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THE NEW CASTLE RECORD

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Virginia's sales tax holiday weekend stretches the budget

Bonnie Cranmer
Contributing writer

For the weekend of Aug. 2-4, Virginia shoppers can score deals on school supplies, emergency supplies and even energy saving appliances during the sales tax holiday weekend. Craig County Public Schools has published the student supplies lists on their website so gearing up for the school year gets started right.

Craig County schools begin on Aug. 1-7 with teacher workdays. The first day of school for

students is Thursday, Aug. 8. A detailed list of supplies students need to bring to school is provided for each grade, preschool through middle school. Parents are invited to donate additional items for teacher support listed for each grade. The school supply lists and school year calendar can be found on the school website: <https://www.craig.k12.va.us/>.

In addition to school supplies, the sales tax holiday weekend approved items include musical instruments, art

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Virginia Tax

COURTESY IMAGE

Renegade Driver	July 20 Fastest Pass
Bucky Hypes	3.412
Corie Trivette	3.781
Scotty McNamara	3.850
Ricky Trent	3.959
Jamies Oliver	DNF

Contract for \$361M awarded for Interstate 81 widening project

Design is underway with construction expected to begin in fall 2025

The Commonwealth Transportation Board at its July 16 meeting in Richmond awarded a design-build contract valued at \$361.6 million to Branch Civil Inc. of Roanoke to widen northbound and southbound Interstate 81 to three lanes between exit 143 in Roanoke County and exit 150 in Botetourt County. Project design is still being completed, and construction is expected to begin in fall 2025 and to finish in summer 2031.

This widening project is part of the Interstate 81 Corridor Improvement Program (CIP), which aims to improve safety, increase reliability and foster economic growth. It is one of the largest and most complex I-81 CIP projects and includes replacing eight bridges on I-81 and installing more than 8,500 feet of sound barrier along the northbound lanes. "This is a big step forward," said Dave Covington, I-81 program delivery director for the

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). "It is the largest contract that we've awarded for I-81 to date, and it reinforces our commitment to improving this vital corridor."

"VDOT has a long history of working with Branch Civil, and we look forward to a continued strong partnership to successfully deliver a project of this magnitude," said Ken King, district engineer for VDOT's Salem District.

The new lanes will be built on the existing right and left shoulders of I-81 with most of widening to take place in the median. At exit 150, the ramp from northbound Route 220 (Roanoke Road) onto southbound I-81 will be realigned and the southbound I-81 off ramp will be modified to connect with Route 220 at a new signal at Tinker Mountain Road. Interchange lighting will be installed at exits 141, 143 and 150.

-The Salem Times-Register

Latest New Castle Mud Run held

The latest New Castle Mud Run was held over the weekend, with 102 drivers competing. The number marked a new record, which was surprising given the rain and overcast. Notably, Tyler Elliott had a 2.573 run in the open class. "We were honored to host the Sinister Six Series for their 6th race of their season and have our friends from Little Doo Mud Bog make the trip up to hang out with us," organizers said. "We could never find the right words to express the appreciation we have for every person, local or travelers, that crosses our bridge. Without each of you this show would not be possible. Y'all continue to show up to support the love of mud and dirt racing and drivers to put on a show for the kids and the fans." The final race of the season will be on Sept. 28. Cumulative points totals will be finished and posted later this week.

OPEN Driver	July 20 Fastest Pass	Points Assigned
Tyler Elliott	2.573	5
Patrick Dunarant	2.728	4
Bucky Hypes	3.632	3
Drew Irby	5.461	2
Jamie Oliver	DNF	0

COURTESY PHOTOS
See Mud run page 5

Craig County is part of Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail

Anita Firebaugh
Contributing writer

If the screech of a hawk or the coos of a dove are the kinds of sounds that make you want to head to the mountains, then Craig County may be just the place to be.

Maybe you'd rather see a bear, watch a raccoon, or catch a glimpse of an elusive bobcat. You can do that in Craig County, too.

Craig County is part of the Mountain phase of the Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail. Its Iron Ore Loop highlights prime birding and wildlife viewing locations. The Iron Ore Loop encompasses several distinct habitats, making it an ideal destination for nature enthusiasts of all levels.

The Iron Ore Loop takes in seven sites in the county. The designated bird watching and wildlife sites are the Craig Creek Recreation Area at Oriskany,

Fenwick Mines, the Lion's Club Park (also called New Castle Town Park) in New Castle, the Hall Road Raptor Viewing Area, the Paint Bank Trout Hatchery, the Paint Bank General Store - Depot Lodge - Hollow Hill Farm (all considered one site), and Sweet Road (Forest Service Road 350), which starts in Craig and goes into Alleghany County.

The online guide includes regional and loop maps, travel directions, and site descriptions. The entire Mountain phase spans all of Virginia west of U.S. Route 29 and includes 310 sites, some of which are state and local parks, wildlife management areas, and privately owned lands.

The birding and wildlife trail is more a car tour than a hiking tour, although some hiking trails are reachable from the birding sites. Visitors

can watch birds, return to their vehicle, and go to the next spot to see a variety of wildlife. There are also places to park for picnics, walking, or biking excursions.

The state opened the trail about 20 years ago. At that time, county leaders hoped the project would be a boon for Craig County, enticing tourists to the area. According to the Virginia Wildlife Viewing Plan, about 35 percent of Virginia's population viewed wildlife in 2016, amounting to 2.1 million wildlife viewers in the state. The 2016 National Survey of Hunting, Fishing, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation reported that wildlife viewers in Virginia spent \$1.4 billion on wildlife viewing activities that year. Wildlife viewing is one of the most popular outdoor recreation activities in the United



PHOTOS BY ANITA FIREBAUGH

A northern flicker, a type of woodpecker, is one of the many birds that can be found in Craig County.

States and in Virginia. "Craig County is known for its outdoor recreation and its miles of National Forest where there are lot birds, and we welcome birders to the county," said Diane Givens of

the Craig County Tourism Commission. "We now have a variety of unique lodging and dining that didn't exist 20 years ago," she added, noting that visitors could stay in a tiny house, several

apartments, Air B&Bs, and other "houses and lofts people are renting out."

Birds to be seen in Craig County include hummingbirds, herons, ospreys, raptors, eastern

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

By Brian Hoffman
From the July 6, 1994
edition of The New
Castle Record

Thank you very much, but it will be a baseball life for me.

There's been mixed reaction to a "new tradition" at the Salem Buccaneers games this summer. A new song has joined the ranks of past favorites, but more on that later.

The music played at the ballpark can set the tone for the entire evening. At Salem Municipal Field, there's been a mixed bag over the years.

When I started working for the Carolina league back in the mis-seventies, there wasn't much music at all. You'd hear an occasional baseball song and some light rock, but not much.

That all changed when Larry Schmittou bought the team in 1980. His group of investors included Conway Twitty and the Oak Ridge Boys, so country music became the predominant theme. Among the I remember most were "Thank God I'm a Country Boy" and the traditional "Elvira" and the seventh inning

stretch.

When Schmittou sold the team, out went the country. Jeff Dickerson, now a program director at WROV, became te public address announcer and brought his box of rock tapes with him. Now fans were listening to "Queen" instead of "Conway," for better or worse.

I've had my ballpark favorite over the years. Who can forget "Birdmania," the intro song when the team was the known as "Redbirds?" It became synonymous with losing baseball. I still have a copy of the tape somewhere, and it's always good for a few laughs.

Jim David, who subbed for Dickerson on the mike on occasion, brought a tape of a Spanish language version of the hit "Secret Agent Man" one night and played it at the park. "Hombre Secreto" was an instant hit, and I still find myself humming it on occasion.

Of course the seventh inning stretch is still the keystone of the music presentation, and Terry Cash's presentation of "Baseball and the Bucs" has endured for the past eight or 10 years. Regulars at Salem Municipal Field can sing

most of the song except for the last verse, which is always interrupted by the bottom of the seventh.

This year Craig Wright of Lite 95 FM radio took over behind the mike, and somewhat lightened up the music.

He eliminated some of Dickerson's harder rock numbers, and he even sings the lead-in song for the mascot himself.

Wright has a tape of theme songs from popular television shows, and he has one tape of tunes from various Disney productions that includes the song from the "Pirates of the Caribbean" ride at Disney World. You might recognize it as the "Yo,ho,ho,ho; a pirate's life for me," song. It fits right in with the "Buccaneers" motif.

Craig plays this song after each and every Buccaneers game, and a couple times during the game. Some folks love it and some folks hate it, but most everyone remembers it when they leave the park. I find myself unconsciously singing it and driving people around me nuts.

The "Yo Ho Song" is one of those songs where everyone knows the chorus, but you can barely understand the other words; like

"Louie, Louie," for example. I didn't think much of it until one night Craig said, "You know, if people could understand the words to that song they might be surprised."

"What are the words?" I replied, my curiosity now awakened.

Craig said he wasn't sure, but he'd take the tape home and listen real close. He not only did that but, he wrote down the words so we could all learn exactly what those Pirates are singing about when the visiting pitcher is relieved of duty.

Here goes, and remember the chorus is "Yo, Ho, Ho, Ho, a Pirate's life for me"

FIRST VERSE
We pillage, we plunder, we rifle and loot.

Drink up, me hardee's, yo ho.

We kidnap and ravage and don't give a hoot.

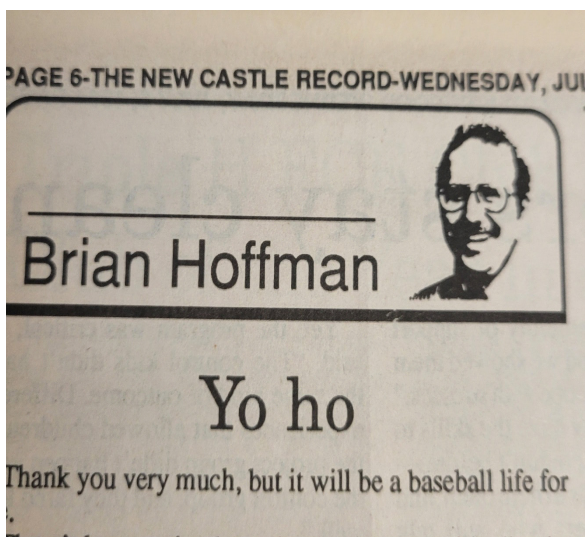
Drink up me hardee's, yo ho.

(Chorus)

Now at first glance you might think that's a Columbian soccer song, but it's not. Also, the Buc's might use it to get a little advertising out of a certain hamburger chain if you get my drift.

SECOND VERSE

We kindle and char and flame and ignite.



FROM THE NRC ARCHIVES

Drink up me hardee's, yo ho.

We burn up the city-we're really a fright,

Drink up me hardee's yo ho.

(Chorus)

Did Vance Coleman ever play for the Pirates?

FINAL VERSE

We're rascals and scoundrels, we're villains and mates.

Drink up me hardee's, yo ho.

We're damaged and blacksheep, and really bad eggs.

Drink up me hardee's, yo ho.

There you have it. It sounds like a song about the 1994 Phillies, doesn't it?

The only thing in this song I can relate to our Salem Buccaneers is the part about burning and igniting. Thos

could easily describe the bullpen.

Other than that, it's not much of a song for kids. While the Indians are being chastised for using "Chief Wahoo" as their logo, our baseball team is promoting kidnapping.

Next thing you know concerned mothers will be picketing outside Salem Municipal Field. They'll start a group called MAPS (mothers against Pirate Songs).

All thing considered; I like the song. Besides, if you don't read this column, you can't understand the words anyway.

If you don't like it, they can always go back to singing "Elvira."

Prepared by Shelly Koon

Virginia Western welcomes new nursing director

ROANOKE – Virginia Western Community College recently welcomed Dr. Kelley Pennell as the college's new nursing director in the Associate of Applied Science (prelicensure-RN) Nursing Program.

Pennell has been a registered nurse for over 20 years, an advanced practice nurse for 15 years and is

board certified as a clinical nurse specialist in adult health. She holds a DNP in Executive Leadership Concentration from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio; MSN-Adult Holistic Nursing Clinical Nurse Specialist from the University of Texas at Austin; and BS in Business Administration from the

University of Phoenix, Santa Clara, Calif.

"I am excited to be a part of the Virginia Western Nursing Program and reap the rewards of the partnership between myself, the administration, nursing faculty, and students," Pennell said. "Virginia Western already has a stellar nursing program and I hope together we can elevate it

even higher."

Prior to joining Virginia Western on June 25, Pennell served as director and faculty member of the RN-BSN Program at Galveston College in Galveston, Texas. She has previously served as the Texas undergraduate programs director at National American University; campus

president, Chamberlain University San Antonio Campus; and clinical instructor at the University of Texas at Austin.

"I am delighted to welcome Dr. Pennell as Virginia Western's new nursing director of the AAS (pre-licensure RN) Nursing program," said Marilyn Herbert-Ashton, vice

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Upcoming public meetings scheduled in Craig County

July 25
Department of Social Services Board Meeting at Department of Social Services Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Aug. 1
Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting will meet at the Craig County Courthouse at 6 p.m.

Aug. 12
Library Board of Trustees Meeting at Craig County Library.

Aug. 13
Economic Development Meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., at the Craig County Administration

Building.
Aug.19
Town of New Castle Town Council Meeting at New Castle Town Hall at 7- 8 p.m.

Aug.20
Planning Commission Meeting will be held at 6 p.m at the Craig County Administration Building.

Tourism Commission Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m at the Craig County Administration Building.

Sept. 5
Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting will meet at the Craig County

Courthouse at 6 p.m.
Sept. 10
Economic Development Meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., at the Craig County Administration Building.

Sept. 17
Tourism Commission Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m at the Craig County Administration Building.

Oct. 3
Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting will meet at the Craig County Courthouse at 6 p.m.

Oct. 8
Economic Development

Meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., at the Craig County Administration Building.
Oct. 15
Tourism Commission Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m at the Craig County Administration Building.

Ongoing
Craig County Genealogy Library open Fridays 1-4 p.m. 152 Main Street. 540-864-7023

Feeding Southwest Virginia will be offering food twice a month on

the second and third Wednesday of the month from 3-5 p.m. and 4-5 p.m., respectively. All community members are welcome to purchase fresh produce and other canned and boxed items. EBT recipients receive 50% off their fruits and vegetables.

Booster Club of Craig Schools meet on the third Monday of each month in the school cafeteria at 6 p.m. Community members are encouraged to attend.

-The New Castle Record

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president of institutional advancement and dean of nursing at Virginia Western. "Dr. Pennell has a robust portfolio of innovative and transformative leadership and excellence in nursing education. Her history of successful leadership as well as genuine care for students, faculty, staff, and community collectively will elevate the Nursing Program to achieve even greater success."

Pennell is passionate about patient care, specifically patients that have chronic pain, and has traveled throughout Texas presenting pain-

related best practice information at leading Texas medical organizational conferences. She also has volunteered in the Medical Reserves Corps in Galveston and Harris counties.

She translates that focus to the classroom. "I feel honored that students allow me to be a small part of their educational journey to becoming a nurse," Pennell said. "My decision to become involved in nursing education has been one of the most rewarding of my career."

-The Salem Times-Register



Pennell

COURTESY PHOTOS

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supplies, lunch boxes and athletic jerseys. Need a new pair of boots for 4H or FFA activities? That's on the list. Need a new uniform or coveralls for work? That's included, too. A complete list of qualifying school supplies, approved clothing and footwear is available on the Virginia Department of Taxation website at this address <https://www.tax.virginia.gov/virginia-sales-tax-holiday>

Weather related emergencies have become more frequent and the sales

tax holiday includes items to help be prepared. This is a time to update the family first aid kit, stock up on flashlights and batteries, as well as other emergency gear. Weather band radios, smoke detectors and fire extinguishers are essential household items that keep your family safe. Portable generators and backup power banks for cell phones and other devices that need to be charged, with a sales price under \$1,000, are eligible. Chain saws and accessories

are included, too.

If there's any home renovation projects including new appliances, the sales tax holiday weekend offers homeowners an opportunity to get the tax off purchases under \$2,500 of air conditioners, ceiling fans, dehumidifiers, dishwashers, refrigerators and even light bulbs with the Energy Star logo. Look for the WaterSense logo on approved products such as sink faucets and accessories, shower heads, toilets,

urinals and even landscape irrigation controllers.

The sales tax holiday weekend encourages shoppers to purchase items either in the store or online to get the sales tax free. Even Amazon is offering the benefit to shoppers on that weekend. Now is the time to make your list and check what's eligible on the state website. Every dollar counts and the sales tax holiday weekend is just two short weeks away.

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phoebe, American goldfinch, song sparrows, Carolina chickadee, tufted titmouse, Carolina wren, blue jay, Northern cardinal, turkey vultures, hawks of various kinds, red-eyed vireo, worm-eating warbler, scarlet tanager, and downy woodpecker, among many others.

The Iron Ore trail in Craig County reflects the county's heritage of iron ore mining communities. For example, one stop, the Craig Creek Recreation Area, is located east of Oriskany on Old Rail Road (Rt. 817) and not far from Lignite, now a lost iron ore mining community. At Craig Creek Recreation Area, visitors can see meadows and woodlands that follow Craig Creek. This area is known to be home to the northern bobwhite that can be heard giving their characteristic, "bob-white," whistle at any time of the day.

Fenwick Mines offers a wheelchair accessible trail that winds through woods and across wetlands. Located off Rt. 615 (follow signs), this easy walk takes the wildlife watcher first

into relatively young woodland that has grown back since the area was cleared for mining. This area rings with the sounds of woodpeckers.

After a few hundred yards the woods give way to a series of shallow ponds with a tremendous diversity of dragon- and damselflies. The trail climaxes at an overlook of the marsh. This spectacular view presents a good example of how nature can return from a strained to a growingly stable ecosystem. Additional trails that are not handicap accessible continue down Mill Creek.

New Castle Town Park, also known as Lion's Club Park, is the perfect stop for a picnic or short walk. The brushy woodland along the rear of the park supports a variety of wildflowers, insects, birds and other wildlife.

Heading into the Paint Bank area, visitors can learn more about this mining town that once supported a railroad depot and flourishing hotel. When the mines closed, the town faded. In the 1990s, the area

became home to the Hollow Hill Farm, which supports American bison. Wildlife watching starts right on the grounds of the General Store and Depot Lodge, which follow Potts Creek through the Town of Paint Bank. The creek here is perfect for a relaxing walk.

The gardens at the Depot Lodge support a variety of songbirds. After visiting the buffalo at Hollow Hill Farm, visitors may also see white-tailed deer and black bear.

The Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail, including the Iron Ore Loop, plays a vital role in conservation efforts aimed at protecting the state's natural heritage. By promoting ecotourism and environmental stewardship, the trail fosters a deeper connection between people and nature, inspiring a sense of responsibility to preserve these invaluable resources for future generations.

Planning Your Visit
Before setting out on the Iron Ore Loop, visitors and locals alike should familiarize themselves

with trail maps, regulations, and seasonal considerations. Dressing appropriately for the weather and bringing along binoculars and a field guide can enhance the experience, allowing for closer observation of birds and wildlife. Additionally, practicing Leave No Trace principles ensures that the natural beauty of the trail remains unspoiled for all to enjoy.

For those seeking an immersive nature experience, the Iron Ore Loop in Craig County offers a journey of discovery through some of the area's most captivating landscapes. Whether marveling at the diverse birdlife or encountering elusive wildlife, the trail invites visitors to connect with the wonders of the natural world in a meaningful and unforgettable way.

To learn more about the Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail, visit <https://dwr.virginia.gov/vbwt/>

Other websites to check out include wawesternhighlands.com, virginia.org, and visitcraigcounty.com.

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 - 4. Rested in a chair
 - 7. Thai (var.)
 - 10. Draw out wool
 - 12. Coats genus
 - 14. Taxis
 - 15. Beige
 - 16. Supplementing with difficulty
 - 17. Capital of Norway
 - 18. A personal written history
 - 21. Cologne
 - 22. Australian flightless bird
 - 23. Lowest freeman; early Eng.
 - 25. 18th C. mathematician Leonhard
 - 28. Cabinet Dept. for homes
 - 29. Languages of Sulu islands
 - 33. More scarce
 - 35. Before
 - 36. Swiss river
 - 37. Actress & director Lupino
 - 38. Edges
 - 41. Thousand Leaves prefecture
 - 44. Soldier hero of Spain El
 - 45. Gains through work
 - 47. To the front
 - 49. I (German)
 - 50. Price label
 - 51. Barack's 1st lady
 - 58. Drench with liquid
 - 59. Child (scot.)
 - 60. "Aba ___ Honeymoon"
 - 62. Disappearing shade trees
 - 63. Cricket frog genus
 - 64. Union busting worker
 - 65. A priest's liturgical vestment
 - 66. Previously The Common Market
 - 67. Upper left keyboard key in tissues
- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Point midway between S and SE
 - 2. Genus of birds
 - 3. Personal spiritual leader
 - 4. Japanese rice beverage
 - 5. Eared owl genus
 - 6. Wood oil finish
 - 7. Hyphen
 - 8. Competently
 - 9. Equal, prefix
 - 11. Broad-winged soaring hawks
 - 12. A collection of star systems
 - 13. Be in accord
 - 14. Links subject & predicate (linguistics)
 - 19. Paddles
 - 20. Asian river between China and Russia
 - 23. Physicists Marie or Pierre
 - 24. Excessive fluid accumulation
 - 26. ___ Dunlap, pageant titleholder
 - 27. Made again
 - 28. Norse goddess of death
 - 30. A waterproof raincoat
 - 31. Express pleasure
 - 32. ___ Lanka
 - 34. Radioactivity unit
 - 39. Clay blocks for building
 - 40. Linear unit
 - 42. Conductor tools
 - 43. Whale ship captain
 - 46. Queen who tested Solomon
 - 48. Good Gosh!
 - 51. A gangster's girlfriend
 - 52. Unstressed-stressed
 - 53. Draw through holes
 - 54. Old Italian monetary units
 - 55. Musician Clapton
 - 56. Ceremonial staff of authority
 - 57. Fabrics of camels or goats
 - 58. A very large body of water
 - 61. Basics

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OPINION

News from the 9th: Assassination history



Morgan Griffith
Representative

Like you, I was shocked by the attempted assassination of President Donald Trump.

This latest assassination attempt of a president is nothing new to American history books.

One of America's most renowned presidents, Abraham Lincoln, was victim of a cold-hearted tragedy. As the Union Army neared victory in the U.S. Civil War, an actor with pro-South leanings decided to hatch a plot to assassinate Lincoln.

The actor carried out his plan on Good Friday, April 14, 1865. Lincoln, with his wife and members of his cabinet, attended Ford's Theatre for a play. The actor entered Lincoln's suite, where he shot Lincoln in the back of the head.

President James Garfield became the second American president to succumb to the tragic fate of assassination.

A campaign worker who helped Garfield's 1880 election campaign wanted a foreign embassy position.

He never received the desired appointment and decided to kill Garfield. He shot Garfield twice at a local DC train station. Garfield died months later from infection complications.

In September of 1901, Republican President William McKinley attended a New York exposition to meet members of the public. An anarchist who held contempt for American capitalism had other ideas.

He stood in a line of fairgoers before shooting McKinley twice in the abdomen.

A mob descended on the shooter, to which McKinley allegedly quipped, "Go easy on

him, boys!"

McKinley's passing eight days later thrust Vice President Theodore Roosevelt into the presidency.

Roosevelt served out the rest of McKinley's term and won re-election in 1904. He decided not to seek another term in 1908 and supported William Howard Taft for president, but in 1912 reversed course and challenged Taft.

On his way to a campaign event for the Bull Moose party, Roosevelt faced near death. On October 14, 1912, Roosevelt was shot once in the chest.

The bullet inflicted minimal damage. While it did penetrate his skin, Roosevelt's dense overcoat, steel-reinforced eyeglass case and printed speech provided enough of a shield to block the bullet from reaching his heart.

The shooter also faced the wrath of those around him, to which Roosevelt responded, "Don't hurt him. Bring him here...What did you do it for?"

The shooter allegedly did not answer.

Roosevelt then insisted on going to the campaign event, where he would give a speech.

Roosevelt quipped:

"Ladies and gentlemen, I don't know whether you fully understand that I have just been shot, but it takes more than that to kill a Bull Moose."

Only after the campaign event did he seek medical attention!

Roosevelt's relative, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, also survived an assassination attempt.

Then President-Elect Roosevelt stood on the back of a vehicle in Miami, Florida, in February 1933, giving a speech before an alleged anti-capitalist discharged his gun.

The shooter hit five people, but not Roosevelt.

Much controversy surrounds President John F. Kennedy's assassin. The suspect had a history of communist leanings, which included defecting to the Soviet Union and supporting

Cuba's Fidel Castro.

A man whose loan had been turned down by the Small Business Administration accused the Nixon Administration of conspiring to oppress the poor. He stormed through Baltimore/Washington International Airport, killed a policeman and a pilot while attempting to hijack a plane and crash it into the White House.

Security foiled his plans.

Nixon's successor, President Gerald Ford, faced two such attempts on his life in a span of seventeen days!

A female Manson Family cult follower, and a female radical who admitted to her interest in bringing a violent revolution to America, both failed in their attempts to kill Ford.

Ford was a witness in one of his assailant's trials. Ford became the first U.S. president to testify at a criminal trial. Ford's Presidential Museum now displays the weapon used in the assault.

The last major assassination attempt of the twentieth century involved President Ronald Reagan, who was shot outside the Hilton Hotel in Washington, DC. Thankfully, Reagan survived the attempt.

His shooter tried to impress actress Jodie Foster.

As a result of some would-be assassins trying to impress the public or gain notoriety, I have left out the names of all the attackers.

As of this writing, questions remain unanswered on the twenty-first century's first U.S. assassination attempt, the one on Donald Trump.

How did the gunman manage to penetrate security and get on top of the roof?

What were the shooter's motives?

Congress must hold vigorous investigations to ensure something like this never happens again. Not only do we owe it to future political leaders, but we owe it to the American people.

VDOT Roadwatch

INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT EXIT 137 TO EXIT 141 – The \$179 million design-build project to widen

both directions of I-81 between mile markers 136.6 and 141.8 from two to three lanes is underway. Work is being performed along a five-mile section of

both northbound and southbound Interstate 81 in Roanoke County and the city of Salem. Barrier wall is in place along the shoulders. Two lanes of I-81 traffic in each direction are expected to remain open during the project with periodic lane closures scheduled during nighttime hours or outside of peak travel times as needed. Drivers can expect the following lane closures and upcoming traffic impacts in this area on northbound and southbound I-81:

ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC IMPACTS:
WORK ZONE SPEED: Drivers should adhere to posted 60 mph speed limits in the work zone and allow space when following a vehicle. Narrow spacing in lanes due to barrier walls, lack of shoulders and lane shifts in various locations, are present.

TRAFFIC SHIFTS ON WILDWOOD ROAD: Expect a work zone with traffic shifts and narrow width on Wildwood Road after exiting I-81 southbound on exit

137 heading towards Salem. Southbound and northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows are possible at Route 311.

TRAFFIC SHIFT ON EXIT 140: Drivers may experience periodic lane closures or quick merges into traffic onto Thompson Memorial Drive from the southbound or northbound exit ramps of exit 140 off of I-81. Work zone located at bottom of the ramp for work on the I-81 bridge at the underpass.

RAMP CLOSURES: Ramp closures are possible during nighttime hours, 12 a.m., to 5 a.m. Drivers should watch for message boards dates and times the ramp will be closed.

LANE CLOSURES: Alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, are possible. Lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet. Nightly lane closures may be in place along the right lane with

possible nightly ramp narrows as needed for guardrail and shoulder strengthening.

The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 off-ramp intersection at Wildwood Road and adding interchange lighting at exits 137, 140 and 141. Expected completion in early 2026.

I-81 NB & SB DECK OVERLAY AT PEAK CREEK MILE MARKER 95.7 - Repair work is underway on the northbound and southbound bridges on I-81 over Peak Creek near mile marker 95.7. This repair work will require nighttime single lane closures for the duration of the project. Lane closures may occur nightly from Sunday night through Friday mornings between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. For the deck overlay process, lane

closures may be in place between Sunday nights through Friday mornings. For the southbound lanes these will occur between the hours of 7pm and 10am, and for the northbound lanes between the hours of 6pm through 9am. Details on these closures will be listed below on a weekly basis. Estimated completion is scheduled for end of 2024.

I-81 NORTHBOUND AT EXIT 105 NEW RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Traffic on northbound I-81 has been switched onto the newly constructed bridge over the New River at the Montgomery/Pulaski County line. Lane and shoulder closures may be in place near exit 105. Lane closure may be in effect during the week from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Shoulder closures may be in effect at any time during the week. Slow rolls may be performed on I-81 in the north and southbound lanes from mile marker 98 to 109.

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HOT		July 20	
Driver	Fastest Pass	Points Assigned	
Bucky Hypes	3.389	12	
Scotty McNamara	3.654	11	
Bubba Lilly	3.800	10	
Donnie Wayne	3.891	9	
Bailey Martin	4.012	8	
Mike King	4.023	7	
Waylon Hypes	4.102	6	
Carisa Anderson	4.131	5	
Tommy Hoke	4.283	4	
Jake McClanan	4.540	3	
Jeff Meador	4.689	2	
Gary Kinder	4.887	1	

SxS		July 20	
Driver	Fastest Pass	Points Assigned	
Emma Fitzgerald	4.574	4	
Trish King	5.283	3	
Brandon Hurley	5.455	2	
Willow Martin	5.561	1	

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Speed limit is reduced to 60 miles per hour in the work zone. Shoulder closures will remain in place though the duration of the project. Project completion is estimated for Summer 2024.

LANE CLOSURES: Nighttime alternating lane closures are possible on I-81 northbound or southbound between mile markers 104-106.

OBITUARY

Parsons, Donald Ray

June 2, 1950 – June 27, 2024

Donald (Donnie, Duck) Parsons passed away on Thursday, June 27, 2024. He was preceded in death by his father, Henry Parsons and mother, Patsy S. Zimmerman.

He leaves behind his sister, Deborah P. Butcher, two half-sisters, Sharon P. Oliver and

Patricia S. Duncan; two half-brothers, Gary Parsons and Gary L. Shires; also several nieces and nephews; and special friends, Gary and Debra Moore; and his Lighthouse Baptist Church family. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Lighthouse Baptist Church, New Castle Rescue Squad, or New Castle Fire Department

in Donnie's name.

Funeral Services will be held 3:00 PM Sunday, June 30, 2024 at Paitsel Funeral Home with Pastor Lee Looney officiating. Interment will be at Westview Cemetery, New Castle. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service 2-3 PM.

Arrangements by Paitsel Funeral Home.

Sinister 6		July 20	
Driver	Fastest Pass		
Glenn Allen	4.400		
Chris Schmitberger	4.660		
Scotty McNamara	4.698		
Jackson Koch	4.939		
Josh McClanan	5.057		
Dallon Caras	5.161		
Ronald Grubb	5.252		
Mason Sherman	7.340		

COURTESY IMAGES

Nighttime left lane closures scheduled on I-81 southbound during nighttime hours, 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. the next morning, beginning Monday, July 29 through Friday, August 9.

ROUTE 605: Alternating lane closures and flagging operations may be present on Route 605, located under the New River Bridge, for paving operations and work overhead on the bridge.

SLOW ROLLS: Slow rolls may be utilized periodically on both the northbound and southbound lanes from mile marker 98-109 for structural steel deliveries and setting beams.

SOUTHBOUND WILLIAMSON ROAD IN HOLLINS AREA - Work is nearing completion in the next few weeks on a project to construct new sidewalk along the section of southbound Route 11 (Williamson Road) between Plantation Road and Peters Creek Road. Drivers in the Hollins area can expect periodic right lane closures on southbound Williamson Road between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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Bus #16 – Ricky Smith – (Johns Creek/Daycare)

First pick up at approximately 7:10 at Grannys Branch Rd/Johns Creek Rd intersection proceeds to turn around back to the left onto Dicks Creek Rd to designated stop at Tub Run. 311 to Left on Brooks St. pick up daycare then Proceed to school.

Bus #3 – Lutitia Turner (Lower Craigs Creek / Camp Mitchell)

First pick up at approximately 7:10 everyone on Right side of Craig Creek Rd to a Right onto Howard Hannah Rd with designated stop at the turn around Back to a Left Craig Creek Rd/Left Caldwell Mountain Rd to turn around at Scenic View Ln back to designated stop Patton Dr/Left Craig Creek Rd to Right Peaceful Valley Rd/Right Fenwick Mine Rd/Left Draft Rd to turn around back Right Craig Creek Rd/Left Hawkins Ln to turn around and back Left Craig Creek Rd/ Virginia Mineral Springs Rd/Left Craig Creek Rd. Proceeds to school.

Bus #5 – Shelton Fowler (Upper Craigs Creek)

First pick up at approximately 7:10 on Upper Craigs Creek Rd/to turn around (Craig/Montgomery county Line) to Right Craig Valley Rd to turn around (on 311) to Left Mountain Breeze Ln (am only) Left Craig Valley Rd/Right on Broad Run Rd to turn around to Right on Craig Valley Rd picking up everyone on Craig Valley Rd. Right on Market St. Proceed to school.

Bus #12 – Leslie Fisher (Red Brush)

First pick up approximately 7:10 on Peaceful Valley Rd @ Wolfe's to Right Barbour's Creek Rd to turn around at (Forest Rd) back Right Peaceful Valley Rd/Right Sage Brush Ln/Right Red Brush Rd to turnaround/Right Peaceful Valley Rd/Left Paint Bank Rd picking up both sides of Peters Hill to (Aps Knob & Flats) to Proceed to school.

Bus #1 – David Looney (Sinking Creek)

First pick up at approximately 7:10 at the county line on Cumberland Gap Rd to designated stops. Proceed to school.

Bus#4 – CJ Crowder (Town & Scratch Ankle)

Leaving the bus garage. Proceed to Main St. Right on Middle St with first pick up at approximately 7:30. Right on Marshall Ave. Left Allen St to Left T1013 to turn around back Right to Salem Av to Left Wagener St to designated stops on the corner of Wagner/Woodman//Boyd/Herndon/Scott/Penn/Meadow Av to Right on Cumberland Av then Right on Conrad cross Salem Avenue/Left on Marshall/Right on 2nd Street/Right on Commerce. Proceed to school.

Bus #7 – Kay Hutchinson (Cuba & Craig City)

First pickup at approximately 7:30. Right Market St to Right 3rd St/Commerce St to Right on Craig Creek Rd.to Little Cuba, turning at Crawford Oil Company. Go to Rt. 615 turn right. Turn left on 6th St., stop at apartments. Turn left on 7th St., Right on 9th Turn left at stop sign (Boulevard) go to Danny Wolfe's driveway – turn around. Turn left on 12th St. Turn right on Forest Ave. Forest Ave. runs into Park Ave. Turn left on 615. Proceed to school.

Bus#11 - George Foster (Paint Bank)

First pick up at approximately 7:45 on Potts Creek Rd. to turn around. Back to left onto Paint Bank Road to 615. Proceed to school.

Van (Wanda Looney) - First pick up at 7:10 to Rt.630 then a Right on 629 from there take a Left on 628 to Right on Cumberland Gap Rd/Left Bethel Church Rd/Right on Little Mountain Rd/Left Cumberland Gap Rd to Town Hill/Left Salem Av/Right Market St. Proceed to school.

*****If there are any questions about particular stops, contact the driver in your area or Transportation Coordinator at 540-864-5611 for additional information. The routes may be adjusted after the first few days of school when the exact number of students is determined.

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Duane Wente, Minister, Rt. 42, New Castle, 540-864-5692. Sunday: Worship 10:00 a.m.

CORNERSTONE CHURCH
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HWY 621, Pastor Roy Lee Law Jr., "Jay", 864-8984. Sunday School 10:00am; Worship 11:00am., Wednesday night Bible study 7pm, from HWY 311, up HWY 621, 8 miles on left.

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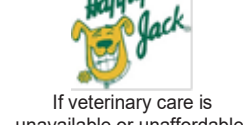
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Legals - Botetourt County

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 362 LOWE STREET, BUCHANAN, VA 24066.

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated March 12, 2018, in the original principal amount of \$88,065.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia as Instrument No. 180000875. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Botetourt County, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on August 30, 2024, at 2:00 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA: TWO-THIRDS OF LOT NO. EIGHTEEN (18), FRONTING 88.92 FEET ON WATER STREET, AND RUNNING BACK BETWEEN PARALLEL LINES 167.77 FEET TO THE REAR LINE OF SAID LOT NO. 18; THE WEST ONE-THIRD OF SAID LOT ADJOINS AN ALLEY KNOWN AS SECOND ALLEY, AND BEING THE SAME LAND THAT WAS CONVEYED TO H.S. HODGES BY J.E. HODGES AND M.F. HODGES, HIS WIFE, BY DEED DATED JUNE 18, 1934, AND RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN DEED BOOK "X" AT PAGE 34. LESS AND EXCEPTING THAT PORTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED LOT SECURING 44 FEET ON WATER STREET AND RUNNING BACK BETWEEN PARALLEL LINES 167.77 FEET, THAT WAS CONVEYED TO H. J. SMITH AND EDRA SMITH, HIS WIFE, BY THE SAID HARRY S. HODGES AND LENA S. HODGES, HIS WIFE, BY DEED DATED NOVEMBER 6, 1948, AND RECORDED IN THE AFORESAID CLERK'S OFFICE IN DEED BOOK 100, PAGE 282, TO WHICH SAID DEED REFERENCE IS HERE AND NOW MADE. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwvsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229.

For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwvsales.com, VA-370006-1.

Legals - City of Radford

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF PROPERTY 486 Waterworks Road, Radford, VA 24141

Tax Map No. 064-A 68, Parcel ID No. 020697

In execution of a Deed of Trust dated July 24, 2008, in the principal amount of \$73,280.45, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 08008179, Woods Rogers PLC, Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the Montgomery County Circuit Court, 55 East Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, on July 30, 2024 at 12:00 noon, the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in Montgomery County, Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot or parcel of land with all improvements thereon situate, lying and being in the Prices Fork Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, on Water Works Road, containing 2.1417 acres more or less as shown on a plat of same dated October 15, 1992, prepared by W. A. Davis, CE/LS, referred to as "Plat prepared for Bobby Wayne Southern, et al."

LESS AND EXCEPT: All that certain lot or parcel of land with all improvements thereon lying and being in the Price's Fork Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, and being all of Lot Two (2) containing 1.03 acres, conveyed to Alan K. Southern and Drema J. Southern by deed dated June 1, 1995 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, in Deed Book 876, Page 361 and as shown on plat of survey of record in Deed Book 876, Page 363.

TERMS: Cash - Bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sales price by cashier's or certified check may be required. Balance of purchase price shall be due and payable not later than ten (10) days after sale.

WOODS ROGERS PLC, Trustee
For Information Contact: Woods Rogers Vandevanter Black PLC, P.O. Box 14125, Roanoke, VA 24038-4125, Telephone: 540-983-7729

Legals - City of Salem

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Council of the City of Salem, at its regular meeting on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:

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Notice of Public Hearing Town of Blacksburg Planning Commission Tuesday, August 6, 2024

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Legals - City of Salem

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1. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Salem Montessori School, Inc., property owner, to amend the existing special

Legals - Montgomery County

exception permit to allow for a second elementary educational facility on the property located at 101 Corporate Boulevard (Tax Map # 117-2-1).

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At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY: Christopher J. Dorsey Executive Secretary

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Legals - Montgomery County

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Jones participated in huge AAU basketball event in Kentucky

Rising Craig County High School sophomore Kailyn Jones recently participated in the "Run 4 Roses" AAU basketball tournament in Louisville, KY. Kailyn played in the 17U, 2025 graduating class bracket for the Virginia Bandits, playing out of Natural Bridge. It was a huge event with 2,773 teams participating, including 26,741 players from six different countries. The venue was the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, a facility that had 88 basketball courts under one roof. There were over 1,900 coaches in attendance watching the games and evaluating the talent. "It was a heck of an experience," said Brock Jones, Kailyn's dad and Craig County's girls' high school basketball coach. "It was insane seeing all of that basketball and all different skill sets. We got to watch

the team from Australia play, and I bet every girl was 6'2" or better. They were huge! It was an awesome experience and great exposure for Kailyn for sure." In addition to Kailyn the Bandits team consisted of players from Rockbridge County High School, Hidden Valley High School, Pulaski, Giles, Lord Botetourt, Allegheny and Blue Ridge Christian. The team was coached by Chad Bouchard from Natural Bridge. The Bandits lost their opening game by 11 points to a team from Southwest Virginia, with players mostly from Gate City, Ridgeview, Honaker and Abingdon. Then they lost to a Cincinnati team by four points and a Florida team by three before beating the Xtreme from Christiansburg by 21 points. "For them to go and compete beyond that level and be in every game was eye

opening," said Brock Jones. "We made the Bronze Bracket, not quite the expectation that we wanted but we did go 1-3. The future is bright for the girls in this area." Kailyn scored 62 points in the four games while grabbing 46 rebounds. She also had 17 blocks and 15 steals. She continues to improve after leading the Pioneer District in scoring and rebounding as a freshman last winter. Jones was named second team All-Region C. "Weight room, time in the gym and a lifeguard certification has really made Kailyn excel quickly," said Brock. "The work that she has put in is unbelievable. That's what it takes to do everything that isn't easy, to outwork everyone else. I couldn't be more proud or supportive of her. Great Opportunity for her and, hopefully, with a good stat line some recruiting notes were made."



Craig County's Kailyn Jones(#4 center) competed for the Virginia Bandits.



Kailyn Jones heads up the floor at the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville.



The "Run 4 Roses" event included over 2,700 teams.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF BROCK JONES

Roanoke College football adds assistant coaches

The Roanoke College football team has announced the hiring of two new assistant coaches, Tony Spradlin as the recruiting coordinator/wide receiver coach and Gerard Johnson as the special teams and cornerbacks coach. Spradlin, originally from Salem, VA, is a Salem High School graduate where he was a two-time state champion, and earned all-state honors as a wide receiver and punt returner. Spradlin played football at Concord University and Christopher Newport University where he was an all-conference wide receiver. He earned his Bachelor's degree (History) from Concord University and his Master's degree (Education) from Radford University. "I am excited to have Tony joining our staff as the wide receivers coach," said head coach Bryan Stinespring. "Tony is a Salem guy and a terrific coach. I interviewed him a couple years ago and was impressed by him as a person and coach. He has a great rapport with players and is quickly becoming a good recruiter." Prior to coming to Roanoke, Spradlin spent the last four years as the offensive

coordinator at Glenvar High School in Salem VA, and as the passing game coordinator and co-special teams coordinator for two years prior to that, while also coaching multiple position groups in his tenure. In his time at Glenvar, the offenses averaged 39 points per game, were routinely ranked in the top 10 in the state in passing yardage, and set school records for single-season passing yardage and passing touchdowns. Spradlin helped coach multiple quarterbacks, wide receivers and kick returners selected to the All-State team, while winning three straight district championships. "My family and I could not be more excited to get going and be a part of something special here at Roanoke College," said Spradlin. "Coach Stinespring has done a tremendous job of putting together a staff that are not only extremely knowledgeable and accomplished football coaches, but are even better people, with whom I am very excited to work. As a Salem native, I know how important football is to this area, and our goal is to build this program the right way, and produce a

product of which Roanoke College, the Roanoke Valley, and beyond, can be proud both on and off the field." Johnson previously served as the head coach and offensive coordinator for the Caroline High School Cavaliers for two seasons. During his tenure at Caroline High School, the Cavs scored more points in two years than they had in the previous five seasons prior to his arrival. He fostered an offense that featured six All-District and All-Region athletes. In his first season ever as a head coach, the school won its first playoff game since 1993. In 2021, he was voted as the Battlefield District Coach of the Year and the Free-Lance Star All-Area Coach of the Year. "I talked to several coaches in the college and high school profession regarding Gerard," said Stinespring. "Each coach had great things to say about him. As a former head coach in the Richmond area, he brings a lot of ties in recruiting to Roanoke." Before moving to Caroline in 2021, Coach Johnson served as an assistant coach at Owen J. Roberts High School in Pottstown, Pa. Prior to Roberts High School he was an



PHOTO BY RYAN HUNT

Roanoke College head coach Bryan Stinespring (right) watches the recent youth

assistant coach at L.C. Bird High School in Chesterfield, Va. for four years. In that span Johnson worked with the quarterbacks, running backs, defensive backs and served as the strength & conditioning coach. In 2018, he mentored US Army All-American Jaden Payout, who signed with Virginia Tech. He also mentored 4-Star rated running back (by Rivals.com), Ramon Brown who later attended the University of Maryland. He is a 2013 graduate of Meadowbrook High School in Richmond Va. and attended Old Dominion University and Norfolk State

University and completed his B.A. in Communication in 2017. While at ODU/NSU, Coach Johnson started at running back as a freshman. To this day, he holds the record at ODU for the longest run in school history. "My family and I couldn't be more excited about having the opportunity to be a part of something special here at Roanoke College," said Johnson. "I look forward to working under the leadership of Coach Stinespring with one of the best coaching staffs in Division III football."

Tryouts for fall sports at Craig County

Tryouts for fall sports teams are coming up for Craig County High School and Middle School students. Athletes should note that there

must be a physical on file for all sports that they are trying out for. Tryouts for Cheerleading teams will be July 29-30th, from

3-6 pm. Varsity, jayvee and middle school Volleyball tryouts will be August 5th from 5-7 pm, Monday through Wednesday, with practice starting

Thursday after school. Football starts on August 1st at a time to be determined.

