



# Rotary Club delivers gift cards for turkeys to United Way

Rotary Club of Christiansburg-Blacksburg President Dan Berenato delivered 50 gift cards for turkeys to Lynn Rogers, Interim Executive Director of the United Way of the New River Valley for inclusion in their holiday meal baskets. Berenato said “This is an annual project for our club. We are happy to help the United Way provide holiday cheer to our community.”



SUBMITTED BY TERRI FISHER, PUBLIC IMAGE DIRECTOR, ROTARY CLUB OF CHRISTIANBURG-BLACKSBURG

# Step into the new year with a First-Day Hike

Claytor Lake State Park is among several state parks with special events planned for Jan. 1, 2023

Starting off the new year with a First-Day Hike at any of the Virginia State Park locations has become a tradition for many people as well as the opportunity to get some exercise, explore the outdoors, and connect with nature while enjoying the park's unique beauty.

Parking is free at all Virginia State Park locations on Jan. 1, 2023, and visitors to each park will receive a celebratory First Day Hike sticker while supplies last.

Hikers can choose a solo adventure or a ranger-led hike to help elevate the adventure of the visit.

Here are some locations to consider for a First-Day Hike:

Pocahontas State Park offers a New Year's Eve hike starting at 11 p.m. that explores a 2.3-mile portion of Lakeview Bike Trail, which is not commonly open to hikers. The event is free, but registration is required by calling 804-796-4472 or emailing Rebecca.whalen@dcv.virginia.gov. Additional hikes on various trails are offered at 8 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. on New Year's Day.

Sky Meadows State Park provides an opportunity for hikers to celebrate the new year by watching the sunrise. On January 1, 2023, the park gates on Edmonds Lane will open at 5:30 a.m. so hikers can enjoy a self-guided hike from the Backcountry Trailhead to view the sunrise at one of the overlooks on the Piedmont Overlook Trail, the South Ridge Trail or the Ambassador Whitehouse Trail. Ranger-led hikes are available at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Claytor Lake State Park will open at 6 a.m. on New Year's



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**A First-Day Hike at a Virginia State Park is the perfect way to start the New Year, says the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation.**

Day, giving visitors the opportunity to watch the sunrise and take part in various hikes and activities. Hikers can join a Virginia Master Naturalist on a short hike in search of different bird species at 10 a.m., learn to make syrup at noon, and take a hike to the vernal pool at 2 p.m. Later on, hikers can enjoy the evening by viewing the lights on the lake from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. via taking a walk down to the gazebo behind the Howe House.

Twin Lakes State Park offers a 3-mile Otter's Path trail for First Day Hikes. Hikers must stop by the park office first to grab the geocache list for the hike and make sure to download the geocaching app before visiting. For First Day Hikes, each Otters Path Trail cache will contain a card with information about people important to the history of the park, allowing guests to learn more about the story of this site while on the trail.

Natural Tunnel State Park offers a guided hike to Lovers' Leap

where park rangers will relate the tale of the star-crossed lovers. The hike is around two miles long, begins at 9 a.m., and has several inclines and declines.

Anyone in or near the Virginia Beach area can visit First Landing State Park for a guided hike on Bald Cyprus Trail. Meet at the Trail Center picnic tables for this one-hour hike that is offered at 10:00 a.m., noon, and 2:00 p.m. Hikers can also enjoy a self-guided hike on the many other park trails.

York River State Park, located in Williamsburg, offers a guided hike from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. along the banks of the York River and Woodstock Pond. The hike will cover 1.5 miles through upland woods and will end along the York River shoreline. Hikers can also enjoy a self-guided adventure along the several other hiking and multi-purpose trails.

*Submitted by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation*

# Do not open until 2072

There is one special box at Virginia Tech at Virginia Tech that won't get opened during the holiday season. In fact, it won't get opened for another 50 years.

On Dec. 13, administrators, faculty, staff, students, and friends of Virginia Tech gathered on the Drillfield to dedicate the university's first-ever time capsule.

As the university's 18-month sesquicentennial celebratory period draws to a close this month, the event marked the culmination of more than two years of collecting, sorting, digitizing, and referencing historic publications and documents, Hokie memorabilia, and related items for a time capsule that will be opened in 2072, the bicentennial year.

At the ceremony, Virginia Tech President Tim Sands recognized the work of the six-member time capsule committee, led by Tom Tillar '69, former vice president of alumni relations.

“We’ve gained a fuller understand-

ing of the university's past, and as we turn our attention to the future, we recognize that the 150th year is a unique time for Virginia Tech,” said Sands. “We look back on 1872 as a time when our predecessors, who marched right here on the Drillfield, laid the foundation for the university

we are today. This time capsule and seat wall will be a lasting monument to our time in 2022 as we again set the course for Virginia Tech's future.”

The 3-by-2-by-1-foot rectangular metal capsule holds more than 160 items; thousands of pages of digitized documents, maps, photos, and videos; and letters from Sands

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PHOTO BY LEE FRIESLAND FOR VIRGINIA TECH.

**Members of the sesquicentennial time capsule committee are recognized during the Dec. 13 dedication ceremony.**

# Christiansburg man arrested in connection with hit and runs

CHRISTIANSBURG - A Christiansburg man was taken into custody after a brief standoff with police on Dec. 20.

According to the Virginia State Police, VSP troopers followed up on a crash investigation at a residence in the 400 block of College Avenue in Christiansburg at approximately 1 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 20. The male occupant of the residence was wanted for questioning in a hit and run that occurred on Nov. 9, 2022, on Interstate 81, southbound at the 132-mile marker in Montgomery County.

During this investigation, troopers found the same suspect was wanted for a felony hit and run on Nov. 14, 2022, in Jacksonville, NC, involving a head-on crash with a police officer.

“With assistance from the Christiansburg Police Department, Virginia State Police arrived at the residence and positively identified the suspect through a window in

the residence from past encounters with the Christiansburg Police Department at the residence,” according to the VSP. “The troopers and officers pulled back to secure the perimeter and called for assistance.”

After obtaining a search warrant and a fugitive warrant, VSP negotiators hailed the residence asking the subject to exit. Officers made contact with a female subject who advised them the wanted subject was not in the residence. Officers then entered the residence with the search warrant, and during the search of the residence, found the male subject hiding in a back bedroom.

Brandon Lee Pigg, 30, of Christiansburg was taken into custody without incident and was transported to the Montgomery County Jail.

Charges for the Nov. 9 hit and run are pending.

*News Messenger staff report*

# From VT President Tim Sands: A year of wonderful experiences and milestones



**Virginia Tech President Tim Sands calls 2022 “a year of wonderful experiences and milestones” and urges students, faculty, and staff to “take time over winter break to relax and enjoy time with family and friends” in his end-of-the-year message to the Hokie community.**

To the Virginia Tech community,

The end of our fall semester wraps up a great year for Virginia Tech. The conclusion of 2022 brings the final celebrations of our 18-month sesquicentennial observance. I want to express my deep appreciation to the Sesquicentennial Steering Committee, the Council on Virginia Tech History, and everyone who participated in exploring the university's first 150 years. Our focus on the future will be strengthened by a better understanding of our past.

This has been a year full of wonderful experiences and milestones, and we have achieved many of the goals that emerged from the Beyond Boundaries visioning exercise that began in 2015. As we turn our attention to the future and the coming new year,

we are ready for the next steps in our journey.

Students, thank you for everything you contribute to this unique and special community. Congratulations to our graduates who will take part in commencement ceremonies. Thank you to faculty and staff for your outstanding work and dedication. Each one of you plays an important role in our mission to improve the quality of life and the human condition within the Commonwealth of Virginia and throughout the world. Please take time over winter break to relax and enjoy time with family and friends. I look forward to coming back together in 2023.

With gratitude,

*Tim Sands, President*



# Bringing blessings in a shoebox

'Tis the season for hope, and people diligently search everywhere for it. Some search in stockings, others through carols and cards, and many believe it comes in whatever sits at the base of a light-filled spruce on Christmas morning.

For one Virginia Tech alumna, hope came in a red and green shoebox.

Eighteen years ago, Elizabeth Henry Groff '17 received a shoe box filled with gifts, school supplies, and hygiene items as part of Operation Christmas Child, an initiative coordinated by Christian-based Samaritan's Purse, while living in an orphanage in Ukraine. In despair at the time and separated from her younger half-sister, the then-11-year-old remembered pulling a yo-yo from the box, an item that, to her, symbolized the "love and hope of Jesus."

Since then, Groff has devoted much of her life to packing and collecting shoeboxes filled with gifts for underprivileged children. Now a national spokesperson for Operation Christmas Child, she is preparing to return to Ukraine on the weekend of Jan. 20-22. Fittingly, Samaritan's Purse officials chose her to hand out Operation Christmas Child's 200 millionth shoebox since its launch in 1993.

"I think I'm still processing the whole thing myself," Groff said. "It's been 18 years since I received my shoebox, and now, being able to go back to my home country and share that same love and hope of Jesus in such a tangible way with a child in Ukraine, it truly is a dream come true. I'm just thankful for the opportunity to be able to do that and to be able to serve through this ministry."

Groff, who graduated with degrees in human development within the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences and psychology within the College of Science, spent most of her childhood in that Ukrainian orphanage. She participated in a local choir there, and that led to a trip to the United States. The host family whom she stayed with ended up adopting her two years later, bringing her to their home in Williamsburg.

Not long after arriving, she decided to help the family's local church pack and collect shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. She continued her mission while working toward her undergraduate degree at Virginia Tech. She even involved the Virginia Tech football team after becoming friends with Antone Exum, an All-ACC player who lived in the same residence hall as her.

Groff estimates that she, her family, and her Virginia Tech friends have packed and collected approximately 8,000 shoeboxes over the years.

"I can't share my life story without mentioning Operation Christmas Child because my life kind of fell apart once I lost my sister at the orphanage when we were separated," Groff said. "I felt like I had no will to live to be honest because she was my entire purpose. So when Operation Christmas Child came to my orphanage, it was a direct response to my prayer. ... It brought me so much hope, hope for the future, hope that someone cared, hope that things will be OK. Now that I'm here and I have the means to do the same for other children, when I do it, I think we're here for that exact purpose, which is to serve oth-



PHOTO COURTESY OF SAMARITAN'S PURSE.

**Elizabeth Henry Groff has been helping pack shoeboxes in her role as national spokesperson for Operation Christmas Child, including at this particular event in Nashville.**

ers."

After graduating from Virginia Tech, Groff went to the University of Miami, where she earned her master's degree in public health. Her workload took her away from Operation Christmas Child duties for a while, but a reconnection with her half-sister last December led to her reinvolvement.

Groff found her half-sister after receiving a random Instagram message from a journalist in Ukraine who told Groff that her half-sister was looking for her. The journalist worked for a television show in Ukraine that reunited people and found video of Groff sharing at an Operation Christmas Child event about losing touch with her half-sister.

Groff ultimately flew back to Ukraine to meet with her sibling. At that point, she decided to get back involved with Op-

eration Christmas Child. She resumed her role as a national spokesperson and has traveled all over the world. Over the years, she has traveled to places such as Madagascar and South Korea, sharing her story and a shoebox to those who need both.

Groff and her parents worked to get her half-sister to come to the United States under a federal program called Uniting for Ukraine, which is a pathway for Ukrainian citizens and their immediate family members who reside outside the U.S. to come to the states and stay temporarily in a two-year period of parole. Groff's half-sister will be able to stay in the U.S. until May 2024.

Today, her half-sister now lives with Groff and her husband in Austin, Texas. Groff works remotely as an independent contractor for several ad-

vocacy organizations in Florida dedicated to helping low-income Floridians access dental care.

The war with Russia, which invaded Ukraine in February, continues to devastate many parts of her country and leaves her people desperately searching for exactly what many search for this time of year.

The upcoming opportunity to provide hope will be her most special yet. At least for one day, Groff hopes to leave a group of children feeling merry and bright, feelings befitting of the season.

"Children in Ukraine are right now suffering," Groff said. "They're being broken, and now more than ever, the children of Ukraine need hope. They need love. They need to know that they're not alone."

*By Jimmy Robertson*

## POLICE REPORT

MONTGOMERY COUNTY JAIL ARREST LOG  
DEC. 3, 2022 THROUGH  
DEC. 9, 2022

FRY, HARRISON COMMIT DATE 12/03/2022 02:51  
OFFENSE  
DWI BY A PERSON UNDER 21; DRIVING WITH BLOOD ALCOHOL CONTENT .02 TO .07

THOMAS, JACOB COMMIT DATE 12/03/2022 04:41  
OFFENSE  
FAILURE TO APPEAR TO A FELONY/MISDEMEANOR SUMMONS

MURRAY, APRIL COMMIT DATE 12/03/2022 14:40  
OFFENSE  
NARCOTICS POSSESSION

COLLINS, THOMAS COMMIT DATE 12/03/2022 16:32  
OFFENSE  
BURGLARY DWELLING WITH INTENT TO COMMIT LARCENY - A&B,ETC.-DEADLY WEAPON  
ASSAULT SIMPLE ASSAULT  
KIDNAPPING ABDUCT BY FORCE WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION  
KIDNAPPING ABDUCT BY FORCE WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION  
ROBBERY CARJACKING ATTEMPTED - ROBBERY CARJACKING  
PREVENTION OF ARREST BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER  
PREVENTION OF ARREST BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER  
ASSAULT SIMPLE ASSAULT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT - DOC - FIRE/RESCUE PERSONNEL

JONES, MATTHEW COMMIT DATE 12/03/2022 22:49  
OFFENSE  
FIRST CONVICTION, INFLUENCE OF DRUGS W/ CHILD

RUSSELL, JOHN COMMIT DATE 12/04/2022 01:35  
OFFENSE  
OBSCENITY DRUNK IN PUBLIC - PROFANE LANGUAGE

CADE, MONTREAL COMMIT DATE 12/04/2022 02:11  
OFFENSE  
DWI - FIRST CONVIC-

TION, INFLUENCE OF DRUGS

OWENS, JERRY, JR COMMIT DATE 12/04/2022 20:11  
OFFENSE  
ASSAULT STAB - CUT - WOUND WITH MALICIOUS INTENT

RAMSEY, BRANDI COMMIT DATE 12/04/2022 22:23  
OFFENSE  
PRISONERS POSSESS - SELL - SECRETE UNLAWFUL CHEMICAL COMPOUND  
PRISONERS POSSESS - SELL - SECRETE UNLAWFUL CHEMICAL COMPOUND  
PRISONERS POSSESS - SELL - SECRETE SCH. III DRUG OR MARIJUANA FTC W/ BOND CONDITIONS

ANDERSON, RYAN COMMIT DATE 12/05/2022 00:23  
OFFENSE  
WEAPONS RECKLESS HANDLING OF FIREARM  
WEAPONS DISCHARGE FIREARM - MISSILE IN/AT OCCUPIED BLDG - UNLAWFULLY  
NORTON, JOSHUA COMMIT DATE 12/05/2022 02:39  
OFFENSE  
DWI - FIRST CONVICTION, INFLUENCE OF DRUGS

HAWKINS, HEATHER COMMIT DATE 12/05/2022 06:34  
OFFENSE  
FRAUD PUBLIC RECORD - FORGING

OBT IDENTIFYING INFO TO AVOID ARREST/IMPEDE INVESTIGATION  
LARCENY SHOPLIFT - ALTER PRICE TAGS < \$200 (FIRST TIME)  
RESISTING ARREST, OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE W/O THREATS OF FORCE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY  
FAIL TO APPEAR FEL/ MISD/SUMMONS  
LINKENHOKER, ISAAC COMMIT DATE 12/05/2022 12:27  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY  
BARRETT, BOBBY COMMIT DATE 12/05/2022 16:01  
OFFENSE  
LARCENY LESS THAN \$200 NOT FROM PERSON

EDWARDS, MATTHEW COMMIT DATE 12/06/2022 06:18  
OFFENSE  
POSSESSION CONTROLLED PARAPHERNALIA, NARCOTICS POSSESSION  
GEARHART, TIMOTHY COMMIT DATE 12/06/2022 10:48  
OFFENSE  
FAIL TO APPEAR FEL/ MISD/SUMMONS

MURPHY, LOGAN COMMIT DATE 12/06/2022 18:00  
OFFENSE  
TRAFFIC - OPERATOR'S LICENSE LICENSE REVOKED-DRIVE WHILE - (FIRST OFFENSE)

TOWNS, ZACHARY COMMIT DATE 12/06/2022 19:05  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY

DE LEON, LEONARDO COMMIT DATE 12/07/2022 01:12  
OFFENSE  
DAMAGE TO ATTENDED PROPERTY-DRIVER FAILS TO REPORT > \$1000.0  
TRAFFIC - OPERATOR'S LICENSE DRIVE WITHOUT A LICENSE  
PRISONERS FEDERAL - FELONY

RATCLIFFE, ERNEST COMMIT DATE 12/07/2022 06:20  
OFFENSE  
SUSPENDED SENTENCE VIOLATION-FELONY SENTENCE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY

ROBBINS, KAREN COMMIT DATE 12/07/2022 13:18  
OFFENSE  
ASSAULT SIMPLE ASSAULT

PATTERSON, JONATHAN COMMIT DATE 12/07/2022 14:42  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY  
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POSSESS WITH INTENT TO DIST. SCH II DRUG 3RD/ SUB. OFFENSE  
QUESENBERRY, JOSHUA

COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 00:30  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - MISDEMEANOR

BLAND, JAMIE COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 11:38  
OFFENSE  
LARCENY SHOPLIFT - ALTER PRICE TAGS < \$200 (FIRST TIME)

DUNCAN, MICHAEL COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 11:41  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY  
WEAPONS CONVICTED FELON (VIOLENT) POSSESS/TRANSPORT FIREARM  
NARCOTICS POSSESSION W/INTENT TO SELL - DISTRIBUTE - ETC.

CRUMP, DARIUS COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 14:08  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY

VARNEY, JAMES JR COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 16:21  
OFFENSE  
FAIL TO APPEAR FEL/ MISD/SUMMONS  
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PERRY, TANGIE COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 16:55  
OFFENSE  
TRAFFIC - OPERATOR'S LICENSE LICENSE REVOKED-DRIVE WHILE - (FIRST OFFENSE)

HENDERSON, KAREN COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 18:33  
OFFENSE  
LARCENY SHOPLIFT - ALTER PRICE TAGS < \$200 (FIRST TIME)  
FAIL TO APPEAR FEL/ MISD/SUMMONS

KORCZYNSKI, JESSICA COMMIT DATE 12/08/2022 20:44  
OFFENSE  
NARCOTICS POSSESSION

SHOPSHEAR, CHRISTOPHER COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 03:38  
OFFENSE  
NARCOTICS SALE FOR PROFIT  
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NARCOTICS SALE FOR PROFIT  
NARCOTICS SALE FOR PROFIT  
BANKS, IVORY, JR. COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 04:57  
OFFENSE  
ASSAULT SIMPLE ASSAULT - AGAINST FAMILY MEMBER - 3RD/SUBSQNT CONVICT.

BANKS, REBECCA COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 05:08  
OFFENSE  
OBSCENITY DRUNK IN PUBLIC - PROFANE LANGUAGE

MITCHEM, AMBER COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 05:23  
OFFENSE  
DWI - FIRST CONVICTION, INFLUENCE OF DRUGS

MCGRAW-DOYLE, BELINDA COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 11:03  
OFFENSE  
LARCENY SHOPLIFT - ALTER PRICE TAGS < \$200 (FIRST TIME)

MELTON, BENJAMIN COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 13:13  
OFFENSE  
OBSCENITY DRUNK IN PUBLIC - PROFANE LANGUAGE  
ASSAULT SIMPLE ASSAULT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT - DOC - FIRE/RESCUE PERSONNEL

ASSAULT SIMPLE ASSAULT - AGAINST FAMILY MEMBER

GLOVIER, ANGELIQUE COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 14:59  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY

DUNCAN, MONICA COMMIT DATE 12/09/2022 23:48  
OFFENSE  
PROBATION VIOLATION - FELONY

GATHERS, DERWIN COMMIT DATE 12/16/2022 03:20  
OFFENSE  
OBSCENITY DRUNK IN PUBLIC - PROFANE LANGUAGE

# LAND TRANSFERS

Anthony Patrick Sammons to John Herbert VanHassel, Lot 3, Ph III, Preston Forest, Ph III, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$673,500

Collegiate Investment 930 LLC to Collegiate Investment 930 LLC, 1.356 ac., Parcel A and 0.539 ac., Parcel B, Town of Christiansburg

Michael E. Boyer to Buffalo Drive LLC, 1.356 ac., Parcel A and 0.539 ac., Parcel B, Christiansburg

Joel R. Hartman to Justin Owens, lot 2, Ph II, Lester Place, Christiansburg, \$172,000

Demokins LLC to Amethyst LLC, 1.082 ac., metes and bounds, See legal, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, #321,750

Ruby M. Degener to Arthur W. Degener, Jr., 0.400 ac., portion of lots 10, 11, 12, Blacksburg Heights, Blacksburg

Eric A. White to Qiang Li, lot 11, Charleston Place, Christiansburg, \$233,000

Ivan I. Chapman to Donald Scott Hoger, 1.234 ac., and 0.724 ac., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$345,900

Edward L. Nelson to Pimintelnelson Living Trust, 1.131 ac., lot 9, Alice Drive, Blacksburg

David Clarence Ferguson to Ferguson Living Trust, lot 28, Maple Ridge Village 4 Brittany Meadows, blacksburg

Bruce Elliott Garnes to Garnes Family Joint Declaration, lot 75, Blacksburg Country Club Estates, Sec III

Sheila Stuart to Sheila Stuart, lot 16, 17, 18, 19, Parcel 1 and lot 20, 21, 22, and 23, Parcel II, Christiansburg

Christopher Michael Yon to Christopher Michael Yon, 0.771 ac., lot 4, Walton Farms, Sec 1, Riner Magisterial District

J.C. Absher, Jr., to Annie Kate Snavely, four parcels, see legal, Riner Magisterial District, \$233,900

Stephen T. Grieco to Daniel DiMarco, lot 8, Highland Park metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg, \$390,000

F and B Land LP to R Fralin Construction, Inc., lot 4, Kensington, Ph IX, Christiansburg, \$60,000

James C. Taylor III to Kathryn S. Taylor, 13.493 ac., Riner Magisterial District

Larry W. Fielder to Andrew Clay Landreth, 1.731 ac., metes and bounds

Joye Gilmer to Autumn Paisley Hall, 0.714 ac., Parcel 19, Riner Magisterial District, \$209,000

David Ward to Trevor Joseph Brooks, 5.318 ac., lot 1, Eaglebrook Estates, Riner Magisterial District, \$300,000

John M. Cook to Hikmet Gursoy, lot 29, Cambria Crossing, Ph 1, Christiansburg, \$325,000

Melody C. Richards to Michael L. Stallone, 1.1430 ac., Riner Magisterial District

Douglas B. Juanarena to John Todd Holland, 5.119 ac., lot 78, Sec III, Laurel Ridge Subdv., Prices Fork Magisterial District, 1,200,000

Mark A. Cole to Mark A. Cole Revocable Trust, Christiansburg, four parcels, see legal

Mark A. Cole to Mark A. Cole Revocable Trust, Christiansburg, lot 1, Sec 2, Roseland Heights Subdv., Christiansburg

Hollister A. Hartmen to Robert Ward Rummel, Lot 12, Ph 1, Preston Forest, Ph 1, Mt. Tabor Magisterial Dis-

trict, \$500,000

Bruce A. Tomlinson LLC to John F. Webb, Unit 25-1, Ph XVI, Sec 2, Christiansburg, \$395,000

David L. Hayes to Michele L. Mayberry, 0.2665 ac., metes and bounds, Christiansburg, \$206,325

Deborah Bonnie Pepe to Bruce A. Tomlinson LLC, Unit 73-2, Ph XIX, Sec. 2, Christiansburg, \$410,000

James W. Ogburn, Jr., to James W. Ogburn Trust, 0.048 ac., lot 16, Ph 2, Sec II, Oak Manor Townhouses, Blacksburg

Sherill L. Dowdy to Harold Dean Keith, metes and bounds, see legal, Christiansburg

Karen J. McKee to Myron F. Bradley Revocable Trust, Lot 19, Belmont Estates, Sec 1, Christiansburg, \$280,000

Land Development RVI LLC to R. Fralin Construction Inc., 0.501 ac., lot 3, Cloverlea, Ph II-A, Riner Magisterial District, \$81,000

Magnolia Farms LLC to Steven W. Hinken, see legal

Doris A. Stock to Guillermo A. Meneses, lot 59, Ph IV, Haymarket Square Townhouses, Sec 1, Blacksburg, \$305,000

Lance Moore to Joshua R. Hess, Lot 95, Cambria Crossing, Ph III, Christiansburg, \$372,100

Magnolia Farms LLC to Golden Triangle Development, 14.776 ac., New Parcel B, Riner Magisterial District

David Wells to Tracy Lusk, Lot 12, Parcel A and B, Village of Lafayette, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$80,000

Magnolia Farms LLC to Golden Triangle Development, 12.000 ac., Riner Magisterial District

Magnolia Farms LLC to Leslie Herrington, 2022001197; 7.901 ac.

Magnolia Farms LLC to Kristopher D. Smith, 2022001197; 9.935 ac.

Magnolia Farms LLC to Golden Triangle Development, 202201197

JLRC LLC to James L. Reedy, Jr., Lot 55, the Villas at Fiddlers Green, Blacksburg

James A. Weikel to Cameron S. Mallory, Lot 71A, Vistavia Ph IV, Christiansburg, \$400,000

Duane Michael Mills Executor to Jannifer Mills Cater, metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg

Michael R. Dickerson to Doris W. Dickerson, 7.1606 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District

Amy Hackworth Vann Executor to Dominic V. Martinez, 2.521 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$279,900

Alison Garst to Victoria Foy, Lot 26A, Olde Towne Estates, Christiansburg

Alison Garst to Connor York, metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg

Alison Garst to Emily Garst Tedesco, 0.8013 ac., Blacksburg

Mark Anthony Burk Executor to Deangelo Smith, metes and bounds, see legal, Christiansburg Magisterial District, \$192,000

Kathy M. Kelly to Jennifer Sue Phillips, 4.60 ac., metes and bounds, see legal, Riner Magisterial District, \$152,500

Jonathan D. Robinson to Stephen D. Freeland Trust, Tract 60, Indian Run Investment Co., Ph 3, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$705,000

Frederick E. Hosen to Kirk P. Chenault, Lot 67, Belmont Estates,

Sec II, Christiansburg, \$310,000

Jennifer Mills Cater to RBM Properties LLC, metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg

Diane B. Linkous to Kelsey Elaine Dudley, 1.3705 ac., Riner Magisterial District

James Kenneth Hatcher to Dustin P. Blankenship, 0 Clendennin Trail, Shawsville; 7 acres, metes and bounds, See legal, \$15,000

Paul L. Cummings to Paul L. Cummings Trust, 3480 Five Points Road, Riner; two parcels, metes and bounds, see legal

David B. Stoeckle to Kathleen Mary Elizabeth Stoeckle, Lot 112, Deercroft Ph V, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

David B. Stoeckle to Christopher David Stoeckle, Lot 113, Deercroft, Ph V, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

David S. Bieri to Michael J. Willis, lot 22, highland Park 2, \$399,500

Douglas A. Trexell to 1166 Burley Ln LLC, 0.918 ac., Prices fork Magisterial District, \$205,000

Matthew C. Jones to Dennis Peter Cladis, 4.4130 ac., lot 98, Brush Mtn West, Ph 9, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$805,000

Tranquil Valley LLC to Matthew Jones, 8.803 ac., lot 38, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$1,250,000

Linda Josephine Van de Zande to Nicholas Cody Rush, 2.007 ac., Lot 1, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$75,000

Jessica N. Wade to Dustin Cody Wade, 0.263 ac., Christiansburg

Christopher A. Carter to Tacie N. Jones, 230 Olinger Rd., Blacksburg, metes and bounds, see legal, Prices Fork Magisterial District

Shah Development LLC to Joel Fraker, 249 Louise Lane, Elliston, Va., 0.051 ac., lot 38, Midway Estates, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$245,750

James Aaron Radford to Lawrence M. Price, 4335 Riffe St., Elliston, Va., Lot 90, Roanoke river Gardens, \$30,000

Jordan Tyler Ren Harman to Matthew Sampa, Lot 30, Sec. VIII, Ph V, Falling Branch Subdv., Christiansburg, \$375,000

The Conservation Fund to HS Tejas LTD, Reese Mtn, Rd., Elliston, Va.

Alvin D. Smith to Mark K. King, Jr., Lot 21, Christiansburg, \$265,000

Eric Willoughby to Tulika Chaudhary, Lot 2, metes and bounds, see legal, \$288,000

Joyce Diane Boon to Amanda J. Nelson, Lot 57, Ph II-A, Blacksburg, \$425,000

Donald L. Vaught to Vaught Enterprises LLC, Lot 9, Blk 2, Highview Terrace Subdv., Parcel 1 and Lots 1, 2, 131, 132, Brumfield Acres, Parcel 2, Christiansburg

Richard A. Aliff to Richard A. Aliff, 15.370 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District

Michele H. Dudash to Rodney W. Vaught, Lot 8, Parts of Lot 10 and 15-foot alley, Echo Hills Subdv., metes and bounds, Christiansburg

Loan Tyler Bane to Andrew N. Stanley, 0.902 ac., Tract 1 and Tract 2, Riner Magisterial District, \$180,000

Darrin H. Griner to Daniel J. Smith, 0.139 ac., Parcel C. East Park Addition, Christiansburg

William A. Ellenbo-

gen to Ellenbogen Living Trust, 26.905 ac., less and except 9.184 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Martha Sue Smith to Mark Andrew Grose-close, 0.549 ac., Prices Fork Magisterial District

Alexander Lee Bickford to Cody Andrews, 0.294 ac., Lot 16, \$379,900

Aaron James Pratola Dalton to Kayleigh M. Frye, 0.496 ac., Lot 2, Sec 1, Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$310,000

Gary Yopp to Samantha Reese Yopp, Shawsville, Va., 4 ac., Alleghany Magisterial District

Radford Development of Virginia to Audrey D. Dickson, 0.424 ac., Riner Magisterial District, \$195,000

Lynsey D. Reese to A2 Blacksburg LLC, 1790 Liberty Lane Unit 48, Blacksburg, Condo Unit 48, Bldg D, Cascades Pointe Condos, Blacksburg, \$180,000

Richard C. Basham to Richard C. Basham, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, Shawsville Subdv., Shawsville Magisterial District

Reva Flick Ashworth to Cheryl M. Atkinson, 2021009434

Jason N. Kitts to Jason N. Kitts, 1.212 ac., New Revised Parcel A and 19.849 ac., New Revised Parcel B, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Jason N. Kitts to Roberto Borja, 1.212 ac., New Revised Parcel A, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$440,000

1320 Jennelle LLC to WAP Rentals LLC, 7/16 ac., metes and bounds

Joseph E. Mills to Michael Joshua Strauss Trust, 0.578 ac., Blacksburg, \$440,000

Nichola Gabriel Belfiore to 302 Jackson LLC, Condo Unit 302, Jackson Street Condos, Blacksburg

Eric D. Ryan to David M. Kiser, Lot 1, Shelor Farm Estates, Ph II, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$645,000

Navid Ghaffarzadegan to Raymond J. Barrett, Lot 74, Sex IX, Blacksburg, \$550,000

Mary Jocz Jakubowski to Joanne M. Jocz-Kao, Blacksburg, Indian Run Investment Co., Ph 2, Tract 25

Joanne M. Jocz-Kao to Mary Jocz Jakubowski, 2920 New Ridge Road, Elliston V., 5.168 ac., Lot 23, Ph 3, The Ridges Subdv.

Joanne M. Jocz-Kao to Mary Jocz Jakubowski, 2985 New Ridge Road, Elliston, Va., Lot 32A, The Ridges Ph. 4

R Fralin Construction Inc., to Cody R. Weeks, Lot 4, Kensington, Ph IX, \$404,950

Jason B. Aif Taylor to Mark Abram Sellers, 0.4115 ac., metes and bounds, see legal, \$180,000

Joseph F. Vitale to Azadeh Aryan, Lot 45, Cedar Orchards, Subdv., Ph III, Blk A & Blk. B, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$528,000

Walter D. Hackney to Hannah Virginia Young, 0.46 ac., Big Spring Road., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$265,000

Emily A. Oliver to Charles M. Harman, 80 Patricia Lane NE, Christiansburg; Lot #4, Ph 1, Hamilton Place Townhouses, Christiansburg, \$289,000

David H. Clayton to MMNV LLC, Lot 113, Blk 4A4, Pheasant Run townhomes, Ph III, Blacksburg, \$300,000

Lewis B. Barnett to Catherine Barnett, Two parcels metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg, \$375,000

James E. Ealey to Randall H. Yates, 3.040 ac., lot 3, Riner Magisterial District, \$405,000

Lijia Xu to Lijia Xu, Lot 9, Blk 2, Blacksburg

Lijia Xu to Lijia Xu, Lot 4, Blk 5A2, Pheasant Run, Blacksburg

Virginia F. Slusser to Tammy C. Slusser-Falter, Lot 3, Scott Heights, Christiansburg

Rene O. Fonseca to Gerson Oliva, 0.2462 ac., Lot 6, Sec II, Myers Heights Subdv., metes and bounds, \$105,000

Rene O. Fonseca to Jose Luis Murcia, Three parcels, See legal, Riner Magisterial District, \$120,000

Rene Fonseca to Rigoberto Haro Cruz, Lots 13, 14, and portion of lot 41, Riner Magisterial District, \$105,000

Jonathan William Cin to Lane Glenn Cin, Lot 65, Fiddlers Green, Blacksburg

Pamela M. Dooley Trust to 201 Marlinton LLC, 201 Marlinton St., Blacksburg, Lots 286 and 287, Crismond Addition, Blacksburg

Stephen V. Durbin to Mandana Hendrickson, Lot 70, Ph IV, New River Village, Christiansburg, \$334,900

Ronnie Marcum Trust to Ronnie Marcum Trust, Revised Lot 1, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Janet Youngs Allen to Roy C. Allen, Jr., Lot 9, Longview Estates, Sec. 1, Blacksburg

Cameron Scott Malory to Rick W. Orick, 1.444 ac., Lot 62, Heritage Place, Ph III, Rner Magisterial District, \$685,000

Mohammad Amjad to DB3 CB Holdings LLC, 0.325 ac., Blacksburg, \$345,000

Frank Weddle to Erik Gordon, 1123 Walton Rd., Christiansburg, ¼ ac., metes and bounds, see legal, Auburn Magisterial District, \$3,000

Archie E. Cromer, Jr., to Jeffery Lee Epperly, 9.1815 ac., metes and bounds, see legal, Riner Magisterial District

Christopher A. Goff to Christopher A. Goff, Lot 14, East Ridge Subdv., Christiansburg

R Fralin Construction, Inc., to Lauren B. Beamish, 0.501 ac., Lot 3, Cloverlea, Riner Magisterial District, \$562,968

Redbud Lane LLC to Samantha M. Harden, 8.031 ac., Lot 1, Parcel 1, and 22.250 ac., Lot 3, Parcel 2 and 21.305 ac., Lot 2, Parcel 3, Riner Magisterial District, \$482,200

Vijay K. Gupta to Rajiv K. Gupta, 6.974 ac., metes and bounds

Austin Alexander Sixbey to Julian J. Warheit, 0.850 ac., Lot 4, \$181,000

CMH Homes, Inc. to Mark A. Blankenship, 1.547 ac., lot 2, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$186,796

Keith Meredith to Leigh T. Anderson, Condo Unit !, Bldg 1400, Hunters ridge Condos, Blacksburg, \$240,000

Jessica Aileen Folkart to Nicholas Folkart Brians, Lot 16, Ph II, Mt. Tabors Meadows Subdv., Blacksburg

Linda C. Morrow to Jennifer Morrow Bowe, Lot 47, Preston Forest, Ph II, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Mary B. Zimmerman to Yan-Yee Andy Ko, Lot 3, Silverleaf Townhomes, Blacksburg, \$325,000

Shah Development

LLC to Eagle Construction of Virginia LLC, Two Parcels, 0.257 ac., lot 8, 0.225 ac., lot 12, and 0.227 ac., lot 13, Parcel 1; 0.309 ac., lot 45 and 0.384 ac., lot 46, Parcel 2; The reserve at Round Meadows, Christiansburg, \$450,000

Roger Woody to RWW36 LLC, Two Parcels, metes and bounds, see legal

Roger W. Woody to RWW41 LLC, Lot 32, Lions Gate Planned Community

Kipps Farms LLC to Stateston Homes LLC, Lot 1, WestHill Subdv., Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$134,750

Ann L. Bracken Trust to James W. Bracken, Condo Unit B-4, Brightwood Manor Condos, Blacksburg, \$150,000

Benjamin C. Bailey to Jorge Miguel De Sousa Martins, 0.265 ac., Lot 6, Walnut Creek, Ph V-A, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$421,000

Bobbie L. Holman to Barbara N. Newman, Lot 53, Senneca Springs, Ph III, Christiansburg, \$419,900

Carolyn Buchanan to David Lee Wall, 0.445 ac., Christiansburg, \$282,000

HCMF XXXIII A Virginia Partnership to Ellen Taylor Naquin Cranwell, 205 Kent St., Blacksburg, 14.850 sq. ft. Parcel 2, metes and bounds

Cary W. Hopper to Habitat for Humanity, Inc., of the New River Valley; 0.1247 ac., Parcel 1, and 0.189 ac., Parcel 2, Blacksburg

Nancy F. Trump to Terrance B. St. Clair, metes and bounds, see legal, Christiansburg

Lois A. Lancaster to Jamey Christian, Lot 6, Falling Branch Estates, Sec 1, Christiansburg, \$275,000

Jeffery L. Dickson to Mabel Holdings LLC, Two Parcels, 0.290 ac., Lot 1, Parcel 1, and 0.069 ac., New Lot A, Parcel II, Christiansburg, \$660,000

Town of Christiansburg to Town of Christiansburg, Patrick. S. Way/N Franklin St., Oak Tree Blvd., Christiansburg; Vacation of 0.099 ac., and 0.101 ac. Parcels, formerly Patrick S. Way, Christiansburg

James Edward Benjamin Simmons to Kevin J. Frady, Lot 62, Edgewood, Christiansburg, \$180,000

Christopher R. Widrig to Christopher R. Widrig, 1.9094 ac., Parcel 1

Susan R. Gallagher to Sarah M. Whitlock, Lot 12, Oak Tree Townhomes, Ph IX, Christiansburg, \$230,000

Barbara J. Kelley to Douglas Sink, 0.358 of acre, metes and bounds less and except 0.022 ac., Shawsville Magisterial District, \$60,000

Carrie Albert to Larry R. Cook, 0.39 ac., metes and bounds, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, \$32,600

Sydney F. Harman to Tristan Do., 0.230 ac., Lot 1, Blacksburg, \$360,000

Ian Patrick Turner to Terry L. Nix, Lot 17, Christiansburg, \$330,000

Sandra A. Williams Wade to James H. Taylor, Lot 1, Willowbrook, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$182,500

Samson Clay Rogers to Edward Baker, Lot 1, Willowbrook, Shawsville Magisterial District, \$75,000

BKC Properties Inc., to Kurt E. Ranes, 1.325 ac., Mt. Tabor Magiste-

# OPINION

## Home Country: Being the official town dog is never easy

I don't mind Boots. He just curls up quietly against my belly and stays put. But sleeping with Desdemona can be a bit unnerving. She snores. Sometimes she gets little bad dreams and scratches me, too. But hey, I get to come in out of the cold and sleep with Aunt Ada's cats on her sofa, and a guy can tolerate a certain amount of cat snoring for that.

I was glad when I heard Aunt Ada pattering in the kitchen because I knew it was

time to get up. After she let me out, she fed me, and let me tell you ... that kibble was just as good this morning as it was yesterday. And then she petted me, called me her dear Billy, and let me out to do my rounds.

Don't let anyone tell you being the official town dog is easy. Nossirree. First, there are the kids. Me and Martin, the crossing guard, have to see them safely across the street and to school each morning.

Must be band day, because I see a lot of instrument cases. Martin gets smiles from the children. I get smiles AND ear rumples, so what do you think of that?

Once those kids are safely across, the time is pretty much my own until the final bell rings in the afternoon. That would be after I get snacks at the back door of the Mule Barn and after my nap curled up against the brick wall of the drugstore downtown. You ever

notice how those bricks hold the sunshine in them? Better than that white wall on the newspaper office.

This is a good day to stop by the Rest of Your Life Retirement Home and check on Pop Walker and Mabel Adams. Oh, I make the rounds and check on everybody, of course, but I have to admit those two are my favorites.

If today is band day at school, tomorrow will be sale day at the sale barn at the edge

of town. That's when the men bring their dogs in from the ranches to look at cows. They yell and talk funny. Not the dogs, of course. Getting your sniffing up to date is always a good thing.

Love, Billy

Give a great nose a helpful lift. Send a gift to the East Tennessee Bloodhound Rescue. [et-bloodhoundrescue.org](http://et-bloodhoundrescue.org).

By Slim Randles

# DEANS LISTS

## Local students named to dean's list at Emory & Henry College

A number of local students were named to the fall 2022 dean's list at Emory & Henry College. To be named to the Dean's list, a student must be a full-time student and receive a 3.6 GPA for the semester.

Receiving dean's list recognition from Christiansburg were Richard Graham, Baylee Reasor, and Tyrique Taylor, Achieving dean's list honors from Fair-

lawn was Sariah Buchinsky.

From Blacksburg, Anna Becken was named to the dean's list.

Sophie Graham of Radford earned dean's list honors.

Emily Scaggs of Riner was named to the Emory & Henry dean's list for the fall

## Radford's Ezra Lanoue inducted into Phi Kappa Phi honor society

Ezra Lanoue of Radford was recently

initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Lanoue was initiated at Berea College in Baton Rouge, La.

Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann, who had a desire to create a different kind of honor society, one that recognized excellence in all academic disciplines. Today, the Society has chapters on more than 325 campuses in the United States, its territories and the Philippines.

Since its founding, more than 1.5

million members have been initiated into Phi Kappa Phi. Some of the organization's notable members include former President Jimmy Carter, NASA astronaut Wendy Lawrence, novelist John Grisham, and YouTube co-founder Chad Hurley.

Each year, Phi Kappa Phi awards \$1.3 million to outstanding students and members through graduate and dissertation fellowships, undergraduate study abroad grants, funding for post-baccalaureate development, and grants for local, national, and international literacy initiatives.

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## GO Virginia grant to VT's College of Engineering to bolster next-generation transportation, manufacturing workforce

A statewide initiative designed to encourage economic growth has awarded the Virginia Tech College of Engineering a grant to advance Southwest Virginia's manufacturing, transportation, and autonomous vehicles sector by scaling up the talent pipeline to train and retain workers.

The GO Virginia grant, which includes \$500,000 in state funding and \$251,300 from matching non-state sources, builds on a Virginia Tech-led coalition of more than 150 public, private, and nonprofit organizations that was one of 60 finalists for the U.S. Economic Development Administration's \$1 billion Build Back Better Regional Challenge. The Automated-Connected-Electrified (ACE) coalition includes a team of higher education and community partners as well as industry leaders such as Volvo, Torc Robotics, and Mack.

John Provo, executive director of the Center for Economic and Community Engagement, which serves as



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**The College of Engineering's Pamela VandeVord (at right) and Brett Malone of the Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center talk about the Automated-Connected-Electrified coalition at the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute.**

GO Virginia's regional support organization, lauded this new effort. He said the funding will allow the coalition to move forward with initiatives to help companies grow, build a shared identity for the cluster, and develop a diverse and technically ready workforce.

Pamela VandeVord, associate dean of research and innovation in the College of Engineering and the N. Waldo Harrison Professor of the Department of Biomedical Engineering and Mechanics, is principal investigator on the grant.

"Through the Industry 4.0 curriculum, we're teaching students using real-world transportation and air mobility problems," VandeVord said. "Our goal is to align the resources within Region 2 to

help companies find success and talent as well as attract business to the area."

GO Virginia Region 2 stretches from the New River Valley to the Lynchburg area and north to the Alleghany Highlands. Since 2018, more than \$8 million has been awarded to projects in the region, creating more than 700 jobs.

The ACE project will incorporate the findings of a previous GO Virginia planning grant focused on the training needs of Industry 4.0, a term used to describe today's manufacturing environment that incorporates smart technologies and the internet to better connect and automate the industrial process.

The Virginia Tech Roanoke Center and the Grado

Department of Industrial and System Engineering's Learning Factory partnered on that grant to gather manufacturers, economic development experts, and educators — including ones from community colleges around the region — to gain insights into skills gaps in the workforce, existing training opportunities, and how to best fill any holes.

"The resulting Industry 4.0 curriculum will include hands-on training for in-demand jobs as well as skills necessary to be successful in the competitive and rapidly developing automated transportation system industry," said Scott Weimer, executive director of Roanoke Regional Initiatives, which includes the Roanoke Center.

## Time Capsule

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and the committee. It weighs nearly 150 pounds filled. It will be sealed in a Hokie Stone bench wall, which looking from the Drillfield, sits to the right of Burruss Hall, near the symbolic center of the Blacksburg campus.

The structure was designed to complement Alwood plaza, an existing structure to the left of the building. According to Jack Rosenberger, campus landscape architect, while the design of the two structures is similar, the new seat wall required some special modifications.

"The difference is that we needed to put a large time capsule box inside of this. We had to sort of change the design to incorporate that and create basically a box that a box can sit inside of," Rosenberger said. "Knowing that there is a tangible object on the Drillfield — in such a special space to past, present, and future Hokies — it's really a special treat."

For two years, the six-member time capsule committee met regularly to brainstorm ideas for what to include in the capsule.

"The committee spent months and months gathering materials, books that are about Virginia Tech, all aspects of Virginia Tech," said Judy Ridinger, who served as a liaison with the group and the sesquicentennial planning committee. "We worked with Special Collections in the library and gathered some information there. But those of us on the committee have been around Virginia Tech for quite some time. So we were familiar with a lot of the different things that we thought would be important," Ridinger said.

Some of the items contained in the time capsule include:

A copy of the first Bugle, which was printed in 1895.

Copies of Virginia Tech Magazine related to significant points in the university's history, including the three issues printed during the sesquicentennial year.

A 2022 class ring.

A statue of Frank Beamer.

A signed copy of "Don't Blow Yourself Up" by Homer Hickam '64.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- Aussies
- Dissuades
- Make law
- Drench
- Soak in a liquid
- Male child
- It cools your home
- Small constellation
- To call (archaic)
- Explores beneath the Earth
- Commercial
- W. hemisphere organization

### CLUES DOWN

- Horse mackerels
- Prickly plants
- Consciousness
- Type of sarcoma
- Tax collector
- Sun up in New York
- One who scorches
- Influential psychotherapist
- Situated at an apex
- Communicative
- Forearm nerve
- Former CIA
- Folk singer DiFranco
- Employee stock ownership plan
- Large-scale
- School environment
- Remove
- Male parents
- Long rodent

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- You can find it in a can
- "Land of the free"
- 42 36 inches
- Footwear
- Challenges
- They hold things together
- Of I
- Partner to flow
- Not connected by kinship
- Worries
- Garlic mayonnaise
- A way to take by force
- Legendary English rockers
- Your consciousness of your own identity
- Fencing swords
- Silly
- Actor DiCaprio
- Encircles with a belt
- Mails a message

### CLUES DOWN

- Weighted down
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- \_\_ route: going there
- Explains again
- Exclamation of surprise
- Courteously
- Lying down
- Judge
- Forcefully took
- Loosely compacted sediment
- High mountain
- Portable conical tents
- Cereal grass
- Dining utensil
- Thoughtful
- Helps you walk
- Indicates near
- Midway between northeast and east
- Local area network



# USDA to invest \$810,000 in thirteen Virginia projects to combat climate change

USDA is investing \$285 million through the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) to help farmers, ag producers, and rural entrepreneurs lower energy costs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This announcement includes 13 Virginia projects that will receive more than \$810,000 in total funding for photovoltaic arrays that will lower energy costs for these businesses.

The 13 Virginia projects are 1) Tuckahoe Plantation Stables, Inc \$9,275. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 14 kilowatt (kW) photovoltaic (PV) system on a barn roof. This system consists of thirty-five 400 Watt solar modules and one inverter. The 16,209 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year of estimated solar generation will go towards the horse stable operations, which should cover 100 percent of their usage.

2) Skyfiber Ranch LLC \$9,417. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 17.28 kilowatt (kW) roof mount photovoltaic (PV) system. This system consists of forty-eight 360 watt solar modules and eighteen inverters. The 24,006 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year of estimated solar generation will go towards the commercial operations only, covering about 67 percent of their usage.

3) Town and Country Towing of Virginia Inc. \$6,155. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 7.225 kilowatt (kW) roof mount photovoltaic (PV) system. This system consists of seventeen 425 watt solar modules and one inverter. This property is leased to run towing operations. The 8,671 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year of estimated solar generation will go towards the commercial operations and will be sold back to the grid, covering about 170 percent of their usage.

4) Shenandoah Fiber Company LLC \$4,742. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 6.08 kilowatt (kW) roof mount photovoltaic (PV) system. This system consists of sixteen 38 watt solar modules and one in-

verter. This property is leased to two entities for alpaca operations. The 7,685 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year of estimated solar generation will go towards commercially used electricity for creating and selling alpaca fibers and products, specifically associated to the grantee, and sold back to the grid, covering about 191 percent of their usage. Their first REAP grant was so successful, they applied for a second REAP grant to put solar on a different building.

5) Worthington Investments LLC \$20,000. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 44.5 kilowatt (kW) roof mount photovoltaic (PV) system. This system consists of one hundred 445 watt solar modules and three inverters. Subject property is on 0.25 acres in Staunton County. This property is for its leasing operations. The 51,826 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year of estimated solar generation will go towards using electricity for leasing operations and selling back to the grid, covering about 191 percent of their usage.

6) Pippin Hill Farm and Vineyards LLC \$16,772. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 28 kilowatt (kW) roof mount photovoltaic (PV) system on a newly constructed building to house chillers for the winemaking operation. This system consists of 70 400 watt solar modules, two inverters, and 70 optimizers.

Subject property is on 41.08 acres with a restored 1804 historical building in Albemarle County and is used for different venues such as offering food, wine, cooking classes, games, tours, and yoga. The 35,076 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year of estimated solar generation is about 13 percent of their estimated usage.

7) Fun-Tastic Farming LLC \$13,525. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 18.36 kilowatt (kW) roof mount photovoltaic (PV) system. This system consists of 51 360 watt solar modules, two inverters, and 51 optimizers. Subject property is on 131.4075 acres with eight buildings and a single family

house in Fauquier county and is used as a property management company for the eight commercial buildings. The 26,840 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year of estimated solar generation is about 115 percent of their usage.

8) Solar General LLC \$250,000. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 965.54 kilowatt (kW) roof photovoltaic (PV) system consisting of 2,099 460W solar modules and 23 inverters for five different public schools in Lee County. The estimated annual solar generation is 1,280,825 kilowatt hours (kWh), which is equivalent to powering 119 single family houses. Power Purchase Agreements are with Elk Knob, Jonesville Middle, Lee High, Lee Vo-Tech, and Rose Hill Elementary.

Solar General LLC is a Special Purpose Entity that was established 9/14/21 by parent company, Secure Futures, LLC to house this project as they do with many other solar projects. All funds are from the parent company and tax credit investors.

9) Virginia Artesian Bottling Company \$46,270 This Rural Development investment will be used to assist Virginia Artesian Bottling Company purchase and install a 102.125 kilowatt (kW) roof mount photovoltaic (PV) system. The estimated solar generation is 140,432 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year, which is comparable to powering about 13 single family homes. The parcel is 55.9 acres with a leased 16,172 sq. ft. commercial building. The business started with bottling water out of their home and has expanded operations tremendously since then. The business was officially established in 2003.

10) Innerspec Technologies Inc \$56,457. This rural development investment will be used to purchase and install a 147.6 kilowatt (kW) roof photovoltaic (PV) system. The estimated annual solar generation is 176,080 kilowatt hours (kWh), which is comparable to powering 16 single family homes. The parcel is 9.63 acres of commercial/industrial leased property. This small business was established in 1997



designing, manufacturing, and servicing ultrasonic equipment globally.

11) Elite Recycling LLC \$44,275. This rural development investment will be used to assist Elite Recycling LLC purchase and install a 106 kilowatt (kW) roof photovoltaic (PV) system. The estimated annual solar generation is 130,299 kilowatt hours (kWh), which is enough to power 12 single family houses. The project is located on a leased 18.16 acre lot with four warehouses and one manufacturing building in a distressed area in Campbell County. The family-owned business was established in 2011 to recycle scrap metal, expanding to bundling and exporting paper, plastic, and cardboard.

12) Solar Warrior LLC \$250,000. This rural development investment will be used to assist Solar Warrior LLC purchase and install a 2.24434 megawatt (MW) roof photovoltaic system for six different public schools in Wise County. The estimated annual solar generation is 2,960,728 kilowatt hours (kWh), which is equivalent to powering 276 single family houses. Solar Warrior LLC is a Special Purpose Entity that was established in September 2021 by parent company Secure Futures LLC, to house this project as they do with many other solar projects. All funds are from the parent company and tax credit investors.

13) Inspiratus LLC DBA Eupepsia \$83,816. This rural development investment will be used to assist Inspiratus LLC dba Eupepsia purchase and install two ground photovoltaic (PV) arrays totaling 237.6 kilowatts (kW). The leased property is on a 250-acre parcel and is used as a health retreat with 26 guest rooms, a greenhouse, a restaurant, a sports and fitness center, spa and therapy treatments, a movie lounge, and white-water rafting. Its estimated solar generation is 317,181 kilowatt hours (kWh) per year, which is equivalent to powering about 29 homes.

Elite Recycling LLC \$44,275 This Rural Development investment will be used to assist Elite Recycling LLC purchase and install a 106 kilowatt (kW) roof photovoltaic (PV) system. The estimated annual solar generation is 130,299 kilowatt hours (kWh), which is enough to power 12 single family houses. The project is located on a leased 18.16 acre lot with four warehouses and one manufacturing building in a distressed area in Campbell County. The family-owned business was established in 2011 to recycle scrap metal, expanding to bundling and exporting paper, plastic, and cardboard.

*Submitted by Barbara Bowen,  
Public Information Officer,  
Virginia Rural Development*

## Land Transfers

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rial District, \$265,000  
Lawrence Wade Simpson, Jr., to Coral rojas, 0.232 ac., Lot 2, metes and bounds, Riner Magisterial District, \$139,000

### DEEDS TRANSFER UPON DEATH

Edward L. Nelson to Pimintelnelson Living Trust, 1.131 ac., Lot 9, Alice Drive, Blacksburg  
David Clarence Ferguson to Ferguson Living Trust, Lot 28, Maple Ridge Village, 3 Britany Meadows, Blacksburg  
Bruce Elliott Garnes to Garnes Family Joint Declaration, Lot 705,

Blacksburg Country Club Estates, Sec III  
Sherill L. Dowdy to Harold Dean Keith, metes and bounds, see legal, Christiansburg

Alison Garst to Victoria Foy, Lot 26A, Olde Towne Estates, Christiansburg  
Alison Garst to Connor York, metes and bounds, see legal, Blacksburg

Alison Garst to Emily Garst Tedesco, 0.8013 ac., Blacksburg

Diane B. Linkous to Kelsey Elaine Dudley, 1.3705 ac., Riner Magisterial District

David B. Stoeckle to Kathleen Mary Elizabeth Stoeckle, Lot 112,

Deercroft, Ph V, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

David B. Stoeckle to Christopher David Stoeckle, Lot 113, Deercroft, Ph V, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

William A. Ellenbogen to Ellenbogen Living Trust, 26.905 ac., less and except 9.184 ac., Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

Mary Jocz Jakubowski to Joanne M. Jocz-Kao, Indian Run Investment Co., Phase 2, Tract 25

Joanne M. Jocz-Kao to Mary Jocz Jakubowski, 2940 New Ridge Road, Elliston Va., 2.70 ac., Lot 19, The Ridges

Joanne M. Jocz-Kao

to Mary Jocz Jakubowski, 2920 New Ridge Road, Elliston, Va., 5.168 ac., Lot 23, Ph 3, The Ridges Subdv.

Joanne M. Jocz-Kao to Mary Jocz Jakubowski, 2985 New Ridge Road, Elliston, Va., Lot 32A, the Ridges, Ph 4

Jonathan William Cin to Lane Glenn Cin,

Lot 65, Fiddlers Green, Blacksburg

Jessica Eileen Folkart to Nicholas Folkart Brians, Lot 16, Ph II, Mt. Tabors Meadows Subdv., Blacksburg

Linda C. Morrow to Jennifer Morrow Bowe, Lot 47, Preston Forest, Ph II, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District

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# VDOT ROADWATCH

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

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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

## INTERSTATE 81

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

- **WORK ZONE SPEED:** With narrow spacing in lanes due to barrier walls, lack of shoulders and lane shifts in various locations, drivers should adhere to posted 60 mph speed limits in the work zone and allow space when following a vehicle.

- **RAMP CLOSURES:** Ramp closures are possible during nighttime hours, 12 a.m., to 5 a.m. Drivers should watch for message boards dates and times the ramp will be closed.

- **LANE CLOSURES:** Alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, are possible. Lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet.

- o Northbound lane closures from I-81 mile marker 136 to 141.

- o Southbound Lane closures from I-81 mile marker 141 to 136. Nightly lane closures may be in place along the right lane with possible nightly ramp narrows as needed for guardrail and shoulder strengthening.

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

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

The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 off-ramp intersection at Wildwood Road and adding interchange lighting at exits 137, 140 and 141 are also included in the project. Expected completion in early 2026.

**I-81 TROUTVILLE REST AREA CLOSURE** – The Troutville Rest Area located on southbound Interstate 81 near mile marker 158 in Botetourt County is closed until further notice. The opening scheduled before Thanksgiving has been rescheduled due to construction delays.

Paving is weather dependent and will have to be completed to reopen the rest area. Signage indicating the closure is posted in the rest area. A temporary concrete barrier wall will remain in place in front of the facility. The rest area facility, ramps and parking lot are closed to the public. This project will extend the ramp into the rest area by 500 feet and the ramp out of the rest area by 2,100 feet. It will also include expanding the truck parking area at the facility by about 10-13 spaces.

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

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

## INTERSTATE 581

**ROUTE 581 BRIDGE WORK OVER WILLIAMSON ROAD** – On Route 11 (Williamson Road) drivers can expect intermittent and alternating lane closures between the intersections with Rutherford Avenue and Wells Avenue. Intermittent daytime and nighttime lane closures between the intersections above might be required, and will be in place utilizing flagging operations. Any impacts to I-581 will be minimal. Expected completion is the end of 2022.

## LANE CLOSURES:

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

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

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

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

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

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

**I-581 BRIDGE REPAIRS** – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 581. Right, center and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays. Scheduled traffic impacts include:

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

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

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

## INTERSTATE 77 (CARROLL COUNTY)

Weather permitting, crews will be performing paving operations along Interstate 77 between

mile marker 24 and 0. Right and left lane closures may be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours, 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Drivers should watch for moving vehicles and equipment. Expect possible delays.

**I-77 BRIDGE DECK AND MAINTENANCE REPAIRS** – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 77. Right and left lane closures may be in place northbound or southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

- Right and left lane closures in place on I-77 southbound, mile marker 13.5 to 12.5 over Route 702 and I-77 northbound, mile marker 11.5 to 12.7 over Route 702. Height restrictions are in place at 14' 6".

## ROANOKE CITY

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

- **TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGE:** Northbound traffic will be switched to the northbound lane of 13th Street. Southbound traffic will still be detoured around the work zone.

## ROANOKE COUNTY

**ROUTE 311 AND ROUTE 419 ROUNDABOUT AT HANGING ROCK** - A road project to replace the signalized intersection of Route 311 and Route 419 in Roanoke County at Hanging Rock with a roundabout is set to begin. The new roundabout is currently open to traffic. During the remaining construction, lane closures may be in place. Expected completion is the end of 2022. Drivers should expect the following:

- **LANE CLOSURES:** Single lane closure with a flagging operation will be in place on Wise Avenue between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

- **PAVING:** Paving is underway until complete. Drivers should expect lane closures and flagging operations during nighttime hours, 7:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

**BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY CLOSURE** – The Blue Ridge Parkway is repairing slope failures and a culvert failure at mile marker 127.9. A 15-mile stretch of the Parkway, mile marker 121.4 to 136, will be closed to all uses including cyclists, pedestrians and drivers. Detour signs to detour traffic around the Bent Mountain section of the Parkway will be in place. Traffic will be rerouted to Route 220 south to Route 419 north to Route 221 south. Traffic traveling north on the Parkway would be reversed. The detour is expected to be in place until 2023.

## BEDFORD COUNTY

**ROUTE 608 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT** – A bridge replacement on Route 608 is underway. The bridge is located 0.20 mi south from Route 793 (Watson Road) to 2.30 miles north from Route 122 (Moneta Road). The road is closed and a detour is in place. The road is scheduled to reopen in late fall 2023.

**ROUTE 221 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS** – A project to improve safety and

operations at three signalized intersections is underway. Two intersections are on Route 221 in Bedford County in the Salem District and one is at Route 460 Business (Timberlake Road) and Route 622 (Waterlick Road) in Campbell County in the Lynchburg District. In Bedford County, this project will improve two adjacent signalized intersections in the Forest area on Route 221 at Route 1425 (Graves Mill Road) and at Route 1426 (Gristmill Drive). Most work will be performed during nighttime hours, Monday through Friday, 6 p.m. – 7 a.m. the next morning. Drivers may see shoulder and lane closures during daytime hours on the weekends. The project is expected to be completed in spring 2023.

**ROUTE 715 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT** – A bridge replacement project over Norfolk Southern Railroad has closed Route 715 (Lowry Road). The bridge is located 0.085 mile south of Norfolk Southern Railroad to 0.048 mile north of Norfolk Southern Railroad on Route 715. Message boards will alert drivers. This replacement has changed the current single lane steel and wooden bridge to a two-lane concrete bridge. A detour is in place. Travelers can use Route 671 (Timber Ridge Road) to Route 221 (Forrest Road). The detour will remain in place until project completion, which is scheduled for the end of December 2022.

## BOTETOURT COUNTY

**DALEVILLE INTERSECTION PROJECT FOR FIELDSTONE DEVELOPMENT ACCESS** – Lane closures northbound and southbound on Route 220 in Daleville will be in place for construction of a median with crossover, a right turn lane and a new traffic signal. This work is associated with construction of the Fieldstone Development. Lane closures will be set up on various days into early next year, 2023.

**ROUTE 11 BUCHANAN BRIDGE PROJECT** - A construction project on the Route 11 Bridge in the Town of Buchanan is underway. Water Street is closed for the duration of the project and drivers should expect periodic lane closures with flagging operations to be in place during daytime hours. Message boards are present to alert and update drivers. Expected completion in summer 2023.

**ROUTE 1095 (HIGHLAND DRIVE) PIPE FAILURE CLOSURE** – Route 1095 (Highland Drive) near its intersection with Sanderson Road is closed until further notice due to a pipe failure. The road is currently impassable and drivers will need to seek alternate routes to avoid the area such as Murray Court to Richardson. Please adhere to closure signs.

## CARROLL COUNTY

**ROUTE 645 CULVERT REPLACEMENT** – Partial removal and demolition of the existing culvert on Route 645 (Stone Mountain Road) is underway. The road will be closed for removal of existing culvert and installation of a new box culvert. A detour will be in place at the intersections of Route 645 and Route 618 and Route 645 and Route 638. Estimated completion is April 2023.

## CRAIG COUNTY

**ROUTE 311 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER MEADOW CREEK** – Temporary signals control traffic across the bridge and will be in place throughout the project. Construction will begin on the northbound side of the bridge and once completed, work will switch to the southbound side. In addition, a section of Route 646 (Allen Street) between Route 650 and Route 311 will be closed during construction and a signed detour will be in place. All traffic will be detoured to Marshall Street and Kanawha Street to access either 311 or the homes located off Allen Street. Speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph in the work zone with a width restriction of 9 feet. Drivers should expect delays and allow extra travel time through the work zone. Weather permitting, the bridge is expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2022.

**FLOYD COUNTY**  
None at this time.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY

**ROUTE 834 AND 670 ROUNABOUT PROJECT** – The roundabout project at Route 834 (Brooks Mill Road) and Route 670 (Burnt Chimney Road) is underway. Flaggers will be controlling traffic around the intersection of Route 670 (Burnt Chimney Road) and Route 834 (Brooks Mill Road) on weekdays during the spring and summer months. The speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph in the work zone. Drivers should expect traffic shifts and new traffic patterns throughout the duration of the project as turn lanes and portions of the new roundabout are being constructed. The overall project is expected to be completed in early 2023.

**GILES COUNTY**  
None at this time.

## HENRY COUNTY

**ROUTE 220 BUSINESS NORTHBOUND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER REED CREEK** – The Route 220 Business northbound bridge replacement over Reed Creek is underway. It is located on Route 220 Business over Reed Creek approximately 0.4 miles east of the Route 220 and Route 220 Business intersection. The bridge work will require the northbound bridge being restricted to one lane of travel across the bridge throughout the duration of the project. The bridge will have a width restriction in place of 13' 6" and lane closures will be in place. Message boards will be in place to alert drivers. Expected completion date is late summer 2024.

**PATRICK COUNTY**  
(UPDATED 12-9-22)

**\* ROUTE 660 CLOSED TO THROUGH TRAFFIC** A portion of Route 660 (Five Forks Road) is closed to through traffic from 0.6 mile from Route 658 (Bullins Lane) to 0.4 mile from the North Carolina state line for a bridge replacement over Peters Creek. During this time, directional signs will be in place to assist the traveling public.

**ROUTE 58 LOVER'S LEAP PROJECT** – Construction is underway on the Lover's Leap area of Route 58. Current work includes clearing and grading activities on the west and east portions of the project. While traffic impacts are limited in the east section, flagging operations may be in place in the west section. A 45 mph speed reduction is in place on Route 58 for the entire length of the project. Message boards are in place to alert traffic and drivers should expect delays. Estimated completion date is May 2026.

**BLASTING NOTICE:** Blasting operations are underway on the project. Intermittent blasting will be scheduled between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on weekdays and continue at various locations on the project through summer 2025. The first blasting will impact traffic in the vicinity of Dehart Botanical Gardens, approximately 1.7 miles east of the Lovers Leap Mountain overlook and Fred Clifton Park. For blasting that is close to Route 58, traffic in both directions may be blocked for approximately 15-20 minutes at a time. Drivers and residents along the Route 58 corridor should expect loud noise and allow extra travel time. Electronic message boards will be used to inform drivers of scheduled blasting that will impact traffic.

**DETOUR SIGNS:** While detour signs in a fluorescent pink color are in place, these do not designate a permanent or scheduled detour. The signed detour route is suitable for all traffic during incidents including tractor-trailers and other large vehicles. These signs are used for incident detours only.

**PULASKI COUNTY**  
None at this time.





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**Legals - City of  
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**TRUSTEE'S SALE  
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In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$103,561.00, with an annual interest rate of 6.980000% dated February 9, 2005, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the City of Radford as Deed Instrument Number 0500160, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction all that property located in the City of Radford, at the front of the Circuit Court building for the City of Radford located at 619 2nd Street, Radford, Virginia on February 3, 2023 at 2:00 PM, the property with improvements to wit: LOT 1A ROSEMONT SUBDIVISION Tax Map No. 12-111-5 THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price, will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale. Loan type: Conventional. Reference Number 22-289964. PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION OF VIRGINIA, Substitute Trustees, C/O LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, 10021 Balls Ford Road, Suite 200, Manassas, Virginia 20109 (703) 449-5800.

**NOTICE OF  
PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF  
RADFORD,  
VIRGINIA**

Notice is hereby given, the Radford City Council will hold a public hearing on January 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, Virginia. Pursuant to Code of Virginia, Title 15.2, Article 2 Section 15.2-2006 et seq., the purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments regarding a request from K&J Properties to vacate a portion of an unimproved public right of way area identified as a portion of Custis an Second Street located between West Main/Second Street and Custis/Ingles Street. The request contains a total of approximately 3,810sf (0.087 acre). Copies of the application, together with the plat of the property to be vacated, are available for review in the City Manager's Office located at 10 Robertson Street.

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**Legals - City of  
Salem**

**COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF  
SALEM**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Council of the City of Salem, at its regular meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA: The request of Friendship Salem Terrace, LLC, contract purchaser, and White Whale Two, LLC, property owner of 1871 Harrogate Drive (Tax Map # 128-1-5), and Friendship Salem Terrace, LLC, property owner of 1851 Harrogate Drive (Tax Map # 128-1-13) for rezoning the properties from RMF Residential Multifamily District, with conditions to HBD Highway Business District, with conditions. Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia. At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY:  
H. Robert Light  
Clerk of Council

**Order of  
Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 8.01-316,-317 Roanoke City Circuit Court **Case No. CL22-2363** Lynn Edward Craig V. Patricia Catherine Powers Craig The object of this suit is to: No-fault Divorce Complaint. It is ORDERED that Patricia Catherine Powers Craig appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before February 7th, 2023 Entered on 12/16/2022 By: Brenda S. Hamilton, Clerk

**Notice**

is hereby given to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on January 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA: 1. Consider the request of the City of Salem, property owner, for rezoning the property of 1900 block of Mill Lane (Tax Map # 179 - 2 - 1.1) from AG Agriculture District to LM Light Manufacturing District. 2. Consider the request of Charles N. Dorsey, property owner, for rezoning the property of 1900 Mill Lane (Tax Map # 179 - 2 - 1) from AG Agriculture District and RSF Residential Single-Family District to RSF Residential Single-Family District.

Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia. At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY:  
James E. Taliaferro, II  
Executive Secretary

**Legals - Craig  
County**

**ORDER OF  
PUBLICATION  
VIRGINIA: IN THE  
CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR THE COUNTY  
OF CRAIG**

THE COUNTY OF CRAIG, VIRGINIA a political subdivision of) the Commonwealth of Virginia, Plaintiff, V. UNKNOWN HEIRS OF WILLIAM TABOR, BRUCE DONALD KING, DOUGLAS MARK KING, BRYANT C. FISHER, KIMBERLY FISHER, FREDERICK BROWN, PAMELA BROWN, and PARTIES UNKNOWN, Defendant(s). **Case No. CL22-234** The object of this suit is to enforce a lien for delinquent real estate taxes against the property known as Parcel No. 113-A-19 (property on Giles County/ Craig County line). An Affidavit having been filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the location of the named Defendant(s), that the Defendant(s) may be non-residents of Virginia and maintain no domicile within the borders of the Commonwealth, or are deceased, or that there may be parties who have an interest in the property but are unknown, namely, the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the named Defendant(s), made Defendants by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the named Defendant(s) and all Parties Unknown appear on or before January 17, 2023, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause. I Ask For This: N. Reid Broughton (VSB No. 38899) Katie M. DeCoster, Esq. (VSB No. 82696) Sands Anderson PC P.O. Box 2009 Christiansburg, Virginia 24068-2009 (540) 260-9011 (540) 260-0022 (facsimile) Entered: 12/08/2022 by Sharon P. Oliver (Deputy) Clerk, County of Craig, Virginia

**TRUSTEE'S SALE  
OF  
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# MONTGOMERY SPORTS

## VT relay team wins first-ever 4x100 championship in school history



Virginia Tech men's track and field relay team of Cole Beck, Kahleje "KJ" Tillmon, Kennedy Harrison, and Torrence Walker claimed the first 4x100m relay ACC title in school history at the 2022 ACC Outdoor Championships with a school record time of 38.69.

## Radford's Clark All-County/ All-City player of year



Landon Clark passed for over 2,600 yards and rushed for over 400 this season for Radford High School's football team.

**Marty Gordon**  
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Glenvar's loss was Radford's gain when Landon Clark decided to move for his freshman year of high school. Initially, it was to play basketball for a Radford program that had just won another state title. But somewhere along the line, he discovered he enjoyed playing football and was pretty good at it.

Basketball was out and football was in.

Only a junior, Clark rewrote the school's record book in almost every category.

In last month's 48-26 opening round playoff win over Greta, Clark completed 16 of 24 passes for 267 yards with four touchdowns. He also ran for another score.

For the season, Clark was 146 for 216 passing with only one interception, throwing for 2,668 yards and 40 touchdowns. He also rushed 104 times for 412 yards with seven individual scores.

But there was some early doubt he might even play the position.

His first year on the varsity roster did not go as planned. Clark was ready to take the next step and begin his progression as the team's quarterback, but just weeks before the team's first game, he started having problems with his foot.

Doctors told him he had a "Jones fracture," which is a fracture of the bone on the pinky toe side of the foot, the fifth metatarsal bone. This fracture can happen when individuals increase training, increase pressure on their feet from gaining weight, or run on uneven surfaces.

Jones fractures have some of the highest risks of nonunion for all broken bones which as many as one in three people experience. Fractures can also damage the area around the injury in-

cluding muscles, nerves, blood vessels, tendons, and ligaments.

These fractures will sometimes heal on their own, but they may take months to heal without surgery, leaving Clark to wonder if football would fit into his 2021 plans.

"I didn't even want to play quarterback after the injury. I also didn't want to even play that season," Clark said.

After some encouragement from teammates and the Radford coaching staff, he jumped under center, and after five games and a playoff run in 2021, he entered the 2022 season as the team's signal caller.

More than 2,600 yards this season through the air and another 400 on the ground made 10 wins easy. The Bobcats suffered a close loss to Clark's old school, Glenvar, and lost another close game to Appomattox in the region semi-finals. "That stung," Clark said.

For his outstanding effort, Clark was named to the Class 1 first-team at quarterback and this week, Clark received another accolade as the 2022 All-County/All-City Player of the Year.

He admits the accolades are great because he knows his hard work has paid off, but the downside is not bringing home a state title. "I would much rather have been in the state championship game, but it didn't happen," he said.

Clark is optimistic about his senior season, and a new weight room at the school has added to that positive outlook. "I need to work on my footwork and can't hesitate in the reads. I have to trust myself in the pocket," he said.

He said if he can clean up those little things, he can be even better next year. Bad news for opposing defenses.

So far, colleges have not come calling, but Clark might just give them a reason in 2022 to attend a few Radford ball games.

## VT cornerback Delane earns freshman All-America honors

BLACKSBURG – Virginia Tech cornerback Mansoor Delane has been named an honorable mention freshman All-America selection by College Football News.

Delane (6-1, 177) played in eight games as a freshman, making four starts while registering 38 tackles (17 solo). He defended nine passes, recording eight breakups while making his first career interception at Duke (Nov. 12). Also an All-ACC honorable mention selection, Delane forced two fumbles in his debut season for the Hokies.

## Rachel Baxter and Lindsey Butler win individual NCAA Indoor Championships

Across a magical two-day NCAA Indoor Championship meet, Virginia Tech Track & Field earned two NCAA titles, 14 All-American honors, and finished in sixth place on the women's side for the highest indoor placement in women's program history.

Lindsey Butler clinched Tech's second national championship of the weekend Saturday night, finishing first in the women's 800m final with a facility-record time of 2:01.37. Butler, who ran the fastest NCAA 800m of the indoor season at the ACC Championships, set a new Birmingham Cross-Plex record with her title-winning run.

The Hokies' other national championship at the indoors was provided by Rachel Baxter in the pole vault, the 19th individual NCAA title in Virginia Tech women's track and field history.

Butler and Baxter's national championships means this weekend is the first time in Virginia Tech history that the Hokies have won multiple titles at the same NCAA Indoor Championships, and only the third time in school history that Tech has claimed multiple titles at the same national meet.

In 2011 the Hokies swept the hammer throw outdoors as Dorotea Habazin and Alexander Ziegler won the women's and men's competitions, and in 2010 Queen Harrison became the first woman in NCAA history to win the 100m hurdles and 400m hurdles at the same Outdoor Championships.



Lindsey Butler (left) finished first in the women's 800m at the 2022 NCAA indoor championships. Rachel Baxter (right) won the pole vault at the indoors.

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# Christiansburg, Radford dominate all-county, all-city teams



Robert McCrea was trouble for opposing quarterbacks this season as he was constantly in the backfield during Christiansburg’s run to the state semi-finals.

For the second straight year, Christiansburg and Radford high schools made it to the regional playoffs. Christiansburg even made it to the state semifinals before losing to Heritage, and as expected, the two teams dominated this year’s all-county, all-city football as announced by this newspaper.

Christiansburg head coach Alex Wilkens was named the 2022 all-county, all-city coach of the year for his team’s outstanding season with a 10-4 record. The Blue Demons outscored their opponents 377-to-192 this year.

Christiansburg “swiss army knife” Tanner Evans earned offensive player of the year honors. He started eight games at quarterback and another five at tailback. His teammate, Curtis Altizer, was named defensive player of the year after he finished the season with 130 tackles.

Evans is a junior, while Altizer is a senior. Evans was recognized as first-team running back along with Altizer, who also played linebacker and handled punting honors. Evans was also named to the all-county, all-city team at defensive back.

Evans rushed 193 times for 1,467 yards with 12 touchdowns while completing 38 of 73 passes for 696 yards and 13 touchdowns. Altizer rushed for 623 yards on 86 attempts with four scores and averaged 7.2 yards per carry.

Radford junior quarterback Landon Clark was named the 2022 all-county, all-city overall player of the year and was the first-team signal caller. Clark was also named on the defensive side of the ball as an all-county, all-city defensive back. He finished the season with 467 yards on 113 carries with eight touchdowns

and threw for 2,972 yards on 166 of 241 passes with a mind-blowing 44 touchdown passes.

Christiansburglinebacker J.T. Thompson was named the newcomer of the year, and Radford’s Andrew Moore and Christiansburg’s Ayden Conley shared linemen of the year honors.

Other all-county, all-city honors were given on offense as follows: offensive linemen: Carter Stallard (Christiansburg) and Brayden Demasi (Blacksburg); wide receivers: Marcell Baylor and Parker Prioleau (Radford), and Jayron Thompson (Christiansburg). Baylor had 66 catches for 972 yards, while Prioleau hauled in 62 passes for 1,011 yards; running backs: Xavier Brown (Eastern Montgomery) and David Woodward (Radford). Woodward rushed 99 times for 452 yards. kicker: Spencer Conner (Christiansburg); offensive specialist: Spencer Campbell (Blacksburg); punt returner: Parker Prioleau (Radford); Kick returner:Jayron Thompson (Christiansburg).

Defensive unit honors go to linebackers: Charlie Davis (Radford) and Xavier Brown (Eastern Montgomery). Davis finished with 108 tackles including 52 solos to lead the Bobcats. Brown had 58 tackles with 46 solos and four tackles for loss. Altizer, another linebacking honoree, finished with 128 tackles, 86 solos, two interceptions, and 3.5 sacks.

Defensive backs: Luke Poff (Blacksburg and Gage Akers (Eastern Montgomery). Akers had 34 tackles. Clark, who was also a defensive honoree for Radford, had 40 tackles with five interceptions.

Defensive linemen: Brandon Thompson (Radford), Brandon Demasi (Blacks-



Xavier Brown played a critical role on both sides of the ball for the Eastern Montgomery Mustangs this past season.



FILE PHOTOS

This fall, Radford receiver Marcell Baylor will continue his playing career at Virginia Tech.

burg), Brandon Kingery (Eastern Montgomery), and Jaxon Poole and Robert McCrea (Christiansburg). Kingery had 11 tackles for loss this season with six blocked kicks. Thompson finished with

49 tackles from his down position. McCrea was also named the defensive specialist for the all-county, all-city squad. He finished the year with 48 tackles and 4.5 sacks.

# Radford places four on all-state first-team football

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Radford High School finished the 2022 season with a 10-2 record after falling to Appomattox in the region semi-finals. For the team’s outstanding perfor-

mance, four players were named to the Class 2 All-State football team announced last week.

Quarterback Landon Clark was joined on the first-team offense by center Andrew Moore and receiver Marcell Baylor.

Defensive back Parker Prio-

leau was named to the first-team on the defensive side of the ball.

Graham High School landed the state defensive (Connor Roberts) and offensive (Ty’Drez Clements) players of the year. Graham coach Tony Palmer was named the state Class 2 coach of

the year.

Clark was also named the Region C player of the year as a quarterback..

Prioleau, Moore and Baylor were also named to the Region C first-team offense. Clark and Prioleau were also named first-

team defense at defensive backs. They were joined by Charlie Davis at linebacker.

Radford’s Max Kanipe was named to the Region C second team at linebacker, and lineman Jordan Moore was named to the second-team offense.

# Hokies ranked 28th in preseason baseball poll

Collegiate Baseball’s Fabulous 50 preseason poll includes 10 ACC teams with three of them landing in the top 10. Louisville leads at No. 6, followed by

No. 8 Miami and No. 10 Wake Forest.

Defending ACC champion North Carolina checks in at No. 11, followed by No. 16 Virginia

and No. 23 Georgia Tech among the top 25. Virginia Tech is at No. 28, followed by No. 30 NC State, No. 32 Florida State, and No. 42 Clemson.

The season opens for all Division I teams on Friday, Feb. 17. ACC teams wrap up regular-season play on Saturday, May 20, with the ACC Baseball Champion-

ship set for May 23-28 at Durham Bulls Athletic Park in Durham, NC.

Two Hokies were included on Collegiate Baseball’s 2023 Preseason All-

America Teams. Outfielder Jack Hurley was named to the second team, and right-handed pitcher Drue Hackenberg picked up a third-team honor.

# Virginia Tech releases 2023 indoor track and field schedule

BLACKSBURG – Virginia Tech Track and Field head coach Dave Cianelli has announced the 2023 indoor schedule. The Hokies will compete at 10 meets throughout the regular season, hosting four home meets at Rec-tor Field House.

The Hokies will kick off the new season with two consecutive home weekend meets in Blacks-burg, starting with the Virginia Tech Invitational on Jan. 13-14 followed by the Hokie Invitation-al on Jan. 20-21.

After the first two home meets, the program will travel to Louisville, Ky. to compete at the PNC Lenny Lyles Invitational on Jan. 27-28.

The distance crew will take

the weekend off to prepare for the JDL Camel City Invita-tional on Feb. 3-4 in Winston-Salem, N.C. While the distance crew is in Winston-Salem, Tech will host the Doc Hale VT Meet on Feb. 3-4.

The weekend of Feb. 10 - 11 Tech will be split across three meets. Sprints, hurdles, and jumps will travel to Clemson, S.C. to compete at the Tiger Paw Invite while distance travels to the David Hemery Val-entine Invitational in Boston, Mass. The throws group will be in Nashville, Tenn. competing at the Indoor Music City Chal-lenge.

The regular season will come to an end with the Virginia Tech

Challenge on Feb. 17-18, while members of the distance squad return to Winston-Salem, N.C. for the JDL DMR Invitational.

The University of Louis-ville will host the ACC Indoor Championships on Feb. 23-25 in Louisville, Ky. The Hokies won the men’s and women’s ACC Indoor Championships in 2022, marking the first time in ACC history that a host school has won both titles. The men’s team is looking for their third straight indoor championship title while the women look for their third win in the past four years.

The championship season will conclude on March 10-11 when the Hokies travel to Al-

buquerque, N.M. to compete at the NCAA Indoor Champi-onships. At last year’s national meet, Tech claimed two individ-ual titles and 14 All-American honors. Lindsey Butler finished first in the women’s 800m with a facility record time of 2:01.37 in Birmingham, Ala. Pole vaulter Rachel Baxter won the national championships with an ACC record clearance of 4.62m.

2023 Indoor Schedule  
Jan. 13-14, Virginia Tech In- vitational (Blacksburg)  
Jan. 20-21, Hokie Invitation- al (Blacksburg)  
Jan. 27-28, PNC Lenny Lyles Invitational (Louisville, Ky.)  
Feb. 3-4, Camel City Invisa- tional (Winston-Salem, N.C.)

Feb. 3-4, Doc Hale Virginia Tech Meet (Blacksburg)

Feb. 10-11 David Hemery Valentine Invitational (Boston, Mass.)

Feb. 10-11, Tiger Paw Invite (Clemson, S.C.)

Feb. 10-11, Indoor Mu- sic City Challenge (Nashville, Tenn.)

Feb. 17-18, Virginia Tech Challenge (Blacksburg)

Feb. 17-18, JDL DMR In- vitational ( Winston-Salem, N.C.)

Feb. 23-25, ACC Indoor Championships (Louisville, Ky.)

March 10-11, NCAA Indoor Championships (Albuquerque, N.M.)

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