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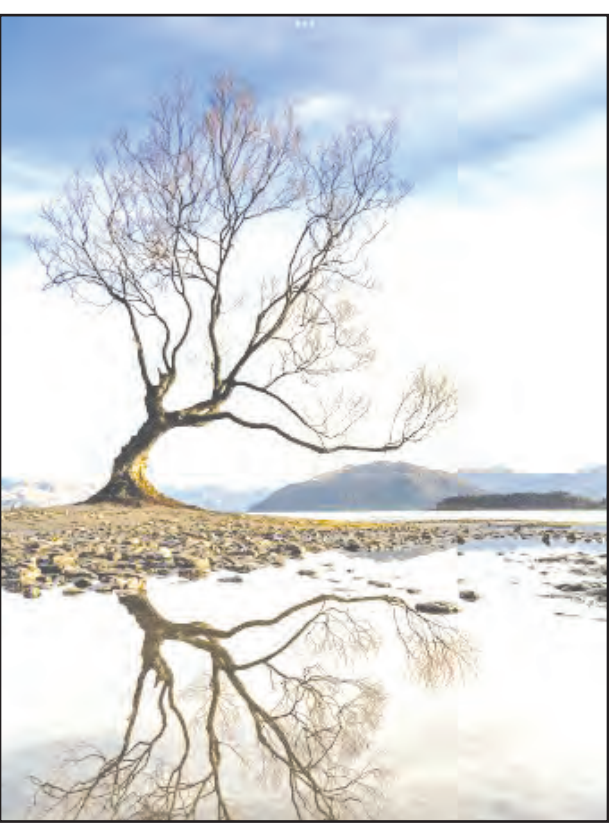
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Lake Wanaka on the South Island of New Zealand.



Replicas of thousand-year-old Viking ships in the harbor near the Roskilde Viking Ship Museum in Copenhagen, Denmark.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF FORMER MONTGOMERY MUSEUM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SUE FARRAR

Montgomery Museum to display the photography of Christiansburg's Tim Lawson

Beginning Nov. 3 with a public reception from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. with wine and light refreshments, the Montgomery Museum of Art and History at 4 East Main St. in Christiansburg will present an exhibit of the photography of Christiansburg's Tim Lawson.

Thirty-five photographs comprise the museum's exhibit, which will be on display through December. Some works are printed on metal such as aluminum.

As the exhibit's opening nears, Lawson said, "Thanks for taking your time to see the world through my lens."

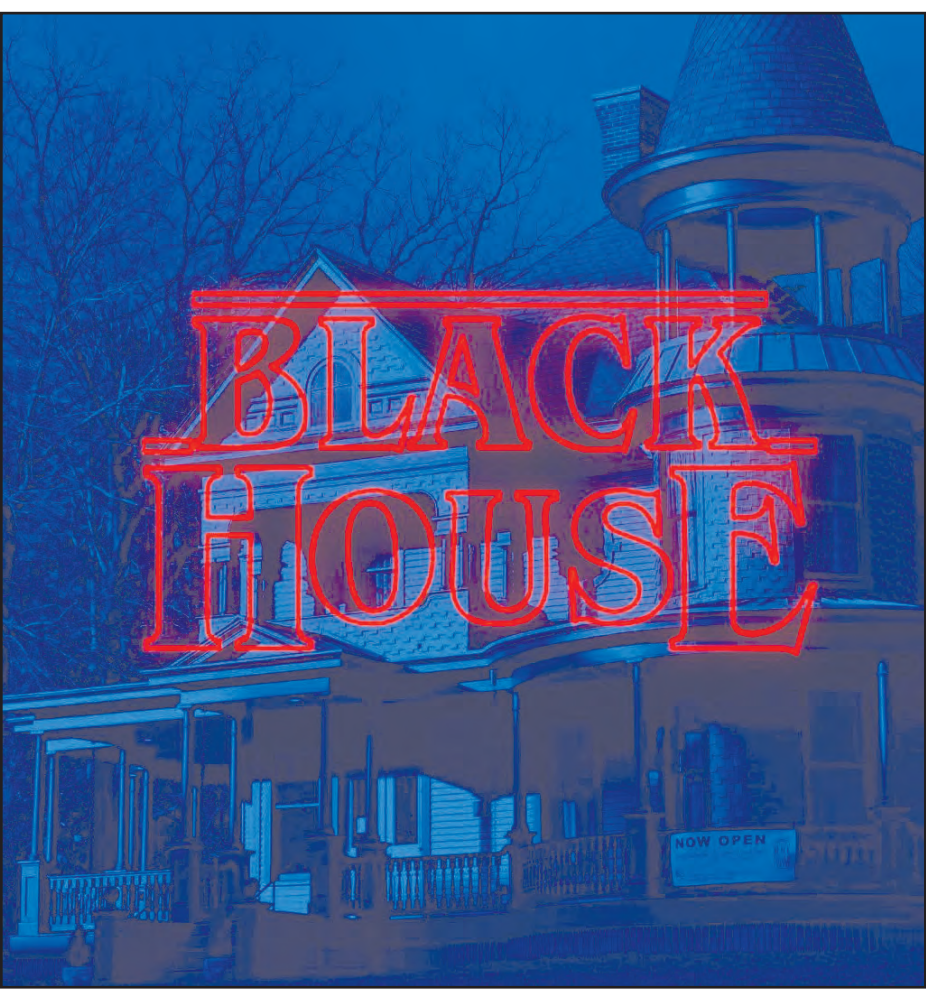
Included in the exhibit is a photograph of a lone tree on Lake Wanaka and a photograph Lawson took in Copenhagen, Denmark, of replicas of thousand-year-old Viking ships. The ships themselves are inside the Roskilde Viking Ship Museum.

Lawson has lived in Christiansburg since the 1980's.

He first got interested in photography while taking pictures of his two daughters playing softball and volleyball. Once the children grew up, he transitioned to landscape photography, which has become his favorite art form.

-News Messenger staff report

Black House: First-ever haunted house at Blacksburg Museum



GRAPHIC COURTESY OF BLACK HOUSE MUSEUM AND CULTURAL FOUNDATION

Tickets are now on sale for **Black House**, the first-ever haunted house at the Blacksburg Museum & Cultural Foundation, 204 Draper Rd. Oct. 28 and 29 from 7 to 10 p.m. and a kid-friendly version on Oct. 31, from 4 to 5 p.m. during downtown Blacksburg's annual trick-or-treat walk. General admission tickets are \$5.00 each.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Fall is hunting season in Virginia, the time when hunting-related accidents are most likely.

Tips to stay safe outdoors this hunting season

Fall is hunting season in Virginia, similar to most of the United States, the time when hunters are most likely to be in the woods. Hunters can take advantage of some basic tips to avoid hunting-related accidents:

Wear blaze orange to increase their visibility and to help distinguish them from a targeted animal.

Use the buddy system. Never be in the woods

alone. Know where the public hunting lands are and the exact dates for the various hunting seasons. Research ahead of time where hunting is and is not allowed.

Make an itinerary and give a copy to someone who will be hunting somewhere other than with you. Make sure he knows what you are doing, where you plan to be, and when you expect

to be back. The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries offers hunter education courses with both in-person and online modalities. The courses are designed to teach hunting safety, principles of conservation, and sportsmanship.

- Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

Waterstone Mortgage opens new offices in Christiansburg and Blacksburg

CHRISTIANSBURG - National mortgage lender Waterstone Mortgage Corporation has opened a new branch in Christiansburg led by Branch Manager Dave Shelor and a second office location in Blacksburg.

Shelor has nearly 20 years of experience in the mortgage lending industry. His team includes mortgage originators Shawn Allen and Barrett C. Hall and Business Development Associate Brittani Radcliffe.

Loan Originator Shawn Allen graduated from Virginia Tech with a degree in accounting and finance and has been in the mortgage and finance industry for nearly two decades. As a mortgage professional, Allen specializes in conventional, USDA, FHA, VA, and VHDA loans. He can be reached at 540.449.3502 or SAllen@WaterstoneMortgage.com.

Loan Originator Barrett C. Hall has an extensive background in hospitality and event management and recently made the transition to the mortgage lending industry. She prioritizes transparent, consistent communication when working with her homebuyer clients, ensuring that the details of the loan process come together smoothly.

Hall can be reached at 540.577.9745 or BBHall@WaterstoneMortgage.com.

When deciding to join Waterstone Mortgage, Shelor and his team were impressed by the lender's extensive product portfolio.

"The 480-day extended rate lock program, the Single Loan Close Construction Program, and the second home mortgage rates with our proprietary ARM products are unbelievable," he said.

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Loan Originator Shawn Allen



Branch Manager Dave Shelor

PHOTOS COURTESY OF SARAH CARPENTER, WATERSTONE MORTGAGE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Oct. 22:

Craft & Draft festival
The Craft & Draft Festival today will feature handcrafted artisans, live music, food trucks, craft beer, and more. From 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. outside at Glencoe Mansion, Museum & Gallery. More than 35 unique and original regional artists, crafters, and makers will be on hand. Five types of craft beer will be available. To help keep the event green, Craft & Draft will be selling a limited number of metal tumblers and will allow the use of outside non-lidded 16-ounce reusable metal cups. Four food trucks will be on hand. Live music featuring The Kind, Curtis Eller's American Circus, and JoJo Stockton and Solacoustix will be part of the fun. The event is kid- and dog-friendly. Hosted by MountainTrotter Arts, supported by festival partners Ballpark Signs, New River Valley Rent-All, New River Radio Group, and Glencoe Mansion. No outside alcohol and no smoking will be allowed in the event area. The festival is free, but donations are encouraged. Event info is available at www.craftanddraftva.com.

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

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

Trunk or treat
At Meadowbrook Public Library at 3 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to wear their best costumes. For ages two and up. For more information, call the Meadowbrook Library at 540-268-1964.

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

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

Fall children's consignment sale
Blacksburg United Methodist Church will hold its semi-annual consignment sale of children's items at the Whisner Building of the main church campus, 111 Church St. in Blacksburg from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Great deals will be available on gently used kids' clothes and shoes, toys, books, games, movies, baby gear and accessories, sports equipment, maternity clothing and

more. Many items will be like-new; some will even be brand new. Some items will be half-price between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m., so shoppers need to arrive early for the best selection. Proceeds will benefit local charities.

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

Sunday, Oct. 23:

Next-Gen quilting
At the Blacksburg Library at 1 p.m. Kits will be provided. Ages 8 through 12 should be accompanied by an adult. Machines and irons will be provided and restricted to use by adults. The class is co-sponsored by The Quilting Party.

150th church anniversary and homecoming
The First Missionary Baptist Church-New River, 7318 Manns Dr., Fairlawn continues its weekend celebration of its 150th anniversary and homecoming. The church pastor, the Rev. Richard A. Goodman, Sr., and the Rev. Lee Pusha, Pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, in Roanoke will be the speakers at 3 p.m.

Noise alert: Skipper cannon fire and fireworks
The Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets' Class of 2026 will complete the first leg of the Caldwell March on Sunday, Oct. 23. Skipper, the Corps of Cadets cannon, will be fired as the cadets return to Upper Quad between 2 and 4 p.m. The actual time will depend on the weather and road conditions. Also on Sunday, Oct. 23, as part of the celebration of Diwali, a fireworks display will take place in the Drillfield area between 7:15 and 7:30 p.m. The university and surrounding community may experience elevated levels of noise during this time.

Monday, Oct. 24:

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

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

Radford City Council meeting
The Radford City Council will meet in the Starnes Council Chambers at the Radford Municipal Building, 10 Robertson St. at 7 p.m. The agenda can be found at www.radfordva.gov.

Mother & daughter book club
At the Radford Public Library from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. This is a fun book club for mothers and daughters (ages 8-12). To be discussed this month is "The Witch of Blackbird Pond" by Elizabeth George Speare. Email morgan.esterhuizen@radfordva.gov with any questions, but registration is not required.

Christiansburg Emergency Services Committee meeting
The Christiansburg Emergency Services Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall in the Administrative Conference Room, 100 East Main St., Christiansburg.

Monday, Oct. 24:

Operation Green Light
At 6:30 p.m. in advance of the Veterans Day holiday, Montgomery County will hold a lighting ceremony to illuminate the Montgomery County Government Center and Public Safety buildings, 755 Roanoke St. in Christiansburg with green light. The buildings will be illuminated in green through Nov. 11. Operation Green Light is a new national initiative of the National Association of Counties to support military veterans. Its purpose is to raise awareness of the unique challenges faced by many veterans and the resources at the county, state, and federal levels that are available to assist them and their families.

Tuesday, Oct. 25:

Blacksburg Town Council meeting
The Blacksburg Town Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Roger E. Hedgepeth Chambers of the Blacksburg Municipal Building, 300 S. Main St.

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

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

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

Wednesday, Oct. 26:

American Red Cross blood drive
At the Christiansburg Library at 10 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome, or donors may schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org.

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

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

Friday, Oct. 28:

Downtown Radford Treat Trail
The City of Radford, the Radford Police Department, the Radford Chamber of Commerce, and the downtown business community invite the public to attend the

Radford Treat Trail in downtown Radford Friday, Oct. 28, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Local trick or treaters young and old may stop by local businesses to show off their Halloween costumes and spirit in an event for all ages. To learn more, contact the Radford Chamber of Commerce at 540-639-2202.

Neighborhood trick-or-treating will be held on Halloween evening, Monday, Oct. 31. Radford City Schools will be closed to students on Oct. 31 and Tuesday, Nov. 1, for a teacher workday and a parent-teacher conference day, so RCPS students can enjoy extra time for Halloween fun.

Saturday, Oct. 29:

Pancake supper
The Pilot Community Center, 4449 Brush Creek Rd., will host a pancake supper from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 31:

Downtown Blacksburg trick-or-treat will be held at local businesses on College Avenue in downtown Blacksburg from 4 to 6 p.m. Part of the fun includes games with a Blacksburg Parks and Rec. costume contest outside the Lyric Theater

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Marketplace



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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 1360 DE GAS LANE, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated October 30, 2006, in the original principal amount of \$254,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Virginia as Instrument No. 06012821. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Montgomery County, 55 East Main Street, Christiansburg, Virginia on November 28, 2022, at 2:45 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, LYING AND BEING IN THE FIFTH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: ALL OF LOT 5, CONTAINING 3.524 ACRE, WEYANCKE SUBDIVISION AS SHOWN ON A PLAT OF SURVEY ENTITLED "PLAT SHOWING MAJOR SUBDIVISION OF WEYANCKE LOCATED IN THE FIFTH MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA"

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WHICH SAID PLAT WAS MADE BY MARY D. STINE, L.S. OF HIGHLAND SURVEYS, P.C., IS DATED APRIL 16, 1999, REVISED JUNE 22, 1999, IS DESIGNATED PLAN NO. P-754, A COPY OF WHICH PLAT IS OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN PLATBOOK '99, PAGE 215 AND 216. PARCEL #005309, MAP #106-18 5. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 consultation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgage, the Mortgagee's attorney. A torn copy of the Trustee's

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Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale and Contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bonuses.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 800 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BMMV Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bonuses.com. VA-354944-1.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA CODE §§1-211.1&01-316, 317, 20-104 Case No. CH1800179-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073. Commonwealth of Virginia, In re: ESTATE OF JAMES SHANNON MILLER, III v. COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA. The object of this call is to: DETERMINE RIGHFUL HEIRS OF JAMES SHANNON MILLER, III. It is ORDERED that THE HEIRS OF JAMES SHANNON MILLER, III appear at the above-named court and protect higher interests on or before NOVEMBER 30, 2022 at 10:00am.

Signed: ERICA M. CONNER, CLERK.



Montgomery Animal Care, Adoption Center waiving adoption fees today

In partnership with Motor Mile Subaru's Subaru Loves Pets event, the Montgomery County Animal Care and Adoption Center is waiving dog adoption fees today, Oct. 22, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The adoption center is located at 480 Cinnabar Road in Christiansburg.

Subaru Loves Pets is an annual event held each October. October 22 is Subaru's National Make a Dog's Day holiday that invites dog lovers everywhere to go the

extra mile for their pup. To celebrate, Subaru is encouraging dog owners to do something special for the furry friends in their lives and share on social media using #MakeADogsDay.

For those who are yet to be pet parents, Motor Mile Subaru invites local residents to consider adopting a shelter pet or "Underdog."

- News Messenger staff report

Lynn Rogers named United Way's interim executive director

Lynn Rogers has been named interim executive director of the United Way of the New River Valley. This decision coincides with the Board of Directors' Strategic Planning Process to more closely align with the needs of the community and to chart the future course of the United Way of the New River Valley.

"We rise by lifting others," a quote by Robert Ingersoll, is at the center of Rogers's work. She believes, "This is

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PHOTO COURTESY OF THE UNITED WAY OF THE NEW RIVER VALLEY

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RSVP Walk-A-Thon to provide supplies for some 200 seniors

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) will host a Walk-A-Thon on Friday, Oct. 28, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Christiansburg Recreation Center to benefit the 15th Annual Supplies for Seniors program.

Since the event is being held close to Halloween, walkers are welcome to dress in a costume. Brad Epperley, Director of the Christiansburg Recreation Center, will lead the first lap of the Walk-A-Thon at 10:15 a.m. A minimum pre-registration fee of \$5 is required, and forms can be completed at the RSVP office or at the Recreation Center the day of the event.

An AmeriCorps Seniors T-shirt will be available to all who

register in advance. Registered walkers will request sponsorship for laps walked from their friends, family, and neighbors. This year, sponsors can pay electronically using RSVP's Mightycause fundraiser campaign page. Cash and checks written to RSVP will also be accepted.

Walkers are encouraged to form a team with their family, church group, civic group, and/or friends. Walkers may obtain sponsors or sponsor someone else to walk.

The following prizes will be offered during the Walk-A-Thon:

\$100 BP Gas Card (donated by Remon Yassa) for the most laps walked by an individual.

\$50 Gift Card for the

largest amount raised by an individual.

\$25 Gift Card for the best costume. Judges will be provided by the Christiansburg Recreation Center.

AmeriCorps Seniors travel mugs for the largest team.

All participants will receive lunch provided by the Christiansburg Recreation Center.

All proceeds will go to purchase basic household and personal care items for approximately 200 homebound seniors and veterans. Call the RSVP office at 540-382-5775 or email rsvp@montgomerycountyva.gov for more information on how to sign up for this event.

- Mandy W. Hayes, RSVP Coordinator

www.montcova.com

MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE BLOTTER

Oct. 8, 2022 through Oct. 14

AUBENOLT, JOSHUA
COMMIT DATE 10/08/2022 00:29

OFFENSE: Strangle another causing wound/injury; assault; simple assault

ROMAN-ARRIETA, GUSTAVO
COMMIT DATE 10/08/2022 02:46

OFFENSE: Obscenity drunk in public, profane language

DIVALENTIN, VITTORIO
COMMIT DATE 10/08/2022 02:59

OFFENSE: Obscenity, drunk in public, profane language

MARTIN, KEVIN
COMMIT DATE 10/08/2022 15:16

OFFENSE: Assault; simple assault against family member; vandalism; intentional damage to property; damage, destroy property or monument with value less than \$1,000

WEBB, KYLA
COMMIT DATE 10/09/2022 00:12

OFFENSE: Assault; simple assault against family member; strangle another causing wound/injury

BEALS, CHRISTIAN
COMMIT DATE 10/09/2022 02:15

OFFENSE: Obscenity; drunk in public; profane language

EUBANKS, SAMUEL
COMMIT DATE 10/09/2022 02:38

OFFENSE: Obscenity; drunk in public; profane language

MAXSON, STEPHEN
COMMIT DATE 10/09/2022 14:36

OFFENSE: Assault; simple assault

SLUSHER, JAMES
COMMIT DATE 10/10/2022 18:50

OFFENSE: Failure to appear; failure to appear in court for misdemeanor offense; arrests (for use by state police) felony arrest without warrant

HANNAH, DERREK
COMMIT DATE 10/10/2022 21:31

OFFENSE: Resisting arrest; obstructing justice without threats of force; assault; simple assault against family members

PAINTER, RONALD
COMMIT DATE 10/11/2022 02:39

OFFENSE: Failure to appear in court for misdemeanor offense; cruelty to animals; good behavior suspended sentence violation, misdemeanor

SHOATES, RODERICK JR
COMMIT DATE 10/11/2022 05:07

OFFENSE: Second conviction within 5 to 10 years>.20; driving without valid license, second offense; failure to appear in court for misdemeanor offense

RICKMAN, ANNA
COMMIT DATE 10/11/2022 09:38

OFFENSE: Failure to appear to felony/misdemeanor summons

WORRELL, KIMBERLY
COMMIT DATE 10/11/2022 09:57

OFFENSE: failure to appear to felony/misdemeanor summons; larceny less than \$200 not from person

MOORE, KEVIN
COMMIT DATE 10/11/2022 12:59

OFFENSE: larceny; unauthorized use of animal, auto, boat worth \$200 or more

WILLIAMS, JAMES
COMMIT DATE 10/11/2022 17:11

OFFENSE: narcotics possession

HOSKINS, NEVAE
COMMIT DATE 10/12/2022 03:37

OFFENSE: resisting arrest, obstructing justice without threats of force

TRUJILLO, MICHAEL
COMMIT DATE 10/12/2022 09:29

OFFENSE: aggravated sexual battery: victim incapacity

MCINTIRE, TERRY
COMMIT DATE 10/12/2022 10:25

OFFENSE: Traffic; reckless driving disregard police command to stop; endangerment; Traffic; reckless driving endangering life or limb

SANSON, BRIANNA
COMMIT DATE 10/12/2022 22:05

OFFENSE: first conviction, influence of drugs

PETTUS, JUSTIN
COMMIT DATE 10/12/2022 22:17

OFFENSE: Traffic, driving while operator's license revoked (first offense)

HYPES, DANIELLE
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 00:16

OFFENSE: Narcotics possession

SMITH, AARON
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 02:14

OFFENSE: Driving while intoxicated (first offense); traffic: driving without an operator's license

CLARK, JAMIE
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 11:53

OFFENSE: Assault; simple assault against family member

MELLOTT, JAY
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 12:16

OFFENSE: Narcotics possession

ARGABRIGHT, KENNETH
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 14:59

OFFENSE: Felony probation violation PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY

SISK, BRIAN
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 16:16

OFFENSE: Narcotics selling, distributing more than 1.2 oz. but not over 5 lbs.; felony possession of concealed weapon other than firearm

LINKOUS, STEPHEN
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 17:07

OFFENSE: Obscenity, drunk in public, profane language

NORTON, PAUL
COMMIT DATE 10/13/2022 21:31

OFFENSE: Driving while intoxicated (first offense)

MAXSON, AMANDA
COMMIT DATE 10/14/2022 13:34

OFFENSE: Failure to appear in court for misdemeanor offense; assault; simple assault

Events

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at 5:30 p.m. a haunted house at Artful Lawyer and at Black House (kid-friendly version); 4 to 5 p.m. Sponsored by Downtown Blacksburg, Inc.

Thursday, Nov. 3:

American Legion meeting

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

Friday, Nov. 4 and Saturday, Nov. 5:

Book sale

At the Radford Public Library from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks \$.50. A free book cart and table will be available.

Tuesday, Nov. 8:

The Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet at 7 p.m. at Aly's Family Italian Restaurant, 3204 Riner Road. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are invited to attend. If Montgomery County Schools are closed on Tuesday or Wednesday of this week due to weather, the

meeting is canceled. For further information, call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-9864.

Wednesday, Nov. 9:

Montgomery County Chamber Buy Local Business showcase

The 2022 Chamber Buy Local Business Showcase gives the community a chance to connect with local businesses. Business After Hours is being held in conjunction with the Showcase at the Inn at Virginia Tech. The mixer at the inn will feature prize giveaways throughout the day. The event is free and is open to the public. At the Inn at Virginia Tech & Skelton Conference Center, 901 Prices Fork Rd., Blacksburg. Open to the public from 3:45 to 7 p.m. Open during Chamber Business After Hours from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 10:

River City Quilt Guild

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

Sunday, Nov. 13:

Women's only swim night

At the Christiansburg Aquatic Center from 6 to 8 p.m. It's an evening of celebrating girl power. All participants, including the staff, will be women. The cost is \$6, and participants must register by Nov. 7. Call 540-381-POOL to register.



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Flamenco master Farruquito brings poetic passion to the Moss stage

From bold and explosive to soft and intense, the poetry and passion of the Spanish flamenco dance will be on display when Farruquito, heir to a renowned flamenco dynasty, brings his newest production, "Íntimo," to the Moss Arts Center on Friday, Oct. 28, at 7:30 p.m.

The performance will be held in the center's Anne and Ellen Fife Theater, located within the Street and Davis Performance Hall at 190 Alumni Mall.

Described by The New York Times as "the greatest flamenco dancer of this new century," Farruquito returns to North America with a coast-to-coast tour of "Íntimo." Recounting the origins and history of flamenco, the Spanish dancer, along with his cast of dancers, musicians, and vocalists, introduces the audience to traditional and distinguished flamenco styles such as tangos, "soleá," "bulerías,"

and "alegrías," evoking a journey through flamenco full of sensations and freedom.

The son of flamenco singer Juan Fernández Flores ("El Moreno") and dancer Rosario Montoya Manzano ("La Farruca"), Farruquito was immersed in a unique form of flamenco founded by his grandfather Antonio Montoya Flores ("El Farruco").

He made his international stage appearance at the age of 4 on Broadway alongside his grandfather in the hit show "Flamenco Puro." At the age of 11, he was featured in the film "Flamenco," produced by the legendary film director Carlos Saura, which launched Farruquito's career. In 1992, he had the honor of sharing the stage with his grandfather at the inauguration of the Paralympic Games of Barcelona.

When he was 15, his

grandfather died, and Farruquito became the heir to the Farruco flamenco lineage. That same year he created his first show, "Raíces Flamencas (Flamenco Roots)," which not only distinguished his mastery as a dancer but gave him the opportunity to showcase the traditions of his prodigious flamenco line.

Farruquito has enjoyed many successful seasons of performances and tours around the world. In 2010, he premiered "Sonerías" at the Bienal de Flamenco of Seville, where his audiences experienced the raw roots of flamenco infused with a theatrical flair. In 2013, he created "Improvisao," a fusion of singing, guitar, and dance, which was followed by an invitation in 2015 to dance with the Los Angeles Philharmonic in four sold-out gala concerts of an adapted version of "Amor Brujo" directed by Gustavo Dudamel at the Walt Disney Concert Hall.

This performance is supported in part by a gift from Ms. Constance Cedras.



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Flamenco master Farruquito performs.

Related events Prior to the performance, María del Carmen Caña Jiménez, associate professor of Spanish in Virginia Tech's Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures, will lead an engaging primer on the fundamentals of flamenco dance and music. Held on Friday, Oct. 28, at 6 p.m. in the Cube, "What

is Flamenco?" explores the multidisciplinary art form, from its development in the 15th century to its manifestation today. Learn about "palmas," "pitos," and an array of other components of the style.

During his visit to Blacksburg, Farruquito will lead a workshop in flamenco fundamentals for the Virginia Tech student dance organization Olé.

Ticket information Tickets for the performance are \$25 to \$55 for the general public and \$10 for VT students and youth 18 and under. Tickets can be purchased online; at the Moss Arts Center's box office, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday; or by calling 540-231-5300 during box office hours.

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Rogers

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what we do at the United Way of the NRV. When we help those struggling in our community, we are creating a stronger community for everyone."

Rogers grew up in Patrick County and fell in love with the NRV after

moving here to attend Radford University.

"We are fortunate to live in a small, close-knit community where neighbors look after one another, and I'm grateful to be a part of it," she said.

Rogers has been with the United Way NRV since 2021, most recently in the role of Director of Resource Development. She brings a core understanding of the organization's mission and a commitment to

servicing the community as evidenced by her recent nomination as a Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Nonprofit Leader. She is also a member of the 2022 Leadership NRV class.

Waterstone

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"Add this to the competitive interest rates for agency products and our low fees, and Waterstone Mortgage is a new force in the marketplace."

As a native of the area, Shelor also believes that Christiansburg, Blacksburg, and the surrounding communities have a lot to offer, and he and his team look forward to serving homebuyers here.

"We love the Blue Ridge Mountains, the waterways, and everything that is the New River Valley," Shelor said. "I feel that the local folks who joined Waterstone Mortgage here will do a fantastic job of introducing the company to the area."

In the coming months, Shelor hopes to expand the team by adding

several loan professionals who are eager to help homebuyers achieve their goals.

The new Waterstone Mortgage branch is located at 225 Central Ave. in Christiansburg. The satellite location is at 1344 North Main St. in Blacksburg.

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CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Mother (noun)
- 4. Not happy
- 7. Reciprocal of a sine
- 10. Periods of time
- 12. Resting on wings
- 14. Miles
- 15. Hebrew language
- 17. Bigot
- 18. Middle East dictator
- 19. Wealthy and relaxed
- 22. Having a distinct existence
- 23. Mexican painter Frida
- 24. Showing sound judgment
- 25. Surrounding circle of light
- 26. 1/6-inch painting unit
- 27. Atomic bomb
- 28. Sprays grass for drying
- 30. Common animal parasite
- 32. Naming degree
- 33. Prefix for again
- 34. Circle within a circle
- 36. Freshwater shell games
- 38. English philosopher
- 1285-1348
- 41. Opposite of 24 across
- 43. Angina medication
- 46. Political action committees
- 47. These mermaids
- 48. Pops
- 50. Fit, angle building wing
- 51. Capital of Taiwan
- 52. Fish traps
- 53. Alternate H. S. diploma
- 54. Pitch
- 55. Seal fax
- 56. Seal fax

CLUES DOWN

- 1. 13th Hebrew letter
- 2. Get up
- 3. Bricklayers
- 4. Impermanent
- 5. Peached
- 6. Afghan Persian
- 7. Mosaic Lane Garden Home
- 8. 23 ____; Go away
- 9. Automobile
- 11. Thin dividing membranes
- 13. Take heed
- 16. Polished
- 18. Colorless, odorous gas used as fuel
- 20. Single units
- 21. Express pleasure
- 28. Barcelona, gestural theatre
- 29. Makes into law
- 30. Old French monetary unit
- 31. Eyeglasses
- 34. Magistrate Thurgot
- 35. Blamish or spindly
- 37. Moses' elder brother
- 38. Twisted Sister's Disc
- 40. Run ____; only animals
- 41. Old Jewish month
- 42. Related on the mother's side
- 44. States leading down to a river in India
- 45. Smugglers' Home
- 46. Pirate's pseudonyms
- 48. Very fast airplane

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OBITUARIES

Cook, Dorothy Marie Whitt

Dorothy Marie Whitt Cook, 97, passed away Monday, Oct. 17, 2022, at her home in Radford. She was preceded in death by her parents, Randolph and Effie Josephine Whitt; husband, Frederick Andrew Cook, Jr.; brother, Bill Whitt; brother-in-law, Bill Cook; nephews, Jim Cook and David Cook; and great-granddaughter, Selah Veta Walker.



Millie Whitt; nephews, Lynn Cook (Margo), and Tom Cook (Cindy); and many other relatives and friends.

Heartfelt thanks to Dr. Judy and the Intrepid Hospice team, especially Stacy, Marsha, and Kaitlyn.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at Grace Episcopal Church in Radford.

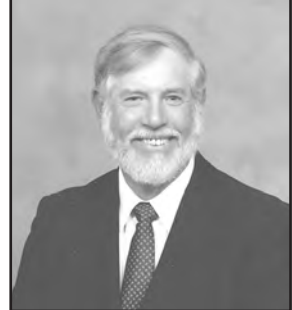
Survivors include her children, Penny Brooks (Jerry), Pat Edwards, Pam Semones, Andy Cook (Karen), and Diana Osborne (Johnny); 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and one on the way; sister-in-law,

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Intrepid Hospice or Grace Episcopal Church.

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

Duncan, Bernard Rudolph "Rudy"

Bernard Rudolph "Rudy" Duncan, 87, passed away Friday, Oct. 14, 2022.



He was a member of Fairlawn Baptist Church and retired supervisor with Adams Construction Company. Rudy was preceded in death by his parents, James and Lola Duncan; his wife, Sherry Duncan; and six brothers.

Survivors include his daughter, Dana Duncan (Theresa) of Radford; his son, David Duncan of Albuquerque, N. M.; his sister, Elizabeth Duncan Sowers of Riner; sisters-in-law Barbara Duncan, Connie Lawson, and Diane Lawson; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Curtis and Sandra Lawson; and several nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

The family would like to thank Commonwealth Assisted Living - Radford, New River Valley Medical Center, and MediHome Hospice for all the loving care they gave Rudy.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022, at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin with the Rev. Frank Peters officiating.

In lieu of flowers, please consider contributions to the National Law Officers Memorial Fund or the Shriners Hospital for Children.

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

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MEMORIAL SERVICES
The funeral service for Dorothy Marie Whitt Cook will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at Grace Episcopal Church, 1501 North 3rd St., Radford, Va. 24137. Burial will be in the family plot at the Radford Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to Intrepid Hospice or Grace Episcopal Church are appreciated. Contact Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory, 1001 North 3rd St., Radford, Va. 24137, for more information.

Funeral Services
The funeral service for Bernard Rudolph "Rudy" Duncan will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022, at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, 1100 South 2nd St., Dublin, Va. 22029. Services will be officiated by the Rev. Frank Peters. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the National Law Officers Memorial Fund or the Shriners Hospital for Children are appreciated. Contact Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory, 1001 North 3rd St., Radford, Va. 24137, for more information.

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Joe had lived in the country his entire life. Life on his parents' dairy farm was predictable and comfortable. Now he was leaving for college, and a whole new world lay ahead. When Joe's parents dropped him off at the university on orientation day, he felt lost from the culture shock. This sure is going to be different, he thought.

The Israelites had a similar experience as they prepared to enter the Promised Land.

The land you are entering to take over is not like the land of Egypt, from which you have come. (Deuteronomy 11:10-11)

After forty years of wandering in the desert, the Israelites were not familiar with cultivating crops. Even their knowledge of Egyptian agriculture, which relied on slave labor and the Nile for irrigation, would provide little help. In their new homes, God himself would provide water for their fields and vineyards, as long as they continued to trust Him to do so.

Times of transition can be difficult, but if we rely on God, He will help us navigate each new season of life.

Challenge for Today: Pray for someone you know who is facing a major change in his or her life.

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Fields, Robert James

Robert James Fields (Bob) was born on Sept. 21, 1943 in Pasadena, Calif. He passed peacefully, with his wife at his side, Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2022 in Henrico Doctors Hospital Virginia at the age of 79.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline, sons Matthew and Benjamin; brother Stephen Fields; numerous California cousins, and friends from his time in Blacksburg teaching at Virginia Tech. He and his childhood friend, Robert Woelfel aka Womp, began a lifelong friendship based on being devoted fans of Elvis and rock music. Together, with other friends, they went to Southern California discos like The Broadside, Cinnamon Cinder, and Whiskey a Go.

Bob grew up in Southern California in a time where orange groves were a common part of the scene in the suburbs of Los Angeles. He was always grateful to be a part of early California and would remember fondly smelling the smudge pots (heating pots) that were placed in the orange groves between the trees when it got a little chilly. He earned an undergraduate degree at Long Beach State.

After undergraduate school, Bob was called into military service. The Army took him to Vietnam for the duration of his tour of duty. Due to his naturally leisurely way, he earned the nickname Flash.

Upon returning home to California, Bob and Pauline started their life together, going first to Westport, Conn. Bob arrived in the dead of winter without a warm coat. Pauline followed shortly thereafter, and together they started to learn about married life on the East coast. Matthew was born in Connecticut the following year.

Bob started his teaching career at The Famous Artist School in Westport, Conn. Realizing more education was in order, he went to graduate school in Michigan. Soon after he was hired to teach at Memphis State. Happy to be near the home of Elvis, his time at Memphis State went by quickly. Benjamin was born in Memphis.



He was next hired as an assistant professor at Virginia Tech in the fledgling art department. Teaching drawing and painting, he eventually was given the opportunity to start a commercial art program that included graphic design. One of his earliest and favorite projects in Blacksburg was the series of murals he had his students paint on the town businesses.

Bob loved working with his students and over many years formed lasting friendships with some of them, mentoring many and helping them out in the workforce as much as he could. He was as proud of his students' work as his own. Bob retired from Virginia Tech in 2009 and was given the Professor Emeritus of Art and Design designation.

He loved to paint and draw. Watercolor was his chosen media, and he was a member of the National Watercolor Society. He was often honored through juried exhibitions.

His childhood hobby of collecting baseball cards became an obsession, and he continued collecting. He read baseball statistics fervently every day, keeping track of his favorite teams and players. He could recite a wealth of baseball facts and trivia to anyone interested. Usually that would be his brother Steve in California in long conversations on the phone. He was a very loyal San Francisco Giants fan.

Another favorite pastime for Bob was thrift shopping. He prided himself on not buying anything retail. He was a very talented "thrifter" with excellent taste. Whenever he made a trip to a new state, he would seek out a flea market or thrift shop and sometimes add a new treasure to his diverse collection of objects.

Bob is and will be deeply missed and remembered with love by his family and friends.

Funeral arrangements have been made through McCoy Funeral Home Blacksburg. The family requests funeral arrangements remain private and in lieu of flowers please consider planting a tree in his memory.

Flinchum, Ronnie Lefrage

Ronnie Lefrage Flinchum, 83, of Flinchum; his children and their spouses, Rhonda Ford (John), Dwight Flinchum (Suzen), Michael Flinchum (Karen), and Monte Flinchum; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; a sister, Doris Cressell; and many other relatives and friends.



Ronnie worked for more than 40 years at the Lynchburg Foundry. He was also a charter member of the Twin Community Fire Department. He loved spending time watching Hokie Sports, mowing, and eating Reese Cups and drinking Pepsi Cola.

Survivors include his loving wife of 63 years, Daisy McCoy

Graveside services were held on Monday, Oct. 17, 2022, at the Brown Cemetery in Belspring, Va.

The Flinchum family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford. www.mullinsfuneralhome.com.

Fox, John W.

A celebration of life for John W. Fox, caver, father, husband, brother, friend, "dancing bear," and lover of bats and people, will be held Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Unity Christian Church, 400 Tyler Ave., Radford. Visitation will follow at the church.



On Monday, Nov. 7, 2022, John's ashes will be interred at the

Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery, 5550 Bagging Plant Road, Dublin, Virginia at 11 a.m. There will be a short service with military honors. All are welcome to attend.

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

Harvey, Jackson Eugene

Jackson Eugene Harvey, 85, of Dublin, passed Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022, at the Baptist Health Medical Center in Conway, Ark. He was a U. S. Army veteran having served during the Korean Conflict and retired from the Lynchburg Foundry where he was a mechanical engineer. He was preceded in death by his parents, Staples and Sarah Harvey; his wife, Earsaline Harvey; a sister; and three brothers.



Survivors include his daughter, LaRhonda Harvey of Radford, and Mia Harvey of Greenbrier, Ark.; son, Mandel Harvey of Winsboro, S. C.; grandchildren, Michael Swan, Stephanie Swan, Joshua Harvey, Evan Harvey, Kingston Presley-Harvey, and Seth Frego; great

grandchildren, Aamiyah and Gabriel Manning; brothers, Dexter Harvey and Jerry Harvey; sisters, Alice Kellum, Valera Bush, Ora Crouse, Clidia Lewis, and Valentina Brooks; and many other relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends from 4 until 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, 2022, at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022, at First Baptist Church on Rock Road in Radford. Interment with full military honors will follow in Sunrise Burial Park in Radford.

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

Mitchell, Betty Sue

Betty Sue Mitchell, 79, of Fairlawn died Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022.



She was born in Pulaski County on April 28, 1943, to the late Ralph and Sherwood King Kegley. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Teresa Lynn Mitchell, and a brother, Walter Kegley.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Robert Mitchell; daughters and sons-in-law, Roxanna and Lou Brown and Debbie and Marcus Bryan; sons and daughters-in-law, Bobby and Leona Mitchell, Mitch

and Carla Mitchell, and Jimmy and Rhonda Mitchell; 16 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Judy Kegley; a brother, Ralph Kegley; and sisters-in-law, Bonnie Cox and Margaret Mills.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022 in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel, 150 Country Club Dr. S.W. Blacksburg, with the Pastor Ken Alley officiating. Interment followed in the Highland Memory Gardens, Dublin.

Reynolds, Dorothy "Dot" Smith

Dorothy "Dot" Smith Reynolds, 90, of Blacksburg went to be with the Lord Friday, Oct. 14, 2022.



She was born in McCoy, Va. on Sept. 17, 1932, to the late Ray and Mallie Huffman Smith. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Maxwell L. "Mack" Reynolds; a son, Jackie Lee Reynolds; grandchildren Heather Nichole Stiff and Jacob Lee Stiff; sisters Lola Dowdy, Mary Dowdy, Josephine Farley, Kathleen King, Louise Eagle, and Pansy Price; and brothers, William Smith, Paul Smith,

Titus Smith, Mark Smith, and Samuel Smith.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Shelbie R. and David Stiff; sons and daughters-in-law D. Wayne Reynolds and Ellen Flinchum, G. Nelson and Regina Reynolds, and Joseph M. and Tabitha Reynolds; grandchildren Jamie, Kelli, Michelle, Rachel, Sarah, Rebecca, and Matthew; 13 great-grandchildren, one of which is Christian who serves in the U.S. Army; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022, in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Ronald Smith officiating. Interment followed in the Smith Family Cemetery. The family received friends prior to the service at the McCoy Funeral Home.

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MONTGOMERY SPORTS

Christiansburg's Thaxton Henley commits to Alfred State for baseball

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For the past two football seasons, Christiansburg's Thaxton Henley has started with a bang, only to be derailed by different knee injuries. Against Hidden Valley this past week, he rushed for 70 yards before tearing an ACL.

The multi-sport athlete now tries to recover and rehab to prepare for another sport he excels in: baseball. Tuesday, he committed to return to the baseball diamond at Alfred State College in Alfred, New York.

"I chose Alfred State for the majors they offer, and it really felt

like home when I visited. I also loved the coaching staff and how the team treated me," he said.

Henley plans to major in construction management.

Alfred State College is part of the State University of New York system. Formerly the Technical College at Alfred, the college offers a wide variety of majors in both 4-year bachelor's degrees and 2-year associates degrees.

The school has an undergraduate enrollment of 3,651 students, and its athletic program is a member of the NCAA Div. III.

"Some of my goals are to start as a freshman and earn first-team all-conference selections," he said.

This past spring, the Alfred State baseball team finished 21-22.

For now, doctors aren't certain if Henley will be able to play baseball for his senior year of high school. They do expect a full recovery by early July.

This past spring, Henley received all-River Ridge District designated hitter in a shortened season again because of other injuries. His sophomore year, he received first-team all-district middle linebacker honors, and second-team all-region linebacker honors.

At Christiansburg, he pitched and played the outfield and expects to play both in college.



FILE PHOTO
Various injuries have kept Christiansburg's Thaxton Henley off the football field for the last two seasons. Tuesday, Henley turned to another sport in which he excels and committed to play baseball for Alfred State College in New York.



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Courtside seating is coming to Radford University's Dedmon Center during this year's basketball season.

RU adds courtside seating for basketball

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Radford University basketball is stepping up its game for the fan experience this season with the addition of courtside seating.

The university announced on Friday the Courtside Lounge will offer complimentary hors d'oeuvres, soft drinks, and water with some of the best views in the arena. A cash bar will be available to purchase beer, wine, and hard seltzers.

Access to the Courtside Lounge will be available for all home regular-season men's basketball games and select women's games. The lounge will open an hour prior to tip-off, and alcohol sales will end at the 12-minute media timeout in the second half for men's basketball or at the conclusion of the third quarter for women's games.

Located in the south end zone, the Courtside Lounge will give Highlander Club members the opportunity to enjoy

premium hospitality while enjoying the entire game. Seating is limited inside the lounge, but high-top tables are available, and members will have access to leave the space to enjoy the game from their reserved seats if they choose. All alcoholic drinks will be required to stay inside the lounge.

According to a press release, membership into the Courtside Lounge is limited and in the reserved chair back sections (one through five) is limited to season-ticket holders. In addition, membership requires an annual \$500 gift per person to the Highlander Club General Fund that is designated specifically for this access.

The Highlander Club's goal is to raise financial resources for Radford University Athletics to ensure that the school's coaches and student-athletes have the necessary financial means to compete for championships and to provide RU's student-athletes the best collegiate experience on and off the playing surface.

RU announces changes to athletics staff

Radford University Athletics has announced several promotions and additions to the staff for the 2022-23 school year, including the hiring of Christiansburg native Peyton Williams as a communications assistant.

The new staff additions will fill a variety of roles, including athletics communications, student-athlete support-services, marketing, and creative video.

Williams comes to Radford from Boone, N.C., where he served as the Assistant Director of Strategic Communications at Appalachian State. He was the primary media contact for the Mountaineers' men's basketball and softball programs while overseeing social media strategy for the Appalachian State athletics brand. In his role, he wrote press releases, created graphics, and managed social media output in conjunction with AppStateSports.com.

Williams also worked as an assistant with the National Sports Media Association. He has made previous stops at Wake Forest, King University, Virginia Tech, and Emory & Henry College, assisting primarily in broadcasting, athletics communications, sports information, and game operations.

Williams is a 2019 graduate of Emory & Henry where he earned his degree in mass communications and

sport management. He also obtained an M.B.A. in project management from King University in May of 2021.

Allison McCoy has been promoted to RU's athletics staff as the Associate Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Support Services (Promotion).

McCoy is in her sixth year with Radford University. In her new position, she will oversee the day-to-day operations of the Learning Enhancement Center and develop programs that guide student progress through the academic curriculum while providing academic support to Radford's student-athletes.

McCoy joined the athletics department in September 2019 after working as the Assistant Director for the Advising Center for Major Exploration at Radford University. Prior to her stint with Major Exploration, she spent two years as the Readmission Coordinator for the university. McCoy was a member of the Athletics Department Strategic Planning Task Force as an academic excellence subcommittee member. She has also served on numerous institutional committees, including the Academic Advising Communication Committee, as the chair.

A native of Charlottesville, McCoy completed her undergraduate degree

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Preseason ACC Poll: VT men picked seventh; women picked second

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The Atlantic Coast Conference has released its preseason basketball poll, and the VT men were placed in the number seven spot while the Virginia Tech women were picked to finish second, the Hokies' highest preseason ranking ever. All voting was conducted by the media covering ACC Tipoff in Charlotte last week.

The conference also announced its preseason men's basketball awards live on ACC PM with Virginia Tech forward Justyn Mutts earning Preseason All-ACC honors.

Mutts was named to the second team after averaging 10.1 points and 7.3 rebounds per game in 2021-22. He enters his third season in Blacksburg with 107 games started, the third-most in the ACC.

After exploring his professional options, Mutts opted to return to Blacksburg for the 2022-23 season. The Millville, N.J., native scored in double figures 17 times last season, including a season-high 24 points vs. Notre Dame on Jan. 15, 2022. He dialed up Tech's second-ever triple-double behind 12 points, 14 rebounds and 11 assists vs. Syracuse on Feb. 12, 2022.

On the women's side, Taylor Soule and Ashley Owusu were put on award watch lists and Elizabeth Kitley was picked as the preseason ACC Player of the Year.

Last season, Kitley was among the league leaders in scoring (18.1), rebounds (9.8), blocks (2.4) and field goal percentage (.551). Her 15 double-doubles led the conference as did her 13 games of 20 or more points. She scored 34 points twice and finished the year with a 42-point performance in the NCAA Tournament, the second-most ever scored in the opening round of the competition. She recorded four or more blocks in nine different contests. Her 237 made field goals set a program record for a single season. She ranks ninth all-time at VT in scoring (1,410), fifth in rebounds (800), and third in blocks (187). Her numerous accolades from last

season include AP All-America Third Team, Kay Yow Scholar Athlete of the Year, finalist for the Lisa Leslie Award, semifinalist for the Naismith Award, Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) All-American, U.S. Basketball Writers Association (USBWA) Third Team All-American and First Team All-ACC and All-Defensive Team.

Teammates Ashley Owusu and graduate student Taylor Soule were included on the All-ACC Team. Owusu is also on the Newcomer Watch List.

Coming off a Final Four appearance, Louisville is the 2022-23 Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Basketball preseason favorite, according to the league's Blue Ribbon Panel composed of the ACC's 15 head coaches and a select voting panel.

The Cardinals, who were slotted No. 7 nationally in Tuesday's Preseason AP Poll, received 31 of 60 first-place votes in the ACC balloting with a total of 1,069 points.

The VT women earned their predicted second-place finish by picking up 17 first-place votes and 984 points. Three-time defending ACC champion NC State closely followed at No. 3 with eight first-place votes and 963 points.

Notre Dame earned the final four first-place votes and 942 points while North Carolina rounded out the top-5 with 895 points. Miami placed sixth with 674 points, while Duke landed seventh at 627 points.

Georgia Tech (623 points) followed in eighth with Florida State (553) and Syracuse (370) rounding out the top-10, respectively. Virginia (303), Clemson (275), Boston College (271), Wake Forest (256) and Pitt (187) close out this year's predicted order of finish on the women's side.

North Carolina was voted the preseason favorite to win the 2022-23 conference Men's Basketball Championship. Also ranked No. 1 nationally in the preseason

Associated Press poll, the Tar Heels are the preseason ACC favorites for the first time since the 2015-16 season.

North Carolina received 90 of the 101 first-place votes and piled up 1,504 total points. Duke picked up two first-place votes and totaled 1,339 points to finish second in the men's poll while Virginia racked up six first-place votes and 1,310 points to take third. Miami received a pair of first-place votes and 1,138 points for fourth place while Florida State totaled 1,064 points for fifth place.

Notre Dame (971) was sixth in the men's poll while reigning ACC champion Virginia Tech (921) picked up the final first-place vote and was picked to finish seventh. Syracuse, Wake Forest, NC State, Clemson, Louisville, Boston College, Pitt, and Georgia Tech were picked to finish eighth through 15th, respectively.

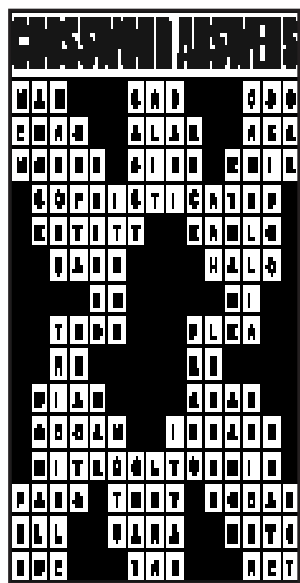
The media voters selected North Carolina's Armando Bacot as the ACC Preseason Player of the Year while Duke's Dereck Lively II received the nod as ACC Preseason Rookie of the Year.

ACC Women's Preseason Poll

1. Louisville
2. Virginia Tech
3. NC State
4. Notre Dame
5. North Carolina
6. Miami
7. Duke
8. Georgia Tech
9. FSU
10. Syracuse
11. Virginia
12. Clemson
13. Boston College
14. Wake Forest
15. Pitt

ACC Men's Preseason Poll

1. North Carolina
2. Duke
3. Virginia
4. Miami
5. FSU
6. Notre Dame
7. Virginia Tech
8. Syracuse
9. Wake Forest
10. NC State
11. Clemson
12. Louisville
13. Boston College
14. Wake Forest
15. Georgia Tech



Blacksburg boys win cross-country event



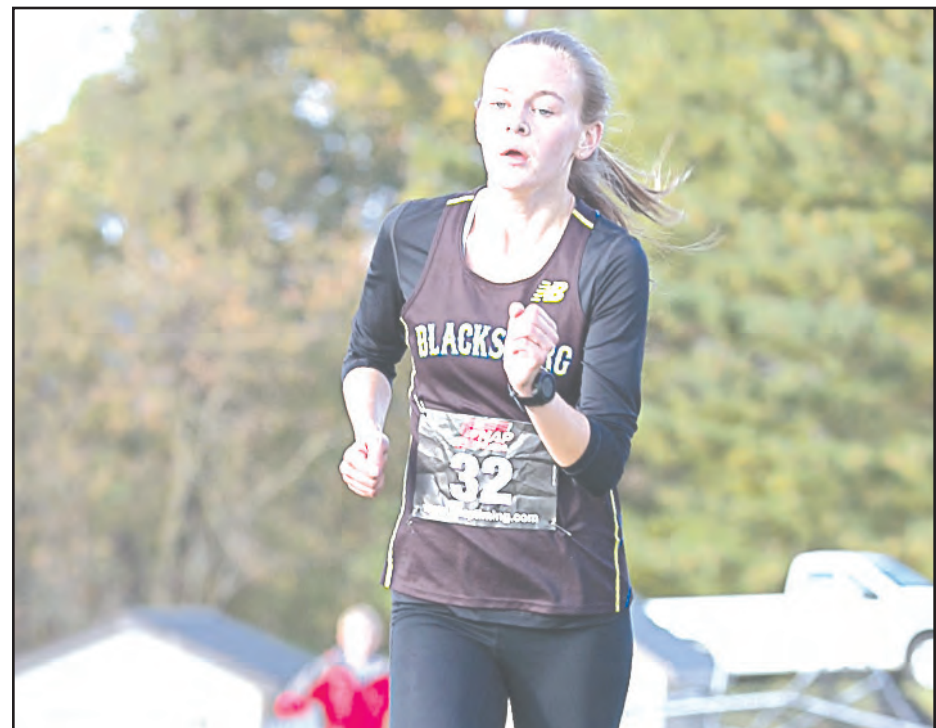
Connor Rutherford took second place in Wednesday's Blacksburg Invite boys' cross-country event held at Blacksburg High School. Rutherford helped Blacksburg to a first-place finish.



Radford's Kyle Martin finished 11th in the boys' cross-country competition at the Blacksburg Invite Wednesday. The RHS Bobcats also finished in 11th place as a team. Eastern Montgomery finished 17th, Christiansburg was 18th, and Auburn came in at the number-20 position.



Radford's Reagan Bryant finished 12th in the girls' race at the Blacksburg Invite cross-country event. Her team finished seventh overall. The Blacksburg girls finished second; Eastern Montgomery took 10th place, and the Christiansburg girls finished at No. 12.



Blacksburg's Allie McDonald led the BHS girls to a second-place finish by finishing in the no.-8 spot overall.

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at Radford University in 2011. She currently resides in Christiansburg.

Director of Student-Athlete Support Services Nikki Sellers joins the Highlanders after having spent the last seven years as a teacher at nearby Radford High School. Sellers taught social studies and served as the department chair while also serving as the Bobcats' head girls' varsity soccer coach for the past four years. Prior to her tenure at Radford, she

taught social studies at Virginia Middle School in Bristol.

Sellers graduated from Emory & Henry University in 2011 where she played soccer for four years. She earned her bachelor's degree in history-social science with a concentration in secondary education. A resident of Blacksburg, Sellers is working to earn a masters in sports administration from Ohio University where she plans to graduate in 2023.

Yasmin Turner-Ward joins Radford athletics as the assistant director of marketing and ticket sales after working as a marketing and promotions intern at Virginia Commonwealth University. She managed game-day activities for the Rams' baseball and women's lacrosse teams and assisted with the implementation of on-field promotions for baseball. She also spent two years as the general manager of CycleBar Greengate, a cycling studio

in Richmond, managing the studio's marketing campaigns and helping increase memberships.

Turner-Ward has an extensive background in sales and marketing, having served as a group sales and services intern with Major League Soccer's D.C. United in 2020. She also interned with marketing and promotions at Old Dominion University, managing game-day activities for the Monarchs' women's lacrosse program.

A native of Richmond, Turner-Ward graduated from Old Dominion in 2020 with a bachelor's degree in sports management. She is currently studying at the University of Miami (Florida) and expects to earn a master's degree in sports administration in 2023.

Brian Yohe comes to the New River City from Mercer University in Macon, Ga. as the director of video and creative services. At Mercer, he served as the Director of Creative Video

Services where he scripted more than 70 ESPN+ broadcasts and oversaw the hiring, scheduling, and payroll for students and freelance employees. Prior to his time at Mercer, Yohe spent two years at UNC Asheville. As the Director of Live Productions, he planned, directed, and produced roughly 200 ESPN+ broadcasts while assisting with the shooting and editing of creative photos and video for social media.

Yohe graduated from Radford University in 2018, earning a degree in media studies with a concentration in production technology. During his time as a student, Yohe produced content for Radford Athletics on social media, in addition to working ESPN+ broadcasts.

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