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## Salem School Superintendent Dr. Alan Seibert to retire after 30 years of service

After 30 years of service to the children and citizens in the City of Salem, School Division Superintendent, Dr. Alan Seibert, is retiring, effective September 30. Seibert's retirement request was accepted by the School Board at its monthly meeting on Tuesday

"It would be impossible to appropriately thank all of the people who made my 30-year career in Salem City Schools possible," said Seibert. "This community embraced a transplanted Yankee from New Jersey, nurtured him and gave him opportunities to lead in both the classroom and in administration. My family and I are eternally grateful for the trust that was placed in me for three

Seibert, whose grandfather was a sharecropper, began his Salem journey as a college student in 1990 when he spent time at Salem High School as a student teacher. After completing that graduation requirement and becoming the first male in his family to earn a college degree, the division hired him to teach earth science straight out of Virginia Tech. During the five years he taught at the high school, he also acquired his master's degree from Radford University. That accomplishment enabled him to move into his first administrative role in 1996, when he was named an assistant principal at Andrew

"At each step of my leadership journey, I was mentored and encouraged by colleagues, principals, division leaders and board members who supported innovation and were truly student-centered in their decision making,"

During the 1999-2000 school year, Seibert secured his doctorate degree from Virginia Tech and transitioned to Salem High School, where he served for five years as an assistant principal under John Hall. In 2004, he was named the principal of South Salem Elementary and less than three years later, the school board selected him to replace the retiring Wayne Tripp as the division's superintendent. Seibert was appointed to the school division's top leadership post in August of 2006, and he was sworn-in on December 1, 2006.

"To serve in an organization that purposefully seeks to grow leaders and to have the opportunity to represent our great teachers and students along the way has been the ultimate honor," he said. "The Salem School Division is revered and envied around the state because the city council and the school board members have always worked together for children first to ensure that all the betterment of Salem and not three could attend Salem schools for any individual gain or glory. It has been a great privilege to represent the city throughout the



Dr. Alan Seibert's career took him from student teacher to School **Division Superintendent.** 

state and nationally."

Seibert and his wife, Michele, have three boys. All three were born in Salem and educated from K-12 in the city's schools. Their youngest son will begin his senior year of high school later this month. For Immediate Release August 11, 2021 "As my career unfolded and I was occasionally recruited for positions in larger districts, I never applied or interviewed for any of them," he said. "Michele and I put our own and experience what it is like to

See **Seibert Retires**, page 5

# Property owner Angela Lieb addresses Salem City Council Monday night regarding complaints on a fiber

company digging on private property without telling owners in advance.

## **Should referendum** be held on marijuana outlets in Salem?

Meg Hibbert Contributing writer

Should a referendum be held on permitting marijuana outlets in Salem? That was the topic of Salem City Council's work session Aug. 9.

City Attorney Guynn summarized what's in the Virginia's Cannabis Control Act that will regulate the sale of marijuana. In April Gov. Ralph Northam signed into law the act that establishes a new state authority that will oversee and issue business licenses to sell marijuana beginning Jan. 1,

Guynn explained if Council wants, the city could hold a local referendum, perhaps as early as the November general election, on whether citizens want marijuana dispensaries.

Under the state law, localities have the power to petition the circuit court for the city or county to issue a referendum on whether to allow retail marijuana.

Salem could change zoning and land use ordinances to regulate where businesses licensed to sell marijuana could be located in the city, and has the power to fix hours for

Suggested wording for a referendum is confusing, Guynn pointed out, because "A No vote is actually in favor of allowing marijuana stores."

If a majority of voters vote Yes not to allow stores, another referendum can be held four years later, Guynn said.

If Salem does not hold a referendum to prohibit marijuana stores, they will automatically be allowed, he explained.

mentioned that if Salem doesn't allow marijuana sales, the city will miss out on tax revenue from business and sales taxes. Guynn said there will be up to 400 marijuana retail

shops statewide "My guess is the City of Roanoke is not going to have a referendum," the city attorney said.

Councilman Randy Foley said he has always been anti-referendum. "That's why we're elected, to make decisions,"

In answer to questions from Councilmembers, Guynn said he was not aware of any other jurisdiction in this part of the state that has set a referen-

This discussion is food for thought. Let me know if you are going to a referendum, zoning or not," he

In other matters on the agenda at the regular Aug.

9 meeting, Council: Heard from property owner Angela Lieb during the Citizen Comment period, who said the lower floor of her triplex flooded because a fiber company cut water and sewer lines to the house. It took from March until the end of May to clean up around the home, she said. "I don't want to see this happen to other people." She added, "Beware, they usually come to your property after people have gone to work.

On second reading, passed rezoning for Preston Place - the former White Oak Tea Tavern building owned by the Salem Historical Society to be used as a massage therapy business; as well as

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#### **Local attorney sworn in as Salem/Roanoke County Bar Association President** Thompson's predecessor is mility and grace, anything can

Shawn Nowlin

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Last month, the Salem/Roanoke County Bar Association welcomed local attorney Rachel Thompson as the organization's newest President. In her new role that will last one full calendar year, Thompson will spearhead the institution and its members by planning luncheons to build camaraderie in addition to bringing back holiday gatherings, among other things. Rachel's husband, Brad, served as President of the Bar Association a few

Mary Nash, someone she credits awesome job of pivoting in the person," said Thompson. "middle of a pandemic," Thomp-overachieved. What an examp son said. "Mary led the charge and provided great meetings and substance despite the physical distance."

The middle of three girls, Thompson was born to a Jamaican father and a South African mother in West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Both of her parents came to the United States as immigrants and demonstrated

be achieved. "My mom came to for establishing a standard of ex- the US at age 24 with one suitcellence. "She really did quite an awesome iob of pivoting in the person," said Thompson. "She overachieved. What an example.'

So much has transpired in Thompson's life over the last decade. In 2011, she met her mentor Christine Poarch through a member of the same Bar Association that she now oversees. During her third year at the Liberty University School of Law in 2012, she interned for Poarch. That summer, after Thompson

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From left to right, Dan Frank (Roanoke Bar Association), Rachel Thompson, Judge Cullen and Sue Cook (Virginia Women Attorneys Association).





## LewisGale first in Virginia to use Robotic Bronchoscope

New technology could enable earlier, more-accurate diagnosis and treatable lung cancer



Nelson Greene, MD, conducting Robotic Bronchoscope Simulation.

LewisGale Medical Center (LGMC) is the first hospital in Virginia to commercially use a new robotic bronchoscope that provides physicians with continuous, direct vision throughout a procedure used to biopsy lung nodules, which are small round or oval-shaped growths in the lung. The robotic

technology also reaches anywhere in the lungs, including the periphery, which is the outer part of the lung, where small hard-to-reach, potentially cancerous, nodules tend to develop. The unique vision and reach capabilities provide physicians with valuable information to aid in the procedure's success,

including the detection of lung cancer in an earlier stage when it can be treated more effectively.

The MONARCH Robotic Bronchoscope is detecting hard-to-reach, potentially cancerous, lung nodules earlier with its unique continuous vision capabilities and telescoping design that can successfully access all 18 move small nodules that stays.

because it has no symp- It further strengthens toms in its early stages," innovative practices that

board-certified specialist in pulmonary diseases and critical care medicine, with LGMC. "Because this innovative, bronchoscope provides improved reach, vision, and control for bronchoscopic dures, it holds potential to help us diagnose lung cancer in an early stage when it can be treated more effectively. We are excited about the promise of this technology to

offer better outcomes for

our patients with lung

cancer."

Nelson Greene,

According to American Lung Association, the lung cancer five-year survival rate of 18.6 percent is lower than many other leading cancer sites because only 16 percent of lung cancer cases are diagnosed at an early stage. There are a variety of other diagnostic options currently available for lung cansegments of the lung. It cer, but all have limitaalso has lower complica- tions in accuracy, safety, tion rates compared to or invasiveness, resulting a procedure in which a in increased healthcare thin needle is used to re- costs and longer hospital

are located deep in the "This new technology periphery of the lung. is another significant "Lung cancer is the step in the development leading cause of cancer of our comprehensive deaths worldwide, in part Lung Cancer Program.

we already have in place, including analyzing CT exams for incidental lung nodule findings and artificial intelligence/predictive-modeling software programs to track and improve outcomes for patients at risk for future disease,' said Harsukh Patolia, MD, chief of staff with LGMC. "For patients diagnosed with lung cancer, robotic-assisted surgery is performed when possible for faster recovery, and our fullservice cancer centers offer the latest chemotherapy, radiation, and targeted-therapy treat-

"We are very pleased to bring this unique system to southwest Virginia, and especially to our community, where lung cancer incidence rates are among the highest in the Commonwealth," said Lance Jones, market president of LewisGale Health System. "This new technology is just one of the many benefits our partnership with the Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute will bring to physicians and patients in this region."

> -Submitted by Christopher Finley, Marketing and Public Relations Director

## New Rotary Club of Salem Officers and Directors inducted

For over 72 years, the Rotary Club of Salem has been bestowing spirited service to the communities of Salem, Roanoke, and others in need throughout the world. The Club sponsors Olde Salem Days, the Old Dominion Athletic Conference Basketball Tournament, and

the Star BBQ which are its Said President Bowers, main fundraisers. Said President Bowers, make a difference

On Thursday, July 1, in our community and the Rotary Club of Sa- the world through many lem inducted its new cherished projects. The officers and directors pandemic did not change for the 2021-2022 year. our core mission or the Club President Jeffrey J. needs of our community. Howard passed the gavel We are looking for citito incoming Club Presi- zens who want to enjoy dent Thomas E. Bowers. the fun and fellowship of Rotary while serving and improving their community, all under the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self.' Come join us."

The Rotary Club of Salem makes annual contributions to over 40 different civic and community non- profit organizations throughout the Roanoke Valley. Internationally, the Club

provides support and resources to joint Rotarian projects in Guatemala, Colombia, Brazil, Haiti, Eastern Europe and beyond, to supply clean water, educational assistance, medical care and disaster relief efforts.

This year's presidential theme of "SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES" is a call to all Rotarians locally and internationally to join collectively to make our community and the world a nobler place. For information on the Rotary Club of Salem, visit www.rotaryclubofsalem.org.

-Submitted by



Ruth Parsons Incoming Club President Thomas E. Bowers

## Back School If your child is entering 7th grade they must have the Meningitis, HPV, and Tdap vaccines in order to enroll. Talk to your doctor and vaccinate them now! i vdh.virginia.gov/backtoschool/

## **Roanoke Valley Greenway** hires new coordinator

The Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission recently announced that Frank Maguire accepted the position as Roanoke Valley Greenway Coordinator effective Monday, August 30.

The Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission

was formally established in 1997 by the City of Roanoke, the City of Salem, the Town of Vinton and the County of Roanoke. In 2016, Botetourt County joined the

Commission. Maguire is currently the Trails & Recreation vironmental where he helps communities envision, plan and trail priorities. Maguire has held this position since 2015. Prior to this, Maguire was the

Program Director for Mid Atlantic Regional the Pennsylvania En- Director for the Inter-Council national Mountain Bicy-

cling Association. Janet Scheid, Chair implement their regional of the Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission, said that Mr. Maguire "was chosen from a field of highly-qualified candidates and will bring a great base of experience and vision to the position."

Maguire said he "is excited to begin this new chapter of his career and looks forward to working with the Greenway Commission, trail volunteers, the local governments and their staffs and the citizens of the Roanoke Valley to expand and enhance the greenway experience."

> -Submitted by Janet Scheid, Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission Chair



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Frank Maguire

## **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.

#### **FIRST AND** THIRD TUESDAYS

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

#### SECOND MONDAY

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 Ĉivic

•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-

•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.

#### **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-pastureraised chicken, homemade rolls, pieces of artisan bread, muffins, seasonal greens and

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

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

Sponsored by Poarch Thompson Law, the community is to watch "Raya and the Last Dragon" at Longwood Park. Bring a blanket and chairs and enjoy a movie under the stars. Movie starts at dusk. Admission is free. Movie time snacks will be available to purchase from Fun Times and The Tailgate.

#### SATURDAY, **AUGUST 21**

The Virginia Vintage Comics and Collectibles Show will be returning to the Salem Civic Center for its 24th year. The show is the longest running comics and collectibles show in Virginia and is one of the few vintage comics shows in the nation. Because of its unique focus, the show has drawn vendors and collectors from 15 states, as far as New York, Florida and Minnesota. Comic books, which were a staple in the mid-20th Century, have enjoyed

books. Another reason for renewed interest is that demand for certain issues has caused values to skyrocket. Some comic books that originally sold for ten cents can be worth hundreds of thousand dollars, with a few topping the onemillion-dollar mark if in pristine condition. "Not all old comics are worth big bucks," said show promoter Roger Mannon. The most valuable issues are typically superhero comics, while some genres, like cartoons, Westerns and romance can be found for just a few dollars." The Salem

Civic Center is located

at 1000 Roanoke Blvd.,

with easy access from Interstate 81, Exit 114.

Show hours are 10 a.m.

to 4 p.m. For additional information, call 540-

320-7056.

a resurgence in recent

years. One reason is the

proliferation of television

shows and blockbuster

movies based on comic

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## **COVID-19 vaccine requirement** announced for state workers

## Localities and private employers are encouraged to do the same



For Virginians who have not been vaccinated, Gov. Ralph Northam encourages them to go to vaccinate.virginia.gov or call 877-VAX-IN-VA (877-829-4682, TTY users call 7-1-1) to find a nearby vaccination clinic.

Governor Ralph Northam recently announced that Virginia will require its state workers to show proof that they are fully vaccinated or be tested for COVID-19 every week. This policy will impact approximately 122,000 employees and will go into effect on September

Governor Northam's action comes as the transmissible Delta variant is driving up cases across the Commonwealth and around the country, primarily among unvaccinated people. Nearly 73 percent of Virginia adults have had their first shot,

and 54 percent of all Virginians are fully vaccinated against the virus, which is higher than most states.

"The only way to end this pandemic is to for everyone to get vaccinated against CO-VID-19," said Governor Northam. "As head of state government, we have a responsibility to lead by example and ensure the safety of our employees and the people they serve. The three vaccines are safe, effective, free, and widely available, and I strongly urge every eligible Virginian to get their shot. The time for waiting is

Last week, President Joe Biden announced a vaccination requirement for federal workers and Governor Northam's executive directive is consistent with this policy.

'Our valued state employees are dedicated to public service, and I am confident they want to do what is necessary to keep themselves, their co-workers, and the public safe," said Secretary of Administration Grindly Johnson, who oversees the Department of Human Resource Management.

> -Submitted by Alena Yarmosky, Office of the Governor

## AITC welcomes applications for educator grants this fall

in starting a school garden or helping students learn about a chicken's life cycle could benefit from Virginia Agriculture in the Classroom's educator grants.

To help educate youth on the source of their food and fibers, and the importance of agriculture in daily life, AITC is offering grants for K-12 educators who incorporate agricultural concepts and experiences in their classrooms.

Virginia AITC has over \$30,000 available for the 2021-22 school year to support classroom agricultural experiences. Teachers and other organizations like 4-H clubs and FFA chapters that work with schools and parent-teacher associations can apply for up to \$500 for agriculturerelated initiatives.

"The grants paid for the majority of our

and lovingkindness."

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"Ye must show forth love and welcome every human being with friendship, good cheer,

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Deborra Horowitz, an agriculture teacher.

grants for projects at her produced," grant funded installation cure." parts for an irrigation assembled. Cold frames were purchased, assembled by students and installed, allowing students to grow off-season produce.

Horowitz used the projects to teach students how to grow a variety of herbs and vegetables. In addition, the nearby high school's culinary arts students were able to use some of the freshly grown produce for their classes, and excess produce was donat-

- Baha'i Faith

540-387-2106

"Students learned

about square-foot gar-Horowitz previous- dening and were amazed ly received two AITC to see what could be school. The first grant said. "This year, they funded the materials learned how to grow garfor raised-bed gardens, lic, which none of the which the students built students had ever done. and filled with topsoil Students loved braiding and compost mix, and the garlic and hanging then planted. The second it in the chicken coop to

The deadline for grant system, which students applications is Oct. 15.

However, applications re- AITC programs director. ceived by Aug. 20 will be "Virginia schools' openings.

schools return to in-perthe year with a handson project," explained Tammy Maxey, Virginia

Agriculture eligible for AITC's new in the Classroom is en-"early bird notification." couraging educators to This early notification al- start the year with agrilows educators to begin culture, and is providing their projects in time for the funding to increase school and program op-"As a number of portunities."

Projects may occur at son learning beginning school or virtually, adin early August, educa- dressing topics like gartors are eager to start dening and horticulture,

and STEM themes that provide unique agricul-

ture experiences. To learn more about educational activities available through Virginia AITC, or to apply for a grant, visit va.agclassroom.org.

> -Submitted by Tammy Maxey



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## Give Light - Three become one-

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

In the Smith Mountain Lake community, some residents are marking the 30th Anniversary of the formal establishment of an unusual congregation known as Trinity Ecumenical Parish. Dating from 1991, it is

built spiritually on Episcopal, Lutheran and Presbyterian denominations. Its name, "Trinity," standing in some Christian groups for "Father, Son and Holy Spirit," is appropriate. I have followed the plan-

ning, birth and growth of the parish from its beginning as it developed out of the trend, notable in the 1970s and 1980s, for long-established religious groups to merge or, at least, to try to carry on ministry together.

The "Three in One" congregation was a long time

Newcomers to the Roanoke valley may not realize that the Smith Mountain Lake community, now populated by many affluent retired persons, dates only from about 60 years ago. The lake, like many developed for its water-power in the past 70 years, covers

formerly rural areas where Franklin and Bedford Counties come together. Family campgrounds were popular there in the early days, but the village of Moneta has long since become a settled town with all necessary facilities.

As the area developed, church leaders also saw the possibilities of new congregations, especially since so many residents had been active in a faith community in their former homes. Soon Resurrection Catholic's building went up on Virginia 122, the main highway from Bedford. United Methodist con-

gregations and those of The Church of the Brethren were already established but picked up growth with the town. However, three denominations widely represented in Western Virginia, might have also developed new churches. Some effort was apparently made to do this, but it is costly to buy land and put up a church building in a fast-developing area, and by the waning years of the 20th-Century some realized the area was already well supplied with places to worship God.

Leaders, however, became creative and decided to work together to bring about a new thing. It has apparently succeeded far beyond early ex-My first yellowed clippings

## Frances **Stebbins**

Correspondent

on what became Trinity Ecumenical Parish date from May of 1988. At that time, a weekly Saturday evening service was begun at Epworth United Methodist Church. Originally, some of the leadership came from St. John's Episcopal Church in Bedford which had sponsored a mission Bible study at the lake for five years. During the summer of

1987, leaders in Episcopal, Lutheran and Presbyterian regional governing bodies experimented with a Saturday evening service which proved successful enough that the following May a service was scheduled at 11:30 a.m. It was held at the new Resurrection Catholic Church on Virginia 122 in Moneta.

A shortage of priests caused the Catholics to hold weekly Mass on Saturday evenings; their pastor was based at a Roanoke parish. This made space available for the three Protestant groups. The Rev. Joe Lehman, pastor of Our Lady of Nazareth Catholic Church in the Cave Spring area of Roanoke County for

many years, traveled down to Moneta on Saturday evenings.

A lot of planning went into what is now Trinity Ecumenical Parish with some nay-sayers who suggested the purity of doctrine of the three denominations would be weakened. Others doubted that the more elaborate style of worship Lutherans and Episcopalians followed from a service book would be too confusing to Presbyterians who follow a simpler format. In the long run, the ob-

jections were overcome. By September of 1988, when I was visiting, unannounced, a Western Virginia congregation for a monthly Sojourner column, the ministry at the lake was getting off to a good start. A retired Episcopal clergyman, Nolan Akers from Bedford, was the preacher for the day. I noted, however, that leaders from Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, especially its minister, the late William R. Klein, were active. I also spoke with some Lutherans in the Catholic Church fellowship area.

Originally, my clippings reveal, the group did not plan to erect a building, but that came in due time. A large worship center came first and is clearly visible from the area around the Halesford Bridge. An addition for education and fellowship events, conveniently reached by a ramp and near flower and garden space followed.

The story of the church cannot be told without recognition of the 20-year pastorate of a Presbyterian minister, Gary Scheidt. In his later years, Scheidt was assisted by Philip Bouknight, an ordained Lutheran and a bass soloist. Upon Scheidt's retirement in 2014, Bouknight became pastor, and later his assistant, another Presbyterian Bea Miller, joined the staff.

Since 2011, the music program at the parish has been recognized as outstanding. A composer, Aaron Garber, formerly organist and choir di-

College Lutheran in Salem, moved to the ecumenical congregation and later produced several oratorios which employed the vocal talents of Bouknight and his wife, Tara.

One has to experience a Sunday worship service at the church to appreciate how smoothly things work as the style is rotated every three months and a council of representatives of the Episcopalians, Lutherans and Presbyterians make overall decisions. Separate identity is maintained while folk from each group are united in fellowship. In my working days, I loved

opportunities to take part in events at the special Trinity.

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## Now more than ever, it's essential to get vaccinated

Dr. Cynthia Morrow

Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts Health Director

**Guest Contributor** 

Nationally, the Delta (B.1.617.2) variant is causing a surge in cases of COVID-19. Virginia cases have increased nearly ten times from our mid-June numbers. The majority of coronavirus cases, hospitalizations and deaths in the U.S., Virginia, and locally are occurring in people who are not fully vaccinated. The percent of fully vaccinated adults in Virginia varies widely by locality, ranging from 35 percent to 72 percent. Among the jurisdictions

in the Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts, as of August 7, our uptake rates range from 43 percent of the adult population who are fully vaccinated in Craig County to 64 percent in Roanoke County. Evidence shows that

COVID-19 vaccines available in the U.S. are safe and very effective in protecting people against severe disease, hospitalization and death associated with COVID-19. While coronavirus infections in people who are fully vaccinated are not common, they do occur because no vaccine works 100 percent of the time. Some conditions make a breakthrough infection more likely in a vaccinated person: more virus circulating in the community, lower vaccination rates, and more highly transmissible variants. In addition, a concern about the Delta variant is that new evidence shows that some fully vaccinated people who are infected with this strain of the virus can spread it to others. Because the Delta

variant is much more

contagious than the original strain of COV-ID-19 and because even fully vaccinated people who do get infected may be able to spread the virus, the CDC is now calling for more mask-wearing. What science supports masking after

vaccination? Masks help stop the spread of germs. They are a literal layer of protection between you and any virus in the air. It's simple - masks can help prevent any respiratory infections, includ-

I really understand

ing COVID-19.

that shifting recommendations can be confusing and even frustrating. The reason that the recommendations change is because this dangerous virus keeps changing as it continues to reproduce. We need to continue to adapt our strategies to an ever-adapting virus. At this point, the only thing that is going to stop this virus is if everyone who is eligible to be vaccinated gets vaccinated and if we wear masks and physically distance until our vaccination rates are high

enough to stop the pandemic.

We are fortunate that we have the tools to stop this pandemic, the most effective of which is the vaccine. Our ability to finally beat this terrible virus depends only on one thing: All of us doing our part by using the tools we have available to us.

Back to School: As August is National Immunization Awareness Month, it is a good time to remind those going back to school that school-required vaccines have changed for the 2021-2022 school year. Starting this school year, Virginia students will need vaccines to protect meningococcal against disease, human papillomavirus (HPV), and hepatitis A, in addition to previously required immunizations. Without these vaccinations, children will not be able to start school on time or go to daycare. For more information, visit VDH's Healthy Back to School Campaign website for more details on this and other health resources for children.

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The Salem Police Department reported the following people were arrested and charged July 20-August 2. Arrest indicates an accusation, and defendants are presumed innocent unless found guilty

> Those arrested and their charges were listed as: July 20 - Noah D. Carroll, 18, inde-

of persons under the age of 18.

in court. Police do not release the names

cent liberties with children; Bradford L. Gillis, 51, shoplifting, public intoxication; and John G. Wiley, 30, DUI. July 22 - Jacklyn R. Manspile, 33,

credit card theft, obtain goods by false pretense, fraud-illegal use of credit card; Cynthia E. Howell, 59, attempt to defect way, 39, contempt of court.

July 24 – Brandy N. Davis, 35, failure July 25 – John T. Leonard, 21, DUI;

and Brian W. Sloop, 51, public intoxica-

drug screening test; and Jessi M. Ridge-

July 26 – Candice A. Bryant, 29, public intoxication; Brooke M. Lilly, 26, failure to appear; and Joequan M. Vaughn, 33, failure to appear.

July 28 - Jace A. Lee, 20, contempt of July 29 - Anthony J. Wade, 64, inde-

cent exposure; and Mitchell F. Howell, 30, shoplifting. July 30 - Tyrek D. Caldwell, 23, credit

card theft, credit card fraud, obtain money by false pretense July 31 - Jerome C. Hamlett, 44, ob-

tain goods by false pretense August 1 - Christopher D. Waller, 38,

public intoxication August 2 - Robert M. Caldwell, 39,

public intoxication; Tamani N. Manning, 22, public intoxication, failure to appear; Keith T. Hackney, 69, obtain money by false pretense, conceal merchandise; Courtney L. Chastang, 48, burglary, domestic assault and battery; and William E. Bumbry, 31, violation of probation

www.salemtimes-register.com

## Giving Garden provides free vegetables, fruit to anyone

<u>Meg Hibbert</u>

Contributing writer

On an almost-90-degree morning Monday, Maria Dunn and her mother, Alice Brown, picked out free potatoes, tomatoes, corn, yellow squash, cayenne peppers, cucumbers and apples at the Giving Garden Produce Stand set up in front of the Salem Food Pantry.

"These fresh vegetables are more healthy," said Dunn. "I do a lot of stir frying."

"You don't have to worry about sodium from canned vegetables," added Brown.

Like the other 34 people who came to the produce stand that day, they appreciated getting freshly picked vegetables and fruit. Anyone can come for free produce on Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon or when all is given out.

Giving Garden volunteers Cindy Martin and Mindy Caesar with moral support from her 6-year-old son Levi - helped customers select what they wanted and bagged it for them.

"This is a volunteer effort," explained Salem Farmers Market Manager Isaac Campbell. "We have a core group of a dozen volunteers at the garden, and we harvest every day. The garden is a partnership by Salem Presbyterian Church, Christ the Redeemer, the City of Salem and Virginia Cooperative Extension," he added.

"Everybody loves to have a neighbor to give extra produce,"

Campbell said. "This is kind of the community neighbor."

The garden is located across Clay Street from the Presbyterian

Not only do customers get free vegetables, but also can take home recipes from the Extension Service that suggest ways to fix the produce. This week was the recipe was a colorful Vegetable Pasta Salad, using tomatoes, bell peppers and squash.

As Dunn and Brown left, Nick and Heather Dunaway and their 4-year-old daughter Ellie arrived.

"We like the free veggies because where we live, we can't grow them," Nike Dunaway said. "We have a little one who loves veg-So far this summer, the Pro-

duce Stand has handed out more than 1,000 pounds of vegetables and fruit, Campbell said. About 500 pounds were donations from Salem Farmers Market vendors, such as Greenwood Farms that donated new potatoes, both white and red this week. Rocky Ridge Farm vendor

Kristie Sowers provided patty pan squash, a round, flat variety that was new to many of the custom-

Later this week, Giving Garden volunteers plan to pull out some of the plantings and put in a second planting of zucchini, yellow squash and broccoli that will be ready later into September, Mar-

It was customer Ann Herberg-

er's first season visiting the Produce Stand. "You've got me eating good vegetables," she said, as she picked out Roma tomatoes for sauce. "You can eat real cheap this

She continued, "It takes some time to prepare fresh vegetables, but it's worth it. You can't get this quality in vegetables from the grocery store."

After Herberger came a man visiting for the first time who particularly appreciated the tomatoes. "There are a couple that have my name on them," he said.

Any produce left on Mondays is donated to the Food Pantry. Giving Garden volunteers take freshly picked produce from the garden each day to the Food Pan-

Nearby in the shade, volunteers from Central United Methodist Church were offering free lunches. Bev Bonderman and Lynda Breedlove had chicken salad sandwiches, cookies, watermelon, slices of strawberry cake and apple pecan cake, peanut butter and strawberry jelly sandwiches for the little ones, juice boxes and

"This is the eighth year we've been providing free lunch," Bonderman said. "Everybody needs God's love." Two more volunteers from Central were handing out lunches at the Clothes Closet.

For more information on the Giving Garden or its Produce Four-year-old Ellie Dunaway is excited to pick out Stand, contact Isaac Campbell at 540-375-4098.



Giving Garden Produce Stand volunteer Cindy Martin helps customer Ann Herberger pick out fresh tomatoes, corn, peppers and other produce Monday.



vegetables with her parents, Nick and Heather

## Seibert Retires from page 1



Dr. Seibert engaging with City of Salem elementary school students.

SUBMITTED PHOTOS Dr. Seibert and his family at the 2020 "Drive-Thru" Graduation. From left to right, son Tyler, Alan, son Logan, wife Michele and son Chad.

be 'Salem Born and Salem and, perhaps, nothing embod Bred.'"

Seibert, who is an Eagle Scout, was inspired to teach and lead through his many varied experiences in scouting

"In scouting, you learn that in order to lead, you must be able to teach," he said.

He has steered the division through several peaks and valleys during his 15-year tenure

ies both ends of that spectrum more the South Salem Elementary School construction project. The first new school built since Salem became an independent city in 1968, was designed and constructed from the ground-up during the height of the great recession. It opened under budget

and to rave reviews in 2012.

last fiscal year;

"Alan has been the driv- with both Region VI and g force for excellence in our statewide superintendents. ing force for excellence in our schools," said David Preston, Salem School Board Chairman. "He totally restructured how we do things, and he always did so with a passion and a humble spirit. That combination is rare in any leader."

Along with his leadership in Salem, Seibert has served in a variety of key positions

The relationships he has built over the years with legislators in Richmond and Washington have allowed Salem to be on the cutting edge of numerous instructional initiatives and

"I am not retiring from work, and I have no plans to retire from a leadership role of

Seibert. "I am only 53-yearsold, and I anticipate many more years of service to children and their families. I am not closing that book, rather I am just starting a new chap-

Submitted by Mike Stevens, City of Salem Communications Director

## Marijuana

Rezoned properties at East Main Street and Dalewood Avenue to allow an enclosed storage business;

Authorized the city to be fiscal agent for Cardinal Criminal Justice Academy which leases a city-owned building, and Court-Community Corrections;

Re-appropriated \$40,000 for a 3/4-

ton sewer vehicle that was not available

Approved the fiscal year 2022 performance contract with Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare.

The Council meeting in Salem Council Chambers in City Hall ended at 6:51

## **Salem resident** celebrates 100th birthday



PHOTO BY MARY GREGORY

Thirty-two descendants, as well as many nieces, nephews and friends, recently attended the 100th birthday of Genevieve Witt.



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and FloridaStreets, Salem VA. Pastor: Roger D. Counts, 540-389-3818. Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship11:00 a.m., Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Night Prayer Service, 6:30

LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH - 447 Dalewood Avenue, Salem, 986-0062, Pastor Carl Goodman. Coffee Bar 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Children & Student Ministry 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Thursday 7:00 pm Young Single Adults, Wednesday Morning Prayer Service 10:00, Lifegroups

meeting throughout the week. www.lbcva.com. SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH,

2721 12O'Clock Knob Rd., Salem, Pastor: Tim York; Sundayschool, 9:45AM, Sunday morning worship, 11:00AM, Sunday evening, 6:00PM, Wednesdayevening, 7:00PM.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH - 4339 DaughertyRoad, Salem, Greg Irby, Pastor, Church: 380-3567; Home: 389-7240, Sunday School 10:00 AM, WorshipServices

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**MOUNTAIN PASS BAPTIST CHURCH** - 311Catawba Valley Dr., (Ro. Co.) Salem, VA 24153. Rev.Jack Richards, Jr., Pastor, Study 384-6720, Home 427-1508. Sundays: Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship 11:00 a.m., Evening 6:00 p.m.

Wed:7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting and Bible Study.

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SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH-103 North Broad Street, Salem, Pastor, Dr. Heath Rickmond, 387-0416. Sunday School 9:15-10:15a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:30-11:45a.m. & 5:00p.m. Wednesday Services 6:15 p.m.www.salembc.net

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# Salewing

#### When in Rome

Read 2 Chronicles 36:1-8; Daniel 1:1 through 4:37

You've heard the saying, 'When in Rome, do as the Romans do." In a practical sense this might be the way to go if your main concern is getting along with people whose customs are different from yours. If, however, you have resolved not to conform to ungodly standards of the world, your commitment might just turn the old "do as the Romans do" adage on its

Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way (Daniel1:8).

In Babylonian exile, Daniel did not allow unfamiliar circumstances to change who he was and what he believed. He resolved to remain true to his ancestral faith by refusing to eat the king's delicacies, which apparently were condemned by the Levitical purity laws. He refused to conform just to fit in.

It has never been easy to live for God in an ungodly world. No matter where you find yourself today, resolve not to live the way of the world, but

Challenge for Today: Resolve not to compromise your faith.

Quicklook: Daniel 1:8-15



#### **CHURCHES OF CHRIST/CHRISTIAN CHURCHES**

SALEM CHURCH OF CHRIST - 401 West Main Street. 540-389-2400. Minister Eric Evans; Family Life Minister Taylor Plott; 9:00-9:45am Sunday Bible Study; 10:00am & 5:30pm Worship Service; Wednesday Bible Study: 6:00 -7:00pm. For more info contact the Church Office.

WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST -1705 Starview Drive, Salem. Minister Neil Richey, 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-

955Bird Lane, Salem, Va 24153, 389-5639. Pastor: Scott Hudson. Sunday School 10:00AM, Worship11:00AM; 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.

#### DISCIPLES OF CHRIST FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH,

Front Ave. Salem, Pastor Dan Netting (540) 389-6831.www.firstchristiansalemva.com. Adult and Children Sunday School - 9:45 am, Worship - 10:45 am. Nursery Provided for both. Everyone welcome

FORT LEWIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH -2931 West Main Street, Salem, Interim Pastor, Rev. Dr. John Dunstan, 380-4636. Website: www.flccsalem.org. Sunday worship inside sanctuary and on zoom, 10:30 AM, mask wearing and social distance.

#### **ECKANKAR**

ECKANKAR. THE PATH OF SPIRITU-**AL FREEDOM**, is located at 1420 3rd St. SW, Roanoke, VA 24016. However, due to COVID-19, the Light & Sound Services and other ECK programs are currently available online through Zoom. Visit www.eck-va. org for program listings, www.meetup.com/ Roanoke-Spiritual-Experiences-Group, call 540-353-5365 and leave a message. We will return your call. Also visit www.eckankar.org for more information about how the teachings of Eckankar lead you to spiritual freedom.

#### **EPISCOPAL**

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - 42 East Main Street, Salem, 389-9307. The Rev. Dr. David Compton. Sundays at 10:00 am Holy Communion in church and livestream on Facebook. Wednesday Morning Prayer facebook.com/ livestreamed at 11:30 am. st.pauls.salemva/

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH-226 South BroadStreet, Salem. Rev. Melton Johnson, 389-9648. SundaySchool 9:30 AM, Sunday Morning Worship Service11:00 AM, Wednesday Bible Study and PrayerMeeting 7:00 PM.

SHILOH BAPTIST- 201 South Market Street, Salem, Rev. Adrian E. Dowell, H) (389-0409). (Sundays)9:45 a.m. Sunday School, 11:00 a.m. WorshipService, (Wednesday) Prayer Meeting & BibleStudy for Youths & Adults, 7:30 p.m. (Saturday) 8:00a.m. - Intercessory Prayer Service, Women's Bible Study Fellowship 9:30am Fridays, Men's Bible Study 7am Saturdays.

#### PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

CHRISTIAN LIFE INT'L - 1 CLI Way, Salem, Ryan Linkous, Pastor, 343-3801, Sunday Worship Service 10:15 AM, (Children's Church and Nursery) Wed, MidWeek Service (Adult, Awaken Youth, Mpact Girls & Royal Rangers) 7 PM. Nursery Provided.Email: office@clichurch.org. Find us on facebook.

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Turner Road, Salem. 387-0491, Rev. Danny Cogut, Saturday Mass - 5:00 p.m., Sunday Mass 10:30am, Daily Mass: Mon 12noon, Wed 6:30pm, Thur 12noon & Fri 12noon; Mass on Sunday at 1:00 pm in Spanish; Confessions Wednesday 5:30-6, Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

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- 125 W. Main St, Salem, VA. 540-389-5459. Pastor Alan Combs, Traditional Worship -8:45am, Sunday School - 9:45am, Genesis Contemporary Worship 10am; Traditional Worship - 11:00am. www.fumcsalemva.org. LOCUST GROVE UNITED METHOD-**ISTCHURCH**- 3415 Locust Grove Lane, Salem, 380-4303, Pastor Logan Hollenbeck.

Drive-In service each Sunday Traditional

Worship 9:30 a.m.

## Virginia announces second round of flood preparedness grant opportunities

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation recently announced the opening of a second grant round for the Virginia Community Flood Preparedness

Communities across Virginia have until Nov. 5 to apply for \$17 million in grants to address the effects of recurrent flooding, sea level rise and extreme weather.

Flooding is the most common and costly natural hazard in Virginia and the United States. The Community Flood Preparedness Fund will provide an estimated \$75 million per year to improve local flood resilience, including targeted funding for the most vulnerable and underserved communities.

General Assembly voted to establish the fund during the 2020 session. It is financed by the sale of carbon emission allowances under the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, or RGGI, which Virginia joined in January 2021.

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, in cooperation with the Virginia Resources Authority, administers the fund and grant program. DCR oversees the state's floodplain management program.

The agency will host a virtual question-and-answer session about the grant program Aug. 13 at 1 p.m. The session is open to all, but registration is required.

A grant manual with eligibility rules and application procedures — and a registration link for the Aug. 13 session — are available at www. dcr.virginia.gov/cfpf.

first Community Flood Preparedness Fund grant cycle opened June 4 and closes Sept. 3.

> -Submitted by Iulie Buchanan, Senior Public Relations and Marketing Specialist

## Virginia DMV continues to migrate services online

## New online payment plan option saves customers a trip to DMV

The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) continues to expand its offering of online transactions by adding the ability for credentialed customers to establish a payment plan contract online. This new online option will enable more than 150 customers per week to skip a trip to DMV and creates additional appointment opportunities for customers who require in-person service.

If customers owe fees as a result of not insuring their vehicles, they may be able to enter into a payment plan to pay the fees over time and continue driving. Since payment plans were established by the General Assembly in 2017, more than 53,000 customers have successfully completed their contracts

In Virginia, in order to purchase license plates or register a vehicle (to receive decals), customers must certify that their vehicle is covered by the minimum insurance requirements or pay the Uninsured Motor Vehicle Fee.

When a customer is cited for driving without vehicle insurance their license is suspended until they comply with the following three requirements: 1) file a Financial Responsibility Insurance Certificate (SR-22), 2) pay the reinstatement fee, and 3) pay the noncompliance fee up front or enter into a payment plan to pay the fee over time in monthly installments, which may also be paid online. The suspension action and requirements are the same whether an insurance company reports to DMV that a customer's liability insurance coverage on a vehicle has terminated

or been cancelled during the registration period and the customer has not obtained another policy, or the customer has not temporarily deactivated the license plates or permanently surrendered the license plates.

In order to avoid a suspension of driving privileges, the requirement to pay the noncompliance fee and the related requirements, customers must ensure that there are no lapses in insurance coverage for vehicles during their registration period and that they either deactivate or surrender license plates to DMV prior to cancelling their insurance.

For more information on DMV's payment plan program, visit https:// www.dmv.virginia.gov/ vehicles/#statpay.asp.

-Submitted Jessica Cowardin, Communications Specialist

## Boles, Melanie H.

Melanie H. Boles, 60, of Salem, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, August 5. Born on June 13, 1961, to the late Charles Edward Hickson and Vivian C. Caldwell, she was also preceded in death by her grandparents, Hillary and Florence Coleman.

Those left to cherish her memory include

her loving and devoted husband of 33 years, Charles "Russell" Boles; daughter, Amanda Waldron and husband, DeWayne; son, Shane Boles; adopted



Shay; brother, Steven Hickson and wife, Angela; grandchildren, Clayton, Kaiden, and Cambri Waldron; as well as several beloved nephews.

son, Alan Coleman; sis-

ters, Connie Deel and

husband, Ron, and June

The family will receive friends on Friday, August 13, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at John M. Oakey and Son

Funeral Home, 305 Roanoke Boulevard, Salem.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.johnmoakey.com.

## Broome Jr., Lemuel R. "Buck"

Lemuel R. "Buck" Broome, Jr., 94, of Salem, was welcomed by a marching band at the Pearly Gates on Thursday, August 5. Born in Charlottesville, Virginia, on August 4, 1927, to Lemuel Redmond Broome, Sr., and Dorothy Houchens Broome, both of whom precede him, he was also preceded in death by sisters, Betty Renshaw and Sally Kirby, as well as a brother-in-law, Rev. Wallace Kirby.

Buck was an iconic part of Salem's downtown community. With his beloved red wagon in tow and no matter the weather, he collected newspapers and other recyclables from neighbors and downtown merchants as a service to his friends. He popped in daily to visit friends at Mill Mountain Coffee & Tea, Barker Realty and various other stops along his route. Buck was a faithful volunteer for Meals on Wheels for over 40 years in both Salem and Fremont, North Carolina, and served as a Captain with the Fremont Volunteer Fire Department. Buck was loved by many in both communities. Those left to cherish his memory

are his sister, Barbara (George) Bell, of Salem; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and many, many friends. A graveside service was held on

Monday, August 9, at Elmwood Cemetery in Fremont, North Carolina. A locally held service to celebrate Buck's life is being planned for later in September; details to come can be found at www.johnmoakey.com.

In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes memorial donations to Calvary Baptist Church, 7th St., Salem, VA 24153, or to the Salem Rescue Squad, 201 S. Broad St., Salem, VA 24153.

## Taylor, Judy Anne

On Saturday, August 7, Judy Anne Taylor, beloved wife, mother, Mimi, and daughter passed away peacefully in the comfort of her home surrounded by family. Judy loved her Savior Jesus and in Him she found peace and comfort.

Judy was born De cember 19, 1962, in Ro-

anoke. She married the love of her life, Mark, September 25, 1981, and together they created a beautiful life full of love and happiness. Her greatest joy was found in her children and grandchildren. Judy loved her West Salem Baptist Church family and so delighted in time spent with her Bible study group ladies. She loved spending time with her toes in the sand at her favorite place in the world - OBX - and creating countless memories with her



family there.

Judy is survived by her husband, Mark Taylor; daughter, Kelsey Śloan and husband, Jared; son, Nick Taylor and wife Bridget; grandchildren, Anne and Jack Sloan; her mother, Margaret Ratcliff; sister, Cindy Rider; and several nieces and neph-

The family will receive

friends from 10 a.m. until noon on Saturday, August 14, at the West Salem Baptist Church, 500 Turner Road, Salem, VA 24153, where a funeral service to celebrate her life will begin promptly at 12 p.m., with Pastor Nick Shaffer officiating.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to your favorite charity in memory of Judy.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.johnmoakey.com.

## Andrew Lewis Class of 1955 celebrates 65th reunion anniversary



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The Andrew Lewis Class of 1955 held its 65th anniversary reunion at the Salem Museum on August 7 with a buffet lunch and program by Superintendent Alan Seibert and the Museum's Alex Burke.

Many members brought their spouses to this significant occasion. Approximately a third of the living alumni attended.

Superintendent Seibert's presentation focused on a comparison of instruction then and now. Different, but

still the same excellence. Burke utilized the Museum's newspaper archives to present a reflective perspective on the final semester of the Class of 1955 and the many local, state and national awards received by

the Class's members.

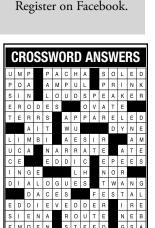
Alumni Sam Clemons of Granbury, Texas, presented an 90-page alumni Directory featuring biographies, anecdotes and memories collected by solicitation among the living classmates to each attendee and was thanked by FaceTime phone at the conclusion of the reunion.

The Class dedicated a Museum sidewalk Paver in honor of the Class of 1955.

A Service of Remembrance with the naming of the deceased was held and concluded with a playing of Taps from the balcony of the Museum.

-Submitted by Joe Ferguson

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## Attorney from page 1



Rachel Thompson and husband, Brad



got married, she joined the firm. Eight years later, Poarch Law officially became Poarch Thompson Law when Rachel was named partner. "I have been here for some years now and cannot imagine being anywhere else," she said.

Reflecting on her law school experience, Thompson said, "Liberty Law has the best professors. The education was fantastic and what I learned outside the classroom is just as important as what I learned inside the classroom. The professors were not just wrapped up in our final grades; they invested time and energy molding students into the people we are today." In 2018, she returned to her alma mater to serve as an adjunct professor.

Practicing law for nearly a decade has afforded Thompson numerous memories that she will forever cherish.

They include winning a case for a particular client after long hardfought battle when there was only a glimmer of hope. "Seeing that hope realized brings me back to work each day and helps me be creative and fight hard for each individual person," she said.

Thompson is the first to say that without the support of her family, she would not enjoy the career that she does today. "My husband does not get enough credit. He is joyfully in the background doing laundry, dishes, picking up the kids, running errands, cleaning the house, all without complaining. I'm only able to do what I do because of him. He is teaching our boys what it means to support their wives all while having a demanding job of his own. We just welcomed a baby girl named Hope into the world."

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#### Legals - Botetourt County

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#### Tax Map No. 72(8)28, Parcel No. 23467

In execution of an Amended and Restated Credit Line Deed of Trust dated October 6, 2014, in the principal amount of \$1.086.105.42. recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 140003493, Woods Rogers PLC Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the Botetourt County Circuit Court, Courthouse, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, on August 24, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, and more particularly described as

All that certain tract or parcel of land designated as TM #72(8)28 and containing 17.614 acres, more or less all as shown on that certain "Boundary Line Adjustment & Family Subdivision, Plat of the Property of Kendall W. & Ann P. Austin", dated August 11, 2011, prepared by McMurry Surveyors, Inc., of record in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, in Plat Book 52, page 44.

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#### Legals - City of Radford

#### VIRGINIA: IN THE **CIRCUIT COURT** FOR THE CITY OF **RADFORD**

THE CITY OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Case No. CL21-6456

Plaintiff, **COLE-PHILLIPS BUILDING** 

CO. MICHAEL H. COLE

PARTIES UNKNOWN, any heirs, devisees, and successors in title, including Successors in interest of Cole Phillips Building Co., A General Partnership collectively made Defendants, Defendant(s)

#### ORDER OF PUBLICATION The object of this suit is to

order abatement of nuisance or allow for razing of a structure owned by Cole Phillips Building Co., and located at 103 Polk Street in the City of Radford, Virginia, and enforce a lien for the costs of the same. An Affidavit having been filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the location of the named Defendant(s), that the Defendant(s) may be non-residents of Virginia and maintain no domicile within the borders of the Commonwealth, or are deceased, or that there may be parties who have an interest in the property but are unknown, namely, the heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the named partnership, made Defendants by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the named Defendant(s) and all Parties Unknown appear on or

#### Legals - City of Radford

before September 24, 2021, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause

Entered: 7/22/2021 Melissa White Circuit Court Clerk/Judge City of Radford, Virginia

I Ask For This:

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#### Legals - City of Salem

#### Notice is hereby given to

all interested persons that the Council of the City of Salem, at its regular meeting on Monday, August 23, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:

- 1. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Layman Candy Company, Inc., contract purchaser, and Lewis-Gale Medical Center, LLC, property owner, for rezoning a portion of the property located at 2105 Apperson Drive (Tax Map # 281-1-2) from BCD Business Commerce District to LM Light Manufacturing District.
- 2. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Roanoke College Trustees, property owner, for rezoning a portion of the property located at 232 North Broad Street (Tax Map # 87-7-7), from CUD College and University District to RSF Residential Single-Family District.

plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of the City Planner, Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia.

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have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA H. Robert Light Clerk of Council

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION** COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA. CODE

Case No. CL21-888 ROANOKE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT 305 E. MAIN ST SALEM,

MCGUIRE, CONNER LEE

It is ORDERED that Ashley Altizer appear at the abovenamed court and protect his/her interests on 8/27/21 @ 11:00 AM

Judge Dorsey

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2309 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, on August 26, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, to consider the following applications. The request of Matthew and

Kathryn Cookston, property the City of Salem Zoning development regulations. for the property located at 436 Westland Street, Tax Map # 171-2-13. The an addition. Section 106-202.3(B)(1) states that a side-yard setback of ten feet rear-yard setback is required.

interest will be given an opportunity to be heard, should or should not be granted. For additional

#### Legals - City of Legals - City of Salem

§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104

VA 24153 ALTIZER, ZANDER LEE

The object of this suit is to: NAME CHANGE OF **MINOR** 

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owners, for a variance from Section 106-202.3(B)(1) of Ordinance pertaining to site petitioners are requesting a variance of 8.2 feet of sideyard setback and 25 feet of rear-yard setback to allow percent (8.2 feet) and a 25

At this hearing, all parties in present evidence, and show cause why such requests

#### information, contact the Office of the Zoning

Administrator, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375 3032).

THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM BY: Mary Ellen H. Wines, CZA, CFM Zoning Administrator

#### Legals -Montgomery County

#### ORDER OF **PUBLICATION**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316 Case No. JJ019381-01-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY J & DR – JUV (CHRISTB) Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re ELSAYED. LAURA The object of this suit is to: CUSTÓDY 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** 

#### **LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Christiansburg Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Christiansburg Town Hall, 100 E. Main Street. Christiansburg, Virginia 24073. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments concerning: A. Conditional Use Permit

for a Commercial Auto Garage at 1250 Roanoke Street for Tax Parcel Nos. 498 - ((7)) - 16A, 498 - ((7)) - 17A, and 498 - ((A)) -113C by Glenwood Martin on behalf of Twin Oaks Properties LLC. The property is designated Business/Commercial on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan. Town Hall will be open and available to receive public comment in-person at the time of this Public Hearing. Additionally, the meeting will be streamed live on the Town of Christiansburg's YouTube channel at www.christiansburg.org/yout ube and will remain on the Town's YouTube page once the meeting concludes. For information on contactless

#### Montgomery County

Legals -

methods for submitting public comment, please visit www.christiansburg.org/publ ichearings.

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 Andrew Warren, Assistant Town Manager, at (540) 382-6128 ext. 1130 or by email at awarren@christiansburg. org with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.

#### Legals - Town of Vinton

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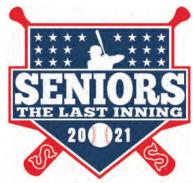
## Senior Baseball games are at Salem Memorial Saturday

There wasn't much good that came out of the coronavirus pandemic in the year 2020, but one positive you can point to is the Senior Baseball event at Haley Toyota Field in Salem.

Last year, with the high school spring sports seasons cancelled, the Salem Red Sox and members of the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame board decided to have games for players who missed their senior seasons. Seniors were split up into four teams for two games played at Haley Toyota Field, home field for the Salem Red Sox. It proved to be such a popular event that it was decided to make it an annual affair, even when the regular baseball season returned.

This Saturday, the Red Sox and the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame will again put on a doubleheader for seniors in Salem, and it's free of charge for spectators. Two seven inning games will be played with a special presentation in between.

The first game will begin at 4 pm between teams wearing Navy and Red



shirts. The Navy team will consist of players from Glenvar, Lord Botetourt and William Byrd, and they'll take on the Red team with players from Hidden Valley, James River, North Cross and Eastern Montgomery. Glenvar will be represented by Ryan Butler, Josh Howard, Cam Wiley, Jacob Mays, Nathan Richardson, Carson Osburn and coach Jeremy Cromer. Salem High had just three seniors and none of the three opted to participate.

After the first game the Salem-Roanoke Valley Hall of Fame will have a special presentation of the annual



Ray Bellamy Award for the Player of the Year in the area served by the Hall of Fame. That area includes the counties of Alleghany, Roanoke, Bedford, Botetourt, Craig, Floyd, Franklin and Montgomery and the independent cities located within the boundaries of those counties.

The five finalists this year, as voted on by high school coaches in the eightcounty area of the Hall of Fame along with Hall of Fame Board members are Tyler Dean of William Byrd High School, Isaac Fix of William Byrd, Cory Sigmon of Northside, Holden Wilkerson of Cave Spring and Michael Williams of Franklin County. There will also be a presentation to an area player as winner of the Posey Oyler Scholarship, sponsored by the Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Fame and awarded to a player who will go on to play in college and has shown a dedication to the game.

After that presentation a second game will be played by teams wearing Green and Gray shirts. The Green team will consist of players from Patrick Henry, Staunton River, Liberty and Christiansburg while the Gray team will have seniors from Blacksburg, Cave Spring, Franklin County and Northside.

Concessions will be available during the games this Saturday and the Hall of Fame will be open for players and fans to visit. The Salem-Roanoke Hall of Fame building is located on the grounds of the James E. Taliaferro Complex, next to the Salem Red Sox administrative office behind the third base seating area of Salem Memorial Ballpark.





#### SPARTANS ON ALL-REGION 4D SOCCER

Two Salem seniors were named to the first team when the Region 4D boys' soccer team was recently announced. Alex Benne(left) and Luis Geyne(right), both midfielders, were named first team all-region. Second team selections were senior midfielder Sam Walker, junior defender Matt Moore and junior forward Evin Lainez. Receiving Honorable Mention were junior midfielder Carter Work and senior defender Drew Harless.

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## Salem takes second in Metro golf, Ha is medalist in first varsity match

The Salem High golf team shot a 302 at the Botetourt Metro Tournament Tuesday to finish in second place. Blacksburg won the Metro with a 294 at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club.

Two girls led the Spartans, as junior Macy Johnson carded a 71 and freshman

Katherine Ha shot 73. Alex Rea had Salem's third best score at 77 and Hunter King rounded out the scoring with an 81. Johnson's score tied for third individually, four strokes behind the leader.

The second place finish came just a day after Salem finished second in a River

Ridge District match at the Hidden Valley Country Club on Monday. Three girls

scored for Salem in this one and all four of Salem's scores came from underclassmen.

Katherine Ha, playing in her first high school varsity match, scorched the HVCC course on a hot day with a five-under-par 66 to lead the Spartans and earn medalist honors. Junior Trey Joyce was second at 73 and two girls followed,

different Salemites were among the top four for Salem.

"We have more depth than we've had in a long time," said Salem coach Thad Snyder. "We're blessed."

sophomore Taylor Davis at 76 and Johnson at 77. In the first two matches six

Hidden Valley High won the first River Ridge match with a 289. Salem finished at 293, and the Spartans are back at Hidden Valley CC next Tuesday, August 17

Glenvar also had a busy week. The Highlanders shot a team score of 388 in the Metro, led by Mason Hylton's 89. Jacson Shepherd had 91, Grayson Shepherd had 103 and Aiden Hylton had 105 as two families accounted for all the scoring.

Last Thursday at the Olde Mill Course the Highlanders were fourth among six teams with a 208 in a nine hole match. James River won the round at 170, one stroke ahead of runnerup Floyd. Radford was third at 194.

Laccon Shepherd led the Highlanders with a 44, followed by Mason Hylton at

Jacson Shepherd led the Highlanders with a 44, followed by Mason Hylton at 49. Brendan Magruder carded a 55 and Aiden Hylton rounded out the scoring with a 60. Ryne Bond of Floyd was medalist at 38.

The Highlanders had a match at the River Course postponed on Monday and rescheduled for September 7. Glenvar's next match is Monday, August 16, at the Great Oaks Golf Course in Floyd County.



## RECREATION CLINICS FOR BALLPLAYERS

**Kiwanis Field and the James** I. Moyer Complex were full of action last week as the Salem Department of Parks and Recreation held their annual baseball and softball clinics. Salem High baseball coach Wes **McMillanandsoftballcoach John Counts conducted the** clinics along with their staff and many of the Spartan players. Above, Salem's Rocket Cowling practices pitching under the direction of Spartan jayvee coach Jimmy Winterer(left). In the right photo, Everly Shanks connects off the tee as future Spartans look on.



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## Salem, Glenvar have football, volleyball scrimmages this week

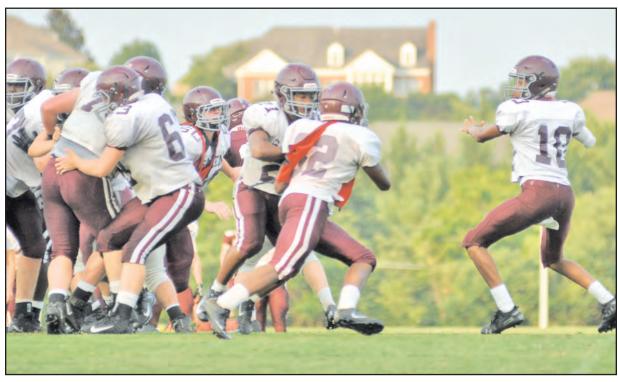
The first scrimmages of the fall sports season will be held this week as high school teams prepare for their first fall seasons since 2019. Last year's fall season was postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic and played on a limited schedule in the late winter and early spring.

The first football scrimmages will be Friday, and both Salem and Glenvar are at home. Salem will scrimmage Brookville at Salem Stadium at 6 pm and Glenvar will host William Byrd at Highlander Stadium at 6:30 pm. Glenvar's scrimmage was originally scheduled for 5 pm but moved back an hour and a half when Byrd could not get a bus to get the team here in time.

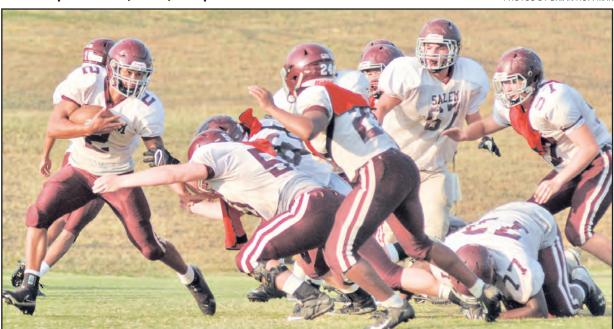
Salem's second scrimmage will be a Benefit Game against Magna Vista on Friday, August 20, at Salem Stadium at 7 pm. The Spartans will open on August 27 at home against Martinsburg of West Virginia.

Glenvar's second scrimmage is scheduled for August 20 as well, and it's a jamboree with Blacksburg and Abingdon participating. The Highlanders open at home against Galax on August 27.

The Glenvar volleyball team will scrimmage Lord Botetourt at GHS tonight, with the jayvees at 5:30 pm and the varsity at 7 pm. The Highlanders will host Salem for their second scrimmage next Tuesday, August 17, before opening at home with Auburn on



Above left, Nick(left in photo) and Tony Spradlin throw passes to Glenvar receivers at practice. Both former Spartans are now on Glenvar coach Kevin Clifford's staff. Above, the Mules protect Salem quarterback DaRon Wilson at practice and, below, the Spartan defense flies to the ball. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



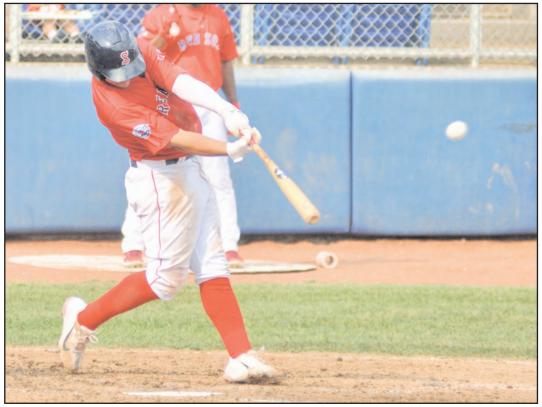
Monday, August 23.

Salem will participate in the Rockbridge Jamboree at Rockbridge High School on August 21 in an event that will include over 20 schools. The Spartans open the season August 25 against Roanoke Catholic.

Andrew Lewis Middle School will host a football jamboree today with Patrick Henry, William Fleming and William Byrd participating. That's scheduled to begin at 5 pm at Salem Stadium. The Wolverines open at William Fleming on Thursday, August 19.

The Lewis volleyball team played in a jamboree at Read Mountain Middle School on Wednesday and will open August 19 at home against Floyd County.

The high school golf season is already underway and the cross country teams won't take the gun until September.



## Yorke's hot bat fuels the Red Sox

Nick Yorke hit two home runs to lead the Salem Red Sox to a 5-4 win over the Lynchburg Hillcats Sunday, giving Salem a four games to two series victory. With the win Salem remained just one game behind Carolina for the second and final playoff spot in the Low-A East standings.

Yorke drilled one over the left centerfield wall in the bottom of the second to give Salem a 2-1 lead. That was all the scoring until the seventh inning, when Salem put two more runs on the board. Angel Maita knocked his second double of the season down the right field line scoring Nick Northcut. Jecorrah Arnold followed up Maita with a sacrifice fly on a line shot to center field giving Salem a three-run lead.

The Hillcats rallied in the top of the eighth to tie the game. Lynchburg scored three runs on a sacrifice fly from Jhonkensy Noel, an RBI single from Johnathan Rodriguez, and Gabriel Rodriguez reaching on an error from Ceddanne Rafaela to tie the game at 4-4.

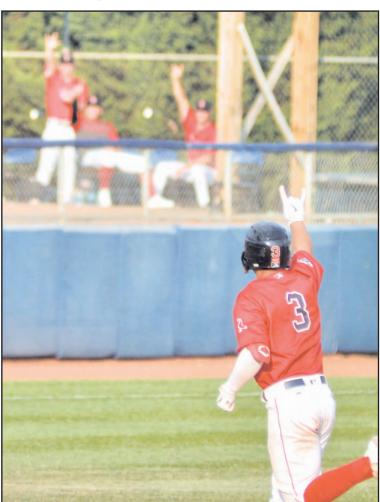
Yorke broke the tie in the bottom of the inning. Nick drove a ball over the wall in left on a 3-2 count as Salem regained the lead, 5-4. Jacinto Arrredondo pitched the last inning for Salem and picked up the win after blowing a save in the eighth.

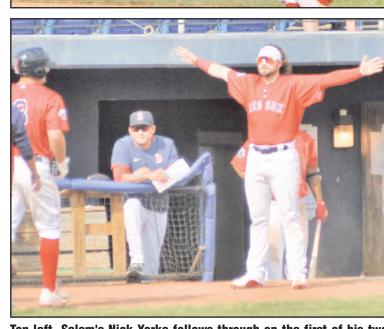
Yorke, Salem's leadoff hitter and a number one overall pick of Boston, was threefor-three in the game to raise his season average to .312. He also extended his hitting streak to 18 games.

The win lifted Salem to 50-34 on the season. The Sox won the opening game of the series, 8-1, but lost the second, 9-6. Salem won Thursday's game, 9-7, the Hillcats won Friday, 8-4, and Salem won the two weekend games, 5-3 on Saturday and 5-4 on Sunday.

This week the Sox are off to Fredricksburg for a six game series. The Nationals come in 26 games under .500 at 29-55 while Carolina has six games at Down East, who is 11 over at 47-36. Salem and Carolina are battling for the second playoff spot behind Charleston, who is 10 ½ games ahead of Salem at 60-23 and will make the playoffs unless suffer an epic collapse in the final month of the season.

The Sox are on the road for a dozen straight games, visiting Lynchburg for six after this week's series in Fredricksburg. The next home series begins August 24 when Delmarva comes to town. The Shorebirds are four and a half games behind Salem in the Low-A East North Division and five and a half games out of a playoff spot.





Top left, Salem's Nick Yorke follows through on the first of his two home runs in Sunday's win over Lynchburg. Top right, Nick gives the bullpen a salute and, above, is greeted at the dugout with a big hug from teammate Nicholas Northcut.

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