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April



Some programs are co-sponsored with Christiansburg, Blacksburg, and Radford Parks and Recreation, Montgomery County RSVP, and Meadowbrook Library.

EVENTS and ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4 Spring Canvas Painting	5	6 Green Valley Book Fair	7 Easter Bingo	8
9	10	11 Grandparent and Me Day*	12 Rainbow Door Hanger	13 Draper Blooms Tea Garden	14	15
16	17 Spring Cupcake Decorating*	18 TRIAD Meeting: Cryptocurrency	19 Ashe County Wildflower Hike	20	21	22
23 ←	24	25	26 Senior Games	27	28	29 →
30		Shred-a-thon				

Registration begins April 11, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

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SPRING CANVAS PAINTING - \$17

Tu, Apr. 4, 1 pm, Mid County Activity Center

Instructor Bev provides clear instructions every step of the way in this beginner friendly class. The fee includes all supplies. The deadline to register is March 28.

GREEN VALLEY BOOK FAIR - \$15

Th, Apr. 6, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm, Mt. Crawford, VA

Located just south of Harrisonburg, Virginia, in the heart of the beautiful Shenandoah Valley, the Green Valley Book Fair is a discount book outlet store featuring over 500,000 new books at incredible bargain prices. Participants are responsible for their own lunch at the Hungry Farmer Cafe. The deadline to register is March 30. **We will leave the Montgomery County Government Center at 8:30 am and return around 5:30 pm.**

EASTER BINGO - \$8

F, Apr. 7, 11 am, Mid County Activity Center

The fee includes snacks and prizes. The deadline to register is March 31.

GRANDPARENT AND ME DAY - \$8

Tu, Apr. 11, 10 am, Christiansburg Recreation Center

Join us for fun activities on teacher work days to enjoy with the kids. This program is for children ages five to nine. Grandparents are required to stay with their grandchildren/children. The deadline to register is April 4.

RAINBOW DOOR HANGER - \$30

W, Apr. 12, 1 pm, Paint n' Fun, Uptown Christiansburg (formerly NRV Mall)

Meet at the store in the mall. The deadline to register is April 5.

DRAPER BLOOMS TEA GARDEN - \$25

Th, Apr. 13, 11 am - 4 pm, Draper, VA

Join us as we enjoy a savory selection of tea sandwiches served with a light fruit garnish, tea, and scones. Fee includes the Sandwich Tea ticket and trip. The deadline to register is April 5. **We will leave the Montgomery County Government Center at 11 am and return around 4 pm.**

SPRING CUPCAKE DECORATING - \$10

M, Apr. 17, 11 am, Christiansburg Recreation Center

The deadline to register is April 10.

TRIAD MEETING: CRYPTOCURRENCY - FREE

Tu, Apr. 18, 1:30 p.m., Christiansburg Recreation Center

TRIAD S.A.L.T. meetings are open to all senior citizens to attend. For additional information, contact Tammy Caldwell at (540) 382-2349, Ext. 2003 or tcaldwell@christiansburg.org.

ASHE COUNTY WILDFLOWER HIKE - \$15

W, Apr. 19, 8 am - 5 pm, Ashe County, NC

Get out and shake off the winter blues while we look for the first wildflowers popping up for the year along the South Fork of the New River. Lunch is on your own in downtown West Jefferson. After lunch take in the views from Mount Jefferson State Park. The deadline to register is April 13. **We will leave the Montgomery County Government Center at 8 am and return around 5 pm.**

NRV SENIOR GAMES

Su-F, Apr. 23-28, Multiple Locations

The 2023 NRV Senior Games are organized by Montgomery County Parks and Recreation. Games are open to NRV residents 50 years of age and older. **For more information, contact Montgomery County Parks and Recreation at (540) 382-6975 or email mcpr@montgomerycountyva.gov**

SHRED-A-THON - FREE

Tu, Apr. 25, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m., Christiansburg Recreation Center

Bring your documents in a box or plastic tote (no larger than 22.5x18x11.5") and respect the limit of three totes/boxes per vehicle. Items that cannot be shredded include: metal, three-ring binders, composition notebooks, hanging file folders, paint brushes, padlocks, hardback books, keys, eyeglasses, bungee cords, etc. Please note that this is a drive-thru event; do not get out of your car and approach the collection site. Stay in the line of vehicles for an event coordinator to approach you. No walk ups are allowed. **For more information, contact Tammy Caldwell at (540) 382-2349 ext. 2003 or tcaldwell@christiansburg.org.**

May

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EVENTS and ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Milmont Greenhouse	3 QPR: Mental Health Emergency Training	4 Morel Mushroom Hunt	5	6
7	8	9 Ceramic Boot Planter	10	11 Barter Theatre: Keep on the Sunny Side	12	13
14	15	16 TRIAD Spring Picnic & Bingo	17 Carvins Cove Sit-on-Top Kayaking	18 Step-by-Step Painting: Spring Forest	19	20
21	22	23 Paint n' Fun: Pick n' Paint	24 Virginia Creeper Trail Hike	25	26 Great Escapes*	27
28	29	30	31			

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MILMONT GREENHOUSE - \$15

Tu, May 2, 9 am - 5 pm, Stuarts Draft, VA

Select a variety of premium vegetable, flowering, and perennial plants at Milmont Greenhouse followed by a few other stores. Lunch is on your own at the Edelweiss German Restaurant. The deadline to register is April 25. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 5 pm.**

QPR: MENTAL HEALTH EMERGENCY TRAINING -FREE

W, May 3, 12 pm, Montgomery County Government Center

Question. Persuade. Refer: Just like CPR, QPR is an emergency response to someone in crisis and can save lives. The QPR mission is to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by providing innovative, practical, and proven suicide prevention training. The signs of crisis are all around us. We believe that quality education empowers all people, regardless of their background, to make a positive difference in the life of someone they know. Join us in a relaxed setting to learn about myths and facts surrounding suicide, how to recognize signs and symptoms of a mental health crisis, and how to respond and support someone experiencing suicidal thoughts. **Participants are asked to bring their favorite dish to share for lunch. This program is offered by New River Valley Community Services. The deadline to register is April 26.**

MOREL MUSHROOM HUNT - \$10

Th, May 4, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Location TBD

Morels are widespread, easy to identify, and delicious. They come up in the spring and are easy to identify, giving people a reason to get out and enjoy warm weather after a long winter. Lunch is on your own in downtown Floyd, VA. The deadline to apply is April 27. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 a.m. and return around 2 p.m.**



CERAMIC BOOT PLANTER - \$5

Tu, May 9, 11 am, Montgomery County Government Center

It's a DIY ceramic craft project that is fun to create and even more fun to use as decoration! When you're finished, fill these boots with soil and seeds to grow your own plant. The deadline to register is May 2.



KEEP ON THE SUNNY SIDE - \$58

Th, May 11, 10 am - 6:30 pm, Barter Theatre, Abingdon, VA

Come celebrate the original musical tale of America's First Family of Country Music. When A.P. Carter convinces his wife Sara and his sister-in-law Maybelle to record with him at the Bristol Sessions, he has no idea he is about to change his life, and the world, forever. You'll tap your toes to Carter Family favorites like Bury Me Under the Weeping Willow, Keep On the Sunnyside, Wildwood Flower, and Will the Circle Be Unbroken. Participants are responsible for their own lunch in downtown Abingdon. The deadline to register is April 19. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 10 am and return around 6:30 pm.**

TRIAD SPRING PICNIC & BINGO - \$8

Tu, May 16, 11 am, Mid County Park Picnic Shelter

Join us for lunch and bingo. Meet local law enforcement and council members. The deadline to register is May 9.

May continued



CARVINS COVE SIT-ON-TOP KAYAKING - \$30

W, May 17, 9 am - 4 pm, Roanoke, VA

We provide full instruction on how to navigate your own sit-on-top kayak in a safe environment on calm, clear water. The benefit of a Sit-on-Top kayak is the ease of maneuvering downstream combined with its stability and forgiving nature. We provide all gear, equipment, shuttle, and professional instruction. Lunch is provided lakeside. The deadline to register is May 10. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 4 pm.**

STEP-BY-STEP PAINTING: SPRING FOREST - \$20

Th, May 18, 6 pm - 8 pm,
Montgomery County Government
Center

Join us for an evening of fun and learning as instructor Caroline leads us step by step in painting a spring forest. The fee includes all supplies. The deadline to register is May 11.



PAINT N' FUN: PICK N' PAINT - PAY AT THE STORE

Tu, May 23, 1 pm, Paint n' Fun, Uptown Christiansburg (formerly NRV Mall)

Participants will pick out which piece they want and pay at the store for what they choose. Pre-registration is required so that we have a head count. Participants will meet at the store in the mall. The deadline to register is May 16.

VIRGINIA CREEPER TRAIL HIKE - \$15

W, May 24, 8 am - 5 pm, Damascus, VA

Join us on a hike along the Virginia Creeper Trail while we look for blooming rhododendron. Lunch is on your own at the Damascus Diner. The deadline to register is May 17. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 4 pm.**

GREAT ESCAPES - FREE

F, May 26, 11 am, Christiansburg
Recreation Center

Travel with us virtually to a different location each month. Lunch is provided. The deadline to register is May 19.



June

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EVENTS and ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Barter Theatre: Skeleton Crew	2 Paint n' Fun: Spring Lanterns	3
4	5	6 Appalachian Music: Ricky Cox	7 New River Raft Float	8 Step-by-Step Painting: Rooster	9	10
11	12	13 Step-by-Step Painting: Butterfly	14 Holiday Tree Ornament Series*	15 Wohlfahrt Haus: Back to the 50s	16	17 Drift and Dine on the New
18	19	20 TRIAD Meeting: Senior Safety Checks	21	22 Salem Red Sox	23 Wooden Summer Sign	24
25	26	27 Barter Theatre: Footloose	28	29	30 Cruising on the Pontoon	

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SKELETON CREW - \$58

Th, Jun 1, 10 am - 6:30 pm, Barter Theatre, Abingdon, VA

What do you do when the industry that has supported you, your family, and your entire region threatens to close up and go away? Skeleton Crew is set in 2008 Detroit, where a small automotive factory is on the brink of foreclosure and the livelihoods of a tight-knit family of workers hangs in the balance. This powerful play explores how loyalties and survival collide when a world changes. This play contains adult language. Participants are responsible for their own lunch in downtown Abingdon. The deadline to register is May 1. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 10 am and return around 6:30 pm.**

PAINT N' FUN: SPRING LANTERNS - \$35

F, Jun 2, 1 pm, Paint n' Fun, Uptown Christiansburg (formerly NRV Mall) Create your own fairy house! The deadline to register May 26.

APPALACHIAN MUSIC: RICKY COX - \$10

Tu, Jun. 6, 11 am, Montgomery County Government Center

Enjoy an entertaining afternoon with Ricky Cox as he discusses and performs folk ballads and lyrical folk songs from the Appalachian Region. Ricky Cox grew up and now lives in Floyd County, Virginia. He worked in the machine tool industry in Montgomery County, VA, before earning a Master of Arts in English at Radford University, and afterward taught courses in English and Appalachian Studies at Radford University for over thirty years. He coedited *A Handbook to Appalachia: An Introduction to the Region* (2006), and, with the late Franklin F. Webb, coauthored *The Water Powered Mills of Floyd County, Virginia: Illustrated Histories 1770-2010* (2012). **Participants are asked to bring their favorite dish to share for a potluck style lunch.** The deadline to register is May 30.

NEW RIVER RAFT FLOAT - \$35

W, Jun. 7, 9 am - 5 pm, New River

Enjoy a relaxing float with exciting class II+ rapids. All equipment is provided and we will provide riverside snacks for a delicious picnic! The deadline to register is May 31. **We depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 5 pm.**

STEP-BY-STEP PAINTING: ROOSTER - \$20

Th, Jun 8, 6 - 8 pm, Montgomery County Government Center

Instructor Caroline leads us step by step to paint a colorful rooster. The fee includes all supplies. The deadline to register is June 1.



STEP-BY-STEP PAINTING: BUTTERFLY - \$17

Tu, Jun 13, 1 pm, Montgomery County Government Center

Instructor Bev leads us step by step to paint a butterfly landing on a flower. The fee includes all supplies. The deadline to register is June 6.



HOLIDAY TREE ORNAMENT SERIES - \$15

W, Jun 14, 1:30 pm, Christiansburg Recreation Center

Join us for our first month of a new series! Make an ornament for a new holiday or season each month. The deadline to register is June 7.

BACK TO THE 50s - \$73

Th, Jun. 15, 11 am - 6:30 pm, Wohlfahrt Haus, Wytheville, VA

Follow a group of friends as they go back in time to their high school days relived through song and dance! Featuring favorites of the time such as "A Teenager in Love," "Come Go With Me," "Blue Suede Shoes," and more. The fee includes the trip, ticket, and meal. Gratuity is not included. The deadline to register is May 12. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 11 am and return around 6:30 pm.**

June continued



DRIFT AND DINE ON THE NEW - \$25

Sa, Jun. 17, 1 - 8 pm, New River

Enjoy a relaxing raft float with class I and II rapids. Afterwards we will dine at The Palisades, a local hotspot for evening entertainment and contemporary cuisine in a countryside setting. Participants are responsible for their meal cost. The deadline to register is June 9. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 1 pm and return around 8 pm.**

TRIAD MEETING: SENIOR SAFETY CHECKS - FREE

Tu, Jun. 20, 1:30 p.m., Christiansburg Recreation Center

For additional information, contact Tammy Caldwell at (540) 382-2349, Ext. 2003 or tcaldwell@christiansburg.org.

SALEM RED SOX GAME - \$20

Th, Jun. 22, 5:15 - 11 pm, Salem, VA

Take me out to the ball game, take me out with the crowd! Let's go out to the ballpark as the Salem Red Sox take on the Wood Ducks. Participants are responsible for their own dinner at the ballpark. The deadline to register is June 15. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 5:15 pm and return around 11 pm.**

WOODEN SUMMER SIGN - \$10

F, Jun. 23, 11 am, Montgomery County Government Center

Paint or embellish this sign to create a unique piece that is fun to display or gift as a homemade present. The deadline to register is June 16.

FOOTLOOSE - \$58

Tu, Jun. 27, 10 am - 6:30 pm, Barter Theatre, Abingdon, VA

Join us for the high-energy musical based on the 80's movie. When Ren and his mother leave Chicago and move to the rural community of Bomont, Ren finds himself at odds with most everyone, including the powerful Reverend Moore. As a result of a recent tragedy, Moore has convinced the town fathers to outlaw dancing. With the help of Ariel (Moore's daughter) and Willard (his new friend), Ren convinces the Reverend to let teenagers dance again, and in the process, helps to heal the whole town. Participants are responsible for their own lunch in downtown Abingdon. The deadline to register is May 26. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 10 am and return around 6:30 pm.**



CRUISING ON THE PONTOON - \$55

F, Jun. 30, 9 am - 5 pm, Claytor Lake

Travel in style on an 18-foot party pontoon with reclining chairs. We'll provide hot dogs on the grill and drinks. Participants are requested to bring a side to share. The deadline to register is June 23.



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2	3 4 th of July Bingo	4	5	6 Mental Health First Aid	7	8
9	10	11 Barter Theatre: Sense and Sensibility	12 Holiday Tree Ornament Series*	13 New River Raft Float	14	15
16	17 Senior Citizen Police Academy*	18	13 Rural Retreat Lake Sit-On-Top Kayaking	20 Wohlfahrt Haus: Sanders Family Christmas	21	22
23	24	25 Chanterelle Mushroom Hunt	26 Paint n' Fun: Pick n' Paint	27 Mill Mountain Theatre: Matilda	28 National Ice Cream Month*	29
30	31					

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4TH OF JULY BINGO - \$8

M, Jul. 3, 1 pm, Montgomery County Government Center

Join us for a fun afternoon of treats, games, and friends. The deadline to register is June 26.



MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID - \$7

Th, Jul. 6, 9 am - 5 pm, Montgomery County Government Center

Improve quality of life and learn how to assist and support older adults who may be experiencing a mental health or substance use challenge by getting certified in an evidence-based, early intervention training program. Older adults have high rates of late-onset mental health challenges, like anxiety and depression, and low rates of identification and treatment. Whether you need to assist today or years from now, this certification gives you the confidence you need to have the conversations that will allow older adults to live as comfortably and independently as possible. The fee includes lunch. **This program is offered by New River Valley Community Services.** The deadline to register is June 22.

SENSE AND SENSIBILITY - \$58

Tu, Jul. 11, 10 am - 6:30 pm, Barter Theatre, Abingdon, VA

Playwright Kate Hamill gives us a fresh, comic take on this beloved novel. This wildly theatrical adaptation follows two radically different sisters—sensible Elinor and emotional Marianne—in the wake of their father's death, as they face wave after wave of dance partners, dinner parties and great loves amid an English society mad for gossip. Participants are responsible for their own lunch in downtown Abingdon. The deadline to register is June 12. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 10 am and return around 6:30 pm.**

HOLIDAY TREE ORNAMENT SERIES - \$5

W, Jul. 12, 11 am, Christiansburg Recreation Center

Join us for our second month of a new series! We will continue our journey of making an ornament for a new holiday or season each month. The deadline to register is July 5.



NEW RIVER RAFT FLOAT - \$35

W, Jul. 13, 9 am - 5 pm, New River

Enjoy a relaxing float with exciting class II+ rapids. All equipment is provided and we will provide riverside snacks for a delicious picnic! The deadline to register is July 6. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return at 5 pm.**

SENIOR CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY - FREE

M - F, Jul. 17 - 21, 9 am - 3 pm

Applications are available at the Christiansburg Recreation Center or by contacting the Christiansburg Police Department. All applications are subject for review and approval. This program is organized by The Christiansburg Police Department, Christiansburg Parks and Recreation Department, and Christiansburg/Montgomery Triad S.A.L.T Council, and is open to any citizen age 50 and up. For more information, contact Tammy Caldwell at (540) 382-2349 Ext. 2003 or email tcaldwell@christiansburg.org. The deadline to register is July 5.

July continued

RURAL RETREAT LAKE SIT-ON-TOP KAYAKING - \$10

W, Jul. 19, 8:30 am - 3 pm, Rural Retreat, VA

We provide full instruction on how to navigate your own sit-on-top kayak in a safe environment on calm, clear water. The benefit of a Sit-on-Top kayak is the ease of maneuvering downstream combined with its stability and forgiving nature. We provide all gear, equipment, shuttle, and professional instructions. Come experience Rural Retreat Lake on a kayak. After we get off the water, lunch is on your own at the famous Dutch Pantry. The deadline to register is July 12. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 8:30 am and return around 4 pm.**

SANDERS FAMILY CHRISTMAS - \$73

Th, Jul. 20, 11 am - 6:30 pm, Wohlfahrt Haus, Wytheville, VA

It's December 24, 1941, and America is going to war. So is Dennis Sanders, of the Sanders Family Singers. Join Pastor Mervin Oglethorpe and the rest of the Sanders family as they send Dennis off with hilarious and touching stories and twenty-five Southern Gospel Christmas favorites. The fee includes the trip, ticket, and meal. Gratuity is not included. The deadline to register is June 20. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 11 am and return around 6:30 pm.**

CHANTERELLE MUSHROOM HUNT - \$7

Tu, Jul. 25, 9 am - 2 pm, Location TBD

"Golden chanterelles" are sought after by chefs and foodies due to their delicate flavor, which some describe as mildly peppery. Due to their color, they are easy to find in the summer forest. Lunch is on your own. The deadline to register is July 19. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 2 pm.**



PAINT N' FUN: PICK N' PAINT - PAY AT THE STORE

W, Jul. 26, 1 pm, Paint n' Fun, Uptown Christiansburg (formerly NRV Mall) Join us for a great afternoon of painting! Participants will pick out which piece they want and pay at the store for what they choose. Pre-registration is required so that we have a head count. Participants will meet at the store in the mall. The deadline to register is July 19.

MATILDA - \$41

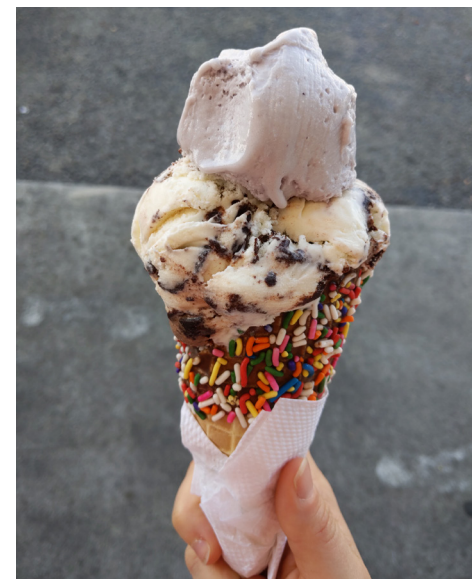
Th, Jul. 27, 10 am - 5 pm, Mill Mountain Theatre, Roanoke, VA

Matilda is a little girl with astonishing wit, intelligence and psychokinetic powers. She's unloved by her cruel parents but impresses her schoolteacher, the highly loveable Miss Honey. Over the course of her first term at school, Matilda and Miss Honey have a profound effect on each other's lives, as Miss Honey begins not only to recognize but also appreciate Matilda's extraordinary personality. Matilda's school life isn't completely smooth sailing, however – the school's mean headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, hates children and just loves thinking up new punishments for those who don't abide by her rules. But Matilda has courage and cleverness in equal amounts, and could be the school pupils' saving grace! Participants are responsible for their own lunch in downtown Roanoke. The deadline to register is June 27. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 10 am and return around 5 pm.**

NATIONAL ICE CREAM MONTH - \$8

F, Jul. 28, 11 am, Christiansburg Recreation Center

July is National Ice Cream month and July 19th is National Hot Dog Day. Join us as we celebrate both of those with hot dogs, fixin's, ice cream and toppings. We will also create a fun summer craft. The deadline to register is July 21.



August

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EVENTS and ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Appalachian Oral Folklore: Ricky Cox	2	3 Step-by-Step Painting: Sunset Swing	4	5
6	7	8	9 Holiday Tree Ornament Series*	10	11 Barter Theatre: Country Girls	12
13	14	15 TRIAD Meeting	16 Surprise Movie & Craft	17	18 Philpott Lake Sit-On-Top Kayaking	19
20	21	22 Paint n' Fun: Mushroom Lanterns	23	24 Wohlfahrt Haus: Million Dollar Quartet	25 Great Escapes*	26
27	28	29 Step-by-Step Painting: Owl	30	31		

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APPALACHIAN ORAL FOLKLORE: RICKY COX - \$10

Tu, Aug. 1, 11 am, Montgomery County Government Center

Enjoy an entertaining afternoon with Ricky Cox as he discusses Appalachian oral folklore which is the most widely collected and studied of the three major types of folklore: oral, customary, and material. In addition to familiar narrative genres like myths, legends, and folktales, oral folklore encompasses dialect, folk names, proverbs, riddles, jokes, and songs. This presentation will include examples of all the above and conclude with a few ballads and lyrical folk songs from the Appalachian Region. Ricky Cox grew up and now lives in Floyd County, VA. He worked in the machine tool industry in Montgomery County, VA, before earning a Master of Arts in English at Radford University, and afterward taught courses in English and Appalachian Studies at Radford University for over thirty years. He coedited *A Handbook to Appalachia: An Introduction to the Region* (2006), and, with the late Franklin F. Webb, coauthored *The Water Powered Mills of Floyd County, Virginia: Illustrated Histories 1770-2010* (2012). **Participants are asked to bring their favorite dish to share for a potluck style lunch.** The deadline to register is July 25.

STEP-BY-STEP PAINTING: SUNSET SWING - \$20

Th, Aug. 3, 6 - 8 pm, Montgomery County Government Center

Instructor Caroline leads us step by step to paint a girl on a swing with a beautiful sunset background. The fee includes all supplies. The deadline to register is July 27.



HOLIDAY TREE ORNAMENT SERIES - \$5

W, Aug. 9, 11 am, Christiansburg Recreation Center

Join us for our third month of a new series! We will continue our journey of making an ornament for a new holiday or season each month. The deadline to register is August 2.

COUNTRY GIRLS - \$58

F, Aug. 11, 4 pm - 11:30 pm, Barter Theatre, Abingdon, VA

Megan hates country music singer Rick Montgomery, and she and her best friend Kimmy have decided tonight's concert will be his last. The two teens hatch an ill-conceived plot to kidnap the country music star in this laugh-out-loud, offbeat comedy. Songs will be sung, shots will be fired, and the girls will discover that revenge ain't all it's cracked up to be. This play contains adult language. Participants are responsible for their own dinner in downtown Abingdon. The registration deadline is July 11. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 4 pm and return around 11:30 pm.**

TRIAD MEETING - FREE

Tu, Aug. 15, 10 a.m., Christiansburg Recreation Center

TRIAD S.A.L.T. meetings are open to all senior citizens to attend. For additional information, contact Tammy Caldwell at (540) 382-2349, Ext. 2003 or tcaldwell@christiansburg.org.

SURPRISE MOVIE & CRAFT - FREE

W, Aug. 16, 1 p.m., Montgomery County Government Center

The deadline to register is August 9.

PHILPOTT LAKE SIT-ON-TOP KAYAKING - \$30

F, Aug. 18, 9 am - 4 pm, Stuart, VA

We provide full instruction on how to navigate your own sit-on-top kayak in a safe environment on calm, clear water. The benefit of a Sit-on-Top kayak is the ease of maneuvering downstream combined with its stability and forgiving nature. We provide all gear, equipment, shuttle, and professional instruction. Lunch is provided lakeside. The deadline to register is August 11. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 4 pm.**

PAINT N' FUN: MUSHROOM LANTERNS - \$35

Tu, Aug 22, 1 pm, Paint n' Fun, Uptown Christiansburg (formerly NRV Mall)

Create your own mushroom lantern! The deadline to register August 15.



August continued

MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET - \$80

Th, Aug. 24, 11 am - 6:30 pm, Wohlfahrt Haus, Wytheville, VA

The Tony® Award-nominated musical is set on December 4, 1956, when an extraordinary twist of fate brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley together at Sun Records in Memphis for what would be one of the greatest jam sessions ever. MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET brings that legendary December night to life with an irresistible tale of broken promises, secrets, betrayal, and celebrations that is both poignant and funny. The fee includes the trip, ticket, and meal. Gratuity is not included. The deadline to register is July 24.

We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 11 am and return around 6:30 pm.

GREAT ESCAPES - FREE

F, Aug. 25, 11 am, Christiansburg Recreation Center

Travel with us virtually to a different location each month. Lunch is provided. The deadline to register is August 18.

STEP-BY-STEP PAINTING: OWL - \$17

**Tu, Aug. 29, 1 pm, Montgomery
County Government Center**

Instructor Bev leads us step by step to paint an owl sitting on a tree. The fee includes all supplies. The deadline to register is August 22.



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EVENTS and ACTIVITIES

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					1 Cruising on the Pontoon	2
3	4	5 Barter Theatre: To Kill a Mockingbird	6	7 Surprise Movie & Craft Patriot Day	8 Patriot Day	9
10	11	12	13 Holiday Tree Ornament Series*	14	15 Paint n' Fun: Pick n' Paint	16 Drift and Dine on the New
17	18	19 Senior Care Fair	20	21 National D-Day Memorial Trip	22	23
24	25	26 Claytor Lake Senior Sit-On-Top Kayaking	27	28 Mill Mountain Theatre: Bright Star	29 Great Escapes*	30

Registration begins April 11, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

*Registration for activities marked with an asterisk is done through Christiansburg Parks and Recreation.

CRUISING ON THE PONTOON - \$55

F, Sept. 1, 9 am - 5 pm, Claytor Lake

Travel in style on an 18-foot party pontoon with reclining chairs, a diving board, and a water slide. We'll provide hot dogs on the grill and drinks. Participants are requested to bring a side to share. The deadline to register is August 25. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 5 pm.**

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD - \$58

Tu, Sept. 5, 10 am - 6:30 pm, Barter Theatre, Abingdon, VA

Young Scout and her brother Jem live in the sleepy town of Maycomb, Alabama with their widowed father, the lawyer Atticus Finch. Life is wonderful – until the facade of the seemingly peaceful town begins to crack when a young Black man is accused of a terrible crime. Driven by an unshakable moral conviction, Atticus defends the man in a trial that sends waves of violence through the community. This hard-hitting work explores prejudice, compassion and the courage to do what is right. Participants are responsible for their own lunch in downtown Abingdon. The deadline to register is Aug 4. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 10 am and return around 6:30 pm.**

SURPRISE MOVIE & CRAFT - FREE

Th, Sept. 7, 1 pm, Montgomery County Government Center

Join us for an afternoon with a fun craft and a movie to enjoy. The deadline to register is August 31.

PATRIOT DAY - FREE

Th & F, Sept. 7 & 8, Time and Location TBD

For more information, contact Mandy Hayes at (540) 382-5775 or hayesaw@montgomerycountyva.gov.

HOLIDAY TREE ORNAMENT SERIES - \$5

W, Sept. 13, 11 am, Christiansburg Recreation Center

Join us for our fourth month of a new series! We will continue our journey of making an ornament for a new holiday or season each month. The deadline to register is September 6.

PAINT N' FUN: PICK N' PAINT - PAY AT THE STORE

F, Sept. 15, 1 pm, Paint n' Fun, Uptown Christiansburg (formerly NRV Mall)

Join us for a great afternoon of painting! Participants will

pick out which piece they want and pay at the store for what they choose. Pre-registration is required so that we have a head count. Participants will meet at the store in the mall. The deadline to register is September 8.

DRIFT AND DINE ON THE NEW - \$25

Sa, Sept. 16, 1 - 8 pm, New River

Enjoy a relaxing raft float with class I and II rapids. Afterwards we will dine at The Palisades, a local hotspot for evening entertainment and contemporary cuisine in a countryside setting. Participants are responsible for their meal cost. The deadline to register is September 8. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 1 pm and return around 8 pm.**



NATIONAL D-DAY MEMORIAL - \$27

Th, Sept. 21, 9 am - 5 pm, Bedford, VA

The grounds for the monument take visitors on an archival journey through World War II and the politics and perils that embody the time period. Paying tribute to the men and women who served their country in one of its most dire battles, the D-Day National Memorial creates a solemn atmosphere for veterans and visitors alike to gain insight and learn more about the events that shaped our nation's and our world's history. The fee includes the trip, ticket, and guided tour by golf cart. Participants are responsible for their own lunch after the tour. The deadline to register is September 6. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 5 pm.**

SENIOR CARE FAIR - FREE

Tu, Sept. 19, 8:30 am - 12 pm, Christiansburg Recreation Center

For more information, contact Tammy Caldwell at (540) 382-2349, Ext. 2003 or tcaldwell@christiansburg.org.

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CLAYTOR LAKE SIT-ON-TOP KAYAKING - \$30

Tu, Sept. 26, 9 am - 4 pm, Claytor Lake, VA

We provide full instruction on how to navigate your own sit-on-top kayak in a safe environment on calm, clear water. The benefit of a Sit-on-Top kayak is the ease of maneuvering downstream combined with its stability and forgiving nature. We provide all gear, equipment, shuttle, and professional instruction. Lunch is provided lakeside. The deadline to register is September 19. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 9 am and return around 4 pm.**

BRIGHT STAR - \$63

Th, Sept. 28, 4 - 11 pm, Mill Mountain Theatre, Roanoke, VA

Inspired by a true story, BRIGHT STAR tells a sweeping tale of love and redemption set against the rich backdrop of the American South in the 1920s and '40s. When literary editor Alice Murphy meets a young soldier just home from World War II, he awakens her longing for the child she once lost. Haunted by their unique connection, Alice sets out on a

journey to understand her past—and what she finds has the power to transform both of their lives. With beautiful melodies and powerfully moving characters, the story unfolds as a rich tapestry of deep emotion. An uplifting theatrical journey that holds you tightly in its grasp, BRIGHT STAR is as refreshingly genuine as it is daringly hopeful. Participants are responsible for their own dinner in downtown Roanoke. The deadline to register is August 28. **We will depart from the Montgomery County Government Center at 4 pm and return around 11 pm.**

GREAT ESCAPES - FREE

F, Sept. 29, 11 am,

Christiansburg Recreation Center

Travel with us virtually to a different location each month. Lunch is provided. The deadline to register is September 22.

