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Salem, Roanoke County leaders discuss ‘Pathways to Progress’

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Local leaders gathered at Hidden Valley Country Club on Thursday, Oct. 17, for the Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce's Business Advocacy Breakfast series, featuring "Pathways to Progress." The event provided a platform for discussion on the challenges and opportunities shaping the region's future, including education, transportation, housing and economic development.

Phil North, chairman of the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors, began the conversation by highlighting key challenges like inflation, broadband access, and transportation infrastructure. He emphasized the importance of transportation as a driver of economic growth, noting that \$8 million in state and federal funding had been allocated to address these needs. North stressed the urgency of ongoing

projects, such as the 419/220 corridor construction, and the importance of affordable housing to support the local workforce, referencing Wells Fargo's need to staff 1,200 jobs.

Salem Mayor Renee Turk provided an update on the Valleydale project, with the first of three buildings set to be completed by the end of November. She also touched on the challenges facing Salem, including housing shortages and the ongoing lawsuits related to HopeTree Family Services. Turk highlighted the recent growth of businesses in the area, such as STS and Wabtech, which are bringing new jobs to Salem.

Economic development director Tommy Miller discussed Salem's focus on supporting existing businesses and revitalizing downtown. He emphasized the potential for housing development on the upper floors of downtown buildings and encouraged retailers to embrace Roanoke College football by catering to

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The event was held at Hidden Valley Country Club.



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Roanoke College and Salem leaders celebrated the close ties between the campus and community during the Salem Appreciation Breakfast held Oct. 16. Speakers included Charles Brown Award winner Teresa Sizemore, President Frank Shushok Jr. and Mayor Renée Turk '77.

Teresa Sizemore honored with Charles Brown Award

Teresa Sizemore, a Salem School Board member, was honored with this year's Charles Brown Award for her commitment to the city's schools and youth.

Named after Charles Brown, Roanoke College's first dean and a former mayor of Salem, the award recognizes city residents who have made significant professional and civic contributions to the community's quality of life.

It is presented annually during the Salem Appreciation Breakfast, hosted by Roanoke College, which celebrates the many collaborations between the college and the city.

"I'm very grateful to Roanoke College for giving us the opportunity to celebrate citizens within this city that have contributed so much of themselves

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‘Coffee with City Council’ forum held



Green, Turk, Wallace and Marrano are pictured at the forum.

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Salem residents gathered at the Salem Public Library on Oct. 18 for "Coffee with City Council," a forum where candidates running for Salem City Council shared their platforms and answered questions. Local journalist Gene Marrano moderated the event, which was hosted by the Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce. Three candidates—Jim Wallace, Mayor Renee Turk and Anne Marie Green—participated, while former City

Councilman John Saunders was absent.

Jim Wallace, when asked why he was running, mentioned that years ago, he had been upset about issues in the schools and wanted to replace the school board. He expressed satisfaction with recent economic developments in the city, including the Valleydale and 419 projects, and emphasized the importance of adhering to zoning and codes. Wallace also called for Salem to engage with the "Virginia Main Street" program.

Mayor Renee Turk, who lost her 2019



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The candidates for Salem City Council pose with other local elected officials.

election bid but won a seat in 2020, explained that she ran to bring a woman's business perspective to the City Council. With a background in business and education, she saw her role as a great opportunity to serve the city.

Anne Marie Green stressed the need for

Salem to be careful with spending, citing the city's water tower project as an example of a poor decision. She emphasized the importance of maintaining the city's existing buildings and assets.

During the forum, the candidates were

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DaVita honors nurse with DAISY Award

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Melissa (Missy) Hart, nephrology nurse at DaVita Glenvar Dialysis, was recently honored with The DAISY Award For Extraordinary Nurses. The award is part of the DAISY Foundation's programs to recognize the superhuman efforts nurses perform every day.

DaVita leaders, fellow care team members and patients celebrated Hart for her continuous efforts to "go above and beyond to care for her dialysis patients and support DaVita teammates." Hart started with Davita as a patient care technician as she worked her way through nursing school. She said she takes a whole-health approach with each patient to ensure that she provides them with the best possible care.

Recently, Hart trained a new-to-DaVita nephrology nurse. After her time with Hart, this nurse said, "I want to be just like Missy."

"Hart's attention to detail, genuine love for people and her determination to make everyone's day better is palpable. Although dialysis is not an enjoyable experience, patients light up when they walk in because of their connection to Hart. Their day is brighter and they feel more confident in the care they are receiving," DaVita said of Hart.

For their commitment to respecting, encouraging and empathizing with each patient's kidney care journey, DaVita's DAISY award honorees received a personalized

"Extraordinary Nurse" certificate, a DAISY Award pin and a hand-carved sculpture called "A Healer's Touch."

"Nurses are such a significant part of the health care workforce, and they are at the heart of the care we provide at DaVita," said Tina Livaudais, chief nursing officer for DaVita. "I'm inspired by the stories of compassion, empathy and selflessness that each of our DAISY recipients embodies. This award reflects the clinical excellence they deliver to our patients every day."

The not-for-profit DAISY Foundation was established by family members in memory of J. Patrick Barnes. Barnes died at the age of 33 in late 1999 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura, a little known but not uncommon autoimmune disease. The care Barnes and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired this unique means of thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their patients and patient families.

Said Bonnie Barnes, FAAN, doctor of humane letters and co-founder of The DAISY Foundation, "When Patrick was critically ill, our family experienced first-hand the remarkable skill and care nurses provide patients every day and night. Yet these unsung heroes are seldom recognized for the super-human work they do. The kind of work the nurses at DaVita are called on to do every day epitomizes the purpose of The DAISY Award."



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TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly): All ages are invited to participate in the non-judgmental program at the Salem Senior Center on Tuesdays from 5-6 p.m. There is a registration fee and a \$3 per month fee. Call Charlene Lester at 540-293-7753 with questions.

Roanoke College—MAPLE’S Kids by Toy Like Me: Takes place from 9-11 a.m. every Saturday during the following time frames: Oct. 5-Oct. 26, Nov. 2-Nov. 30 in the Bast Center. MAPLE’S Kids (Multiple Adaptive Play Experiences in Sports) is an extension of Toy Like Me, part of Roanoke College’s new Disability Studies Program. We have partnered with Wheel Love, a local nonprofit that creates active opportunities for local adults with physical disabilities, to promote adaptive sports. Staffed by Roanoke College student volunteers, MAPLE’S Kids has become a community for local families with children with disabilities.

Roanoke College—“Forget Me Not” Exhibition: Sept. 13- Dec. 8, 2024, 1-4 p.m.

Olin Hall Galleries, Lower Smoyer Hall. The exhibition "Forget Me Not" by Roanoke College’s Center for Studying Structures of Race (CSSR) chronicles projects completed since 2019. This set of works highlight questions about structural racism in local, national and global contexts. By examining the physical and symbolic structures of racism, the CSSR explores and complicates the understanding of race through interdisciplinary research, teaching and community engagement.

Roanoke College—“Child Be Free” by Johnny Floyd: Sept. 14- Dec. 8, 2024, 1-4 p.m. Olin Hall Galleries. Johnny Floyd’s exhibition, “Child Be Free,” explores our relationship with time and how we define ourselves within its bounds. Influenced by conversations with his grandfather, a theoretical physicist, Floyd delves into questions of purpose and identity, often through the lens of recursion theory, where repetition leads to revelation. Through experimentation with paper, sewing and digital manipulation, Floyd intertwines archival imagery with themes of ancestry and connection. Drawing inspiration from the Center for Studying Structures of Race’s project on naming unnamed enslaved individuals who contributed to Roanoke College’s history, Floyd

intertwines archival African American vernacular photography from the Maurice Berger Memorial Archive and Library with themes of ancestry and connection. By utilizing the Black experience in the United States as an analogy for the constructs of time, his art aims to deconstruct and question the necessity of these constructs, inviting viewers to contemplate their own temporal identities.

Roanoke College—“Freedom is Not a Metaphor” by Sandy Williams IV: Sept. 14- Dec. 8, 2024, 1-4 p.m. Olin Hall Galleries, Smoyer Gallery. “Freedom is Not a Metaphor” by Sandy Williams IV presents a collection of works spanning photography, sculptures, research and installations. Through personal narratives and historical contexts, the exhibition invites viewers to reconsider the construction and contestation of memory. Williams intertwines family portraits with discussions on public space, challenging conventional narratives and encouraging dialogue on agency and historical injustices. Their innovative approach, seen in works like “The Time Ruler” series, prompts reflection on collective memory and cultural moments. The exhibition serves as a platform for diverse voices to engage with the complexities of public memory, advocating for reconciliation and collective healing. By highlighting struggles against oppressive systems and emphasizing liberation and justice, Williams reminds viewers of our collective strength and the potential for transformative change. The exhibition prompts us to confront our shared consciousness and envision a more inclusive and just society built upon a deeper understanding of our history and identity. In collaboration with the Center for Studying Structures of Race, funding for this exhibition is provided by the Joanne Leonhardt Cassullo Center for Art at Roanoke College.

Pumpkinfest: Pumpkinfest returns on Friday night, Oct. 25, at the Salem Farmers Market. This year’s event runs from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and it will once again feature a costume contest and pumpkin give-away. Plus, all attendees can walk through our “Chefs vs. Surgeons” Jack O’ Lantern patch, vote for their favorite carved pumpkin and later bid on it in the pumpkin auction. In addition, children can buy tickets

for carnival games and inflatables, stroll through the trick-or-treat zone, get their face painted, and enjoy sand art and a bake sale. This is 24th year Salem is joining forces with Q99 to present this event in Downtown Salem. Pumpkinfest admission for adults is just \$5 a person and children 15-and-under are admitted free. The Unlimited activity wristbands are just \$5 for children. Dale’s Diner, The Tailgate, Kettle Cooker Express and Sweet Surrender Ice Cream will be selling their amazing creations throughout the evening. Once again, “Five-Dollar Shake” will provide musical entertainment. All proceeds from the event will benefit Area 8 Special Olympics. Q99, Kroger and Salem Parks and Recreation are sponsoring this year’s event and Q99’s Dick and Dave once again will host the fall celebration. The Salem Farmers Market is located on the corner of Main and Broad Street in the heart of Downtown Salem.

Trick-or-Treat with the Downtown Merchants: Youngsters will have a chance to Trick-or-Treat with the Downtown Merchants on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to noon. Children can travel up and down Main Street from Academy St. to College Ave. Businesses that have a pumpkin sticker on their storefront window are participating. InFirst Federal Credit Union is sponsoring the downtown trick-or treating. In addition, the Salem Sheriff’s Office’s Fall Open House is happening from 10 a.m. to noon at 2 E. Calhoun Street.

Neighborhood Trick-or-Treating: Traditional neighborhood Trick-or-Treating will take place citywide in Salem on Thursday, Oct. 31.

First Mondays: The family-friendly events are held by Gary John, who manages the “Mason Creek” bluegrass group, and Vicky Sword from the center. The bluegrass/acoustic shows are free, but a tip bucket will be passed around for donations to the musicians. Cake raffles and door prizes will be offered. The event is on Monday, Nov. 4: 7-9 p.m. – Luv Buzzards. It will take place at the Salem Parks and Recreation Senior Rec Center at 110 Union Street, Salem.

“The Ugly Truth About Stakeholder Capitalism”: The Ugly Truth About Stakeholder Capitalism will be in the Olin Hall Theater at Roanoke College on Wednesday, Nov. 20 from 7-8 p.m. Andy Puzder is a

speaker, commentator, attorney and retired chief executive officer. Earlier in his career, Puzder was a commercial trial lawyer in St. Louis. For 17 years he served as the CEO of CKE Restaurants, Inc., an international corporation which owns popular restaurant chains Carl’s Jr. and Hardee’s. He currently serves on the board of advisors for Young America’s Foundation’s Center for Entrepreneurship & Free Enterprise, and he is a frequent lecturer and author for the organization on economics, business and public policy. Puzder’s lectures focus generally on the material and moral benefits of free market capitalism. He compellingly contrasts the broad-based prosperity and abundance of capitalism with poverty and want of socialism. Puzder recounts that he was just a working-class kid from Cleveland, Ohio, who now considers it his responsibility to ensure that young Americans understand the incredible benefits of the economic system in which they live. His works include books such as “Job Creation: How It Really Works and Why Government Doesn’t Understand It” and features in the Wall Street Journal, National Review, Fox News Online and Real Clear Politics.

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Public meetings:

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Oct. 28 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Nov. 25 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m.

Explanation for Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Be Voted On at the November 5, 2024, Election

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE X. Taxation and Finance.

Section 6-A. Property tax exemption ~~for~~ certain veterans and their surviving spouses ~~and~~ surviving spouses of soldiers ~~killed in action~~ who died in the line of duty.

BALLOT QUESTION

Should the Constitution of Virginia be amended so that the tax exemption that is currently available to the surviving spouses of soldiers killed in action is also available to the surviving spouses of soldiers who died in the line of duty?

EXPLANATION FOR VOTERS

Present Law

Generally, the Virginia Constitution requires that all property be taxed. It also sets out specific types of property that may be exempted from taxation. Currently, the Virginia Constitution allows the General Assembly to exempt from taxation the principal place of residence of the surviving spouse of any soldier who is determined by the U.S. Department of Defense to have been killed in action.

Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment would expand this current tax exemption so that it is available to all surviving spouses of soldiers who are determined by the U.S. Department of Defense to have died in the line of duty, including those who have been killed in action.

A "yes" vote would allow the surviving spouse of a soldier who died in the line of duty to claim the same real property tax exemption on their principal place of residence that is currently only available to the surviving spouses of soldiers who are killed in action.

A "no" vote will not allow such additional surviving spouses to claim the real property tax exemption.

FULL TEXT OF AMENDMENT

[Proposed new language is underlined. Deleted old language is ~~stricken~~.]

ARTICLE X

TAXATION AND FINANCE

Section 6-A. Property tax exemption ~~for~~ certain veterans and their surviving spouses ~~and~~ surviving spouses of soldiers ~~killed in action~~ who died in the line of duty.

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6, the General Assembly by general law, and within the restrictions and conditions prescribed therein, shall exempt from taxation the real property, including the joint real property of husband and wife, of any veteran who has been determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor agency pursuant to federal law to have a one hundred percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability, and who occupies the real property as his or her principal place of residence. The General Assembly shall also provide this exemption from taxation for real property owned by the surviving spouse of a veteran who was eligible for the exemption provided in this subdivision, so long as the surviving spouse does not remarry. This exemption applies to the surviving spouse's principal place of residence without any restriction on the spouse's moving to a different principal place of residence.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6, the General Assembly by general law, and within the restrictions and conditions prescribed therein, may exempt from taxation the real property of the surviving spouse of any member of the armed forces of the United States who ~~was killed in action as determined by~~ died in the line of duty with a Line of Duty determination from the United States Department of Defense, who occupies the real property as his or her principal place of residence. The exemption under this subdivision shall cease if the surviving spouse remarries and shall not be claimed thereafter. This exemption applies regardless of whether the spouse was ~~killed in action~~ determined to have died in the line of duty prior to the effective date of this subdivision, but the exemption shall not be applicable for any period of time prior to the effective date. This exemption applies to the surviving spouse's principal place of residence without any restriction on the spouse's moving to a different principal place of residence and without any requirement that the spouse reside in the Commonwealth at the time of death of the member of the armed forces.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

At the grocery store the other day I came across the discounted meat section. Usually when I go shopping, the discounted meats have been picked through and there is none left. I did find one chuck roast with a best buy date of the next day. I knew that if I got this roast, I would be eating it for days, but it was a really good deal! I made a trip back to the produce section to get carrots and potatoes. I could cook this with an onion, but I wanted to be able to share it with Betsy so no onion. A trip down the soup isle and I picked up a can of beef broth and a packet of brown gravy mix. When I got home, I pulled out my favorite kitchen appliance, my slow cooker.

Most crockpot recipes for pot roast tell you to sear the roast in a hot pan to get it brown on all sides. Who's got time for that! Not me. I just plop that roast in the bottom of the crock and go to the next step. One less pan to clean. Next, I washed the potatoes, and I found that the little Yukon gold ones are the easiest for me. I just dropped them in whole. You can cut them in half, but I don't. I poured a bag of baby cut carrots on top and around the roast. I pulled a bag of chopped celery out of my freezer and added about ½ cup to the pot. I mixed a packet of brown gravy with the can of beef broth, added a splash of Worcestershire and poured it over the whole thing. I put the lid on and went to work. When I got home the house smelled great and a meal was ready for me.

Today's slow cookers are designed to be left on and unattended for 8-48 hours. According to Good Housekeeping, while cooking is the number one cause of U.S. home fires, the chance of a slow cooker setting your house on fire is extremely slim. Most models don't run above 200-300 watts, making them a low current, low heat appliance. Still, if you feel apprehension at the idea of leaving it on all day, here are some slow cooker safety tips to follow:

- Crockpot safety tips**
- Don't overfill your crockpot. Crockpots come in all sizes, from 1.5 quarts to a massive 8 quarts. Before you fill it, double-check the manufacturer's instructions. Most recommend filling a crockpot one-half to two-thirds of the way. Overfilling it may cause the contents to boil over, while not enough liquid may burn your dinner.
 - Don't use near water. We all know water and electrical appliances don't mix. When using your slow cooker, keep it away from the kitchen sink or other water sources.
 - Set on a Flat surface. The best place to use a crockpot is on the kitchen counter. Avoid setting your slow cooker on an uneven surface, and never place it near



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loose fabrics, including curtains, kitchen towels, or napkins. Use your crockpot in the middle of a counter or table and far away from the edge. Try to hide the cord, too. All it takes is a hyper dog or curious toddler to knock the slow cooker – and all its hot contents – onto the floor.

Avoid walls. Setting your crockpot too close to a wall is a recipe for disaster. As a rule of thumb, allow a 6-inch clearance around all sides of your slow cooker.

Pay attention to the temperature needed. Slow cookers cook slowly. Leave your crockpot on low heat, especially if you plan on cooking all day or overnight. Slow cookers are designed to do their own thing, so you don't need to keep checking the contents. Every time you take the lid off it will release some of the heat, so if you keep doing this, you'll have to increase the cooking time. Invest in a programmable slow cooker, especially if you like to cook while you're away from home. These models automatically switch to a lower temperature after a designated time.

Is it safe to leave a crockpot all day or overnight? Slow cookers are popular because you can cook food for hours without standing over a hot stove. But is it safe to leave a crockpot on all day? Yes! Since crockpots cook at a much lower temperature, it's often necessary to run the appliance for 4-8 hours. What can you do while dinner simmers all day? You can go to work, run errands, do chores, or relax. Is it safe to leave a crockpot on overnight while you sleep? Yes! If you feel comfortable leaving your crockpot on while you're at work, you should also feel safe using it overnight. If you follow the manufacturer's instructions and the crockpot isn't a pass-me-down from your great-grandmother, there's no reason to worry. While vintage appliances from the '70s look cool, you shouldn't use them for cooking. Before leaving your crockpot on all day, make sure it meets current safety standards. If it has a fabric cord, it's outdated. Throw out your slow cooker if it has an attached insert. You should also invest in a new model if it no longer heats up properly. Though slow cookers have been around for a long time, technology has improved a lot in recent years with modern safety features like auto shut off.



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- Slow cooker pot roast**
- Ingredients:**
- About 3 pounds chuck roast
 - 4 medium Yukon gold potatoes, quartered (or red potatoes) Russets get too mushy
 - 3 celery stalks, cut into thirds
 - 3 carrots, cut into thirds
 - 1 yellow onion, quartered (I left it out so the dog could eat it too!)
 - 1 packet brown gravy mix
 - 1 can low sodium beef broth
 - 1 Tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- Instructions:**
- Place the roast into the slow cooker. Mix together the beef broth, gravy mix, and Worcestershire sauce in a small bowl and pour over the roast. Now arrange all of the vegetables on top of the roast. Cook on high for 5-6 hours or low for 8-10 hours.

Pathways

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fans and offering memorabilia.

Education was also a key theme of the event. Roanoke County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Ken Nicely spoke about the district's new Career and Technical Education (CTE) facility and plans to expand programs, including those in the biomedical field. Nicely praised the partnership between local businesses and the school system, particularly through the Registered Apprenticeship program.

Curtis Hicks, superintendent of Salem City Schools, shared updates on the Virginia West Community College coalition and efforts to expand opportunities in machinery, HVAC, and medical science. He also highlighted the presence of school resource officers in every school, describing them as crucial to fostering a safe and supportive environment.

Roanoke County Administrator Richard Caywood focused on the county's growth and job creation, expressing pride in the Tanglewood Mall

revitalization project. Caywood noted that attracting businesses would create opportunities to lower taxes, and he identified several areas of development potential, including the Hollins area, Plantation Road corridor, and Oak Grove.

The event also featured a discussion on public engagement, led by Madeline Hanlon, assistant to the Roanoke County administrator. Hanlon spoke about efforts to connect with residents through community meetings and social media, as well as the importance of the county's ongoing Roanoke 200 plan.

In closing, leaders echoed the importance of local support. Mayor Turk and Miller both emphasized the need to "shop local" as a means of strengthening the community. Looking ahead, North pointed to the need for a mindset shift around affordable housing and development, calling for more projects to keep residents in the region.



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A collection of leaders from Salem and Roanoke County participated in the event.

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asked whether Salem is business-friendly and if the city effectively cuts through red tape. Wallace pointed to recent economic developments and the city's comprehensive 10-year plan through the Virginia Main Street program. Turk called business the "lifeblood of the city" and said she was open to improvements. Green added that supporting small and unique businesses is critical to attracting visitors.

On the topic of fiscal responsibility, Wallace advocated for maintaining a six-month fiscal reserve and returning any surplus funds to taxpayers. He also stressed the importance of balancing Salem's high level of services with real estate valuations. Turk described the city's finances as a balancing act between revenue and expenses, highlighting the importance of thoughtful decisions when using taxpayer money. Green emphasized the need to use funds to maintain public infrastructure.

Housing affordability and development were also discussed, with the candidates weighing in on the HopeTree

housing project. Turk defended her decision to support the project after 10 months of information gathering, noting that it preserves green space, maintains historic buildings and includes traffic studies and density restrictions. Wallace opposed the development, arguing that Salem does not have a housing issue and that the federal government cannot solve the housing problem. He also pointed to upcoming homes in the Valleydale project. Green acknowledged that housing costs, like \$2,000 monthly apartments at Valleydale, may be affordable for newcomers but remain out of reach for many locals.

When asked about

Salem's biggest challenges, Wallace pointed to aging infrastructure and the importance of economic development to generate revenue. Turk mentioned the need for more hotels to capture lodging taxes from visitors attending events in Salem. Green noted that the city's population has skewed younger in recent years, and she stressed the importance of attracting young families.

The forum concluded with the candidates sharing what they believe is the best aspect of Salem. Wallace and Green both emphasized safety and the sense of community, while Turk highlighted the city's quality of life, services and camaraderie.

Sizemore

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to make the quality of life awesome in Salem," said Mayor Renée Turk '77.

"Our partnership together will continue to contribute to the excellent quality of life for all of those in Salem."

Sizemore was nominated for this year's award in recognition of her decades of advocacy for Salem's children. She was an active PTA volunteer for about 20 years and served as president of the South Salem Elementary School PTA before being appointed to the school board in 2021.

During her tenure as PTA president, she spearheaded a partnership with Bethel Baptist Church to create the Back to School Bash, an event now in its seventh year that provides school supplies, shoes and haircuts to the community's children.

On the school board, she's been an advocate for growing Salem's career and technical education program and championed all pathways for student success. She also serves with the Salem Education Foundation, which each year awards approximately 120 scholarships.

In nominating her for the Charles Brown Award, a community member described Sizemore as the embodiment of a servant-leader who shows up for others and for her community.

"Teresa, when I read your nomination, I was truly inspired," President Frank Shushok Jr. said. "I thank you for being the kind of human being that pushes good forward in the world. Thank you for serving first the people around you. It makes a difference."

Sizemore, in accepting the award, said she always felt called to service and encouraged others to mentor and uplift children in their communities.

"I knew that if I ever got to a place where I could give back, that would always be the main goal," she said. "So, on days when you're tired or you just don't have enough time or resources, just remember: That thing you show up for could make a difference in someone else's life."

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OPINION

Salem Public Library is celebrating fall

It's time for fall photos! Walk over to the Salem Library's Children's Garden from Pumpkinfest on Friday, October 25, 5pm-7:30pm or just drop by anytime, and snap a few pics of your favorite library readers. Tag us and share your favorites on Facebook!

Halloween fun for kids!
Saturday, October 26, 1pm. Grades 6-12. **Spooky Faux Terrarium Make & Create:** Create a Halloween terrarium using faux moss and plants. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Thursday, October 3, 10:30am. Ages 0-5. **Halloween Storytime!** Put on your costume and join us for a special Storytime. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Upcoming October adult programs:
Tuesday, October 29, 1pm; **Afternoon Book Club: Reader's Choice** with the theme of Fairy Tales Retold. 1pm.
Thursday, October 31, 2-3:30; **Puzzles & Games Afternoon;** Drop in and play board games, card games and puzzles. Halloween costumes are optional!

Library by Candlelight:
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like to hang out in the library afterhours for some quiet time away from the hubbub of life? Enjoy a cozy, quiet evening at the Salem Public Library after hours from 8-10pm, Thursday, November 7th. Read a book, play a game, bring your knitting, or anything that creates calm for you. Games, crossword puzzles, and trivia quizzes will be available to play individually (no group activities). Warm beverages and delicious comfort food will be provided. Door prizes include coffee shop gift cards, Republic of Tea tins, alpaca socks, and a knitted scarf. To enter a Grand Prize drawing for a Pendleton wool blanket, bring a new or gently used, freshly laundered coat to donate to charity.

No computers or printing will be available but feel free to browse the



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library collection and check out books. Just a cozy evening in the library with no teenagers or kids. There is no obligation to speak to anyone or interact

with people. This is a perfect program for introverts. Adults only. Register online at salemva.libcal.com Limit 25 people.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

People don't like change and even resist it, especially in their own neighborhoods. I've lived in Salem fifty years and remember vociferous complaints about construction in specific areas. In the 1960's, residents were against building Lewis Gale Hospital. In the 1970's, Salem High School was the target and in the 1980's it was the football stadium. In the 1990's and 2000's, construction of the water tower and businesses on the Elizabeth Campus property had that neighborhood upset. More recently, neighboring subdivisions also opposed the Simms Farm development. Businesses

near the former Valleydale site were opposed to those development plans. Now the neighbors near Hope Tree are as deeply opposed to that development as were the communities previously mentioned.

I have two more points. 1. I support many Salem High School athletic teams and invariably run into "opponents" who grew up in and played for Salem. Many of these former Salemites would prefer to live here and raise their children as Spartans, but because we have a significant shortage in Salem, they can't find suitable housing. We need more housing options in Salem; what options do the citizens who oppose the Hope Tree development think there are? By the way, as owners, Hope Tree has the right to, and will, develop the property, regardless of how City Council

voted. 2. Unless your home was built on an existing building site, chances are good that someone (possibly even a large group of people) was upset that your house was built on a former pasture or other green space.

Through the years, Salem City Councils have made many unpopular decisions and have stayed with their choices, regardless of citizen pushback, because they did (and do) what they think is best for all of Salem. I haven't agreed with all of their decisions, but I have always admired them for making the difficult, often unpopular decisions they know are best for the entire City of Salem, including the Hope Tree project decision.

-Holly Moore
Salem

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Dear Editor,

Two weeks ago, this paper published my letter recommending waiting to vote. Your vote is pivotal in the current and future Security of America and locally for your quality of life.

For the first time in our history, a major presidential party candidate is running on the platform of continuing the genocide by supporting Israel's wild aggressions against Gaza, the West Bank and now tearing apart Lebanon, killing innocent people whose government cannot protect them. Wild provocations by Israel against Iran and others that attempt to implicate the U.S. into a regional war with Iran has not been stopped by our ineffective and pro-Israel Secretary of State, Antony Blinken, who has the nickname "Netanyahu's lawyer." Too often, Biden has failed to fire ineffectual appointees.

While pleading about the need to allow provisions into Gaza and the need for a cease-fire, the Biden administration has delivered a steady flow of powerful armaments, including bunker busting bombs to bombard civilians living in tent camps

after Israel has destroyed their homes, schools, hospitals, churches, water and sewage systems and roads which has turned Gaza into an unlivable rubble with polio breaking out. The Biden Administration is supplying this genocide and is likely culpable of War Crimes. The bombs continue unabated. Someone needs to put the Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on a leash, but the Biden administration has demonstrated the inability and unwillingness to bring Israel to heel.

For our security, it is essential that we voters in America repudiate of the behavior of America's current leadership. It is imperative that the American people do not condone genocide by our government. According to Colonel Lawrence Wilkerson (Colin Powell's former aid), plots are being planned against the US by angry people in the Middle East. Meanwhile, our borders are open. Both major political parties are culpable of supporting genocide. Note that our Congress (bought and paid for by AIPAC) saw fitting to give Benjamin Netanyahu 54 standing ovations when he spoke--the longest ovation being when Netanyahu

claimed that American higher Ed students protesting the injustice of Israel toward Gaza, were the "Useful idiots of Iran." America's "joined-at-the-hip" relationship with nuclear-armed Israel is now a direct attack on our first amendment -- the essence of democracy embedded in our First Amendment that makes us truly unique.

However, the Democratic Party Leadership has turned away from democracy, embracing a 180° turnaround under our feet without many people noticing it. Hillary Clinton is claiming that disinformation (according to her) about Russia should be punished by imprisonment to make an example. John Kerry recently stated that the first amendment is in their way of controlling the narrative.. For example, using the Mainstream Press to present incomplete reports like ignoring the U.S. coup in 2014 which overthrew Ukraine's elected leader, Victor Yanukovich, installing instead U.S. State Department administrator Victoria Nuland's choice.

Citizens should fulfill their due

See **Munley**, page 6

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Unhappy

4. Clairvoyance

7. One who works under you

12. What happens there stays there

15. Not ingested

16. Got the picture

18. One thousandth of a gram

19. Breakfast item

20. About

21. Tall deciduous trees

24. Safe keeping receipt

27. Cowardly

30. Pueblo people of New Mexico

31. Herring-like fish

33. A very large body of water

34. Angle (abbr.)

35. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation

37. White clerical vestment

39. Cool!

41. Matchstick games

42. Thick piece of something

44. A state that precedes vomiting

47. Burned item residue

48. Jaguarundi

49. Anno Domini (in the year of Our Lord)

50. The home of "60 Minutes"

52. Dorm official

53. Give cards incorrectly

56. One who is learning the job

61. Popular R.L. Stevenson novel

63. Attentively

64. CNN's founder

65. Criticize

CLUES DOWN

1. Fijian capital

2. Assist

3. Elected lord in Venice

4. The capacity of a physical system to do work

5. People of the wild

6. Parent-teacher group

7. Midway between south and southeast

8. Moved quickly on foot

9. Handheld Nintendo console

10. "Top of the Stairs" playwright

11. Electronic data processing

12. "Dog Day Afternoon" director

13. Leaned

14. About aviation

17. Mountain is a popular type

22. Lake along Zambia and Congo border

23. Heroic tales

24. Soviet Socialist Republic

25. "Star Trek" villain

26. Hand gesture popular on social media

28. Renters have one

29. Tubular steel column

32. Database management system

36. Similar

38. Providing no shelter or sustenance

40. Death

43. What a sheep did

44. Midcentury Asian battle-ground

45. Horizontal passage into a mine

46. Mortified

51. Improper word

54. No seats available

55. Financial obligation

56. It can be hot or iced

57. Tough outer skin of a fruit

58. __ Spumante (Italian wine)

59. Misfortunes

60. Negative

62. Camper

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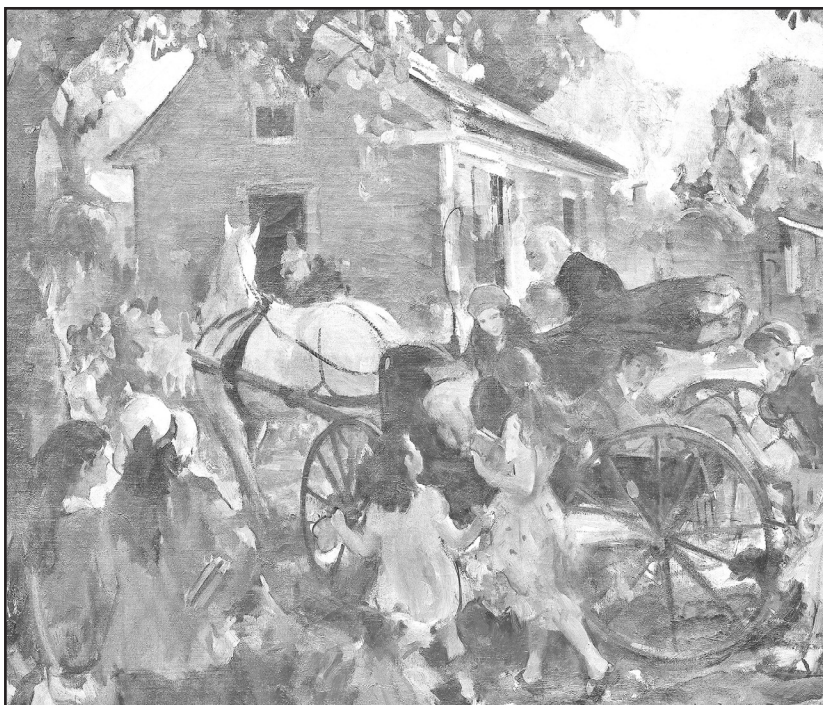
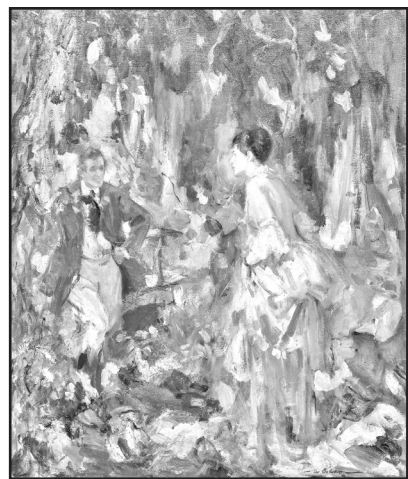
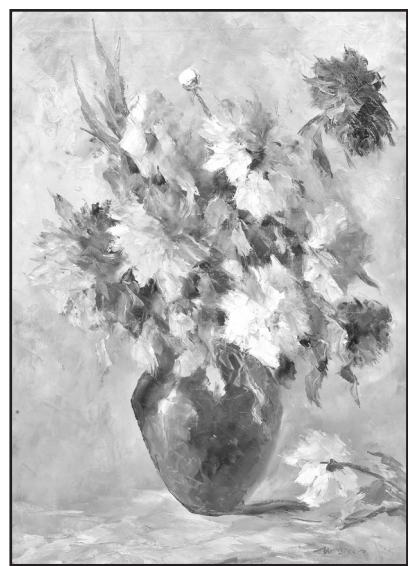
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LinDor Arts featuring work by Walter Biggs



COURTESY PHOTOS

Art lovers are in for a treat at LinDor Arts in downtown Roanoke, where a special exhibition of Walter Biggs' works will be on display until Nov. 16. The collection features oils, watercolors, and drawings, some over 100 years old. Biggs, a celebrated illustrator, captured the essence of Salem and its residents, with a few pieces depicting local scenes and Salemites who served as models for illustrations that graced popular magazines of the time. This extensive showcase is a rare opportunity to experience Biggs's legacy in such depth, making it a must-see for fans and newcomers alike.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

ISSAC VINYARD PROMINENT IN ROAD MATTERS OF EASTERN END OF ROANOKE COUNTY IN 1870'S

Records Show Many Applications For Various Permits In Connections With Highways

From the 1938 centennial edition of *The Times-Register*
Isaac Vinyard, one of the men for whom that town was founded and it was recognition of this fact that induced the people there to name the town after Vinyard.

In looking over the old records we find that Isaac Vinyard was authorized by the county court to operate a tavern in 1867.

It is, however, in connection with road matters that Isaac Vinyard appears mostly in the early records. In 1863 the court book has the following record:

"It is ordered that Isaac Vinyard be appointed surveyor of Road precinct No. 49 in place of P. M. Thrasher who is dead and that with the hands allotted said precinct do put away and keep same in repair according to law."

When a settlement grew up about the depot at Gish's the inhabitants of that vicinity desired one of the main roads to run through the village and Isaac Vinyard was the man who was spokesman for the applicants. In July 1876 the following court order was made:

Road is Changed

On the application of Isaac W. Vinyard for an alteration in the road running from the railroad at Gish's mill by Thrasher's chapel, said alteration to commence at a point near the tan yard and ending near Thrasher's Chapel, Thomas R. Muse, the commissioner who, at the February term of court was directed to view said alteration, this day returned his report from which it appears that the said road, if altered was proposed will run on Main street of the village recently established at Gish's Mill depot from the tan yard to near Thrasher's Chapel, that the said commissioner recommends said alteration. Whereupon it is ordered that said road be altered as to carry it along the Main street of said

village between the points aforesaid, instead of along the present location. And it is further ordered that John B. Ruddell, surveyor of said road do, with the hands allotted to said road, make such alterations in accordance with said report. And it is further ordered that the costs of said application be paid out of the next county levy."

Order Road Built

"It is ordered that Charles Lunsford do with James E. Day, the surveyor of the county, examine the road from Gish's Mill to J. B. Ruddell's gate; the road from the ford at Glades Creek between the farms of Wm. M. Berkely and I. W. Vinyard to the Bedford line and also a cross road from I. W. Vinyard's farmhouse to Gish's Mill road leading by Thrasher's Chapel and report as to the width of said roads; who has encroached upon said roads by fencing or otherwise; whether it be necessary that said roads by thirty feet wide and if so, what is necessary to be done to make them of said width and the said commissioners are required to report the first day of the next term of court."

In July of 1883 the court ordered that a thirty foot road be laid out between Gish's and Roanoke. Three tentative sites were examined and it was decided that the road be "run from the middle of Tinker Creek at the end of railroad avenue in Roanoke along the side and south of the railroad."

The application for this road was G. MeH. Gish who



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The event was held at South Roanoke United Methodist Church.

Roanoke Valley Crop Hunger Walk raises funds for hunger relief

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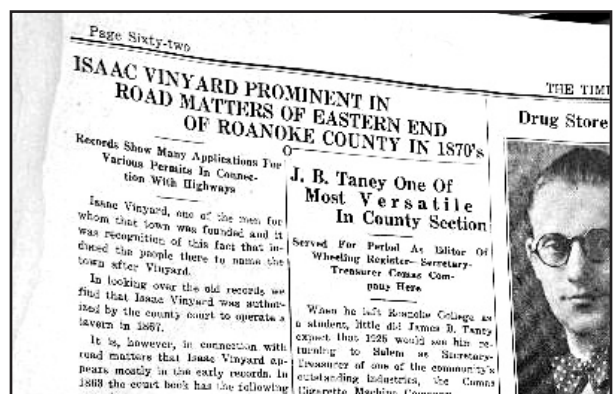
On Sunday, Oct. 20, the 2024 Roanoke Valley Crop Hunger Walk took place at South Roanoke United Methodist Church, bringing together the community in a collective effort to fight hunger. The event, part of the national CROP Hunger Walk initiative, raised funds to support hunger relief globally, with 25% of the proceeds benefiting the Community Solutions Center, part of Feeding Southwest Virginia.

Feeding Southwest Virginia, a partner of Feeding America, has been working for over 40 years to address food insecurity in the region. The organization distributes approximately \$28 million worth of food and grocery products

annually through more than 400 food pantries and meal programs across a 26-county, nine-city service area.

The walk, which began at 2 p.m. following a press conference, featured local leaders such as Rev. Janet Chisom, Lisa Claytor, John Langan, and Randy Holden, who spoke to the attendees about the importance of fighting hunger. Despite rain, participants gathered for activities and a send-off message, with indoor accommodations made at the church.

The CROP Hunger Walk has long been a vital event in the Roanoke Valley, uniting people of all ages, faiths, and backgrounds with the goal of ending hunger one step at a time. For more information on how to support hunger relief in the region, visit feedingsvwa.org.



FROM THE TIMES-REGISTER ARCHIVES

operated a store in Vinton and who was also prominent in community affairs about the village before it was incorporated. it was he who was responsible for the depot being erected at Gish's.

W. B. Preston and M. P. Preston were other prominent men in that vicinity in the early days. They owned and considerable land in the vicinity before the town was incorporated.

Isaac Vinyard afterward entered the mercantile business there under the first name of Isaac Vinyard and Brother.

- Prepared by Lingjie Gu

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POLICE REPORT

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of October 8, 2024 – October 14, 2024

10/8/2024	Nicole M. Fink	38	Public Intoxication
10/8/2024	Roger L. Fisher	41	Public Intoxication
10/8/2024	Kevin R. Ralston	42	Conceal Merchandise
10/8/2024	Jason D. Collins	50	Simple Larceny Not From Person, Credit Card Theft
10/9/2024	Lisa J. Easley	63	Criminal Trespass
10/10/2024	Katrina J. Andrews	23	Conceal Merchandise
10/10/2024	Joseph M. Truse Jr.	42	Credit Card Theft
10/10/2024	Robert L. White	46	Possession of Controlled Substance
10/11/2024	Christopher A. Lindamood	63	Public Intoxication, Urination In Public
10/11/2024	James P. Hunsinger	51	Assault & Battery
10/12/2024	John C. Calhoun	42	Public Intoxication
10/13/2024	Alexander W. Lopacinski	22	Public Intoxication
10/14/2024	Omar E. Anderson	39	Public Intoxication
10/14/2024	Ashley M. Williams	38	Public Intoxication

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of October 8, 2024 – October 14, 2024

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
8-OCT-2024	100 BLK Carey Ave	Credit Card Theft

OBITUARIES

Bain, Lisa Poff

Lisa Poff Bain, 65, of Salem, Va., passed away on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, surrounded by her loving family.

Lisa was a loving wife, mother, and sister who dedicated her life to family and community service. She loved the beach, being with friends, and Virginia Tech sports.

Lisa was preceded in death by her parents, Ray and Doris Poff; and her brother, Ronald Poff.

She is survived by her husband, Mark L. Bain; children, Stephen



C. Bain and Kerri L. Bain (Sonny); sister, Linda Wintermeyer; brother-in-law, Butch Wintermeyer; sister-in-law, Cheryl Poff; and

nephew, Ryan Poff.

Visitation was held from 3 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, October 20, 2024, at the John M. Oakey & Son Chapel. A celebration of life service was held at 11 a.m. on Monday, October 21, 2024, also in the chapel. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the American Cancer Society or the Roanoke Valley SPCA. Online condolences may be expressed by visiting www.johnmoakey.com.

Yeatts, Bonita

Bonita “Bonnie” Yeatts, 78, of Blacksburg, Va., formerly of Salem, passed away on October 20, 2024, after a long-fought battle with Alzheimer’s disease. She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Thomas “Wayne” Yeatts; and parents, Paul and Deane Ferguson; and sister-in-law, Suzanne Yeatts.

Her happiest days were spent with children including those she taught at Tabernacle Baptist Preschool and her grandchildren, her life’s greatest blessings.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Melissa (Greg) Vaden, and Brad (Laura) Yeatts; four grandchildren,



Taylor Vaden, Evan Yeatts, Claire Yeatts and Thomas Yeatts; brother, David (Karen) Ferguson; brother-in-law and sister-in-laws, Lowell (Dorma) Yeatts, Lois (Danny) Board; along with numerous other family members, close friends, former neighbors, grand-dogs, and many others who had the great fortune

of knowing her.

A period of visitation will be held on Saturday, October 26 from 12 – 1 p.m. at the John M. Oakey & Son Funeral Home in Salem. The viewing will be followed by a graveside service at Cedar Lawn Memorial Park, Roanoke where she and her late husband, Wayne, will be laid to rest together.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Alzheimer’s Association in the hope that through their efforts Alzheimer’s disease will be forgotten and precious memories will last a lifetime.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.johnmoakey.com.

Munley

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diligence and learn who is really destroying democracy. While Democratic leaders are now aiming to remove our beloved First Amendment, they are ironically claiming the election is about President Trump destroying democracy when both parties are dangers to real democracy.

The mainstream press has been telling the neoconservative version of events. You have to dig deeper. I have compiled a list of independent journalists who were right from the beginning and are right now. FYI, Trump could be restrained and tempered by the new coalition surrounding him. Bobby Kennedy, aligned with Trump on three issues: Free Speech, Stop the Forever Wars and Make America Healthy Again (MAHA) by removing toxic ingredients from processed food that may be giving young people cancer. Also, Antiwar former Democratic leader, Tulsi Gabbard, is on Trump’s team. Whether the new coalition will guide Trump remains to be seen.

That is why I recommend voting for Dr. Jill Stein of the Green Party, who will capture many disaffected ethnic Muslims in the crucial swing states. Stein can

help depose Kamala Harris—a Donor Class-appointed Democratic Presidential nominee—a hangover from the failed Biden Administration whose foreign policies are inadvertently reconfiguring the world to lessen U.S. power. The Global South has had enough of America’s bipartisan provoked wars, coups, sanctions, bullying, and the U.S.’s arbitrary, incomprehensible, unjust so-called “Rules Based Order.”

The big issue in our local election concerns Council’s rezoning for a highly-dense HopeTree PUD on the elevated property of the “Baptist Children’s Home.” Our local election is about listening—our local democracy. Two of our council members – – Jim Wallace and Hunter Holiday opposed the rezoning based on listening to citizens. Salem Mayor Renee Turk has been claiming that she wants to make voters happy but after promising a group of active citizens in South Salem in 2020 that she would never vote for another large development against the wishes of voters, she is doing so under the guise of “voting for all Salem citizens” — an old excuse

for opposing highly controversial projects in Salem. Turk has many great qualities and talks intelligently about city issues, but she is going against her citizens by doubling down on Hopetree rezoning. Without main roads to the hill, that PUD construction traffic will destroy the surrounding neighborhoods’ quality of life and sense of peace by routing 10 to 15 years of heavy construction traffic winding through neighborhoods as contracts for new housing dribble in. This Hopetree PUD tree is inappropriate for that location.

Both the Democratic and Republican parties have changed dramatically. Both our quality of life in Salem and our national security are on the ballot this time. Please use your moral compass and cast your vote after learning about changes and consider voting for Dr. Jill Stein—a Jew who clearly condemns Israel’s genocide and is running on Peace, People and Planet.

-Cynthia Munley
Salem

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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:
UNEVEN PAVEMENT: Drivers may experience some uneven pavement and/or rough surface throughout the project.

TRAFFIC SHIFT ON EXIT 140: Drivers may experience periodic lane closures, narrow ramp 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.

LANE CLOSURES – Northbound and southbound possible for various work on the project during nighttime hours.

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.

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 every week. Estimated completion is scheduled for end of 2024.

Alternating nighttime northbound and southbound left and right lane closures may be in place from mile marker 96 to 94 during the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.

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

closures 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. 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.

LANE CLOSURES October 11 – November 1: Nighttime alternating left and right lane closures are possible on I-81 northbound or southbound between mile markers 104-106 from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

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.

I-81 BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81 between mile markers 170 to 89, right and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

INTERSTATE 581
I-581 PATCHING OPERATIONS– Weather permitting, beginning August 18, crews will perform paving and patching operations. Lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound, Sunday through Thursday, during nighttime hours, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

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Salem WORSHIP DIRECTORY

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SALEM CHURCH OF CHRIST - 401 West Main Street. 540-389-2400. Minister Taylor Plott; 10:00am Sunday Bible Study; 11:00am Sunday Worship Service; Wednesday Life Groups: 5:30 -7:00pm. For more info contact the Church Office.

WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST - 1705 Starview Drive, Salem. Ministers Luke Tatum and Jerry Anderson, 389-9139, Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 AM, Morning Worship: 10:30 AM, Evening Worship: 6:00 PM, Wednesday Bible Study, 7:000 PM.

CHURCH OF GOD/ANDERSON COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH - 955 Bird Lane, Salem, Va 24153, 389-5639. Pastor: Scott Hudson. Sunday School 10:00AM, Worship 11:00AM; Bible Study 6:00PM.

CHURCH OF GOD/CLEVELAND SALEM CHURCH OF GOD - 600 Craig Avenue, Todd Stiffler, Pastor, 387-2068, Sunday School 9:30am: Worship and Kids Church 10:30 am, Wednesday Bible Study and Classes at 7:00 pm. www.salemcog.church

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 712 Front Ave. Salem, Pastor Dan Netting (540) 389-6831. www.firstchristiansalemva.com. Adult and Children Sunday School - 9:30 am, Worship - 10:30 am. Nursery Provided for both. Everyone welcome

FORT LEWIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - 2931 West Main Street, Salem - Pastor Matthew Cox - 380-4636 - website: www.flccsalem.org. Sunday: 9:30am Adult Study Group, 10:30am Worship, Youth & Children’s Church. All are welcome!

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INDEPENDENT
RESTORATION CHURCH - a Community on Mission Following Jesus into the World - 10:10am Sundays at the Salem YMCA - 1126 Kime Lane, Salem - 540-384-1601 - www.restorationsalem.org. Watch Live at: YouTube: Restoration Church-Salem, VA. Facebook: RestorationChurchSalem

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LEGAL NOTICE

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Legals - Botetourt County

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Case No. **CLW230000189** BOTETOURT COUNTY Circuit Court, 5 W. MAIN STREET, FINCASTLE, VA 24090 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* ESTATE OF ROBERT LANDRUM HARTMAN, SR., DEC v. The object of this suit is to: SHOW CAUSE AGAINST PAYMENT AND DELIVERY OF THE ESTATE TO PARTIES ENTITLED. It is ORDERED that CREDITORS AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ROBERT LANDRUM HARTMAN, SR. deceased, appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before NOVEMBER 13, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M. October 8, 2024 LESLIANNE SMITH, DEPUTY CLERK

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT ESTATE OF ROBERT LANDRUM HARTMAN, SR., deceased Case No. CL 23-189 SHOW CAUSE ORDER AGAINST DISTRIBUTION

It appearing that a report of the accounts of Harry Benjamin Hartman, Executor of the Estate of Robert Landrum Hartman, Sr., deceased, and of the debts and demands against his Estate has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Botetourt, and that six (6) months have elapsed since the qualification of the Executor. On the motion of the Executor, it is hereby ORDERED that the creditors of and all others interested in the Estate of Robert Landrum Hartman, Sr., do show cause, if any they can, on the 13th day of November, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., before this Court at its courtroom in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, against the payment and delivery of the Estate of Robert Landrum Hartman, Sr., deceased, to the parties thereto entitled under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, with or without refunding bonds as the Court prescribes. It is further ORDERED that the foregoing portion of this Order be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks in *The Fincastle Herald*, a newspaper of general circulation in the county of Botetourt, Virginia. ENTER: Joel R. Branscom Circuit Court Judge 10/7/2024

I ask for this: Elizabeth R. Cline Esq. (VSB No. 48717) MOSS & ROCOVICH, P.C. 4415 Electric Rd. (24018) P.O. Box 13606 Roanoke, VA 24035 Phone: (540)774-8800 Fax: (540)774-8808

Counsel for Harry Benjamin Hartman, Executor of the Estate of Robert Landrum Hartman, Sr

Legals - City of Salem

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Tuesday, the 12th day of November, 2024, the City Council of the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing on the proposed issuance of general obligation public improvement bonds of the City in an estimated maximum principal amount of \$3,700,000 for the purposes of (a) acquiring, constructing and equipping various capital improvements for the City's water and wastewater systems, and (b) paying related issuance costs. Such bonds will be secured by a pledge of the full faith and credit and taxing power of the City. The public hearing, which may be continued or adjourned, will be held at 6:30 P.M., local time, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, Salem, Virginia 24153. Interested persons may appear at such time and place and present their views.

Rosemarie Jordan
Director of Finance
City of Salem, Virginia

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Appeals (Building) of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-38 Code of City of Salem, Virginia, on November 4, 2024, at 4:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting and hearing shall be to determine if certain structures are dangerous to the inhabitants of the City and whether such structures should be ordered to be repaired or demolished. The structure is located as follows:

(1) Unsafe accessory structure located at 311 7th Street, Salem, Virginia. (Tax Map # 185-2-4.1) All parties in interest at the public hearings will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and show cause why action by the City and Board to remedy a potentially dangerous situation should or should not be granted. For additional information, contact the Building Official's Office, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375-3036). THE BOARD OF BUILDING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM BY Troy D. Loving Troy D. Loving, Building Official

Legals - Montgomery County

ABC NOTICE

CACHITO MIO TIENDA LATINA LLC., trading as CACHITO MIO TIENDA LATINA LLC, 2115 ROANOKE ST STE B, CHRISTIANSBURG, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VA. 24073.

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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION

The Town of Christiansburg Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 4, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Christiansburg Town Hall, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, Virginia 24073, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments concerning:

A. Rezoning request by, David L. Dove and Hattie P. Dove, Property Owners, and The Town of Christiansburg, Applicant, to rezone property located at 255 Simmons Road NE identified as all of Tax Parcel 500-(A)-1A, (Parcel ID 019656), and consisting of approximately 14.100 acres, and an approximate 0.460 acre parcel identified as Tax Parcel 499-(14)-A, B, (Parcel ID 019655), from Agricultural District (A) to General Industrial District (I-2). The property is designated as Multi-Family Residential on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

B. Conditional Use Permit request by David L. Dove and Hattie P. Dove, Property Owners, and The Town of Christiansburg, Applicant, to allow a Public Works Facility and operations including a "commercial garage" and sanitation vehicle storage in the General Industrial District (I-2) on the property located at 255 Simmons Road NE identified as all of Tax Parcel 500-(A)-1A, (Parcel ID 019656), and consisting of approximately 14.100 acres, and an approximate 0.460 acre parcel identified as Tax Parcel 499-(14)-A, B, (Parcel ID 019655). The property is designated as Multi-Family Residential on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

A copy of the applications, the Town's Zoning Map, Zoning Ordinance, and Future Land Use Map may be viewed in the Planning Department Office, 100 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact Retta Jackson, Planning Director, at (540) 382-6128, ext. 1120 or by email at rjackson@christiansburg.org, with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.

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Legals - Montgomery County

Notice of Public Hearing Town of Blacksburg Planning Commission Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the Town of Blacksburg will conduct the following public hearing on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 during its meeting beginning at 6:30 PM in the Roger E. Hedgepeth Council Chamber, 300 South Main St, Blacksburg, VA on the following item:

801 North Main Street Planned Residential Development with associated Conditional Use Permit request (CUP-24-3) and Right-of-Way vacation request (ROW-24-2) at 801 North Main Street with additional locations on Kabrich Street, Winston Avenue and Progress Street for LV Hokie GP, LLC (contract purchaser). This project consists of three (3) requests, which include (i) RZN-24-2 to rezone the subject properties from GC General Commercial and R-5 Transitional Residential to PR Planned Residential to permit the construction of an 8-story multifamily building with commercial on the ground floor and three (3) townhome-style multifamily buildings with a total of up to 759 bedrooms (270 bedrooms/acre; (ii) ROW-24-2 companion request to vacate a town-owned alley right-of-way of approximately 2,000 square feet extending southeast from Winston Avenue; and (iii) CUP-24-3 to use an alley extending northeast from Winston Avenue for access to twenty-two (22) townhome-style multifamily units.

Persons affected by or interested in the rezoning, conditional use permit and right-of-way requests may appear and present their views. After hearing, the Planning Commission may take action. Copies of the applications, staff report and all related items may be found online at www.blacksburg.gov/public hearings or reviewed in person at the Blacksburg Planning and Building Department, 400 South Main Street, Blacksburg, Virginia. You may also call the office at (540) 443-1300 for more information. Individuals with disabilities who require special assistance to attend and participate in the public hearing on the above should contact the Planning & Building Department at (540) 443-1300, or (540)-443-1000-TDD.

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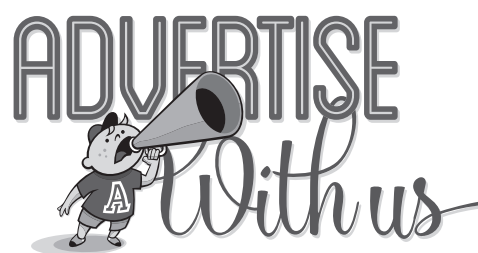


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Charlie Davis(#52), a freshman from Radford, makes the tackle for Roanoke College in Sunday's win over Fork Union Military Academy.



Phyllis Thriller

Last week was a tough one for our football contest gang, as five or more misses was par for the course and some of you even missed more than you got correct. But that wasn't the case for Salem's Phyllis Williams.

Williams, whose son Michael played for Salem High and was head coach at Graham for four seasons, was the only person to miss as few as three games this week. She swept the high school games but missed Georgia Southern over James Madison and Georgia over Texas in the college ranks, then picked the 49ers over Kansas City in the pros. That was the best for the week, so she'll get the \$50 gift certificate from Mac & Bob's.

For our 19th Hole question I asked you to pick the score of the Glenvar-Alleghany game between two unbeaten teams. A majority of you picked Glenva but Alleghany came out on top, 34-7. The closest to that score was Kevin Floyd who picked the Cougars to win 24-17. He'll get a free day of golf at the Salem Municipal course on Academy Street.

As you know, next week is Halloween. So, for this week's 19th hole let's make a Halloween themed question. What would be a good sports related costume for Halloween? It can either be a sports related person's costume, or a sports costume. The one that makes me laugh the hardest will get a free round of golf.

And let me tell you one non-sports story before I go. The other night I had a dream I was hired as a writer for Saturday Night Live and had to come up with a skit. I dreamt, and I'm serious about this, that little children dressed like South American immigrants were standing on the stoop of a house and Donald Trump was putting little kittens in their trick-or-treat bags!!

I'm just glad I woke up before Arnold Palmer showed up. I'll be glad when this election is over. . .I hope.

-Brian Hoffman

RC FOOTBALL

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Moore, a freshman from Mt. Zion Prep and Haymarket, VA, finished 25-for-42 passing for 367 yards and four touchdowns and two interceptions. Garner caught seven passes for 148 yards and two TDs and Jaden Davis, a freshman

from Louisa County, had five receptions for 67 yards.

On defense Radford High product Charlie Davis made 16 tackles for Roanoke, with six for losses. Isaac Rivera and Tandom Smith each had 11 tackles

and Connor Pleasants had an interception.

The Maroons will play their final game of the season, and last as a club team, on November 3rd when the George Mason University Club team comes to Salem for a 2 pm start.



PHOTO BY JIM DEVINNEY

Elijah Mann of the Salem-Conner 10-U Spartans is off to the races in last Saturday's win over Botetourt at the Northside High School field.

Sandlot Super Bowl Semis at two locations Saturday

Northside High School's Jim Hickam Field and Edmunds-Hammes Field at Dwight Bogle Stadium behind Cave Spring Middle School will be the site of Sandlot Super Bowl tournament semifinal games this Saturday. The finals in three age divisions are at Salem Stadium on November 2nd.

In the 8-U division the Salem-Chaney team will take on the Glenvar-Edmunds team at 9 am Saturday at Bogle. That will be followed by a 10:15 game between Cave Spring and Botetourt teams, also at Bogle.

In the 10-U division teams were playing for semifinal berths on Tuesday at press deadline. The winner of the Salem-Abbott vs Vinton game will play the winner of a Tuesday game between Salem-Conner and Franklin County. That semifinal will be at 9 am at Northside Saturday.

In the other 10-U bracket Glenvar-DeHart was playing one Cave Spring team Tuesday and the other Cave Spring team was going up against North Roanoke. The two Tuesday winners will play a 10:15 am semifinal game Saturday at Northside.

The brackets are set in the 12-U division. The Salem-Jones team will play a semifinal game against one Cave Spring team at 11:30 am at Northside, and the other Cave Spring team will play Franklin County at the same time at Bogle.

Check out next week's Salem Times-Register sports for times and opponents for the big Sandlot Super Bowl championship games.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Middle School Football

It was another good year for the local middle school football teams. The Andrew Lewis team, above, finished the season at 8-2 and Glenvar Middle, left, was 7-4.



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Citadel takes the "Silver Shako"

The Citadel came from behind to beat VMI, 13-10, in the "Military Classic of the South" in Lexington last Saturday. With the win The Citadel took home the "Silver Shako" trophy that goes to the winner of the annual game. VMI remained winless and will try to pick up a "W" this week when the Keydets travel to Tennessee to play Chattanooga. Above, former Lord Botetourt High standout Hunter Rice scores VMI's touchdown Saturday.

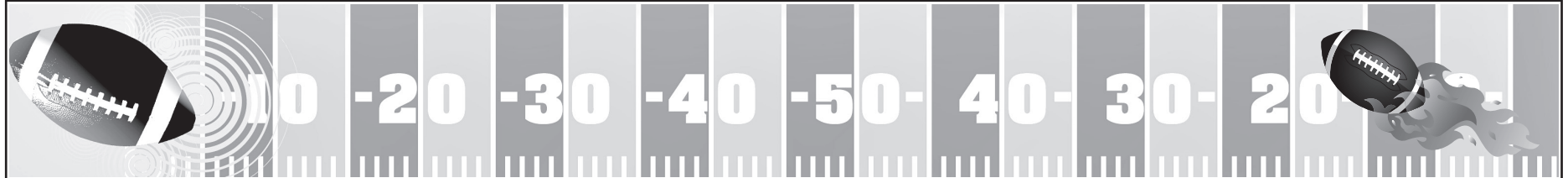
Hokies win on Thursday Night

The Virginia Tech football team has had good success playing on the ESPN Thursday night game and last week was no exception as the Hokies took a 42-21 win over Boston College at Lane Stadium. Here Tech quarterback Kyron Drones dives over the goal line for a touchdown. Tech is back in action this Saturday at noon when they host Georgia Tech in another big ACC game.



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Left, Sarah Kochanski, Susanna Price and Allie Gallaher run for Roanoke College in Saturday's meet at Green Hill Park. Right, Ian Fellows runs in the men's race.

## Roanoke men are 4th, women 8th in race at Green Hill Park

The Roanoke College men finished fourth and the women were eighth at the Roanoke XC Invitational at Green Hill Park in Roanoke County last Saturday morning. Division I Radford University collected the men's team title with 31 points. Lynchburg placed second, and Pfeiffer came in third. Roanoke secured fourth place overall, totaling 114 points in the 8K race. Freshman Seth Perry paced the Maroons with a season-best time of 26:07.4, finishing 30th overall and scoring 17 points. Ian Fellows came in just one spot behind Perry,

logging a mark of 26:13.9 for a 31st-place finish and 18 points. In the women's race RC's top five runners all established personal-best 6K times as Roanoke placed eighth overall. Division I schools claimed the top three spots as Liberty won the race with 32 points followed by East Tennessee State and Radford. Roanoke tallied 252 team points to finish in eighth place overall and fourth among Division III programs. Savannah Reid led the way for the Maroons with a mark of 24:35.3, shaving over 24 seconds off the personal-best time

that she set just two weeks earlier at Lehigh's Paul Short Run. She finished in 68th place and tallied 44 points. Sarah Kochanski eclipsed her previous PR by 49 seconds, clocking in at 24:52.3 to place 75th and score 46 points. Susanna Price completed the race in 25:07.8, placing 82nd and logging 52 points. "Conditions were excellent today," said RC coach Derek Workman. "The newly revamped course is fast. The ground was hard. We had tons of compliments from athletes, coaches and spectators on the new design and how much they

liked it. As long as the weather holds up, ODACs should be a fast one." Roanoke will play

host to the Old Dominion Athletic Conference championship at Green Hill Park on Saturday, Nov. 2.

### HS Metro Cross Country this week

The Salem and Glenvar cross country teams were scheduled to run in the annual Metro Cross Country meet in Blacksburg Wednesday. Results were too late for publication but both teams are eyeing post-season meets in the coming weeks. Glenvar will run in the Three Rivers District meet at the Smith River Complex near Martinsville on Tuesday, October 29. The Highlanders will host the Region 2C meet on November 5th at Green Hill Park in Roanoke County. The River Ridge District does not have a district meet. Salem's first post-season race will be the Region 4D meet at Poplar Forest in Lynchburg on November 5th.

## RC men play scoreless draw

The Roanoke College men's soccer team played the Penn State-Abington Nittany Lions to a nil-nil draw last Saturday afternoon in Abington, PA. With the scoreless tie the Maroons are now 7-2-4 overall. Roanoke used the non-conference game to spread the wealth in terms of playing time and help prepare the team for the big upcoming conference games. A total of 25 of RC's 30 active players saw the field in the game and 23 of those players played at least 20 minutes. Denzel Marufu made his first start of the

season in net and split time with Aidan McHugh, giving usual starter and former Glenvar standout Luca Gustafson a day off. The Maroons stand at 4-2-1 in ODAC play with three regular season games remaining. They were scheduled to visit Lexington Wednesday to play Washington & Lee, then head to Winchester Saturday for a game against Shenandoah University at 7:30 pm. The regular season concludes with a 7:30 pm home game against Bridgewater on October



Carlos Lomena of Roanoke College pushes the ball.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

## Roanoke women shut out EMU

The Roanoke College women's soccer team rolled to a 6-0 win over Eastern Mennonite University Saturday in Old Dominion Athletic Conference action at Salem's Kerr Stadium. The program's two seniors were recognized in a pre-game ceremony on Senior Day before the Maroons shut out EMU to improve their conference record to 4-1-1. The two Maroons seniors are goalkeeper Victoria Correll and midfielder Makayla Metzler. Correll made three saves for Roanoke in just over 76 minutes in net to earn the shutout win and Metzler, from Hidden Valley, had a good game in the field. Brooke Nicholson netted the only goal of the first half from 25 yards out. Rebecca Carr scored back-to-back unassisted goals early in the second half, then MC Petrucelli made it 4-0 on a feed from Lauren Fisher. Riley Dobranski scored off her own rebound at 76:33 and Fisher found the back of the net late to end the scoring. With the win the Maroons improved to 4-7-3 overall. They were scheduled to play at Ferrum on Wednesday of this week followed by a trip to Ashland Saturday to meet Randolph-Macon.



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Makayla Metzler of Roanoke College, a Hidden Valley High graduate, fakes out the Hollins goalie and scores in a Maroon win at Kerr Stadium last week.

## Field Hockey tops R-M 1-0

The Roanoke College field hockey team picked up their first ODAC win of the season Saturday with a 1-0 victory against Randolph-Macon at Salem's Kerr Stadium. The Maroons are now 6-7 overall and 1-3 in conference play. The Maroons scored early and held strong on defense to secure the win. RC scored the only goal of the game when Grace Vernarelli took the ball into the shooting arc and it popped out to Tess Taloumis, who put a ball into the middle. It was then redirected into the goal by Krista DeModna for the score. The goal was DeModna's third of the year. RC goaltender Madison Wingerter made three saves in

net on the evening. Roanoke was at Bridgewater Wednesday, followed by a trip to Sweet Briar Saturday.

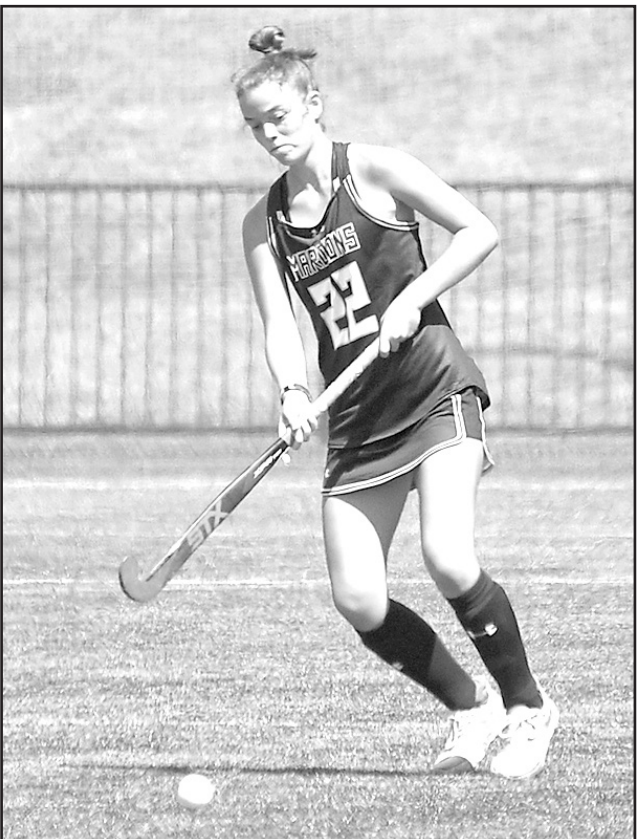


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Peyton Bradford controls the ball for the RC hockey team.

## RC swimmers win every event at "Y"

The Roanoke College women's swimming team won every event Saturday to roll to a 151-60 win over visiting Hollins University at the Salem YMCA. The men's team competed in an intrasquad meet and the seniors of both teams were recognized prior to the competition on Senior Day. The 200 yard medley relay team of Susanna Price, Ariana Guillory, Lily Mullens and Katie Blankinship won the race in 1:58.41. Emily Tanner, Bella Lorence, Bella Cowan and Carter Satterfield teamed up to win the 400 free relay in 4:00.48.

Price touched the wall first in the 100 back in 1:02.84 and also took the 200 back in 2:13.72. Lorence won the 1000 free in 11:40.97 and the 100 free in 59.60. Halle Schart captured the 200 free in 2:05.37 and the 100 fly in 1:03.62. Julia Byers finished first in the 50 free in 27.10 and the 200 breast in 2:42.80. Blankinship won the 100 breast in 1:18.35. Satterfield swam a 2:28.04 to take first in the 200 fly, Kate Pearson swam a 5:45.23 to win the 500 free and Mullens won the 200 IM in 2:23.09. The Roanoke swimming teams travel to the University of Lynchburg to face the Hornets Friday at 6 pm.





PHOTO BY SCOTT GARDNER

**Salem's Kathryn Ha will be playing for her second state golf championship of the season on Monday.**

## GHS girls on the region bubble with James River coming to town tonight

The Glenvar volleyball team will host arch-rival James River on Thursday in a big Three Rivers District match at GHS. Glenvar is battling for a spot in the Region 2C tournament.

The Three Rivers District tournament is next week and it will include just four teams, and Glenvar will not be among the four. However, the Highlander jayvee team will play Alleghany for the jayvee championship at a site to be determined next week. It will be a prelim to the varsity championship game, which will be hosted by the top remaining seed.

The Region 2C tournament is the following week and Glenvar is on the bubble for making that field, which includes the top eight teams in the region. The Highlanders are 7-12 overall after splitting two matches in the past week and they have a good chance of making the field.

“We could be six, seven or eight, but it’s hard to say because some teams in our region have not turned in their scores,” said Glenvar coach Mark Rohrback. “I think we’ll make it but we’ll have to go on the road.”

The Highlanders got a nice win last Thursday when they won at Floyd in four sets, 25-12, 25-15, 23-25 and 25-13. Sophia Hammersley had a big game with 29 assists, nine digs, four blocks and three aces. Addy Cockram had 11 kills, seven blocks and three aces and Macy McMahon had eight kills.

On Tuesday the Highlanders hosted Three Rivers District leader Alleghany and lost in three, 25-21, 25-12 and 25-7. McMahon had five kills and Sawyer Wilson had 10 digs.

“We played well the first set but we’re not consistent,” said Rohrback. “If we play a whole match like we did the first set we can play with anyone.”

## Ha qualifies for state girls' golf tournament

Kathryn Ha, the 2024 state Class 4 individual golf champion, will be looking to win another medal when she plays in the state girls’ championship next Monday. Ha qualified for the state with a runner-up finish at the Glenrochie Country Club in Abingdon, VA on Monday.

Glenrochie was the site of the combined Zone 6 & 7 Girls Qualifier, which included Roanoke area schools and all of southwest Virginia schools. The field of 21 girls meant that the top four, or 15 percent, would qualify for the VHSL Girls State Open.

“Glenrochie was firm and fast and was a real challenge for the field,” said Salem coach Blaine Hancock. “It was hard to get the ball close to the hole.”

Salem senior Ha was one of the top four qualifiers advancing with an even par round of 72. Along the way she grabbed two eagles and a birdie on the challenging course.

“Kathryn got her scoring going with a 40 yard hole out for eagle on hole six,” said Hancock. “She had a great look for eagle on the par 5 hole 11

before tapping in her birdie putt. Finally, on the last challenging par 5, she hit the shot of the day. After piping her drive to 187 yards from the hole, Kathryn elected to go for it over two ponds and stuck her shot to three feet, then made the eagle putt.”

Also qualifying for the state tournament were three sophomores, Alisa Davidova of Lord Botetourt, who won the qualifier with a 69, and Christinia Zochowski of John Battle and Angelina Boon of Hidden Valley, who both carded 81.

The girls’ state tournament will take place at Heritage Oaks in Harrisonburg next Monday, October 28th. That’s where, just last week, Ha won the Class 4 Individual Championship with a two-under-par 68. Lord Botetourt’s Davidova played there in the Class 3 state tournament and finished second as an individual with a one-under 69. The state girls’ tournament includes players from all six VHSL classifications who qualified.

“It is going to be a very talented field of the top girls in the state competing for the title Monday,” said Hancock.



PHOTO BY JIM DEVINNEY

**Glenvar's Sawyer Wilson receives a serve.**

## Maroons sweep SVU

The Roanoke College volleyball team improved to 12-7 with a three set win over Shenandoah at Salem’s Cregger Center Friday. The Maroons won 26-24, 25-22 and 25-17 to even their ODAC record at 4-4.

The program's eight seniors were recognized in a pre-match ceremony on Senior Night, then seniors Peyton Kirchner and Rylee Mayer each had 11 kills and Mayer added seven digs. Kylee Draper, another senior from Northside High, had 19 assists and 11 digs for Roanoke.

The Maroons were scheduled to play Randolph College in Lynchburg Tuesday. On Saturday they’re at Washington & Lee for an 11 am match, followed by a 1:30 pm match with Stevenson University, also at W&L.

Next Tuesday,

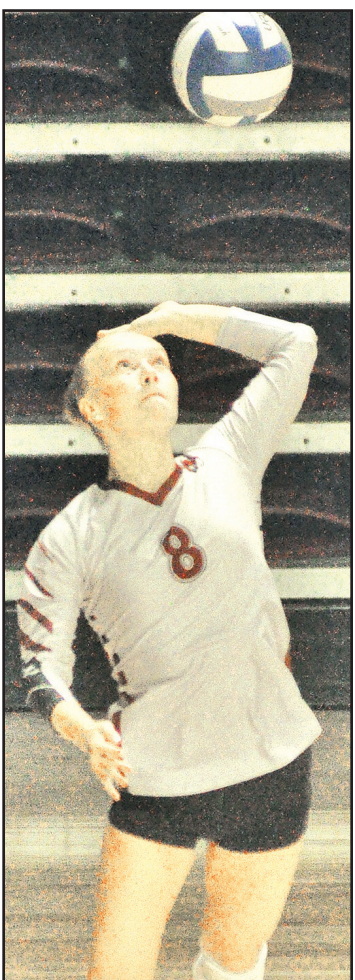
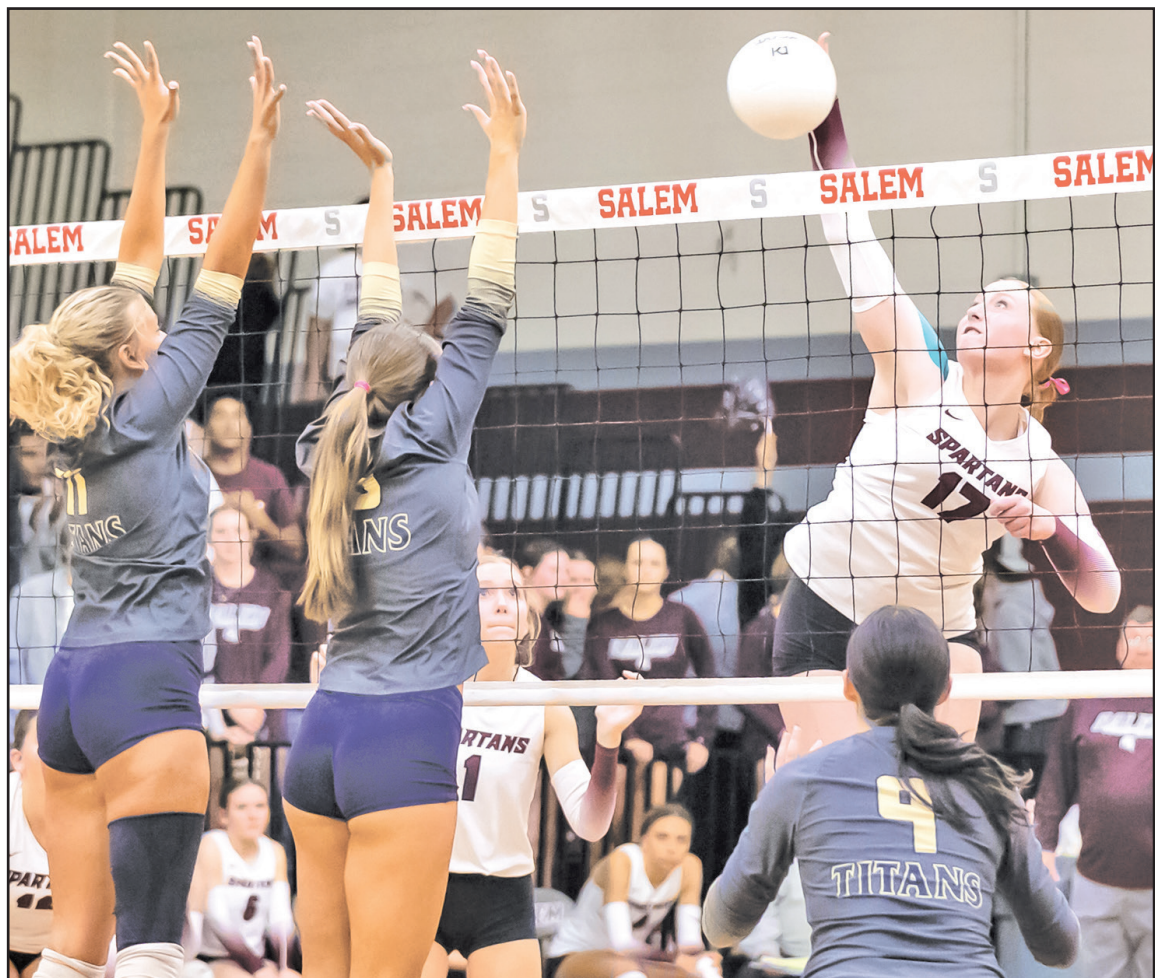


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**Raygan Wade serves for RC.**

October 29, Guilford comes to Salem for an ODAC match at the Cregger Center.



**Salem's Kourtney Goens goes high for a spike against Hidden Valley last week.**

PHOTO BY JOHN WACHER

## Glenvar will host region cheerleading Saturday, Salem takes 1st at G-town

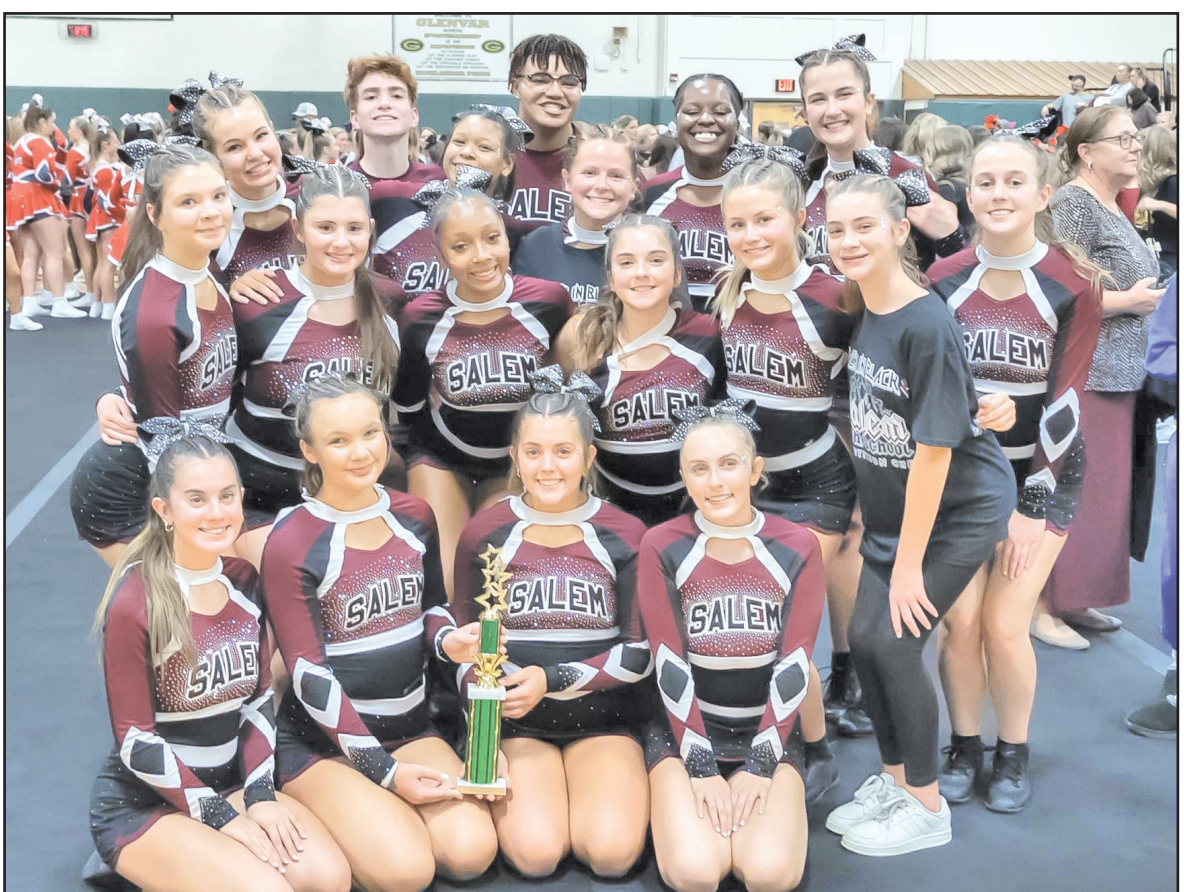
Glenvar High School will be the site of the Region 2C&D competition cheerleading championships this Saturday. Doors open at 11 am and tickets are \$10 for this “cash only” event.

There are five teams competing, Glenvar, James River, Graham, Liberty and Lee High. The top two teams will advance to state competition.

Glenvar also hosted the annual “G-Town Throwdown” on October 14 after the event was postponed by inclement weather from Hurricane Helene on September 28. Salem High won their division at the Throwdown and other winners were Grundy in Class 1, Lee High in Class 2 and Cave Spring in Class 3. Glenvar performed as an exhibition and did not compete for the championship as host team. There was also a Middle School division and William Byrd won that.

Salem will be competing in the Region 4D competition on Saturday, November 2nd, at Jefferson Forest High School. The Spartans will host a middle school exhibition next Tuesday, October 29th, in the large gym at Salem High.

“It starts at 6:30 and we would love people to come out,” said Salem coach Trina Bateman.



**The Salem High cheerleaders won their division at the G-Town Throwdown.**

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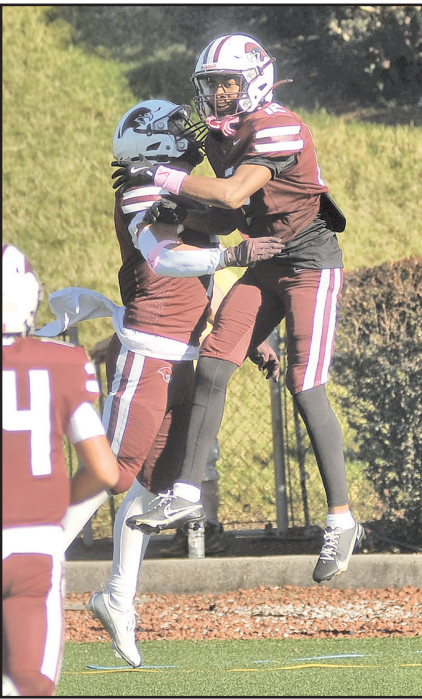


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Left, Roanoke College quarterback Blake Moore has good protection as he passes to Khamari Garner. Middle, Garner takes the pass and completes a 63 yard hookup for a Maroon TD. Right, Khamari and William Byrd grad Brayden Andrews celebrate the score.

## Maroon club football still unbeaten after dramatic win

The Roanoke College club football team remained unbeaten with a thrilling comeback win over Fork Union Military Academy Sunday. The Maroons drove the field in less than a minutes' time and scored with eight seconds left to take a 35-28 win at Salem Stadium.

After a scoreless first quarter RC quarterback Blake Moore found Khamari Garner for a 22-yard touchdown, but the Blue Devils put the next 19 points on the board and led 19-7 three minutes into the third quarter. The Maroons then scored on a 17 yard TD run by Tyson Miller and FUMA added a field goal to make the score 22-14 in Fork Union's favor after three quarters.

Roanoke pulled to within two when Moore hit Garner on a 63 yard connection as the former Salem Spartan outraced several defenders to the end zone for his second touchdown. A two point conversion attempt failed and it was 22-20 with 13:22 to go.

The Maroons took their first lead of the second half when Moore hit Purcel Turner for a 39 yard TD pass, then found Jonah Looney for a two point conversion and a 28-22 lead with 5:32 on the clock, setting up a wild finish.

Fork Union scored on an eight yard pass play to tie the game with 1:06 to go, but the extra point kick missed and the game remained tied at 28-28. The Maroons then drove 65 yards on seven plays, featuring two spectacular one-hand catches by freshman Ethan Graves, including one with eight seconds left for a 12 yard touchdown pass from Moore. The conversion was good and RC held off FUMA for the final eight seconds to remain unbeaten at 4-0.

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RC fans on the hill signal touchdown after Ethan Graves(#10) caught the game winning pass with just 8 seconds to go. Number 75 congratulating Graves is Glenvar grad Nate Johnson. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

## Spartans return from bye week to host Cave Spring

The Salem High football team is back in action this Friday after having their bye last week. Salem will play host to Cave Spring at Salem Stadium at 7 pm this Friday night.

"We got some good practices in," said Salem coach Don Holter of the bye week. "We worked on Cave Spring a little since they're our next opponent, but mostly we worked on ourselves. We evaluated the past seven or eight weeks and worked on things we need to improve, especially on defense. The main focus was on us."

Salem comes into the game at 5-2 with three district games remaining. After hosting Cave Spring Friday the Spartans will wrap up the regular season with the two New River members

of the River Ridge District, playing at Christiansburg November 1 and home to Blacksburg November 8.

The Spartans are a lock to make the Region 4D playoffs, but they're in danger of being "road warriors" this year. That's unusual for the Salemites, who usually play at least the first two playoff games at home, but they currently stand sixth in the VHSL Region 4D rankings and only the top four teams get a first round home game.

The top four teams all have just one loss, GW-Danville, Jefferson Forest, Sherando and Handley. Then comes Mecklenburg County and Salem at 5-2 each. The Spartans need to run the table and get some help as Sherando still has to play Handley, GW-Danville

plays Mecklenburg and Jefferson Forest plays Amherst County and Liberty Christian Academy in their last two games.

What hurts Salem is that several teams on their schedule are having bad seasons, and Cave Spring is one of them. The Knights come to Salem Friday with a 2-6 record with wins over Western Albemarle and winless Hidden Valley, another River Ridge team having a terrible season. The Titans are 0-7 and having a historically bad year, being outscored 420-23 on the season. Other struggling Spartan opponents include 1-6 Pulaski, 2-5 Franklin County and 3-4 Blacksburg, and that makes it difficult for the Spartans to make up ground in

the rankings.

The Salem-Cave Spring rivalry has been a lop-sided one. The Knights won the first seven meetings between the two schools, beginning when Salem High opened in 1977. However, since Willis White's second season coaching Salem in 1984 the Spartans have won 36 of the past 38 meetings. Despite that, Holter isn't taking Cave Spring for granted.

"They have good size and they have some good kids," he said. "They can cause some problems if we don't play well."

The Salem jayvees also had a bye last week and will play Cave Spring at Bogle Field in Roanoke County tonight.

## Rocking Chair is on the line at James River Friday



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

### Highlanders look to rebound after loss to Alleghany

The Glenvar football team hopes to get back to their winning ways this Friday when the Highlanders travel to James River for the annual battle for the "Virginia Media Rocking Chair." The Highlanders are coming off a 34-7 loss to Alleghany at Covington's Casey Field last week, and a win over James River would get the Highlanders rocking again.

"To me, it's a big deal," said Glenvar coach Kevin Clifford. "We've had the chair since 2014 and it means something to the kids."

The "Rocking Chair" game was started in 1996 when Glenvar left the Pioneer District to join the Three Rivers. River and Glenvar had been big rivals in the Pioneer and the battle for the rocker was an attempt to keep the rivalry thriving. It was continued when James River joined Glenvar in the 3RD and the Highlanders have dominated the rivalry in recent years, winning the last nine meetings.

The rocker, painted in the green and gold of Glenvar and the red and black of River, has resided at GHS since 2014. Clifford painted the current chair after the original was broken, and it includes the scores of all the games since 1996. It's become a favorite piece of furniture at GHS for the past 10 years.

The Highlanders come into the game at 6-1 after losing for the first time last Friday. It was just a bad night for the visitors as Alleghany dominated a game between two previously unbeaten teams.

"They played well and we didn't play well," said

Clifford. "We got outplayed and I got outcoached. I don't think they're 34-7 better than us but sometimes you just have to tip your hat."

The Highlanders struggled on offense. Brody Dawyot completed six of 21 passes for 67 yards, including a late TD pass to Peyton Deel to avoid the shutout.

"We had a ton of penalties," said Clifford. "We lost our composure, and that's uncharacteristic of this team. We can't let that happen."

With the loss the Highlanders will have a difficult time winning the Three Rivers District. Their best hope is to run the table and hope Floyd County can beat Alleghany.

"We can still tie but that's not important, our goal is to make a deep run in the playoffs," said Clifford.

Despite the loss the Highlanders are still the top rated team in the VHSL Region 2C rankings. The top three spots are held by Three Rivers teams with the Highlanders at 21.0, 5-2 Floyd second at 20.7 and 5-3 Radford third at 18.6. Alleghany is third in Region 3C behind two other unbeaten teams, Liberty Christian Academy and Turner Ashby.

The Highlanders finish up with a trip to James River this week followed by home games against Floyd and Carroll County. James River is just 1-6 but Clifford isn't taking them for granted.

"It's a rivalry game and Tim's (JR's Jennings) a good coach," said Clifford. "This is why I love coaching. You're only as good as your next game."