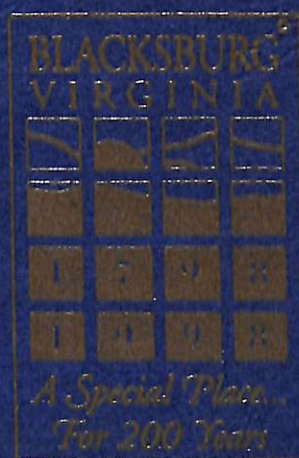


*Blacksburg:
200 Years
and Beyond*

September 20, 1998



Blacksburg: 200 Years and Beyond

Highty Tighties

Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets

Presentation of Colors

Blacksburg Police Department Honor Guard

Pledge of Allegiance

Bonnie Sivick, Interim Town Manager

Welcome

Mayor Roger E. Hedgepeth

Invocation

Reverend Al Payne

Presentation of Resolution by the

Montgomery County Board of Supervisors

Joe Gorman, Chairman

Montgomery County Board of Supervisors

Blacksburg . . . A Special Place for 200 Years

Essays read by Schoolchildren

Introductions by Sue McGann Osborn

Scott McGuigan -- Kindergarten

(read by Sue McGann Osborn)

Mark Cahill -- First Grade

Justin Redden -- Second Grade

Claire Velander -- Third Grade

Nathan Grega-Larson -- Fourth Grade

Jarrod Walters -- Fifth Grade

Miles Blizard -- Sixth Grade

(read by Sue McGann Osborn)

Unveiling of Historical Markers

William Black

Blacksburg Rotary Club

Mary Draper Ingles

Bud Jeffries, descendent of

Mary Draper Ingles

Unveiling of Time Capsule

Frances Parsons Town Councilmember and

Co chair, Fall Event Committee

Brenda O'Reilly,

Co chair, Fall Event Committee

Closing - an excerpt from "The Promise"

Performed by Claire Fischer-Davies

accompanied by Jeremy Ward, Cello

and Steve Brown, Keyboard

Written by Ann Goette

Composed by Steve Brown

Music by the Highty Tights

Refreshments

Items placed in the Bicentennial Time Capsule:

"Blacksburg Bicentennial: A Musical Celebration" video
"Blacksburg's Birth Certificate"
"Citizens First" lapel pin
"Help Plan Blacksburg's 200th Birthday" brochure
"The facts about the Blacksburg Region" brochure
\$1, \$2 and \$5 dollar bill
1889, 1890, 1893 and 1898 Diaries of
 Rosanna Croy Dawson
1974 Blacksburg City Directory
1979 Susan B. Anthony Dollar
1992 Blazer S-10 Owners Manual
1995 Kennedy Half Dollar
1996 Blacksburg Comprehensive Plan
1997 Special Edition Blacksburg Bicentennial Calendar
1997-1998 Montgomery County Telephone Directory
1997-1998 Virginia Tech Phone Book
1998 Blacksburg High School Fall Sports Schedule
1998 Blacksburg Transit Route Schedule and Map
1998 *Blue Ridge Country* Magazine
1998 Car and Truck Brochures
1998 Employee Picnic Tote Bag
1998 Facts for Voters Brochure
1998 Grammy Nominees CD
1998 Map of Blacksburg
1998 Penny, Nickle, Dime and Quarter
1998 Special Edition Blacksburg Bicentennial Calendar
1998 Summer Musical, *The Sound of Music* Program
1998 World Almanac
1998 World Atlas
2 *The Long Way Home to Blacksburg* Tickets
A Community At Prayer, by Alfred C. Payne

"A Guide to Apartments in the New River Valley"
A Special Place for 200 Years: A History of Blacksburg, Virginia,
 Signed by Town Employees
Aerial Photo of Blacksburg (1998)
Aerial Photos of Blacksburg (1937 and 1953)
Arts Alive! 1998 Brochure
Arts Alive! Poster by Tom Butterfield (with words, 450/500)
Arts Alive! Poster by Tom Butterfield (without words, 250/500)
Autographed Photo of the Hokie Bird
Bicentennial Afghan
Bicentennial Afghan Order Form
Bicentennial Baby Certificate
Bicentennial Banner That Was Flown From Squires Student
 Center
Bicentennial Calendar of Events Brochure
Bicentennial Essay Contest Entries from
 Blacksburg Schoolchildren
Bicentennial Events Update and Details Flyer
Bicentennial Flag
Bicentennial Information Packet
 (Sent Out to School Teachers)
Bicentennial Music Celebration Program (May 15, 1998)
Bicentennial Souvenir Program
Birth Records – Montgomery County (January-August 1998)
Blacksburg Adopted Operating Budget FY 1998-1999
Blacksburg Aquatic Center 1998 Program Brochure
Blacksburg Bicentennial Scrapbook, July 15, 1998
Blacksburg Bicentennial Slide Show (Script and Slides)
Blacksburg Bicentennial Video (All Events to Date)
Blacksburg Clubs & Organizations Brochure
Blacksburg Delinquent Payment Notice Form
Blacksburg Electronic Village Article from
 USA Weekend (February 1996)

Blacksburg High Indians Fall '98 poster
Blacksburg High School National Forensic League T-shirt
Blacksburg Parks & Recreation Fall 1998 Program Brochure
Blacksburg Parks & Recreation Summer 1998
Program Brochure
Blacksburg Personnel Rules and Regulations Manual 1998
Blacksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce
Membership/Business Directory
Blacksburg Sentinel, August 22, 1998
Blacksburg Soccer Program with Pictures
Blacksburg Town Code
Blacksburg Town Employee Directory
Blacksburg's Religious Organizations Brochure
Bonnie Svrcek Business Card
Box of Crayons
Box of Marlboro Cigarettes
Boy Scout Shirt
Boy Scouts of America Handbook
Brass Historic Site Plaque Taken from Old Town Hall
BT Lapel Pin
BT Paratransit Service Brochure
Caboose Park, Watercolor by Carol Hoge
Calculator with Manual
Clay Corner Inn Bed & Breakfast Brochure
Coca-Cola Classic Can
Collegiate Times, August 25, 1998
Computer System Restoration CD
Dairy Queen Placemat
Diet Dr. Pepper Can
Digizine (CD-ROM Record Titles)
Disposable Camera
Downtown Blacksburg, Watercolor by Carol Hoge

Downtown Merchants Brochure
Drawing Design of the Time Capsule, Signed by Public
Works Employees Who Constructed It
Employee Training/Development Program 1998
Fall & Winter 1998 J.C. Penney Catalog
Five Chimneys, Watercolor by Carol Hoge
Floppy Diskette
Folded American Flag (Flown from Blacksburg Municipal
Building)
Folded Virginia State Flag with Letter of Certification (Flown
from Virginia State Capital Building)
Gatorade Bottle
Girl Scout Uniform and Handbook
Grand Bicentennial Parade, Certificate of Participation
Happy Birthday Blacksburg! Cup
Hat from 1998 Employee Picnic
History Book Order Form
Hokie Huddler 1998 Football Preview
(Virginia Tech Athletics Newspaper)
Huckleberry Trail Brochure
Huckleberry Trail Ornament
Images & Reflections: Virginia Tech 1872-1997
Images by B, Directory of Services
Information on Virginia Tech's International
Student Enrollment
Internet Picture of President William J. Clinton
Internet Picture of U.S. Representative Rick Boucher (VA)
Internet Picture of U.S. Senator Charles S. Robb (VA)
Internet Picture of U.S. Senator John Warner (VA)
Internet Picture of Vice President Al Gore
Internet Picture of Virginia Governor Jim Gilmore
July-September 1998 *About Town* Newsletter
Light Bulb

Limited Edition Bicentennial Silver Coin (0685)
Local Meals Tax Form
Local Tax Table
Logo Bookmark
Logo Bumper Sticker
Logo Golf Bag/Luggage Tag
Logo Golf Ball
Logo Golf Towel
Logo Hat
Logo Jacket
Logo Lapel Pin
Logo Magnet
Logo Mousepad
Logo Postcard
Logo Shoppe Bag
Logo Tote Bag
Logo T-Shirt
Logo Umbrella
Lyric Brochures
Magic Cards
Marriage Records – Montgomery County (January-August, 1998)
Mayor Roger Hedgepeth Business Card
Menu and Picture Button from The Homeplace
Menu from Anything Goes
Menu from Big Al's Grille & Sports Bar
Menu from El Guadalupe's
Menu from Souvlaki
Microsoft Windows 98 Software Upgrade
Modern Computer User's Guide
Montgomery County Parks & Recreation
Summer Program Brochure
Montgomery Regional Hospital flyer
More Stories by Ellison Smyth: Chips and Shavings

Motor Vehicle Decal Receipt
Music Score for *The Promise*
Musical Salute by Blacksburg Schoolchildren poster
National Bank of Blacksburg & Bicentennial Logo Cup
New and Old Blacksburg Water Bill Forms
Newspaper Article about Public Works
Our Town Program
Pepsi Can
Personalized Bicentennial Greenway Brick Order Form
Photograph and Biography of Dr. Paul E. Torgersen,
Virginia Tech's 14th President
Picture of Andy Croy House
Picture of Bicentennial Quilt
Picture of Blacksburg Aquatic Center
Picture of Blacksburg Christian Church
Picture of Blacksburg Community Center
Picture of Blacksburg Jewish Community Center
Picture of Blacksburg Municipal Building
Picture of Blacksburg Police Station
Picture of Blacksburg Town Council (1998-2000)
Picture of Blacksburg Town Council, January 13, 1998
Picture of Blacksburg Transit Industrial Park
Picture of Christ Episcopal Church
Picture of Church Street
Picture of Croy-Dawson House
Picture of Fire and Rescue Building
Picture of Five Chimneys
Picture of Glade Baptist Church
Picture of Good Shepherd C.O.B.
Picture of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church
Picture of Hand-in-Hand Playground
Picture of Huckleberry Trail
Picture of Log Cabin Home

Picture of Main Street, Downtown
 Picture of McCoy Funeral Home
 Picture of Merrimac Pentecostal Holiness Church
 Picture of Old Presbyterian Church
 Picture of Old Town Hall
 Picture of Parks & Recreation Administrative Offices
 Picture of Price House Nature Center
 Picture of Prices Fork Fire Station
 Picture of Public Works Lot
 Picture of Smithfield Plantation
 Picture of Solitude
 Picture of St. Francis Anglican Church
 Picture of St. Mary's Catholic Church
 Picture of St. Paul's AME Church
 Picture of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
 Picture of Thomas-Conner House
 Picture of Time Capsule Construction
 Picture of Virginia Tech Airport and Planes
 Pictures of the Construction of the Smart Road
 Piece of Hokie Stone Taken from McComas Hall (1998)
 Playbill from *Our Town*
 Playbill from *The Sound of Music*
 Portfolio of Bill Brown 1923-1997
 (Namesake of Bill Brown Stadium)
 Poster with Lane Stadium, 1998 Virginia Tech Football
 Schedule and Players
 Price House, Watercolor by Carol Hoge
 Princess Diana Beanie Baby
 Priscilla Ellison Business Card
 Public Works Daily Log Form
 Public Works Employee Uniform Price List
Region Focus Magazine
RetroSpect, by Ellison A. Smyth

SAT Test
 Simple Gifts of the Blue Ridge CD
 Sliderule
 Special Logo Envelopes
 Star Wars Cards
 Steppin' Out T-Shirt 1998
 Tall Oaks Montessori School Information and Pictures
 The "Citizens First" Logo
 The Good Times Newsletter for Blacksburg Seniors' Association
 The Motion Picture *Titanic*
The Promise Poster
The Promise T-Shirt
The Roanoke Times, August 18, 1998
The Roanoke Times, Bicentennial Edition, January 11, 1998
 The Script of *The Promise*
The Smithfield Review (Volumes I & II)
 Thomas-Conner House, Watercolor by Carol Hoge
 Time Capsule Suggestion Box with Community Suggestions
 Town of Blacksburg & Virginia Tech Bicycle Guide Brochure
 Town of Blacksburg/Bicentennial Letterhead Paper,
 Memorandum Paper and Envelope
 Toy Catalogs and Flyers
 U.S. Geological Survey Maps (Blacksburg and Roanoke)
 U.S. Senate Productivity Award Keychain
 VA Tech Services, Inc. 30th Anniversary Mug
 VA Tech YMCA Flyer
 Video of *Our Town*
 Video of *The Long Way Home to Blacksburg*
 Video Update Entertainment Magazine, September 1998
 Video of Bicentennial Town Meeting (January 13, 1998)
 Virginia State Income Tax Instructions and Forms
Virginia Tech 1872-1997: History of a School, a State, a Nation
 Virginia Tech Bugle 1997

Virginia Tech's 125th Anniversary Celebration brochure
Virginia Town & City Magazine
VML Achievement Award Entries (To Date)
VT Net Software
Walking Tour Logo Tote Bag with Training Packet, Pictures,
 Brochures, Audio and Video Tape
1998 Yearbook from Blacksburg High School
1998 Yearbook from Blacksburg Middle School
1998 Yearbook from Gilbert Linkous Elementary School
1998 Yearbook from Harding Avenue Elementary School
1998 Yearbook from Kipps Elementary School
1998 Yearbook from Margaret Beeks Elementary School
1998 Yearbook from Price's Fork Elementary School

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Blacksburg High School
Blacksburg Jewish Community Center
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Town of Blacksburg, Bicentennial Shoppe
Toys "R" Us
VA Tech Services, Inc. (University and Volume Two Bookstores)
Video Update
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Bicentennial Essay Contest Winners
(as written by the authors)

Kindergarten

Scott McGuigan

Margaret Beeks Elementary School

"I like Blacksburg because there are places free like the library, and the schools, the parks and the parades."

1st Grade

Mark Cahill

Margaret Beeks Elementary School

"What makes Blacksburg a special place? I like to go to the duck Pond to kech sum fish. I like to go to the hand and hand Park to Play. I like to go to the Lyric theatre I like to go to the Play ground This is 1998. Blacksburg is 200 Years old."

2nd Grade

Justin Redden

Harding Avenue Elementary School

"I like blacksburg because of many things. I like the Huckleberry trail. We also have a very good college. I really like stepin out in august. The swimming pool is cool. So is the rec. Center. Mostly I like the nice people. I like my school. I have good teachers. Blacksburg has a great history. I like the Park. I really like my Sunday school class. I like my friends most of all."

3rd Grade

Claire Velandar

Kipps Elementary School

"Blacksburg—a nice place to live. Hi my name is Claire Velandar. I live in Blacksburg VA. Blacksburg is a cool place to live! The reasons why Blacksburg is such a cool place to live is: In citys a lot of times there are not as much mountains in Blacksburg there are. Also in cities when you're at an activity (or job) and you get a break you can't just sit and look out your window without seeing smoke from buildings or planes flying above you, but in Blacksburg you can just sit and look out your window and see lots of trees and people taking walks. Another thing is Blacksburg has a lot of sports facilities such as: Basketball courts, skating rinks, tennies courts, and soccer fields, etc. (I love sports!) Also the people are so friendly! Its like if you go up to someone and start a conversation in a minute their your best friend! Blacksburg is such a cool place I can't even begen to tell you about all the cool things in Blacksburg so find out for yourself..."

4th Grade

Nathan Grega Larson

Margaret Beeks Elementary School

Blacksburg in 2048,
It will be so cool I just can't wait!

People from Blacksburg are moving to outer space,
Are you going to move? There's no time to waste!

Blacksburg babies type at age one,
That's what I wish I had done!

The Huckleberry Trail is no longer for bicycles, walkers and dogs,
You just take your Hover board and fly over the logs.

The Lyric Theater's under renovation, the whole things' replaced,
But this time the movies are wired in from space!

There are no more students at Margaret Beeks,
They sit at home and watch TV's teach.

Virginia Tech Faculty sit in their home TV stations,
And deliver a lecture to 150 nations!

But there's one thing in Blacksburg that won't change by 2048,
The people who live here are still all first rate!"

5th Grade

Jarred Walters

Margaret Beeks Elementary School

"In 50 years Blacksburg and Christiansburg will be one big city. The "smart road" will be completed and we will have automated cars designed especially for this road that will do all the driving for us. We will have roads built over the city and a monorail system instead of buses. Buildings will be taller, taking up less land space. All schools will have computers for every student. They will be air conditioned because school will be in session year round with 3 weeks break every 3 months. The fashion for teenagers will be fifties style. Virginia Tech will still be an important part of Blacksburg. They will have developed newer technology for farmers and the surrounding farms will be larger and more profitable. Shopping centers will be the same but most of our shopping will be done over the internet. Blacksburg will be a beautiful and nice place to live with a population of about 200,000 people."

6th Grade

Miles Blizard

Tall Oaks Montessori School

"Blacksburg is changing all the time. Some of the reason for change include technology, the University, and growth. The size of Blacksburg will change because there will be more job opportunities from the University and more students will come. The field of technology will grow because of the Smart Road. The University will require more buildings for students in the technology field. I hope both art and history will grow too. Much of the wooded area around town will be cut down for more space for growth. I hope this will lead to wildlife refuges and more parks. I think the stores and businesses may move out of the down town. I believe the town should create a market square where stores were originally. At this place people could meet, listen to music and buy produce. It would bring the community together."

*Special Thanks to the following people who graciously
gave of their time and talent to make this Bicentennial
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Time Capsule Dedication

Inscription on Time Capsule

*In celebration of the
 Town of Blacksburg's Bicentennial
 a time capsule containing items reminiscent of the
 Town in 1998 are enclosed within this bench.
 Citizens of the Town in 2048 are
 directed to open the capsule in celebration
 of the Town's
 250th birthday.*

*This time capsule is dedicated to the hundreds
 of Town citizens that contributed to the success
 of the Town's
 Bicentennial celebration in 1998*

Blacksburg Bicentennial Quilt

Made by the BeeBurg Quilters and Friends

Presented to the

Town of Blacksburg, Virginia

July, 1998

Farmer's Market <i>Sally Pfeiffer</i>	Blacksburg United Methodist Church <i>Sheila Heath</i>	Huckleberry Trail <i>Designed by Niklas Olson Sewn by Caryl Gray</i>
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Blue Ridge Mountains <i>Susie Marion</i>	Price House <i>Jennifer Fenrich</i>	Lancaster House/ YMCA <i>Designed by Ann Reardon Sewn by Kit Keller</i>

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Susie Marion
 Mary Scesney
 Regina Smith
 Ann Wilson
 Blacksburg Kroger
 Schoolhouse Fabrics - Floyd
 Sew What Fabrics - Wytheville

Inscription on William Black Historical Marker:

KG 24

William Black

Just northeast stood the home of William Black, the founder of Blacksburg. In 1797, he laid out a 16-block grid and petitioned the Virginia General Assembly to incorporate a town here: the legislature approved his petition on 13 January 1798. On 4 August 1798, he deeded the 38 3/4 - acre site to the town's trustees, who included his brother and himself. Black served as a justice of the peace before moving to Ohio. He died there in 1850 at the age of 84 and he was buried in Pike Township, Clark County.

Inscription on Mary Draper Ingles Historical Marker:

KG 10

Mary Draper Ingles

On 30 July 1755, during the French and Indian War, Shawnee Indians attacked the Draper's Meadow settlement nearby. They killed Col. James Patton, Casper Barger, Mrs. George Draper, and a Draper child, wounded James Cull, and captured Mary Draper Ingles, her two sons, Mrs. John Draper, and Henry Leonard. The Indians took their captives to Ohio. After several months, Ingles escaped and wandered some 800 miles to return home, a legendary feat. She and her husband, William, moved near Radford and operated a New River ferry. She died and was buried there in 1815, aged 83.

