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Christiansburg first EMS whole blood provider in southwest Va.



COURTESY PHOTO

CHRISTIANSBURG – Christiansburg EMS can now offer whole blood transfusions and services to patients, thanks to a partnership with a non-profit community blood center.

Currently there are no EMS providers in Southwest Virginia offering whole blood services, meaning a patient often must wait until they arrive at the health-care facility before receiving blood services. That will now change for those within the Christiansburg EMS treatment area.

The non-profit partner, The Blood Connection (TBC), is planning mobile blood drives throughout the area to help with supply for the Christiansburg EMS program. With this opportunity, blood donors can feel confident knowing their donations are helping our community and neighbors. Christiansburg Deputy Rescue Chief Dustin Williams says the new partnership will undoubtedly help save lives.

“Christiansburg Rescue is proud to partner with The Blood Connection on this program,” said Williams. “This part-

nership allows us to be the first EMS agency in the area to offer lifesaving whole blood to the community we serve. This program allows us to improve trauma care and reduce mortality.”

“We are honored to partner with Christiansburg Rescue to provide these lifesaving blood products to local patients,” said Delisa English, President and CEO of TBC. “Local blood donors make the difference in sustaining the community blood supply and preventing blood shortages. We will immediately begin efforts to collect blood products in the community and are seeking blood donors and organizations who are willing to support this partnership and the local blood supply by sponsoring blood drives.”

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs a blood transfusion while only three percent of the eligible population donates. 4.5 million Americans will be impacted by a blood donation every year. TBC works with many other EMS agencies across the region to ensure that the lifesaving blood products they need are available and ready for accident victims, traumas, and other emergencies. Volunteer blood donors will make all this possible for Christiansburg Rescue.

Although TBC is responsible for keeping the blood supply stable, it cannot replicate blood; it must be donated. TBC urges the community to donate blood to ensure that hospitals’ needs are uninterrupted. TBC also encourages and welcomes local schools, businesses, churches, and organizations, to be part of the connection as a blood drive host. To learn more about hosting a blood drive, please visit //thebloodconnection.org/host.

Town of Christiansburg



PHOTO COURTESY OF LORI GRAHAM

Toys and games for all ages will be ready for the choosing to brighten each child’s day on Christmas morning.

Christmas Store readies their Christiansburg location to make the holidays a little brighter

Lori Graham Contributing writer

CHRISTIANSBURG – Shelves at the Montgomery County Christmas Store are filling up with toys, games, clothing, household items, food, and so much more that helps community members in need of assistance this holiday season, but donations are still needed.

“The toy department starts buying things in January when there are sales and they are constantly keeping an eye out on sales, and then there are toy drives that people do,” Volunteer Vicky Dierckx said.

The volunteers and staff work closely with the community to meet the needs for eligible

residents in Montgomery County in making the holiday season a little happier and easier on families and individuals.

The Montgomery County Christmas Store is currently accepting online applications for eligibility through Dec. 6, 2023. To complete the online application, individuals must have an ID, income information and proof of address for each family member. In-person applications may be completed at the Montgomery County Christmas Store on Nov. 16 and 27, 4 to 7 p.m., and Nov. 19, 2 to 5 p.m.

According to the MCCS’s website, eligibility for applicants requires that individuals must be

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Veterans honored in Christiansburg Veterans Day Parade



Daughters of the American Revolution members (left to right) Jackie Shelton, Harriette Williams, Diane Catley, Margie Sentella, Vickie Stec, and B.J. Williard march in the Christiansburg Veterans Day Parade.



Rick Shelton drives a 1930 Model A with veteran Winfred Huff in the passenger seat during the parade, which began on East Main Street and continued down West Main Street to Dunkley Street.



Jackie Shelton (left) joined by Winfred Huff (right) at the parade, which was presented by the Christiansburg High School Student Government Association. Huff is a veteran of the US Army and served in the Korean conflict.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF SUSIE WEAVER

Tate Smith performs with the Auburn High School Marching band at the Christiansburg Veterans Day parade. Veterans, supporters, community organizations, antique cars and marching bands were among the many parade entries.

NRV Glean Team helps bring fresh fruit and vegetables to the region’s food banks



COURTESY PHOTO

Potatoes are shipped from Maine to Christiansburg and picked up by non-profit groups in the area.

Lori Graham Contributing writer

It is difficult to imagine what a total of 42,000 pounds of potatoes look like but to put it in perspective, they would fill a regular size tractor trailer.

The NRV Glean Team has been providing the work and support to supply area non-profit food pantries with this essential staple of potatoes, as well as other fresh vegetables and fruit, for several years. They “glean” through accepting and delivering vegetables that are leftover from farms and are protectively stored.

On Friday, Nov. 10, a team of approximately 75 volunteers gathered at the Montgomery County Christmas Store to divide these root-based vegetables into

cars. New River Valley organizations that run food banks will be filling the needs of hungry NRV community members for the upcoming holiday seasons.

“We had requests from 30 different food banks, and we told them how many pounds that they could expect to get when they got here, and we are putting those in piles with their names on it, for example Beans and Rice,” organizer and food-grower John Galbraith said. “We actually aren’t distributing to individuals here but are the middlemen between the farmers in Maine and food banks.”

On Friday, team members from various organizations pulled into the parking lot and NRV Glean members assisted in loading their vehicles. Some Glean members had raised additional winter squash, along with

some apples that the team was able to pick up, so those would be distributed as well.

Bringing potatoes from Maine, grown in the summer months, may sound like a daunting task but the coordination of the farmers, the Glean members, and the organizations working together have seen a great success in the project.

“We lose about 1%, so 99% of them look just like in the store,” Galbraith said.

The team, many of whom are NRV Master Gardeners, have previously coordinated with a variety of organizations and individuals across the region to grow more fresh food for area citizens in Southwest Virginia. According to an

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Now through Wednesday, Nov. 22:

South Main Street Lane Closure

The right-hand southbound lane of Blacksburg's South Main Street from Landsdowne Street to King Street will be closed 7 a.m.- 7 p.m. until Wed. Nov. 22. Traffic will shift to the left-hand lane during this closure. The closure is due to demolition of curbing along South Main and King Street and the preparation for a new turning lane.

Wednesday, Nov. 15:

Blacksburg Farmers Market

At Market Square Park, 100 Draper Rd SW, Blacksburg: 2-6 p.m. The Blacksburg Farmers Market is a local, family-friendly gathering place in downtown Blacksburg featuring farmers of locally grown produce and meats, alongside artisans of baked goods and handmade crafts. For more information, visit <http://blacksburgfarmersmarket.com>.

Thursday, Nov. 16:

Virtual Author Talk with Joy Harjo

Sponsored by the Radford Public Library; 4 p.m. on-line. Join us for an afternoon chat with Joy Harjo, internationally renowned performer, writer, and poet of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, as she discusses her recent memoir, *Catching the Light*, via digital live-stream in partnership with Radford Public Library! Register and view more Author Talks here: <https://libraryc.org/radfordlibrary>.

Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting

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

Radford Photo Club - eva hinrichsen

At the Radford Public Library; 6- 7 p.m. Award winning photographer eva hinrichsen will present on travel and documentary photography. She won both the cityscape and open theme categories at the October meeting. Her background is in the arts. It should be an interesting presentation.

Exploring Nanoscience with NanoEarth @ VT

At the Meadowbrook Public Library; 4:30 - 6 p.m. Why can some fabrics repel water? What makes a vending machine work? Bring your curiosity and explore science on the tiniest scale with experts from Virginia Tech's NanoEarth team!

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Night

At the Blacksburg Library; 6-8 p.m. Newbies and

experienced players are welcome. Character sheets, dice and snacks provided. Ages 11 to 17. Contact Sarah Pahl at spahl@mfrl.org for more information.

What Would Dolly Do?

At the Christiansburg Library; 6-7 p.m. Get ready for the release of Dolly Parton's new album with trivia, music, snacks, and crafts! There will be a raffle to win a copy of Rockstar! Fun for Dolly fans of all ages.

Saturday, Nov. 18:

Hokies for the Hungry Food Drive

The Marching Virginians at VT will hold the Annual Hokies for the Hungry Food Drive for the Montgomery County Christmas Store at Lane Stadium. The Pep Band will travel through the tailgates to perform for fans. In exchange, they will collect canned goods or cash. The goal is "One Can from Every Fan." Bring non-perishable food or cash to hear the 'Hokie Pokie' played at your tailgate!

Page to Screen Movies: The Iron Giant

At the Radford Public Library; noon - 2 p.m. Come see the animated classic "The Iron Giant", based on Ted Hughes 1968 novel "The Iron Man." It's a fun film the whole family can enjoy. Rated PG; 86 minutes.

Sunday, Nov. 19:

NAACP meeting

The general body meetings of the local branch of the NAACP are held the 4th Sunday of each month from 3:30 - 5 p.m. Meetings are currently held at the Old Hill School 570 High St., Christiansburg. However, because of the Thanksgiving holiday, the November the meeting will be moved to the third Sunday. Please join us Sunday, Nov. 19, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. The speaker will be Kory Trott, JD, Virginia Tech Black Caucus. All are welcome.

Sunday, Nov. 19 and Monday, Nov. 20

Montgomery County Christmas Toy Drives at VT

VT Athletics and the Montgomery County Christmas Store announce the Annual Toy Drive to benefit the toy department at the store. Every year, fans have the opportunity to bring unwrapped toys to the games. Volunteers will be at entrances with huge, decorated boxes to take toys. Dates include: Nov. 19 at 1 p.m. at the VT/Clemson volleyball game; Nov. 19 at 5 p.m. at the VT/Wofford men's basketball game; and Nov. 20 at 6 p.m. at the VT/UNC Greensboro women's basketball game.

Saturday, Dec. 2:

SWVa Legal Aid Society meeting

The Board of Directors of Southwest Virginia Legal Aid Society will meet at 9 a.m. at The Inn at Virginia Tech, 901 Prices Fork Rd., Blacksburg. The public is welcome to participate.

Sunday, Dec. 3:

NAACP Veterans Affairs Committee

The NAACP Veterans Affairs Committee will present a program to honor veterans at 3 p.m. at the Asbury United Methodist Church, 500 Stuart St, Christiansburg. The guest speaker will be former Navy Commander Dr. David Points of Roanoke.

Saturday, Dec. 9:

NAACP year-end meeting

The NAACP will hold its year-end meeting 9 -11:30 a.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 500 Stuart St., Christiansburg. Douglas Asante will speak about Ghana and the slave trade.

On-going:

Blacksburg Police Department survey available

The Blacksburg Police Department (BPD) is asking the community to complete a short (approximately three-minute) survey ranking individual satisfaction with the department. All responses are recorded anonymously and honest feedback is appreciated. These responses will help the BPD continue its efforts to serve the Blacksburg community. Access the survey at survey.monkey.com/r/Q8SHQH8.

Blacksburg Comprehensive Plan Amendment application process

In 2021, Town Council adopted the updated Comprehensive Plan. As part of the mid-way evaluation between five-year updates, the town accepts privately initiated applications for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. These amendments include changes to Future Land Use Map designations or the text of the Plan. Applications will be due on Jan. 15, 2024. A pre-application meeting is required prior to submittal. Contact Maeve Gould, Comprehensive Planner, at (540) 443-1300 or CompPlan@blacksburg.gov, with questions, or to schedule a pre-application meeting.

Call to Artists: Signal Cabinet and Utility Box Public Art Project

Town of Blacksburg Public Arts Committee is seeking design submissions from artists who are local, regional, or familiar with the Blacksburg area. Designs will be installed on utility boxes or traffic signal cabinets at selected intersections around town as public art, beginning in summer 2024. Submissions are accepted via email and must be submitted by

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ONLINE AUCTION

Ending Wednesday, December 13th, at 4 PM
Colonial Style Home for Sale in Pulaski County VA
4207 Lee Hwy, Pulaski, VA 24301

Bid Now at VAAuctionPro.com



Check out this captivating colonial-style gem for sale! This picturesque home sits on +/- 55 acres of land with the perfect blend of country living and modern comfort. The home features 5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, and over 3,500 sq ft of living space. Inside, discover a meticulously maintained interior that seamlessly blends charm with modern updates. The open floor plan flows into a spacious kitchen, a cozy breakfast area, and a sunken family room with a wood-burning fireplace and built-in bookcases. The living and dining rooms provide ample space for entertaining and making cherished memories. The primary bedroom, conveniently located on the main floor, features an ensuite bathroom for added privacy. Upstairs, 3 large bedrooms, a full bath, and a spacious bonus room await your personal touch. There are multiple walk-in attic spaces to ensure all your storage needs are met!

A blacktop driveway, embraced by majestic mature trees, leads to the double detached garage and custom-built brick home. The additional garage and barn are great for tractor or hay storage. Enjoy the +/- 55 acres of rolling pastureland that surround the home. Home is within 5 miles of Dublin and Pulaski VA. Radford, Blacksburg, Fort Chiswell, and Wytheville are all within 30 miles of the home.

PREVIEW DATE: December 2nd at 10 AM

TERMS & CONDITIONS: 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to final high bid to arrive at contract price. Earnest Money Deposit of \$25,000 is required on day of sale. Close on or before January 29th, 2024. Subject to seller confirmation and court approval. Property sold as is, where is with any and all faults. Buyer is expected to complete their own due diligence before placing a bid. Auction starts ending at 4 PM on December 13th, 2023. Please note that during the last two minutes of bidding, if a new bid is placed, the clock is automatically extended an additional two minutes. Be sure to register to bid early to ensure you receive notifications regarding any changes to the Auction, Bidder Packet and/or Pre-Auction offers received. Download Bidder Information Pack for complete terms and conditions, purchase contract and maps at VAAuctionPro.com

CONTACT - Auctioneer Matt Gallimore at 540-239-2585 or email Gallimore.Matt@gmail.com. You can also contact Realtor Jay Mandell with MR Real Estate at 540-599-4070 or email jay@mrteam.realestate.

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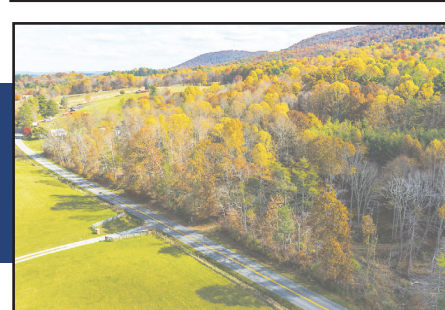


Blue Ridge Land & Auction Co., Inc.

ONLINE AUCTION

Ends Thursday, December 7th at 3 PM
Large Farm Tracts and Home for Sale at Auction in Floyd VA
2103 Ridgeview Rd NW, Floyd, VA 24091

Bid Now at VAAuctionPro.com



Searching for farmland, a great family home, or building site? Check out these 5 offerings which total 174.78 acres. Acreage features mostly open farmland with good views, several building sites, access to Beaver Creek, and an existing brick ranch home. Property is being offered in 5 tracts, so purchase multiple to get the acreage you desire!

**PREVIEW DATE:
Saturday, November 18th
at 11 AM**

Offering #1 - 25.14 ac
Offering #2 - 35.44 ac & House
Offering #3 - 48.98 ac
Offering #4 - 57.65 ac
Offering #5 - 7.56 ac

TERMS & CONDITIONS: 10% Buyer's Premium will be added to final high bid to arrive at contract price. Earnest Money Deposit of \$10,000 per tract is required on day of sale. Close on or before January 22, 2024. Subject to seller confirmation and court approval. Property sold as is, where is with any and all faults. Buyer is expected to complete their own due diligence before placing a bid. Auction starts ending at 3 PM on December 7, 2023. Please note that during the last two minutes of bidding, if a new bid is placed, the clock is automatically extended an additional two minutes. Be sure to register to bid early to ensure you receive notifications regarding any changes to the Auction, Bidder Packet and/or Pre-Auction offers received. Download Bidder Information Pack for complete terms and conditions, purchase contract and maps at VAAuctionPro.com

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LAND TRANSFERS

September Radford City Land Transfers

Zero Dollar Considerations:

Kevin T Lillard to Kevin T Lillard, Lot 128 College Park Townhomes PH I

Rebecca Paige Duncan to American Financial Resources Inc., Lots 27-29 Section 5 Plan A RWELCO

Logan Leigh Price to Zackary Ryan Leigh, 202300771

Pamela Diane Lopez to Pamela Diane Potts, 202300776

Amy R Burdette Executor to Kay R Rakes, 121-129 4-(1)-1A

Amy R Burdette Attorney to Rakes Property Management LLC, 121-129 4-(1)-1A

Donna A Wickline to Austin Miller Wickline, Lot 3 and 4 Section 10 Plan G RLICO

Central Depot LLC to Robert Wofford, 202300808 9-(6)-SEC1-U101

Rebecca Dawn Salem to Ashley Regan Campbell, 202300809

Judy Carol Dale to Judy Carol Viers, 202300821

Amanda Luckado Stevens to Amanda Sue Luckado, 202300825

Donna H Bryant to Daniel A Bryant, Lots 13-15 Section 3 RWLCO

Anthea Pugh, CWF23-713

Catherine Phillips Flinchum to Josie Kate Flinchum, Plan A RWELCO Section 4 Lot 27

Shirley Kirby Armentrout to James Armentrout, 202300797

Philip D Sweet to Nikolas Philip Sweet, 202300847

Monetary Considerations:

Golden Triangle Development LLC to Susan M Winegardner, Lot 23 0.15 Acre PH 2 Gloria Villas, \$329,000

Sherry Feeny to Rebecca Paige, Lots 27-29 Section 5 Plan A RWELCO, \$45,000

Brandon C Marshall to Robert S Hall, Lot 6A 0.155 Acre PB 5 PG 124, \$209,000

Elizabeth Jordan Honaker to Elizabeth Jordan Honaker, Lot 12 Revised Map Midway Housing Inc., \$10

Donald E Barnes to Scott W Seitz, 020002188, \$260,000

Dale S Davis to Bridget Gale Opazo, Lots 9-10 Section 3 Plan G RLICO, \$230,000

Christopher Oran Warden to Benny H Hagy Jr., Lot 7 0.3176 Acre Sunset Village, \$50,000

Cecil B Tipton to Brandon Aldridge Daigle, Lot 40 0.328 Acre Forest Park, \$295,000

Bradley K Becklheimer to Aura Alicia Galvez, Lots 17-19 19-(7)-SEC10-17TR19, \$145,000

Golden Triangle Development LLC to Michael L Brizendine, Lot 24 0.157 Acre Gloria Villas PH 2, \$333,700

Brandi A Quesenberry to Timothy J Hipskind, Lot 2 0.1727 Acre, \$239,900

Phillip H Quesenberry to John Christopher Mishoe, Lots 7-8 Section 7 Plan F RLICO, \$285,000

Oscar D Gray to James Edward Henegar Jr., Lots 8 ½ And 30 Section 7 PLAT DB 181 PG 4, \$167,500

Atlantic Union Bank to Blue Owl Aub VA Owner LLC, 5 Parcels 9-4-SEC-1-21 TR30, \$2,270,968

Daniel D Olinger to James Paul Cundall, 020003026, \$50,000

Brenton Davis to Kalley A Ahmann, 20002463, \$214,000

Robert W Rankin to RUF 1117 Fairfax Street LLC, \$330,000

Malihe Walters to Joseph E Jackson, Parcel A 0.2081 Acre and Parcel B 0.2002 Acre, \$370,000

September Montgomery County Land Transfers

Zero Dollar Considerations:

DBE II LLC to Bradley W Babcock III, 2018001320

Thomas Reed to Thomas S Reed LLC, Lot 2 PH 1 Collins Park Subdivision Town of Christiansburg

Patricia Maureen Williams to Elijah Michael Motley, 24.473 Acres Mount Tabor Magisterial District

Patricia Maureen Williams to Elijah Michael Motley, 16.857 Acres Parcel A Shawsville Magisterial District

Carol A Reynolds to Reynolds Family Trust, Lot 104 Oak Tree Townhomes PH II Town of Christiansburg

Brenda Gail K Holzer to Brenda Gail K Holzer Grantor, Lot 174 Belmont Farms Unit 7 Riner Magisterial District

Behman K Parsi to Parsi Family Trust, University PL Condo PH 4 Building 5 UT 882

Thomas Owen Williams IV Executor to Thomas O Williams IV Trust, 2019002610

Joseph Forte to Heather A Forte, Lot 47 Gladewood Subdivision PH IIIA Town of Blacksburg

Debra Ann Dixon to Debra Ann Dixon, 18 Acres Metes and Bounds Shawsville Magisterial District

Amy R Burdette Executor to Kay R Rakes, Condo Unit 204 Building B Sundance Village Condos of Blacksburg Town of Blacksburg

Amy R Burdette Executor to Rakes Property Management LLC, Condo Unit 204 Building B Sundance Village Condos of Blacksburg Town of Blacksburg

Charles A Halsey to Logan Camille Halsey, 1.497 Acres Parcel 1 and 0.6 Acre Yellow Sulphur Parcel 2 Shawsville Magisterial District

Michael Ermann to Lauren Ermann Trust, Lot 1 and Northeasterly Portion of Lot 2 Section 11 Metes and Bounds Miller Addition Town of Blacksburg

Larry Vest to Sherry V Schoolfield, 0.313 Acre Lot 2 Town of Christiansburg

Mukarram Syed Razvi to Miriam Ali Bhutta, Lot 10 PH I Shadowlake Village Town of Blacksburg

Frank A Graham Jr. to Andrew Jacob Graham, 1 Acre Metes and Bounds Shawsville Magisterial District

Mary D Spicer to Phillip D Spicer, 2.46 Acres Riner

Mary Ann Harman Walke to Mary Kelly Harman, 4.671 Acres

Andrew Clay Landreth to Andrew Clay Landreth, 1.731 Acres Lot 1 Metes and Bounds Mount Tabor Magisterial District

Donald Ray Wimmer Sr. to Ronald Ray Wimmer Jr., 1 Acre Tract 5 Shawsville Magisterial District

James A Graybill Jr. to James A Graybill Jr., 0.2759 Acre Lot 1 and 0.2611 Acre Lot 2 Skycrest Section 2 Town of Christiansburg

Brittany Jones to Brittany Jones, 1.232 Acres

Rebecca H Riley to Rebecca Riley Living Trust, Lot 26 Blackwood Addition Parcel 1 and 0.230 Acre Lot C Parcel 2 Town of Blacksburg

Glenn Young to Chrisman Homeplace LLC, 2.672 Acres New Lot A

Glenn Young to Chrisman Farm LLC, 70.636 Acres and 50.8 Acres

Erming Tuo to Erming Tuo Trust, Lot 164 Section 2 Pheasant Run Townhomes PH IV Town of Blacksburg

Lawrence E Stevens to L.E. Stevens Trust, 2.4 Acres Metes and Bounds See Legal

John Bruce Horn to John Brian Horn, Lot 21 Cedar Orchard IV-B

James W Newberne Jr. to Jessica L Mattox, Lot 18 Highland Park Number 2 Town of Blacksburg

Edward H Sewell Jr. to Edward Holt Sewell Jr. Living Trust, 1.0801 Acres Metes and Bounds Prices Fork Magisterial District

Bettye Ackerman Trust to Jason C Prices, Two Parcels; Lot 27 Mount Tabor Village Parcel 1 and Lot 4 Metes and Bounds Mount Tabor Magisterial District

John S Gregory to Gregory Rentals LLC, Two Parcels; Metes and Bounds See Legal Parcel 1 and 22,885 Square Feet Lot 1 Parcel 2 Town of Blacksburg

Jean Haskell to Jean Haskell Living Trust, Lot 35 Village at Tom's Creek PH I Town of Blacksburg

Qui Peng to Whipplehokies LLC, 0.515 Acre Metes and Bounds, Prices Fork Magisterial District

Russell James Early to Russell James Early, Metes and Bounds See Legal Riner Magisterial District

Laura J Wedin to Terrance D Wedin, 0.23 Acre Lot 2 Cardinal Grove Subdivision Town of Blacksburg

Leslie Gene Fuller to Meghan Lee Fuller, 9.282 Acres Mount Tabor Magisterial District

Eric William Thomas to William Gilmore Thomas, Lot 38 Brookfield Village PH I Town of Blacksburg

Jason Richard Kovac to Jason Richard Kovac Trust, Lot 5 Shilo Way Subdivision

Jason Richard Kovac to Kovac Family Joint Declaration Trust, 2.667 Acres Mount Tabor Magisterial District

Jason Richard Kovac to Kovac Family Joint Declaration Trust, 2 Acres Mount Tabor Magisterial District

Jason Richard Kovac to Kovac Family Joint Declaration Trust, Family Unit 34 Building 10 Piedmont at Blacksburg PH II

David L Hagan to David L Hagan Trust, 87 Acres Parcel 1 and 64.223 Acres Lot 7 Riner Magisterial District

Mary Freday to Freday Enterprises LLC, Metes and Bounds See Legal Prices Fork Magisterial District

Gregory H Payne to Gregory H Payne, Lot 3 Blue Ridge Court Section VIII Parcel 1 and 0.084 Acre Parcel 2 Town of Christiansburg

Tammy Duncan to Melissa Osborne, 2.5 Acres Metes and Bounds

Vance Keith Wright to Steven R Garman, Metes and Bounds Parcel 1 and 0.49 Acre Un-Numbered Lot Parcel II Mount Tabor Magisterial District

Barry G Shepherd to Edward B Shepherd, Lots 47 And 48 Mockingbird Hill Town of Christiansburg

Paul A Duncan Revocable Trust to JMES LLC, 0.227 Acre Lot A and 0.232 Acre Lot B Town of Christiansburg

Paul A Duncan Revocable Trust to JMES LLC, Lot 149-152 Midway Heights Shawsville Magisterial District

Paul A Duncan Revocable Trust to JMES LLC, Unbuilt Portion of Red Oak Drive Right of Way 40 Feet Town of Christiansburg

Pauls LLC to Gerald E Duncan Trust, Lot 132 Windmill Hills Subdivision Section 14 Town of Christiansburg

Sylvia Akers Jones to Kristi A Jones, Lot 3 PH I Hamilton Place Townhomes

David Dexter Cianelli to Mariah R Cianelli, Lot 3 Gladewood Subdivision Town of Blacksburg

Jan Nathan M Basbas to Cassie Rodgers Trust, 2021003294

Shane Muller to Kimberly Batista, Lot 22 Brookfield Village PH I Town of Blacksburg

Adam Scott Tripp to Adam Scott Tripp, 1.324 Acres Lot 3 Duncan Subdivision Riner Magisterial District

Michael David Bishop to Michael David Bishop, 2.9996 Acres New Tract B Riner Magisterial District

Tara L Poff to Richard J Schack, 0.0102 Acres Unbuilt Alley Between Lester Street and Forest Street Town of Christiansburg

El Bronco Mexican Bar and Grill LLC to Paso A Paso 5 LLC, 0.632 Acre Town of Christiansburg

Anne M Wright to Anne M Wright Trust, Lot 40 Cedar Orchard PH IV-A Mount Tabor Magisterial District

Christopher Whiddon Hughes to Larry N Smith, 1 Acre Prices Fork Magisterial District

Larry N Smith to Christophe Whiddon Hughes, 0.478 Acre Prices Fork Magisterial District

Julie Swift Matthews to Colton J Matthews, Condo Unit 202 Clay Court Condos

James B Spencer to Brenda N Spencer, 1.986 Acres Lot 3 Shawsville Magisterial District

Qian Zhang to Wenyang Jing, Lot 50 Shenandoah PH I Blacksburg

Michael David Bishop to Michael David Bishop, 2.9996 Acres Tract B Riner Magisterial District

Monetary Considerations:

Markus Breitschmid to Kira Baugh, Lot 19 Oak Tree Townhomes PH IX Town of Christiansburg, \$312,000

Geneva L Watson to Spradlin Properties LLC, 0.4837 Acre Metes and Bounds See Legal Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$210,000

Angella De Soto to Kiara Winans, Lot 40 PH I Charles Price Addition Town of Blacksburg, \$375,000

Amy Long Ebel to Dale Hackney, 20 Acres Parcel A Shawsville Magisterial District, \$20,000

Jianli Cheng to Joel Boyd Simpkin, 0.172 Acre Lot 63 Town of Christiansburg, \$245,300

Lucius M Merritt to Kathryn Fulton Roberts, Lot 28 Woodland Hills Estates Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$680,000

Jeffrey B Mitchell to Andrew Barry, 0.348 Acre, \$175,000

Bradley W Babcock III to Sean Nicolas Grant Burrows, 0.587 Acre Lot 539A Blacksburg Country Club Estates Section III Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$1,012,896

DBE LLC II to Sean Nicolas Grant Burrows, Lots 536, 537, 538 Blacksburg Country Club Estates Section III Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$312,103

Caryn N Bushong to Paul M McKinney, 0.2486 Acre Lot 55 Highland Park Town of Blacksburg, \$569,678

Scott Michael Dixon to New River Land Trust, 20.12 Acres Metes and Bounds, \$25,500

Jason E Massie to Anthony Todd Hagee, 0.463 Acre Lot 38,39,40 Shawsville Magisterial District, \$22,000

SAS Eagle Midtown LLC to Steve R Mullet, Unit 110 PH 4 of Midtown Condominium Parcel E Town of Blacksburg, \$839,387

Donna Thornton Roberts to Ahmed

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

The most life-threatening drugs in our community at this time are opiates, including fentanyl. There is a life-saving antidote to these drugs, naloxone (Narcan) which is available without a prescription at any pharmacy and is also available free for those who are trained in its administration. We advocate that Narcan should be widely available in the community and as many citizens as possible should be trained in its simple administration with a nasal spray.

Our community has experienced overdoses and fatalities in recent months. While these dire events have occurred at a lower rate than in other communities in the

New River Valley, clearly we are not exempt from trends that are threatening citizens in our nation, in our state, in our region and, yes, in the Town of Blacksburg. People of all ages, races, incomes and education levels have fallen victim to this scourge.

The Citizen Advisory Board is informed of local and regional law enforcement issues by meeting monthly with Blacksburg Police Chief Todd Brewster and also by meeting frequently with other community leaders such as representatives of NRV Community Services and the NRV Regional Commission. Individual board members have conferred with the NRV

Public Health Department and have attended local conferences.

Through these sources, the Board has learned that these dangerous, addictive, and life-threatening illegal drugs are being sold and consumed in our region and in our community. The most lethal of these drugs is fentanyl, which can kill in very small quantities. Methamphetamine and other opiates, widely available, are also responsible for accidental and sometimes fatal overdoses. All of these drugs have been intercepted by our police department in the

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OPINION

Applauding governor's executive order on drug overdoses at school

Now that the dust has settled from Election Day, it has become clear that the Democratic party has prevailed by a slim margin not only in the Senate of Virginia, but in the House of Delegates as well. These results are certainly disappointing, but they come on the heels of historic redistricting that saw dozens of new candidates running—and in many cases, succeeding—in brand new districts. It's now incumbent upon Republicans to work together to solve the real problems facing Virginians, while standing as a bulwark against policies that would seek to make us more like California or New York. There will be plenty of time in the months ahead to discuss and debate how we arrived at this point, but right now, I'm interested in getting back to work on the topics that matter to our community.

With all of that being said, I want to bring to your attention a recent action brought forth by Governor Glenn Youngkin's administration to combat fentanyl abuse in our schools. By way of background, over a span of three weeks, eight students at a Loudoun County

high school overdosed on what authorities believe to be fentanyl. Four of these overdoses occurred while at school, and several students required the administration of Narcan and/or CPR to be revived. Parents were not notified of these overdoses until weeks after they occurred, which eliminated the possibility for parents to talk with their kids about the danger and prevalence of drugs like fentanyl. In response, Governor Youngkin announced an Executive Order to ensure that parents are notified within 24 hours of any drug overdose that occurs on school property.

The fact of the matter is this: parents who are informed can warn their kids away from these dangers, or at worst intervene should they already be involved in the usage of drugs. Parents are responsible for their children, and schools should empower parents with information that may contribute to their child's safety. Parents who are left in the dark are left without the tools to ensure this safety. As a member of the Opioid Abatement Authority, which seeks to treat, prevent, and

reduce opioid usage in Virginia, I'm proud to see any and all steps taken in order to combat the opioid crisis. Our children are counting on us to be vigilant and to protect them, and we must not let them down.

I appreciate all who supported me in this past election, and for those who didn't, I hope to earn your support in the coming months. It is my honor to represent you in Richmond, and I want you to be fully informed what your government is doing for you. As the Delegate representing the 12th District (soon to be the 42nd District due to redistricting), your concerns are my greatest priority. If ever I may be of assistance to you and your family, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at DelJBallard@House.Virginia.Gov. You can also follow me on Twitter @JasonBallardVA or like my Facebook page, Jason Ballard for Delegate, to keep up to date with what I am doing in Richmond and in our community on your behalf.

- Delegate Jason Ballard

AARP Virginia fraud alert: online shopping scams

Social media has become a dangerous marketplace. Scammers are great at creating slick ads and professional looking websites and for minimal cost they can force

them into your feed. According to the Federal Trade Commission, \$2.7 billion in reported fraud losses have been tied to social media since 2021 and 44% of those came from fake sales.

Look out for any online sales that are too good to be true; experts say to be suspicious of anything marked down 55% or more. Also be wary of any product or websites that offer popular or hard-to find products at a steeply discounted price. Purchasing products on these sites can lead to shoddy

products being delivered or receiving nothing at all. Worse, the site could steal your payment information or upload credential-stealing malware onto your device.

Links cannot be trusted – whether from a social media post, an ad, an email or a text. Shop on sites you trust, and always go directly to the online store by typing the web address into your browser.

Submitted by AARP Virginia

Virginia gas prices decrease again in the last week

Average gasoline prices in Virginia have fallen 7.9 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.13/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 4,081 stations in Virginia.

Prices in Virginia are 26.6 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 36.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 4.2 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.34 per gallon. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Virginia was priced at \$2.75/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$4.29/g, a difference of \$1.54/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.75/g while the highest was \$4.29/g, a difference of \$1.54/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 4.6 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.33/g today. The national average is down 24.8 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 42.6 cents per gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

Historical gasoline prices in Virginia and the national average going back ten years:

- November 13, 2022: \$3.49/g (U.S. Average: \$3.76/g)
- November 13, 2021: \$3.29/g (U.S. Average: \$3.41/g)
- November 13, 2020: \$2.04/g (U.S. Average: \$2.12/g)
- November 13, 2019: \$2.34/g (U.S. Average: \$2.62/g)
- November 13, 2018: \$2.49/g (U.S. Average: \$2.68/g)

- November 13, 2017: \$2.33/g (U.S. Average: \$2.56/g)
- November 13, 2016: \$2.02/g (U.S. Average: \$2.15/g)
- November 13, 2015: \$2.00/g (U.S. Average: \$2.18/g)
- November 13, 2014: \$2.72/g (U.S. Average: \$2.91/g)
- November 13, 2013: \$3.05/g (U.S. Average: \$3.17/g)

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:
Roanoke- \$3.13/g, down 9.2 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.22/g.

Richmond- \$3.05/g, down 5.3 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.11/g.

West Virginia- \$3.22/g, down 4.1 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.26/g.

"As motorists turn their attention to Thanksgiving, they certainly can be thankful for the decline in gasoline prices, which has now reached eight straight weeks. GasBuddy counts 11 states where average prices are below \$3 per gallon, with several more to join this week. Even in California, the nation's most expensive gasoline average will fall below \$5 in the next 48 hours," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "Gasoline demand has struggled in recent weeks, falling not only due to the seasonal nature, as Americans drive less as the weather gets colder, but it appears there may be some economic headwinds entering the equation as well."

Submitted by GasBuddy

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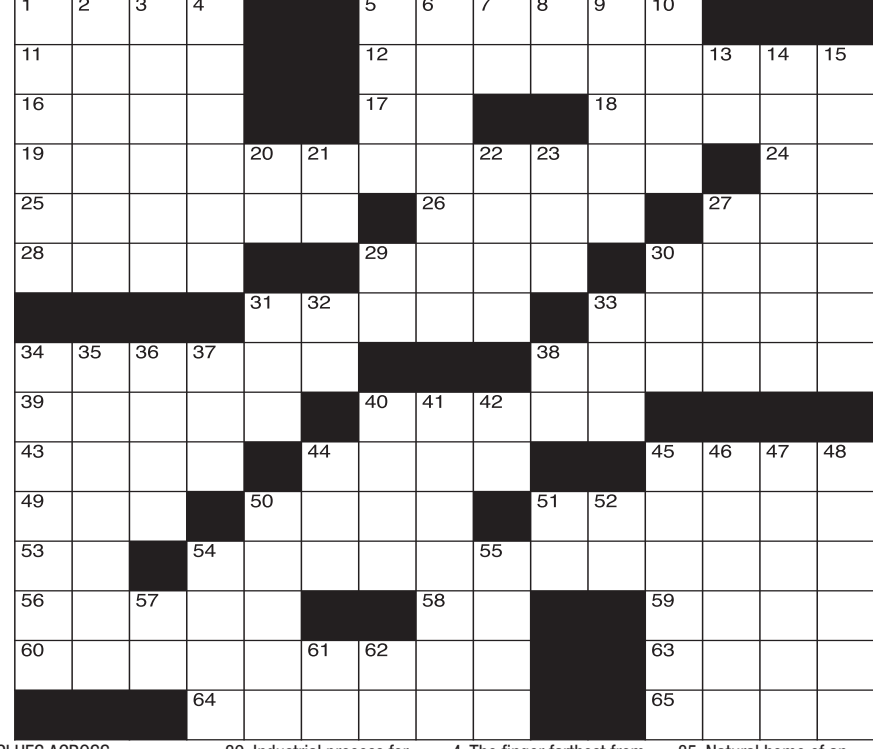
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| CLUES ACROSS
1. Clip a small piece
5. Enter forcibly
11. Southwestern Native American tribe
12. Helps you smell better
16. Sun or solar disk
17. Low frequency
18. Former Houston football player
19. Federal crime
24. Home to Boston (abbr.)
25. Approval
26. Those who fight an establishment (abbr.)
27. ___ student, learns healing
28. Indian groomer of horses
29. Line where two pieces meet
30. One might be brief
31. Type of sword
33. Knife for fruits or vegetables
34. Stinkhorns
38. Stroke | 39. Industrial process for producing ammonia
40. Sir ___ Newton
43. Wild goat
44. Muslim ruler
45. Scottish ancestor
49. Hat
50. Horse mackerel
51. Alcoholic accompaniment
53. Tech department
54. Manifesting approval
56. Upper bract of grass
58. Of I
59. Large wading bird
60. Military prisons
63. Famed American cartoonist
64. Rise
65. Greek God of war and courage
CLUES DOWN
1. Sewing needles
2. Functionary
3. Induces vomiting | 4. The finger farthest from the thumb
5. Not moving
6. Sports official
7. Water purification process (abbr.)
8. University of Dayton
9. Indo-Malaysian evergreens
10. High schoolers' math course
13. Yankovic is a weird one
14. Adversaries
15. Merchandisers
20. Radioactive metal (abbr.)
21. Atomic #52
22. The back
23. One-time computer giant
27. Female of a horse
29. Football's big game (abbr.)
30. Vehicle
31. Single Lens Reflex
32. It's becoming more prevalent
33. Political action committee
34. Makes lightbulbs | 35. Natural home of an animal
36. In bed
37. Superman villain
38. The Golden State
40. One who leads prayers in a mosque
41. They accompany a leader
42. Atomic #18
44. Electronic countermeasures
45. The appearance of something
46. Connecting line on a map
47. Deep red color
48. Secret affairs
50. Drenches
51. Contains music
52. Expression of surprise
54. Intestinal pouches
55. Where birds are born
57. ___ and behold
61. Cools your home
62. The First State |
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Land Transfers

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Fathi Ahmed Mohamed, Metes and Bounds See Legal Town of Christiansburg, \$247,000

Blue Ridge Development Group Inc to Tyris Homes Inc, 0.456 Acre Lot 7 Walnut Creek Phase VB Shawsville Magisterial District, \$73,500

Kipps Farms LLC to Stateson Homes LLC, Lot 144 Westhill Subdivision Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$119,341

Belinda Spangler Eddins to McDonald Street LLC, 0.405 Acre Town of Christiansburg, \$450,000

Suzanne B Albert to Corey Holden Perdue, 3.633 Acres Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$65,000

Curtis T Barger to David C Duckett, 0.041 Acre Lot 21 Hunters Ridge PH II Town of Christiansburg, \$235,000

Annie M Keister to Town of Blacksburg Virginia, 0.07 Acre More or Less Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$6,100

Robert G Gaus to Florence Vaughan Williams, 0.114 Lot 3 Caldwell Manor Town of Christiansburg, \$275,000

Ronald D Moye Executor to Edward and Eleanore LLC, Condo Unit 1 Lane Park Condominium, \$205,000

Dobyns Fork Development LLC to John Lawrence Snow III, 0.151 Acre Lot 1A Town of Blacksburg, \$360,000

Heather Leveta Horne to Micah D Mefford, Lots 10 and 11 Town of Christiansburg, \$390,000

Gerald Eddie Duncan to Martha Ann Duncan Miller Trust, Lot 8 PH I Diamond Pointe Town of Christiansburg, \$200,000

Ralph Arnold Vaughan Jr. to Soria and Burch Property LLC, 0.59 Acre More or Less Riner Magisterial District, \$109,500

Della Mae Bogle Hollins to John Dodd II, 3 acres More or Less Metes and Bounds Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$200,000

Margaret LK Langhorne to Sean W Higgins, 112 Acres Shawsville Magisterial District, \$75,000

Stephen M Davis to Montgomery Investments LLC, 1.075 Acres Metes and Bounds Shawsville Magisterial District, \$18,200

Elaine Petersen Whalen Executor to Jason Marks, 41.526 Acres Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$208,000

A Lynn Blue to William Philip Scott Caldwell, 0.515 Acre Metes and Bounds Village of Elliston, \$43,000

Jeremy D Hart to Gregory A Meyers and Kelly A Meyers Trust, Lot 4 Evergreen Cluster Development Town of Blacksburg, \$337,500

Kipps Farms LLC to Stateson Homes LLC, Lot 145 Westhill Subdivision Prices Fork Magisterial District

Andrea M Bedsaul to Joseph C Carley, 0.207 Acre Lot 109 PH III Village at Tom's Creek Town of Blacksburg, \$618,000

Eagle Construction of Virginia LLC to James B Spence III, Lot 3 Reserve at Round Meadows Town of Christiansburg, \$640,000

Ronnie D Echols to Carolyn Weigel, 0.778 Acre Town of Christiansburg, \$489,000

William C Benni to Trevor Delaney Wood, 118.56 Acres Shawsville

Magisterial District, \$547,740

Erika N Price to Ryan Adam Munton, Lot 16 Edgemont of Diamond Hill Section II, \$485,000

Deirdre W Al Toki to Erming Tuo, Lot 164 Section 2 Pheasant Run Townhomes PH IV Town of Blacksburg, \$310,500

Jason Cameron Brett Kiser to Ronald S Dooley, 5.239 Acres Metes and Bounds Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$62,500

James A Burger to Eleanor Becker McDaniel Trust, Lot 5 Blackwood Addition Town of Blacksburg, \$576,200

Michael A Fisher to Stephen McFall, 1.097 Acres Lot 540 Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$665,000

Professional Foreclosure Corporation to Mortgage Research Center LLC, 10.0843 Acres Riner Magisterial District, \$251,730

Autumn Marie Brianna Sheppard to ANB Investments LLC, Lot 3 Westview Subdivision Town of Christiansburg, \$85,000

Charlton A Cromer to Russel James Early 2.2 Acres Part of Lot 22 Pleasant Acres Subdivision Riner Magisterial District, \$10,000

Shah Development LLC to Eagle Construction of VA LLC, Lots 131-151 Preserve at Walnut Springs Section 4 Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$1,615,950

TPBC LLC to Jacob Woods, 1 Acre Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$230,000

Shah Development LLC to Sarah Layne, 1.473 Acres Lot 2 Riner Magisterial District, \$477,400

William F Walker to John Joseph Firtz, 0.9341 Acre Lot 30 Brush Mountain Estates PH II, \$550,000

Stateson Homes LLC to Zhenshan Chen, Lot 45 Westhill Subdivision Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$615,829

Stateson Homes LLC to Richard W Conley, Lot 46 Westhill Subdivision Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$800,524

Bradley M Griese Jr. to Rafael NC Patrick, Lot 45 Kelseywood PH II Town of Christiansburg, \$275,000

Barry Collins to PMD Properties LLC, Metes and Bounds See Legal Riner Magisterial District, \$15,000

Diane Darcy Bonsall Trust to James C Strickland, Lot 16 Dickerson Subdivision Number 1 Town of Blacksburg, \$395,000

Ronald Dean Moye Executor to Adi Y Ben-Senior, Lot 6 Belmont Estates Section 1 Town of Christiansburg, \$343,000

J&F Investments LLC to Joaquim Paulo Coutinho Barbosa, Lot 33 PH II New River Village Town of Christiansburg, \$270,000

John A Hucul to Advanpax LLC, Lot 13 Carriage Hill Townhouses Section III Town of Blacksburg, \$265,000

Tyris Homes Inc. to Daniel Schroeder, 2022001451, \$24,164

Andrew Est Robeson to Venkata Krishna Reddy Bijjam, Lot 2 and 2.5 Feet of the Westerly Portion of Lot 1 Metes and Bounds Town of Blacksburg, \$424,600

Thomas Oddo to Gillmann Commercial Holdings, Lot 32 Preston Forest PH III Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$450,000

Roger L Simpson to Gerald J Adams III, 6.272 Acres Tract 1 Parcel and Metes and Bounds See Legal parcel 2, \$188,204

SAS Eagle Midtown LLC to DDJ & Associates LLC, Unit 111A Building C Phase 4 Midtown Condos Town of Blacksburg, \$458,643

Arjan Halili to Tim Duy Pham, Lot 24 Section III Phillips Acres Subdivision Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$375,000

Colin Adams to Jacqueline Mitchell, Lot 21 Forest Hill Section B Town of Blacksburg, \$550,000

Eagle Construction of Virginia LLC to Michael Shane Clifton, Lot 426 Preserve at Walnut Ridge Section 1 Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$614,920

David A Wallace Living Trust to JMB Investment Company LLC, 1.279 Acres Town of Christiansburg, \$187,500

Andrea T Sharp Trust to Prices Fork Village II LLC, 1.989 Acres Lot B Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$99,000

Cascades Property Management to Zahra Ahmadi, Lot 1 Holly Hill PH 1, \$290,000

Daniel C Johnson to Xinyi Chen, Lot 106 Windmill Hills Section 12 Town of Christiansburg, \$553,000

Paul Camper to James Parker Real Estate LLC, 4 Parcels of Land Riner Magisterial District, \$78,653

Arnold Schuetz to Charles C Chiang, Lot 33 McBryde Village Section 3 Town of Blacksburg, \$520,000

Anne B Baggerly to Catherine Cummings, Lot 17 PH II Subdivision of Lester Place Shawsville Magisterial District, \$200,000

Elaine H Budde to Bruce Allen Watson, 89.257 Acres Lot 1 Parcel 1 and 81.861 Acres Lot 2 Parcel 2, \$100,000

Judith B Rutherford to Sean D Fessenden, Lot 37 Woodland Hills Estates Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$880,000

Michael Trowbridge Trust to Lenahan LLC, 2.507 Acres Metes and Bounds Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$50,000

Richard Conroy to Bryan Dickerson, 2.894 Acres Shawsville Magisterial District, \$361,500

Liangyu Shen to Jonathan L Arnold, Condo Unit C-11 Brightwood Manor Condominium Town of Blacksburg, \$185,000

Citibank NA Trust to United Asset Management LLC, 0.16 Acre Metes and Bounds, \$10

Stateson Homes LLC to Yuba Gautam, Lot 48 Westhill Subdivision Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$625,150

Nancy Krin Collins to Julian E Burbano, Lot 12 and Portion of Lot 13 Parcel 1 and 0.003 acre Part of Lot 11 parcel 2 Town of Christiansburg, \$189,900

Everone LLC to 11 Lucky Lane LLC, Condo Unit 1203 K PH IV University Terrace Condos, \$275,000

Harlene Ottolini Executor to Ryan M Semones, Lot 1 Oakwood Subdivision Town of Christiansburg, \$260,000

Karen W Sinclair to Michael John Hackert, Lot 98 Section X Northside Park Town of Blacksburg, \$560,000

Larry N Smith to Bryan E Mauss, 1

Acre New Area Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$281,000

David Moorehead Irvin to Decota Randolph Huff Jr., Lot 62 Huff Acres Town of Christiansburg, \$315,000

Shane Patrick Roscher to Diana Lingamfelter, Lot 102 Vistavia PH V Town of Christiansburg, \$331,000

James W Hubbard to Justin Dean Miller, 4.835 Acres Lot 8A Edgemont Trail Riner Magisterial District, \$311,500

Debby G Miller Revocable Trust to TPBC LLC, 5.173 Acres Parcel 1 and 3.157 Acres Parcel 2 Prices for Magisterial District, \$1,405,000

Donald G Osteen to Li Jen Chang, 0.590 Acres Lot 20 PH IV Shawsville Magisterial District, \$393,000

Egan K Green to Dillon Shane Craighead, 0.78 Acre Shawsville Magisterial District, \$265,000

Cameron D Patterson Trust to Vincent W Fingleton Jr., Lot 9 Crestwood Gardens Section 1 Town of Blacksburg, \$435,000

Pennymac Loan Services LLC to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, 6.082 Acres Tract C Wilson Run Subdivision, \$115,080

Joseph C Albert to Douglas L Hungate Jr., Lot 210 Town of Blacksburg, \$220,000

Kenneth Lee Mayer to David K Everett, Lot 14 Lusters Mill PH II Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$755,000

Michael Procaccio to ANB Investments LLC, Lot 3 Park Street Townhomes Town of Christiansburg, \$165,000

Kimberly S Butler to Thomas Helmuth Roiter, 4.6875 Acres Shawsville Magisterial District, \$170,751

Dans Legacy LLC to Rohan Sharadrao, Condo Unit 1205H PH II University Terrace Condos, \$242,000

Paul J Herling to Addison Spurlock, Lot 21 Block 1 New River Land Company Addition Mount Tabor Magisterial District, \$30,000

Kaylee T Rose to Twin Oaks Lodging LLC, 1.774 Acres Parcel B Riner Magisterial District, \$320,000

Paul R Gohlke to Stephen Reed Morgan, Lot 10 Slushers Farm Subdivision Parcel I and Lot 6 Slushers Farm Subdivision Parcel II Town of Blacksburg, \$945,000

Janovee C Miller to Cardinal Creations LLC, 0.469 Acres Shawsville Magisterial District, \$77,850

Kevin S Muncy to Alan W Carter, Lot 1 Valley View Subdivision Riner Magisterial District, \$320,000

Sarah Layne to Albert John Tuono Jr., 3.469 Acres New Lot 2-A Riner Magisterial District, \$650,000

Kyle James Bruce to Carl P Britton, Lot 119 Clifton PH I Town of Christiansburg, \$380,000

Larry N Smith to Summit Land LLC, 20.07 Acres New Area Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$120,000

Simpson Rental LLC to Shah Development LLC, 1.5 Acres Parcel A Prices Fork Magisterial District, \$985,000

Shah Development LLC to Dustin E Bailey, 1.342 Acres Lot 3 Stanley Road Riner Magisterial District, \$480,500

Upcoming Events

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Friday, Dec. 15, 2023, to be considered by the selection committee. Before submitting a design for consideration, interested artists are highly encouraged to visit <https://letstalkblacksburg.org/publicarts-utilitybox> to learn more about the project details and submission information. Questions: contact Kenna Jewell, kjewell@blacksburg.gov, 540.443.1092.

Eligibility applications for Christmas Store 2023

Online applications are being accepted and reviewed now through Dec. 6, 2023 to shop at the Montgomery County Christmas Store in December. Go to the Christmas Store website at www.mcchristmasstore.org and click on Apply to Shop. First, you will see the documents you need to have ready to upload before beginning the application process. Then scroll down some more to see the criteria you must meet to see if you are eligible to apply to shop at the store in December. If you qualify to shop at the store Dec. 5-9, you will receive the link to select your shopping appointment.

Call for participants: 2023 Blacksburg Annual Holiday Parade

Citizens are invited to participate in Blacksburg's annual Holiday Parade, organized by Blacksburg Parks and Recreation. This year's theme is "Miracle on Main Street". Parade entries may be floats, bicycles, wagons, marchers, walkers, antique/classic cars, Jeeps, trucks, scout groups, bands, sports teams and more. The parade will be held on Friday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. In the event of inclement weather, the parade will be rescheduled to Saturday, Dec. 2. For more information on how to get involved, contact David Goodman, Community Programs Supervisor at degoodman@blacksburg.gov or 540.443.1106.

Free GED classes

New River Community College is offering free GED at the Meadowbrook Library every Monday and Tuesday through Tuesday, Dec. 12. For more information or to sign up please call the Library at 540-268-1964.

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Town of Blacksburg. Most alarmingly, counterfeit pills consisting of dangerous substances masquerading as legitimate prescription drugs have been seized by our Blacksburg police officers. It is also known that substances such as cocaine, marijuana and methamphetamine have been adulterated with fentanyl, unbeknownst to the users of these street drugs.

These substances are sometimes being produced locally and sometimes arriving with dealers driving to Blacksburg. Drugs are also ordered by individuals over the internet. With 30,000 college students residing in Blacksburg, criminals consider our community a marketing target. Investigations, arrests and prosecutions of those that provide these substances in the Town of Blacksburg are ongoing. The Blacksburg Police Department partners with law enforcement agencies in the region, the state and with federal authorities in this effort.

All law enforcement officers in the Town of Blacksburg, the Town of Christiansburg, Montgomery County and Virginia Tech have been trained on the use of Narcan which can reverse the fatal effects of opiates, including fentanyl. They carry Narcan while on duty. Training and providing of Narcan has also been made available to town employees, the members of the Citizen Advisory Board,

educators and others. A recent infusion of opiate lawsuit settlement funds, as well as federal grants, has made it possible for all of our NRV governments to participate in a regional task force, the New River Valley Recovery Ecosystem Program. The Citizen Advisory Board urges Blacksburg government and other leaders, as well as the Blacksburg Police Department, to participate fully in this effort which is being directed by the NRV Regional Commission.

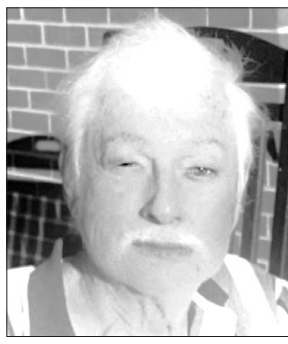
Under the leadership of Chief Todd Brewster and his predecessors, the Blacksburg Police Department is in the forefront of progressive police practices. Our police department has earned the highest level of accreditation from the national Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement (CALEA.) The Citizen Advisory Board urges the Blacksburg Police Department to be a source of information, prevention, advocacy and innovation in the effort to reduce the threat of lethal drugs in our town. The leadership of the Blacksburg Police Department and the government of the Town of Blacksburg is essential to the regional effort to protect our citizens.

*Blacksburg Police Department Citizen Advisory Board
Harriet Dorsey, Chair*

OBITUARIES

Harman IV, Robert Wilson

Robert "Bob" Wilson Harman IV, 79, of Hiwassee, passed away Friday, Nov. 10, 2023. He was a U. S. Army veteran and owner of Virginia Textiles. He was preceded in death by his parents Robert III and Edythe Harman; and aunt, Mary Goodman. Survivors include his wife, Apolonia Harman; daughter, Sherry Burgess (Bobby);



grandson, Jackson Wyatt

Chaffin; brothers, John Harman (Vicky), David Harman (Barbara), and Mike Harman; sister, Margaret Lanier (Tom); extended family, Dennis Mabry (Vickie); and many other relatives and friends. Services will be held at a later date. The Harman family cares for the Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.

Grapsas, John B.

John B. Grapsas passed away on Oct. 27, 2023 at the age of 63. John was one of two boys born to Basil and Dolores Grapsas in New Bedford, Mass. After growing up in Radford, John attended Penn State University where he earned his Professional Engineering Degree in Architectural Engineering. Following graduation, John relocated to Albuquerque, N.M. with his first wife, Carolyn. Together they had three sons. John enjoyed a successful 30-year career with Bridges and Paxton, eventually retiring as CEO. He retired to St. Augustine to pursue his interest in deep sea diving and Maritime Salvage.



In 2017 John married Terri Barefield Hansen. Together they traveled a great deal including, the Bahamas, Central America, the upper NW United States and Canada. John knew how to enjoy life. He was perpetually the life of the party. He never met a stranger and prided himself in

the art of giving. He touched many lives with no consideration of an individual's background or status. If there was a person in need John would try to meet that need in any way he could. His deep compassion and generosity were only matched by his desire to remain anonymous. John is survived by his wife, Terri; brother, Nick (Mary) Grapsas; sons, Chris, David (Jodi) and Nick Grapsas; stepdaughter, Annik Hansen; stepson Aaron Coles and stepson Ellis Coles; grandchildren Aria, Emilia, Penelope and Theodore Grapsas and Nolan, Olivia, Connor and Ellie Coles; niece, Ally; and nephew, Alex.

Scott, Faye Mullins

Faye Mullins Scott, 93, of McCoy, died Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023, at Princeton Community Hospital in Princeton, W.Va. She was born in Tonkawa, Oklahoma on May 21, 1930, to the late Owen and Maggie Mullins. She was preceded in death by her husband of 73 years, Harry Dudley Scott; brothers Ernest Mullins and Obie Mullins; sisters Nona Bolling Cassada, Artie Church, Rubel Graham Barnett and Opal Shortt; and daughter-in-law Donna Merrix Scott.



grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Cleo Scott Beachum; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the many friends and family who have supported Faye over the years, especially Carol and Bobby Roop.

Faye enjoyed being with her family, sitting on the porch, reminiscing, and cooking for anyone who visited her home. She was "mom" for her nieces and nephews who had lost their mothers.

Faye was a founding member of Community Christian Church in McCoy and was a faithful member until her death. She had taught Sunday School, VBS, had been in charge of the meal ministry, and was in charge of the card ministry for years. Faye also sent hundreds of personal cards every year to family and friends. Faye was also a member of the Coal Mining Heritage Association.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023 in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with Mr. Chris Brandow, officiating. Interment followed in the McCoy Family Cemetery, in McCoy. The family received friends prior to the service at McCoy Funeral Home, 150 Country Club Drive, Blacksburg.

Collier, Karen Marie

Our dear mother, Karen Marie Collier, sadly passed away on Nov. 8, 2023, at the age of 78. She was a wonderful mother who was always there when we (and others) needed her. She also had many friends and was a well-loved member of the community in Blacksburg. She was born and raised in Downers Grove, Ill. where she met and married the late Earl Roger Collier, Jr. and relocated to Blacksburg in



1984. She is survived by her three children, Leslie Collier, Brad Collier, and Cheryl (Eddie) Parsons;

five grandchildren Erin, Michael, Megan, and Alexis Collier and Justin Scott; four great-grandchildren; and her two brothers Norbert and Raymond (Susan) Screbant.

Funeral services were conducted at St. Mary's Church in Blacksburg on Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or American Heart Association.

Hawley, Serenity Rayne

Serenity Rayne Hawley, 17, of Blacksburg, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2023. She was a member of Young Life and a senior at Blacksburg High School. She was Vice President of member recruitment for DECA and had just been accepted to continue her education at Virginia Tech. She was a beloved employee at Your Pie in Blacksburg. She was preceded in death by her maternal grandmother, Shirley Crabb; paternal grandmother, Helen Hawley; paternal great-grandfather, Archie McAlexander; uncles,



Calvin Lee Hawley, Jr., and Terry Whitt. She is survived by her mother, Heather Waldron; father and stepmother, John and Katherine Hawley; sisters, Trinity and Harmony Hawley; brothers, John Hawley, II and Zachary Hawley;

maternal grandfather, Ronald Crabb (Tina); paternal grandfather, Calvin Hawley (Nancy); paternal great-grandmother, Lena McAlexander; step grandparents, John and Sandy Dodd; step great-grandfather, Joseph Knabel; aunt, Rhonda Whitt; as well as numerous other great-aunts, uncles, cousins, and other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, Nov. 13, 2023, at 7 p.m. at Blue Ridge Church with Pastor Tim Hartin officiating. The family received friends on Sunday, Nov. 12, 2023, at Blue Ridge Church.

Harman, Robert Whaling

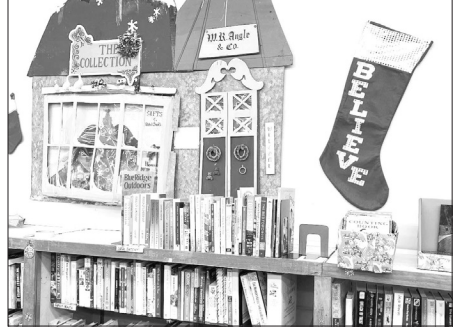
Robert "Bob" Whaling Harman, 65, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 9, 2023. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Whaling Sr. and Gertrude Mitchell Harman; and his daughter, Jessica Ann Harman. Survivors include his sisters and brothers-in-law, Nancy Sinderman (Paul), and Janet Lilly (Gary Sutphin); nephews and their spouses, Scotty Eversole (JJ), and Brian Eversole (Kelly); nieces and their



spouses, Jenny Roop (Joey), Wendy McGee, and Michelle Bales (Jason); great nieces and nephews, Caitlin, Cody, Michael, Scarlett, Terra,

Drew, Alayna, Shane, Grayson and Liam; and many other family members and lifetime friends. Bob will be greatly missed by all who knew him. A celebration of life visitation will be held 2 - 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023, at the Mullins Funeral Home in Radford. The Harman family is in the care of Mullins Funeral Home & Crematory in Radford.

Christmas from page 1



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Glean from page 1



COURTESY PHOTO
Volunteers across ages and affiliations gather together to help in the distribution of 42,000 pounds of potatoes and other vegetables to local food pantries.

article at www.nrvmastergardeners.com, locations at the Turfgrass Research Center, Virginia Tech's Urban Horticulture Center, and St. Mary's Catholic Church are some of the locations that have assisted in the increase of food provided to families in need. Additionally, small farms and area residents growing smaller gardens have given vegetables or space to the cause. The potato drop-off occurs twice a

year, each time bringing in a trailer full of potatoes. "Once in November, before Thanksgiving and Christmas, and then we do it again during the food desert time of the year, which is usually February," Galbraith said. According to Galbraith, the Society of St. Andrews contracts with the farmers in Maine to bring the shipment to the New River Valley. This provides an opportunity for the farmers to donate the extra harvest to distribution points like the one in Christiansburg, Virginia. Feeding America is another program that provides food for low-income families and those in need, but they must meet eligibility requirements to do so. The NRV Glean Team fills in the gaps of those community organizations that are lacking in support. Volunteers are always needed throughout the year and interested parties can find a variety of ways to help. Current volunteers come from a variety of backgrounds such as Virginia Tech University students, faith-based organizations, individual growers, or anyone that just wants to lend a hand. Contact information for John Galbraith and the NRV Glean Team can be found at their Facebook page or at <https://stmarysblacksburg.org/glean-team>.

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Legals - 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, November 27, 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

Legals - City of Salem

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 GKM Properties, LLC, property owner, for the issuance of a Special Exception Permit to allow a two family dwelling on the property located at 800-802 Maryland Avenue (Tax Map # 147 - 2 - 1).
2. Consider amending Chapter 66, Article 1, In General, Section 66-7, Nonconforming signs and 66-9, Removal of signs no longer advertising existing bona fide business, of the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA pertaining to signs.
3. Consider amending Chapter 106, Zoning, Article II District Regulations, Sections 106-208.2, 106-214.2, 106-216.2, and 106-218.2, pertaining to permitted uses; Section 106-216.3 pertaining to site development regulations; Article III Use & Design Standards, section 106-304.21 pertaining to short term rentals; section 106-316.3 pertaining to accessory uses, residential; Article IV Development Standards, section 106-404 pertaining to parking requirements; section 106-406 miscellaneous provisions pertaining to storage containers; and Article VI Definitions and use types, section 106-600 pertaining to definitions of the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA.

If approved, Salem City Council intends to adopt the ordinance(s) associated with the above item(s) on first reading, with a second reading of those ordinance(s) at a subsequent meeting. Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street,

Legals - City of Salem

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

Legals - Montgomery County

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, 20-104 Case No. CA23000019-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANBURG, VA 24073

Legals - Montgomery County

Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re*: The Adoption of a Minor Child Under Eighteen Years of Age, to be known as SERITA DANIELLE TICKLE By: MILDRED ANNE TICKLE, FRED LEE TICKLE, JR.

The object of this suit is to obtain an adoption of the minor child, Serita Danielle McLemore, by your petitioners, Mildred Anne Tickle and Fred Lee Tickle, Jr., husband and wife. An affidavit having been made and filed, pursuant to Virginia Code §8.01-316 (1950), as amended, showing that the biological father, Kenneth McLemore (aka Kenneth Lee Sturdivant), despite the exercise of due diligence on behalf of Petitioners, could not be personally served

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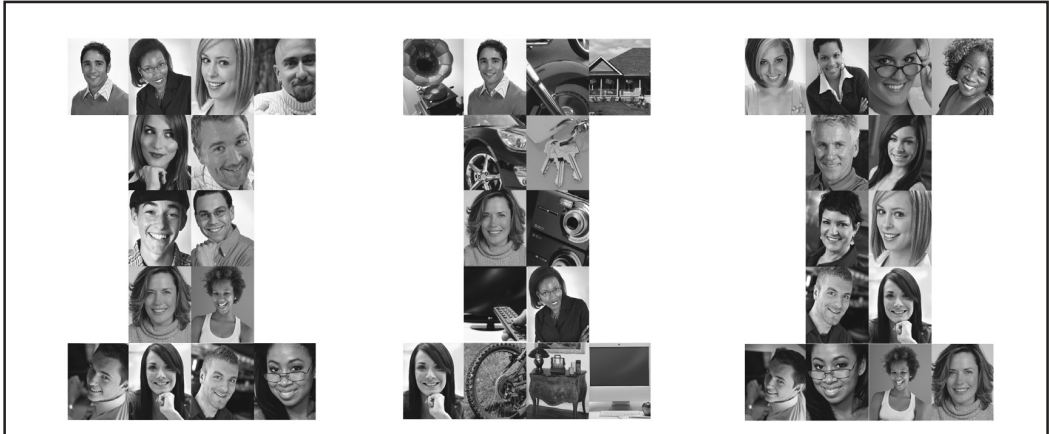
with legal process for this action and his last known address is unknown, though he is known to be residing in and around the Montgomery County, Virginia area. It is further ORDERED that this Order shall be published once a week for (4) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation, serving the Montgomery County, Virginia, the locality of father's last known whereabouts, and contemporaneously posted in a conspicuous location at the Montgomery County Courthouse. Enter this 1 day of November, 2023. Robert M.D. Turk, Judge I ask for this: R. Cord Hall, Esquire, VSB 77637 R. Cord Hall

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Attorney-At-Law, P.C. 106 S. Franklin Street, Suite B-2 Christiansburg, VA 24073 (540)318-0707 (540)381-0505 fax Counsel for Petitioners

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MONTGOMERY SPORTS

Christiansburg, Radford advance to second round of regional play

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Both Christiansburg and Radford will be playing this weekend in the postseason.

Christiansburg took down Abingdon 26-3 as QB Izaiah Cotto rushed for 115 yards with a touchdown while picking off three passes. Xavier Joplin rushed 17 times for 155 yards and three touchdowns.

Radford shutout James River 63-0 enroute to their 11th win with no loss as they move on the postseason. Landen Clark had three touchdowns through the air and another one on the ground. Clark finished with a nine-of-13 night for 114 yards. He also rushed for 68 yards.

Max Kanipe had two touchdown catches for Radford as he set a new school record, and another

score following an interception. J.D. Grubb added two rushing touchdowns on 10 carries and 45 yards.

Radford will now play a familiar name in Appomattox (6-5), who beat Chatham 49-6. Last year, it was Appomattox who knocked Radford out of the postseason with a 38-33 win.

Quarterback Gray Peterson has back-to-back 1,300 yards seasons.

Tre Kelso scored three touchdowns to stake Appomattox.

Appomattox has defeated the Bobcats in the playoffs in each of the last three seasons, but across the last eight campaigns, RHS is the only team to keep ACHS from reaching the state playoffs. Radford ended Appomattox's postseason run in the region championship in 2018.

Christiansburg will travel to top region team Magna Vista this weekend.

Magna Vista (11-0) defeated Staunton River 35-13 this past week. Running back JJ Spriggs had two touchdowns in the win and rushed 21 times for 159 yards. Sophomore QB Simeon Moore was nine of 12 for 101 yards with a touchdown.

This will be the first meeting between Christiansburg and Magna Vista.

Players of week: Xavier Joplin of Christiansburg, who had

And Max Kanipe of Radford, who broke Parke Prioleau's record for receiving yards in a full season including playoffs. Prioleau was at 1,011 yards. Kanipe is now at 1,015 yards despite sitting the final two regular season games with an injury.

Predictions for this weekend:
Christiansburg 28, Magna Vista 27
Radford 49, Appomattox 30.

Christiansburg advances to second round of regional play



Christiansburg's Josiah Ratley (bottom) and Matt Annis (top) trap an Abingdon ball carrier in a tackle during Friday's game.



Xavier Joplin (right) escapes the reach of an Abingdon defender and scores for the Blue Demons. Christiansburg downed the visitors and advance to next week's second round of the Class 3D playoffs



Christiansburg's KJ Jones sacks the Abingdon quarterback in the fourth quarter.



Christiansburg's Izaiah Cotto (right) snags one of his three interceptions in the game. Christiansburg will play in Ridgeway against top-ranked Magna Vista.

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Student-athletes sign letters of intent at BHS

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Three individuals from Blacksburg High School have signed national letters of intent to play at the next level.

Reese Bradbury, Kallan Malabad and Hayli Williams will continue their sports careers in college.

Bradbury, a senior cross country and track athlete, signed with High Point University. She has run competitively for five years, the last three at Blacksburg High School. Bradbury's all state performances led her team to a Class 4 state title in cross country and runner up finish in indoor track in the 2022-2023 school year.

During her time at Blacksburg, she has achieved seven individual All-State performances in addition to three All-State finishes, including one state championship. Reese has been around running her entire life and cannot wait to continue to run in college.

At High Point, she plans to study psychology to become a sports psychologist.

Malabad, a senior soccer player, signed a national letter of intent to continue her academic and athletic career at Saint Michael's College. Malabad has been on the varsity soccer team since ninth grade. She helped the Bruins win the region championship in 2021 and 2022 as well as the district championship in 2021, 2022, and 2023. She also helped the team get to the state semifinals her freshman year and the state quarterfinals her sophomore and junior year. She received all district honorable mention in 2022 and all district First team in 2023 and was also captain of her club soccer team, Virginia United FC, and was selected First team all ECNL RL Virginia in 2023.

Williams, who is headed to Longwood University, is a three-year

letter winner in Girls Lacrosse and plays attack and takes the draw. She was team captain and MVP in 2023 and led the Bruins in scoring with 100 career goals over two seasons, earning First Team All-Region



Hayli Williams



Reese Bradbury



Kallan Malabad

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Local sports notes: Blacksburg wins state, Outlaw facing more legal troubles

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The Blacksburg High School boys' cross country team has revenge'd an earlier regional loss to Charlottesville and claimed this weekend's Class 4 state crown. Blacksburg finished with 52 points to Charlottesville's 63. Jefferson Forest was third.

The Blacksburg girls took third place with Jamestown claiming the top spot with Loudoun Valley second.

The top runner for the Blacksburg boys was Henry Strahm in seventh place with teammate Ryan Bagchi eighth. Blacksburg's Reece Bradbury was the top place winner for the girls in sixth place.

In Class 1, Spencer Sisson was the top runner for Eastern Montgomery, finishing in sixth. Auburn's Kasey Rosenbaum was third on the girls' side of the course with teammate Allyson Funk ninth. Eastern

Montgomery's Alja McHone was tenth.

In the Class 3 event held at Glenhill Park in Salem, Christiansburg's Max Craig finished in twelfth place.

Outlaw legal woes
Former Virginia Tech basketball player Ty Outlaw is facing allegations of having a sexual relationship with a student at the North Carolina school where he is teaching.

According to police reports, the sexual misconduct is being investigated as between a teacher and a student. The Person County N.C. sheriff's office says the student's father reported the case to authorities.

An investigation found that the incident happened outside the school at a home in the county.

Warrants show that Tyrone Khalil

See **Outlaw**, page 10



Matt Hagan

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Local driver wins another world championship

Matt Hagan, of Riner, captured his fourth NHRA Funny Car world championship in wild fashion on the final day of the 2023 NHRA Camping World Drag Racing Series season, surviving a harrowing and upset-filled filled eliminations day at the In-N-Out Burger NHRA Finals.

Hagan, fellow three-time world

champ Robert Hight, and Bob Tasca III all came into Sunday with a chance to win the championship that would simply go to the driver who went the furthest in eliminations unless they both went out in the same round, in which case points leader Hagan and the Dodge Power

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Outlaw, 28, faces a felony charge of a sex act with a student. Outlaw was booked into the Person County Detention Center on a \$30,000 bond.

A representative for Person County Schools said Outlaw resigned from his position as social studies teacher and assistant basketball coach at Person County High School.

Outlaw played at Virginia Tech (2015-2019) and UNC Greensboro (2013-2014).

In 2019, Outlaw was cited of possession of marijuana after a search of his Blacksburg apartment. In the apartment, police say they found one white pill, two yellow capsules, an electronic vape cartridge and green plant material.

He played at Lee College, a JUCO program in Baytown, Texas before coming to Blacksburg.

Lloyd TD
Former Christiansburg High School linebacker Drew

Lloyd has been moved to tight end after his transfer from Emory & Henry to Randolph. Saturday, he scored his first collegiate touchdown.

Pro soccer contract
Midfielder Gabby Johnson joins an esteemed list of Virginia Tech women's soccer alumni competing at the professional level signing a professional contract with Tindastóll in Iceland.

"Signing a professional contract in Iceland for Tindastóll is one of the greatest things that has ever happened to me," said Gabby Johnson.

Johnson, a graduate transfer from Delaware, made 36 career appearances at Tech, recording three goals and two assists during the 2022 regular season. She was a part of two NCAA tournament berths (2021, 2022) and mid-season top-25 national rankings during the 2021 and 2022 campaigns.

Hokies falls to OSU

Virginia Tech looked to continue Southeast Open momentum, ready to open the dual season against No. 8 Ohio State in a packed Cassell Coliseum on Friday night. The No. 5 Hokies won four bouts on the night before the Buckeyes pulled away after being neck and neck the majority of the evening with the Buckeyes taking six bouts. Sam Latona, Caleb Henson, Bryce Andonian, and Mekhi Lewis picked up wins for the home team.

No. 4 Eddie Ventresca was first up for the Hokies facing unranked Brandon McCrone as the dual began in the 125-pounds weight class. In a surprising upset, Ventresca was only able to nail one takedown as McCrone dominated this match putting tOSU on the board first.

Sam Latona coming in at No. 4 got the Hokies on the board in the 133-pounds class, winning his bout 5-3 against No. 16 Nic Bouzakis.

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Brokers team would be the champs.

And that's exactly what happened in round two. First, two-time world champ Cruz Pedregon defeated Tasca to end his bid for a first world championship. One pair later, jaws dropped across In-N-Out Burger Pomona Dragstrip as Hagan fell to Blake Alexander, and suddenly the ball was in Hight's court with a win-it-all battle with Chad Green.

Incredibly, Hight's car lost traction at halftrack and Green stormed to victory, setting off a celebration in the shutdown area where Hagan was anxiously looking on.

"I thought I was far enough down that we had it made," said Hight. "Usually, we don't spin the tires that far down. Congratulations to Matt Hagan. Those guys, they've won the most races so far this year. They've been there all year. We've

kind of been here just at the end. Proud of my guys. We're not going to give up; we're going to keep digging. You always hope that you're here on Sunday. That oildown (by Blake Alexander), man that was the longest 15 minutes I ever spent in a race car with all the thoughts that go through your head about 'Can we get this done?' I'm still proud of my team."

Hagan's fourth championship makes him just the fourth Funny Car driver to win more than three championships, joining 16-time champ John Force and Kenny Bernstein and Don Prudhomme, who also both won four.

"It's just one of those things where you just hate to have to stand there and watch someone go out to win a championship; that's just not my style of racing," said Hagan. "That's not how I want to win, but it's really about the body of work that we did all year and coming in here and being ahead and points to be able to have that opportunity where if they went out the same round, we win the championship. So, I think you got to reflect back on your body of work that you get all season, and we won six races. I just can't say enough about Dickie Venerables and Mike Knudsen, and to get Tony Stewart his

first championship and second year out here in the NHRA, it's unbelievable, man.

"When you see Tasca go out, you're like, 'OK, now let's back it up and just go down the racetrack,' but the conditions out there tough and we didn't have lane choice and there's that bump in the right lane is really kind of tricky to get around. I just thought it was over because like those guys don't stumble man, they get Robert just doesn't stumble like that, you know? I was doing some praying up there man, really praying to my mom - I lost her this year - and it was one of those things where I said, 'You know, I don't know what you're doing up there, but from you and my brother. I said, I sure could use a little help down here.'

Hagan and crew chiefs Dickie Venerables and Mike Knudsen built their championship on six victories this season, beginning with three wins in four starts launched at the season-opening Gatornationals, then the Winternationals right here in Pomona, and then the Four-Wide Nationals in Las Vegas that gave him a big lead until late spring when three-time world champ Ron Capps briefly took the lead.

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Academy Sports + Outdoors celebrates grand opening



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Academy Sports + Outdoors, sporting goods and outdoor recreation retailer, celebrates the opening of its Christiansburg location with a ribbon-cutting ceremony held Thursday. The store is the company's third location in Virginia and is located in Christiansburg at 2711 Market Street NE.

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