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BLUE RIDGE SHADOWS

Quarterly Insight into your Community

Greetings from the President's Corner

Several events are up and coming to Blue Ridge Shadows in June. Please join us...

On Saturday, June 4th the Blue Ridge Shadows Golf Club is sponsoring a demo day with Srixon Golf from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Srixon is featuring their new line of golf clubs. Srixon specializes in their own line of golf balls, clubs, and accessories. This event is open and free to the public.

Sheila Asbury, one of our Board members has taken on the task of running community-wide events. Stand by for a BRS event this summer. Thanks for your patience as we sort out the logistics.

Update from Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT): As many of you are aware, D.R. Horton, builders of the BRS community, owns some of the roads in the development. They want to be released from their bond and hand over the roads to VDOT. Compliance issues regarding road improvements were addressed in a recent board meeting are still pending. In mid-May, VDOT approved approximately 40 ft of Shadows Drive from the corner of John Hopkins North Drive to John Hopkins South Drive. In addition, repairs to the base layer in the Estates section, off John Hopkins South Drive, have been completed.

Officials from Warren County, VDOT, and Virginia Department of Environmental Quality met with D.R. Horton on site to view the grading issue on John Hopkins North Drive. We anxiously await the results of that meeting.

Have a safe summer.

Scott Kersjes

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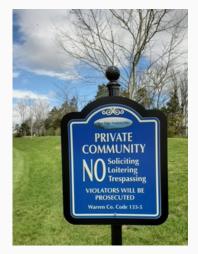
BRS Happenings

Safety Committee

New HOA Community Sign

We are please to announce we have a new Community Sign in our development. I am sure you all have noticed the sign on the right side of Shadows Drive as you approach the Golf Club House. It reads:

Private Community No Soliciting - Loitering - Trespassing Violators will be prosecuted



A big shout out to Stephen Horvath, HOA Board Member and Lisa Nokes from Coventry Group for all their hard work in getting this sign purchased and installed.

PARKING: If you have to park on the street, please park your vehicle facing traffic (not against traffic).

SPEEDING: Entire development has a posted **25 MPH** speed limit. Summer is here, lots of activity in our streets, joggers, dog walkers and children playing.



The BRS HOA has requested increased radar patrol from the County Sheriff to monitor our neighborhood once again to address this problem. Remind your visitors, contractors and family members to **SLOW DOWN!**

New trash service

Beginning July 1, 2022 Blue Ridge Shadows will begin service with RWB Disposal. First pick up date will be on Wednesday, July 6th.



RWB Disposal is a locally owned company in Front Royal. Single family residents will receive one 96 gallon trash container and one 64 gallon recycling container. Townhome residents will receive one 64 gallon trash container and one 32 gallon recycling container before service begins in July.

All residents are asked to leave their current ADS trash containers by the curb, after collection, on Wednesday, June 29th. ADS will have a crew pick them up after collection on the 29th. HOA management will send out an email reminder regarding new container delivery dates to homeowners.

REFUGE PICKUP POLICY. Containers should be placed curbside no later than 5 a.m. on service day. It will remain on Wednesday mornings. RWB is not responsible for the removal of waste from any home located on roadways that are impassable due to construction on roadways, construction vehicles, narrow passage, or parked cars.

RWB will not empty containers that weigh more than 60 pounds which are too large or too heavy to load into the collection vehicle.

Prohibited Materials, will not be collected:

- Dead animals
- Oil, paint, stains
- Batteries
- Construction or remodeling material -- rocks, cement, bricks
- Yard waste -- manure, tree stumps, mulch, sod, dirt, stone
- Hazardous waste, poisons, dangerous acids, caustics, explosives
- Ashes

Broken glass and tin can lids should be wrapped in paper bags.

Recycled items and restrictions visit RWB website: https://rwbdisposal.com/recycling-collection/

Dispose of your household waste responsibly. See attached list of Warren County Collection sites.

BRS Happenings

Architectural Review Application process

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) processed 21 applications since January 1st for fences, landscaping and patios. A total of 18 applications have been approved.

Please review the ARB policy regarding exterior changes and fencing. Fencing can only be constructed off the rear plain of the home.

Fencing must be constructed of wood-open faced design with a maximum height of 4' in the single family home section. Vinyl and chain link fencing is prohibited.

Sheds cannot be made of prefabricated materials. Sheds must match the house in color, roofing material, with a maximum area of 64 square feet.

Please review your HOA's <u>Design and Maintenance</u> <u>Standards</u>. thoroughly before submitting a change form. The paper form can be found at https://coventrygrp.com/blueridgeshadows/wpcontent/uploads/sites/92/2020/12/BRS-Architectural-Change-Request-Form-neighbor.pdf or <u>submit online</u>.

Changes to the exterior of your home to include fences, decks, pools, major landscaping design, patios, and sheds, refer to the guidelines for a list of items requiring approval. Changes must be approved in advance by the homeowners association board. Homeowners are advised to submit applications well in advance of any planned improvements in order to allow adequate time for review.



Spring Inspection Report VIOLATIONS

Blue Ridge Shadows HOA Management and a HOA Board member inspected the community and cited many exterior maintenance items that need to be addressed:

- Power Washing
- Maintenance of Plant Beds
- Fence Repairs
- Faded Shutters
- Missing Shingles

Letters were sent out to homeowners that had violations.

Homeowners are reminded that you are responsible for properly disposing of yard waste and leaves. Dumping yard waste and blowing leaves onto common areas or the golf course is prohibited. These actions cost the association money to have these areas cleaned up.

HOA Portal

Only 50% of homeowners have registered in the new HOA portal.

Please take the time to set up your account. Register on the access portal https://comwebportal.com/register

Owner Access Portal:

- Check your account balance and make payments
- Update your profile
- Check on open and pending compliance items
- Access meeting minutes and budgets
- Contact your association manager
- View announcements and alerts
- And much more...



Free COVID-19 Home Tests Order them again

Residential households in the U.S. are now eligible for another order of free at-home tests. Here's what you need to know about your order:

- Each order now includes #8 rapid antigen COVID-19 tests
- Your order of #8 tests will come in #2 separate packages (#4 tests in each package), each with its own tracking number
- Packages will ship free
- Here is the <u>link</u> to order them from USPS.com



Safe Pesticide Collection DROP OFF SITE

Did you know that it's illegal to dispose of pesticides or herbicides in the sewer system or in your trash? Improper disposal of these contaminants can damage our ecosystem including wildlife, our waterways and our agriculture. The Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services has scheduled safe pesticide collection sites across the Commonwealth. If you have pesticides or herbicides that are outdated or no longer used, drop off at:

> Tuesday, August 9, 2022 9:00 am-1:00 pm Southern States 5784 Valley Pike Stephens City, VA

Additional dates and locations are attached

Summer 2022

PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM

Summer registration has begun. Check out the County's Summer booklet of activities, lessons, trips, and camps. Stay busy, stay active and stay local!

https://www.warrencountyva.net/2022-summerbooklet



Corridor Connector

The Corridor Connector offers bus service to downtown Front Royal. The bus stop is the Hospitality Drive & Shadows Drive Stop #9 on Winchester Road in front of Sunoco. See attached route and schedule. Fare only \$1 per ride per person. Children 12 and under riding with an adult ride free.



Need Gardening Advice?



If you are unsure of what to do with that beautiful plant, tree or flower you brought home, or curious as to how to start a pollinator garden, or don't know if a particular insect is good or bad for your garden just ask an Extension Master Gardener (EMG).

The Northern Shenandoah Valley Master Gardener Association supports its members of the Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) Master Gardeners. There are Master Gardeners right here in Warren County, educators that volunteer their time to encourage and promote environmentally sound horticultural practices through sustainable landscape management, education, and training.

Contact the Warren County Extension Master Gardener help desk if you have problems or have questions about trees, shrubs, house plants, perennials, annuals, and more! EMG can provide unbiased, research-based solutions. Email a description and photos of your gardening problems to <u>GreenHelpLine.WarrenCo@gmail.com</u>, or stop by during office hours.

- Location: VCE Office, Warren County Government Center, 220 N. Commerce Ave., Suite 500, Front Royal, VA
- Help Desk Hours: First Monday of the month, April through October, 10 a.m. –1 p.m.
- Phone: 540-635-4549





Magic Show by Peter Wood: Collector of the Impossible!

Wood's incredible magic show includes a medley of mysterious magical objects that have been used in magic shows throughout history. He will use these wonderful devices, his "collection of the impossible" to delight and mystify children and adults alike! Children and teens will leave the show with a renewed interest in mechanical objects, history and...magic!

Date: Monday, June 6, 2022, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Where: Samuels Public Library 330 E. Criser Road Front Royal, VA 22630

https://samuelslibrary.net

Spotted Lanternfly Update NYMPHS ARE HATCHING

The invasive Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) nymphs, Lycorma delicatula, are about to emerge from their winter slumber. You will see these little black and white-spotted insects everywhere as they hatch. No need to report them to authorities, the SLF, has already invaded our area. Help decrease their numbers and SQUASH, STOMP and destroy these invasive species from Virginia's landscape.



First to Third Instar Fourth Instar (May through July) (July through September)

Refer to the Virginia Cooperative Extension Best Management Practices located on their website: https://www.pubs.ext.vt.edu/content/dam/pubs_ext _vt_edu/ENTO/ento-344/ENTO-344.pdf

As always READ carefully the label of any pesticide or herbicide when applying as with any chemical it can have an adverse affect on you, your children, your pets and vegetation. Contact your Master Gardener for advice at

Greenhelpline.warrenCo@gmail.com





https://www.warrencountyfair.com/

Virginia Scottish Games

The Virginia Scottish Games is an annual event that includes heavy games including the Braemar Stone Toss, Scottish Hammer, and Caber toss, as well as piping & drumming, highland dancing, and fiddling competitions along with sheep-herding demonstrations, a British car and motorcycle show, a variety of vendors & crafters, clan and society exhibits, a living history encampment, children's activities, live entertainment and plenty of Scottish food and drink.

Date: Labor Day Weekend September 3 & 4, 2022 Where: Great Meadow 5089 Old Tavern Rd The Plains, VA.

http://www.vascottishgames.org/



Celebrate! HAPPY 80TH TO SHERRILL

The Putter Court neighbors joined family and friends of Sherrill as she celebrated her 80th birthday. Guests traveled from as far away as Michigan to party with her. Delicious food, fun stories and new friendships were the highlights of the day.

Sherrill is a lovely person who always reaches out to her neighbors in thoughtful and fun ways. She has four beautiful birds: Indy, Rigel, Venus and Winston. Sherrill's birds are her delight. She celebrated the day by wearing a gift from her neighbor, a new parrot hat.



Good News

ANNOUNCING A NEW SECTION

Please forward "good news" stories to the Communications Committee at blueridgeshadowsnews@gmail.com to be included in Sunshine Corner. Use of first names only, no addresses or other personal information will be used to respect privacy.

Hats off! CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

It's that time of year when our children and grandchildren are graduating from Kindergarten, Middle School, High School, and College.

Congratulations and best wishes to all our Blue Ridge Shadows graduates. You did it, finished another year. Well done!



REMINDER

If you are planning any type of digging project, you are required to Dial 811. Dialing 811 is the national call-before-you-dig phone number. It is the LAW. Utilities, such as electricity, gas lines, and cable

lines, are buried very close to the surface. There is no cost to the homeowner for this 811 service and protection.





Lisa Nokes, Community Manager LNokes@coventrygrp.com 2045 Valley Avenue, Suite 100 Winchester, VA 22601 www.coventrygrp.com 540-535-0816

CORRIDOR CONNECTOR

Rules of Riding:

- Smoking, profanity, eating and drinking of food in open containers are prohibited on buses.
- NO animals, except service animals, permitted on buses.
- NO standing in front of white or yellow line or in stairwells.
- Shirts and shoes are required for all passengers.
- Drivers reserve the right to refuse service to anyone not observing regulations or whose behavior is hazardous to passengers or vehicular safety.
- Drivers have a choice to wear protective gloving when handling a mobility device for their safety and for the safety of the passenger.
- Carry-on items are limited to what passengers can bring and take off the bus by themselves in one trip.
- When using cell phones, please be considerate. Speak quietly when conversing with other passengers.
- Headphones are required for portable music and gaming devices.
- Seat belts are available for your safety.

Fares:

\$1.00 each way;

Children 12 years of age and under, when accompanied by an adult, ride free.

ADA Compliant Service:

All buses are fully ADA accessible, equipped with wheelchair lifts. Eligible certified riders are encouraged to make reservations for the ADA compliant deviated fixed route service on the prior day, and up to two weeks in advance by calling the customer service phone number. 540-825-2456

How to Ride the Trolley:

For the safety of all passengers, stand at designated bus stop locations when available.

Allow a few minutes for delays in scheduled arrival times.

Please have EXACT fare ready when you board, drivers DO NOT carry change.

In case of inclement weather, routes will operate if safely possible. Listen to local radio, social media and our website for service changes. You may also contact the customer service phone number.

Listen to local radio (95.3), social media and our website for service changes. You may also contact the customer service phone number. 540-825-2456.

Riders choosing to transport a bicycle can secure it on the rack in front of the bus before boarding.

Title VI Non-Discrimination Policy Statement:

Virginia Regional Transit (VRT) operates the Corridor Connector service on behalf of the county, and is committed to ensuring that no person is excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination in the receipt of its services or programs on the basis of race, color or national origin or any other characteristics protected by law, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. Further under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, no entity shall discriminate against an individual with physical or mental disability in connection with the provision of transportation service.

To obtain more information on VRT's nondiscrimination obligations or to file a Title VI complaint, contact Angela Richards, VRT, 1099 Brandy Knoll Ct, Culpeper, VA 22701 by mail, phone (540) 825-2456 or email angela@vatransit.org.

A complaint may be filed directly with the Federal Transit Administration at: The Office of Civil Rights, Attention: Title VI Program Coordinator, East Building, 5th Floor-TCR, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE, Washington, D.C. 20590.

A complaint may be filed no later than 180 calendar days after the date of the alleged discrimination.





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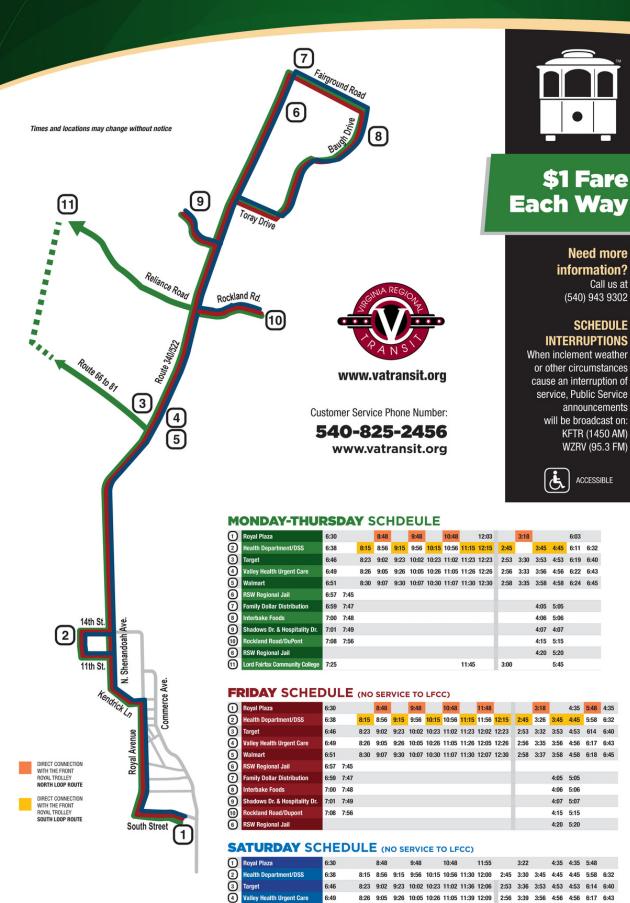
Route 340/522

Monday-Saturday Service

Customer Service Phone Number:

540-825-2456 www.vatransit.org

Make sure to pick up a copy of the Front Royal Trolley Service brochure for more available routes and schedules





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Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services

Pesticide Collection Events: 2022

*events will take place from 9am-1pm at the following locations

- 8/9/2022 Southern States 5784 Valley Pike Stephens City, VA
- 8/10/2022 CFC Farm & Home Center 15172 Brandy Road Culpeper, VA
- 9/6/2022 CFC Farm & Home Center 12645 Lee Hwy Sperryville, VA
- 9/7/2022 Rockingham County Fairgrounds 4808 South Valley Pike Harrisonburg, VA
- 9/8/2022 Ivy Materials Utilization Center 4576 Dick Woods Road Charlottesville, VA
- 10/11/2022 Page Cooperative Farm Bureau 127 Big Oak Road Luray, VA
- 10/12/2022 Madison County Fairgrounds 1015 Fairground Road Madison, VA

Protect our Earth and dispose of waste responsibly

WARREN COUNTY COLLECTION SITES - WASTE/RECYCLE GUIDANCE

	T.Station/	340 South	522		Shenandoah
	Bentonville	Rockledge	Park n Ride	Linden	Farms
Newspaper	Х	х	Х	Х	
Cardboard	х	х	х	х	
Mixed Paper	х	х	х	х	
Aluminum/Metal Cans	х	х	х	х	
Glass All Colors	х	х	х	х	
Scrap Metal (one gallon or less)	х	х	Х	х	
Antifreeze (one gallon or less)	х	х	х	х	x
Paint Cans - Latex (one gallon or less)	х	х	х	х	х
Motor Oil	х	х	х	х	х
Tires (see fee)	х				
Freon Bearing - Dehumidifiers, A/C units, Refrigerators	х				
Appliances/White Goods	х				
Yard Waste	х				
Plastics - #1 through #7 (no foam)	х	х	х	х	
Batteries	x	х	х	х	x
Stumps	х				
Computers	x				
Furniture****	х				
Construction/Demolition Debris**** (see fee)	х				
House hold Bagged Trash	х	х	Х	х	х
LP Gas Cylinders - less than 20 gallon	х				