

Two appointed, two reappointed to Virginia Tech Board of Visitors

Two new members will join the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors July 1 having recently been appointed by Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam.

The new board members are **Edward H. “Ed” Baine** of Chesterfield, Virginia, senior vice president for distribution for Dominion Energy’s Power Delivery Group, and **Preston M. White** of Virginia Beach, Virginia, chief executive officer of Century Concrete.

Northam also reappointed **Mehul Sanghani** of Vienna, Virginia, founder and chief executive officer of Octo Consulting Group, and **Horacio Valeiras** of La Jolla, California, chief executive officer of Frontier Global Partners, LLC.

“I am pleased to welcome Ed and Preston to the board, and delighted Mehul and Horacio will continue to serve with us for another four years,” said Virginia Tech President Tim Sands. “Each of these distinguished leaders has demonstrated his commitment to serve, not only through their professional careers but also through their commitment to their community. Virginia Tech is fortunate to have these individuals working on our behalf to make our university stronger and more engaged in the commonwealth and beyond.”

Baine, Sanghani, Valeiras, and White all are graduates of Virginia Tech and all are members of the university’s *Ut Prosim* Society. Their terms on the board will run from July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2022.

Virginia Tech holds its first summertime reunion weekend

Virginia Tech alumni from across the country came to campus to start a new tradition, gathering for the university’s first four-day, summer reunion weekend.

Reunion 2018, held June 7-10, included a welcome reception from President Tim Sands and Laura P. Sands, educational seminars and tours, dinners on the Drillfield, class happy hours, fireworks, and more.

Holding one large reunion weekend in June is a new approach for Alumni Relations. In the past,

individual classes have held reunions to celebrate their milestone anniversaries on various weekends throughout the fall.

Next year’s reunion is already being planned and is set for June 6-9, 2019. Reunion 2019 will celebrate milestone class anniversaries from 1974 to 2014, but all Hokies are welcome. For more information, visit alumni.vt.edu/reunion2019.

Faculty-Staff Planning Calendar discontinued effective 2018-19 academic year

In order to streamline and consolidate information sources for the university, the Faculty-Staff Planning Calendar will no longer be published, effective with the 2018-19 academic year.

We are notifying employees and contributing departments and divisions now in advance of the academic year starting.

The following resources are available where employees can find key university dates and events:

Search the university event calendar (www.calendar.vt.edu) using keywords (exs. pay day, holiday, football) to find specific dates.

- Users can download a specific event or calendar in order to add those events to their personal calendar.
- Users may also subscribe to specific calendars such as the administrative, academic, athletics, or holiday and events calendars to receive updates when new events are entered on that calendar. There are 20 separate calendars that users can download from the university event calendar.

Visit the Virginia Tech calendars (www.vtnews.vt.edu/calendars) for one-stop access to the university event calendar, academic calendar, Hokie sports calendar, holiday and winter closing schedule, and payroll calendar.

For questions about this change or help adding an event to the university event calendar, please contact VT News at vtnews@vt.edu.

Volunteers needed for Campus Kitchen

Looking for a way to get engaged with our community this summer? Join VT Engage by serving with the Campus Kitchen at Virginia Tech! This program combats food waste and hunger by redistributing surplus food from dining halls to area food agencies. Since its launch in fall 2015, more than 500 volunteers have diverted 71,258 of food waste from Dining Services.

Leaders still needed for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Mary case at mcase9@vt.edu.

Summer Arts Festival 2018 underway now

The 2018 Summer Arts Festival, presented in partnership between the School of Performing Arts at Virginia Tech and the Town of Blacksburg, is under way now and offers a summer-long season of activities and entertainment. This is the 27th year of the festival. All events are free and family friendly.

The festival will feature Friday night outdoor concerts, a matinee series at the Lyric Theatre, live theatre events, an art exhibit, and other special events. Visit vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2018/05/sopa-summerarts-festival2018 for more information, including Friday night outdoor concerts.

Hokie Wellness updates

Check out these upcoming events and opportunities from Hokie Wellness:

Hokie Wellness will offer a **vaccination clinic** on **Tuesday, July 17, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. in NEC Room 2410**. Employees can receive the new Shingles (part 1 or part 2), the TDAP (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis), and pneumonia vaccinations. The new shingles vaccination, Shingrix, is available without a prescription for anyone age 50 and over who has never had shingles before. The pharmacist will discuss health history, including any immune system problems, to determine eligibility. Those employees who have received part 1 of the vaccine are encouraged to attend in order to receive part 2.

Registration is required. Contact Hokie Wellness at hokiewellness@vt.edu or 540-231-8878.

Do not let student debt prevent the purchase of a home. Hokie Wellness will offer the financial wellness session, "Purchasing a Home when You have Student Debt," on **Wednesday, June 27, from 12-1:30 p.m. in NEC Room 2410**.

Registration is required. Contact Hokie Wellness at hokiewellness@vt.edu or 540-231-8878.

Researchers in the Department of Psychology are recruiting Virginia Tech staff employees for a study about daily activity levels. Participation will consist of the completion of an online opt-in survey, attendance of a 15 minute study training session, and a 10 day daily survey period during which you will be asked to wear a wristworn device that tracks physical activity and sleep. Participants may earn up to \$110 as compensation for their participation. For more information, please contact Dr. Charles Calderwood by emailing WSRLab-g@vt.edu or by calling 540-231-5870.

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