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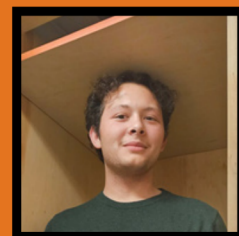
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BLOOD DRIVE
FRIDAY OCT, 13,
2023, 2ND FLOOR
LOUNGE, 11 AM -
3PM FOR SERVICE
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Rebounding from a Bad Test Score

By Gabe Rosado

Some of you may think that doing poorly on Test or Exam 1 means it's OVER, but that's simply not true. Even with a bad test score, passing and/or getting a good grade in the class is still possible. I'm not going to lie to you, it's not going to be easy, here's some hard-earned advice.

Get Moving - bad grades happen, and there's no changing that, you just have to keep moving.

Get Help - I know it can be hard to ask for help, especially if you've gotten used to handling things yourself, but there are serious resources designed to help you boost your grades. There are the Galipatia Academic hours, professor office hours, and free departmental tutoring for math and chemistry. Paid tutors are also an option, not a popular one, but sometimes the personalized attention is worth it.

Get Social - Not knowing anyone in your class can be scary, and make going to class unbearable, but I guarantee if you can find someone in the same class as you to help you or work together on assignments makes a big difference. My personal strategy for meeting people is attending the professor's office hours, this is where you can find people with the same questions.

Get Smart - If your test scores are suboptimal, then break down the grading policy. Typically, classes will have 3 tests and a final, each worth 20% of your final grade. It's easy to fixate on the test scores, but there are assignments that make up the other 20%. THAT'S THE SAME AS A TEST GRADE, it doesn't matter if the homework is only a small portion of the final grade, fight for as many points as you can.

Get Confident - I don't care how bad you did on the last test or how unprepared you feel, YOU'RE AN ACADEMIC WEAPON, and when you're in that room, waiting for the test to start, YOU'RE UNTOUCHABLE, THE CORRECT ANSWER IS WHATEVER YOU'RE ABOUT TO WRITE ON THAT PAPER.

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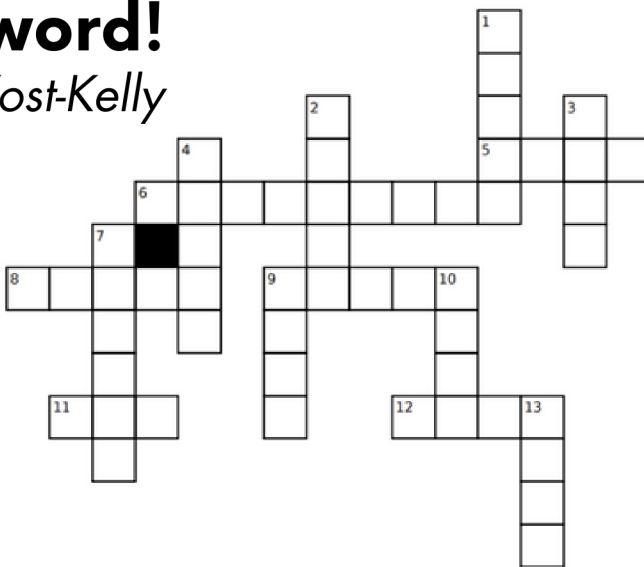
Fall Bucket List *By Jasmine Pegues*

Fall is arguably the most beautiful season here on campus. Here are ways to ensure your first fall in Blacksburg is worthwhile!

- Go apple or pumpkin picking. There's an annual pumpkin festival at Sinkland Farm in Christiansburg from September 29th to November 5th every Friday and weekend with a corn maze, hayrides, farm animals, sweet treats, live music, a sunflower-picking field, arts and crafts vendors, and much more!
- Visit the well-loved farmers market at the Market Square Park across from 7-Eleven.
 - There's a vintage market there as well every second Sunday of the month!
- Peruse John's Cameras and Records store.
- Go thrifting or antiquing; I recommend Antiques on Main in Christiansburg.
- Collect and press some colorful leaves.
- Try a fall-themed drink from Dunkin, Deet's, or the cafe on the first floor of Newman.
- Visit the ducks at Duck Pond.
- Attend a home football game and dress in school colors!
- Go on a hike or walk to enjoy the beautiful foliage. A few ideas are the Huckleberry Trail, Cascades, or Bald Knob.
- Survive a haunted house.
- Attend a Late-Night Horror showing at the Lyric. A different horror movie, like Scream on the 19th, is shown every Thursday in October at 10 p.m. with admission costing only \$5!

Crossword!

By Mia Yost-Kelly



Down:

1. Cosmic path
2. Nintendo princess
3. "_ la vie!"
4. Significant _
7. "The Mandalorian" star Pedro
9. Corner chess piece
10. Sushi and onigiri seaweed
13. Hearing to ears, as seeing to _

Across:

5. Swedish superstore with a yellow-and-blue logo
6. "Space Flavored" beverages from Coca-Cola Creations
8. Place for a play
9. Teen Titan with the alias of "Rachel Roth"
11. "The Raven" poet's monogram
12. Spanish cinema

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