joined his wife at Western Branch Community Church

in nearby Chesapeake. After moving to the New River Valley, the couple eventually joined Dublin Presbyterian Church (presently known as First Dublin Presbyterian Church ECO), where he was a member of the choir and showed that he had the heart of a servant helper.

In addition to his parents, Paul was preceded in death by his mother-in-law, Cheryl Barnes Hadsell; uncle "Skip" Thomas R. Daughtry; two great-aunts, Quelda Daughtry and Marian Moore; and maternal grandparents, "Maw" and "Pops". Surviving family members also include brothers Jon "Barrie" Bryan of Portsmouth, Lee Thomas Bryan of Wake Forest, N.C., and Mark Edward Bryan of Christiansburg; sister Angela Bryan Twiford (Scott) of Carrolton, Va.; father-in-law Wayne Lee Hadsell, Sr., of Pilot Mountain, N.C.; sister-in-law Dee Hadsell Gazzo (Mike) of Rochester, N.Y.; brother-in law Wayne Hadsell, Jr., of Gloucester Point, Va.; aunt Marilyn "Deedee" Daughtry of Chesapeake; cousins Keith Daughtry and Kristopher Daughtry of Portsmouth, and Kevin Daughtry (Nicole) of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.; ten nieces and nephews; six great-nieces and -nephews; many other cousins; and nine grand-fur babies.

There will be a celebration of life service on Thursday, Aug. 25, 2022, at 11:30 a.m., at Dublin Presbyterian Church ECO. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Good Samaritan Hospice or a donation to the family to help cover expenses (contact McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg). A special thanks to Good Samaritan Hospice. Please think of Paul the next time you enjoy a good sci-fi show.

Cole, Patrick Raymond

Patrick Raymond Cole, born Sept. 19, 1968, passed away Aug. 10, 2022, in Plano, Texas, from complications of diabetes and kidney failure.

He was a graduate of Blacksburg High School and Alderson-Broadus College in Philippi, W.Va.

He earned a master's degree in Christian education from Southwestern Texas Theological Seminary in Fort Worth in 2011. While serving in the U.S. Naval Reserves, he was called into active duty in 1991 to support Operation Desert Storm where he served as a navy corpsman with the rank of petty officer.

He was employed in a variety of call-center jobs after settling in the Dallas area. His true calling was working with children's education in Baptist churches. For the past two years, he had assisted with the children's program at Unity Point Baptist Church in Plano. He was

devoted to his friends and family, especially those who shared his vast interest in and knowledge of sports.

Patrick is survived by his father, Steve Cole, and Steve's wife, Rosemary, of Blacksburg; his mother, Claire Cole Curclo and her partner Selby McCash, of Fredericksburg, Va.; a brother, Scott Cole and his wife, Diana, of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.; a sister, Robin Cole Lacy and her husband Willis of Fredericksburg; an aunt, Jane Roberts, of Bradenton, Fla.; and five nieces and nephews.

A commemoration of life was led by Unity Point pastor Darrell Vang at the Collin Baptist Association in Fairview, Texas, on Aug. 14. Interment will be in the Dallas-Ft. Worth National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Unity point Church, 1302 Cherokee Trail, Plano TX 75023.

Weeks, Raymond Dewey

Raymond Dewey Weeks, 83, of Christiansburg, died Friday, Aug. 19, 2022, at New River Valley Medical Center.

He was born in Russell County, Va. on May 13, 1939, to the late Rev. Dewey and Artie Kegley Weeks. He was also preceded in death by his first wife, Shirley F. Weeks; brothers Willie Weeks and Guy Weeks; and sisters Margie Roark, Leona Hughes, and Frances Morrison.

Raymond attended Restoration Faith Tabernacle in Christiansburg. He had a lifelong love of music and was a talented guitarist and singer and was a former member of the Dixie Rangers Country Band.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Delia C. Weeks; sons and daughters-in-law John and Kimberly Weeks and Kevin and Melissa Weeks; grandchildren



Chandler Weeks, Branson Weeks, and Rae-Anna (Tweetie Pie) Weeks; a sister, Mary Musick; a brother and sister-in-law, Charlie and Frances Weeks; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held today, Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2022, at 1 p.m. in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Michael Casto, Pastor Shawn Martin, and Pastor Steve Coffey officiating. Entombment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens, Christiansburg.

The family will receive friends from noon to 1 p.m. prior to the service at McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg. The family would also like to give appreciation to Lewis Gale Montgomery Hospital, Radford Health and Rehab, and Carilion New River Valley Medical Center for their support.

Lee, M.D., Thaddeus Carmichael

Thaddeus Carmichael Lee, M.D., passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, at the age of 78.

He was preceded in death by his father, Daniel Dixon Lee, Jr.; his mother, Mattie McClemore Lee; and his brothers, Daniel Dixon Lee, III, John Munroe Lee, and Michael Ellis Lee.



He is survived by his wife, Sarah Gilbert; a younger brother, Robert; a sister, Mattie Gay Whitaker; a sister-in-law, Ann; a daughter, Sara; his sons, Daniel, Peter, and Samuel; a special nephew, Tyler Lee; and grandchildren Ryan, Ele, Benton, Catherine, Caden, and Stella.

Thad was born in Dillon, S.C. on May 15, 1944. He was a Senate Page for United States Senator Strom Thurmond in 1958 and later attended Clemson College before graduating with his Medical Degree from the Medical University of South Carolina in 1971.

He attained the rank of major in the United States Air Force and was the Chief Medical Officer of Incirlik Air Force Base in Turkey where he met his dearest, closest friend, Bill Scruggs, with whom he remained in contact with for the rest of his life.

Thad practiced family medicine in Radford for over 44 years, taking care of patients throughout the New River Valley. During his time in the area, he was known for his empathy, devotion, and passion when talking with and treating his patients. This was best demonstrated through his commitment and atten-

tiveness to his patients' lives and their health. He would often remain late at the office so that he had enough time with each person.

An avid outdoorsman and Eagle Scout, Thad enjoyed hiking, camping, and bicycling. He was well known for his love of animals. During his lifetime, he cared endlessly for a number of horses, cats, and dogs as well as other farm animals and wildlife. He could often be seen in his yard tending to his bird feeders, always making sure there was extra feed for the squirrels, chipmunks, and deer.

In the backyard, Thad prepared a small plot of land to serve as a cemetery for all of the animals that passed away while in his care. He said it best: "Animals are God's creatures, and we are meant to love them as we do each other."

In his later years, he enjoyed, and may be best remembered for, spending time on his front porch, watching over the community and the animals that he had nurtured and cared for his entire life. He took pleasure in spending his retirement time with his wife, his children, and grandchildren, as well as his three dogs, Buddy, Kadie, and Boe, and his three cats, Godiva, Twinkie, and Callie.

Services will be private and burial will take place in the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin. The Lee family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.

Womack, Lawrence Albert

Lawrence Albert Womack, 54, of Blacksburg, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022, at his home.

He was born on Feb. 14, 1968, to Dale and Diane Perfater Womack. He was preceded in death by his dad, Dale, and his grandparents, William and Dorothy Womack and Dewey and Elizabeth Perfater.

Lawrence was self-employed, the owner of Hot Diggity Dogs food concession. He was also well known for the many auctions and events he worked in the area. He was a dedicated fan of Southern Gospel music and made many lasting friendships with groups around the country. He loved to drive the large buses for many groups and help out



in any way possible.

He is survived by his mom, Diane Womack; a sister and brother-in-law, Shannon Womack Carter and John Carter; a nephew, Colson Carter; and many beloved cousins, family members, and special friends.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, Aug. 25, 2022, at 2 p.m. in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Phillip Martin and the Rev. Richard Hall officiating. Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens, Christiansburg.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. today, Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at McCoy Funeral Home Blacksburg.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION
Case No. CL21-610
BOTETOURT COUNTY
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re. Wilmington Savings Fund FSB, et al vs. Andrew L. Lawson, et al
The subject of this suit is to: rescind the September 16, 2020 foreclosure sale of 47 Garfield Lane, Roanoke, Virginia. It is ORDERED that: Any/All Heirs of BILAL NAEEM BOMANI appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before September 6, 2022. Signed: TOMMY L. MOORE, Clerk. 7/19/22

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of treated wastewater into a water body in Botetourt County, Virginia. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: August 17, 2022 to September 16, 2022
PERMIT NAME: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater issued by DEQ pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations
APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Shenandoah Baptist Church; PO Box 7010, Roanoke, VA 24019; VA0075451 FACILITY NAME AND LOCATION: Camp Eagle Sewage Treatment Plant (STP); 458 Camp Eagle Road, Fincastle, VA 24090
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Shenandoah Baptist Church has applied for reissuance of a permit for the private Camp Eagle STP. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage

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wastewaters from seasonal and non-season residential domestic activities at a rate of 0.0025 million gallons-per-day into a water body. Septage from the treatment process is hauled by contractor to the Southwestern Virginia Regional Wastewater Pollution Control Plant for further treatment. The facility proposes to release the treated wastewaters into Borden Creek in Botetourt County in the James River watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: organic matter, chemical properties, solids and bacteria. HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing on the draft permit reissuance by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit. CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Susan Edwards; Blue Ridge Regional Office, 901 Russell Drive, Salem VA 24153; 540-795-9749; E-mail: Susan.Edwards@deq.virginia.gov. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
VA CODE § 8.01-316
Case No. JJ003213-22-00
RADFORD Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Commonwealth of Virginia, in re PARRIS, ZYAN IMAHAN MILDRED. The object of this suit is to: Approve permanency plan for Zyan Imahan Mildred Parris, a minor. It is ORDERED that DANTE LARRELL HAYES appear at the above-named court and protect his or her interests on or before 09/27/2022 at 9:00 AM.

July 29, 2022
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VA code § 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317.20-104
Montgomery County Circuit Court 55 East Main Street, Suite 1, Christiansburg, VA 24073
Case No. CL22001234-00
Arlecia McBride Johnson and Olivia Adeline Isabel Johnson v. Jonathan Arnold Johnson. The object of this suit is to: Name Change of a Minor. It is ORDERED that Jonathan Arnold Johnson appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interest on or before October 2, 2022

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY Case No. CL22-1082 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA, A Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Complainant, v. ELIZABETH MORGAN, ET AL. Respondent(s).

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Montgomery, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Montgomery, Virginia, described as follows: Tax Map No. 525-A 16 Account No. 01 3074 All of that certain lot of land, lying near the wester limits, of Christiansburg in Montgomery County Virginia and bounded as follows: Beginning at the line of the Lee Highway at the corner of land owned or formerly owned by William Garnard and running thence; with said Garnard line S. 9° E. 200 feet to a stake; thence two new lines S. 88 1/2° W. 49 feet to the line of a 12 foot alley with same N. 9 1/2° W. 200 feet to the line of said Highway; thence with the line thereof N. 88 1/2° E. 50 Feet to the beginning containing nearly one-fourth (1/4) of an acre more Or less. And being the same real property conveyed to Elizabeth Morgan and John McWeller Morgan from Maggie Morgan and Jack Morgan by Deed dated and recorded on July 3, 1928 in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office in Montgomery County, Virginia in Deed Book 88, Page 410. This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described. APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Elizabeth Morgan, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is c/o S. Denise Harry-Martin 4794 Newbury Ct., Riverside, California 92507; John McWeller Morgan aka John Maxwell Morgan, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is c/o S. Denise Harry-Martin 4794 Newbury Ct., Riverside, California 92507; William Henry Hull, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Richard M. Hull, whose last known address is unknown; Elizabeth Moss Brown Hull, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Betty J. Hull Harry, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before September 16, 2022 in the Clerk's Office of the

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Circuit Court of the County of Montgomery, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause. Entered on the 9th day of August ,2022. Signed Robert M.D. Turk, Judge. I asked for this: John A. Rife, Esq (VSB No. 45805)

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
VA CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317.20-104
Case No. CL22000842-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY
55 East Main Street, Suite 1, Christiansburg, VA 24073
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re **ALIVER NICOLE HARRELL v. COREY HENDRICK HARRELL**. The object of this suit is to DIVORCE. It is ORDERED that COREY HENDRICK HARRELL appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before OCTOBER 10, 2022.

Signed By: Robert M.D. Turk, Judge
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Shortage of referees will affect high school football schedules

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The first week of high school football starts Thursday when Radford plays George Wythe. The change in the normal Friday night schedule is a direct result of a shortage of officials.

According to a recent survey of state high school associations including Virginia, an estimated 50,000 individuals have discontinued their service as high school officials since the 2018-2019 season (the last season not affected by the COVID pandemic). The Virginia High School League did not report how many the commonwealth could be down this year.

The growing referee shortage across the country and here in western Virginia is making it harder and harder to field a full officiating crew. Five-man crews took the field for several benefit games this past week.

The problem could force schools like George Wythe and Radford to move more games to Thursday or Saturday. Filling out this year's schedule could be problematic for many of the schools.

The question also lies with the pay as the crews will be splitting \$400 to \$500 per game.

But many other former officials are pointing to the fact of the rise of poor sportsmanship from players, coaches, and fans as a primary

reason they do not want to continue to referee. Also, the sportsmanship problem is preventing new groups of officials from taking the field.

Former Blacksburg head coach Eddie Sloss has a new job. He is back on the sidelines this season on Alex Wilkens's at Christiansburg. Sloss stepped down from the Blacksburg head coaching post this past November.

Blacksburg finished this past season winless, and their record for the past three years was 6-21.

Sloss's first year, 2018, Blacksburg completed a 13-1 season before losing to Woodgrove in the Class 4 state semifinals.

Prior to his time at Blacksburg, Sloss spent four years at Carroll County High School from 2014-2017 where he compiled a 5-35 mark. Formerly, he was an assistant at both Blacksburg and Christiansburg High Schools. Sloss is a graduate of Blacksburg High School.

Players to watch
Radford's Marcell Baylor, who played quarterback, running back, and receiver in 2021 and was this past year's all-county/all-city offensive specialist of the year. He recently announced his commitment to Virginia Tech after finishing the season with 29 touchdowns and 2,095 combined yardage for the Bobcats.

Christiansburg linebacker Cur-

tis Altizer, who will have to step up and fill the void of Drew Llyod, who graduated. Altizer finished last season with 94 tackles including 64 solos.

Radford quarterback Landon Clark, who took over game direction in game number six last season and completed 53 of 78 passes for 889 yards with 10 touchdowns.

Predicted records for the 2022 season: Christiansburg 9-1, Blacksburg 2-8, Eastern Montgomery 8-2, Radford 8-2, Auburn 0-10.

Predicted district finishes in 2022:

River Ridge: 1) Christiansburg, 2) Salem, 3) Patrick Henry, 4) Hidden Valley, 5) Cave Spring, 6) Blacksburg, 7) Pulaski.

Pioneer: 1) Narrows, 2) Eastern Montgomery, 3) Parry McCluer, 4) Covington, 5) Bath, 6) Craig.

Three Rivers: 1) Glenvar, 2) Radford, 3) James River, 4) Carroll County, 5) Floyd, 6) Alleghany.

Mt. Empire: 1) Grayson County, 2) Galax, 3) George Wythe, 4) Ft. Chiswell, 5) Giles, 6) Bland, 7) Auburn.

Changes in high school football rules:

By state association adoption, the team box may now be extended beyond the 25-yard line.

1-3-3: The game ball may be changed between downs, Any

game official may order the ball changed between downs.

1-4-3: The number "0" is now legal.

2-3-8: A chop block has been redefined as an illegal combination block where contact is made above and below the waist.

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First week game predictions: Giles 24, Blacksburg 7; Christiansburg 41, Floyd 14; Radford 21, George Wythe 20; Narrows 44, Auburn 0; Eastern Montgomery 28, Holston 21.

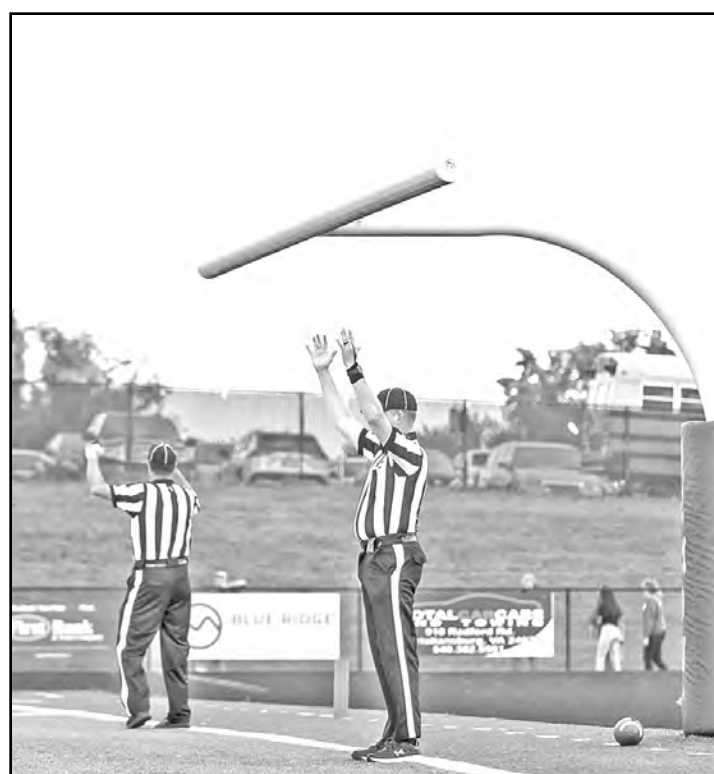


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Two referees work Friday night's scrimmage between Christiansburg and Giles high schools. Because of the lack of numbers, officials were limited to a five-member crew.

Christiansburg's Tanner Evans, preseason player of year



FILE PHOTO

Tanner Evans stops a Lord Botetourt runner in last year's state Class 3D loss. The rising junior will lead Christiansburg into the 2022 season.

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Tanner Evans played as many as six different positions last season for Christiansburg High School, gaining the nickname "Swiss Army Knife."

Christiansburg head coach Alex Wilkens said Tanner is the definition of a Swiss Army Knife.

"He's smart, he's strong, he's quick, he's fast, he can catch, he can throw, he can block, he can kick. He legitimately could play any position on the football field," Wilkens said.

"There's not a skill that he doesn't think he can do and he's right. His competitiveness is special; he hates to lose, and he holds himself to a very high standard for performance," Wilkens said. "And what is most re-

markable about him is his unselfishness. He doesn't care who gets credit or who gets the ball, he loves to see his teammates shine and will do whatever we need of him to help the team. He's the most diverse football player I have ever been around."

Last year, the sophomore rushed 79 times for 685 yards with seven touchdowns. He also had 15 receptions for 247 yards and returned 10 punts for 278 yards. On defense, he had 62 tackles with 45 solos and six interceptions.

"Tanner's ability to play anything gives us depth and makes us hard to defend," Wilkens said.

Wilkens said Evans will play a major role in the team's success this season.

"I think our success depends on his leadership and

how he practices, not necessarily how he plays," the coach said. "If the best players on your team are your best leaders and workers then everyone else follows suit. I think the big plays he makes energizes our team, but we are balanced enough that the threat of him makes other players better as well and we can be successful even without big stat sheet type games from him."

Already in two scrimmages, Evans has been counted on to be a major key on both sides of the ball while returning punts. For last year's numbers and early projections for this season, Evans is the All-County/All-City preseason player of the year.

Evans and the Blue Demons will open the 2022 season at home Friday night against Floyd County.

Remembering RU Coach Charlene Curtis



From the Sidelines

Marty Gordon

I will never forget the years I spent on the sports information staff at Radford University. I was a sophomore wandering around the Dedmon Center when I ran into a woman walking down the hallway. She asked me if I was lost. I told her no, but I was looking for the women's basketball coach's office.

She laughed and pointed me in the direction of the basketball offices. I walked in and sat down. The receptionist said the coach had stepped out but would be back in a moment.

Shortly after, Charlene Curtis walked in. She was the women's basketball coach and the same woman in the hallway that pointed me in the way of the office.

Over the years, she would always flash me her famous smile and greeting. Curtis would leave for Wake Forest but again, I ran into her in Winston-Salem. She never forgot my name and was always gracious when we bumped into each other.

She passed away last week. Leaders at Radford University called her a trailblazer at both RU and in the broader collegiate athletics landscape. She was also a two-time member of the Radford University

Board of Visitors.

"Charlene Curtis is one of Radford University's most accomplished alumni," said Director of Athletics Robert Lineburg. "She was an outstanding student, a tremendous basketball player, an excellent musician, and a great coach and administrator. She has had and will continue to have a profound impact on our university."

"Charlene was the coach that made a difference in her players' lives by teaching them so many foundational values that impacted them in so many positive ways," Lineburg said. "In addition, Charlene loved Radford University and remained involved throughout her life by devoting her time, service, and money to helping so many young people."

"This is a difficult time for the Highlander family, but we know her incredible legacy will live on at Radford University. I speak for myself and countless others in saying that it was a true honor and privilege to know Charlene Curtis."

In 1972, Curtis was the first African-American to play on the Radford women's basketball team, and she was the first 1,000-point scorer – male or female – in Radford basketball history. After her playing career ended, she secured her first job as a teacher and band director in Bedford County where she served as the first African-American teacher and coach ever at her school.

Her coaching career took her

back to the collegiate ranks where she earned a graduate degree and worked on the staff of legendary head coach Debbie Ryan at the University of Virginia.

Curtis would eventually return to Radford as the women's basketball program's head coach from 1984-90, posting a 121-53 (.695) record overall and an incredible 46-2 (.958) mark in Big South Conference play.

She was a two-time Big South Coach of the Year, leading the Highlanders to four Big South regular season championships, three Big South Tournament championships, and an appearance in the 1989 WNIT.

"On behalf of our current team, staff, and alumni, we are saddened to hear about the passing of Charlene Curtis," said Head Women's Basketball Coach Mike McGuire. "Radford has lost an amazing pioneer, leader, teacher, and coach. Quite simply, Charlene is a legend for our women's basketball program," McGuire said.

"Charlene had incredible careers at Radford, both as a student athlete and a coach. Each season, we could feel the impact that Charlene has had on the women's basketball program here. She helped to raise the bar and expectations for women's basketball success at Radford."

"Charlene loved Radford and was committed to making a difference for the young women in our program," McGuire said. "She is the epitome of what a dedicated

and invested alumna is all about. But, even with all of the success that she had, Charlene will be remembered for the type of person she was. The way she cared about other people and encouraged them to pursue excellence will never be forgotten by anyone who ever met her. She lived a life that impacted others and must be celebrated."

After her time at Radford, Curtis went on to Wake Forest University as the first African-American women's basketball head coach in the history of the Atlantic Coast Conference. She also made stops at Temple University as the school's first-ever African-American head women's

basketball coach and at the University of Connecticut as an assistant under Geno Auriemma.

She was eventually named the head of officiating for women's basketball in the ACC and contributed to ESPN and Fox Sports South as a women's basketball analyst.

Her accomplishments, both on the sidelines and in the community, led to the dedication of the Radford women's basketball coach's suite in her name on Feb. 5, 2022. A special ceremony was held in the Dedmon Center Sport Performance Facility where Curtis gave a speech while surrounded by former players and staff members.



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Former RU Coach Charlene Curtis, who died last week, was the first African American to play on the Radford women's basketball team, and the school's first 1,000-point scorer, male or female.

Radford, Blacksburg golfers help Blue Ridge team to overall win on Junior Golf Tour

Hunter Crist of Radford and Ryan Highfield of Blacksburg defeated Carter Wolfe of Gate City and Wyatt Cochran of Blountville, Tenn. 3-to-2. recently on the Blue Ridge Junior Golf Tour.

Also, Major Ewing of Blacksburg teamed with McKenzie Weddle of Floyd to defeat Abby Bradley of Castlewood and Kolben Gregg of Greenville, TN.

Those wins helped carry the Blue Ridge team to an overall win over players from the Sneds Junior Golf Tour in the annual 2-Tour challenge on Aug. 20.

Fincastle in Bluefield played host to the all-star players from both the two junior tours.

This unique event has been played since 2018 and is contested in match-play style. Nine points were at stake in the competition that featured a “4 ball” or “better ball” format of play on the opening nine holes and singles matches on the closing nine holes.

In “4 ball” or “better ball,” each player is paired with a partner. The two play their own balls throughout the hole but count the score that is lowest.

During the singles matches, each player competes against one other player from the opposing side. Each team had six players. The teams vied for three points during the “4 ball”

matches and six points during the singles matches.

Because the Blue Ridge team had won the previous year, the Sneds side would need to secure five points to win the contest. The Blue Ridge side prevailed 6 ½ to 2 ½.

Though it seems the results amounted to a comfortable four-point victory, match play results are seldom comfortable. Four of the matches ended with a 1-up score, the slimmest of margins to gain a point.

Here is a breakdown of the nine matches:

On the opening nine holes, the Blue Ridge side won all three of the “better ball” matches. In

match #1 David Goode of Wytheville teamed with Rocky Frye of Bramwell, WV, and defeated Tucker McLain of Church Hill, Tenn., and Tanner McPeck of Rogersville, Tenn., 1 up.

The Blue Ridge Tour was able to win match #2 as well as Hunter Crist of Radford and Ryan Highfield of Blacksburg claimed wins.

In match #3, Major Ewing of Blacksburg teamed with McKenzie Weddle of Floyd to win for the Blue Ridge Junior team.

Playing in the singles matches on the second nine holes, the Sneds Tour got on the board first as Tanner McPeck defeated David Goode 2-1 in match #4.

However, the Blue Ridge Tour won the next three matches to secure the team victory.

Rocky Frye made a clutch 3-foot putt on the final hole to maintain his 1-up advantage and defeat Tucker McLain in match #5.

Hunter Crist defeated Carter Wolfe 2-1 in match #6. Ryan Highfield defeated Wyatt Cochran 3-2 in match #7.

The Sneds Tour registered another point as Abby Bradley defeated McKenzie Weddle 1-up in match #8. In the final match, Kolben Gregg and Major Ewing tied. After tallying all of the matches, the Blue Ridge side earned a 6 ½ to 2 ½ victory.

Sports news: Sellouts continue at Tech

On the heels of a sellout announcement for Virginia Tech football's game against West Virginia, tickets for the Hokies' upcoming slate continue to be in extremely high demand.

The Tech athletics department announced Thursday, Aug. 18, that tickets in the upper East stands and upper South End Zone are sold out for Virginia Tech's games against Boston College, Miami, (Fla.) and Virginia.

Consequently, Fan 4-Pack ticket packages for these contests are no longer available, along with 3- and 4-game mini plans. This leaves single game tickets in the lower east and west stands as the only remaining option for these matchups.

The athletics department had previously announced that tickets in the upper south end zone are sold out for Tech's game against Wofford.

Strack to Tech

Clara Strack, a 6-foot-3 forward/center who will be a senior, is expected to be the first Hamburg N.Y., graduate to play Division I basketball at Virginia Tech since Blake McClimans, Class of 2009, who played for the University of Michigan men's team. Strack is believed to be the first Hamburg girls basketball player to go Division I in at least 30 years.

She was named to the All-Western New York large schools first-team last season and the Class A all-state first team after finishing second in Section VI in points (26.5) and first in rebounds (16.9). She led the

Bulldogs to their third consecutive A-1 sectional title.

She had offers from Georgia Tech, Ohio State, Virginia, Indiana, and Wake Forest, among others.

Anderson to join VirginiaPreps.com writing team

Earlier this year, Robert Anderson announced his retirement as a full-time sports writer after 44 years, the past 21 at The Roanoke Times following his start at the Bristol Herald Courier. Now, VirginiaPreps.com is pleased to announce that Anderson will be joining its team to contribute periodic stories, specializing in coverage in the Roanoke area.

“We're extremely thrilled to add a Hall of Fame worthy writer and reporter to our staff in Robert Anderson, whose dedication and work for so many years with the Roanoke Times goes unmatched on the prep sports scene in my opinion,” said VirginiaPreps Publisher Matthew Hatfield.

“Simply put, he has a reservoir of knowledge and resources. I'm sure the readers and subscribers will enjoy immensely the content he provides to the site,” Hatfield said.

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Polynesia's Fuga on football watch list

The Polynesian Football Hall of Fame has announced that the 2022 Watch List for the Polynesian

College Football Player of the Year Award includes Virginia Tech red-shirt defensive lineman Josh Fuga. The award is presented annually to the most outstanding college football player of Polynesian ancestry who epitomizes great ability and integrity.

The overall watch list is composed of 85 players from 43 different FBS schools.

Last season, Fuga played in all 13 games, starting three at DT. He totaled 21 tackles with five solo stops, one tackle for loss, and 0.5 sacks. Fuga's first career start came in a win over Middle Tennessee State. He recorded a career-high six tackles vs. Notre Dame.

“The Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award has become one of the most competitive and prestigious awards in college football,” said Jesse Sapolu, Polynesian Football Hall of Fame chairman, co-founder and inductee. “This award has become a source of great pride for Polynesians everywhere.”

Five finalists for the 2022 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award will be unveiled on Dec. 1, and the winner will be announced on December 15.

Appy League announces all-league team

The Appalachian League has announced the 2022 All-Appalachian League Team as voted on by the league's managers. The All-Appalachian League Team is highlighted by

Bluefield's Jackson Feltner, who was named Player of the Year, and Burlington's Mason Ruh, who earned Pitcher of the Year honors.

The All-Appalachian League Team is composed of five infielders, four outfielders, three pitchers, one catcher, one designated hitter, and a two-way player. In total, eight of the ten Appy League teams are represented with Kingsport's four selections leading the way. Bluefield, Burlington, Elizabethton, and Pulaski all had two selections. Bristol, Danville, and Johnson City had one each. Thirteen of the 15 selections are from Division I schools, and Northern Illinois is the only school with multiple selections.

DH: Ryland Zaborowski, Pulaski, Miami (OH)

Zaborowski hit .372 with nine home runs and 37 RBI in 36 games. He had 45 hits, 12 doubles, 21 extra-base hits, a .500 OBP, a .694 SLG and a 1.194 OPS. Zaborowski finished third in the Appy League in extra-base hits, tied for third in home runs and tied for fourth in RBI. He had 14 multi-hit games, eight three-RBI games and four four-RBI games.

On July 22 against Elizabethton, Zaborowski went 4-for-5 with two home runs, four RBI, four runs and a walk. Zaborowski was the Player of the Week of July 4-10 and the starting DH for the East All-Stars.

Two-Way: TJ Fondtain, Pulaski, San Diego State

Fondtain hit .366 with four home runs, 26 RBI and a 1.100 OPS in 37 games. He had 41 hits, 12 doubles, three triples, a .466

OBP and a .634 SLG.

On July 16 against Bristol, he went 4-for-5 with a double, a triple, five RBI's and two runs. On the mound, Fondtain was 2-3 with a 2.51 ERA in six appearances (five starts). In 28.2 innings, he allowed 34 hits and 11 runs (eight earned). He also struck out 34 and walked just four. Fondtain struck out 11 in eight innings in Burlington on June 30, both season-highs. He was the Player of the Week of July 18-24 and an East All-Star.

Hokie Way

The Hokie Way, an independent nonprofit organization that will create active engagements for Virginia Tech student-athletes with charitable goals, has launched.

The Hokie Way will raise funds to support charitable organizations across the commonwealth through the active engagement of Virginia Tech student athletes who wish to use their names, image, and likenesses (NIL) to advance the work of charitable organizations. With the help of aligned collectives focused on NIL opportunities, The Hokie Way will assist in building cause-marketing partnerships.

“The Hokie Nation turns out strong to show its support. When we have a hurricane on a Thursday night [football game], we still show up,” said Jim Petrino, president of The Hokie Way board of directors. “Our fans are fantastic in that way and support us greatly. We are the school with the lunch pail, which symbolizes how everyone gets involved. That's the right way to do NIL, and that's The Hokie Way.”

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