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Christiansburg Town Council approves rezoning for townhomes

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Contributing writer

CHRISTIANSBURG Christiansburg Town Council has approved the rezoning of a property located on the south side of Scott Street NE and the north side of Roanoke Street for the purpose of multiplefamily residential with the goal of a planned housing development of 47 townhomes.

The associated conditional use permit (CUP) of the property at Scott Street was discussed by town council members ending in a 6-0 vote against the approval of the requested permit. Concerns of density on the approximately twoacre property and the need for sidewalks were among the most important topics needing to be addressed.

"I personally feel like a lot of people, when they buy their houses, even after, and they buy their houses and there are no sidewalks, it's the fact that it is not really a walkable town in a lot of places," Council Member Johanna Hicks said. "I feel like sidewalks are so important, not just for pedestrian walking but as far as like anybody that

has any kind of disability.' property proposed to have a density of 13 units per acre, which is greater than the 10 units per acre



allowed with the planned housing development.

Several other rezoning requests were also heard by the town council during the meeting.

Steve Semones of Balzer & Associates represented Caliber Collision in a rezoning request on 2.03 acres of property located at the southeast corner of Rt.460 Bypass and Roanoke Street. RWW36, LLC is the property owner, with Insight acting as the developer on the proposed project.

According to the town council's agenda, the purpose of the request is to rezone the parcel to Limited Industrial (I-1) from its current zoning status of General Business District (B-3). On May 15, 2023, the Planning Commission voted fiveto-two, recommending approval of the rezoning

'The project proposed is a little over 14,000 square feet Collision Center," Semones said. "The average time of vehicles on-site is 10-15 days; typically, the circumstances for a vehicle being up there up to that 15 day would normally be supply chain issues, waiting for a part to come in, but pretty much their cycling these things in and out pretty quickly."

Another rezoning request, also presented to the town council Semones, representation Shepherd Contracting LLC of All Natural Tree Experts, is a request to rezone a property at 4600 Roanoke Street Christiansburg



PHOTO BY MARGIE CHRISTIANSON FOR VIRGINIA TECH Tootsie Barrett, an 11-year-old standard poodle, walks on the underwater treadmill

Team Tootsie: Veterinary

hospital and owners help poodle walk again

Like most older dogs, Tootsie the standard poodle has arthritis that slows her down a little

- but in early 2023, Tootsie began to trip and fall. Her owner, Mary Jane Barrett of Roanoke, described it as a "belly flop" as Tootsie's legs stopped working.

primary Tootsie's veterinarian determined that the problem was neurological and referred her to the Veterinary Teaching Hospital at the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine. Tootsie arrived at her appointment the next day unable to stand up and had to be brought in on a gurney.

The specialists at the teaching hospital realized See Council, page 4 that Tootsie had a problem

with her cervical spine, and after an MRI, they determined that she had a condition called cervical spondylomyelopathy, also known as wobbler syndrome.

Wobbler syndrome is typically seen in large breed dogs, and it occurs when the spinal cord is compressed because of a narrowing of the spinal canal. In Tootsie's case, a disc protrusion was bulging between her vertebrae, interfering with the normal function of her spinal cord. Treatment for wobbler syndrome ranges from rest and pain management to surgery to decompress the spinal

"It's scary. We were petrified to make the medicine," Barrett said.

Because her symptoms occurred so quickly, surgery was the best option.

It took Tootsie six days to raise her head after surgery — recovery is long and often difficult.

'Going into surgery, we discussed that it could take months for her to get back up and walk again," said Kayla Fowler, chief neurology and neurosurgery resident.

But with treatment, physical therapy, and the support of her owner and the college community, Tootsie is expectations.

Certified canine rehabilitation practitioner Flori Bliss began to notice

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Christiansburg Town Council sets public hearings on water/sewer rates and FY 2023-24 budget

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CHRISTIANSBURG - The Christiansburg Town Council has set public hearings on outside water/sewer rates and for the FY 2023 - 2024 budget.

Both hearings will be held on June 13, 2023.

Also at the May 23 town council meeting, a proposal from Shelor Motor Mile of \$500,000 for the 10-year naming rights of the Huckleberry Trail in Christiansburg was rejected by the town council. The proposed name of Motor Mile Christiansburg Huckleberry Park was not acceptable to the town council members, but an offer of something along the lines of Christiansburg Huckleberry Park sponsored by Shelor Motor Mile was not approved by the applicant.
"My concern is the amount," Council Member Tom

Wilson said. "That name for \$500,000 is not worth

Vice Mayor Henry Showalter spoke in agreement

with Wilson, saying that for a sponsorship with naming rights, he would have liked to see a total of \$750,000. Wingfield requested further feedback from council to continue seeking a sponsorship for the park, with members wanting to keep the application open considering the investment in the multi-million-dollar

park by the region.

In other presentations during the meeting, Executive Director Chris Sanchez of the Christiansburg Institute Inc. updated council on their organization's work, in partnership with the town of Christiansburg, to continue progress on the revitalization of the historic Edgar A. Long building. An award of \$60,000 through the Industrial Revitalization Fund (IRF) Planning Grant administered by the Department of Historic Resources (DHCD) was received and is being applied in preparation of readying the building for improvements.
"We were awarded \$60,000 in what is called soft cost

planning to get the building ready for construction.

We did apply for a \$100,000 to the grant, the ceiling, the top amount you could be awarded was one hundred. While we would have preferred the one hundred, we are very happy about the sixty because it will have a significant impact in our planning with the historic Edgar A. Long building," Sanchez said.

Finance Director Ashton King presented future planning for development of possible uses of the property and meeting with economic growth and tourism in the region. Educational and school events, office space uses, vendors, and tours would be in addition to the current planned events such as the Juneteenth celebration coming up on June 17, and the driving tour series that could be potentially expanded on in the future.

In a final discussion and action agenda item, Christiansburg Town Council has received one application for the Board of Zoning Appeals and will serve in their role providing a recommendation to the Circuit Court.

United Feminist Movement seeks more transparency, student representation in eradicating sexual violence on campus

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The United Feminist Movement (UFM), a studentled activist group for sexual- and gender-based violence awareness and survivor support, continues to seek increased transparency and student representation from Virginia Tech's Sexual Violence Culture and Climate (SVCC) work group.

The UFM at Virginia Tech, organizers of the annual Take Back the Night event, as well as many other campaigns and rallies throughout the year, works to continue awareness and activism in the community.

"Our main focus is intersectional feminist activism in the Virginia Tech community and beyond," the UFM at Virginia Tech's Facebook page states.

Take Back the Night has been the organization's biggest event at Virginia Tech University and Blacksburg since 1990; however, the event is part of a national movement that began in the 1970s. Every year, students, faculty, staff, and community supporters peacefully gather to rally and march in a public display of unity and activism. Chants can be heard as men, women, and children walk the streets carrying signs with slogans like:

"However we dress, wherever we go, yes means yes and no means no!"

In the fall of 2021, President Tim Sands created the Sexual Violence Culture and Climate (SVCC) Work Group. According to the SVCC's webpage, the group was created by Sands to "advance the university's commitment to end sexual violence and enhance preventative programming at VT."

Since the work group, the successes they share on their website and through news releases are an improved email alert, launching a webpage, increased training, and laying plans for campaigns in the future. One of these planned campaigns was a Sexual Violence Summit to be held in Spring 2023.



However, student representatives and members of the United Feminist Movement say a lack of transparency in the group's work still exists. Representatives of the Virginia Tech student organization say they have requested meeting agendas and minutes from the SVCC

See United Feminist Movement, page 4



PHOTO BY LORI GRAHAM

Supporters take part in the Take Back the Night march in April 2023 across VT campus and Blacksburg's Main Street to end sexual- and gender-based violence.

PCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, June 1:

American Legion meeting

The American Legion, Harvey Howe Carper Post 30 will meet at 6 p.m. at the VFW Post Home on 102 Watts St. in Radford. For further information, please call 540-250-2283 or 540-239-9864.

Saturday, June 3:

CPR and AED course

The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce has partnered with Compass and Shock Foundation to have a CPR and AED refresher course, 10- 11 a.m. at the Hampton Inn located on Arbor Dr. in Christiansburg. The class is free. Please visit https://www.compressandshock.org/classlocator to register. Look for the Chamber logo to register for the Christiansburg location.

Puzzle Swap at Christiansburg Library

At the Christiansburg Library; 1 p.m. Puzzles have long been celebrated for their captivating nature, offering beauty, mental stimulation, and an opportunity to unwind. However, once the final piece is placed, the question of what to do next often arises. Christiansburg Library has found the perfect solution - a Puzzle Swap event! Attendees encouraged to bring puzzles and exchange them for fresh, new-to-them puzzles, creating an endless cycle of puzzle joy. To participate in the Free Puzzle Swap, individuals can drop off their puzzles at Christiansburg Library during the week leading up to the event, starting on May 30. Alternatively, participants can bring their puzzles directly to the swap on June 3. It is crucial that all puzzle pieces are included to ensure a fair and enjoyable exchange for all attendees. Christiansburg Library encourages individuals to bring puzzles that they would be proud to share with fellow enthusiasts, ensuring an exchange that brings joy to all.

Monday, June 5 and Tuesday, June 6:

Virginia Tech Board of Visitors meeting

The Virginia Tech Board of Visitors will hold its quarterly board meeting on Tuesday, June 6, at 1:30 p.m. in 2100 Torgersen Hall, 620 Drillfield Drive, on the Blacksburg campus. All other committee meetings or other sessions held during these two days will be held at the Inn at Virginia Tech (901 Prices Fork Road) and the Classroom Building (1455 Perry Street), both in Blacksburg, unless otherwise noted. On Monday, June 5 at 2 p.m., all board members will meet in open session for an information session in 260 Classroom Building. Also that day, board members will tour the new Data and Decision Sciences Building (727 Prices Fork Road) at 11:15 a.m. and the Quillen Spirit Plaza and Dietrick Hall (285 Ag Quad Lane) at 12:30 p.m. both on the Blacksburg campus.

On Tuesday, the Executive Committee will meet

in closed session at 7:30 a.m. in the Old Guard Salon at the Inn at Virginia Tech. Also that day, the chairs of the five standing board committees will meet in open session at 8:30 a.m., also in the Old Guard Salon, and the board's nominating committee will meet in closed session at 8:30 a.m. in 206 Classroom Building.

Saturday, June 10:

Mount Tabor Ruritan Club will hold its June Fish Fry, 5 to 7 p.m. at Slusser's Chapel Picnic Shelter, 1543 Mount Tabor Rd, Blacksburg. Serving fish, fries and slaw; homemade desserts; and beverages. Adults-\$12, children under 12-\$6, under 3-free, carry-outs-\$12. This month, the Blacksburg Community Band will be playing. Held rain or shine. Call or text 540-449-6178 for further information. On Facebook at MtTaborRuritan.

Monday, June 12: Radford City Council meeting

The Radford City Council will hold its regularly scheduled meeting at 7 p.m. in council chambers at the Radford Municipal Building, 10 Robertson St., Radford. See the agenda at www.radfordva.gov.

Montgomery County Board of Supervisors meeting Public meetings are the second and fourth Monday of each month at the Montgomery County Government Center, 755 Roanoke St. in Christiansburg. Closed sessions begin at 6 p.m. if needed. Open sessions begin at 7:15 p.m. Citizens are invited to attend and allowed to speak at each meeting. All regular meetings of the Board of Supervisors are rebroadcast on Montgomery County Comcast and Shentel Channels 190 daily.

Tuesday, June 13:

Blacksburg Town Council meeting

Town Council meets in regular session the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Roger E. Hedgepeth Chambers of the Blacksburg Municipal Building, 300 S. Main St. These meetings are open to the public and televised live on WTOB Channel 2.

Christiansburg Town Council meeting

Regular Town Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall (100 E. Main Street). The public is welcome and encouraged to attend, with a citizen hearing time reserved at each meeting for residents to bring any matter they desire before the entire council.

Thursday, June 15:

Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Stuart Horse Artillery Camp 1784 will meet at 7 p.m. at Aly's Italian Family Restaurant at 3204 Riner Rd. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) are also invited to attend this meeting. Mr. Chris McCloud, Third Brigade Commander, will be the guest speaker. For further information, please call 540-320-4315 or 540-239-

On-going:

Blacksburg Hydrant Flushing Work

The Town of Blacksburg will be flushing fire hydrants in the northwest section of town during May and June. Hydrant flushing can cause temporary pressure fluctuations and discolored water. These conditions will subside after the flushing is completed. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Town of Blacksburg Engineering Department at (540) 443-1300.

Glencoe Mansion announces call for art for Mary Draper Ingles Show

Glencoe Mansion is calling for art for its July-August 2023 Gallery Exhibit, "A Journey For All," a multi-artist show themed on the life and times of Mary Draper Ingles. Accepted artwork should reflect the life and times of Ingles (Colonial times). Can include depictions of local landmarks (Ingles Farm, the Cultural and Heritage Park, Ingles Tavern and other connected sites in the region), and Colonial style art. Painting, plein air, illustration, digital media, textiles, mixed media and photography will be considered - up to three works per artist. Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. on June 13. Open to artists in and around the NRV area. Entry forms at www.glencoemansion.org or by contacting arts@glencoemansion.org.

Blacksburg Farmers Market

Hours now through October: Wednesdays 2 6 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Located at Market Square Park, on the corner of Roanoke Street and Draper Road in downtown Blacksburg. Features growers of locally grown produce and meats, alongside artisans of baked goods, prepared foods, cheese, handmade crafts, and more.

Christiansburg Farmers Market

Thursdays; 3 - 7 p.m. Located in the Recreation Center parking lot. Features local farmers and vendors. Seasonal produce, plants, fresh baked goods, crafts, fresh flowers, handmade jewelry and more. Items for purchase vary week-to-week. Check our Facebook page for details about weekly themes, prizes, vendors, and live music.

Radford Farmers Market

2023 season of the Radford Farmers Market kicked off Saturday, April 22 on the grounds of Glencoe Mansion, Museum and Galley, located just off West Main Street, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. each Saturday until October 14. Features produce, plants, baked goods, artisans, fresh squeezed lemonade, eggs, meats, cheeses and more.

BITUARIES

Saari, Arlene

Saari, Blacksburg, passed away Tuesday, May 23, 2023, in Blacksburg, with her husband and family by her

Arlene is survived by her dedicated husband of 68 years, Arne, her three children, Brian Saari (Lynn), Bobbie Lopez (Michael) and Joan Young (Steve); sister Connie Jackson; grandsons Thomas Lopez (Nickole), John Lopez, Jake Saari, Andrew Lopez, Lagan Lippard (Katie), granddaughters Saari, Ardis Roe (Brian), great-Jesse Lippard; grandchildren Riley and Ava Lopez, Lucas Lopez, Atlas and Milo Lippard, Brytin, Coltin, Camdin Link and her beloved nieces and nephews, Missy, Jeff, Tina, Michael, Courtney, Gage and Paige. Arlene

was devoted wife, mother,



greatgrandmother, grandmother, aunt and friend, known for her kindness, hospitality and

Messenger on Facebook.

She was famous for her Sunday dinners and her McConnell, party for family and friends Thursday, May 25, 2023, and many others lucky at Carilion New River enough to find their way Medical Center. to her table. She owned and operated Partyrama in Abingdon, Va., on Card and Gift Shop for May 15, 1945, to the 30 years and served on the late George and Vivian

the Lyric Theater. will be held in the future. received a B. S. degree In lieu of flowers, any in Animal Science from donations may be made Virginia Tech in 1968. to the Lyric Theater or a He was also a graduate of

charity of your choice. The family would Auctioneering. like to thank her doctor, superior care

love of her Lhasa Apsos. Be sure to 'Like' the News

Get Dad out of the house.....

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McConnell, George Alan

George of amazing Christmas Eve Pulaski, passed away on

George was National Bank Board and Bowman McConnell. He graduated from Abingdon A celebration of life High School in 1963 and the Mendenhall School of

George served in the Rob Solomon and the United States Army for Lewis Gale Montgomery two years, including a Hospital staff for their year-long deployment and to Germany. Following his discharge, he was employed by Farm Credit of Dublin, Va., for five years. He then spent the next 46 years as a broker auctioneer with Roanoke

Auction and Company and Woltz and Associates, Incorporated,

of Roanoke, Va. As an alumnus and lifelong Hokie fan, George was proud to be a season ticket holder for at least 50 years. He enjoyed attending football tailgates and games with



friends and family where many special memories were made. He was an avid golfer who played countless rounds at Pulaski's Thorn Spring Golf Club and had the rare distinction of having 2 double eagles. Other pastimes included hosting the "Men's Bridge Club" at his home and playing gin rummy with the guys at Wytheville Golf club.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 26 years, Joyce White McConnell of Pulaski; a son, Brad

McConnell and granddaughter, McConnell of Libby Radford; a daughter, Carrie McConnell of Salem; a sister, Terry McConnell Brady (Pat) of Richmond; a brother, McConnell John P. (Rebekah) of Raleigh, N.C.; sister-in-law, Esther White Hider (Steve) of Hendersonville, N. C.; stepdaughter, Amanda Annunziata (Gene) and their sons Matthew and Jacob of Apex, N. C.; stepdaughter, Kelly Trimyer (Brandon) and their children, Maddie, Ben and Ada of Cary, N. C.: the mother of his children, Peggy Taylor of Radford; and many nieces

and nephews. A Celebration of Life will be held at Thorn Spring Golf Club in Pulaski, Va., on Friday, June 16, 2023, starting at 4 p.m. Dress will be

casual.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Green Spring Presbyterian Church, Cemetery Fund, 22007 Green Spring Church Road, Abingdon, VA 24211.

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



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BITUARIES

Reeves-Tibbs, Glenda Kay

Tibbs, 68, passed away peacefully at her home in Belspring on Saturday, May 27, 2023.

Her family is joyful that she was able to spend her 69th birthday in Heaven. She was a loving mother, wife and sister and was a member of Fairlawn Church of God. She was a New Community College graduate and completed cardiovascular training through Florida State University. She was the cardiology manager with Radford Community Hospital and Carilion New River Valley Medical Center working closely with Dr. Choubey, Dr. Rivero, and Dr. Wyne in the catherization lab for many years. Glenda was a warm and caring woman who devoted her time to always putting others first, whether it was at work or her personal life. She was an avid reader, loved to watch her daughter Nikki

play various sports, and

enjoyed spending time with family and friends, particularly at the beach. loved animals especially her dogs, Inky and Winky, as well as her daughter's dog Ruger.

She was preceded in death by her father, Reeves;



mother, Ethelene Harriman Warf; brothers, Kenny H. Sharp and twin Ronald E. Reeves; and sister, Bonnie G. Proffitt.

Survivors include her husband, Gary Lee Tibbs; daughter, Nikki Tibbs; brother, Robert D. Sharp (Patsy) of Max

White (Tom) of Ocala, Fla., Doris Chandler of Radford, Tara Porter passed away Thursday, May Opal Talbert (Sam) of Health & Rehabilitation Pulaski, Rita Reeves Center. Rusty, a veteran (Helmuth) of Hillsville, of the United States Army, Elizabeth Funk (Randy) lived a wonderful life and of Hillsville, and Julie accomplished many things McKenny (Tommy) of during his eighty-eight Hillsville; and many years. relatives friends. March 18, 1935, in

Dublin.

The Tibbs family operated Mullins mullinsfuneralhome. family and all friends to

Quesenberry, Glenn Russell "Rusty"

Rusty Quesenberry, 88, of Galax, 25, 2023, at the Pulaski Rusty was born on

The family would Allisonia, Carroll County, like to thank Intrepid Va. to parents Jonas and Hospice nurses, Dr. Hattie Quesenberry. He Judy and Dr. Rupe, was one of three children and especially her sister, and spent his childhood Opal who provided growing up in Roanoke. extraordinary care for 12 At 18 he got a job with Kenrose Manufacturing The family will receive and was quickly promoted friends from 5 until 7 and transferred to their p.m. on Wednesday, May plant in Radford. During 31, 2023, at Fairlawn that same time, he married Church of God. Services Evelyn Emily, of Roanoke, will begin at 7 p.m. with to whom he would be Pastor Marcus Harrison married to for 68 years, officiating. A graveside until his passing. After service will be held at 1 over 20 years of service, p.m. on Thursday, June Kenrose ceased operations 1, 2023, in Highland and Rusty and Evelyn Memory Gardens in opened their own business; Russell Apparel, which successfully care of for twenty years with an Funeral average work force of over Home & Crematory 200 employees, many of www. which were considered

Rusty and Evelyn and were

always treated that way.

Rusty, an avid lover motorcycles and automobiles, enjoyed both tremendously, driving both at an early age and continuing throughout his entire life. Always known for having some of the nicest and usually fastest, he truly appreciated both and loved to ride. With that said, Rusty was a



professional motorcycle dragracer, well into his 50's, even obtaining the IDBA World Record for the fastest carburetor bike during the 1980's. Also, a classic car and street rodder enthusiast, he thoroughly enjoyed traveling to Rod Runs, Car Shows and events where he loved to show, view and enjoy in the camaraderie of the many friends he met during those twenty plus years.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn; his godson

daughter-in-law, David and Jill Foster; god-grandchildren, Taylor Foster and Morgan Stokes; sister, Peggy Johnson; sister-in-law Irene Quesenberry; and his cherished nieces, nephews, cousins and the families of Greg, Richard and Sheila Holbrook with whom he had special bonds. He was preceded in death by his mother, Hattie Harnek; brother, Jonas Quesenberry; and his beloved brothers and sisters in law.

Special thanks to Pulaski Health & Rehabilitation Center, Davita Dialysis Center, Blue Ridge Cancer Center and Dr. Hurd. Also, thanks to friends and the families of Kim Martin, Butch Buford and Gene and Tina Duncan.

Per Rusty's request, there will be no services. However, there will be Celebration of Life scheduled at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family appreciates contributions made to St. Judes Children's Hospital.

Quesenberry family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory in Radford.

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Financial Focus: Some 'did-you-knows' about estate plans

If you've done any estate planning, or even if you're just familiar with it, you probably know the basics — that is, a comprehensive estate plan can help you pass on assets to your family while also achieving other goals, such as designating someone to take care of your affairs if you become unable to do so. But you may not know about some other estate-planning issues that could prove important in your life:

Power of attorney for students – Children heading off to college may be considered legal adults in many states. Consequently, you, as a parent, may not have any control over medical treatment if your child faces a sudden, serious illness or is involved in an accident. Instead, a doctor who doesn't know your child or your family may decide on a course of action of which you might not approve. To help prevent this, you may want to have your college student sign a medical power of attorney form, which will allow you to make decisions on your child's behalf if doctors don't think your child can make those choices. You might also want to combine the medical power of attorney with an advance health care directive or living will, which lets you specify actions you do or don't want to happen. In any case, consult with your legal advisor before taking any of these steps. Community property versus common law -

Not all states treat married couples' possessions equally. If you live in a community property state, the property you acquire during your marriage is generally considered to be owned in equal halves by each spouse, with some exceptions. But if you live in a common law state, the property you obtain while

you're married is not automatically owned by both spouses. In these states, if you buy some property, you own it, unless you decide to put it in the name of yourself and your spouse.

This doesn't necessarily mean, however, that your spouse has no rights, because common law states typically have rules that guard surviving spouses from being disinherited. But here's the key point: If you move from a community property state to a common law state, or vice versa, you might not want to assume that your and your spouse's property ownership situations will remain the same. Consequently, if you do move, you may want to consult an estate-planning attorney in your new state to determine where you stand.

Pet trusts - You always strive to take good care of your pets. But what might happen to them if you become incapacitated in some way? Unless you have a close family member or friend who's willing to take over care for your pet, you might want to consider setting up a pet trust, which can take effect either during your lifetime or after you pass away. A trustee typically will make payments to the caregiver you've designated for your pet, with payments continuing for the pet's lifetime or a set number of years. Again, an estate-planning attorney can help you with this arrangement.

Estate planning certainly involves the big-picture issue of leaving a legacy to the next generation. But the issues we've discussed can also be meaningful to you, so you'll want to address them properly.

SIPC and submitted by local Edward Jones financial advisor Meghan Kuczmarski (540)552-1241.

-This article was written by Edward, Member

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from General Business (B-3) for the associated conditional use permit (CUP). The proposed CUP, contingent upon approval of the rezoning, would request a Contractors Storage Yard. On May 15, 2023, the Planning Commission voted seven-to-zero recommending approval of the request.

The revitalization of the property, as conditions stated from the planning commission, would include evergreen screening and board-on-board fence, no burning of materials on the property, no outside storage of wood materials or wood by-products, and requirement to reappear before the planning commission in one year to prove progression of requirements, according to Semones.

Denise LaCour, Managing Director of Denstock, LLC, presented a rezoning request for a conditional use permit of a proposed 209 multi-family residential dwelling planned housing development. The 18.77acre property is located on Farmview Road NE, in

divided parcels listed in the meeting's agenda. As stated on the agenda, the Planning Commission

voted seven-to-zero on May 15, recommending approval of the request with the following conditions: 1. The project shall be developed in general conformance with the masterplan submitted dated April 3, 2023 and revised May 4, 2023. 2. The approved CUP shall only be for the specific residential use as described in this application. 3. Indoor amenities including, but not limited to, the media room, 24-hour fitness center, game room with billiards table, kitchen, business center, and leasing center shall be completed prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for the 75th apartment unit. Of the many residential projects completed

by Denstock, The Adams at Peppers Ferry in Christiansburg is one of the company's properties, and presented as an example of the proposed residential housing the company can provide to the community.

"In trying to blend in with our neighbors, we used a cementitious siding on it that matched the colors of the duplexes or quadraplexes that were across the street," LaCour said. "We also found that we have

two demographics with all of our residents; most of them are young professionals or the other ones are the empty nesters.'

A clubhouse with gas grills and outdoor TVs, a swimming pool, and outdoor dog park are also amenities that are included with the housing project.

Additional public hearings will be held on July 11, The first public hearing will be for a CUP request

by Burch Properties LLC, the lessee, Kevin Lagos. The request is for the purpose of a proposed public billiard parlor and poolroom on the property located at 1635 North Franklin Street.

A second public hearing is a request to rezone the property at 100 Akers Farm Road NE from B-1, Limited Business Conditional to B-3 General Business zoning. The request is being submitted by Summit Community Bank, Inc., with the property designated as business/commercial on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan, according to the town council agenda.

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a difference within two to three days of working with Tootsie. By week two, Tootsie could lay on her side and lift her paw to shake hands.

Bliss incorporated laser therapy, massage, and manual therapy to get Tootsie's muscles prepared to walk. Through physical therapy exercises, Tootsie learned to sit up, stand up, and eventually walk by herself again.

"She has had cheerleaders on her side through and through. Some days have been harder than others, but it's been great to encourage her and say 'Come on, Tootsie, you got it,'" said Kimberly Winck, a veterinary assistant in the neurology department. Winck captured videos of Tootsie's physical therapy

exercises so everyone could see Tootsie's progress.

"We had her doing rehab through the halls of the school, and it wasn't just us cheering her on in the hallway. People from the pharmacy were leaning out, people from the diagnostics lab were leaning out, checking in on how she's doing. She's famous," Fowler

"Tootsie is very motivated by positive praise, not just food, and so having all those people around her cheering her on was her motivation — and having mom come. Mary came every day to help with her rehab. It's heartwarming to see that much dedication with an owner to come that often," said Bliss.

Tootsie has made a lot of progress since her surgery, and the Barretts have put in the work to make sure Tootsie is happy and healthy.

"In a case like this, there has to be a lot of committed people. Her doctor even said 'You could go on vacation and I'll keep her. If your dog sitter can't do it, I'll keep her for you.' That's one type of

commitment, but the other commitment has to be the owners. It's a lot of commitment to get her up, roll her over every so many hours, get her food, make sure she eats, carry her out to potty, do exercises, and scratch her ears," said Barrett. After staying at the teaching hospital for weeks,

Tootsie was able to go home on weekends, and then finally she was able to go home for good. Tootsie is back home and ramins in long-term rehab. She still wears a support harness in case she needs help. "There have been lots of tears. The first day that she

just got up on her own and walked to her water bowl, cried. Watching her walk from the car to therapy has just fulfilled every kind of emotion," said Barrett. "My daughter said it best: 'Mom, it's like watching your kid take their first step.

-Andrew Mann for Virginia Tech

United Feminist Movement from page 1

with no response. They are also asking for more student representation on the committees so that they are given a stronger voice in the group's proceedings. The SVCC currently has two student representatives, one from the Graduate Senate and one from the Undergraduate Mary Weeks, Treasurer of the United Feminist

Movement and VT student, believes that not only a more inclusive student representation should happen, but involving those students that have been working as activists and in supporting survivors of sexual assault and gender-based harassment and violence should be a "In the spring of 2022, we held a demonstration at

the Board of Visitors," Weeks said. "We wrote out a list of demands in response to the sexual assaults that were happening in the fall of 2021.'

Just weeks prior to this demonstration was the announcement of the SVCC work group creation by President Sands, Weeks said. More recently, a vote of no confidence letter was also

drafted by the Graduate Professional Student Senate (GPSS), and dated February 2, 2023, in response to the SVCC work group's progress, or lack thereof. The letter, posted on the GPSS Virginia Tech

webpage, states that "the Senate held a vote of no confidence in the current proceedings of the SVCC. The GPSS states that the SVCC at present is not meeting the mission it was tasked by University Council to achieve" signed by The Senators and Executive Board of the Graduate and Professional Student Senate. A result of the vote was due to many student concerns

listed in the letter including but not limited to: a lack of clarity as to who is representing the students, how student representatives are selected for the work group, the involvement of student organizations (with the exception of student Senates), specifically a lack of representation of groups serving sexual assault survivors like the UFM, and a communication to student groups at remote VT locations.

The GPSS also called for a more defined "roadmap" that would clarify the direction the work group plans to take in the future to help make needed changes in policy and cultural climate on Virginia Tech's campus. Susan Anderson, Mathematics Professor, Blacksburg

Town Councilmember, and a recently added member to the SVCC work group as Faculty Senate Representative, has supported Take Back the Night for many years. She explains that Take Back the Night had been held every year since 1990, until Covid hit, which is the first and only time it did not happen. "Take Back the Night is one of our main actions

every single year. I would like to tell you since 1990, we have had a Take Back the Night every single year and that was true for 30 years until 2019 and Covid hit. We did not have Take Back the Night for the first time, and it felt like a death in the family," Anderson said. The Lyric theater live streamed the event in 2021,

and then in 2022 were about to return to the in-person

"We are not naïve enough to believe that just coming to a rally is going to change the face of violence in our community, but we believe that hundreds of people coming to a rally, finding the resources, learning how to create change, small change, every single day, does lessen violence in our community," Anderson said.

Among the many campaigns and events that the UFM supports, they also work with the Local National Organization for Women (NOW) chapter, and the Women's Center, in supporting The Clothesline Project. The Clothesline Project is a campaign to bring awareness of sexual violence in a more visual way. People who have been affected by violence are encouraged to express their emotions by decorating a t-shirt. The shirts are then hung on a clothesline to visualize the number of survivors, and their friends and families, that have been

impacted by sexual violence.

Weeks said there is much more that can be done by the SVCC work group, expressing a need for incoming VT students to have required orientation and training and workshops for other student organizations.

"There is a hazing training that fraternities and sororities have to go through, we suggested that maybe they should start doing that with consent. Doing like consensual workshops for different organizations and during freshman orientation" Weeks said. "Giving a little workshop on what does consent look like and what does a healthy relationship look like, and what manipulation looks like in regard to that."

Weeks also shared a continued desire for more transparency from the SVCC.

"Transparency through the work group and seeing those meeting minutes and seeing what they are like, what policies they are implementing, seeing the progress they are making is something we really want to see'

Attempts for comments from other SVCC work group members did not receive a response.

If students have been a victim of sexual or genderbased violence, there are departments on campus that can help. One active organization on campus is the Women's Center, offering resources for students, faculty, and staff who have been a victim of sexual- or genderbased violence, or may find themselves in a supportive position of a survivor of sexual violence. Another group called SAVES, Sexual Assault and Violence Education by Students, is a peer education group that facilitates education and supportive programs about sexual assault and healthy relationships.

More information about the United Feminist Movement at VT can be found on their Facebook page. Take Back the Night annual event and rally information can be found at takebackthenight.org.





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Volunteer Montgomery awards scholarships

Montgomery (formerly RSVP) known as Scholarship Committee reviewed nine applications for this year's \$1,000 scholarship awards. The scholarships were awarded to Erika Miyazaki, a student from Blacksburg High School who will attend the University of Virginia to pursue studies in nursing, and Carson Gilmore, a student from Blacksburg High School who will attend Rice University



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to pursue a degree in kinesiology. Pictured (left to right) Erika Miyazaki, scholarship recipient; Executive Director of NRV CARES Andi Golusky;

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Notice is hereby given to all interested persons

that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on June 14, 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

CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA: 1. The request of Joshua Davis, lessee, and Dallas

Scaggs, Jr., and Paul

approval of the following

requests relative to the

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2. The request of Terry Steele, lessee, and Kieu Thi Thuy Do, property owner, for the issuance of a special exception permit to allow for personal service (barber shop) on the property located at

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THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM. VIRGINIA BY: James F Taliaferro II **Executive Secretary**

relative to the said requests

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Legals -Montgomery County

TRUSTEE'S SALE **OF PROPERTY** 486 Waterworks Road, Radford, VA 24141

Tax Map No. 020697

In execution of a Deed of

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Southern, et al." LESS AND EXCEPT: All that certain lot or parcel of land with all improvements thereon lying and being in the Price's Fork Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, and being all of Lot Two (2) containing 1.03 acres, conveyed to Alan K. Southern and Drema J. Southern by deed dated June 1, 1995 and

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

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Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No.**CL23000949-00**

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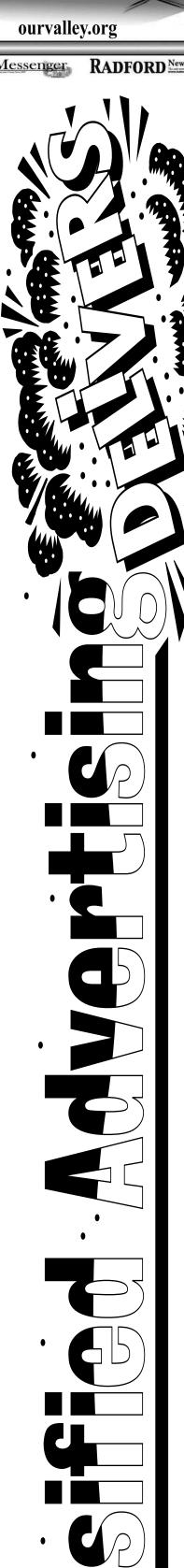
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ACC offers success funding formula

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The Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) is offering a plan to pay member schools for their success on the athletic

A group labeled as the "Power 7" during the conference meetings this past week in Amelia Island, Florida.

The Power 7 included Clemson, Florida State, Miami, North Carolina, North Carolina State, Virginia and Virginia Tech. At the heart of the discussion was a "Grant of Rights Contract," which was signed in 2016 and runs through 2036. The ACC sold the right to air football games on the ESPN family of networks at a dollar amount of around \$36 million.

The SEC and Big 10 schools are scheduled to rake in more than \$100 million from their deals. Thus, the Power 7 admitted they would like to see more monies given to those who were successful in the area of national football titles and

NCAA basketball success.

The Atlantic Coast Conference Board of Directors announced that it has endorsed a success incentive initiative that will begin during the 2024-25 academic year. The decision follows analysis and discussions that have occurred throughout the past year.

The specifics of the plan are in progress and will be solidified in the coming months. Under this initiative, the implementation of the success incentives will come solely from the performance of teams in revenue generating postseason competition. All other revenues will continue to be equally shared as currently outlined.

"The ACC Board of Directors continues to be committed to exploring all potential opportunities that will result in additional revenues and resources for the conference," said ACC Board of Directors Chair and Duke University President Vincent E. Price. "Today's decision provides a path to reward athletic success while also

distributing the full revenue to

membership."

"Today's endorsement follows significant and meaningful conversations by the ACC Board of Directors," said ACC Commissioner Jim Phillips, Ph.D. "To be certain, I applaud their thoughtfulness and continued commitment to working collectively. As we've communicated consistently, we remain dedicated to exploring all options to enhance support for our member institutions and their student-athletes."

So far, there has been no breakdown on the percentage of the overall pot of monies each would receive based on this success rate.

incentives" are based on

performance in revenue-

"success

generating postseason competition specifically, the College Football Playoff and NCAA tournament. A larger share of that revenue will go to the teams participating rather than

among all members.

Solution to ACC drama lies in football

threat of departure of seven major collegiate football programs from the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) has been at the top of sports headlines this past week. A small group of

schools have convinced the ACC to plan an allocation program based on success.

The ACC "Power 7" as they been labeled include Clemson, Florida State, Miami, North Carolina, North Carolina State, Virginia and Virginia Tech.

But in the middle of the new proposal is the underlying success, or should we say the lack of, the Power 7. Over the past eight years, the only program to have proven itself is the Clemson Tigers. They have been a repeater in the national championship race.

According to Business of College Sports website, each conference receives \$6 million from the College Football Playoff for each team selected for a semifinal game and \$4 million for each team that plays in a nonplayoff bowl under the College Football Playoff. There is no additional payout for the National Championship Game, only additional expenses

Typically, each bowlgetting divided equally eligible program is given money by their league

covered.



From the **Sidelines**

Marty Gordon

for expenses; the rest of the funds are placed in a pool and divided equally among the membership. But in the recent Georgia national championship, the school received an additional \$1 million. Documents show that

gross revenue collected by the Power 5 Leagues in the year before COVID knocked everything out tallied \$768.9 million for the Big Ten and \$728.9 million for the Southeastern Conference. The ACC reported \$496.7

The monies continue to rise, but it all centers on football.

The simple solution in all of this is to create football only conferences. Everyone can their overall conference membership, but football would be locked into at least four big membership

This would allow for much larger television contracts and more money for everyone involved and would continue the idea of having a national championship just includes the power conferences.

Could you imagine a football SEC with the

addition of Miami, Florida State and Virginia Tech. Each school would play seven conference games with four out-ofconference/rivalry ones. The attendance would rise and so would the football monies. Then in every other sport, the ACC would still exist.

Play more games on Wednesday, Thursdays and Sundays. Maybe even thrown in a Monday nighter. And of course, do not double book ball games on the same dates and times, thus allowing more games to be on the ACC Network or beyond.

Networks should love this idea, and in the midst of this, the NCAA has lost most of its power on football. Instead, the College Football Playoff committee has taken that away, and this might be the next step in the network contracts.

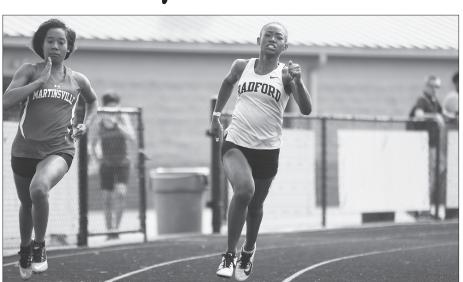
College football's future depends on stepping out of the ordinary and finding a new way to generate more

This could also force stadiums like Virginia Tech to add more seats because tickets would be high demand to see Alabama play in Blacksburg.

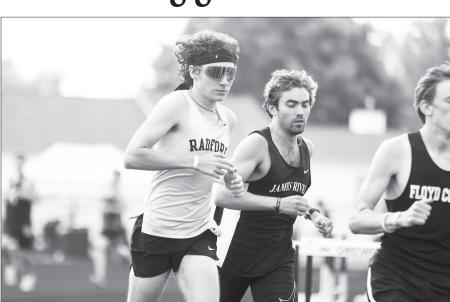
The expansion of the college football playoff brackets would also help a lot in gaining new attention and television

about the Think possibilities.

Radford boys fifth in 2C track, Christiansburg girls second in 3D



Radford's Candice Stone finished ninth in the 200m dash at the Region 2C championship, held Friday at Christiansburg High School.



Radford freshman Kyle Martin placed fifth in the 3200m race at the Region 2C meet.



After getting the baton from teammate Mekih Martin, Radford's Thomas Grant gets started on his 4x400 leg. The Bobcats would place second in the Region 2C championship race.



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Radford's Landen Clark finished in a tie for third place with Glenvar's Colby Thompson (left) in the 200m Region 2C championship. Glenvar's Jackson Swanson (right) won the race in a time of 23.05.

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Parker Prioleau took first in the long jump at 23-02 feet, beating a school record, Friday at the Region 2C meet at Christiansburg High School as the Radford boys finished fifth overall in the team competition.

The Radford girls were ninth as Floyd took the region title with 151 points. Appomattox second

with 146.5 and Glenvar third with 118 points. Prioleau also had a second-place finish in the 100 meters as the Radford boys were shutout of the top three with Glenvar taking the win with 139.5 points. Dan River took second at 99 points, and

Floyd was third at 81 points. Radford finished with 68.5 points.

Meanwhile in Region 3D track, the Christiansburg girls finished second with the boys' team in third. William Byrd took the boys title with 130 points. Abingdon was second at 107 and Christiansburg

third with 48 points. Abingdon took the 3D girls' championship which were run at Cave Spring High School on Saturday. Abingdon tallied 135 points to Christiansburg's 112

and William Byrd's 75 points. Christiansburg's Madelyn Moles recorded three first places in the long jump (17-2), high jump

(5-2) and pole vault (9-0) and a second place in the

300 meters hurdle.

Her teammate, Leila Haley also tallied two first places in the triple jump (34-8.25) and 400 meters. She added second place finishes in the 100 meters, 300 meters hurdles and 200 meters.

Christiansburg's Lauren Logwood finished second in the pole vault while the girls 4X800 team took second in their event.

On the boys' side of the track, Christiansburg's Donovan Richardson claimed the triple jump region title with a leap of 42-1. Teammates Noah Jones was second in the 800 meters and Ayden Conley second in the discus with a throw of 149-11.

In other region sports, Lydia Pratt followed up Radford's Regional 2C championship with a 2C singles title.

Beck goes sub-9.90 in 100 meters

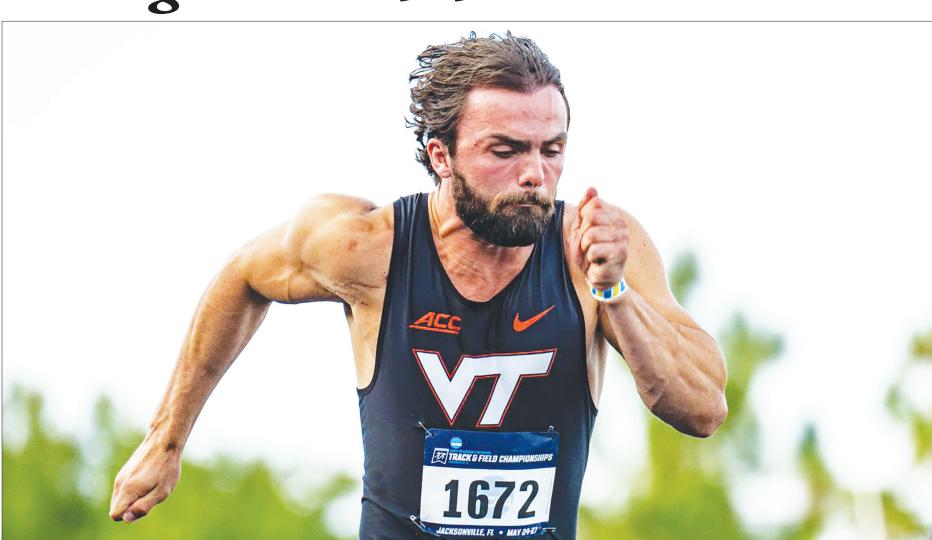


PHOTO COURTESY OF VT ATHLETICS Virginia Tech's Beck finished second overall in the 100m quarterfinals at the NCAA East Regional track meet. The Blacksburg High School alum is one of only three men

Cole Beck, Nick Plant and Antonio Lopez Segura closed out the men's East Regional competition on Friday, May 26 qualifying for the NCAA Outdoor Championships in Austin, Texas.

in the Nation to clock a sub-9.90 this season (9.87).

Beck finished second overall in the 100m quarterfinals as one of only three men in the Nation to clock a sub-9.90 this season (9.87). He is also the first Hokie in program history to break the 10 second barrier.

Freshman Nick Plant won the 800m quarterfinals in Jacksonville stopping the clock at 1:49.21. Plant was seeded 18th in the quarterfinals after clocking a time of 1:49.63 in the first round.

For the first time in his career, senior Antonio Lopez Segura has secured an automatic spot into the semifinals finishing fifth in heat two of the men's

5000m quarterfinals with a time of 14:05.28.

The season comes to an end for freshman Judson Lincoln IV finishing 13th in the 400m quarterfinals with a time of 47.04. Viktor Idhammar ran the eighth fastest time of the day in the 1500-meters 3:49.79, missing out on the semifinals by nearly two-tenths of a second.

-Virginia Tech Athletics

boys', girls' Region n claims Montgomery would claim first place in the Auburn highlighted its dominance in jump (33-03) and 200 meters. She added a

track and field during the Region 1C event on Thursday at Giles County High School. The Auburn boys outdistanced Narrows

111 to 109 with George Wythe in third with 66 points. The Auburn girls rolled to a 168 to 96 win over second place and host Giles. George Wythe took third in the girls' competition with 56 points.

Stacy Lewis rolled with three first places and one second to lead Auburn on the girls' side of the track. Lewis had first places in the 400 meters, long jump (16-08), triple second-place finish in the 800 meters. Teammate Kasey Rosenbaum was the

top finisher in the 800 meters. Auburn would sweep the pole vault

event with a 1-6 position. Kelsie Groseclose cleared 7-0 for first place, followed by Juniper Zander, Chloe Rorrer, Gretchen Surface, Katherine Light and Macaela

Chloe Rorrer would finish second in the 300-meter hurdles.

The 4X800 relay team from Eastern

Thursday's regional competition.

On the boys' side of the track, Auburn would claim 1-4 in the pole vault. Nick Millirons was first, followed by Talen Mower, Michael Wilson and Bennett

Drew Royal would give Auburn a first place in the high jump with a leap of 6-02. Auburn's Michael Wilson was second in the

Bryce Dehart was one of the top performers for Auburn with a first place in the 100 meters (11.4) and second in the 200 meters.

Auburn's Andrew Tickle was first, and Eastern Montgomery's Nick Smith was second in the 1,600 meters. Eastern Montgomery's Spencer Sisson

teammate, Caleb Sampson, crossed the line in third place. Eastern Montgomery's Xavier Brown was second in the boys' discus. Team-wise, Eastern Montgomery

was second at the 3,200 meters. His

finished fifth in both the boys' and girls' competition.

ries set HR record

Virginia Tech's softball team concluded its season in Georgia during the NCAA Athens Regional but left a historical mark

The Hokies set the record for most home runs (100) in a season in program history. Bringing confidence to the plate, each at-bat helped set new milestones for the team. Here's a break down some of the statistics for the season and for player career records.

Team Accolades

100 Home Runs - Most in a season (2nd Most in NCAA for 2023 season)

1.69 Home Runs per Game (2nd Most in NCAA for 2023

season) 9 Home Runs by team in an ACC series, vs. Georgia Tech –

Tied for most in an ACC series (NC State, 2021)

2 Triples allowed – Tied for fewest in a season (2020, 2008) 11 Hit by Pitch – Tied for fewest in a season (1998)

15 Walks vs. Chattanooga (3/24/23) - Most walks in a single game

Individual Performances

10 Hits vs. Virginia by Kelsey Brown - Tied for most in an ACC series (Jenna Rhodes vs. BC, 2009)

3 Doubles by Emma Ritter vs. Longwood on April 4, 2023 – Ties with 4 others, last was in 2014

4 Walks by Kylie Aldridge vs. Chattanooga on March 24, 2023 – Ties with 3 others, last was in 2012

Individual Player Accolades (Year)

124 Total Bases by Emma Ritter – 2nd most in a single

118 Total Bases by Bre Peck – 5th most in a single season 68 Hits by Emma Ritter - Tied for 5th most in a single season (Charisse Mariconda, 2008 & Ali Verbage, 1998)

16 Home Runs by Bre Peck – 3rd most in a single season

50 Runs Scored by Emma Ritter – Tied for 2nd most in a single season (Al Velazquez, 2019 & Emma Strouth, 2019)

.423 Batting Average (min. 100 ABs) by Kelsey Brown -

2nd highest in a single season 15 Doubles by Bre Peck – 4th most in a single season

Individual Play Accolades (Career) 170 RBIs by Kelsey Bennett (2019-23) - All-time leader in

team history (surpassed Megan Evans 161, 2002-05) 412 Total Bases by Jayme Bailey (2019-23) - All-time leader

in team history (surpassed teammate Kelsey Bennett) 411 Total Bases by Kelsey Bennett (2019-23) - Surpassed

previous leader Megan Evans (408, 2002-05) .678 Slugging Percentage (min. 150 ABs) by Bre Peck

.642 Slugging Percentage (min. 150 ABs) by Grace Chavez

(2019-23) - Surpassed previous leader Megan Evans (.609, 2002-05)

11 Sacrifice Flies by Jayme Bailey (2019-2023) - All-time leader in team history (surpassed Caitlyn Nolan 10, 2016-19). -Virginia Tech Athletics

19 Sacrifice Flies – Tied for most in a season (2021, 2012) Pink Crush Salon celebrates ribbon cutting

Pink Crush Salon, in Blacksburg, recently celebrated a ribbon cutting with the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce. Founded in 2021, Pink Crush Salon offers full, premium salon services including color, highlights, blowouts, cuts, and hair treatments. They are Blacksburg's first and only dry bar and full-



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The ribbon cutting was attended by several community members. The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce awarded Pink Crush Salon with a certificate of appreciation as part of the festivities. After the ribbon was cut, attendees were treated to food and beverages courtesy of



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Pink Crush Salon. The Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce (MCCC) serves over 650 members of varying

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