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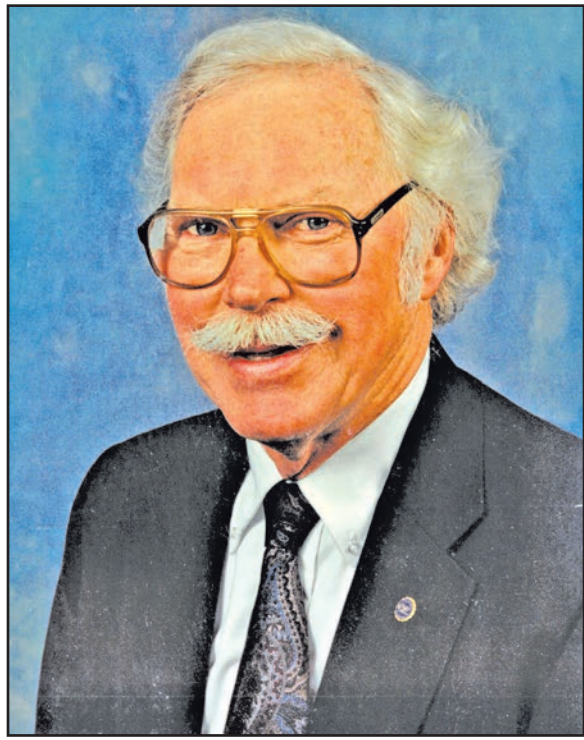


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Mac Green, former Salem Vice Mayor, dies at 95



SUBMITTED PHOTO

On Friday, July 9, Woodford "Mac" Green Jr. passed away at his Salem home.

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On July 9, it was confirmed that Woodford "Mac" Green Jr., Salem's former Vice Mayor, passed away at age 95 in his Salem home surrounded by loved ones. For months, his health had been in severe decline.

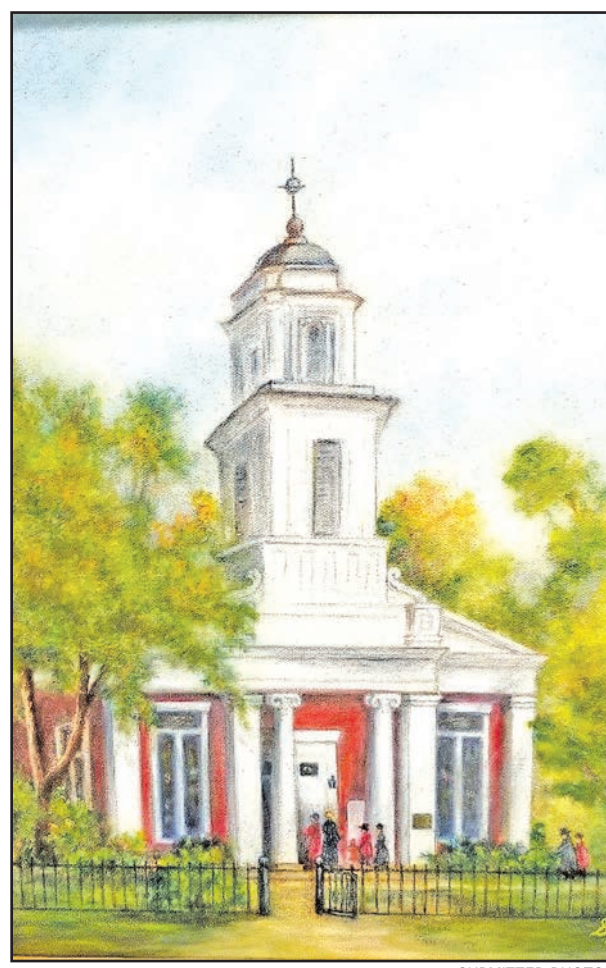
While he did not grow up in Virginia's Championship City, his impact in the community over decades cemented his legacy forever. Born in Connersville, Indiana, on October 31, 1925, to Woodford McKee Green and Ruth Maria Cloud Green, Green Jr. had two younger siblings who both predeceased him. In 1938, he and his family settled in Salem. Before dropping out of school to go to war, Green Jr. attend-

ed both V12 Officer Candidate School at Hampden Sydney and Roanoke College.

Green Jr. lived a diverse and interesting life. He served as an assistant scoutmaster with Boy Scout Troops 54 and 51, and taught Sunday School at First United Methodist Church in Salem for many years. He also had a rare ab-blood type and donated approximately 16 gallons in his lifetime to help others.

According to his obituary, "Mac was stationed in the Pacific on three different troop carriers, including two LSTs, and was honorably discharged in 1946. Upon returning to Salem, he entered the retail business, working

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A sampling of local landmarks painted by Genevieve Witt.

Genevieve Witt celebrates 100th birthday

Born on July 25, 1921, to Jenny Lou and Clark Cregger in Roanoke, Genevieve Witt will be celebrating her 100th birthday this Sunday.

A devoted Christian, Mrs. Witt became a member of Salem Church of Christ in 1935, and remains their longest living member. She started the first nursery at the church, taught Sunday School for 50 years and became the "fearless leader" of the Young at Hearts, planning monthly programs for 26 years and leading the group on numerous bus tours throughout

the East Coast.

Mrs. Witt has received numerous awards for her oil paintings and has been recognized for her skill in decorative eggery and poetry.

She married Charles Witt (deceased), and they had three daughters: Jannette Bayne (Jim), Sylvia Bailey (Perry), and Cynthia Calaway (Mike). She also has nine grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

-Submitted by
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Living in color: Snyder Nursing Home residents submit art entries

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Painting has been proven to ease the mind. In addition to depression, painting has also been demonstrated to relieve stress and anxiety amongst seniors. A decades-long tradition at Snyder Nursing Home is for residents to submit entries to the annual Salem Fair art exhibit contest. This year, some the entries placed first, second or third, respectively.

Gwyn Hall is the Snyder Nursing Home Activities Director and Social Service Director. Her responsibilities include

developing programs and coordinating recreational activities for participants and residents. "Various therapeutic activities help with different physical, mental or psychosocial needs, such as socialization. To engage residents in said activities to provide a program that adds to the quality and enrichment of their lives is something that I am passionate about," Hall said.

She added, "Often during the activities, residents are engaged in conversations about the work, demonstrations by staff are offered, as-

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PHOTO BY GWYN HALL

Nursing home resident Maybelle May was elated to share her artwork to family and friends.

Jazz in July brings music and memories back to Longwood Park

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Jazz is one of the most popular music genres, especially among adults of a certain age. Anytime

live jazz music is performed, it has a way of bringing people in the community together.

The annual Jazz in July Festival, now in its 20th year, returned to Longwood Park last

Saturday. For Danville native Harrison Henson, he says he did not mind the three-hour commute to attend the event. "I love reggae music, hip hop, heavy metal and trap soul, but there is absolutely nothing like great jazz music," he said before adding, "I had this event circled on my calendar for several weeks and it did not disappoint."

Saturday's event began around 4 p.m. and lasted over four hours. This year's musical lineup included the James Lagueux Band, Jstop Latin Soul - Salsa in The Park, Chip McNeil & The Chick Corea Tribute Band and Chupacabras! Party Band. Admission was free and attendees were encouraged to bring lounge chairs and blankets. Some even took the opportunity to plan for a picnic. In addition to Delicia's Italian Ice selling food and fami-

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PHOTO BY CLARK RUHLAND

An array of talented musicians graced the stage for the 20th Jazz in July concert event last Saturday.



Genevieve Witt will be turning 100 this Sunday.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The City of Salem has been monitoring the potential spread of COVID-19, and like you, we have been processing a great deal of information. The safety of citizens, school children and visitors is always the number one priority from the Salem Civic Center to City Hall. Emergency management team members are in constant contact with the Virginia Department of Health, the Roanoke-Alleghany Health Department and area health professionals at our local hospitals. During this time of uncertainty, people are encouraged to monitor the website (salemva.gov) for official city details on closings or cancellations. This site will be updated daily whenever there is new information.

SECOND MONDAY

Paint Bank Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Paint Bank Fire Department. Contact 540-897-5346 for more information.

EACH TUESDAY

•Salem Chess Players meet at the Salem Senior Center, 110 Union Street in Salem from 7-11 p.m. Open to anyone 16 years or older. Instructions are available.

•Salem Kiwanis Club meets 11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m. for lunch, Salem Civic Center.

•Glenvar Rotary Club meets 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. for lunch in Richfield Retirement's Recovery and Care Center cafeteria, first floor. Guests welcome.

•Knights of Columbus hosts bingo for charity. Proceeds support local charities including RAM House, Madonna House, the Roanoke Rescue Mission, Saint Francis House, food pantries and

various youth projects. Games are played from 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Gator Hall, at 5301 Williamson Road, near Happy's Flea Market.

•Infinity Acres Ranch Fundraiser from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church at 321 E. Church Street in Blacksburg. Tickets are \$8 while children eight and younger can eat for \$4. For more information, contact 276-358-2378.

•All ages are welcome to TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) at 5:15 p.m. at the Salem Senior Center. For more information, contact Linda at 540-389-4207.

•Overeaters Anonymous (OA) meeting, 7 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church at 2011 Brandon Avenue in Roanoke. Contact 540-293-4065 for more information.

•From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., a chair caning and basket weaving class will occur at the Salem Senior Center. While free, attendees are encouraged to bring their own lunch. For more information, contact 540-375-3054.

THIRD TUESDAY

The monthly meeting for National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Roanoke Valley Chapter #226 locations and times will now vary. Learn more details by emailing us at nawicroa226@gmail.com.

THIRD WEDNESDAY

Alzheimer's /Dementia Caregiver Support Group at 2 p.m. at Salem Terrace at Harrogate.

FIRST THURSDAY

Roanoke County Woman's Club meets at 10:30 a.m. in the conference room at College Lutheran Church in Salem. New members are welcome.

EACH THURSDAY

•The Salem Senior Center's Social Club, known as the 49ers Plus Club, originally started the senior program in Salem over

40 years ago. They have different speakers and/or activities practically every week. New members are always welcome to show up at the Salem Senior Center at 11 a.m. Contact 540-375-3054 for more information.

•The Salem Rotary Club meets from 12 to 1 p.m. for lunch in Salem Civic Center. Guests welcome.

EACH SATURDAY

•Salem Farmers Market from 9:30 a.m. to noon, weather permitting. Select vendors will have country sausage, cage-free eggs, grass-fed beef, cage-pasture-raised chicken, homemade rolls, pieces of artisan bread, muffins, seasonal greens and more.

•Overeaters Anonymous (OA) meeting, 11 a.m. at Christ Lutheran Church at 2011 Brandon Avenue in Roanoke.

FRIDAY, JULY 23

Bring a blanket and chairs and enjoy a movie under the stars on the big screen. In honor of the Olympics,

the city has decided to play one of Americas favorite comeback stories in sports, "Miracle." The movie will begin at dusk and snacks will be available for purchase from Fun Times and The Tailgate. Movies at Longwood are sponsored by Poarch Thompson Law.

SATURDAY, JULY 24

A car show for all car and bike enthusiasts will happen from 3 to 8 pm at the Salem Civic Center's front parking lot. The community is invited to bring their Power Wheels, Bicycles, Tricycles, Dirt bikes and 4 Wheelers show them off. There will be medals for every car show entry and trophies for the best decorated entry and runners up. There will be a bounce house, a DJ and local dance groups for entertainment. General admission is \$5.00, and registration is \$10.00. For more information, contact Melvin Ward at 540-632-0344 or by email mward903@gmail.com

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

Salem Host Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., dinner and a program, Salem Civic Center.

POLICE REPORT

The Salem Police Department reported the following people were arrested and charged July 6-12. Arrest indicates an accusation, and defendants are presumed innocent unless found guilty in court. Police do not release the names of persons under the age of 18.

Those arrested and their

charges were listed as:

July 6 – Elifaz R. Morales, 37, domestic violence; and Phillip R. Strange, 42, burglary, failure to appear.

July 7 – Frank D Hairston, 60, violation of probation; and Tara L. Woods, 58, assault and battery.

July 8 – Priscilla L. Lemon,

34, shoplifting; and Wilburn D. Richmond, 48, damage property, trespass on church property.

July 9 – Wendy G. Jannay, 53, DUI; Anton P. Nock, 27, public intoxication; Tammy L. Jackson, 46, failure to appear; Jeffrey A. Terry, 35, possession of a controlled substance, possession of firearm with con-

trolled substance, neglect; Michael A. Lucado, 42, public intoxication; Alexander L. Hill, 21, car-jacking; and Arnold E. Smith, 43, domestic assault and battery.

July 10 – Cody A. Lawson, 29, violation of probation; Bradford L. Gillis, 51, public intoxication; and Tynajia R.

Smith, 21, carrying a concealed weapon.

July 11 – Tiffany S. Lambert, 31, domestic assault and battery

July 12 – Richard L. Stoner, 38, grand larceny; John A. Zackary Jr., 40, domestic assault and battery, burglary; and Jason W. Layman, 45, violation of probation.

Homeowners urged to stop feeding backyard birds in wake of mysterious illness

The early morning chorus of chirps and tweets has taken on a morose note as a mysterious illness is harming Virginia songbirds.

Since late May, people have been reporting sick and dying birds afflicted with swollen, crusty eyes and neurological symptoms—such as balancing issues and tremors. What began in a handful of states has now expanded to include Washington D.C., Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana.

According to a statement released by the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources, cases in Virginia so far have

been confined to the state's northern and northwestern regions. Diseases can spread where birds congregate, such as bird feeders and birdbaths, and wildlife experts are asking residents in this area to remove their feeders and keep birdbaths clean as a precaution.

"Experts are still trying to determine what's causing the bird deaths," said Stefanie Taillon, assistant director of governmental relations for Virginia Farm Bureau Federation. "As with any unusual human-wildlife encounter, it's important to report sightings to the appropriate officials."

The DWR says between May 23 and June 30, it re-

ceived more than 1,400 reports of sick or dying birds in the northern and northwest areas, 450 of which involved birds with eye issues and/or neurological signs. Many species of birds have been affected, but most instances are among fledgling common grackles, blue jays, European starlings and American robins.

Officials say there are no reports of the mysterious illness causing health issues in poultry, livestock or humans.

The specific illness is still unknown, and "multiple bacterial, viral and parasitic agents have not been detected in the bird samples tested,"

said Sergio Harding, bird conservation biologist for the DWR. "We continue to work with diagnostic laboratories to investigate the cause of this event."

Among the potential causes that have been ruled out are: salmonella, chlamydia, and viruses including avian influenza, West Nile, other flaviviruses, Newcastle disease virus and other paramyxoviruses, herpesviruses and poxviruses; and Trichomonas parasites.

Homeowners and property owners in the affected geographic areas are encouraged to take the following steps for mitigation:

•Stop feeding birds until

the deaths have subsided.

•Clean bird feeders and baths with a 10 percent bleach solution, rinse with water, and allow to air dry.

•Avoid handling birds. If handling birds is necessary, wear disposable gloves.

•If picking up a dead bird, avoid direct contact, and place it in a sealed plastic bag to dispose with household trash.

•Keep pets away from sick or dead birds as a precaution.

•Report sick or dying birds using the DWR's bird mortality reporting form.

-Submitted by Megan Kirchgessner, DWR Wildlife Veterinarian

Passenger vehicle driver skills testing expanded across the Commonwealth

Appointment opportunities now available at 72 customer service centers

Beginning July 19, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will offer passenger vehicle road skills testing at 72 customer service centers across the Commonwealth. The 38 added locations will create more than 39,000 additional

road skills testing appointment opportunities for the coming 90 days of appointment availability.

The easing of social distancing requirements and the end of the state of emergency in the Commonwealth enabled

DMV to expand road skills testing locations by resuming the traditional testing process in which an applicant operates a vehicle on the road with an examiner sitting beside them in the vehicle. Customers who would like to use an interpreter during their road skills test will need to schedule an appointment on a closed course at one of the sites listed below.

An appointment is required for a road skills test and, depending on the location of the appointment, customers will complete their test

on a closed course or on the road. Both tests ensure new drivers demonstrate safe driving skills.

"We are thrilled to continue expanding appointment opportunities by adding road skills testing locations," said DMV Commissioner Richard D. Holcomb. "DMV is conducting more transactions now than before the pandemic and much of that work is being done outside of our offices. But, some services simply must be conducted in person. With the easing of social distancing requirements, we

can resume road skills testing at all of our offices equipped to offer it and create tens of thousands of new appointment opportunities for Virginians who need this vital service."

Road skills testing at DMV is available to Virginia residents age 18 and older. For those under age 18, the road skills test will be given as part of the Virginia driver education course taken at a public, private or commercial driving school. For more information, visit dmVNOW.com/skillstest.

Appointment oppor-

tunities at a DMV customer service center are available at dmVNOW.com/appt.

In addition to the expanded road skills testing, with the easing of social distancing requirements, DMV has been able to open more windows at customer service centers across the state, creating over 150,000 appointment opportunities since late spring.

- Submitted by Jessica Cowardin, Communications Specialist

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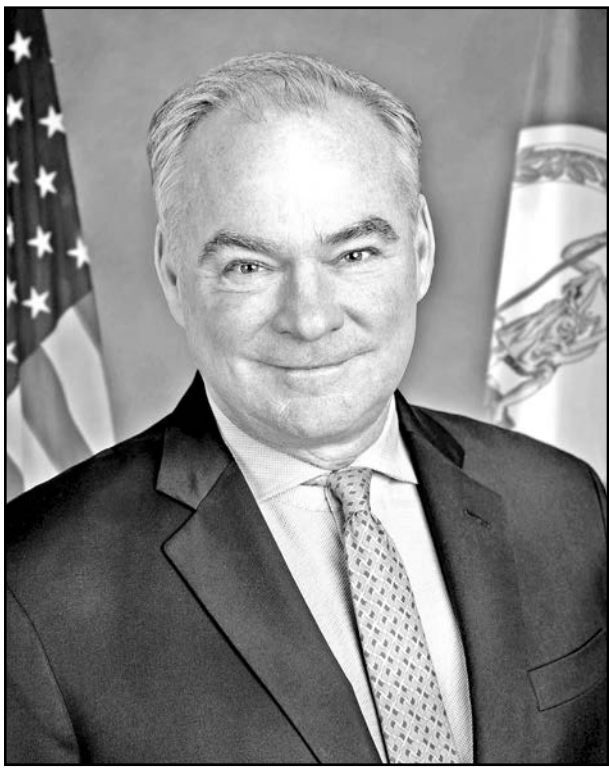
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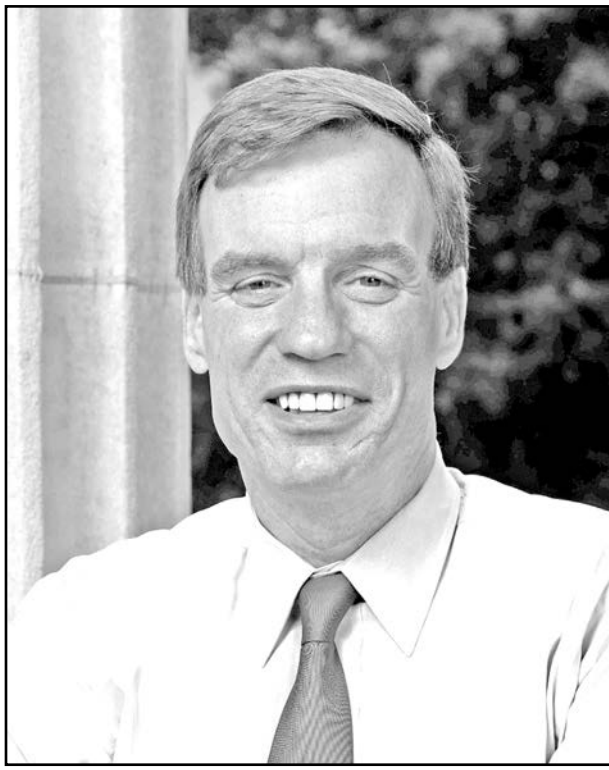
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Warner and Kaine applaud monthly checks to Virginia families



Senator Tim Kaine



Senator Mark Warner

Recently, on the eve of the historic Child Tax Credit payments beginning for 39 million families across the nation, U.S. Senators Mark R. Warner and Tim Kaine released the following statement applauding the new monthly payment to millions of U.S.

households. Starting on July 15, eligible parents began receiving automatic monthly payments for the next six months of \$250 for every child aged 6 to 17 and \$300 for every child under six. The American Rescue Plan, which both Warner and Kaine voted for,

made these payments possible. An estimated 1.6 million children across Virginia will benefit from the expanded child tax credit, including 249,000 children in the Commonwealth who are currently in poverty. The expansion will lift 85,000 Virginia children

out of poverty. "The pandemic has taken a devastating toll on families across the Commonwealth, exacerbating the challenges that low- and middle-income families face," said the Senators. "In response, Democrats expanded the Child Tax

Credit and instructed IRS to make advance payments as part of the American Rescue Plan. These monthly payments will make a huge difference in the lives of families in Virginia and across the nation by providing low- and middle income parents for necessities like food, housing, and health care. We are proud to have supported this expansion, which will cut child poverty in half and improve lives across the Commonwealth."

To qualify for the monthly Child Tax Credit payments, families must have:

- Filed a 2019 or 2020 tax return and claimed the Child Tax Credit on the return; or given their information in 2020 to the IRS to receive the Economic Impact Payment using the Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info Here tool; and

- A main home in the United States for more than half the year (the 50 states and the District of Columbia) or

file a joint return with a spouse who has a main home in the United States for more than half the year; and

- A qualifying child who is under age 18 at the end of 2021 and who has a valid Social Security number; and
- Made less than certain income limits: households earning less than \$75,000 for single filers, \$112,500 for heads of households, and \$150,000 for joint filers.

Warner and Kaine urge eligible Virginia families to make sure they receive their checks by visiting the IRS website to ensure they are enrolled. Most families who are eligible will not need to do anything to receive these payments; IRS will use the information they have on file to automatically deposit the funds into their bank account or through a mailed check.

-Submitted by Nelly Decker, Communications Director

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ly-friendly beverages, the Cabo Fish Taco Food Truck was also onsite.

Along with parking available at Longwood Park, attendees could also park at the Salem Museum and Oakley Field lots. A golf cart shuttle service was available from the latter two sites for those with mobility issues.

When Salem native Alex Fisher showed up at park, he instantly saw several familiar faces. Jazz music, he said, inspires me to dance, sing and often adjust my mindset. He added, "I've probably taken over 1,000 Jazz in July pictures over the years. I made sure to capture many moments with my friends and family this year too."

Perhaps nobody enjoyed themselves on Saturday more

than Kapri Carter. Having grown up in Vinton, Carter, 28, says that she has been attending the annual Jazz in July event with her family since she was in grade school. "My parents used to give me random jazz trivia questions, and if I got them correct, I would get an extra snack after dinner. My love for the genre occurred around that time in my life," she said.

When asked which jazz artists he would like to see perform at Longwood Park, Fisher alluded to Nubya Garcia, Joe Armon-Jones, Ashley Henry and Poppy Ajudha. "The first time I heard a jazz song was when I visited my grandfather in the summer of 1998," he said. "I've been hooked ever since. Everyone did a great job on Saturday, and I can't wait to attend next year's event."



Many attendees brought their own chairs and blankets to enjoy the show.

PHOTO BY CLARK RUHLAND

Adventure Saturday Series at Explore Park starts on August 7

Roanoke County's Explore Park will host a full day of expanded family activities on Saturday, August 7. This is the third Adventure Saturday in a four-part event series in 2021, which will also take place October 16. This event will include many family activities including Treetop Quest, nature activities and kids crafts, tubing, kayaking and mountain bike rentals from Blue Mountain Adventures, as well as a Twilight Zipline experience at Treetop Quest. See the August 7 event schedule below.

Treetop Quest - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Soar through at Treetop Quest! Advance registration is preferred, walk-ups based

on availability. Save \$10 after 4 p.m. on weekends with the last call discount.

Twilight Zipline at Treetop Quest - 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Soar through the trees in darkness and strap on a head lamp at Treetop Quest! Start times available from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Advance registration required.

Tubing, Kayak, SUP and Bike Rentals - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Rent a mountain bike and ride the 14-miles of dual-use trails, or float down the Roanoke River in a tube, kayak or stand up paddleboard. Visit www.bluemtnadventures.com for more information.

Water-Based Gear Vendor - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (free)

Walkabout Outfitter will have outdoor gear on display focused on water-based outdoor activities.

Nature Activities & Kids Crafts - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (free)

Our Explore Park Naturalist will be on site with both crafts and nature activities focused on animal camouflage available for children and adults to enjoy. Plus build your own small sailboat craft will be available.

Climbing Tower - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (free)

Kids Square Mobile Museum - 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. (free)
Experience interactive

STEM demonstrations from the staff at Kids Square and Bubbles Galore!

Live Music - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (free)

Live music by Marc Baskind will take place in the Visitor Center Plaza from 11 AM to 3 PM. Live music provided, compliments of Friends of the Blue Ridge.

The Appalachian Open Disc Golf Tournament - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (free)

Spectators are welcome at the Appalachia Open Disc Golf Tournament as 72 local and regional disc golfers compete in this PDGA-sanctioned singles tournament at Mayflower Hills Disc Golf Course.

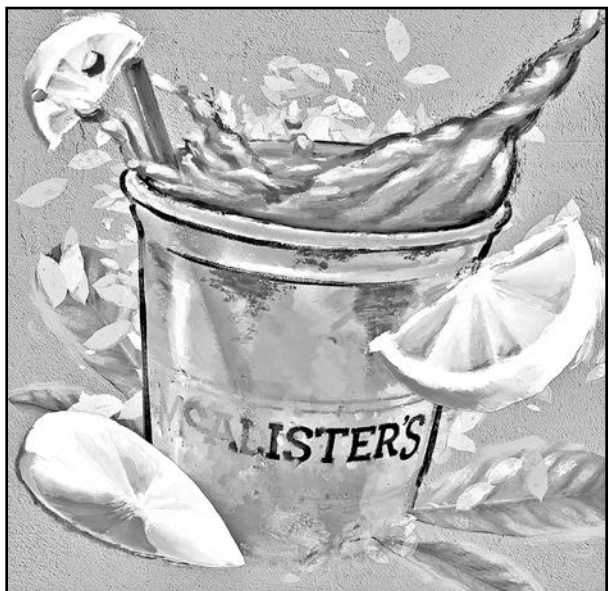
Explore Park Access - Due

to the Roanoke River Bridge closure, the Blue Ridge Parkway is closed from Vinton at Milepost 112 to Explore Park at Milepost 115. Visitors can access Explore Park via the Blue Ridge Parkway North at Milepost 121, Mill Mountain Parkway at Milepost 120 or by the alternate entrance at 3900 Rutrough Road.

For more information about this event series please call (540) 427-1800 or visit www.RoanokeCountyParks.com.

- Submitted by Alex North, Roanoke County Parks, Recreation and Tourism Marketing & Administrative Coordinator

McAlister's Deli celebrates guests with free tea day



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Everyone is eligible for a free tea on July 22.

McAlister's Deli® is thanking guests on Thursday, July 22, with its 13th Annual Free Tea Day. McAlister's locations across the country are treating guests to a free 32-ounce glass of McAlister's Famous Tea all day, no purchase necessary.

"Free Tea Day is always our favorite day of the year," said Chris Smith, Co-Owner of Peak Restaurants, which operates McAlister's Delis in Southwest Virginia.

Co-Owner Jeff Shawl said, "Especially after a difficult year, we are thrilled to once again share our Famous Sweet

Tea and the sense of community that the day brings to both our guests and our team members. It really is a special day and we encourage everyone to come enjoy it with us."

To learn more about the event, visit your local McAlister's Facebook page or <https://www.peakrestaurants.com/free-tea-day-2021.html>. Locations participating include Towers Mall in Roanoke, Lynchburg, and Blacksburg, VA.

-Submitted by Amber Clark, Communications Specialist

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OPINION

Give Light ~ College / Prophet ~

[This is a memory from the many decades the author has been privileged to write for daily and weekly newspapers circulating in Western Virginia.]

If my three children had gone to college - as the children of most of my friends did in the 1970s - I would not be able to live in the relative financial comfort I do today.

Late husband Charlie and I greatly regretted that our daughter and two sons were so unmotivated for education beyond high school. We both were graduates in journalism of a professional school in our commonwealth's capital city. As a World War II Veteran, Charlie was 25 when he matriculated; he had held reporting jobs on daily and weekly newspapers on his Washington, D.C. high school diploma. I had no such on-the-job background but chose higher education for news writing so I could follow my dream of publishing novels.

When Julia, Frank and Harvey were children, we assumed they too would get a college degree.

It did not happen for several reasons. Now our culture is coming around full circle. Commitment to doing needed jobs and a willingness to undergo learning while actu-

ally employed appears to be making a comeback.

I am gratified that our three all were gainfully employed for their adult lives. None were physicians, lawyers, clergy or college professors, professions that clearly demand a lot of academic background. The eldest and youngest had brief ventures in vocational training, but they chose it, not because their parents decided.

Our daughter, after an unsuccessful early marriage, left her hometown for the "deep South" and got a ground-level banking job. Soon she'll retire from a long and successful career comfortably off financially and married for nearly 40 years.

Our older son, who struggled academically from 1964 to 1977 and took American Government three times before his high school graduation, found his vocation in maintenance in a Roanoke heavy industry. He and his younger brother rendered years of valuable service with their suburban volunteer fire department.

The younger son's life was, I now believe, shadowed by the autism spectrum, for he lacked close relationships until undiagnosed depression cut his life short at 54. But, after

Frances Stebbins
Correspondent

graduation from the Burton Center for vocational training, he held several jobs in the HVAC industry. He was commended for his reliability.

All our children were responsible financial managers, a trait their parents apparently passed on by example.

In a kind of Bible class my church has been holding in a Salem park, the subject of prophets was recently discussed; many books in the Old Testament are about men - women didn't count for much in those days - warning the ancient Jewish people, who had turned away from God, of the Deity's wrath to come. And indeed, their temple was destroyed for a time and many were exiled to the great city of Babylon.

People like Isaiah and Jeremiah warned the people and are known as prophets. A simple definition of a prophet is one who tells the future, but in biblical terms, a prophet

points out how society is amiss.

I know that they are not easy to live with, especially for those who love them and do not necessarily agree with what they preach.

There was such a prophet in my own family in the person of one of my first cousins on the paternal side. When my single-parent mother's death when I was 19 left me an orphan with no siblings, the late Sarah Patton Boyle of Charlottesville became my legal guardian.

At that time, the legal age was still 21, and I was two years short of attaining it. My mother, knowing she had a terminal heart condition, had arranged for the guardianship before her death; it pleased me, for Patty, as she was always known to the family, was 25 years my senior but a budding writer as the wife of a University of Virginia professor.

What no one realized in 1948 was that the beloved cousin had become a civil rights activist. Her advocacy of full rights for Black people is taken for granted today, but to a girl reared in a traditional Southern society with a proud Confederate heritage, it was incomprehensible that she should want to become a

strong supporter of Dr. Martin Luther King and even spend a night in jail when involved in protests against segregation in the South.

She published an autobiographical book on her change of view about Black people, "The Desegregated Heart." I managed to get through it finding it especially difficult when she criticized her mother, who as my beloved paternal aunt, also was appalled at what she saw as a daughter's betrayal of her culture.

For me, as well as my husband, several difficult years followed because of our disagreement at Patty's militance.

Ten years passed. There is a happy ending. Following a divorce from the professor - not related to her activism - and a move to Northern Virginia, Patty's ardor cooled as the Civil Rights Movement grew in at least some acceptance.

In 1965, I underwent a religious conversion; a gradual but happy byproduct was an acceptance of my cousin's ardor. We grew closer as she published other books and I made an annual visit to her in Arlington now with many rich memories. She died at 87 in 1994.

She was a prophet in her way. I wonder what Jeremiah's family thought of him.

Send letters to the editor at shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org

Delta variant and case increases

Dr. Cynthia Morrow
Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts Health Director
Guest Contributor

I look forward to the day when the message of these community updates will not be COVID-centered, but unfortunately, today is not that day. We have seen an uptick in COVID-19 cases in the Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts (RCAHD) in the first half of July with a concerning increase in the number of cases just in the past few days.

Thanks to COVID-19 vaccines, we saw a consistent decrease in the number of cases, hospitalizations and deaths since RCAHD's peak disease activity in January through the beginning of May. Since early May, we reached a fairly steady average of 75 new

cases of COVID-19 per week; however in just three days this past week, almost 90 cases of COVID-19 were reported in RCAHD. These numbers prove that this nasty virus is present and spreading, especially among our unvaccinated residents.

The Commonwealth of Virginia and the nation are seeing similar trends of increasing cases. What primary drivers are likely behind these trends? Across the country, the Delta variant accounts for a growing proportion of new coronavirus cases. By July 3, approximately 60 percent of new cases nationally were associated with the Delta variant. This much more contagious strain of the virus is also the expected culprit in the increase of local cases. Holiday weekend gatherings also likely contributed to the increase.

Some additional questions I have recently received about the Delta variant include:

Are the COVID-19 vaccines effective against the delta variant?

A: Yes, the COVID-19 vaccines are extremely

effective in protecting fully vaccinated people from getting severe disease (including hospitalizations and deaths) from the virus, including infections from the Delta variant. Vaccination remains the most important tool to protect individuals from COVID-19.

I'm fully vaccinated. Should I continue to wear a mask?

A: It is possible for fully vaccinated people to catch COVID, but overwhelmingly the cases are occurring in unvaccinated individuals. If a vaccinated person does have breakthrough disease, they are extremely unlikely to become seriously ill from the virus. It is important to know that some people who have weakened immune systems may have a suboptimal response to the vaccine, making them more likely to have breakthrough disease. People who have weakened immune systems, people who are taking care of the ill or elderly loved ones, or people who simply want to be more cautious may choose to continue to wear masks, especially in indoor settings.

The reality is that chances are good that local hotspots of COVID-19 disease activity will continue to emerge, especially in areas with dangerously low vaccination rates. If you live in a jurisdiction or small cluster of zip codes with a rate of only 40-50 percent or less of fully vaccinated adults, you are at a greater risk of illness. Consider masking and maintaining social distance, and of course, consider getting vaccinated as soon as possible. You can see the data for your zip code at: <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/covid-19-case-and-testing-data-by-zip-code/>

COVID-19 has essentially become a preventable disease. We at the health department will continue working to prevent any unnecessary deaths or hospitalizations by encouraging everyone who has not yet been vaccinated to do so as soon as possible. Don't hesitate to call us at 540-613-6597 or your healthcare provider if you have any remaining questions about the vaccine. And please do not become yet another COVID-19 statistic.

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 - 15. Fabric
 - 16. Alcoholic liquor
 - 17. Peter __, Dutch portrait painter
 - 18. Longtime Chicago mayor
 - 19. A famous "Lady"
 - 20. Islamic calendar month
 - 22. Rocky peak
 - 23. Polio vaccine developer
 - 24. Songs sung in open air
 - 27. Military movements
 - 30. Male parent
 - 31. Beloved hot beverage
 - 32. Female sibling
 - 35. Tackled the QB
 - 37. Set a dog on someone
 - 38. Long live! (Spanish)
 - 39. Porticos
 - 40. Pouch
 - 41. Smooth fabric
 - 42. Enough (archaic)
 - 43. Institute legal proceedings against
 - 44. Scarred
 - 45. Draw from
 - 46. Brother or sister
 - 47. Body part
 - 48. Commercials
 - 49. London soccer team
 - 52. Satisfied
 - 55. Surgical technique (abbr.)
 - 56. Fencing sword
 - 60. French industrial city
 - 61. Intellectual property organization (abbr.)
 - 63. Helps to carry food
 - 64. "Rule, Britannia" composer
 - 65. One-time Empress of the Roman Empire
 - 66. Intestinal pouches
 - 67. None better
 - 68. "WandaVision" actress
 - 69. Comedic actress Kathryn
 - CLUES DOWN
 - 1. Fifth notes of major scales
 - 2. Region
 - 3. Your consciousness of your own identity
 - 4. Georgetown athletes
 - 5. They follow A
 - 6. Spoke
 - 7. Hairdressers' domain
 - 8. Extravagantly theatrical
 - 9. End-blown flute
 - 10. Heroic tales
 - 11. Member of a Semitic people
 - 12. Members of a priestly caste
 - 13. Southern Ghana people
 - 21. Counsels
 - 23. Body of water
 - 25. Awesome!
 - 26. Calendar month
 - 27. Native of region in Caucasus
 - 28. Indian city
 - 29. Exclusive
 - 32. Alaskan town
 - 33. Covered with ivy
 - 34. Loose granular substances
 - 36. Native American tribe
 - 37. Written American English
 - 38. Holiday (informal)
 - 40. Add up
 - 41. Small brown and gray rails
 - 43. Get off your feet
 - 44. Express disgust
 - 46. Surface of the ground
 - 47. Put into a silo
 - 49. Belief
 - 50. British nobleman
 - 51. Tennis game
 - 52. Dry, protective crust
 - 53. Swiss river
 - 54. Large integers
 - 57. La __ Tar Pits, Hollywood
 - 58. Every one of two or more
 - 59. "Deadpool" actor Reynolds
 - 61. Earlier
 - 62. Peter's last name

School Board releases statement about CRT and transgender policies

At a work session on July 13, the Roanoke County School Board released the following statement:

"Over the past several weeks, citizens and parents in Roanoke County and across Virginia have expressed concern about news they are hearing at a state and national level related to public schools. As members of the Roanoke County School Board, we want to collectively assure the citizens of Roanoke County that our schools continue to be committed to being welcoming and safe places where all students and staff are valued and respected. We embrace equity of opportunity for all students and staff as we work hard together to advance and support student learning and be the best we can be as a community.

To be clear, Critical Race Theory is not included in the curriculum for Roanoke County Public Schools and is not included in current state standards of learning. History and social studies

must be studied honestly and accurately, but students are not judged by the color of their skin under any circumstances. We must all be accountable for our actions as individuals, correct wrongs where they exist, and work together united rather than divided for the good of our community.

Likewise, Roanoke County Public Schools has not changed its policies regarding transgender students. We do not discriminate in our schools and will continue to work with students needing support on an individual basis and respect their privacy, in an environment that is safe and respectful of all students.

Having worked through the incredibly challenging past year of the pandemic, our schools and community are stronger than ever and there is nothing we cannot face working together. We value all our students and families and look forward to having everyone back for the coming school year in August."

Andrew Lewis High School Class of 1955 Reunion scheduled

The ALHS Class of 1955 had 145 members. Sadly, 67 are now deceased. Thirty-six members, however, will gather on August 7 at the Salem Museum for a lunch buffet and program to commemorate their 66th anniversary.

Class member Joe W. Ferguson is acting as Class Chair-

man for this event which has been scheduled, delayed and postponed before a definitive date was finalized. The pandemic postponed the Class's planned 65th anniversary so this is their 65th-66th reunion.

Class member (retired military) Sam Clemons of Gran-

bury, Texas, has generously edited a 2021-2022 Class Directory being digitally sent to all members via social media. It contains a class photo reprint of The Pioneer, the school's yearbook, as well as current historical biographies of class members with their personal recollections since

graduation.

The Class Planning Committee has managed to locate all but a few living members, estimated at 95 percent accuracy recently.

Alex Burke of the Salem Museum will be a featured speaker of the Reunion Program retrospectively review-

ing via media the year 1955 and the Class of 1955 members' achievements and honors. Research utilized the archived 1955 weekly editions of the "Salem Times-Register."

-Submitted by Joe Ferguson

Northwest Ace Hardware and Salem Fair assist Sleep in Heavenly Peace



PHOTO BY MIKE STEVENS

Northwest Ace Hardware Stores and the Salem Fair have donated \$8,853 to the Roanoke Valley Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Front row, left to right, Salem Fair Manager Carey Harveycutter, Salem Civic Facilities Director Wendy Delano and Sleep in Heavenly Peace President Dave Jones. Back row, left to right, Vance Overstreet, Charlie Overstreet and Nathan Overstreet

Northwest Ace Hardware has made a generous donation to the Roanoke Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace thanks

to hundreds of ride enthusiasts at the 2021 Salem Fair.

This year, fair fans purchased Megapass

unlimited ride tickets at area Northwest Ace stores, before the fair began. Their spending allowed the Overstreet

family, that owns and operates the chain of hardware stores, to donate \$8,853 to the Sleep in Heavenly Peace mission of, "No kid sleeps on the floor in our town."

"Our partnership with the Salem Fair this year worked out exceptionally well," said Charlie Overstreet, Owner of Northwest Ace Hardware stores. "We were able to not only give our customers something new, but also make a real difference in the community by supporting the important work that this organization does."

The 33rd Salem Fair attracted several hundred thousand visitors during its 12-day run at the Taliferro Complex. This year's fair featured over 40 rides, unique concessions and a variety of family-friendly shows and musical acts each day.

"This Salem Fair has always strived to have a strong charitable component as part of its overall design," said Wendy Delano, Salem's Director of Civic Facilities. "This year we were honored to assist the Rescue Mission and the Salem Roanoke County Food Pantry during the fair. And to now

be able to take some of the Megapass proceeds and make a donation to Sleep in Heavenly Peace is incredible."

Delano has participated in Sleep in Heavenly Peace construction events that feature volunteers from all walks of life coming together to make custom twin bunk beds for children, who currently must sleep on the floor. When the local chapter was started by Dave Jones, Northwest Ace Hardware was one of the first organizations to donate power tools.

"Sleep in Heavenly Peace is so thankful to receive this generous gift from Northwest Hardware and the Salem Fair," said Jones, the Roanoke Chapter's President. "The smile on a kid's face, who receives one of these new beds, is priceless, and we are anxious to invest these funds in families who have a need and do our best to generate more of those smiles."

-Submitted by Mike Stevens, City of Salem Communications Director

Virginia invests \$700 Million in American Rescue Plan Funding to achieve universal broadband by 2024

- Proposal will allow the Commonwealth to connect remaining unserved locations, accelerate 10-year plan to close the digital divide -

Governor Ralph Northam recently announced that Virginia plans to invest \$700 million in American Rescue Plan funding to expedite the deployment of last-mile broadband infrastructure to unserved areas and close the digital divide within the next three years. This proposal will accelerate the Governor's 10-year goal for achieving universal internet access from 2028 to 2024, with the majority of connections obligated within the next 18 months. In May, Governor Northam and General Assembly leaders released a joint statement outlining shared priorities for allocating the \$4.3 billion in federal funds available to the Commonwealth from the American Rescue Plan.

The Governor made the announcement at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center in Abingdon and was joined by U.S. Senator Mark Warner, State Senator Janet Howell and Delegate Luke Torian, who chair the General Assembly's money committees, and State Senator Jennifer Boysko and Delegate Roslyn Tyler, who lead Virginia's Broadband Advisory Council. Governor Northam also reported that the Commonwealth has successfully bridged half of the digital divide, with an estimated 233,500 unserved locations remaining.

"It's time to close the digital divide in our Commonwealth and treat internet service like the 21st century necessity that it is—not just a luxury for some, but an essential utility for all," said Governor Northam. "The pandemic has reinforced how important high-quality broadband is for the health, education, and economic

opportunity, and we cannot afford to leave any community behind. With this historic \$700 million investment, universal broadband is now within our reach. I am grateful to Senator Warner for fighting to include this funding in the American Rescue Plan, which will be key to the success of local connectivity efforts and to ensuring every Virginian has affordable, reliable, and equitable access to high-speed internet."

Since 2018, the Commonwealth has awarded approximately \$124 million in broadband grants and connected over 140,000 homes, businesses, and community anchors. Governor Northam and the General Assembly made historic investments - \$50 million in 2020 and an additional \$50 million in 2021 - in the Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI), a public-private partnership that provides targeted financial assistance to extend broadband service to areas currently unserved by a provider. With this \$700 million allocation of federal dollars and continued state investment, the Commonwealth has the necessary resources to meet the tremendous demand from localities and broadband providers and close the digital divide in Virginia.

"With telehealth and telework becoming permanent staples across the nation, access to broadband is more critical than ever," said U.S. Senator Mark R. Warner. "Earlier this year, I was proud to help deliver more than \$3.7 billion dollars in direct fiscal relief for the Commonwealth through the American Rescue Plan, including hundreds of millions of dollars for broad-

band. I'm hopeful that my friends in the General Assembly will use \$700 million of that funding to expand access to broadband, thereby creating economic opportunity and ensuring that every Virginian can meaningfully participate in our 21st century economy."

"Localities and broadband providers have stepped up over the past three years and helped the Commonwealth connect thousands of unserved Virginians," said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Brian Ball. "With this announcement, large regional projects that achieve universal service can be funded across the Commonwealth without delay."

Because Governor Northam prioritized broadband expansion well before the pandemic, Virginia is on track to be one of the first states in the country to achieve universal broadband service. In 2019, the Governor worked with the General Assembly to establish a pilot program that promotes collaboration between localities, electric utilities, and internet service providers to connect unserved areas to high-speed internet. In just two years of the pilot program, Virginia's utility companies have helped connect more than 13,000 homes and businesses across the Commonwealth. Earlier this year, Governor Northam signed bipartisan legislation that makes the pilot program permanent.

"The Commonwealth continues to prioritize funding for universal broadband access and I'm encouraged to see these investments coming ahead of schedule," said Senator Janet Howell, Chair of the Senate Finance and

Appropriations Committee. "This appropriation of federal dollars will go a long way towards supporting the investments that the Commonwealth has already made to bridge the digital divide."

"Funding for broadband is more critical now than ever," said Delegate Luke Torian, Chair of the House Appropriations Committee. "We must continue to ensure that all citizens of the Commonwealth have access to quality internet access."

"The Broadband Advisory Council has long prioritized funding to reduce the cost of broadband access and connect unserved Virginians," said Senator Jennifer Boysko, Chair of the Broadband Advisory Council. "With this investment of American Rescue Plan dollars, we will greatly accelerate our progress."

"I have lived in a rural

area my entire life and I know that the Commonwealth benefits as a whole when we lift up all communities," said Delegate Roslyn Tyler, Vice Chair of the Broadband Advisory Council. "This investment will have a tremendous impact on countless Virginians and allow our communities to prosper and grow."

-Submitted by Alena Yarmosky, Office of the Governor



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We Forget; God Remembers

Read Isaiah 14:1 through 18:7

Forgetting things causes problems. People who forget where they put their car keys will be late for an appointment. Those who forget a birthday or anniversary will find their relationship with the other person suffers. Those who forget God will find things will not go well in the long run.

You have forgotten God your Savior; you have not remembered the Rock, your fortress (Isaiah 17:10).

In this section, Isaiah predicted several gloom-and-doom scenarios for the nations who chose not to honor God—who forgot God. These nations had historically bullied God's people and were sometimes

unwittingly God's instrument to bring His people back to Him.

But God remembered His own, promising to show compassion to them and turn the tables on the nations that had been the oppressors: "The Lord will have compassion on Jacob; once again he will choose Israel and will settle them in their own land" (Isaiah 14:1).

God always remembers us and waits for us to remember Him.

Prayer Suggestion: Lord, I want to remember You in all things.

Quicklook: Isaiah 17:7-14

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at Brown Hardware and Norris's Men's Store. He joined the newly opened H.R. Johnson Hardware, and worked there for 53 years, becoming an owner and partner in 1960 and retiring in 1999."

From 1974 to 1994, he served as Vice Mayor of Salem. In two of the five elections, he ran unopposed. He also served on the Virginia Municipal League's Transportation Committee and chaired the Council Audit Committee.

While serving on council in 1986, he met his wife, Anne Marie. Green Jr. had five children. In 1992, he was named Father of the Year for Family Life by the Credit Marketing and Management As-

sociation of Southwest Virginia.

Upon hearing the news of his death, many went to Facebook to express their sentiments. Said Peter Stocki, "I'll always remember his Sunday School classes that I attended over 45 years ago. He was a great role model. Rest In Peace Mac." Added Eddie Hite, "He was a great man. When he ran his store, he was the one that donated American flags to those that needed them. He also loved to tell a good joke."

In addition to his wife of 31 years and children, Green Jr. also leaves behind two grandchildren, Michael Jr. and Angus, countless friends and many loved ones.

#YourSayVA Digital Town Hall launched on speeding and summer travel safety campaign

- Virginians are encouraged to participate through August 13 -

Recently, Governor Ralph Northam announced a new summer travel safety campaign and survey designed to engage Virginians in efforts to reduce speed-related crashes, injuries, and fatalities on the Commonwealth's roadways.

The "Don't Speed Thru Summer. Make it Last." initiative uses both online and traditional media to focus on the dangers of speed and aggressive driving. According to the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles and the Governor's Executive Leadership Team on Highway Safety, preliminary numbers indicate speed-related crashes have already claimed 182 lives on Virginia's roadways and injured another 4,248 people within the first six months of 2021. Last year, 22,479 speed-related crashes on Virginia roadways resulted in 406 fatalities, the highest number in at least 10 years.

"Speed is driving up the number of crashes, injuries, and fatalities on our roadways to record high levels," said Governor Northam. "But these are not just statistics, these are the lives of parents, children, siblings, spouses, friends, and loved ones. As the summer continues, I urge all Virginians to make safe driving a priority as you travel throughout the Commonwealth and beyond."

In addition, Governor Northam is inviting Virginians to participate in the #YourSayVA Digital Town Hall on speeding through Friday, August 13. To participate, visit the Commonwealth's new highway safety portal, TZDVA.org, and click the icon for the #YourSayVA Digital Town Hall to access the anonymous survey. The data collected from the #YourSayVA Digital Town Hall will better inform state leaders of

driving behaviors related to speeding.

Speeding is the latest traffic-safety priority to be addressed by the Governor and his Executive Leadership Team on Highway Safety, which is composed of representatives from the Virginia Departments of Motor Vehicles, Transportation, Health, Education and State Police, and led by the Secretaries of Transportation and Public Safety and Homeland Security. The team is charged with reducing fatalities on Virginia's roadways and driving change in the Commonwealth's highway safety culture.

"While this may be hard to believe, driving seven miles per hour faster than the posted speed limit of 65 miles per hour saves approximately five minutes when traveling to a destination 60 miles away," said Secretary of Transportation Shannon Valentine. "Speeding reduces a driver's ability to safely maneuver around curves, adds to the time it takes to come to a complete stop, and increases the risk of crashes and injuries."

"Every driver in Virginia plays a role in helping prevent a crash on our roadways by following the posted speed limits," said Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security Brian Moran. "Complying with the posted speed limits not only protects your life but the lives around you."

The Executive Leadership Team on Highway Safety will be promoting the "Don't Speed Thru Summer. Make it Last." campaign, both as a group and as individual agencies throughout the summer season. To stay up to date, follow the hashtag #SlowDownVA on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

-Submitted by Alena Yarmosky, Office of the Governor

Virginia's unemployment rate falls to 4.3 per cent in June

- Payroll employment increased by 3,200 jobs -

Governor Ralph Northam recently announced that Virginia's unemployment rate dropped 0.2-percentage point to 4.3 percent in June, compared to 8.8 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the Commonwealth continues to be below the national rate of 5.8 percent.

"Virginia's falling unemployment rate and expanding labor force show the strength of our economy and business climate," said Governor Northam. "We continue to be recognized as best place in America to do business because we are building a Commonwealth where both workers and employers can thrive. We can all be optimistic about what the future holds as we move beyond this pandemic."

Virginia had the fourth lowest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate among the Southeast states behind Alabama, Oklahoma, and Georgia.

"The Commonwealth's positive job growth and falling unemployment rate are welcome signs that workers are finding safety and opportunity in the job market," said Secretary of Labor Megan Healy. "I look forward to maintaining this positive momentum in partnership with our business and workforce development partners, who are working diligently to ensure Virginians have all the support they need to transition back into employment."

"Another drop in the Common-

wealth's unemployment rate is a great way to conclude this exciting week," said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Brian Ball. "We expect to see continuing job growth in the coming months."

In June, Virginia saw over-the-year job gains of 2.8 percent, and total non-farm payroll employment increased by 3,200 jobs. The labor force increased by 4,343 to 4,234,360, as the number of unemployed residents decreased by 5,448 to 183,799. The number of employed residents rose by 9,791 to 4,050,561.

The private sector recorded an over-the-year gain of 179,900 jobs, and employment in the public sector added 10,500 jobs. Compared to a year ago, on a seasonally adjusted basis, 10 of 11 major industry divisions experienced employment gains. The largest over-the-year job gain occurred in leisure and hospitality, up 67,200 jobs, or 25.5 percent. The next largest over-the-year job gain occurred in trade and transportation, up 40,100 jobs, or 6.5 percent. Professional and business services experienced the third largest over-the-year job gain of 26,300 jobs, or 3.5 percent.

For a greater statistical breakdown, visit the Virginia Employment Commission's website at vec.virginia.gov.

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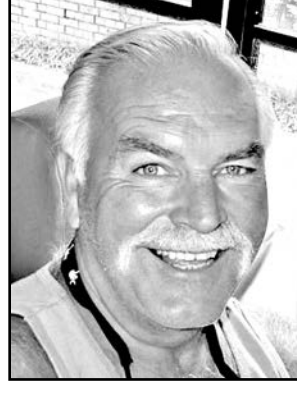
Paxton, Judith Junkin Brown



Judith Junkin Brown Paxton, born on September 9, 1930, passed away on December 7, 2020. A celebration of her life

will be held this Saturday, July 24, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salem. A reception will follow in the Church Parrish Hall.

Robinson Sr., Clark Mitchell



After a courageous battle with lung cancer, Clark Mitchell Robinson Sr., 69 of Salem, passed away in the presence of his family on Friday, July 16.

Clark was born July 6, 1952, in Cartersville, Va. Clark was a talented athlete that graduated from Prince Edward Academy and Fork Union Military Academy before playing football at Ferrum College. Professionally, Clark was a creative entrepreneur who successfully ran his own business for 35 years. He was a talented leader with a knack for problem-solving. Often called MacGyver by his family, there were very few challenges that Clark could not solve. He was a religious man who showed his service by helping others in any way that he could.

Clark was preceded in death by his parents Bert and Mary Lou Robinson

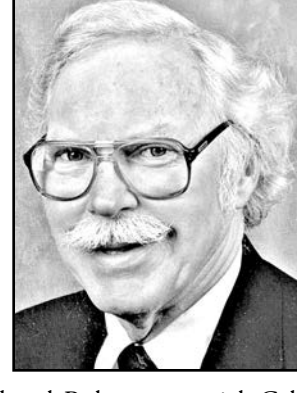
and his sister Alice Mae Robinson-Burkes.

He is survived by Terri, his wife of 31 years, brothers Mack Hamilton Robinson and Harold Dale Robinson and their families, son Clark Mitchell "Rob" Robinson Jr. and wife Melinda, daughter Kristy Babcock and husband Jason, daughter Traci Wright and husband Chad, and nine beautiful grandchildren that always made him smile.

The family will be hosting a life celebration in Traveler's Rest, SC, where Clark resided for 30 years. A celebration of Clark's life will be held at The Howze Mortuary, 6714 State Park Rd. SC, 29690 on Monday, August 15, at 11:00 a.m.

Online condolences can be made by visiting www.johnmoakey.com and www.thehowzemortuary.com

Green Jr., Woodford "Mac" McKee



Woodford McKee (Mac) Green, Jr., passed away on Friday, July 9, at his home in Salem due to complications from a long, happy and adventurous life. He was 95 years old and had been in declining health for several months. He leaves behind his wife of 31 years, Anne Marie Green, his children, Michael Green of Eugene, Oregon, Mark Green of Eugene, Oregon, Michele Green and her husband Robert Walker of Salem, Emily Green of Roanoke and Adrian Green and his fiancée Kelsey Johnson of Salem, and two grandchildren, Michael Green, Jr. of Buffalo, New York and Angus Green of Eugene, Oregon.

He was born in Connorsville, Indiana, on October 31, 1925, to Woodford McKee Green and Ruth Maria Cloud Green. He had a younger sister, Beverly Ann, and a younger brother, John Carroll, both of whom predeceased him. The family came to Roanoke when his father obtained employment as a structural steel engineer. Due to the effects of the Great Depression, the family lived at many addresses in the Roanoke Valley, Blacksburg, and Newport News before settling on Market Street in Salem in 1938. Mac graduated from Andrew Lewis High School in 1942 at the age of 16. He attended Roanoke College and V12 Officer Candidate School at Hampden Sydney before deliberately flunking out so he could go off to war as a Quartermaster 3rd Class in the United States Navy. He was stationed in the Pacific on three different troop carriers, including two LSTs, and was honorably discharged in 1946.

Upon returning to Salem, he entered the retail business, working at Brown Hardware and Norris's Men's Store. He joined the newly opened H.R. Johnson Hardware, and worked there for 53 years, becoming an owner and partner in 1960 and retiring in 1999. He was also active in the community, acting as civil defense

coordinator for the Town of Salem in the 1950s, as a charter member of the Salem Jaycees, a member of the Salem Lions Club, and serving 65 years in American Legion Salem Post 19, including 63 years as an officer. He donated 128 pints (16 gallons) of his rare AB- blood, seeking out every bloodmobile location in Salem. Mac participated in the Centennial Celebrations for both Roanoke County (1938) and the Town of Salem (1952). He influenced many children in Salem, serving as an assistant scoutmaster with Boy Scout Troops 54 and 51, and teaching Sunday School at First United Methodist Church. He was named Father of the Year for Family Life by the Credit Marketing and Management Association of Southwest Virginia in 1992.

He served 20 years, from 1974-1994, as Vice Mayor of the City of Salem, running unopposed in two of the five elections. He chaired the Council Audit Committee and served on the Virginia Municipal League's Transportation Committee. It was through his position on Council that, in 1986, he met his wife, Anne Marie. They married in 1990, and together they started a family and renovation of "the pink house." They traveled to the Caribbean, the Panama Canal, Canada, Peru and throughout the United States.

Mac will be greatly missed, but he is in a far better place. He was most proud of his service during World War II, his children, whom he loved dearly, and his time on the Salem City Council. A graveside service will take place at Sherwood Cemetery on Friday, August 20, at 11:00 am, followed by a reception. Mac requested that there be no flowers and that this be a simple occasion, celebrating the joy that he saw in everyday life.

Online condolences can be made by visiting the funeral home's website, www.johnmoakey.com.

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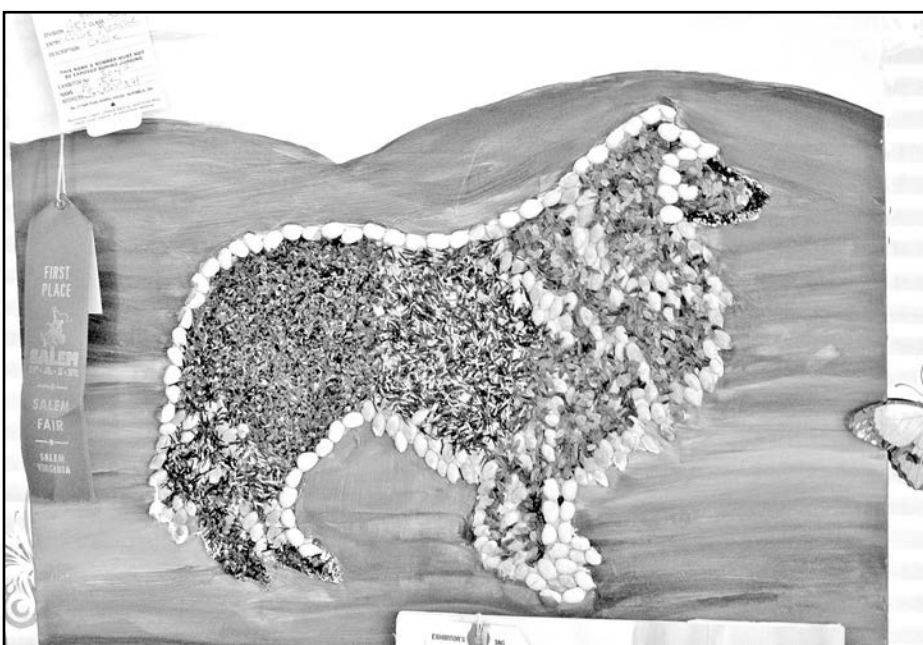
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This art exhibit won first-place at the Salem Fair judging contest.

As a way to cope with the coronavirus pandemic, residents, family members and staff all contributed to this quilt.

assistance is provided and the pride of completing a task is felt. The mood of the room is light, comforting and reassuring. Everyone is encouraged to work at their own level, praises offered.”

Art at the Snyder Nursing Home comes in many forms: singing, music groups, dancing, poetry writing and oral

histories. As residents completed their paintings over the last year, various staff personnel found themselves feeling inspired. Hall certainly includes herself in that equation.

“Art is such a good way for people to express emotions and feelings in a non-threatening way. Painting has a way of allowing people to open up

about themselves, their life or their families,” she said.

While this is her vocation, Hall says working at the Snyder Nursing Home does not feel like a job.

“The community is a vital asset to add to the lives of the residents from entering the Salem Fair to volunteers, families, local business and

churches. The Fair is a yearly goal. Families are involved with their loved ones as these relationships add value, support and love to the care of their loved one. There is so much joy in helping others. This job allows me to give back in a special and enduring way,” she said.

The paintings and artwork

created by the residents will either go in their rooms, to family members or the hallways in Snyder’s. “Family members have the opportunity to take them home to view as a work of art and accomplishment. Family members who take the art home often cherish these items as a reminder of their loved one,” Hall concluded.

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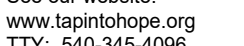
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Legals - City of Radford

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Legals - City of Radford

Public Notice Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment and announce an informational briefing and public hearing on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for the Radford Army Ammunition Plant Facility to manage hazardous waste in in Radford, Virginia. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: July 21, 2021 to September 20, 2021. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING: 30 W. Main Street, Radford, VA 24141, Radford Public Library, Community Meeting Room, on August 12, 2021 from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm PUBLIC HEARING: 30 W. Main Street, Radford, VA 24141, Radford Public Library, Community Meeting Room, on August 25, 2021 at 7:00 pm PERMIT NAME AND NUMBER: Hazardous Waste Treatment Permit, EPA ID No. VA1210020730 APPLICANT NAME: Radford Army Ammunition Plant FACILITY NAME AND LOCATION: Radford Army Ammunition Plant, 4050 Peppers Ferry Road, Radford, VA 24143. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Radford Army Ammunition Plant applied for a reissued permit on March 20, 2012, for treatment of waste explosives by incineration. The facility is in Radford, Virginia. The draft permit will allow the facility to treat waste pyrotechnics, explosives, and propellants by incineration and store hazardous waste in tanks. HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts comments by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may also write to the contact person at the address below to be added to the facility mailing list. The public may review the draft permit, fact sheet, and application at the DEQ, Blue Ridge Regional Office at 901 Russell Drive, Salem, Virginia 24153, every workday by appointment. Copies of the permit documents are also available at the DEQ, Office of Financial Responsibility and Waste Programs, 1111 East Main Street, Suite 1400, Richmond, Virginia 23219, Radford Public Library, 30 W. Main Street, Radford, VA 24141, and the DEQ website www.deq.virginia.gov. CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Ashby Scott; DEQ, Office of Financial Responsibility and Waste Programs, P.O. Box 1105, Richmond, Virginia, 23218; Phone: 804 698-4467; Fax (804) 698-4178; E-mail: Ashby.Scott@deq.virginia.gov.

Request for Proposals City of Radford East Main Street Business District Pedestrian Improvements

The City of Radford is seeking expressions of interest from consulting engineering firms who wish to be considered to provide professional engineering services for: The City of Radford East Main Business District Pedestrian Improvements. The selected firm(s) will partner with a downtown planning committee to develop shovel ready concepts that are aimed at expanding and improving the existing pedestrian-built environments. The objective of this project is to create outdoor spaces for outdoor dining, retail displays, green spaces, seating, and other uses. In addition, the selected firm(s) will also evaluate concepts to improve the existing pedestrian system and introduce traffic calming measures to reduce vehicular speed. Services may include, but not be limited to: planning perspectives, design, developing construction estimates, and other professional services as required to increase preparedness for the purpose of pursuing implementation funding.

The full RFP may be obtained from the City of Radford Website www.radfordva.gov or on the eVA website <https://www.eva.virginia.gov>

Legals - City of Salem

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 public hearings, in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-38 Code of City of Salem, Virginia, on August 4, 2021, at 3:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting and hearings shall be to determine if a certain structure is dangerous to the inhabitants of the City and whether such structure should be ordered to be repaired or demolished. The structure is located as follows:

- (1) A dilapidated structure located at 17 7th Street Street, Salem, Virginia (Tax Map # 184 - 2 - 2).

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 potential 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).

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Legals - City of Radford

the eVA website <https://www.eva.virginia.gov>

Submit a searchable PDF file to Kim Repass at kim.repass@radfordva.gov. The proposal must be received at the City office no later than 4:00 PM on August 2, 2021.

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Request for Proposals City of Radford East Main Street Downtown Business District Building Revitalization Project

The City of Radford is seeking expressions of interest from consulting engineering firms who wish to be considered to provide professional architectural and/or engineering services for: The City of Radford East Main Street Downtown Business District Building Revitalization Project. The selected firm(s) will partner with a downtown planning committee to develop exterior and interior building design concepts that are aimed at improving the downtown streetscape and quality of building stock. The objective of this project is to eliminate blighting conditions, increase building occupancy, and grow the downtown mixed-use environment. Services may include, but not be limited to: planning perspectives, design, developing construction estimates, and other professional services as required to increase preparedness for the purpose of pursuing implementation funding.

The full RFP may be obtained from the City of Radford Website www.radfordva.gov or on the eVA website <https://www.eva.virginia.gov>

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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 public hearings, in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-38 Code of City of Salem, Virginia, on August 4, 2021, at 3:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting and hearings shall be to determine if a certain structure is dangerous to the inhabitants of the City and whether such structure should be ordered to be repaired or demolished. The structure is located as follows:

- (1) A dilapidated structure located at 17 7th Street Street, Salem, Virginia (Tax Map # 184 - 2 - 2).

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 potential 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

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316 **Case No. J0119381-01-00** MONTGOMERY COUNTY J & DR - JUV (CHRIST) Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re ELSAYED, LAURA The object of this suit is to: CUSTODY It is ORDERED that the defendant ELSAYED, AHMED HASSAN appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 09/01/2021 08:30 AM 07/12/2021 Amie Blankenship CLERK

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CAUSE NO. 2021-07472

RECEIPT NO. 1010158, \$8.00, VBF 06/03/2021 TR # 82976137, EML PLAINTIFF: SULLIVAN, AMBER DAWN In The 311TH Judicial District Court vs. DEFENDANT: SULLIVAN, JERAMIE WARD of Harris County, Texas

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HARRIS TO: SULLIVAN, JERAMIE WARD, AND TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, WHOSE RESIDENCE AND WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN, RESPONDENT(S):

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA. CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, -20-104 **Case No. CL21-888** ROANOKE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT 305 E. MAIN ST SALEM, VA 24153 ALTIZER, ZANDER LEE v. MCGUIRE, CONNER LEE The object of this suit is to: NAME CHANGE OF MINOR It is ORDERED that Ashley Altizer appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on 8/27/21 @ 11:00 AM

Publication Dates: July 14 and July 21, 2021

Legals - Roanoke County

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Moyer Complex is site for national softball tourney

Salem will host teams, coaches, umpires and fans for the 2021 USA Softball GOLD National Championships through this Saturday, July 24. The tournaments feature 64 teams from across the nation who will be competing in the 16-Under and 18-Under age divisions.

Participating teams earned a berth to the GOLD National Championship through a network of qualifying tournaments and through berths awarded by USA Softball's Chief Executive Officer. This elite event for USA Softball will see 28 teams participate in the 16-Under division while 36 teams will fight their way through the 18-Under division. Both divisions will participate in pool play before competing in double-elimination bracket play, which is scheduled to begin on Wednesday. The Championship contests will take place on Saturday, July 24, at 3 pm for both divisions with the "if-necessary" games slated for 5 p.m. that same day.

The week-long competition will be played across three locations, including the Arnold Burton Softball Complex and The James I. Moyer Sports Complex in Salem as well as the Botetourt Sports Complex. Games for the 16-Under division will be played primarily at Botetourt Sports Complex, while additional games will take place at Arnold Burton Softball Complex before capping the tournament at James Moyer Sports Complex. The 18-Under division will be played at Arnold Burton Softball Complex and James Moyer Sports Complex. Championship games for both divisions will take place at James Moyer Sports Complex on Saturday, July 24. Live stats and video coverage will be available all week long at USAsoftball.com.

Created in 1994, the USA Softball GOLD National Championships garner a rich history with 27 18-Under Champions having been crowned over the years while seven 16-Under teams have walked away with a trophy since the division's addition to the tournament in 2014. Making its first-ever appearance in Salem, Virginia, the 2021 USA Softball GOLD Nationals will bring together the nation's top talent for an exciting week of softball and competition.



The centerfielder for the Delaware Cobras makes a running catch in Monday action in the Gold National Championship softball tournament at the Moyer Complex.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Brian Hoffman



"Salemmites"

Glenvar trio is All-Region in softball

The Glenvar High softball team, who finished the spring season with an 11-3 record, put three players on the All-Region 2C team.

Lydia Taylor was named first team at catcher while McKenna Shearer was first team as a pitcher. Courtney Raines, who played shortstop for the Highlanders, was first team as a utility player.

All three Highlanders will be playing in college in the coming school year. Taylor is headed to Emory & Henry while Shearer will play at Albion College and Raines is headed to Concord University.

WEST TEAM TAKES SILVER

Rising Salem High senior Trent Judd participated in the Commonwealth Games Tournament at Liberty University last week, helping the team to a second place finish.

The West, coached by Rodney Spradlin, opened on Friday with an 8-6 win over the Central team. The West then beat the East team,



Trent Judd with his Commonwealth Games silver medal.

12-1, and the North, 6-2, on Saturday to advance to Sunday's championship game against the North.

In the Gold Medal game the West lost a heart-breaker, 6-5. The North team scored four unearned runs in the second inning. West battled back to tie the game at 5-5 but the North scored the deciding run in the seventh on a pop up that was lost in the sun, a sacrifice bunt and a two out single.

Judd pitched in two games for the West. He pitched a scoreless inning in the first game with North, then pitched four innings in the championship game. Trent allowed three hits over the four innings while striking out three and walking one. He allowed four runs, all unearned, and did not figure in the decision.

The West outhit all four opponents, including a 9-8 edge over the North in the Gold Medal game. Sully Tibbs of Jefferson Forest led the West team, going seven-for-14 at the plate for the weekend.

DIXIE AAA TEAM FALLS TO BROOKNEAL

The Salem AAA Dixie League All-Stars were eliminated by Brookneal in last week's state Division 2 tournament in Madison Heights. The AAA division is for 10 and under players.

Salem split the first two games in the double elimination tournament, then lost 11-1 to a strong Brookneal team. Salem trailed just 2-1 after three innings before Brookneal pulled away. Lefty Nate Keffer pitched the first three innings and allowed just three hits and one earned run while striking out four.

"Given the fact that our team was made up of nine second and third graders we held our own against much older teams," said coach Kendall Keffer. "This is going to be a special group for years to come...the future is bright for Salem baseball."

BLAIR IS FIRST TEAM ALL-STATE

Salem's Lilly Blair is one of two Roanoke College women's lacrosse players who were named to the Virginia Sports Information Directors All-State team. Blair is a first team selection and Emerson Foster was named to the second team. Both are midfielders.

Blair, a junior, posted a team high 50 goals to go with 10 assists, 38 draw controls, 21 ground balls, and 11 caused turnovers. Blair ranked third in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) in goals and sixth in total points on her way to being named 1st team all conference. The Salem native was also named 1st team All Chesapeake Region by the IWLCA.



LILLY BLAIR

Foster finished the 2021 campaign with 46 goals and nine assists for 55 total points, both ranking in the top 10 in the ODAC.

Maroons add men's volleyball

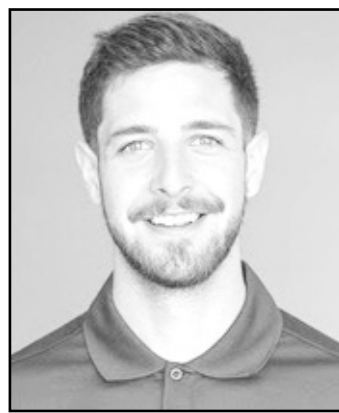
Roanoke College Director of Athletics Scott Allison has announced that men's volleyball will be added to the NCAA sports offered at Roanoke College.

The addition comes on the heels of wrestling, slated to begin competition in the fall of 2021, being added to the college's roster of athletic offerings. Men's volleyball will bring Roanoke's overall number of NCAA sponsored sports to 23 and is scheduled to begin play in the fall of 2022.

Men's volleyball is not yet sponsored by the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, although the number of ODAC schools sponsoring the sport will be at three with Roanoke joining Eastern Mennonite and Randolph-Macon. Allison will be exploring options to find a conference for the team to compete in that gives Roanoke the best chance to be successful while maintaining a footprint within the region.

"We're excited to be adding men's volleyball to our list of intercollegiate athletics offerings," said Allison. "At the high school and club level men's volleyball is growing swiftly. In the state of Virginia, there are program hot beds in both Richmond and the VA Beach area. Men's Volleyball thrives in several metropolitan areas all across the East Coast and Midwest and these areas are important to our enrollment efforts."

After a nationwide coach-



MATT REINSEL

ing search, Allison has named Matt Reinsel to lead the Maroons into this new era of Roanoke College Athletics.

"Matt's DIII roots are deep," said Allison. "His experience as an intercollegiate athlete at Carthage, coupled with his stint on their national championship staff, made Matt an extremely attractive candidate."

Reinsel comes to Salem after a stellar playing and coaching career at Carthage College in Wisconsin. In his four years as a player at Carthage, the St. Louis native concluded his collegiate career ranked second in school history with 3,714 assists, along with an 11.02 assists-per-set average. Reinsel claimed three consecutive NCAA Division III statistical national championships in assists per set: 10.88 as a sophomore, 10.84 as a junior, and 11.95 (NCAA record) as a senior. His record-setting senior campaign landed him 2019 AVCA Division III Men's

Player of the Year and Reinsel was named 2019 Midwest Collegiate Volleyball League Offensive Player of the Year.

"I am beyond excited to join the Roanoke College athletics staff as head coach of the Men's Volleyball program," said Reinsel. "I would like to thank the athletic department and Scott Allison for granting me this opportunity and supporting Men's Volleyball at Roanoke. To build a collegiate team at this institution is a great chance to contribute to the growth of the sport. I look forward to contributing to the culture of student athletes who are dedicated to their degrees and competition."

The transition from playing to coaching for the four-time American Volleyball Coaches Association Division III Men's All-American and four-time All-Midwest Collegiate Volleyball League honoree was a smooth one. Reinsel went from the court to the sidelines at Carthage as a Graduate Assistant for the past two seasons. This past April, at the Salem Civic Center, Reinsel and the Firebirds completed a perfect, 23-0, season that culminated with the NCAA DIII Men's Volleyball National Championship. In addition to coaching at his alma mater, Reinsel spent time as an assistant coach at Tremper High School while completing his Masters of Education in Sports Leadership.

Reinsel begins his new position at Roanoke in early August.

Information for Andrew Lewis sports

Students planning on trying out for fall sports at Andrew Lewis Middle School are reminded they must have a physical on the Virginia High School League form dated after May 1, 2021 on file at the middle school office. Also, students must sign up for their sport of choice on the school athletics web page at <http://alms.salem.k12.va.us/athletics-activities/>.

Football practice starts Thursday July 29th at 8:30 AM. Football equipment will be handed out on Tuesday, July 27th, from 9 AM to 3 PM. These events happen at the Salem High Field House.

Volleyball tryouts start on Monday August 2nd, at 8 AM in the Andrew Lewis large gym. Cheerleading tryouts start on Monday August 2nd at 6 PM in the Andrew Lewis large gym.

Athletic passes for Andrew Lewis games will be available to the following groups: Senior Citizen Full Year Pass - \$10 (age 60 & older); Adult Full Year Pass - \$45; Student Full Year Pass - \$15; Adult Single Season Pass - \$25; Student Single Season Pass - \$10.

Passes may be purchased in the Main Office of ALMS from Mrs. Candy Mowbray.



Former Spartan standout can still get up!!

Salem High basketball coach Kevin Garst puts the youngsters through some drills at last week's recreation basketball camp at the West Salem Elementary School gym. The camp is sponsored by the Salem Department of Parks and Recreation.

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SPORTS

Thursday, July 22, 2021

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Roanoke Valley Sports Club kicks off the football season

The Roanoke Valley Sports Club held its annual high school "Kickoff Meeting" Monday night at the Salem Civic Center, as several area coaches gave a brief presentation about the state of their team and local high school football. Above left, Salem head coach Don Holter was interviewed by David Deguzman of WFXR prior to the dinner. Above, new Cave Spring head coach Nick Leftwich, a former Salem High player, offers some words about the Knights while club president Dave Ross intently listens. The club also honored two spring state championship teams. Below, the Glenvar High girls' track team was a guest of the club. Attending were, clockwise around the table from left, Rhyann Harris, Kinnerly Nichols, Brooklyn Woolwine, Adrianna Hall, Carly Wilkes, assistant coach Brittany Mallette and head coach Neil Swanson, who is also a football coach and offered some words about the Glenvar football team as head coach Kevin Clifford wasn't able to attend. The club also honored the North Cross state champion lacrosse team, including Salem's own Geist Pollack(left).

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



Red Sox move closer to playoff position in Low-A East

The Salem Red Sox pulled to within three games of North Division leading Delmarva last week when they split a

six game series with Fayetteville while the Shorebirds went 2-4 in their series with Down East. That cut another game

off Delmarva's lead with a favorable matchup for the Sox this week. Salem opened a six game series

with Fredericksburg at Salem Memorial Ballpark Tuesday night. The Nationals came to town with a 22-44 record, the second worst among the 12 teams in the Low-A East League. Meanwhile, Delmarva will host Lynchburg in a seven game series in Salisbury, MD. The Hillcats are a much tougher opponent with a 31-33 record coming into the week.

The top two teams in the 12 team Low-A East League make the post-season playoffs, and Salem was in third place through Monday. Charleston was tops among the dozen teams with a 46-18 record, leading the South Division. Delmarva was second at 39-25, seven games behind the Riverdogs, and Salem was third at 37-29, three behind Delmarva and 10 games behind Charleston.

Salem got off to a good start in last week's series with Fayetteville, winning the first two games by scores of 16-8 and 7-4. However, they lost the next three, 10-4, 7-6 and 8-4 before bouncing back Sunday to win the get-away game, and even the series, with a 7-3 victory. Recent addition Chih-Jung Liu picked up the win on the mound with five innings of work, allowing two runs. Matthew Lugo had two of Salem's six hits and scored three runs for the Sox.

This week's series features "Teacher Appreciation Night" on Friday with post-game fireworks. Saturday is "Pirate and Princess Night" with a visor giveaway to the first 300 fans.



Ceddanne Rafaela leaps to catch a ball at second and keep Fayetteville's Luke Berryhill from advancing after a passed ball in Saturday night's game in Salem.

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City-County Swim Meet is at the Christiansburg Aquatic Center this weekend

The Christiansburg Aquatic Center will be the site of the annual Duane Whitenack City-County Championship this weekend. The meet includes 14 Roanoke Valley Aquatic Association teams, including local teams from Stonegate Swim Club and the Hidden Valley Country Club.

Hunting Hills is the defending champion but several other teams are looking to unseat the Hound Dogs. Read Mountain was the runnerup in 2019 while Stonegate finished third. There was no season in 2020 due to the pandemic.

The meet starts on Friday at 10:30 am. The younger swimmers will compete in the morning session with the 11 and older swimmers taking the pool in the afternoon. The same scenario will be in place on Saturday, but with different events.

The RVAA will present several

special awards, including the Duane Whitenack Award for dedication to swimming, scholarships in the name of Sue Blackwell and George Devins, and the RVAA Tyler Nordgren Trophy. Nordgren, a member of the Read Mountain swim team, suffered a cerebral hemorrhage during warm ups for a Monday night meet in July 2001 and

died later that week. His brief swimming career was marked by a drive to improve and the excitement that comes with competing and winning ribbons. A trophy will be awarded at the annual City-County Meet to an 8-and-under swimmer who embodies the spirit of Tyler Nordgren.

A member of each team will also

receive the Irene Hurley Volunteer Award. This award honors the service and dedication of Irene Hurley to the RVAA and the sport of swimming in the Roanoke Valley. These awards honor a lady who was actively involved in the Roanoke Valley Aquatic Association for over 20 years, including ten years as treasurer.



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Stonegate and Hidden Valley swimmers hit the water in a recent meet at the Stonegate Swim Club.

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