

Virginia Tech to mark 2018 Day of Remembrance

To honor the 32 students and faculty members who lost their lives 11 years ago, Virginia Tech will hold the 2018 Day of Remembrance and the 3.2-Mile Run in Remembrance.

The Day of Remembrance, to be held on Monday, Apr. 16, will include tributes, exhibits, and opportunities for quiet reflection.

The 3.2-Mile Run in Remembrance in Blacksburg will be held on Saturday, Apr. 14. The run will begin at 9 a.m. on the Drillfield following a moment of silence. Registration is now open at the Recreational Sports website at <http://www.recsports.vt.edu/announcements/2017-18/RemembranceRun2018.html>.

Also on Apr. 14, the university will hold an interfaith service at War Memorial Chapel that is open to the public. Seating will begin at 1:30 p.m. for the 2 p.m. event. No late entries will be permitted once the service begins.

The Day of Remembrance will begin at midnight on Apr. 16 with the ceremonial candle lighting at the April 16 Memorial located in front of Burruss Hall. The names of the 32 individuals who lost their lives on Apr. 16, 2007, will be read out loud to honor and remember their vibrant lives. Members of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets will stand guard for the first 32 minutes of the day and the candle will remain lit throughout the day.

At 9:43 a.m., wreaths will be laid at the April 16 Memorial and will be followed by a campus-wide moment of silence.

The 2018 Day of Remembrance will conclude when the ceremonial candle is extinguished at 11:59 p.m. Corps members will stand in watch for 32 minutes prior to the extinguishing, and once the candle is extinguished, a light will be carried back into Burruss Hall, representing the university's commitment to never forget.

Expressions of condolence received by the university in the weeks that followed the tragedy will be on display on the first floor of Newman Library. The display, organized by the Office of Special Collections, will include a large book of letters sent by faculty and students from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in 2007.

Because several other university events will be held on Apr. 14 in addition to the 3.2 Mile Run in Remembrance, including Black Alumni Weekend, Family Weekend, the spring football game, and the opening and dedication of the new English Field at Union Park, please visit the following special website for parking and transportation information for any of these events at <http://vt.edu/April2018-parking.html>.

For more information on the Day of Remembrance, visit the **We Remember** website at <http://www.weremember.vt.edu/index.html>.

Virginia Tech Board of Visitors to meet March 25-26

The Virginia Tech Board of Visitors will hold its quarterly board meeting Monday, Mar. 26 at 1:15 p.m. in the Board Room of Torgersen Hall (Room 2100) on the Blacksburg campus.

During the two-day meeting, board members will consider resolutions on 2018-19 compensation for graduate assistants, 2018-19 tuition and fees, the renovation of Commonwealth Ballroom in Squires Student Center, and several resolutions necessary for the integration of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine into Virginia Tech.

Public comment will not be received at the meeting. For more information on the upcoming meeting agenda visit, http://vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2018/03/unirel_bov0325.html. For more information on the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors visit, <http://www.bov.vt.edu/>.

Upcoming Hokie Wellness Events

The **Body Project Workshop** is for women who are eating healthfully and exercising regularly, who still feel unsatisfied with the way their body looks. This two-part workshop series helps women challenge personal body-related concerns, talk more positively about their bodies, and respond to future pressures to achieve the thin ideal.

The workshop will be held Friday, Mar. 23, and Friday, Mar. 30, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. in McComas Hall Room 198. Participants **must attend both** of the two-hour sessions. Lunch will be served at both sessions. To attend, register at this link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054EAEAE22A7FF2-employee>. Due to the

very limited space in the workshop, registration is a commitment to attend both sessions.

A clinic for **shingles and other vaccinations** will be held this **Thursday, Mar. 22, 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., NEC Room 2410**. Part 1 and 2 of the new shingles vaccine, Shingrix, will be available. Individuals who received Part 1 of the shingles vaccine **must** attend this clinic to receive Part 2. **Registration is required for the shingles vaccine.**

Other vaccinations being offered are the TDAP (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) and pneumonia. Certain restrictions apply for the pneumonia vaccine which will be discussed at the time of vaccination with the pharmacist.

Hokie Wellness and H&R Block will offer the last **Tax Filing 101** session, a program that provides information about the ins and outs of tax filing, on **Wednesday, Mar. 28, 12 – 1 p.m., NEC Rom 2400**. Registration is required.

Registration is required for all the above events. Go to **www.training.vt.edu** to register. If you have questions about the events, contact Hokie Wellness at **hokiewellness@vt.edu** or at **540-231-8878**.

Now accepting nominations for the 2018 McComas Staff Leadership Award

Nominations are currently being accepted for the 2018 McComas Staff Leadership Award.

This annual award recognizes non-student wage and staff (classified and university) employees who regularly demonstrate the behaviors of a strong leader in support of the goals of the university, college or Vice President area, or department.

All employees in classified or university staff and non-student hourly wage positions that work in any Virginia Tech location are eligible. Employees must have worked for the university for at least one year. Nominees do not need to be in a management or supervisory position – they can serve in any role. More information, including eligibility information and nomination guidelines, is available online at **https://www.hr.vt.edu/our-workplace/awards-recognition/awards/mccomas-staff-leadership.html**.

Nominations must be submitted electronically by **5 p.m. on Friday, Apr. 13** using the following link: **https://virginiatech.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_emOJcs6AmVu5dT7**

Award winners will receive a cash award of \$500, a framed certificate, and recognition at the annual McComas Staff Leadership Seminar.

Fireworks and cannon fire planned Mar. 23 and 24

As part of Ring Dance celebrations, the Corps of Cadets Skipper cannon will fire Friday, Mar. 23 at approximately 11 p.m. and fireworks are planned Saturday, Mar. 24 at midnight. Before and during the fireworks display vehicular and pedestrian traffic may be restricted on and around the Drillfield loop. This 10-15 minute display is being done in accordance with requirements by the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Virginia Tech Office of Environmental health and safety and both the Virginia Tech and Blacksburg police departments.

For more information, call the Alumni Relations at 540-231-6285 or email **vtclass@vt.edu**.

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