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OurValley.org Salem High School educator earns Harbor Freight prize for excellence

Derek Wray is one of three grand prize winners out of more than 700 applicants



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Bob Kilmer, Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Education Advisor, presenting the \$100k check to Derek Wray.

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There are thousands of educators across the country teaching auto diesel and technology on the high school level. Three of them, Jeffrey Bertke of Pique, Ohio; Harbor Freight Tools. In 2017,

Scott Burke of Lakewood, Colorado, and Salem High School's own Derek Wray, recently won the Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Prize for Teaching Excellence Award for \$100,000.

Eric Smidt is the founder of

he started the Schools Prize for Teaching Excellence program to recognize teachers who inspire students to learn skilled trades that will prepare them for life after graduation.

This year's grand prize attracted more than 700 applications from all but one state and included three rounds of judging, each by an independent panel of experts from education, industry, trades, philanthropy and civic leadership.

In his prize application, Wray wrote, "I feel like if I can do right by my students and give them the most up to date training and the most professional and personal education that I can, then the results will be measured by their employment and their successes in their own careers. It also can be measured by the fact that companies will hire my students again

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Council, School Board hear details of \$3.7-million field house

Meg Hibbert *Contributing writer*

Members of Salem City Council and the Salem School Board heard details of the proposed \$3.7-million field house expansion at Salem High School at their joint work session Oct. 25.

At a joint meeting in June, projected costs were \$4.1-million for the field house that will have locker rooms and training areas available for all SHS sports.

Monday night's report by Michael Mauceri of RRMM Architects showed a trimmed proposal for the project that could get underway in February or March 2022.

The new facility would provide







JMU fans come in all ages, including these two who attended the event with their parents.

Spooktacular crowd turns out for annual **Salem Memorial Ballpark event**

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Animals, costumes and candy, there's arguably no better way to kick off Halloween.

Such a scene is what many local and area families experienced on October 23 when the Salem Red Sox hosted its Annual Spooktacular Weekend.

Presented by the Branch Group, there were vendors as well as games, bounce houses, Disney Princesses and much more. Guests were encouraged to dress in costume and bring their trick-or-treat bags. Those who dressed up were eligible to participate in the event's outfit contest. When Zayla Clarkson

arrived with her family at the event, the first thing her daughter did was point at the different costumes. "She kept saying 'Mommy look. Isn't that so cool?' She wanted to personally approach people and tell them what she thought of their outfits."

The event, which lasted from 4 to 6 p.m., is now in its seventh year. Zylah Brown, 14, was nine the first time her family took her to the event. Today, she says it's something that she looks forward to every October.

"The way I see it, you are never too old to receive some free candy. Because I'm slightly smaller than my peers, I often get mistaken for much

an additional 1,100 square feet with separate weight room, a larger training room, renovated existing

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PHOTO BY MEG HIBBERT

Members of Salem City Council, center, and the Salem School Board meet in a joint work session Oct. 25 in the Salem Civic Center's Community Room.

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Countless unique costumes, including this one, was on display at Saturday's event.



Dozens of American flags flapped in the brisk autumn breeze Tuesday afternoon on the campus on Roanoke College, as people came out in droves to pay tribute to Naval Air Crewman 2nd Class James P. Buriak '12. Buriak died Aug. 31 in the crash of an MH-60S U.S. Navy helicopter embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln. The helicopter crashed into the sea while conducting routine flight operations off the coast of San Diego.

Members of the campus community gathered at multiple spots on campus as a motorcade returned Buriak's body to Salem. People also gathered near the Cregger Center as the motorcade arrived on campus and others stood at the intersection of Market and Clay streets as the motorcade passed by. Virginia State Police led the motorcade, assisted by the Salem Fire Department, Roanoke College Campus Safety and Salem Police.

The Buriak family invites the community to a gathering to remember and honor Buriak. It will be held on Saturday, Oct. 30, at 1 p.m. at Olin Hall Courtyard with a time of remembrance and thanksgiving at 1:30 p.m. with drinks and small bites provided until 4 p.m.

Buriak was a 2012 graduate of Roanoke College and the son of Jim Buriak, who retired earlier this year as athletic trainer and associate professor of health and human performance. AWS Buriak, a graduate of Salem High School who majored in sports management at Roanoke, was 31.

Buriak is survived by his wife, Megan, and young son, Caulder, as well as his parents, Jim and Carol Buriak, and his sister, Laura, and brother-in-law, Erik Zickefoose. A fundraiser has been created to support his wife and son during this tragic loss.

Submitted by Roanoke College



As the motorcade passed through Market and Clay Streets, members of the Salem community and beyond gathered to pay their tributes to James Buriak.





OMMUNITY 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 team Management 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. • O vereaters 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 Women of in Construction (NAWIC) Roanoke Valley Chapter #226 locations and times will now vary. Learn more details by emailing at nawicroa226@ us 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, cagefree eggs, grass-fed beef, cage-pasture-raised chicken, homemade rolls, pieces of artisan bread, muffins, seasonal greens and more.

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

6:30 From a.m. 8:30 p.m., to а Forest Management Workshop will take place at the Catawba Community Center at 4965 Catawba Creed Road. The community is invited to join the conversation with the Virginia Department of Forestry. Topics covered will address: technical services, cost-sharing availability, timber management, timber

harvest options and postharvest management. For more information, contact Brent Noell at 804-892-0140.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Each year, general elections are held on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November. Ėight elections will be on the ballot this time. Candidates for Governor are Democrat Terry McAuliffe, Republican Glen Youngkin and Libertarian Princess L. Blanding. Either Hala Ayala, D, or Winsome Sears, R, will make history as the Commonwealth's first African American female Lt. Governor. Vying to become the next AG are Democrat Mark Harring and Republican Jason Miyares. Also on the ballot will be our next Sheriff (four years), Commissioner of the Revenue (four years) and Treasurer (four years). For additional information on any of the races, visit elections. virginia.gov. All precincts will vote at the Salem Civic Center.

Salem encourages Veterans to access breast health services during Breast Cancer Awareness Month

The Salem VA Health Care System encourages women Veterans to get screened for breast cancer during October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Breast cancer is the second most common cancer in women and is the second leading cause of cancer death in checked and treated for ans to reach out to their women. Localized breast cancer has a 99 percent survival rate if detected early.

"VA encourages all Veterans to women speak with their health care providers about breast health and get

breast cancer," said Beth local community provid-Holt Wright, Women er to get one scheduled." Veterans Program Manager. "We recognize that available through the Samissed their regularly with community provid-

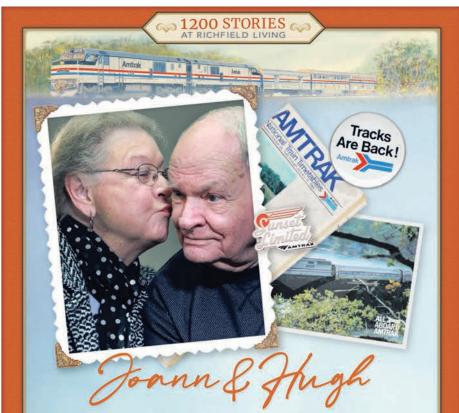
Breast care resources some Veterans may have lem VA or in partnership scheduled mammogram ers include screening due to COVID-19 and and diagnostic mammoencourage women Veter- grams, breast ultrasound and MRI, genetic counseling and testing, cancer treatment and more.

VA recommends regular breast cancer screening for women who are 45 years of age and older, though some women may choose to start screening with yearly mammograms as early as age 40. Women should talk with their VA primary care provider team about what is best for them and schedule their

mammogram with a community provider.

For more information, call Beth Holt Wright, Women Veterans Program Manager at 540-982-2463 ext. 3782 or email at eleanor. wright@va.gov.

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After 62 years of marriage and extensive Amtrak travel all over the United States and Canada, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barfield made their home here at Richfield Living in May 2018. Hugh came to The Richfield Health Center-Salem following a stroke for rehab. After his recovery, the couple moved into Lake Estate Cottages.

"Living at Richfield is wonderful - it's just ideal. Very comfortable, very convenient, very beautiful" said Joann. She continues, "We are right on the lake and have a beautiful view with wonderful neighbors. I try to participate in many activities. There is a monthly lunch and learn program which is fantastic. There are many other activities, including exercise programs, on the campus. I participate in those, as well as the exercise program at the Wellness Gym."

When it came time for Hugh to be in assisted living he moved into the Joseph C. Thomas Center. Knowing that she can walk over and visit him every day from her cottage means everything to Joann.



I don't think I can be happy anywhere else. I recommend living at Richfield to all my friends. I have a lot of friends who are downsizing, and I am hoping they will be coming here.

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Ivy Pressendo, Manager of School Partnerships and Scholarships for TechForce Foundation, congratulating Wray on his accomplishment.



Ivy Pressendo and Bob Kilmer with Derek Wray and some of his current students.



City of Salem School officials were present during the surprise ceremony. Left to right across, Bridget Nelson - assistant principal, Sara Epperly - assistant principal, Curtis Hicks – superintendent, Andy Raines - school board member, Derek Wray -\$100,000 winner and Artice Ledbetter - school board vice-chair. Left to right kneeling, Jeff Bird - assistant principal, Jamie Soltis - assistant superintendent and Scott Habeeb – principal.



Salem High Principal Scott Habeeb and Derek Wray sharing words.

and again, so we can repeat the process year after year."

Last Thursday, Wray was presented with a check during a surprise ceremony on the campus. Wray's high school skilled trades program received \$70,000, while Wray received \$30,000 for himself. Present for the occasion were city council members, board members, students and various school officials.

To say that Wray was surprised would be an understatement. "I am still stunned and in disbelief. I knew something was going on when the bay door went up and I saw all of those people, but this is more than I could have imagined," he said.

During the ceremony, Bob Kilmer, Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Education Advisor, provided some remarks, stating, "High school skilled trades teachers and their programs are an essential part of addressing the skilled trades worker shortage. These dedicated educators make a huge difference in the lives of young people every day, setting them on a course for a meaningful career and to make a difference in their community."

The advisory board that Wray assembled for his class consists of directors, shop owners, managers, technicians, former students and administrators from the school. In addition to guiding the training program, the advisory board also shapes that curriculum so Wray can educate his students on the most relevant and necessary information.

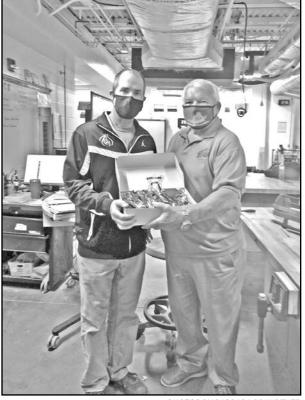
This year, two of Wray's students registered for postsecondary technical training at an automotive and diesel school, five students are working at apprenticeships at independent repair facilities and two students currently work as apprentices at car dealerships.

Prior to getting an unexpected call from the thenschool principal 17 years ago which led to his employment at Salem High, Wray worked as the foreman at an independent repair shop. Five years ago, he was named the Salem School Division's Overall Teacher of the Year.

Never in his wildest dreams did Wray think he would earn such a prestigious honor. I am optimistic, he said, that the program can use some of the money to acquire a Tesla so students can learn more about electric vehicles. "This is tremendously humbling," he added.

Roanoke Elks #197 donates four cases of safety glasses to area schools

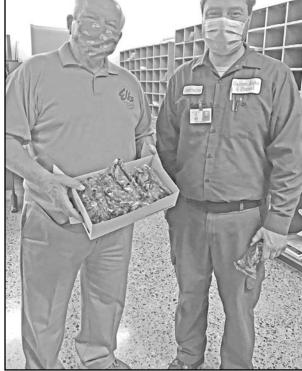




PHOTOS BY BARBARA BRANDTNER Cave Spring High School shop teacher and #197 member Paul Soucie recently accepted glasses from Vince Brandtner.



Roanoke Arnold Burton Vocational School Principal and #197 member Christian Kish accepting glasses from Vince.



Salem High shop teacher Derrick Wray accepting glasses from Vince Brandtner.

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Patrick Henry High shop classes with #197 member Kathy Duncan.



O<u>PINION</u> Give Light ~ Friends Above ~

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

We can hardly miss knowing that the coming Sunday is All Hallows Eve (Halloween). Less known is the following day, observed in some churches, known as All Saints Day. Not with the trappings of festive scariness, it is a time to remember, hopefully with joy, friends who have passed to the next life.

I'd like to remember some who have shared their lives deeply with me over ten decades. I believe all have gone to their heavenly home.

The first was a little girl, Christine, when we were two and lived on an unpaved lane that ascended a small hill near the Piedmont Virginia, town of Orange. Her family was dysfunctional. We played barefoot and shirtless daily until her parents divorced, and she moved away but not before she had told me at nine about drunks, suicide and "the facts of life' well before my mother could.

A lonely year later, Ethel and Anne, transplants from New York City, moved with their parents to their grandfather's big house further up the hill. Their father's business had failed in the Great Depression, but he had inherited a farm in the county and the family painfully, I'm sure, transplanted to it. These sisters were 14 and 12, different in appearance and personality, meeting two needs for me and teaching me of folk like Jews, of which I knew nothing, as "colored people" were strange to them.

Elizabeth, a distant neighbor three years my senior, inspired me in high school to follow her example of giving the welcoming speech at graduation. College in Illinois and marriage there for her ended our association as I moved on to professional school in Richmond.

Meanwhile, my cousin Jean ("once removed" as we say in Virginia, meaning the child of a first cousin) had always been around, but when I was 12 and she 11, we discovered each other as friends. Different from me in personality and interests, she was part of the academic community of the University of Virginia where her father and an uncle were professors. Bright



and exposed to the arts, she was mercurial in temperament, liberal when I was conservative, "turned off" by formal religion, for her parents never reconciled their Roman Catholic and Protestant differences. In midlife she rejected me, as her own life was saddened by a fatal neurological illness of a young son, an ultimate divorce and finally death at 86 in a Charlottesville nursing home. She smiled at me there.

With college came roommates Catherine and Rosemary; we married, had babies and kept in touch for years as my own husband, Charlie, and I found our careers in Roanoke while they stayed in suburbs of the capital city.

With marriage came couple friends, the Singletons, Carrolls and Whites with whom we visited evenings, drank a bit of beer and slowly returned

to the church of our heritage. The Whites, N & W Railway dependents, moved constantly, but we kept in touch until both their deaths decades later.

With our move to Roanoke to work for the daily evening newspaper, God, I believe, led us to a newly organized small church in the Williamson Road neighborhood on the north side of the city. The Whites soon also became members there, and our minister, on a newcomer visit to us, told us to go visit them which we did and were so congenial we stayed for two hours!

In those mid-20th Century days, women were relegated to raising money by sewing and cooking for Fall "bazaars." New friend Nancy and I did our part until she and her husband were transferred away by his business.

Florence, a professional church and college secretary, cared for the many children in the church nursery. Until she died at 94, her occasional phone calls showed she never stopped learning.

Soon, Esther and her family joined our congregation because of another business transfer. Through the women's group, we became best friends for the next 12 years and communicated weekly by phone. Bazaar activity led to our forming a prayer and study group. It was to be a landmark of my spiritual life.

With her dedication to education, Esther, a New Hampshire native, went to work as her four children headed to college. We lost track of each other for several decades, but ten years ago, her obituary brought me to her funeral in the church where her son was active.

In old age, as my husband and a son found a resting place in our Salem church's columbarium, I acquired other friends. One was Lucy, a latelife transplant to Botetourt whom I met through a support group after her move from California. Death claimed her after a decade of devotion.

A fellow writer, Gail, became important to me two years ago; our friendship grew almost entirely through e-mail but meant much as COVID-19 shook our world as nothing had since World War II.

On All Saints Day may these dear ones find eternal peace.

Amaryllis advice for beginners

Erica Jones

Virginia Master **Gardener Association Guest Contributor**

We are getting to the winter outside at least for they don't survive over-



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season of holiday bulbs. us folks in zone 6. They Most of these are warm come in shades ranging climate imports; that is, from white to red and mixes of the two. We've never seen any plants with anything except green (strappy) foliage.

Amaryllis are a rather odd bird. They are really Hippeastrum and are a debatable cross between two species. Or they are their own species. Ah, those taxonomists. But I don't think garden stores are going to have much luck selling "Hippeastrum bulbs" in the winter, hey?

In more than a few places I've seen, the recommendation to just 'toss out the bulbs after flowering.' Expensive compost! There are a couple of things to advise consumers to do in order to avoid this.

most bulbs, really like it fairly dry; particularly during their dormant season. Whoever came up with the idea of suspending the bulbs over water should be composted. I have talked to fairly knowledgeable gardeners who have fallen for this trick and wished they had not. Nothing wrong with repotting this poor bulb in real media.

Placing the bulbs in your pot is a little odd as they like to have their heads sticking up out of the potting media in the air; probably to help us avoid rotting the bulb by drowning it from the top.

Probably the hardest part of the problem of growing them on past flowering is indoor light, and how to light a plant some 14" tall. Starting seedlings inside is one thing, but those blimey inside in the same pot

strappy leaves...your best bet is a cool south window. Without so much ambient heat, the leaves will not grow so fast and get so leggy. Then once the calendar gets past the average last frost date (May 6 give or take), they can go out in the garden. To prevent leaf burn, move them for the first day outside in full shade, second day out in a couple hours of sun, third day of more sun. One problem with putting them outside is excessive rain. They can rot if life gets really, really

wet. The University of Minnesota suggests putting the bulbs outside in the pot they flowered in, which is certainly easier when you bring it back inside in the fall. They

tolerate being fairly pot

bound so this outside-

should tide you over for a couple of years.

After you bring the pot back inside, park it somewhere dry and cool and let the foliage die back. Generally, you rehydrate the media if you want the bulb to start growing; but very occasion-ally, they will send up a shoot without any added water. This is what is nice about them; you can approximate the time when to start growing them by watering them about six to eight weeks before you want flowers.

Last but not least, label! Labeling is a lot of gardener's nemesis. I am not sure how to alleviate this problem. Once you get one of these, you are liable to get at least one more of a different color or branch into paper whites. Paper whites (daffodils) are basically grown the same way.

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locker room and other conveniences. Public unisex restrooms would be located on the exterior.

'Our goal would be for every sports team to have availability to locker rooms and other spaces," said new School Superintendent Dr. Curtis Hicks.

In answer to a question from Vice Mayor Jim Wallace, Hicks said the coaches have all seen the proposed plans and are comfortable with them.

Council and School Board also heard a presentation on the School Capital Improvements and a six-year plan, that includes a \$3.4-million roof project coming up in the next few years, according to School Board Chairman David Preston.

In the regular session of Salem City Council that followed the work session, Council:

Passed, on first reading, a zoning change to allow the former Food Lion grocery store on Apperson Drive to be used as warehouse space for LewisGale Medical Center. The rezoning was asked for by leasee Richard Bishop, operating as .com Properties. The Food Lion space has been vacant since 2014;

Passed a resolution to go to the State Water Control urging the same clean water standards required of the City of Salem be placed on the Mountain Valley Pipeline which is constructing a massive natural gas pipeline through the Roanoke Valley and beyond. The three citizens who spoke five minutes asking for the action were Cynthia Munley, Matt Fleenor and Annette Thompson.

Passed on second reading authorization for eligible city employees to receive specific raises;

Passed the proposed City Administrative calendar for 2022;

Agreed to give a donation of \$691 to Salem Band Boosters, equal to the amount of admissions tax collected at the Blue Ridge High School Band Competition held in September.

The meetings were held at the Salem Civic Center Community Room. Council adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Dedicated Carilion employee passes

Douglas Martin sat at a wooden podium just inside the automatic doors of Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital for close to 64 years. Everyone knew him as Mr. Martin the greeter who directed patients, helped them out of their cars and pushed patient gurneys.

On the afternoon of Oct. 14, Mr. Martin's chair sat empty, and the usual larger-than-life man had been replaced with a bouquet of roses, his favorite flower that often adorned the lapel of his uniform.

Martin, 81, died Wednesday, Oct. 13, after decades of service at the hospital.

He's been the face of Carilion, greeting patients, greeting, and staff as they come and as they go, he was an amazing man who meant the world to everyone that ever met him. Martin started his job at Roanoke Memorial Hospital on Jan. 27, 1958, when he was just 17 years old. His younger sister, Yvonne Baskerville, said he used to walk to the hospital from their home in Vinton and it didn't matter whether it was raining or snowing, he always showed up.

He loved his job so much that he only took one sick day in his entire career at the hospital and that was to attend his mother's funeral. On his days off, he often came in to wash patient wheelchairs. He said he wouldn't retire from the hospital until the Lord says so and he continued to work up until his last days.

He greeted every single person as if they were the most important person in the world and it made all the difference for people who were coming to the hospital scared, worried, or sick.

From his seat at the front door, Mr. Martin could also see the hospital's helicopters coming in to land on the roof and whenever he saw an incoming helicopter, he would pause what he was doing and pray for the patient, family and staff involved.

He was a dedicated member and deacon at Reed Street Baptist Church in Vinton.

A public viewing was held Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021, from 1 to 5 p.m. and his funeral service occurred at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 22, both in the Hamlar-Curtis Chapel. Interment followed in Williams Memorial Park. Condolences may be sent to www. Hamlar-Curtis.com.



Submitted article Douglas Martin

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Consumers find comfort in ice cream and butter during pandemic

When the going gets tough, familiar comforts beckon from the fridge, according to new U.S. Department of Agriculture data showing an increase of per-capita dairy consumption over the past year.

Despite major food service sector disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the USDA's Economic Research Service reports American demand for dairy products including fluid milk, ice cream, butter and yogurts increased by 3 pounds per person. This was 655 pounds total in 2020 compared to 539 pounds in the previous year.

The increase of dairy indulgence could be linked to more at-home dining, baking and comfort-eating. The updated look at domestic dairy demand indicates pandemic shoppers may have found comfort in butter and ice cream.

That's good news for Virginia's dairy farmers said Virginia Farm Bureau Federation Dairy Advisory Committee chair Leigh Pemberton. Virginia's dairy industry has suffered financial stress for years, with nearly one dairy closing every week in 2019. But the new ERS data shows American dairy consumption is on a growth trajectory.

Pemberton hopes it stays that way.

"When people stayed home and had to start eating cereal, they bought more milk," he said. "We've seen fluid milk consumption go up in the last year overall, and it still is."

He added that families prepared more food at home when dining options changed, fueling demand for dairy products. Sales of baking-related products increased 24 percent in the U.S. last year as many consumers turned to home-based activities, according to the Home Baking: U.S. Market Trends & Opportunities report released by Packaged Facts.

"It would be interesting if we continue this trend, when the world hopefully comes back to what it was before 2020," Pemberton said. "Are those buying habits ingrained enough that it will stick? You've got to look for the good in the bad, and I'm staying positive—hoping that dairy consumption will continue to increase going forward." Commodity experts agree the pandemic is having a significant impact on how consumers view and consume food.

"Many have learned or relearned how to prepare meals from scratch, and there has been a shift to comfort-type foods and dishes," said Tony Banks, VFBF senior assistant director of agriculture, development and innovation. "Milk and dairy products fit this shift in home meal prep. We hope this is a trend that can continue."

Submitted by Nicole Zema, VFBF Communications





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OVER THE TOP

Read Numbers 16:1 through 17:13

Gordon trudged into the house after a long day of work on his birthday, a year older and feeling every minute of it. He expected a quiet birthday dinner with his family, so he was stunned when he saw balloonsand cake and friends shouting, "Surprise!" He was more than surprised. He was amazed at how much his family and friends clearly loved him.

God vowed to make the staff of his chosen priest miraculously sprout, but He couldn't resist going above and beyond.

The next day Moses entered the tent and saw that Aaron's staff, which represented the tribe of Levi, had not only sprouted but had budded, blossomed and produced almonds (Numbers 17:8).

God has a way of amazing His people by meeting their needs in over-the-top ways. There's no better example than Jesus. Sure, God had promised a Messiah, but His own Son? It was stunning, unexpected, and it demonstrated that God was willing to go farther than we could ever imagine to save us.

Prayer Suggestion: Thank You, God, for the miraculous, amazing, over-the-top way You saved me.

Quicklook: Numbers 17:1-12

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Goodwill Industries® of the Valleys welcomes new IT leadership

Goodwill Industries of the Valleys recently appointed Brenda Moore as Chief Information Officer and Chris Conner as Vice President of Information Technology. Both Moore and Conner join Goodwill's Executive Leadership Team and will lead the Information Technology department.

Moore had been with Facilities Medical of America since 1998 and served as their Chief Information Officer. She was formerly at Deloitte and Touche as a Consulting Group Manager. In her roles, she has 20+ years of experience managing enterprise IT Operations and implementations of various Operational and EMR systems for a large healthcare organization. She is results-driven and excels at analyzing and identifying business and functional requirements and creating/ revising workflows and incorporating technology solutions.

Moore holds a Master of Business Administration from William & Mary and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of South Dakota. She is also a certified public accountant licensed by the Virginia Board of Accountancy and a certified Project Manager.

"I am excited to have the opportunity to work at Goodwill Industries of the Valleys and help advance the organization's critical technology transformation," said Moore. "The pandemic has created an even greater dependence on technology, and we must develop and improve the best solutions for our employees and the best experience for our customers

and clients.'

Conner had been with Diagcore/Medical Facilities of America since 2016 and served as their Network Infrastructure Engineer. He was formerly at Sam Moore Furniture, LLC as an IT Director. In his roles, he has 25+ years of expertise in networking, IT management, system and data migrations, and technical support. He is hard-working and resultsdriven with a talent for figuring out the most complex configurations and issues.

Moore and Conner will focus on the establishment and execution of technology needs, operations, and strategy. They will ensure the alignment with Goodwill's organizational strategy and the delivery capabilities required of to achieve organizational and community success.



They will participate in and contribute to Goodwill's overall operations and strategy development,

leverage information and technology in business model design, business processes re-engineering, bringing current knowloperational improveedge and future vision to ments, and support for

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the organization's mission.

Submitted by Michelle Darby, Vice President, Marketing & Communications

Virginia's unemployment rate falls to 3.8 percent in September Unemployment rate has dropped every single month for 16 straight months

Governor Ralph Northam recently announced that Virginia's unemployment rate fell to 3.8 percent in September, 2.8 percentage points below the rate from one year ago. Virginia unemployment continues to stay below the national rate of 4.8 percent.

In September, the private sector recorded an over-the-year gain of 69,300 jobs and the public sector gained 3,700 jobs, totaling 73,000 new jobs.

September marks the sixteenth consecutive month Vir-

ginia's unemployment rate has dropped," said Governor Northam. "People are working, businesses are hiring, and that's all good news. This consistent progress shows the strength of Virginia's economy, and we need to keep this momentum going."

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 2,700 jobs over-the-month. The number of unemployed residents decreased by 8,606 to 159,786. The number of employed residents rose by 4,747 to 4,084,410. In September 2021, Virginia saw over-the-year job gains of 1.8 percent.

"Even with an unemployment rate well below the national average, our administration remains committed to helping those Virginians who are still searching for work," said Secretary of Labor Megan Healy. "We will continue to work with our workforce development partners to ensure that all Virginians have access to the resources and skills they will need to find a high-quality career in this new job market."

"Since this time last year, employment in Virginia has increased by more than 70,000 jobs and the unemployment rate has dropped by 2.8 percentage points," said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Brian Ball. "These numbers are just a few of the latest encouraging signs for the Commonwealth's economy in a post-pandemic world, and we are optimistic that job growth will continue in the months ahead."

Compared to a year ago, on a seasonally adjusted basis, nine of eleven major industry divisions experienced employment gains. The largest over-the-year job gain occurred in professional and business services, up 23,800 jobs or 3.1 percent. The next largest over-theyear job gain occurred in leisure and hospitality, up 19,300 jobs or 5.9 percent. Trade, transportation, and utilities experienced the third largest over-the-year job gain of 10,500 jobs or 1.6 percent.

> Submitted by Alena Yarmosky, Office of the Governor

Plentiful harvests expected for Va. cotton, peanuts

Following a year plagued with wet weather and numerous setbacks, Virginia cotton and peanut farmers are anticipating a successful fall harvest.

In its crop production forecast released Oct. 12, the National Agricultural Statistics Service reported Virginia farmers expected to harvest 133 million pounds of peanuts this year, up 19 percent from last year. Cotton production also is projected to increase drastically at 160,000 bales, a 26 percent upturn from 2020.

In Southeast Virginia, "we caught some showers and rain on

missed, which helped to fill out those crops," said Mike Parrish, a Virginia Cooperative Extension agent.

"It's been a good season for peanuts—nice and dry for easy har-vesting," he added. "There've been a few challenges with some cotton growing again due to the hotter weather, but other than that, we're just waiting on the bolls to open up and the lint to fluff out. Farmers should be out picking in the next week or so."

According to the NASS crop progress report from Oct. 17, Virginia's entire peanut crop is in fair cent rated good or excellent.

Fifty-five percent of the state's peanuts have been harvested this fall - a 31 percent increase from this time last year and a three percent increase over the five-year average

Dell Cotton, executive director of the Virginia Peanut Growers Association, said it could be a banner year for peanut farmers.

"I don't see why our farmers can't match what USDA has us projected at, which is to produce 4,600 pounds to the acre," he noted. "This year has been very similar to 2019, which was when

pounds produced per acre. Give us one more week, and I expect we'll be close to that number again."

Cotton said Southeast Virginia has avoided drought conditions that have affected most of the state throughout summer and early fall, and that has created suitable growing conditions for peanuts and cotton.

Virginia's cotton harvest is only 18 percent complete, but 97 percent of the crop is in fair to excellent condition, and 69 percent is in good or excellent condition.

Farmer Joseph Barlow, who serves on the Virginia Farm Bureau

mittee, explained it's too early to predict how the state's cotton crop will pan out.

However, he mentioned an above-average crop year is within reach if dry and mild weather continues, which would be a boon for growers who took a loss last year.

"That would be phenomenal," Barlow said. "There were many people, ourselves included, who were hurt bad last year. And with prices where they're at right now, there's money to be made with a decent crop."

Submitted by Dell Cotton

Spooktacular from page 1

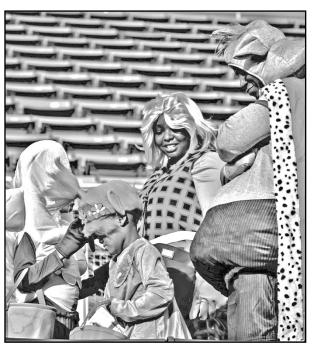


Military Veteran giving candy to a kid. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

younger that I actually am," she said. "Seeing the younger children so happy with all the action around them reminds me of myself at their age."

Each year, there are certain events that Rodney Caldwell and his family make sure not to miss. The Spooktacular Weekend, he noted, is certainly one of them. "All three of my kids are approaching their teen years. Fully aware of this, my wife and I want to enjoy as many of these moments as we can before they don't want to hang with us anymore," he added.

John Williams, a self-de-



Many families went all out on their costumes

scribed comic book fanatic who brought his son to the event, said the best part was seeing so many new designs for the first time. On more than a few occasions, he says he asked parents where they got their outfits from.

"My ten-year-old son and I

had a wager on how many Marvel and DC characters we would see throughout the event. I put the over/under number at ten and he thought that was too high. We saw Black Panther, Batman, Wonder Woman, Deadpool, Iron Man, Super Man and so many others. Suf-

what it's all about.

fice to say, I won the bet which means he now has to do the dishes for the next three weeks," Williams said with a laugh.

Event organizers say the smiles on children's faces is

It took months to prepare, but when it was all said and done, event organizers noted that they were pleased with the outcome.



Coach Millard Bolden receives Whitney M. Young Award

Former baseball star Sam Ewing once said, "Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don't turn up at all."

Coach Millard E. Bolden, not only "turned up" but has inspired a countless number of kids throughout his lifetime of service to youth. After years of awards, Bolden was recently honored with the Whitney M. Young Award from the Blue Ridge Mountain Council, Boy Scouts of America, (BSA). It was presented at the organization's annual dinner held last month at the Salem Civic Center. The award is presented to deserving persons who strive to serve those around them in collective efforts to improve communities

Whitney Young, at age 40, became executive director of the National Urban League in 1961. Under his leadership the organization experienced great change growing from 60 to 98 chapters, boosting staff that reportedly expanded from 38 employees to 1,600 nationwide and growing the budget from \$325,000 to over 6 million within the first four years of his presidency.

Young passed in 1971 leaving an unparalleled legacy during his 10 years (1961–71) as president of the organization.

"There have been some changes in scouting in the last few years but what hasn't changed is the smell of the wood smoke with

scouts around the campfire, activities offered that develop leadership skills, build self-confidence and give kids a moral compass that will last them a lifetime," Chapter President Dr. Al Baker said early in the banquet.

Well-known as a seasoned community leader, Coach Bolden has led a stellar career as an educator, coach and even Sunday school teacher, among other roles that prove his standing as an unsung hero hailed by many whose lives he's touched.

After giving credit to former award recipients, coaches George ⁻"Kila" Miller and Richard Chubb, Bolden spoke briefly of his experiences as a youth tranto Boy Scout and ultimately on to college despite his uncle's wishes to help plow his field. It was one of several enlightening stories he told of his humble beginnings.

Bolden's winning streak started at what was once Monroe Junior High School in northwest. He won six track and field events in the 1967 City Championship. He gradu-ated from William Fleming High School (1970) and carried an impressive athletic record in track and field throughout his years at Virginia State University (VSU) where he was later inducted into the school's Sports Hall of Fame in 1995.

Roanoke, Bolden as Wil-

and field coach, led the school's team through several District Championships from 1976 to 1982 which earned him "Coach of the Year." He later became program director at the YMCA Family Center (1983 – 1998) whereby many students attended after-school programs and summer camp – all at no cost.

During his speech through which he thanked family and friends who have supported and inspired him over the years, he credited much of his strength to his late wife Armell, his high school sweetheart with whom he Upon his return to shared over 50 years. Together they created a special

after her recent passing on July 13. It was a blow that only a man armed with strength of faith can handle with such uplifting grace as he has shown.

"I've lived a wonderful life," Bolden said in closing remarks. "As a coach I've won championships and that's okay, but it doesn't compare to what we really do for the youth. As long as we keep striving to work with our young people, giving them what they need, this world will be a better place."

Ken Lyons, chief development officer, Blue Ridge Mountains Council, BSA, became a scout at age 12 and has been one for 38 years.

"We are excited to rec-

ognize Millard Bolden for all he's done for youth in the Roanoke Valley. He was the perfect choice," said Ken Lyons. "His résumé is impressive. While his accomplishments have been mostly in sports, our organization has a long history of working with innercity kids just as well."

Another long time scout, Andre Peery is council training chair and a supporter of the event. Peery was instrumental in urging Bolden to attend the affair considering the timing of his wife's passing.

"I really love scouting," Peery said. "For me it will forever be one of the most important programs that instills core values in youth. Through its mission it prepares young people to make ethical and moral choices turning countless numbers of young boys into men of caliber."

Men like Coach Millard Bolden, Ken Lyons, Andre Peery and countless others, live a mission to mold lives. Selflessly, they continue their principled crusade to give the precious gift of hope to young people.

For more information on scouting contact the Blue Ridge Mountains Council Boy Scouts of America and be a part of the change the world so desperately needs. Step up and be an inspiration to our youth for they are the future.

Submitted by S. Rotan Hale

Salem Presbyterian Church continues tradition of giving back for Thanksgiving

For over 25 years, Salem Presbyterian Church has hosted a Community Thanksgiving Dinner, an in-person meal at noon on Thanksgiving Day at the church where all were welcome. Due to concerns about COVID virus transmission, however, for a second straight year, the dinner will not be able to occur at the church.

"As much as we will miss joining together for food and fellowship in person, e will continue to remember and supThanksgiving meals. Those interested in helping to raise the \$6,250 goal for the Community Thanksgiving Dinner can do so by dropping off \$25 Kroger gift cards or money at the church or mailing in a donation.

The deadline is Friday, November 12.

While we love having friends and visitors at our Thanksgiving meal, we would also love to have you visit our church anytime during the year to worship with





SUBMITTED PHOTO Scouting – from left: Scout Marquondre Robinson with Chapter President Dr. Al Baker, honoree Coach Millard sitioning from Cub Scout Bolden, George Clay (Scout executive) and Scout Chauvonne Leveesy at the Whitney M. Young Award Dinner held at the Salem Civic Center.

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BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Case No. CL21-548 Complainant.

MARY RUTH BURRELL ET AL,

ORDER OF PUBLICATION The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Botetourt, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, described as follows:

Tax Map No. 61-83 Account No. 21433

All that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Fincastle District of Botetourt County, Virginia, and being further described as follows:

Beginning at the South-East corner of the lot of land now or formerly belonging to the heirs of the late Benjamin Pettis; thence running with the base of the hill, South 45 yards to a stone; thence running 54 yards West to the middle of the old Covington Pike road; thence with the middle of the road 82 yards North to the South-West corner of the said Pettis lot; thence 58 yards parallel with the South R line of the said Pettis Lot to the corner of said lot.

And being the remaining 3.28 acre, more or less, portion of the same property conveyed to Mary Ruth Burrell from Sallie Pettis Ross, Ottie Pettis, Frances Pettis Wilson, Bernard G. Wilson, Thomas Pettis, Rosa Pettis, Ella Pettis Childress, Julia Pettis Williams, and John J. William, by Deed dated November 25, 1949 and recorded December 17, 1949 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia in Deed Book 102, at Page 27.

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address is 887 Botetourt Road, Fincastle, Virginia 24090; and that any officers heirs devisees and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before November 12, 2021 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Botetourt, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause. Entered on the 5th day of October, 2021

and whose last known

Joel R Branscom Judge

I Ask For This: John A. Rife, Esq. (VSB No. 45805) Jeffrey A. Scharf, Esq. (VSB No. 30591) Mark K. Ames, Esq. (VSB No. 27409) Andrew M. Neville, Esg. (VSB No. 86372) Paul L. LaBarr, Esq. (VSB No. 91609) Gregory L. Haynes, Esq. (VSB No. 37158) Taxing Authority Consulting Services, PC P.O. Box 31800 Henrico, Virginia 23294-1800 Phone: (804) 864-0080 Facsimile: (804) 545-2378 TACS No.: 639620

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316 Case No. JJ014314-06-00 Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Eli Commonwealth

Unknown Father The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Eli Fowler. It is ORDERED that Unknown Father appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021

the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM

10/18/2021 Jessica Hall Deputy Clerk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316 Case No. JJ014315-05-00 Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Nicholi Commonwealth /v.

Fowler, Jerry The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Nicholi Fowler. It is ORDERED that Fowler, Jerry appear at the abovenamed Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316 Case No. JJ014315-04-00 Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic **Relations District Court** Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Fowler, Nicholi Commonwealth /v. Linkenhoker, Olivia Sink

The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Nicholi Fowler It is ORDERED that Linkenhoker, Olivia appear at the above-named Court

and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM. 10/18/2021

Jessica Hall Deputy Clerk



10/19/2021 Jessica Hall Deputy Clerk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia VA. CODE § 8.01-316 Case No. JJ014302-05-00 Botetourt JDR District Court Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Commonwealth of Virginia, in re Wright, Cooper Solstice

Commonwealth

Wright Jr, Gary Robert The object of this suit is to: To terminate residual parental rights to Cooper . Wright.

It is ORDERED that Wright Jr, Gary Robert appear at the above-named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 12/07/2021 01:00PM.

10/19/2021 Jessica Hall Deputy Clerk

> Legals - City of Salem

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA. CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 Case No. CL21-404

Salem Circuit Court 2 E. Calhoun Street, Salem, VA 24153 Isaias Rosa da Silva

Victoria Nichole Davis The object of this suit is to: Obtain a divorce It is ORDERED that Victoria Nichole Davis appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before

November 24, 2021.

October 4, 2021 Stacy L. Owen Deputy Clerk

RC field hockey team whips Va. Wesleyan in home finale

The Roanoke College field hockey team will wrap up the regular season this week with two games on the road. The Maroons are at Ferrum Wednesday and at Randolph-Macon on Sautrday.

Last Saturday the RC women concluded their home season with a 7-1 win over Virginia Wesleyan at Kerr Stadium in Salem. With the victory the Maroons got back on the winning side of the ledger at 8-7 overall and evened their ODAC record at 3-3.

Just minutes into the game Emilee Wooten scored off an assist from Grace Vernarelli for an early RC advantage. Just past the half-way point of the opening quarter, the Marlins tied the game at 1-1.

One of the Maroon's 12 Penalty Corners would see the Maroons re-take the lead. Hope Keller triggered the corner and sent a pass to Wooten who found Martha Hurley for a return pass to Keller for the score

Just 35 seconds into the second half, Lindsey Keyes made it 3-0. Abby McCusker scored a pair of goals in a two-minute stretch, giving the home team a 5-1 lead after three quarters. In the fourth period, Hannah Bunten and Emily Gabrielian wrapped up the scoring as the Maroons cruised to a 7-1 ODAC win.

In goal, Madison Wingerter picked up her fifth win of the season, recording one save.



RC keeper Carrington Lippi makes a save. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Legals - City of Salem

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Legals - Craig County

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Legals - Craig County

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Publication Dates: October 20 and October 27, 2021



Maroon field hockey defenders line up in front of the cage

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Roanoke College soccer men win on penalty kick

The Roanoke College men hosted Randolph College in soccer last Saturday and took a 1-0 win.

At the 42-minute mark of the first half, the Maroons were awarded a PK after a handball in the box. Dylan Berk took the shot and after a fake to the left, deposited the ball in the bottom right side of the goal for a 1-0 advantage.

The WildCats got a good scoring opportunity but the shot was saved by a diving Zach Behe to keep Roanoke in front. The second half would see the physicality pick up as each team received cards and the final foul total was 6-6. As the seconds began to tick away, Roanoke had what appeared to be another great scoring chance but the play was whistled offside. On the ensuing possession Behe made a save from point-blank range to secure the 1-0 ODAC win.

The win lifted RC to 8-3-5 overall and 3-1-4 in the ODAC. The Maroons were scheduled to wrap up the regular season on Tuesday with a home game against Guilford.

The home team scored in the opening minute and

added three more first half goals to take the match,

Roanoke is now 8-5-1 overall and 3-3-1 in the Old

RC women wrap up regular season on the road

4-0.

The Roanoke College women's soccer team will last Friday afternoon in a non-conference matchup. wrap up the regular season this week with two games on the road. The Maroons are at Bridgewater Wednesday and at Shenandoah for a 2 pm game Saturday.

RC traveled to Atlanta to face Emory University

Legals -

Montgomery

County

ORDER OF

PUBLICATION

Commonwealth of Virginia

VA. CODE § 8.01-316 Case No. JJ004795-06-00

The object of this suit is to:

Christian Knode, legal parent of Gabriel Knode a

minor, in that said parent

has, without good cause,

conditions which resulted in

failed to correct the

Terminate the residual

Juvenile and Domestic

Relations District Court

Floyd County DSS

Christian Knode

parental rights of

Floyd County

New Roanoke wrestling team will have home exhibition Fri.

The Roanoke College wrestling team will take the whistle for their initial season this Friday with a "Black and Maroon Match." This will feature intrasquad matches between all Roanoke College wrestlers.

Dominion Athletic Conference.

Wrestling begins at 6:00 pm and will run up to the 7:30 pm start time for the finals. All matches will take place at the Cregger Center.

The first intercollegiate event will be on November 7th at the Cregger Center when Roanoke hosts the Southeast Open.

> Legals -Montgomery County

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Legals - Town of Vinton

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10/13/21 Bradley Dalton Judge

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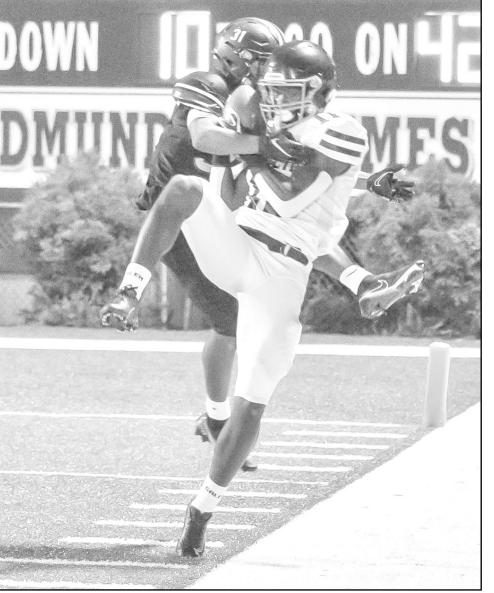
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A "Deuce" and a pair of Leftwichs

Salem's Right, Chauncey "Deuce" Logan, Jr. manages to keep a foot in bounds as he makes a spectacular catch in last Friday's game against Cave Spring. Below left, first year Cave Spring head coach Nick Leftwich is a former Salem quarterback. Below right, Salem's Cam Leftwich lets out a yell after scoring one of his two touchdowns Friday night.

> PHOTOS BY SCOTT GARDNER









Last week's football contest ended up in a "Mexican Standoff," and I hope I can write that these days without offending any of our friends from south of the border. Let's just call it a tie.

Both Randall Sowers and Tyler Coe missed three games in last week's contest to tie for best of the week. What's more, they picked the exact same number for the high point total, which was 48 by the University of Virginia.

Both Randall and Tyler picked Virginia Tech to beat Syracuse, as did most of you not named Miller. Tyler got the rest of the college games correct but missed the Giants over the Panthers and the Titans over the Chiefs. Meanwhile, Randall got all the pro games right but missed Miami over N.C. State and West Virginia over TCU.

So, here's what we're gonna do. This week I'd like Randall and Tyler to enter the contest again and put a big star by their name at the bottom of the entry blank. The one who does the best this week will break the tie and win the \$50 gift certificate from Mac & Bob's and the Blizzard from Dairy Queen. AND, you can still win this week if you beat everyone else as well.

For last week's "Quick Change" question I asked you who would lead the NFL in rushing over Week 7. We got lots of answers, with Derrick Henry getting the most support by far. In fact, Henry got more votes than all the others combined but we also got guesses for Jonathan Taylor, Christian McCaffery, who is on the injured list, Aaron Jones, Joe Mixon, Alvin Kamara, Saquan Barkley, who was also out Sunday, Damien Harris and even one vote each for Tyreek Hill and Patrick Mahomes.

But the winner is, and you really should have gotten this, D'Ernest Johnson of the Cleveland Browns with 146 yards. The only one to guess Johnson was Mike Cassell of Salem, and believe it or not he hit the 146 yards right on the nose! And you know why? The Browns played on Thursday night, a full day before the entries had to be in.

Congratulations to Mike for watching Thursday Night Football and realizing 146 yards was going to be tough to beat. He deserves the free oil change from Valvoline of Salem.

For this week's Quick Change we have our annual Halloween theme. Tell me what would be a good costume in a sports related vein. For example, Ben Simmons could masquerade as a 76ers basketball player.

The sports connection can either be the costume or the person wearing it, and I'll pick my favorite for a free oil change from Valvoline, right across the street -Brian Hoffman from our office.



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SALEM FOOTBALL

home game against Patrick Henry on November 5th, and now that's looking like the game that will decide the River Ridge District championship. The Patriots are 3-1 in the district, with a loss to Christiansburg, and they have Pulaski County tomorrow.

Salem's jayvee team was trailing to Cave Spring at the half at Salem Stadium last week, 14-6, but outscored the Knights 28-0 in the second half for a 34-14 win to remain undefeated. The Spartan jayvees are at Bogle Field tonight as they also attempt to sweep the South County schools.



Above, the eight and under cheerleaders get the Salem crowd fired up during opening day of the Sandlot Super Bowl tournament at Bogle Field in Roanoke County Saturday. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Cameron Scharnus of the PeeWee Spartans pulls down PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN a Botetourt Titan from behind.

SANDLOT FOOTBAL

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team had been undefeated prior to the tournament.

Other first round PeeWee games had Cave Spring over Vinton, 14-0, and North Roanoke over Franklin County, 41-7. Semifinals are this Saturday at Glenvar's Highlander Stadium with the Salem Wolverines against North Roanoke at 1:30 pm and Botetourt against Cave Spring at 3 pm.

The Little Division, for 10 and under players, kicks off this Saturday with four games at Bogle Field. The two Cave Spring teams play at 9 am, Glenvar and Salem play at 10:30 am, Vinton and North Roanoke play at noon and Botetourt and Franklin County conclude the first round at 1:30 pm. Semifinals are next Tuesday, November 2nd, at Glenvar.

The Junior Tournament, for12 and under teams, will begin Saturday at Glenvar's Highlander Stadium. Vinton and Franklin County play at 9 am, followed by Glenvar and Botetourt at 10:30 am and Cave Spring against North Roanoke at noon.

Salem is the top seed and has a first round bye. The Spartans will play the North Roanoke-Cave Spring winner at 6:30 pm next Tuesday at Bogle Field in one semifinal with the other two quarterfinal winners meeting at 7:45 pm.

All championship games will be played at Salem Stadium on Saturday, November 6, with the PeeWees at 10 am, the Littles at noon and the Juniors at 2 pm.

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The battle for conference supremacy is among the festivities being held in Virginia's Blue Ridge as the area is also home to the 2021 CIAA Men's and Women's Cross

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-First prize will be awarded to the person who picks the most games correctly.

-Be sure to include your name, address, and high point total for the week. High point total is decided by the most points scored by ANY ONE TEAM in the games listed for the week. High point total is used to break ties only, and all decisions will be final.

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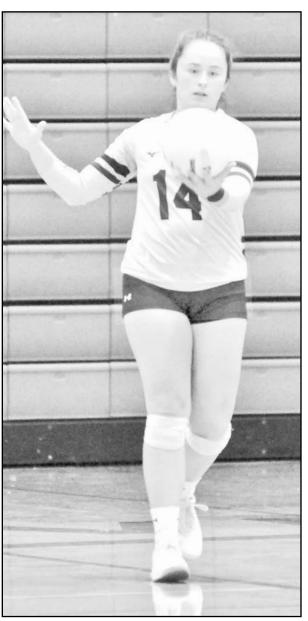
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Glenvar cheer team wins the Region

The Glenvar High Competition Cheerleaders, seen here at a previous event, are the Region 2C champions. Glenvar won the regional competition at the Graham Middle School gym in Bluefield last weekend. Host **Graham High School** finished second. With the win the Glenvar girls will advance to the state competition at the Siegel Center on the campus of Virginia Commonwealth University on November 6th.

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Highlanders knock off Floyd in three

The Glenvar girls evened the score with Floyd County Tuesday night, knocking the Buffalo Gals from the ranks of the undefeated with a decisive three-set volleyball win. Glenvar won 25-21, 25-17 and 25-21.

The win avenged a prior loss to the Buffs in Floyd in five sets. That was a rough night for the Highlanders, who lost Rhyan Harris early in the match to a broken arm.

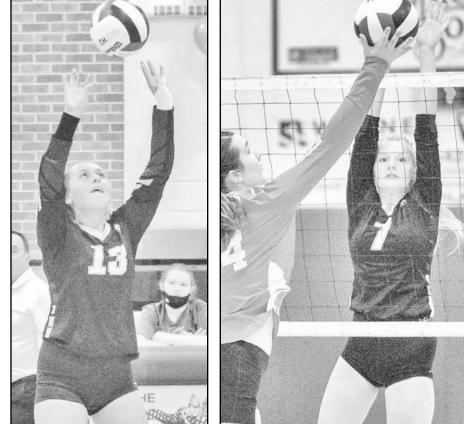
"We were dominating in the first set in that match until Rhyan went down," said Glenvar coach Mark Rohrback. "Then we had to make all kinds of adjustments during the match, and it just didn't go well."

The Highlanders had two and a half weeks to adjust, and this time they were lying in wait for the Buffaloes. Glenvar was hitting on all cylinders Tuesday as they sent Floyd down to defeat for the first time this season in less than an hour's time. "The girls really stepped up to the challenge," said Rohrback. "We had a couple weeks to work on things and for some girls to adjust to new roles. We played well, but it wasn't perfect. We can play better." Bailey Conner. Glenvar's only senior, led the team with 18 kills in just three games. Claire Griffith had 13 kills, 13 digs and three blocks and Hannah Hylton led the team with 23 digs.

Glenvar also defeated Alleghany last week in Low Moor, 25-15, 25-13 and 25-8. Cara Butler had 14 assists and three aces, Bailey Conner and Griffith had nine kills each and Sydney Loder had five kills, five blocks and three aces.

The Highlanders will wrap up the regular season tonight with a home match against Radford. If the Highlanders win they'll do no worse than tie for the Three Rivers season championship, depending on what Floyd does. There is no Three Rivers tournament.

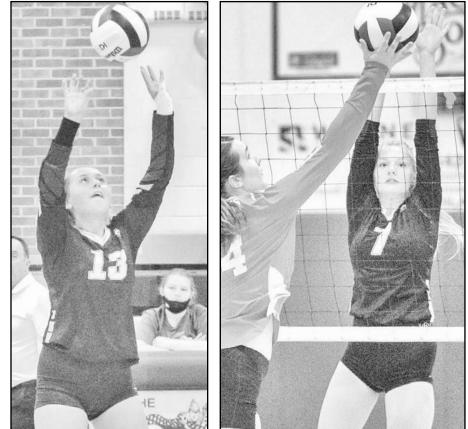
Glenvar is now 16-3 overall and all three losses were in five sets, one to Floyd and two to Class 1 state con-



tender Auburn. In Glenvar's 16 wins no opponent has taken the Highlanders to five sets and very few have pushed them to four.

The Highlanders will open Region 2C play at home next Tuesday in a format that divides the region into two sections. Glenvar is expected to be in the section with undefeated Appomattox, with Floyd in the other section. Pairings were yet to be decided at press time.

"If we win the first match we're probably going to go on the road for the next one," said Rohrback. "That's okay with me, it will give the girls the experience of playing in a hostile gym, probably at Appomattox, and that will help us down the road. And if we don't win we don't deserve to advance.



Emma Johnson serves for Salem.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Spartans sweep Pulaski County

The River Ridge District volleyball tournament is being held this week but the Salem High girls are not included despite finishing the regular season with two district wins.

Only the top four teams in the standings are included in the tournament, and Salem finished fifth with a 2-8 district record. Top seeded Hidden Valley hosted fourth seeded Christiansburg on Tuesday while second seeded Patrick Henry played host to Blacksburg. The two winners will meet tonight for the district championship at the site of the highest remaining seed.

While Salem is not in the district tournament, the Spartans will be in the Region 4D tournament next week. Hidden Valley and Christiansburg are Class 3 schools and PH is Class 5 so they won't be competing against the Spartans in the regional, for Class 4 teams.

Salem finished the regular season with an overall record of 8-12 after back-to-back district wins over Pulaski County last week in the "left out bowl." On Wednesday night the Spartans took a three set win in a match held at South Salem Elementary School, 25-17, 25-21 and 25-9. Reese Redford had six aces and 11 digs, Kennedy Scales had eight kills and 10 digs and Ella Walker had eight kills and a couple blocks.

A night later the same two played in Dublin and Salem won again, although this time it took the Spartans five sets. Salem won 25-18, 25-10, 19-25, 19-25 and 15-2.

Walker had 16 kills in this one to go with four blocks. Scales had eight kills, 20 digs and five aces, Makenzie Board had 21 assists and six aces and Redford had 19 digs, six aces and four kills.

The Spartans hope to use that momentum to make some noise in next week's regional once the pairings are decided.

Left. Cara Butler sets one up for the Highlanders in last week's win over James River. Right, Daisy Ann Dawyot blocks a shot at the net. PHOTOS BY JIM DEVINNEY

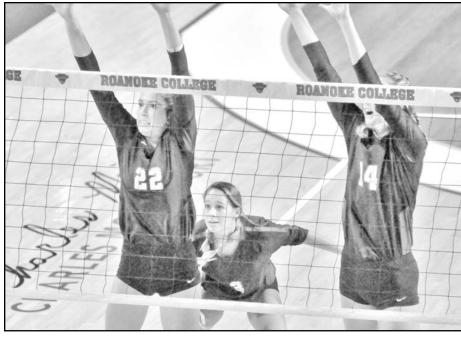
Maroon volleyball wins four in a row

The Roanoke College 3-1, in an Old Dominion the Maroons, and they late in the third before volleyball team won Athletic their fourth match in a match.

Conference

row Saturday when they It was the last home Shenandoah, match of the season for defeated

went out in style. The a Hornet rally extended Maroons took each of the match into a fourth the first two sets, both set, 29-27. Trailing by one by 25-18 scores, and led



Rylee Mayer(#22) and Ryanna Clark(#14) go up for the block for RC while Logan Pasley(#3) waits behind. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

late in the fourth set, a 5-0 run by RC allowed the Maroons to seize control and take the match in four, 25-21.

Linsey Bailey finished with 19 kills for RC while Ryanna Clark added 16 and Rylee Mayer finished with nine. Olivia Newman handed out 28 assists with Kylee Draper helping on 19 points. Kennedy Clemmer recorded a match-high 30 digs and at the net, Peyton Kirchner and Mayer combined for six of the Maroon's eight blocks.

The Maroons will wrap up the regular season this week with a match at Greensboro Tuesday and at Randolph College in Lynchburg on Friday. evening.

Glenvar's Wilkes wins the Metro, post-season races are next

Glenvar senior Carly Wilkes continued to dominate the local running scene as she added a 2021 Metro Cross Country championship to her trophy case. Carly won the 5K in 19:43.8, outrunning Jessica Palisca of Cave Spring by almost eight seconds at the Blacksburg High School course.

The meet was the 47th annual Metro Cross Country race, and host Blacksburg swept the team scores. The Bruins won the girls title with 46 points to 100 for second place Lord Botetourt. Salem finished fifth with 147 and Glenvar was ninth among a dozen teams with 224 points.

After Wilkes Glenvar's next fastest runner was Joanna Killeen with a time of 25:12 for 51st place Also scoring were Emma Pope in 58th place, Molly McCroskey in 61st and Emma Speight in 102nd.

For Salem, Katelyn Crumpacker had the best time with a 22nd place finish in 23:01. Also scoring were Ryan Long in 28th, Brooke Bowers in 30th, Elizabeth Bocock in 36th and Abby Pitts in 39th.

"Something special about this team is how close the spread is between our top five runners," said coach Kirsten Rezac. "Most teams have about a 3-4 minute spread, but Salem has the tightest spread out of all the teams at 1:10. They really run together as a pack."

Salem's boys finished sixth with 178 points as Blacksburg won with 41 and Franklin County was second with 60. Tommy Henzey led the Spartans with a 23rd place finish in 18:33. The winning time was 16:48 by Nathan Atchue of Franklin County.

Also scoring for the Spartans were Walker Peterson in 27th, Carson Tucker in 43rd, Ty Hicklin in 63rd and Alex Helems in 65th. There were 132 runners in the race.

Glenvar finished ninth as a team with 235 points, paced by senior Daniel Zearfoss who was fifth overall at 17:29. Other scorers for the Highlanders were Davis Norman in 29th, Charlie Horrell in 66th, Aiden Woodie in 84th place and Tucker Henderson at 129.

The Highlanders will be back in action next Wednesday, November 3rd, when the host the Region 2C meet at Green Hill Park. Salem will run in the Region 4D meet on November 2nd at the Panorama Farms course in Earlysville near Charlottesville.



Above left, Glenvar's Carly Wilkes(#551) races alongside Cave Spring's Jessica Palisca into the last mile of the Blacksburg course at Wednesday's Metro Championships. Wilkes would pull away for the win in a time of 19:43.8. Above right, Brooke Bowers runs for the Salem girls. Below, Salem's Alex Helems (left) would edge out Glenvar's Charlie Horrell at the line as the local rivals placed 65th and 66th at the Metro Championships.





Kathryn Ha Solom'o Ho





Salem's Ha takes fifth in girls' state golf tourney

Salem's Kathryn Ha finished tied for fifth and Macy Johnson tied for 28th at the girls' golf state tournament Monday in Harrisonburg. The tournament was held at the Heritage Oaks course.

L.C. McCleery of Western Albemarle, a freshman, won the tournament with a score of 70. Ha is also a freshman and Salem's Johnson is a junior.

The tournament is for girls from all classifications of schools in the state. Four girls from the River Ridge District participated and all four finished in the top 30. Samantha Skinner of Blacksburg shot a 73 and Caroline Gilreagh of Patrick Henry shot 75. Both are juniors.

Gilreagh earned her spot in a qualifying tournament at the Hidden Valley Country Club last week. She edged out Salem sophomore Taylor Davis, who gave it her best shot with a 74, the best score she's carded as a Spartan.

Ha, Johnson and Davis will all be back on the Salem High team next fall.

"I'm really proud of them," said Salem High coach Thad Snyder. "It's a pleasure to coach such fine young people, and when you're surrounded by great kids it reinforces why we all enter this profession in the first place."

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Spartans host Hidden Valley Friday, make up game with Bruins Tuesday

The Salem High football team will be looking to sweep South Roanoke County this Friday when they host Hidden Valley at Salem Stadium. The Spartans finished the first half of the job with a 35-0 shutout of Cave Spring at South County's Bogle Stadium last Friday.

A few weeks ago the Salem-Hidden Valley game was circled on everyone's calendar as the top matchup in the Roanoke Valley and the deciding game for River Ridge District supremacy. The Titans were 6-0 and running up big scores and Salem. . . .well, Salem is Salem.

That all changed on October 8 when Patrick Henry came to Bogle Stadium and laid a 44-7 beat down on the Titans. Then, the following week, a Christiansburg team that Salem beat by 17 points invaded Bogle and left with a 61-20 victory, taking the Titans' lofty rankings in the Friday Night TV and "Crunch" polls with them. The Titans licked their wounds and beat a winless and hapless Blacksburg team last week, 35-0, to get back to 7-2 but by that time the shine was off the trip to Salem.

That's not to say Spartan coach Don Holter will be taking the Titans lightly. Hidden Valley has a dynamic passing attack, as witnessed by their 55-51 win over Glenvar in one of the season's most exciting games.

"They'll spread it out and run multiple formations," said Holter. "They'll throw the ball 67 percent of the time with a lot of rollouts. (HV quarterback Sam) Dragovich goes a good job and they have a real good receiver(Ashton Carroll)."

With that said, don't expect the Titans to put up anywhere near 50 points against Salem this Friday. While the Spartans may have struggled in pass defense early in the season they've come on strong as the weather turns colder. In the last five games, all wins, the Spartans have given

up a total of 20 points. "We're pretty confident on defense right now," said Holter. "Our

now," said Holter. "Our young kids have grown and they're playing fast and they're playing physical."

Cave Spring felt the brunt of that last week. First year head coach Nick Laftwich who scored in every quarter. Jake Massey caught a 14 yard TD pass from DaRon Wilson in the first quarter and Salem scored twice in the second period, one on a one yard bull rush by Cameron Leftwich and another on an 11 yard TD pass from Wilson to Chauncey Logan, Jr, as that pair is equal to the Hidden Valley duo, or possibly even superior. Wilson hit Logan five times Friday night for 133 yards.

Leftwich scored his second TD of the game, and 17th of the season, on a seven yard run in the third period and Jayveon Jones finished the job with a five yard run in the fourth quarter. Caleb Wright, filling in for hobbled Wesley Cross, was perfect on five extra point kicks.

Wilson finished 10 for 14 passing for the game for 227 yards. In addition to Logan's big night, Chase Greer had his best game on offense with four catches for 101 yards and Massy had the one catch for a TD. Cam Leftwich finished with 90 yards rushing on 17 carries and Jones had 89 on 12 attempts.

On defense Nathaniel McClure and Carson Williams led the Spartans with eight total tackles each. Jaelyn Allen and Cameron Martindale had seven tackles each, Noah Collins had six and Stacy Williams had four. Martindale, Williams and Massey all had sacks while Martindale and Williams had two tackles for losses each.

With the win Salem improved to 6-1 overall with three games to go. After Friday's game with Hidden Valley the Spartans will travel to Blacksburg for a makeup game Tuesday against a Blacksburg team that's in the midst of a 15 game losing streak. The Bruins are 0-13 in 2021, counting the spring and fall seasons, with little chance of beating a solid Graham team in Bluefield this Friday.

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Above, Salem's Chase Greer goes high for a catch in Friday's win over Cave Spring. Below, Cameron Martindale has Knights' quarterback Skylor Griffiths around the waist as Nathaniel McClure(#38) and Stacy Williams(#73) block any possible escape routes. PHOTOS BY SCOTT GARDNER



Nick Leftwich, who played quarterback at Salem during his high school days, runs a lot of the same plays as the Spartans but had little of the same success. The Knights were held to 35 total yards and just one first down on the evening, completing seven passes for 30 yards and rushing 16 times for a total of five yards.

Meanwhile, Salem

Highlanders can clinch district title with a win over Radford Friday

After a week off, sort of, the Glenvar Highlanders will be back on the gridiron Friday night for a big Three Rivers District game with Radford at Highlander Stadium.

Last week was Glenvar's bye week, but the Highlanders played a makeup game with James River on Monday, October 18, so the bye was trimmed by three days. While Glenvar took off on Friday Radford was hammering Floyd County, 42-7, to remain undefeated in the district at 3-0.

Glenvar comes in at 4-0 in the district and Radford is the final Three Rivers game on the schedule. The Highlanders can wrap up the district championship with a win, and that's important to the green and gold.

"This is a huge game," said Glenvar coach Kevin

Clifford. "This is why you play football and this is why you coach, to win championships. Whether it's the district, region or state, you want to win championships."

If the Highlanders win Friday it will be their fourth Three Rivers championship in the past eight years, and they've been in the running for the title all eight years on the last Friday of district play.

"We should have won three of those other four," said Clifford. "Win or lose, it's an exciting place to be. That's why you come to practice every day."

The spring game between the two was a thriller. Played on a sunny Saturday afternoon in Radford, the Highlanders held on for a 16-14 win in a game that went down to the final play.

This has been a good series. Glenvar has won five

of the past seven games, but prior to that Cliffordcoached teams were just 1-6 against the Bobcats. At 6-8 Radford is the only district team to hold an edge over Clifford during his time at Glenvar.

"This is a typical Radford team, the same song and dance," said Clifford. "They have excellent athletes and they're good in space."

This is a big game in more ways than one for the Highlanders. At 7-1 Glenvar is the top ranked team in the Virginia High School League Region 2C rankings but Appomattox is breathing down their necks and Radford, at 6-2, is currently in third place. The Highlanders would love to finish the regular season with wins over Radford and Giles to solidify that number one ranking and earn home field through the regional tournament.



Cameron Martin(#17) of the Salem Spartans' PeeWee football team finds some room to run in last week's game at Bogle Field. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Sandlot Super Bowl tournament is back after one year hiatus due to pandemic

After a year off the Sandlot Super Bowl tournaments are back. The PeeWee tournament started last Saturday and the Little and Junior tournaments will begin this Saturday at two Roanoke County locations.

The PeeWee tournament, for eight and under players, began last Saturday with four games at Bogle Field, behind Cave Spring Middle School. The first game of the day was a thriller as the Salem Wolverines edged the Glenvar Highlanders, 2-0. No, the difference wasn't a two-run single but a safety, as the Wolverine defense did what neither offense could do. . .score. Graham Conner and Watson Belcher tackled the ballcarrier in the end zone for a two point satety and that was enough to win the game.

Salem's other PeeWee team, the Spartans, dropped a disappointing 6-0 game to the Botetourt Titans. Salem was without several key players due to COVID contact tracing and that may have been the difference as the Spartan team was stout all season. They don't keep score during the regular season, but Spartan parents will tell you their

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