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## Salem School Board names Dr. Curtis Hicks new Division Superintendent

- Hicks will begin his position on October 1 -



**Curtis Hicks being congratulated by Salem School Board members after the unanimous vote to become Salem's next superintendent of schools.**

Curtis Hicks has been named the new Superintendent of Salem City Schools, effective September 30. Dr. Hicks has served as an assistant superintendent for the division since 2014, and he has been a central office administrative employee since 2007. His appointment was unanimously approved by the School Board at the conclusion of a specially

called meeting that wrapped-up this Tuesday morning.

"I appreciate the confidence the board has shown in me, not just with this appointment, but throughout my time in Salem," says Hicks. "The board has always been supportive of the initiatives I have brought before them, and I am proud to say we already have an outstanding working relation-

ship."

Hicks will replace current superintendent, Dr. Alan Seibert, who is retiring after 30 years of service to the school division. The board requested internal applications and interviewed the candidates who formally applied. School Board Chairman, David Preston, says Hicks' extensive and diverse administrative experiences, and his wealth of institutional knowledge made him the top choice.

"We have an outstanding track record in Salem of hiring quality educators, identifying leaders and then grooming them for moments like this," says Preston. "Curtis is a dynamic leader who relates extremely well to students, teachers and parents. He has the unique ability to engage these groups, even when they are at odds or struggling, and find the common ground that ultimately benefits the child."

Hicks knows firsthand how children can benefit from a quality education. He and his wife, Marcia, have three children who

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PHOTO BY SHAWN NOWLIN

**Zephren and Page Turner were hired by owner Jane Johnson to create the public art.**

## Unique art design adds a splash of flair to RM Johnson & Sons Jewelers

**Shawn Nowlin**  
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Anyone who passes RM & Johnson Jewelers in downtown Salem may notice something slightly different about the building. Thanks to the artistic talents of Zephren and Page Turner, three unique public art pieces have been installed on the upper north side of the building facing North College Avenue and Main Street.

The idea for the public art came about several years ago when storeowner Jane Johnson was part of the council's committee tasked with developing the downtown beautification project. As President of the company, Johnson is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the business.

"I knew the north-facing side of my building provided a great, visible 'canvas' able to be viewed from the intersection. It just took me a while to decide on what to place there," Johnson said.

She added, "That came together after I hired Page and Zephren to create the signage in my parking lot.

To put it mildly, the old sign had certainly seen better days, and when I saw how they were going to design it and the materials they were using, one project led to another. I had ruled out vinyl, paint on brick, aluminum and neon as potential applications. I mentioned the idea of gemstones cascading down rather than a piece of jewelry."

Next April, RM Johnson & Sons Jewelers will celebrate three decades of business on South College Avenue. Over the years, the company has earned a reputation as a destination where people can work with store jewelers to create something unique and beautiful.

Tina Light, Johnson's long-time right hand, is the company's American Gem Society (AGS) Registered Jeweler. While one son, Mack, serves as a custom engraving specialist, Johnson's other son, Zack, has been hand-crafting unique jewelry for customers for over a decade.

"We carry beautiful engagement rings and wed-

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## Former Va. Governor George Allen does Glenn Youngkin and Jason Miyares a solid at Salem GOP rally

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In less than 75 days, Virginians will head to the polls to select either businessman Glenn Youngkin or former Gov. Terry McAuliffe as the Commonwealth's next Governor. State residents will also decide the next Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General and House of Delegates.

A Salem political rally featuring former Va. Governor George Allen, GOP nominee for Attorney General Jason Miyares and GOP nominee for Governor, Glenn Youngkin, occurred on August 26 at CommUNITY Church on East Main Street.

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PHOTO BY SHAWN NOWLIN

**Businessman Glenn Youngkin explaining the difference between himself and his opponent, Democrat Terry McAuliffe.**

## No one injured as massive fire destroys Salem home



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Last week, the Salem house that Michael Grant Jr., his wife Dyan and their two sons, Michael III and Jaden, have called home for years suffered a significant fire, resulting in the loss of nearly all their possessions. An online fundraiser through Facebook was established to assist the family in this difficult time.

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Michael Grant Jr., a United Healthcare worker, and his wife, Dyan, a Salem Civic Center employee, have lived in Salem since 2006. The couple has two sons attending Salem City Public Schools, Michael III, 14, and Jaden, 12. Last Thursday, an accidental fire severely damaged their home on Azalea Street. The cause of the blaze was a kitchen grease fire.

As Michael Jr. explained, "My wife and I were at our grandson's flag

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**Jane Johnson (middle) says the art idea originated years ago when she was part of the council's committee tasked with developing the downtown beautification project.**

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# Country music star Travis Denning highlights 2021 Star-BQ, rocks Salem Farmers Market



Travis Denning performing one of his charted singles, "After a Few."



Hundreds of attendees enjoyed last Wednesday's concert.



Travis Denning taking pictures with a few of his fans.



In addition to being an accomplished vocalist, Denning is also a talented guitarist.

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## Area resident recognized as first in Commonwealth to complete apprenticeship program

Balzer & Associates recently announced that Phoenix Angell is the first person to complete the Survey Technician Apprenticeship Program in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Angell has been an apprentice in the Roanoke Land Surveying Department since 2018, all while also completing his high school courses in the Roanoke County Public School system.

Angell's persistence and dedication to finishing his apprenticeship at Balzer & Associates ex-

plifies what the student registered apprenticeship program is all about: students getting a head start toward a great job, with a great employer who has taken time to grow their own employee from the ground up.

"Phoenix has opened the door of possibilities for himself, and we couldn't be prouder," said Jason Suhr Director, Career & Technical Education of Roanoke County Public Schools.

The apprenticeship program, sponsored by the Department of Labor and Industry, combines on the job training and related instruction to result in learning a skilled trade for students in high school.

The Survey Tech-

nician apprenticeship program requires 4,000 hours of on-the-job training and 144 hours of related instruction each year. The apprenticeship program is an important part of ensuring students have access to skilled trade careers and to support the future of the land surveying field.

Patricia Morrison, Director of the Division of Registered Apprenticeship at the Department of Labor and Industry, said, "The Department of Labor and Industry wishes to commend Balzer and Associates, the architecture, engineering, and surveying firm in Roanoke that has graduated the state's first Youth apprentice as

a Land Survey Technician. This important, intentional step by Balzer to include the region's youth in their recruitment practices demonstrates a solution to the labor shortage problems."

With many of the industry's surveyors moving towards retirement, getting the next generation of surveyors, like Phoenix, into these careers is important. Land surveyors are integral to land development and their work supports projects all-across our communities.

-Submitted by Megan McBroom, Marketing Manager

**Salem Republican Committee  
Annual Olde Salem Days Breakfast**

Saturday, September 11, 2021, 8:00am  
Salem Civic Center Community Room

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Republican Nominee Governor
- Winsome Sears**  
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Republican Nominee Attorney General
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Phoenix Angell

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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.

### FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

Salem Host Lions Club,

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

### 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.

•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.

### FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY

Glenvar Rotary Club meets 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. for lunch in Richfield Living's Town Center Anser Dining Room. Guests welcome.

### 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, SEPTEMBER 4

Free to attend, the 34th Annual Roanoke Valley Mopar Car Show will take place, rain or shine, in the parking lot of the Salem Civic Center. Prices of the event are \$25.00 for the car show, \$25.00 for the car corral and \$25.00 for swap meet. Gates will open at 8 a.m. and registration will open five hours later. Judging begins at 10 a.m. by outside judges. Over 100 awards will be given out. Canopies on grass only, must be weighted or staked. 100 percent of the proceeds will benefit St. Jude's and local charities. To become a sponsor, contact roanokevalleymoparclub.sponsor@gmail.com

Be sure to 'Like' the Salem-Times Register on Facebook.

## Virginia launches 20th Annual Checkpoint Strikeforce DUI Enforcement and Public Education Campaign

Governor Ralph Northam recently kicked off the Commonwealth's 20th annual Checkpoint Strikeforce DUI enforcement and public education campaign. The enforcement aspect of the traffic safety campaign will take place from August 20 through Labor Day weekend and resume throughout the 2021 winter holiday season.

"It is great news that restaurants are open again and everyone is eager to celebrate, but let's all remember to do so safely and take care of each other," said Governor Ralph Northam. "The tireless efforts of Checkpoint Strikeforce over the past 20 years have been critical in reminding Virginians of the importance of getting a safe ride after drinking. This year, as they have for the last two decades, Checkpoint Strikeforce will help keep drunk drivers off the road and save the

lives of countless Virginians."

Last year in Virginia, nearly a third (32 percent) of all traffic fatalities in Virginia were due to alcohol-related crashes. 14,105 people were convicted of a DUI in the Commonwealth in 2020. During last year's Labor Day weekend alone, Virginia State troopers arrested 55 drunk drivers, averaging a DUI arrest every 104 minutes. Checkpoint Strikeforce is a crucial joint effort between public and private partners that works to stop these fatalities through surround-sound persuasion campaigning and high-visibility enforcement that reminds Virginians to get a safe ride after drinking or face arrest.

Virginia State Police will work through Labor Day as part of Operation CARE, or Crash Awareness Reduction Effort. Operation CARE is a na-

tionwide, state-sponsored traffic safety program that aims to reduce traffic crashes, fatalities, and injuries caused by impaired driving, speeding, and failing to use occupant restraints. Virginia State Police will participate in this program starting on Friday, September 3, 2021, at 12:01 a.m., and continue through midnight on Monday, Sept. 6, 2021.

"As a trauma surgeon, I've seen first-hand the destruction that impaired driving causes for families and communities," said medical director of VCU Medical Center's Level I Trauma Center and VCU's Injury and Violence Prevention Program Michel B. Aboutanos, M.D. "Drunk driving-related injuries can be devastating for not just the driver but innocent people on the roadways. Treating injuries begins by preventing them

from happening in the first place and we need everyone in the community to play a role in preventing impaired driving."

"The nonprofit Washington Regional Alcohol Program is proud to partner with Virginia for the 20th annual Checkpoint Strikeforce campaign - marking two decades of saving the lives of Virginians from alcohol-related driving fatalities," said President and CEO of the Virginia-based Washington Regional Alcohol Program Kurt Erickson. "Since Checkpoint Strikeforce's inaugural campaign in 2001, alcohol-related crashes have decreased 41.2 percent, fatalities have decreased by 24 percent, and injuries have been halved."

The campaign launch is supported by new research from local partner Lake Research Partners who conducted a survey that found 21 to 35-year-old

males are most likely to drive after drinking. The research also showed that in the last year, 90 percent of men surveyed admitted to having driven after having a few drinks or being driven by someone who had a few drinks. However, 93 percent of young men indicated that they believe it is important to make a plan to get home safely after a night of drinking. Of the men surveyed, 61 percent expect to need a safe ride after drinking.

128 Virginia law enforcement agencies will participate in the first wave of Virginia's Checkpoint Strikeforce campaign. Law enforcement officers will conduct 559 individual saturation patrols and 74 sobriety checkpoints across the Commonwealth.

-Submitted by Alena Yarmosky, Office of the Governor

## Salem Museum Speaker Series

-Batts and Fallam meet the Totera-

On September 9, 1671, the first Europeans to explore Southwest Virginia reached the Roanoke Valley. On September 9, 2021, Thomas Klatka, archaeologist with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, will describe the Virginia they discovered and the Virginia Indians they encountered. The talk will be hosted by the Salem Museum at 7 pm on Zoom. The link will be posted on the Salem Museum's website, salemmuseum.org, on the morning of the talk.

When Thomas Batts, Robert Fallam, and Thomas Woods trekked into the western part of Virginia 350 years ago in search of a quick route to the Pacific, they traversed a territory that they did not

understand. The land had long been settled by a large group of indigenous people of diverse tribal names who were linked by kinship, beliefs, shared needs, and the encroachment of global circumstances.

Klatka will focus on the events of September 9-11, 1671, when Batts and Fallam visited Totera Town, likely in the vicinity of Salem. The Totera people that the explorers met there deserve to be remembered today, 350 years later. Klatka's presentation will also offer a platform for encouraging a greater understanding of these people during a significant period of shared history in Western Virginia.

-Submitted by Frances Ferguson, Salem Museum Executive Director

## Offshore wind conference participants, domestic and international partners congratulated

Governor Ralph Northam recently congratulated the Business Network for Offshore Wind and participants at its International Offshore Wind Partnering Forum, a three-day global conference held in Virginia's capital city with more than 1,300 attendees. The conference marked the culmination of months-long efforts between the Commonwealth and many international and domestic partners across the public and private sectors to position Virginia as a national leader in the offshore wind industry. Over 620 companies from the U.S. and overseas were represented at the conference.

"This was a landmark week for Virginia, and I

am appreciative of the Business Network for Offshore Wind and all those who took part in the International Offshore Wind Partnering Forum," said Governor Northam. "Virginia is all in for offshore wind, and partners around the globe have recognized our commitment, including Avangrid Renewables, the Basque Country, and Dominion Energy. We are so excited for the future of the offshore wind industry in Virginia."

This week, Governor Northam also announced that the Port of Virginia had reached an agreement to lease a portion of the Portsmouth Marine Terminal to Dominion Energy. This accelerates the largest commercial

clean energy offshore wind development in the United States. Dominion Energy will use 72 acres of the deep-water, multi-use marine cargo Portsmouth Marine Terminal as a staging and pre-assembly area for the construction of a 2,600-megawatt offshore wind farm. The Virginia wind project will produce enough megawatts of clean, renewable energy to power

up to 660,000 homes.

The Business Network for Offshore Wind hosts the International Offshore Wind Partnering Forum annually. The Network is a nonprofit, educational organization. Its mission is to develop the offshore wind renewable energy industry, and its accompanying supply chain. The Network partners with industry leaders

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In appreciation to Salem as Roanoke College's home, the College is soliciting nominations for the 24th annual Charles Brown Award, to honor a Salem resident who has contributed the most to the quality of life in our hometown. The award is named in memory of Charles Brown, former mayor of Salem and the first Dean of Roanoke College.

Email your nominations to [rcnews@roanoke.edu](mailto:rcnews@roanoke.edu) including the nominee's name, contact information and reason for their nomination; or use the online nomination form at [forms.roanoke.edu/charles-brown](https://forms.roanoke.edu/charles-brown).

The nomination deadline is Monday, September 13. Nominees must be residents of Salem. For information, call (540) 375-2282.



# OPINION

## Give Light ~ Haiti / Good Sam Hospice ~

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

Learning of the latest disaster - a severe earthquake - on the Caribbean Island of Haiti, I cannot help but think of the work there of Salem allergy specialist Dr. Tom Fame and his parish, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, in Salem.

It was Fame in an interview I had with him some 25 years ago about his visit and his resulting book, "The Lambi's Call" that put a personal touch for me on the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. In the small book, the physician briefly traced the history of the mountainous land in a tropical sea.

In his book, the long-time Salem physician explains that Haiti was settled in Colonial American times, mainly by slaves brought there by French and Spaniards; the country has a large Black population. In the earliest years of the Nineteenth Century, when the mother country of France was deeply involved in wars led by Napoleon Bonaparte

and its leadership was paying little attention to its far-away island, Haitians rebelled and in time became an independent nation.

French influence is strong, however, and the people's language is a mixture of African dialects and French known as Creole.

Once heavily forested, the island was stripped of most of its trees by the Europeans who settled there since the tropical wood was commercially valuable. Its bare mountains make it especially vulnerable to flooding and landslides from the hurricanes that annually form in the area. And clearly, it's also prone to earthquakes.

Following the 2010 earthquake and remembering Fame's interest in the country and his book, I attended a program at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church where two later active members, Tommy and Jean Denton, reflected on their involvement in working with a school the Salem Catholics had made possible for the island.

The couple said they were surprised that a school was desired more than a medical facility, but one was built; it's a simple structure resembling

### Frances Stebbins Correspondent

a shed but was better than nothing, they observed.

In 2011, the Denton couple reported that more than 1,000 children had been given at least a minimal education through one of the shed-like schools. Around 22 teachers were involved 20 years ago. Used to doing manual work, the pupils' male relatives built the structures. Cinderblocks were even made from crushed-up rock, the visitors learned.

In his book, "The Lambi's Call," Fame explained that "lambi" is Creole for the familiar conch shells found in Haiti. They can be employed as a call to action.

The island was discovered by Christopher Columbus and has a land area the size of Maryland. Dangerous narrow roads wind about the narrow valleys; when the Dentons visited just before the 2010 earthquake, they found it took hours to reach some in-

terior sites such as Cabastor where financial help from the Salem Catholics has enabled several schools to be built. The country has a high birth rate, and with most of the citizens living at poverty level, it is not surprising that the island has been hit hard by the coronavirus pandemic.

Even before the past tragic year, it is well-known that corruption among government leaders has been widespread and assassinations frequent. Persons wanting to send financial help are generally advised to do so through their church or other well-established helping agency.

Good Samaritan ("Good Sam") Hospice, about which I have written many stories over the past three decades, will observe its 30th anniversary of founding in 2021. To mark the occasion, a short video is being made featuring brief remarks from 30 persons who have in some way been involved with its development and ongoing service to the Roanoke and New River Valleys.

I was invited to share a memory, and on my willingness to do so, a staff member

equipped with a video camera came to my home.

I related to her the tale (pun intended) of Gloria, a calico Manx cat. During the pre-Christmas Advent period in 2006, a small group of Good Samaritan's volunteers presented briefly at patients' homes, when desired, some familiar carols. I was among those who entered a Southeast Roanoke apartment house to be greeted by the golden black and white cat who promptly hopped to her dying master's bed.

Readers may know that on the Isle of Man, just west of Ireland, cats have the unusual feature of being tailless and with slightly shorter front legs. The beautiful kitty at the sick man's home wears a half-pointed tail.

Told that she would soon have to be returned to an animal rescue facility, I arranged for her adoption to our home and renamed her for the season.

Sadly today, she is showing her age of at least 18 years; it appears her sight is failing and she's fearful of my other rescued cat. But, when she's gone, she'll remain as my enduring Good Samaritan video memory.

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## COVID topics: late summer guidance

### Dr. Cynthia Morrow

Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts Health Director

As we continue to learn more about COVID-19, its variants and vaccine effectiveness, more and more information is being shared in the media, in discussions with our friends and family, at our workplaces, at our school boards. It seems that everywhere we turn, conversations eventually turn to the pandemic. The sheer number of updates and adjustments in our approaches can understandably be a source of confusion.

Here are some of the items I receive the most questions about, with an update of where the guidance stands:

**Third doses:** Third doses are only approved for the three percent of the population who have moderate or severe immunity-compromising conditions, such as HIV

or cancer treatment. This is because people who are immunocompromised and who are considered "fully vaccinated" may have lower antibody levels compared to people who are not immunocompromised. Only those who are immunocompromised and have received their first two doses of the mRNA vaccines (Pfizer and Moderna) are eligible to receive a third dose of one of those vaccines.

**"Booster" shots:** Booster shots (for people who are fully vaccinated and not immunocompromised) have not been approved at this time. Once they are approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), and the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), the rollout will take place over several months, likely beginning no sooner than late September. We are working with our vaccine partners to be able to provide booster shots once they are ap-

proved. Going back to school safely: Ensuring that we can have in-person learning for our school-age children requires that we take precautions to protect everyone in school settings. In addition to getting vaccinated for those who are eligible and to wearing masks, teachers, staff, children, and their families should avoid risky behaviors and large gatherings, especially large indoor gatherings, to decrease the risk of getting, and spreading the disease. We all need to do our part to help children stay in school and to protect kids under the age of 12 who are not eligible to be vaccinated.

**Getting tested:** Regardless of whether you are vaccinated or not, you should get tested if you have signs or symptoms of COVID-19. In addition, people who are exposed to COVID-19, including people who are fully vaccinated, should be tested three to five days following a known exposure to

someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19, even if they don't have symptoms. The nasal swab PCR test is the most accurate test available and can take 48 to 72 hours to receive results. Self-collection ("at-home" or "rapid") tests are available over the counter in stores and pharmacies. Follow the instructions exactly to obtain the most accurate results and be sure to contact your physician if your results are positive.

With all of the information available, it can be hard to keep up with everything and it can especially be hard to discern what is true. Please visit a reputable website, such as the Virginia Department of Health or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the most recent information about COVID. What we do know is that vaccines are the most important tool to protect you and the people you love; that masks work, and that avoiding crowds, especially indoors, can decrease the risk of disease.

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- 45. Dravidian ethnic group
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- La \_\_\_
- 49. Dab
- 50. Singers who perform together
- 53. Pirates' saying
- 57. OK to allude to
- 58. Somaliland diplomat
- 59. Has to pay back
- 60. Felix is one
- 61. Intestinal pouches
- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Harsh cries of a crow
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- 3. \_\_\_ fide: authentic
- 4. Doctors' group
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- 10. Repents
- 11. Palm tree with creeping roots
- 12. Black powder used in makeup
- 13. Happy New Year
- 16. Stretched out one's neck
- 18. Whale ship captain
- 22. Atomic #20
- 23. Border
- 24. River that borders India and Nepal
- 25. After B
- 27. Fencing swords
- 28. Where researchers work
- 29. Expression of satisfaction
- 30. Broadway actor Nathan
- 31. Heavy, heat-retaining stove
- 33. A way to eliminate
- 35. Type of tree resin
- 36. Russian river
- 37. Children's TV network
- 39. Troublemaker
- 42. Averts or delays
- 43. Self-immolation by fire ritual
- 44. It cools your home
- 46. Satisfy to the fullest
- 47. Stinks!
- 48. Popular board game
- 49. Attack by hurling
- 50. A vale
- 51. Type of acid
- 52. Tasmania's highest mountain
- 53. No seats available
- 54. Licensed for Wall Street
- 55. Family of genes
- 56. Constrictor snake

### Fire from page 1

football practice on August 26. She asked our oldest son to warm up the grease in the kitchen so when we returned, we could cook some burgers and fries. After doing so, he walked away from it. Roughly 30 minutes later, Jaden happened to see smoke coming from his room. When he stepped in the hallway, he quickly realized just how bad things had gotten. The heat was so intense that they both almost passed out. Mike grabbed his dog, got he and his brother out the house safely and immediately gave us a call.

When Michael Jr. and Dyan pulled around the corner about 7:30 p.m., all they could see was white smoke. Michael III was having a panic attack in the front yard, recalled Michael Jr, while Jaden seemed confused. As Dyan got closer to the house, she realized that it was coming from the kitchen window.

After it was reported, approximately 22 Salem Fire and EMS personnel responded to the fire within three minutes. Upon arriving on the scene, they saw heavy smoke coming from the house. The fire, according to a spokesperson, went through the roof,

forcing crews to exit while the attic fire was extinguished. It took roughly 30-minutes to get the fire under control. Nearly everything that the Grants owned, including school supplies for the boys, was lost in the fire.

"The past few days have been really challenging for our family, especially Mike. He knows that we love him unconditionally, and this was a total accident. It's important for us to try and return to some type of normalcy," Michael Jr. said. "In recent days, we have stayed in a hotel. Until we can find a more stable residence, we will have to rely on friends and family. Both of our employers, as well as the community, have been overwhelmingly supportive, allowing us to get through this as best as possible."

An estimated \$300,000 in damages were caused as a result of the fire.

An online fundraiser, which is open for donations through Facebook, was created to help out the Grant family. Interested individuals can also contact the Salem Civic Center at 540-375-3004 directly and coordinate dropping off food, clothes or any other additional donations.

Send community news and photos to [shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org](mailto:shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org)

# Wind from page 3

and governments at all levels to create jobs and provide benefits to local economies while ensuring a cost-effective, clean energy portfolio. The International Offshore Wind Partnering Forum early attendees also received the opportunity to tour Coastal Virginia's Offshore Wind farm and see the United States' largest maritime industrial base in Norfolk.

Virginia's vision for offshore wind began in the early 2000s when the Commonwealth secured an offshore wind lease area. Two six-megawatt Siemens Gamesa wind turbines were installed in 2020 by Dominion Energy and Ørsted—the first offshore wind project located in federal waters and the first research turbines installed in the United States.

The Notice of Intent for Dominion Energy's Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind commercial project and Avangrid Renewables Kitty Hawk Off-

shore project were issued last month, marking the first major milestone in the federal permitting process for these large-scale commercial wind projects. Kitty Hawk has the potential to provide Virginia with 2,500-megawatts of clean energy. The construction of the first 800-megawatt stage is scheduled to begin in 2024. It is expected that this will create 800 jobs regionally and have a \$2 billion impact from 2021 to 2030. The power from the Kitty Hawk project will come ashore in Virginia to then be transported throughout the regional distribution network.

Maryland, North Carolina, and Virginia entered into the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic Regional Transformative Partnership for Offshore Wind Energy Resources in October 2020. The three states pledged their cooperation on the promotion, development,

and expansion of offshore wind energy.

During the International Offshore Wind Partnering Forum this year, Secretary of Commerce & Trade Brian Ball signed a memorandum of understanding with Minister of Economic Development for the Basque Country of Spain, Arantxa Tapia, which formally recognized the common interests in the development of renewable energy, energy efficiency, and energy storage technologies. Iberdrola, located in Basque Country, is the majority shareholder of Avangrid Renewables, the company that has secured the lease to the Kitty Hawk Offshore wind lease area. Innovative partnerships like these demonstrate the Commonwealth's commitment to collaboration with governmental and private partners in the offshore wind industry.

"Virginia's comprehensive

infrastructure systems, forward-looking energy policies, and commitment to industry-wide collaboration have brought the Commonwealth front and center when it comes to offshore wind in this country," said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Brian Ball. "It has been a pleasure to work with so many great partners in this space, and we look forward to continuing that work for the foreseeable future."

"Virginia is a frontrunner in the development of U.S. offshore wind power," said The Business Network for Offshore Wind CEO and President Liz Burdock. "The use of Portsmouth Marine Terminal demonstrates the Commonwealth's ongoing commitment to developing a robust offshore wind industry and supporting local and regional business development. Offshore wind continues to

prove it is a resilient, fiscally dependable, and solution-providing industry that will benefit Virginia's economy, spur innovation, and provide opportunities for businesses of all sizes, particularly minority and women-owned businesses."

Virginia's ports have the existing infrastructure, deep channel routes, and freedom from overhead air draft that will allow national offshore wind assembly and its manufacturing supply chain hub to flourish. With increased support from the federal level and the Virginia General Assembly, the offshore wind industry is poised to grow exponentially. The Commonwealth has, and will continue to, act decisively to take advantage of this support.

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When Israel turned away from the Lord, the people became prey for the enemies of God. The nations that attacked Israel assumed God would not judge their sin, but they were mistaken. God watched and recorded every evil deed. A day of accounting was decreed.

In time, Israel's enemies lost wealth, status, and strength. Some even disappeared from the world altogether.

When trials come, Christians should not presume that God is unconcerned with their struggles. He sometimes uses difficulties to discipline and train them for righteousness. As His people wait upon Him, their faith grows.

One day you will be lifted above your trials, and retribution will be given to those who would plunder you.

Prayer Suggestion: Lord, I trust You even now.

Quicklook: Ezekiel 27:26-31

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Page and Zephren were also hired to create a new signage in the parking lot.

ding jewelry, the area's largest collection of Australian black opals and an award-winning collection of 22 and 24K gold-accented jewelry by Lika Behar," Johnson said. "We have things you may not expect to find in Salem, as well as many gift items starting at under \$20."

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work is a nice addition to our downtown, we would like to encourage them to

take a selfie or a photo and share it." More information

about the company can be found at [www.rmjohnson.com](http://www.rmjohnson.com).

# GOP from page 1



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Attendees gave Jason Miyares a standing ovation when his name was called.



Jason Miyares is hoping to become Virginia's next Attorney General.



Delegate David Suetterlein passionately explaining why Republicans need to control both state chambers in November.



Former Virginia Governor George Allen explaining to voters what is at stake for the November 2 election.

All three politicians took the opportunity to passionately explain to local voters why it's important to nominate Republicans on November 2.

"Virginians are coming together and saying enough is enough. Everywhere we go, Jason and I find ourselves overwhelmed by the support. It's no longer Republicans versus Democrats. It's actually Virginians standing up and saying 'no.' This left liberal agenda has actually been at work trying to make Virginia the California east,"

Youngkin said. "That has no place here. This thing is neck and neck. Two weeks ago, there was an article saying that this was the most important election in America. Why? Because we are not only voting on behalf of Virginia, but on behalf of the country."

Added Miyares, "Our murder rate has skyrocketed. It's the highest it's been in decades. People often ask, 'how did we get here?' It's because we have a far-left monopoly in Richmond with a criminal first, victim last mindset. And

they are pushing policy after policy that is making Virginians less safe. The 14th amendment is one of the GOP's greatest legacies. The only way that we can change things is by electing a new General Assembly and a new Governor."

Republicans currently are the minority in both the Virginia House of Delegates and Senate. Additionally, just four of the 11 U.S. House seats are held by Republicans. The last Republican elected as Governor was Bob McDonnell in 2010.

Youngkin fervently rejects the actions of his opponent McAuliffe and Gov. Ralph Northam. While he doesn't support mandates, Youngkin does advocate for having the choice to get the vaccine. McAuliffe has publicly said that vaccines and mandates are the best way to prevent disease and help reopen the economy.

A recent poll from the Wason Center for Politics shows Youngkin polling well in Southwest Virginia while McAuliffe is doing well in Northern Virginia. Delegate Joe McNa-

mara and Delegate David Suetterlein were both present at the event to show their support. They, as well as everyone else in attendance, gave Governor Allen a standing ovation when he was introduced.

"I like Ronald Reagan a great deal. He's one of the main ones who motivated me to get into organized

politics. President Reagan talked about his election being a rendezvous with destiny. That's what we have here in Virginia, a rendezvous of the destiny of our Commonwealth. What vision do we want for our state? I think that it's one that exemplifies the ideas by Glenn, Jason and our party," he said.

**O humankind! Verily, ye are all the leaves and fruits of one tree: ye are all one.**

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### Legals - City of Radford

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION TO VACATE A PORTION OF UNIMPROVED HARVEY STREET IN THE CITY OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 15.2-2006, the Radford City Council will hold a public hearing on September 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, Virginia.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to receive public comment regarding an application filed by Michael "Kevin" and Molly Entrekin to vacate a portion of the unimproved Harvey Street right-of-way located at the intersection of Ninth Street. The vacation request concerns a total area of approximately .204 acres.

Any person affected by the proposed vacation may appear and be heard at the public hearing. Copies of the application, together with the plat of the proposed vacation, are available for review in the City Manager's Office located at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, Virginia.

#### 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, V. COLE-PHILLIPS BUILDING CO., and MICHAEL H. COLE and 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

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

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#### Public Notice Environmental Permit

CORRECTION TO PUBLIC NOTICE: Public notice was published on August 26, 2021, seeking public comment and announcing two public hearings on (1) a draft permit (VWPP No. 21-0416) from the State Water Control Board that would allow Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC to fill wetlands and streams in Giles, Craig, Montgomery, Roanoke, Franklin, and Pittsylvania Counties, Virginia and (2) the Board's intent to provide Section 401 Water Quality Certification for activities authorized by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. That notice erroneously stated the public comment period would end October 13, 2021. The correct public comment period is from August 28, 2021 to October 27, 2021. CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Steve Hardwick; Central Office, P.O. Box 1105, Richmond, Virginia 23218; Phone: 804-698-4168; E-mail: [MVP@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:MVP@deq.virginia.gov); Fax: (804) 698-4032. The public may review the draft permit and application on

### Legals - City of Salem

the DEQ website at <https://www.deq.virginia.gov/get-involved/topics-of-interest/mountain-valley-pipeline/-fsiteid-1>. The public may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 22.1-29.1 of the Code of Virginia, as amended to date, notice is hereby given that the Council of the City of Salem will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m., September 13, 2021, in Council Chambers, City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, Salem, Virginia, to receive views of citizens within the Salem School District regarding appointments to fill the expiring terms ending 12/31/2021 of two members on the City of Salem School Board. All candidates seeking appointment must submit a letter of interest and resumé to the Deputy Clerk of Council. Submissions are requested by noon on Friday, September 10, 2021, however in all cases must be submitted prior to the closing of this public hearing. Candidates may be interviewed individually by City Council.

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

#### Notice is hereby given to

all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on September 15, 2021, at 7:00 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 Salem Building Supply, Inc., contract purchaser, and PHC of Virginia, Inc., property owner, for rezoning the property located at 405 Kimball Avenue (Tax Map # 235-1-2) from RMF Residential Multi-Family District with proffered condition to RMF Residential Multi-Family District without conditions.

2. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Salem Ministers Conference Community Food Pantry, contract purchaser, and Trustees God's Church of Deliverance and Power, property owner, for the issuance of a Use Not Provided For Permit to allow the relocation of the Salem Food Pantry to the property located at 829 Indiana Street (Tax Map # 186-1-5).

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

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

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA  
BY  
James E. Taliaferro, II  
Executive Secretary

### Legals - Craig County

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### Legals - Montgomery County

#### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Christiansburg Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 14, 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. Rezoning request by Deerfield Home Estates LLC to rezone Tax Parcel Nos. 496-A 68 & 496-A 73 (4.711 acres) from Agricultural (A) and Two-Family Residential (R-2) to Single Family Residential (R-1) with conditions. The proposal was revised to construct 26 single-family detached dwellings. The property is designated as Residential on the Future Land Use Map of the 2013 Christiansburg Comprehensive Plan.

B. Conditional Use Permit request by Deerfield Home Estates LLC for a Planned Housing Development to consist of 26 Single-Family Residential dwellings on property located adjacent to Wades Lane and Agee Street, Tax Parcel Nos. 496-A 68 & 496-A 73.

C. Conditional Use Permit for R-3 Multifamily Dwelling District uses in the B-3 General Business District by Bruce A. Moses(owner) on behalf of Bryan A. Rice (Applicant) at 975 Radford Street (Tax Map No. 525-A-19). The proposal is to construct five (5) Townhome units. The property is designated as 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/youtu](http://www.christiansburg.org/youtu) and will remain on the Town's YouTube page once the meeting concludes. For information on contactless methods for submitting public comment, please visit [www.christiansburg.org/publi](http://www.christiansburg.org/publi) hearings.

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](mailto:awarren@christiansburg.org) with any questions or if you require reasonable accommodations.

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# Hicks

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are products of the Salem School Division. Garrett is a University of Virginia graduate, who will return to UVa this fall to pursue his master's degree. Their middle child, Meredith, is a rising 2nd year student at Virginia, and their youngest child, Will, who will be a senior at Salem High School this year, has accepted an invitation to play lacrosse at the University of Lynchburg after he graduates.

"Our family will be forever grateful for the time and energy that the teachers in Salem invested on our children," says Hicks. "They were given opportunities that continue to inspire them today."

Hicks grew up on a farm in Alleghany County and was a highly recruited student-athlete for the Alleghany Mountaineers. He signed

scholarship papers to play football with the Virginia Cavaliers during the George Welsh era and while in Charlottesville he made his mark on the field and in the classroom.

"Athletics and my rural roots taught me the importance of teamwork and recognizing the value that each person possesses," he says. "All of the coaches and teachers who saw something in me when I was young and those who later created opportunities for me in the early stages of my career are the reasons that I have been given this opportunity."

The work ethic that his parents and coaches instilled in him, helped Hicks earn his bachelor's and master's degrees from Virginia in 1995. He was a member of the ACC Academic Honor

Roll from 1992-1995 and he was awarded the national "Hitachi Promise of Tomorrow" teaching scholarship after his senior year.

"After graduation, I was hired to teach and coach at Northside Middle School and after just my second year of teaching, I was encouraged by my principal and the director of human resources to pursue a career in administration," he says. "They recommended me for the Principal Preparation Program at Virginia Tech."

He earned his Education Specialist degree and completed Tech's Educational Leadership program in 2000, but Hicks actually began his career in administration long before the requirements were completed.

"Even though I had not completed the pro-

gram and did not yet hold an administrative endorsement, I was hired to be an assistant principal at Floyd County High School," he says. "Floyd County is where I learned how important empathy and compassion are when dealing with students, parents, and staff who are going through difficult situations. I also learned the importance of creating relationships based on genuine care and concern for students and their families."

After two years in Floyd, Hicks returned to Roanoke County as served as an assistant principal at both Hidden Valley and Cave Spring High Schools for the next two years. In 2003, at the age of 30, he was named the principal of Glenvar High School.

"This was an awesome responsibility that I took very seriously," says Hicks. "I wanted to do whatever I could to make sure that each one of the 600 students reached his or her full potential, and that both the students and their families had a positive experience with

our school." While at Glenvar, Hicks implemented several impactful programs including a study program that reduced failing grades and significantly improved student achievement. He also implemented the Highlander Day of Caring initiative that taught students the importance of community service.

"Leaving Glenvar was a difficult decision," he says. "At that time, I wanted to be more involved with my children's education and extracurricular programs, and I knew I could have an impact on even more students by implementing and improving programs in grades K-12." Hicks joined Salem Schools in 2007 as the director of secondary instruction. In 2014, he was promoted to assistant superintendent for instruction and since Mike Bryant's retirement in 2017, he has served as the division's only assistant superintendent.

"Dr. Seibert entrusted me with many responsibilities, and I am very proud of the strides we have made when it

comes to the division's alternative education and recovery programs, the Random Drug Testing Program for student-athletes, our job shadowing and apprenticeship programs and our use of grant funding to support innovation."

Hicks earned his doctorate in educational leadership from the University of Arkansas in May of 2020. Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, he has served as the point person for the school division handling interactions with health department officials, school staff members, community leaders and parents.

"As a school division and a community, we are still facing lots of uncertainty related to the pandemic," says Preston. "The appointment of Dr. Hicks should give our teachers and our parents a sense of security and reassurance. He is a natural leader, who knows our schools and our personnel as well as anyone."

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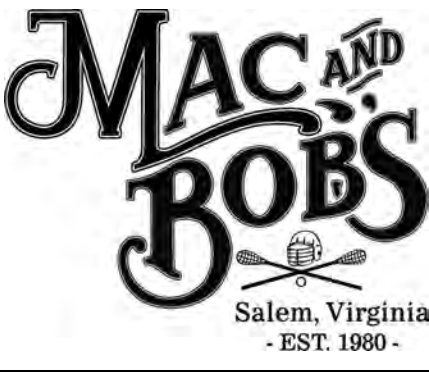
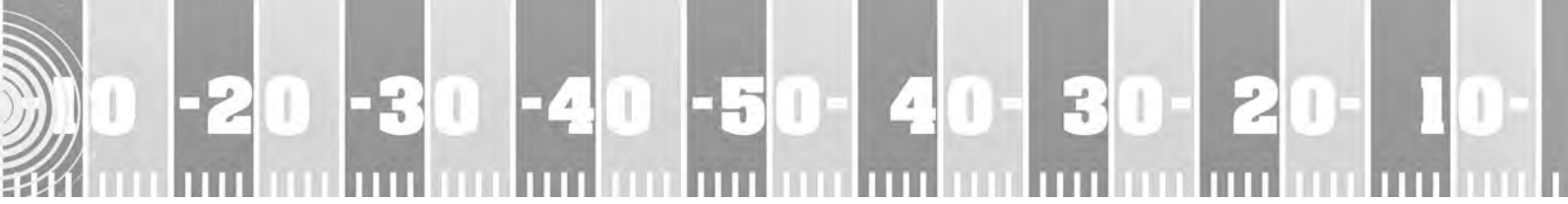


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The Quick Change (see story)



It was like Homecoming at Salem Stadium last Friday as several members of the spring state championship Salem football team returned to watch the home Spartans take on Martinsburg. In the left photo, left to right, Jorden and Jayden McDonald and Zavione Wood give "Hokie" signs as Salem assistant coach Matt Kesler takes their picture. All three are on the Virginia Tech football team. In the right photo, KyJuan Waller(left) and Shawn Collins have fun with Salem principal Scott Habeeb. Waller and Collins are both red-shirting at Emory & Henry as the Wasps play one more season in Division 3 before moving to Division 2 for the 2022 football season. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

## SALEM FOOTBALL

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had 95 yards on 23 carries and Jayveon Jones had 94 on 13 carries, including a couple of long runs off the right side of the line.

DaRon Wilson was three for 11 passing for 65 yards. Logan caught two for 60 and Allen had the TD catch.

Defensively, Salem's top two tacklers were in the secondary and that's never a good thing, as Jamien Lingenfelter had nine tackles and Chase Greer had seven. Salem had just two tackles for losses, one each by Nathaniel McClure and Stacy Williams, and no sacks. Meanwhile, the Bulldogs passed for 170 yards against a rebuilt Spartan defensive backfield.

"We have some new guys back there and they struggled, but the effort was there," said Holter. "We'll get better."

This Friday the Spartans are back home to host Franklin County. The Eagles, coached by former Salem assistant JR Edwards, opened with a 42-25 loss to Bassett in Rocky Mount last Friday.

"They have good size and JR will have them coached up," said Holter. "They'll give us a few different looks on offense and they're similar to us on defense."

The Salem jayvee team is scheduled to play at Franklin County tonight.



Glenvar senior Carly Wilkes was honored as the "Highlander of Honor" at the Glenvar football game Friday night. Presenting the honor was GHS principal Corie Franklin(left) and looking on are Carly's parents, Kirk Wilkes and Deidre Wilkes. PHOTO BY KENNY FORD

## GLENVAR FOOTBALL

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it," said Glenvar coach Kevin Clifford. "We had a bad first quarter but we settled down and the kids played with a lot of determination. We have four new offensive linemen and we were still knocking the rust off. We'll continue to get better."

It was the 10th straight season Glenvar opened with Galax, not counting the unusual spring season, and the Highlanders now hold a 6-4 edge in the series.

"I like playing them first, they're a quality team," said Clifford. "That game sets a tone for the year. I was proud of our kids, it was a good first game win."

Wolk finished the game with 243 yards passing and four TDs. He completed 14 of 28 attempts with Swanson catching seven passes for 161 yards while Williams caught six for 84. Kyle Hanks led the rush-

ers with 35 yards on 13 carries.

On defense Mason Anderson had a big night. He was in on 18 tackles, including five for losses. Nate Johnson had 14 tackles with two sacks and two for losses. Nick Williams had 12 tackles, with two for losses, and Shane Gibson had 10 tackles.

This week the Highlanders will go on the road for the first time as they visit the "dog pound" to take on the Martinsville Bulldogs. It will be the season opener for the 'Dogs, and their first game since the fall of 2019 after opting out of the 2020 season due to COVID concerns. Martinsville was winless in 2019 and has lost 21 of their last 22 games.

"They're athletic, big and they can move," said Clifford, who isn't taking the Bulldogs lightly. "It will be a tough road test for us."



Jayveon Jones breaks free for a long run.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

# RC men picked 3rd, women 5th in ODAC soccer polls

The Old Dominion Athletic Conference has announced their preseason soccer polls for both men and women with the fall seasons starting this week.

Roanoke College received one first-place vote enroute to being picked third in the men's poll, as voted on by the league's 12 coaches, and the women were picked fifth among 13 schools.

Washington & Lee was picked first in the men's poll with seven first place votes while Lynchburg was second with three. Hampden-Sydney was the fourth choice, receiving one first place vote like the Maroons.

RC Head coach Ryan Pflugrad returns an experienced roster that includes five All ODAC performers from 2020 and seven players that have earned All ODAC honors at some point during their careers. On defense, Joe Carman returns, after not only being named all conference, but being tabbed by the Virginia Sports Information directors (VaSID) as their 2020 Defensive Player of the Year, to anchor a back line that was the best in the league a season ago. Joining Carman are defender Chris Jerrild and goalkeeper Zach Behe. Up front, the Maroons will

be led by Liam Camilleri and Isaac Wolf while Alec Taitague and Dylan Berk bring more ODAC hardware to the midfield.

In the women's poll Bridgewater has the top spot with seven first place votes, followed by Washington & Lee with four. Virginia Wesleyan is the third choice, followed by Lynchburg and then Roanoke.

RC returns a pair of All ODAC defenders in Erin Flamm and Eliza Ryan as well as the reigning ODAC Women's Soccer Rookie of the Year in forward Morgan O'Neill. Head Coach Phil Benne and his staff will return a majority of their roster but will have to replace three starters, all named all conference one season ago.

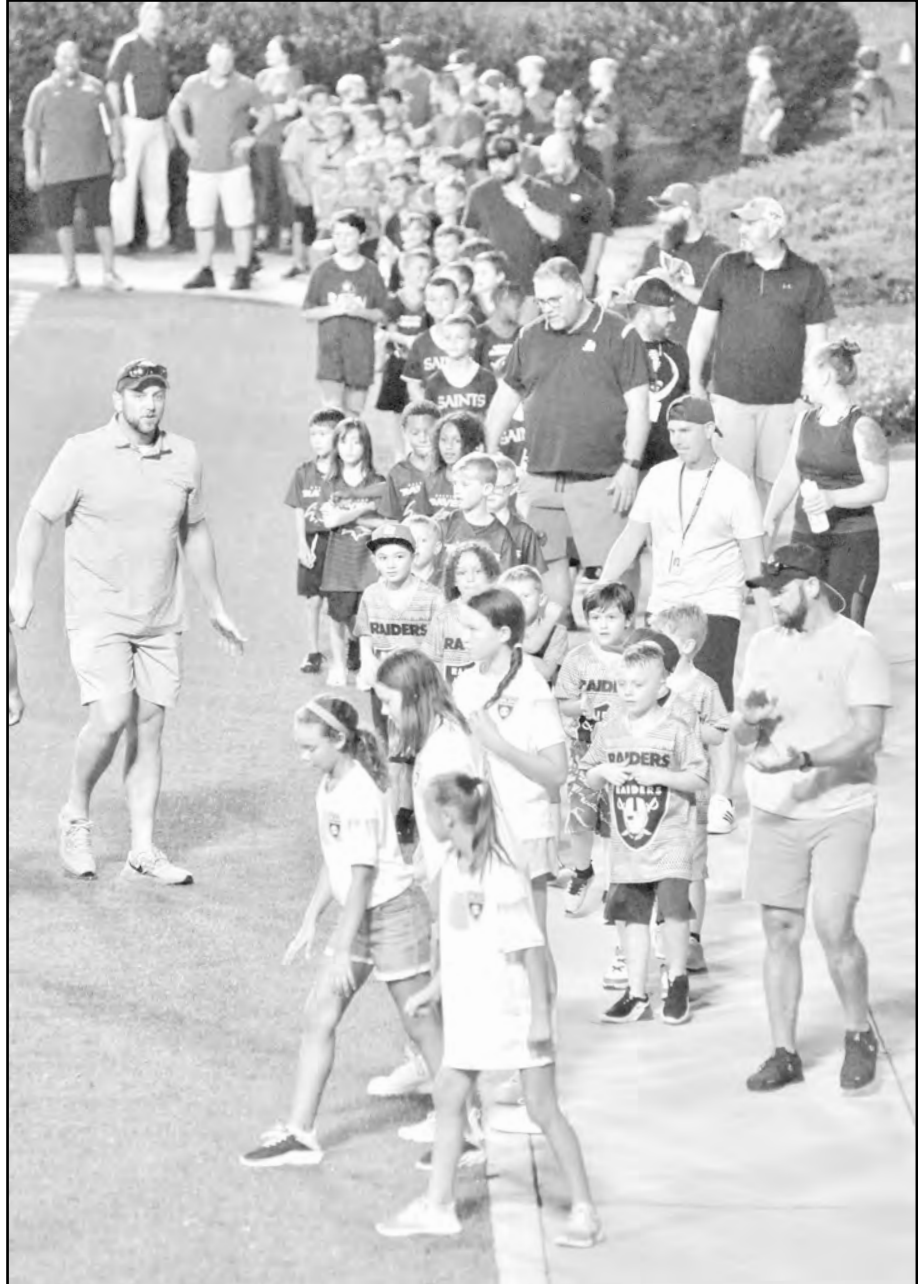
Both teams were scheduled to open on Wednesday of this week with a women's-men's doubleheader against Greensboro. This weekend the women will host the Roanoke Invitational Showcase, playing Millsaps at 2 pm on Saturday and Farmingdale State at 3 pm on Sunday at Salem's Kerr Stadium. The men are in Maryland to play host Salisbury on Saturday and St. Mary's on Sunday.



## WELCOME BACK

Recreation fall sports are back in full swing for the area football and soccer teams. Right, Salem kids line up to run the field at halftime on "Sandlot Night" at Salem Stadium when the Spartans hosted Martinsburg last Friday night. Left, Glenvar's Kayden Williams is off and running for a long touchdown in the 8U football opener at Highlander Stadium Saturday. Bottom, Glenvar Geccos battle the Vinton Shooting Stars in recreation soccer action at Green Hill Park.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



## Sox home to Fredricksburg one game out of playoff spot

The Salem Red Sox are home this week as the Low-A East minor league baseball season heads down the home stretch. Beginning Tuesday of this week the Sox have 18 games left as they battle for a spot in the league playoffs.

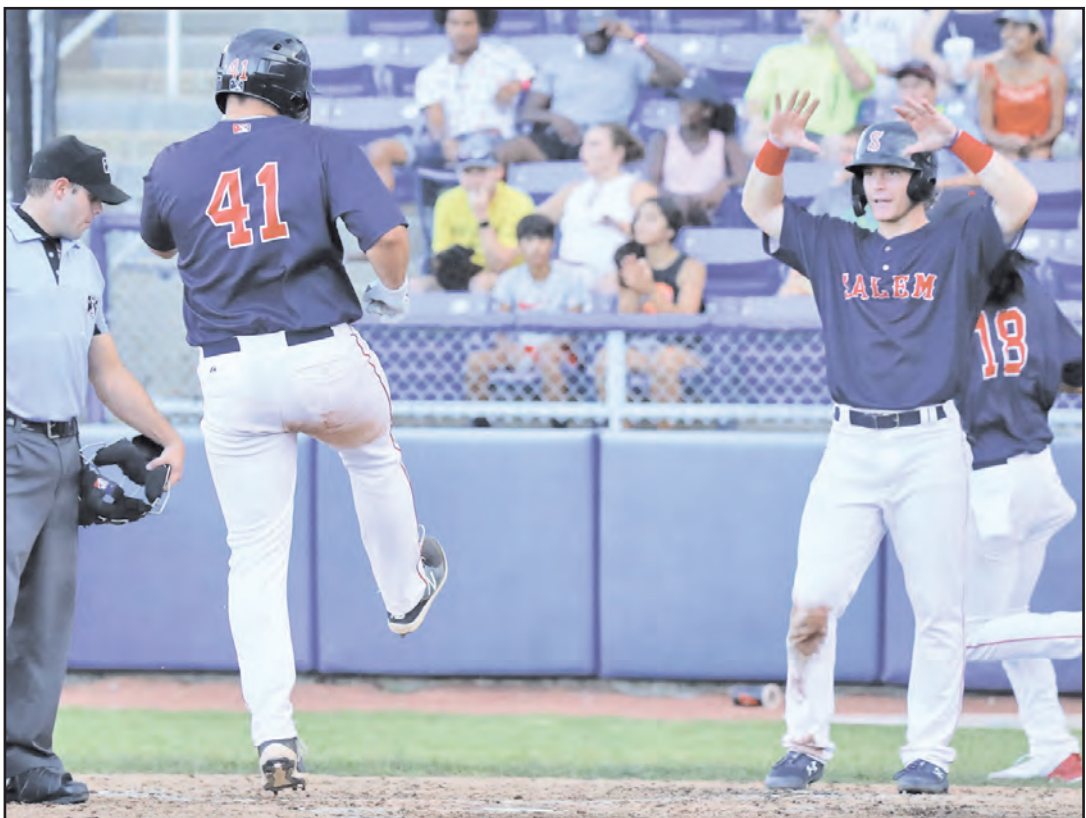
Only two teams among the 12 Low-A East clubs make the playoffs in the new minor league format, and Salem was third coming into the week. Charleston has the top spot locked up at 71-31 with Carolina second at 61-41 and Salem just a game back at 60-42.

This week the Sox will host Fredricksburg for six games. The Nationals have the second worst record among the 12 Low-A East teams at 37-65. Carolina will host Delmarva this week, a much better team at 57-45.

Salem played host to Delmarva last week and split a six game series with the Shorebirds. In Sunday's series finale they were able to gain the split with a 10-2 win as newcomer Nick Kavadas blasted his first home run as a member of the Salem Sox. He also had a double and four runs batted in as Salem stayed in the hunt for a playoff spot.

This week will be the second last homestand for Salem, who will finish up with a series at Lynchburg next week, then six home games with Delmarva to end the regular season.

Saturday Salem will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Salem Avalanche Carolina League championship. The first 1,000 fans will receive a commemorative t-shirt.



Nick Decker of the Salem Red Sox greets Nick Kavadas(#41) after he stroked his first Salem home run in Sunday's win over Delmarva.

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Glenvar's Rhyann Harris digs one out in Monday's match with Auburn at GHS.

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## Auburn edges Glenvar in marathon

Two of the top volleyball teams in the area went head to head on Monday and, as expected, it went down to the fifth set. Auburn defeated Glenvar before a big crowd in the Highlanders' gym, 25-23, 21-25, 25-22, 16-25, 15-10.

Glenvar actually outscored the defending Class 1 champion Eagles by three points over the marathon match, but Auburn scored them at the right times. The Highlanders trailed 1-0 and 2-1 in sets but came back to tie the match both times. Then, in the fifth set to 15, the set was tied at 10-10 before Auburn put on a run to win.

"Auburn played well," said Glenvar coach Mark Rohrback. "They showed us what we have to work on. It was just our second match and we have a whole season to go."

Cara Butler led Glenvar with 19 assists, 12 digs and four aces. Bailey Conner had 15 kills while Faren Wilson had 18 digs and Audrey Conner had 21 assists and six aces.

"Serve receive and blocking are so important, and we could have done better in those areas," said Rohrback. "I hope this will propel us to get back in the gym and work hard. We'll be excited to play them again."

Glenvar is now 1-1. The Highlanders opened the season with a three set win over Giles in Pearisburg last week. Giles was the only team to beat Glenvar in the abbreviated spring season, ending Glenvar's state hopes with an upset win in the region semifinal as the Highlanders finished 12-0.

This wasn't the same Giles team, as eight seniors graduated, but it was still a bit of revenge for the Highlanders as they won handily, 25-20, 25-6 and 25-17.

"Giles is still a good team," said Rohrback. "Overall, I thought we played fairly well. Their gym was hot and humid."

Butler had 24 assists and four aces for Glenvar. Claire Griffith and Hannah Hylton had 10 kills each.

The Highlanders are off the rest of the week, as their home-and-home with Covington was postponed due to COVID concerns among the Cougars. Next week Glenvar is at William Byrd on Tuesday and at Northside a week from tonight.

## Salem, GHS cross country opens today at Bassett

The Salem and Glenvar cross country teams will take the gun for the first time today when they travel to Bassett for the "Bengal Clash." The meet will be held at the Smith River Complex.

The Salem boys are coached by Tom Roth while Kirsten Rezac coaches the

Salem girls. Amanda Spradlin returns as Glenvar coach.

After today, both teams are off until the Knights Crossing meet at Green Hill Park on Saturday, September 11. That meet is expected to attract runners from over 80 schools.

## Glenvar golfers 4th

The Glenvar golfers took fourth place among six teams in a Three Rivers District match at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club Monday. Glenvar shot at team total of 363.

Floyd County won the round with a score of 324, and the Buffaloes had the medalist as Ryne Bond came in at 75. Host James River was second at 336, followed by Radford at 342 and Glenvar at 363. Alleghany carded a team score of 476 and Carroll County had 497.

Glenvar's best score was an 87 by Jacson Shepherd. Mason Hylton was next at 89, followed by Jay Roberts at 91 and Brendan Magruder at 96.

The Highlanders also played Northside in a non-district match at Hanging Rock last week. Northside, who is second in the Blue Ridge District race, shot a 160 to Glenvar's 175 over nine holes.

Mason Hylton had Glenvar's best score in this one with a 40, while Jacson Shepherd had 41 over nine holes on the par 35 front nine. Aiden Hylton had 46 and Grayson Shepherd shot 48 as two families had all four scoring totals for the Highlanders.

Glenvar was scheduled to return to action on Wednesday of this week at Great Oaks in a Three Rivers match hosted by Floyd.



Glenvar's Jacson Shepherd tees off at Hanging Rock.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

## SHS Volley splits first two

The Salem High volleyball team split their first two matches of the season, defeating Roanoke Catholic and losing at Northside.

The match with Catholic opened the season and was played at Andrew Lewis Middle School due to continuing construction at Salem High. The Spartans beat the Celtics in four sets, 25-15, 25-14, 16-25 and 25-8.

Salem was led by Kennedy Scales, who had nine kills, seven digs and three aces. Reese Redford had nine digs and six aces and Emma Johnson had eight digs and three kills.

On Monday the Spartans traveled to Northside and lost to the Vikings in three sets, 25-22, 25-19 and 25-16. Ella Walker had five kills and two blocks, Sydney Price had eight digs and two aces and Redford had six aces and eight digs.

The Spartans were scheduled to play at North Cross

on Wednesday, but results were too late for publication. They're back in action next Tuesday, September 7, at Patrick Henry.



Salem's Sydney Price goes low for a serve receive in last week's match with Roanoke Catholic.

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## AL, GMS have home matches tonite

The Andrew Lewis volleyball team played host to William Byrd last week and beat the Terriers in straight sets, 25-12 and 25-18.

On Monday Lewis was at Hidden Valley and lost 25-21, 25-11. The

Wolverines were down 10-1 in the first set but rallied to make it close. Lewis is now 1-3 with a home match against Northside tonight.

Glenvar Middle is also at home tonight against Floyd.

## Lewis downs Read Mtn. in football

The Andrew Lewis Middle School eighth grade football team is 2-0 after defeating Read Mountain in Cloverdale Monday, 30-12. The game was scheduled for Wednesday but moved to Monday with the anticipation of heavy rains due to Hurricane Ida.

Brody Dawyot threw three first half touchdown passes for Lewis, one going to Jesiah Hines and two going to

his brother, Tre Dawyot. Brayden White ran the football well and scored the last touchdown late in the third quarter. The Wolverines will make their home debut next Wednesday, September 8, against William Byrd.

The Lewis 7th grade football team lost, 26-6, to Glenvar Middle School last Thursday to run their record to 1-1-1 on the season. The 7th graders play William

Byrd Middle on Monday.

Glenvar is now 1-1. In addition to beating the Lewis seventh graders the Highlanders played Cave Spring Middle and lost, 26-8.

"It was a hot day and we just made too many mistakes," said Glenvar coach Neil Swanson.

Glenvar is off this week, returning to play Blacksburg on September 9th.

## Salem golfers shoot 295 at Blacksburg CC match

The Salem High golfers went under 300 on Monday at the Blacksburg Country Club, but that was only good enough for second place. Host Blacksburg shot a 290 to Salem's 295 to win the River Ridge District match.

Actually three teams went under 300 as Hidden Valley came in with a four-player total of 299. Those three teams have been swapping honors in the first month of the season.

"The three of us have been pretty close every match," said Salem coach Thad Snyder. "But it really doesn't matter except for what we do at the end of the season. We want to just keep getting better."

Salem's Katherine Ha and Blacksburg's David Zhang tied for medalist honors with rounds of 67, which is five under par at the BCC. Also scoring for Salem were Taylor Davis at 75, Trey Joyce at 76 and Alex Rea at 77. Hunter King shot 78.

The Spartans are back in action today with a non-district match at Draper Valley against Christiansburg, Carroll County and host Pulaski County. Salem's next district match is September 8 at Auburn Hills.

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Above, Salem's Chase Greer(#8) and Nathaniel McClure(#38) sandwich a Martinsburg player, forcing the ball to pop loose. Number 7 is Noah Collins, who caught the ball for a Bulldog turnover. Right, Jaelyn Allen goes high to catch a touchdown pass for the Spartans.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

## Bulldogs prevail in season opener

The Salem High football team lost their season opener for just the second time since 2003 last Friday when they fell to Martinsburg of West Virginia. The visiting Bulldogs took a 35-21 win in front of a big crowd at Salem Stadium.

While the defending Class 4 state champion Spartans don't usually open with a loss, neither does Martinsburg. The win was the Bulldogs 62nd in their last 63 games, and now two of those wins are over Salem.

"We could have played better," said Salem coach Don Holter. "They hurt us passing, but we didn't get much of a pass rush. We had trouble getting our defense off the field."

Still, it was an entertaining game between two quality programs. The Spartans got the

first break when Chauncey Logan, Jr. intercepted a pass. However, Salem turned it over on a fumble and Martinsburg took advantage, scoring on a five yard run for a 7-0 lead that held up through the first quarter.

Salem tied the game when Cameron Leftwich finished off a drive with a one yard run, but the Bulldogs answered with a score and regained the lead at 14-7.

After the score the Spartans had their best drive of the game, taking the ball at their own 37 and marching to the Martinsburg two with time running out in the half. From there the Bulldogs stuffed them on fourth and two as the clock ran out on the half. That turned out to be the turning point of the game.

"That was huge," said Holter. "If we can't

score on fourth and goal at the two we don't deserve to win. That put us in chase mode. If we score, we have all the momentum at the half and we get the ball to start the second half. Momentum is huge in high school football."

Salem got the ball to start the second half but a three-and-out turned it back over to the Bulldogs. Martinsburg hit a 50 yard TD pass to go up two scores, and early in the fourth period they scored again on a one yard run for a 28-7 lead.

Still, the Spartans never quit. After that Bulldog touchdown Jeffrey Phillips ran the kickoff back 80 yards to the Martinsville five yard line where DaRon Wilson hit a leaping Jaelyn Allen for a TD. Martinsburg answered with a score but Salem ended the night with a final TD on a short run by Leftwich.

"I was proud of our effort," said Holter. "That was a heck of a first ballgame."

Statistically, the Spartans had success running the ball. Leftwich **continued on page 12**

## Highlanders strike for four TD passes in win over Galax

The Glenvar football team scored all its touchdowns through the air in an opening night win over Galax last Friday. The Highlanders took a 28-14 win at Highlander Stadium.

Glenvar fell behind early, as the Maroon Tide led 7-0 after one period on a 32 yard run by Ian Ashworth right up the gut. However, Glenvar's offense started cranking it up in the second quarter as quarterback Aiden Wolk

found Jackson Swanson open and the junior speedster took it 74 yards to the house.

The Highlanders took the lead for the first time with just under five minutes left in the half. Wolk found Dagan Williams on a screen pass and he went 30 yards for a score and Glenvar had a 14-7 lead.

The Highlanders put it away in the third period. On Galax' first possession

of the second half the Tide was faced with a fourth and short at their own 34 and decided to go for it. Glenvar's defense came up big, stopping a run in the backfield to take over in excellent field position. Six plays later Wolk hit Williams for their second TD connection on the night, this one for 19 yards and a 21-7 Glenvar lead.

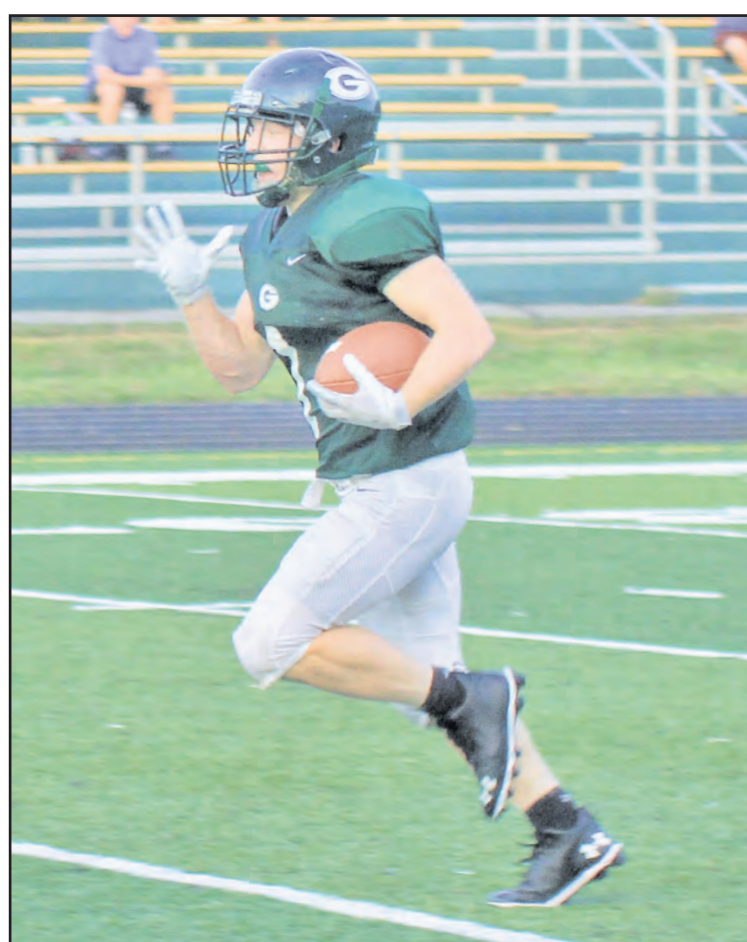
A bad snap by the visitors set up Glenvar's fourth TD. The Highlanders

recovered at the Tide 29 and just before the third quarter ended Wolk found Swanson again for a 16 yard TD. Tyler Pierce was good on his fourth straight extra point kick and Glenvar had a 28-7 lead and control of the game heading into the fourth quarter. Galax scored one more time in the fourth period, but Glenvar came out on top, 28-7.

"It was an ugly win, but we'll take **continued on page 12**



Left, Glenvar's Aiden Custer(#55) and Mason Anderson(#10) combine to tackle a Galax ballcarrier. Right, Jackson Swanson is off and running for a 75 yard Glenvar TD after catching a pass from Aiden Wolk.



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## CATCH IT!!!

It's the first week of the season for the annual Salem Times-Register football contest. Great prizes and a whole lot of fun for fans of all ages. Entry blank and instructions on page 11 in this week's edition.