

VESTED PARTNERS
A MULTI-FAMILY OFFICE



LEGAL
FINANCIAL
FIDUCIARY
INSURANCE

Robyn Smith Ellis, Attorney
www.vestedmfo.com
540.389.6060

SALEM TIMES-REGISTER

Thursday, January 20, 2022 • (USPS 631-140) • \$1.00

VESTED PARTNERS
A MULTI-FAMILY OFFICE



LEGAL
FINANCIAL
FIDUCIARY
INSURANCE

David Ellis, CFP®, AIF®
www.vestedmfo.com
540.389.6060

OurValley.org

Glenn Youngkin inaugurated as Virginia's 74th Governor -Commonwealth's Chief Executive vows to keep commitment to Salem community-

Shawn Nowlin

shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org

On January 15, a new Government Administration was sworn into office. The first Republican to win statewide since 2009, Glenn Youngkin was inaugurated as Virginia's 74th Governor last Saturday in the state's capital. Attorney General Jason Miyares, the first Hispanic and Cuban American to serve the position, and Lt. Governor Winsome Sears, the first African American woman to hold that distinction, were sworn in shortly thereafter.

Themed "Strengthen the Spirit of Virginia Together," the ceremony was attended by significant GOP figures, including former US House

Speaker Paul Ryan, RNC Chairwoman Ronna McDaniel, former EPA administrator Andrew Wheeler, former head of the Heritage Foundation Kay Coles James and former Secretary of Transportation and wife to Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, Elaine Chao.

During his inauguration address, Youngkin said, "Today we gather, not as individuals, nor as Republicans or Democrats but as Virginians. And for the 73rd time in the history of Virginia, the home of American Democracy, we're participating in the peaceful and orderly transfer of leadership. The will of the people grants a

See **Youngkin**, page 3



With his wife of 22 years, Suzanne, by his side, Gov. Glenn Youngkin took an oath of office in Richmond on January 15. COMMERCIAL FREE USE PHOTO

Winter weather blankets Salem in snow



Siblings Liya, Landyn and Layla Duviella-French, left to right, spent hours playing in the snow on Monday. SUBMITTED PHOTO

See **Winter Weather**, page 7



Retired educator Dr. Michael Bentley recently earned the Virginia Association of Science Teachers (VAST) Community Partner Education Award. SUBMITTED PHOTO

VAST recognizes Salem resident with Community Partner-Educator Award

Shawn Nowlin

shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org

For more than four decades, Dr. Michael Bentley taught science and environmental

education at all levels, from elementary to doctoral. As an educational consultant and program evaluator, Bentley

See **VAST**, page 5



Micah Spruill

SUBMITTED PHOTOS



Dan Strelka

Roanoke College appoints new members to Board of Trustees

Two alumni have joined Roanoke College's Board of Trustees. Micah Spruill '11 and Dan Strelka '89 have been elected to the Roanoke College Board of Trustees. Each will serve a term through 2025. The new trustees officially began their service in 2021.

Spruill serves as managing partner and co-chief investment officer for S2F Capital. He founded MS2 Capital, an Atlanta-based digital asset management and consulting firm. Spruill also co-founded XSquared Ventures, a tech-focused angel fund. Previously, he was a managing partner at Aurora Investment Advisors, an Atlanta-based wealth management firm.

Spruill has more than 12 years of experience as a trader and investor in U.S. equities markets and commodities. His background includes a wide array of practices ranging from scientific research to wealth management, trading, and serial entrepreneurship.

Spruill holds a B.S. in biology from Roanoke College. Today, he serves as a Maroon Mentor, an alumni mentor program offer-

ing job shadowing, career mentoring experiences, internships, or job opportunities to students as they define their career path. Spruill also was a member of the President's Advisory Board prior to joining the Board of Trustees.

Strelka is executive vice president and chief financial officer for Carter Machinery Company, Inc. He joined Carter Machinery in 1997 as a finance manager. After holding various positions in accounting and rental operations, Strelka was named corporate controller in 2004 and CFO in 2007.

Strelka earned a B.B.A. with an accounting major, at Roanoke College and the M.B.A. in finance from Virginia Tech prior to becoming a certified public accountant.

Strelka was also a Maroon Mentor to Roanoke students and a member of the President's Advisory Board prior to joining the Board of Trustees. He also served on the Roanoke Valley Regional Campaign Committee and the Alumni Executive Council.

Submitted by Roanoke College News

"I wouldn't bank anywhere else."



Bank of Botetourt

www.BankofBotetourt.com/Believe

Bob Rotanz, Co-founder
Mac & Bob's, Salem VA



FDIC



33463 00109 9

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.

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 sending an email to 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.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

The Rotary Club of Salem will hold their Annual Coat Drive to benefit Mrs. Dorsey's Clothes Closet which serves the Roanoke Valley. The public is invited to donate, and coats will be collected from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Salem Civic Center. The Club is

asking for new or gently worn coats on hangers, and the primary need is children's coats of all sizes.

Last year over 500 coats were collected and the goal is to surpass that accomplishment. Rotary President Tom Bowers said, "Rotarians live by the motto of Service Above Self and gathering coats and needed accessories during the winter is the best way for us to live by our Rotary theme for 2022." The Rotary Club of Salem makes annual contributions to over 40 different civic and community non-profit organizations throughout the Roanoke Valley. Internationally, the Club provides support and resources to joint Rotarian projects in Guatemala, Colombia, Brazil, Haiti, Eastern Europe and beyond, to supply clean water, educational assistance, medical care and disaster relief efforts. COVID guidelines as put forth by the Salem Civic Center will be observed for everyone's continued safety at the event.

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

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

SECOND MONDAY

Paint Bank Ladies

LewisGale Medical Center expands cardiac services with renovated state-of-the-art Cardiovascular Catheterization Lab

LewisGale Medical Center recently announced the opening of its newly renovated, state-of-the-art Cardiovascular Catheterization Lab. The new cardiac lab is

part of an ongoing investment the hospital has made in enhancing the delivery of cardiovascular services.

The new equipment and renovated lab provides advanced treatments that enhance patient care, make complex procedures safer and simpler, and provide physicians with leading edge technologies, including a laser-steered platform, to perform a comprehensive range of diagnostic and interventional procedures.

"The renovation of our Cardiovascular Catheterization Lab reflects our commitment to providing the highest-level cardiac care in southwest Virginia," said Michele Gillespie, vice president of cardiovascular services. "This updated facility brings next-level precision of care to our patients. Coupled with our exceptional team of experts, we are proud to bring innovation, quality care and service to our community."

Richard Konstance, MD, medical director of interventional cardiology, recently performed the first procedure in the new lab. The upgrades reassure patients that their providers have the best possible tools at their fingertips to perform life-saving procedures.

"This new lab is state-of-the-art, not only in imaging, but in air flow for infection prevention, ergonomics, and comfort for our patients," said Dr. Konstance. "This investment reinforces that LewisGale Medical Center is invested in this community."

LewisGale Medical Center serves the cardiovascular needs of patients from across the Roanoke Valley and beyond. Led by Drs. Richard Konstance and Andrew Maiolo, the diversified cardiology team comprised of expert cardiologists, interventionalists, and surgeons, perform a wide variety of elective and emergent therapies ranging from open surgery and Percutaneous Cor-

onary Intervention (PCI), to the latest approaches in minimally invasive cardiovascular techniques such as peripheral vascular interventions, carotid stenting, transcatheter aortic valve replacement/implantation and cryoablation, among others.

Submitted by Christopher Finley, Public Relations Marketing Director

Protect the ones you love, get your flu shot today.

@vaccinatevirginia

Protect the ones you love, get vaccinated now.

VDH VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



LewisGale's new Cardiovascular Catheterization Lab.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Five million dollars for new community testing centers across Virginia announced

Recently, it was announced that the Virginia Department of Health will open nine new Community Testing Centers (CTCs) to increase testing availability across the Commonwealth. Centers will be funded with an initial \$5 million from the Virginia Department of Health, which is seeking FEMA funding to reimburse expenses and continue testing deployment. New testing centers will offer Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests - the most reliable form of testing for COVID-19 - and will supplement numerous locally-coordinated Community Testing Events.

"Testing is a critical tool in our fight against COVID-19, and we must continue to everything we can do to increase access," said former Governor Ralph Northam. "As Virginians continue to grapple with a national shortage of rapid tests, expanding our PCR capabilities will ensure more Virginians have access to free, reliable testing and can better protect themselves and their

families." The testing locations will be near or on the same property as existing VDH Community Vaccination Centers (CVCs) in Charlottesville, Chesterfield, Fairfax, Fredericksburg, Newport News, Norfolk, Prince William, Richmond and Roanoke that have been operating since October.

"Testing helps us identify individuals who are ill with the disease so the appropriate medical and public health actions can be taken and can help reduce the spread of COVID-19," said Dr. Oliver. "We understand that there is a lot of demand for testing, and this expanded capacity through the CTCs will help address some of these critical needs across the Commonwealth."

These new testing centers are expected to administer more than 50,000 tests in the month of January. Each of the nine sites will operate between 4-6 days per week and will be open from 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., depending on the location. The first

CTC opened on Saturday, January 8, 2022, at the Richmond International Raceway (Gate 7, 4690 Caroline Ave.) with eight additional sites opening in the coming weeks.

CTC test results will be automatically sent via text or email message to individuals being tested, based on the information provided in the appointment system.

VDH urges people to get tested if they have symptoms, or if they have come into close contact with someone with COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status. VDH recommends testing on day five after exposure, although testing on days 3-5 is also acceptable. As this is a time of high demand on testing and on the health system, if you do not have symptoms or a known exposure, VDH encourages people to postpone any non-essential travel or events that would prompt them to test beforehand.

Submitted by Alena Yarmosky, Office of the Governor

SALEM TIMES~REGISTER

Read your newspaper online

★ Visit salemtimes-register.com

and receive much more!

State & National News

14 additional newspapers in WV & VA

Over 40 editors, reporters & writers

Visit our website at www.salemtimes-register.com

Mobile home fire claims the life of one adult on Back Creek Road

On January 13, at approximately 1:45 p.m., Roanoke County Fire and Rescue responded to the 6600 block of Back Creek Road, in the Clearbrook area, for the report of smoke in the trees. First arriving crews from Sta-

tion 7 (Clearbrook) found a double-wide mobile home that was fully involved in fire. The home was occupied by a single adult and one dog at the time of the fire. The adult and the dog were not able to evacuate, and both per-

ished in the fire. The home is a total loss. The fire was under control in approximately 50 minutes.

Submitted by Brian Clingenpeel, Community Outreach Coordinator



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Roanoke County Fire Marshal's Office was immediately on scene along with the Roanoke County Police Department to investigate the cause.

Virginia announces \$11 million available in upcoming Land and Water Conservation Fund grant round

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation will hold an open grant round for \$11 million in federal Land and Water Con-

servation Fund (LWCF) State and Local Assistance grants from Feb. 1 through March 15.

An informational session and application

workshop will be held Feb. 9 at 10 a.m. Register for the workshop at www.dcr.virginia.gov/recreational-planning/lwcf. After registering,

you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Eligible LWCF projects include acquisition, development, combination of acquisition and development, or rehabilitation of parks and other outdoor recreation areas.

Eligible applicants include state agencies, local units of government (state political subdivisions such as cities, counties and park authorities) and federally or state-recognized Indian tribes.

The LWCF is a 50-50 percent matching reimbursement program. Grantees must be able to fund 100 percent of

their project while seeking periodic reimbursements. The minimum grant award in this round will be \$250,000, with a minimum total project cost of \$500,000. The maximum grant award is \$2 million.

An updated program manual, application materials, and applicant resources will be posted to www.dcr.virginia.gov/recreational-planning/lwcf by Feb. 1.

Applications will be due via email no later than March 15 at 4 p.m. For more information, contact the DCR Recreation Grants Team via email at recreation-grants@dcr.virginia.gov.

The Land and Water Conservation Fund Act

of 1965 established a federal reimbursement program for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas. In Virginia, the program is administered by DCR on behalf of the National Park Service. The program represents a federal, state and local partnership. A key feature of the program is that all LWCF-assisted areas must be maintained and opened, in perpetuity, as public outdoor recreation areas. This requirement ensures their use for future generations.

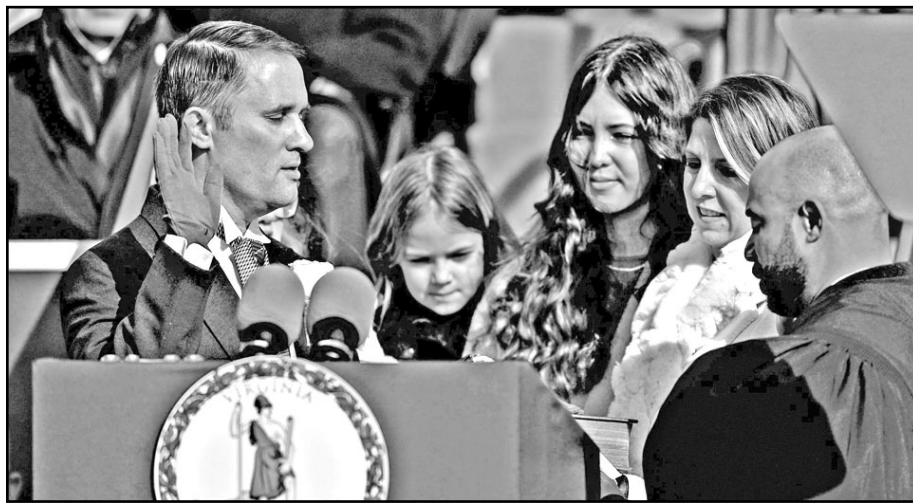
Submitted by Dave Neudeck, Communications and Marketing Director



Trail at Holliday Lake State Park

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Youngkin from page 1



COMMERCIAL FREE USE PHOTOS

Prior to Jason Miyares, Virginia never had an Attorney General of Cuban and Hispanic descent.

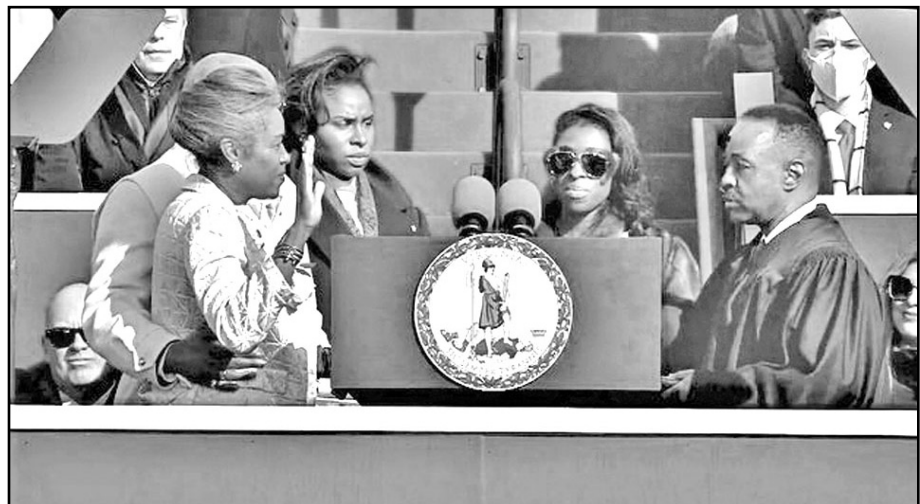
license to serve. A temporary license extended with trust, with faith, and with expectations to deliver on promises made. And therefore, as I reflect on my Virginia home and my love for this great nation and its founding principles, I'm so very humbled to be sworn in as the 74th governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia."

He added, "The solemn oath sworn today in the name of the almighty Father is done

so with the love of my life by my side, your new First Lady, Suzanne Youngkin. And with the pride and joy of our lives, our four children Grant, Anna, John and Thomas. I'm so grateful for their love and support. And to my sister Dottie, I can feel mom and dad smiling down upon us today."

The executive orders that Gov. Youngkin swiftly signed address a multitude of areas, which are:

- Declaring Virginia open for business
- Empowering Virginia parents in their children's education by allowing them to make decisions on whether their child wears a mask in school
- Combating human trafficking and providing support to survivors
- Restoring excellence in education by ending the use of divisive concepts, including Critical Race Theory, in public education



Winsome Sears is the first African American woman to serve as Virginia's Lt. Governor.

Withdrawal from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI)

Restoring integrity and confidence in the Parole Board of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Establishing a commission to combat antisemitism

Making government work for Virginians by creating the Commonwealth Chief Transformation Officer

Along with the execu-

tive orders, Youngkin also signed two executive directives that are expected to cut job regulations by 25 percent and rescind the coronavirus vaccine mandate for state employees. Among Youngkin's advisors are former Republican Governors James Gilmore III, George Allen and Robert McDonnell as well as former Democrat Governor Douglas Wilder.

Shortly after winning the November 2 election

against former Governor Terry McAuliffe, Youngkin returned to CommUNITY Church in Salem to thank his supporters and make them a promise. "Without your support, this outcome would have not happened. Things will look drastically different once my Administration is in office. We know the task at hand is going to be difficult at times, but we are ready to get to work on day one."

Winter storm delivers much needed moisture to Va. farmland

Dropping over a foot of snow in some Virginia localities, an early-January storm stole national headlines and wreaked havoc throughout the mid-Atlantic.

Though the storm left many travelers stranded and hundreds of thousands without power in Virginia, the plentiful precipitation came at a crucial time for the state's grain farmers.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service December crop report, Virginia entered 2022 with "abnormally dry to severe drought conditions" across the state.

NASS statistics also indicated the Lynchburg and Norfolk regions each ended 2021 with precipitation deficits of 8.8 inches compared to normal annual precipitation totals. The Roanoke area recorded a 4.4-inch deficit, and Northern Virginia ended the year with a 7.9-inch shortage.

Only parts of Virginia region saw above-average precipitation last year, with a 2.5-inch surplus.

As small-grain crops begin to

emerge in some areas of Virginia, farmers said the influx of moisture came at a pivotal time.

"We've been really dry. It was one of the driest falls I can remember," said grain producer Glenn Dye, who farms in Appomattox, Fauquier and Stafford counties. "We definitely needed more moisture for the fall crops and some subsoil moisture for the spring crops, and the snow we got definitely helped the crops that are in the field."

Dye, who also serves on the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation Soybean and Feed Grains Advisory Committee, skipped planting winter wheat this year, opting instead to plant rye as a cover crop.

Before the Jan. 3 storm, Dye said the crop was "hanging on," but he wasn't sure it would remain healthy enough to benefit the soil for spring planting. However, the storm brought between 8 and 9 inches of snow to his Appomattox property and 13 inches to Stafford, which allowed the crop to rebound.

"(The snow and rain) we've had has been beneficial," Dye added, noting he and other Virginia grain farmers saw additional rain and snow on Jan. 6 and 7. "Any moisture is a good thing at this point."

Bedford County grain farmer W.P. Johnson said he and other nearby farmers struggled to plant small grains in the fall due to soil aridity.

Johnson planted oats and wheat, and said he only managed to get his seeds deep enough in the ground because he recently rebuilt his planter's drill. With the benefit of moisture from the Jan. 3 storm - he received four inches of wintry mix on his farm - each crop is progressing well.

"The moisture from the snow really pulled out our small grain crops and let them emerge, and I can actually see what kind of stand I have," he said. "Without the snow, I don't know my emergence would have been what it is. We got lucky."

Submitted by Glenn Dye

Send community news and photos to shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org

The fruit of human existence is the love of God, which is the spirit of life and grace everlasting.

- Baha'i Faith

Bahai.Salem.VA@gmail.com

540-387-2106

- Forestry Mulching/Brush Cutting
- Right of Way & Land Clearing
- Stream & Pond Services
- Light Excavating/Grading
- Pipe & Culvert Cleaning
- Rock & Stump Removal
- Crane Services
- Bucket Truck Services
- Underground Utilities
- Storm Water Management
- Site Prep • Small Job Specialty



APX Services LLC
540-566-6920

OPINION

Give Light ~ From the Islands ~

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

Until the past July, I knew little or nothing about St. Croix, a United States possession which is one of the Virgin Islands in the Caribbean Ocean off the state of Florida. That changed when Annie Johnston, a retired Registered Nurse with a French accent, came to worship at the Salem church I attend.

After introducing myself, I gave her my email address on her second Sunday with us. She responded in the same manner, and the education for both of us began.

I learned that Annie Johnston and her retired physician husband, Dan Johnston, had moved to the Green Hill Park area of Roanoke County in 2020; they did so for their retirement years to escape the ever-present threat of damaging hurricanes and because of the prevalence of good medical

care in the Roanoke Valley.

For their later years home, they found a rambling structure dating from 1776 on three acres near the park; it was once in less-inclusive days a center for Jewish social life. Later, it was renovated and used as a venue for such events as wedding receptions.

Its date of construction surely marks it as one of the oldest usable structures in these parts.

Annie Johnston in the move to Salem had decided to alter her church affiliation; she is preparing to be accepted into my own. And so, I have become a sort of mentor to her while she, in turn, has educated me to her story.

Her family is originally from Italy, but in the era of the dictator Benito Mussolini they migrated to the city of Montpellier in Southern France. It is the site of a historic medical school; Annie Johnston, now 71, grew up there speaking French. Today her command of English spoken and written is remarkably good.

Frances Stebbins Correspondent

At the medical school she met Dan Johnston, a native of North Carolina, who had come there for graduate studies. Finding that a General Practitioner was needed on the Caribbean Island of St. Croix, the Johnstons moved there and for the next 30 years operated a clinic.

Her elderly mother, Emma Viche, still lives in France. An adult son came to the United States several years ago.

When she read my recent column on clergy ministering to inmates of state and local jails, Annie Johnston recalled that her husband in his practice visited the jail that served St. Croix. It was dirty and hot in the semi-tropical climate with the inmates often too poor to receive any care when

ill.

In fact, the retired nurse recalled, St. Croix was a dangerous place to live. For a time, the Johnstons, who had a home near the beautiful beach where cruise ships may stop, boarded a young lawyer.

He was greatly concerned about the inhumane conditions in the prisons and tried in vain to prevail on the governing authorities to help inmates secure health insurance. Annie Johnston said the young man eventually moved to France where she surmised that he found more acceptance of his liberal views.

"The level of unsolved crimes in the Virgin Islands is high," Johnston wrote me, noting that their clinic's office was broken into, and murders were common in the community of Dr. Johnston's office.

"I felt fortunate that we escaped those violent crimes. I always thought it was going to happen any time."

She surmised that the fact that her husband served prisoners and others impoverished

may have protected the couple.

In the course of our acquaintance, I discovered that Salem's new resident was surprised at the degree of racial separation that still exists in much of the Southeastern parts of the United States. Coming from the Caribbean, where many residents are descendants of slaves transported there for commercial purposes some 300 years ago, she is familiar with the poverty of much of the island of Haiti.

She connected with the work of Salem physician Tom Fame and a group from the Roman Catholic parish Our Lady of Perpetual Help which has built a school there.

Johnston also recalled her naturalization ceremony last year which she underwent in order to vote against Donald Trump. She explained that since the Virgin Islands are a possession of the United States, rather than a state, residents of St. Croix are permitted to cast ballots only for their governors.

That fact was new to me.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Twenty-four years ago in 1998, a big "done deal" converted Salem's historic Elizabeth Campus' 52 acres ("Lizzy") from "Agricultural" to "Business

zoning --undervaluing its panoramic views and fulfilling then Councilman Alex Brown's vision to "chop it up and sell it off." This stunning property is transformed into an architectural business mishmash

with trees cut and a chain-link fence to surround its stormwater holding pond. Where is the vision, citizen consultation and esthetic design enhancement for what Salem citizens clearly expressed by their intense preservation efforts? Placing business on improved redeveloped spaces would instead allow Salem to preserve its "family jewels" property.

In 1998, the Roanoke Times quoted my husband: "That property is too good for business." Council's short-term gain replaced maximizing Lizzy's potential as an attraction historic "Gateway to the Roanoke Valley." Citizens had the vision. Council had short-term dollar signs.

Council grossly underutilized this rare, central property and its decision to subdivide Lizzy still haunts Salemites. Its current businesses fail to appreciate and use Lizzy's outstanding mountain views. Council's action fractured citizens' trust that city leaders would or could properly value city assets in their true "highest and best use."

Lizzy had everything - a land grant to founding father, Andrew Lewis. Sub-

sequently, "Sister" to Roanoke [men's] College that ended when Lizzy's main building burned. Then Lutheran orphans' working farm. The next owner, Roanoke College, subsequently sold it behind the scenes to Salem. My Roanoke College professor husband learned of Lizzy's sale in a post-sale email announcement.

Salem initiated a "Charrette" (visioning meeting). Overwhelmingly, citizens rejected the business model and the oversized water tower. Council ignored its own sponsored visioning.

Next: hearings. Three prominent citizens - George Logan (Valley Bank), Cabell Brand (visionary philanthropist) and businessman Tim Kelly - together funded a Roanoke College Citizens' poll. Fifty-seven percent of 407 respondents disagreed with Council's "Agriculture" to "Business" rezoning intention. Eighty-five percent wanted Council to submit a referendum to voters.

Councilman Howard Packett's promise of a 17-acre park attempted to appease disgruntled citizens. Today - still no park.

Empowered Council did what they wanted - disregarding citizens thus reinforcing Salem's "done-deal" reputation. For three years, Salemites loved and intensely fought for Lizzy's preservation but were

overruled by a block-voting, tunnel-visioned 1998 Salem Council.

Twenty years later, a new Council majority-initiated change to Council's unresponsive culture by granting citizens five-minute comments opening council meetings. Thank you Mayor Turk, Vice-Mayor Jim Wallace and Councilman John Sanders! But follow-up is needed.

As a last resort, unhappy citizens asserted their opposition to Council's vision by legally challenging Council's rezoning. That gave citizens three years - insufficient to change Salem Council's entrenched done-deal culture.

New city manager Forest Jones tried to quiet things down, but soon Salem began subdividing Lizzy. Citizens attended the hearing which painfully pitted Council against citizens' vision.

Now needed are citizen committees to reflect Salemites' concerns and good ideas to brighten Salem and widen council's citizen-buy-in. Salem Assistant Manager Taliandro's downtown revisioning tried that model - hugely successful - but allowed Main Street's historical "quirky" body shop building to be "chopped up and sold off" without consulting citizens - obliterating its unique, massive upstairs crisscross beams now

permanently hidden by a boutique hotel that fails to fulfill the body shop's true value to attract the millennials that Salem's downtown plan aspired to.

Subsequently, attending and bringing ideas to Council was emotionally draining and challenging. Now, Mayor Turk and the new welcoming majority of three are initiating a long-overdue opening for five-minute citizen comments. Mayor Turk warmly welcomed my six-year-old granddaughter, Tessa, to speak again which she will.

Stop undervaluing Salem's properties - either by selling them cheap or failing to consider highest potential. Cities employ professional planners whose insights pay off multifold with quality business following quality planning. Salem's planning still reflects a piecemeal approach or sometimes sets goals that are ignored.

About Salem promises - where is our 17-acre park and/or running trails 24 years later? Councilmembers are different but should still honor that promise.

Let's not forget this history that offers insight into forging a better path forward.

- Cynthia Munley, Former leader of "Concerned Citizens to Preserve the Elizabeth Campus"

SALEM TIMES-REGISTER

A newspaper of, by and for the people of the City of Salem and Roanoke County.

USPS 631-140 (540) 389-9355

1633 West Main Street

www.ourvalley.org

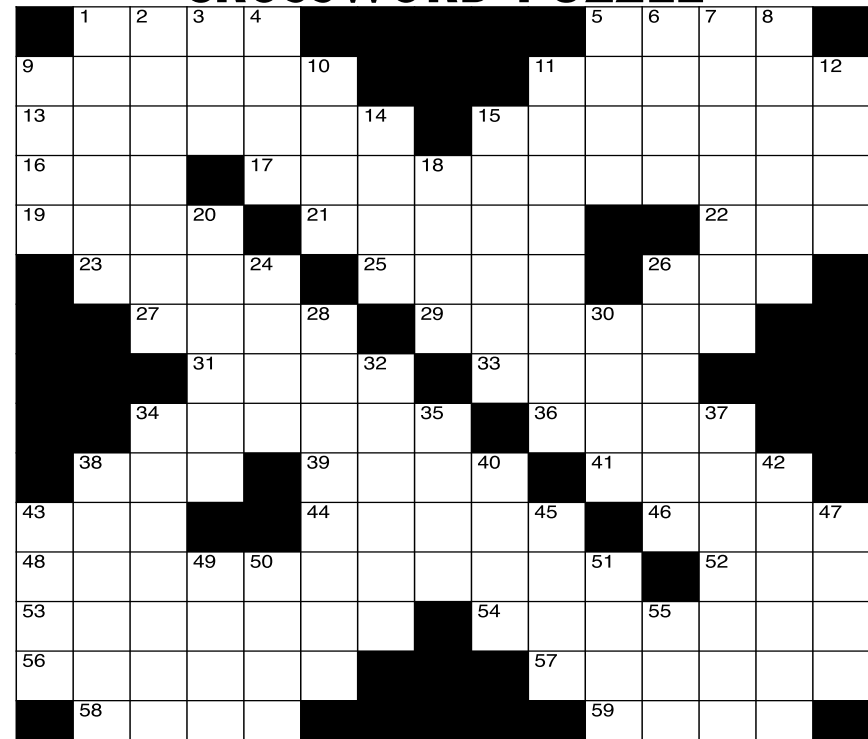
Michael Showell, *Publisher*
Lynn Hurst, *General Manager*lhurst@ourvalley.org
Shawn Nowlin, *Editor* shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org
Brian Hoffman, *Sports Editor*bhoffman@ourvalley.org
Randy Thompson, *Advertising Consultant*advertise@ourvalley.org

Give us your view: shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org

The Times-Register encourages letters from our readers on topics of general interest to the community and responses to our articles and columns. Letters must be signed and have a telephone number where you can be reached to be considered for publication. All letters will be verified before publication. The Times-Register reserves the right to deny publication of any letter and edit letters for length, content and style.

The Times-Register (USPS 631-140) is published weekly for \$44 a year in Salem and Roanoke County, \$48 in adjoining counties and \$52 out of state by Virginia Media Inc., P.O. Box 429, Lewisburg, WV 24901. Periodical postage paid at Salem, VA. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to THE SALEM TIMES-REGISTER, P.O. Box 1125, Salem, VA 24153

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| CLUES ACROSS | 33. Witnesses | CLUES DOWN | 28. Earnings |
| 1. Breathe noisily | 34. Caulked | 1. Illinois city | 30. Close by |
| 5. ___ Nui, Easter Island | 36. Satisfy | 2. One of the original disciples chosen by Christ | 32. Small integers |
| 9. Reddish browns | 38. R&B performer ___ Lo | 3. Young form of a house | 34. Fixed in place |
| 11. Simple shoes | 39. Monetary units of Macao | 4. Type of powder | 35. Used to treat Parkinson's disease |
| 13. Produce alcohol illegally | 41. Give advice, explain | 5. Finger millet | 37. Large, imposing building |
| 15. Home to famed golf tournament | 43. Possesses | 6. Share a common boundary | 38. A rooftop shelter |
| 16. Tax collector | 44. Turn back | 7. Assumed as a fact | 40. Stiff, hairlike structure |
| 17. Famous people | 46. Gentlemen | 8. Provide clear evidence of | 42. Print errors |
| 19. Urban area | 48. One who fertilizes | 9. Invests in little enterprises | 43. To show disapproval |
| 21. Units of syllable weight | 52. Italian monk title (prefix) | 10. A way to be | 45. Body of traditions |
| 22. Pituitary hormone (abbr.) | 53. Parties | 11. Monies given in support | 47. Without |
| 23. Dismounted | 54. Type of horse | 12. Fashion accessory | 49. ___ Clapton, musician |
| 25. Actor Damon | 56. Cuts in half | 14. Steal | 50. Dangerous illegal drug |
| 26. Vietnamese offensive | 57. Raises | 15. Becomes less intense | 51. Infrequent |
| 27. Retail term | 58. Expresses contempt or disgust | 18. Geological times | 55. Sound unit |
| 29. Netted | 59. Ancient Italian-Greek colony | 20. Hooray! | |
| 31. Partner to carrots | | 24. Monetary unit | |
| | | 26. Male reproductive organs | |

OBITUARY

McCray, Robert "Bobby/Bob" P.

Robert "Bobby/Bob" P. McCray, 75, passed away on Monday, January 10. He was predeceased by his two wives, Gwendolyn Faye McCray and Donna Jean McCray, and his special companion Zoey, their beloved Corgi.

He is survived by his daughter, Sandra McCray; son, Jerry McCray, Sr; special daughters, Lisa Paroline, and Heather Spiker; grandson, Jerry McCray, Jr. (Renee); special granddaughter, Olivia Blaess; great-granddaughters, Maggie and Willow McCray; sister, Becky Brown (Boots); brother, Tommy

McCray; and several cousins, nephews, and nieces.

The family would like to thank LGMC, VAMC and the VVCC for the excellent care he received from all three facilities over the years.

A special thank you to VVCC staff members, Martha "1st Sargent", Melissa, and Honey who were a big part of his care during his last stay.

A private memorial service will be held for immediate family at a later date.

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

Send community news and photos to shawn.nowlin@ourvalley.org

VAST

from page 1

worked for various higher education institutions, school districts, museums and other agencies.

They include: the Roanoke Higher Education Center, the Virginia Tech Institute for Connecting Science Research to the Classroom, the Virginia Department of Education and the Virginia Museum of Natural History.

Sixteen years ago, Bentley retired as Associate Professor of Science Education in the Theory and Practice in Teacher Education Department at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

Now retired, Bentley is the first to say that teaching today is vastly different compared to when he first started. Teachers in the 1970s, he explained, had more professional latitude and, while local districts had curriculum guidelines, there was nothing like high-stakes SOL-type testing then.

“Teachers now have to manage both in-person and remote learning situations and still meet rigid SOL curriculum ‘delivery.’ I know many of them personally because I taught them myself when I directed Hollins University’s Elementary Science Institute for Teachers, funded by grants, for seven years. I really empathize with teachers. I have been opposed to the SOL-Testing-

style curriculum since the beginning of it,” he added.

Born and raised in Roanoke, Bentley attended both public and Catholic schools, graduating from Roanoke Catholic High in 1964. He went on to earn a BS in biology from King’s College in 1968.

“I was drafted in 1969 while in grad school. I was a 1-O (conscientious objector). With a science degree in biology, the

draft board assigned me to teach at Parry McClure High School in Buena Vista where a biology teacher was needed,” he said.

In 1976, Bentley left full-time teaching to pursue his doctoral studies in science and environmental education at the University of Virginia. His dissertation became a study of how wilderness experience on a backpacking trip influences chil-

dren’s memories of experienced phenomena.

Approximately 30 former students, colleagues and even a Pulitzer-Prize winning reporter nominated Bentley for the Virginia Association of Science Teachers (VAST) Community Partner-Educator Award last year.

Elaborating on the impact the COVID pandemic had on the ceremony, Bentley said, “Initially, the annual VAST

Conference was to be held in-person at JMU and I had a paper accepted to be presented. Because of the COVID surge, it was made virtual. I had to make a recording of my presentation to virtual attendees on YouTube. I’d never done that before.”

Michael’s wife is the Rev. Susan Bentley, a longtime rector of St. James Episcopal Church in Roanoke. Together, they have three children

– Sarah, Alex and Matt – who all graduated from Salem High School and went on to earn a college bachelors’ degree.

Regarding the next generation of educators, Bentley’s advice to them is “unionize and advocate aggressively for better workplace conditions, better salaries and benefits, and more lobbying to eliminate the state’s neoliberal education policies, like the SOL regime.”



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Elementary educators from school districts throughout Southwest Virginia participated in the Hollins University Elementary Science Institute for the seven years it was funded.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORY

You don't have to pay more for the best.... You just get more!



Scooter Darnall
353-8661
Remax Real Estate One

JAMES T. JORDAN, PLCC
ATTORNEY AT LAW

- REAL ESTATE
- WILLS
- ESTATE PLANNING
- TRUSTS
- POWERS OF ATTORNEY
- GUARDIANSHIPS
- CONSERVATORSHIPS
- ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVES

NEW LOCATION
25 East Main Street
Salem • 389-6735

BUSINESS OF THE WEEK

BUSINESS OF THE WEEK

BUSINESS OF THE WEEK

Financial strategies. One-on-one advice.



Joe Curran, AAMS®
Financial Advisor
11 E Main St
Salem, VA 24153
540-404-4331
www.edwardjones.com

Edward Jones®
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING Member SIPC

Serving individual investors

- Stocks
- Mutual funds
- Bonds
- Government Securities
- Municipal bonds
- CDs
- Money-market funds
- IRAs

...and much more! Call or drop by today!



Member SIPC
Paul Curran, CFP®
Financial Advisor
23 W. Calhoun St.
Salem, VA 24153
389-2450

Edward Jones®
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Financial strategies. One-on-one advice.



Joe Curran, AAMS®
Financial Advisor
11 E Main St
Salem, VA 24153
540-404-4331
www.edwardjones.com

Edward Jones®
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING Member SIPC

Call Randy Thompson
540-230-1129
advertise@ourvalley.org
to reserve this space

HE KNOWS SALEM

HE GETS RESULTS
389-1100

George Barker



BARKER REALTY 389-1100

embrace homeloans

Robin Jewell
Senior Loan Officer / NMLS# 235597
540.309.5013
rjewell@embracehomeloans.com
www.embracehomeloans.com/robin-jewell
5044 Keagy Road, Suite H100
Roanoke, VA 24018



Embrace Home Loans, Inc. (NMLS ID#2184) is licensed in VA. (www.nmlsconsumeraccess.com)

Like Salem Times-Register on Facebook



YOUNG REALTY COMPANY

716 West Main Street
Salem, Virginia 24153

Bus. (540) 387-0466
Cell (540) 397-2631
Fax (540) 389-0175
E-mail J5403@msn.com



J.C. Taylor
REALTOR®
Diamond Sales Award

MLS

Want to keep up with local news, sports and events?

SUBSCRIBE TODAY

Call (540) 389-9355

If you believe in your business and want to build it...

ADVERTISE!


To place your ad, call **Randy Thompson at 540-230-1129**

If you believe in your business and want to build it...

ADVERTISE!

call **Randy Thompson at 540-230-1129**
advertise@ourvalley.org

Providing Quality Care to the Community of Salem Since 1955



Snyder Nursing Home
11 North Broad Street, Salem
389-6305
Located in Historic Downtown Salem
directly across from the Salem Farmer's Market



Mamma Maria's
ITALIAN RESTAURANT
Specializing in Catering and Parties



389-2848 • 2025 West Main St., Salem / Exit 137 off I-81

Orange Market
1823 Thompson Memorial Drive • Salem, VA
(540) 389-0417
6 a.m. - 11 p.m. Seven Days a Week

ANGLICAN
ST. THOMAS ANGLICAN CHURCH - located at 4910 Hubert Rd, NW Roanoke, Va. Traditional Liturgical Lenten Services, Sunday at 10:30 am. Call (540) 589-1299 or visit www.sttofc.org for midweek masses and events. (In Roanoke, go E on Hershberger, L on Hubert to 4910).

BAPTIST (INDEPENDENT)
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH-7th and Florida Streets, Salem VA. Pastor: Roger D. Counts, 540-389-3818. Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship 11:00 a.m., Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Night Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m.

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

SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH, 2721 120'Clock Knob Rd., Salem, Pastor: Tim York; Sundayschool, 9:45AM, Sunday morning worship, 11:00AM, Sunday evening, 6:00PM, Wednesday evening, 7:00PM.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH - 4339 Daugherty Road, Salem, Greg Irby, Pastor, Church: 380-3567; Home: 389-7240, Sunday School 10:00 AM, Worship Services 11:00AM & 6:00PM, Mid-week Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:00PM, www.templebaptch.com.

BAPTIST (SOUTHERN)
BETHEL BAPTIST-1601 S. Colorado St., Salem, Pastor Hilton Jeffreys, 389-2376, Sunday: - 9:30 Sunday School; 10:30am Morning Worship; 6:00 Evening Worship; Wednesday 6:15 Preschool & Children Awana and Youth and Adult Bible Study. www.bethelbaptistva.com

MOUNTAIN PASS BAPTIST CHURCH - 311 Catawba Valley Dr., (Ro. Co.) Salem, VA 24153. Rev. Jack Richards, Jr., Pastor, Study 384-6720, Home 427-1508. Sundays: Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship 11:00 a.m., Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed: 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting and Bible Study.

RIDGEWOOD BAPTIST-703 Hemlock Road N.W. Roanoke, 342-6492. Roy E. Kanode, Pastor. Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Morning Worship 11 a.m., Awana 5:15 p.m., Adult Bible Study and Youth Fellowship 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.; Fellowship Meal 5:45 p.m.; Praise Kidz 6:00 p.m.; Family Night Activities 6:30 p.m. website: www.ridgewood-baptist.com.

FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH - Kevin Wilson, Pastor, 387-3200. Salem Campus: 1226 Red Lane Extension, Salem, Worship Times: 9:15 AM & 11:00 AM. North Campus: 7210 Williamson Road, Roanoke, Worship Times: 9:15 AM & 11:00 AM. Southwest Campus: 3585 Buck Mountain Road, Roanoke, Worship Times: 9:15 AM & 11:00 AM. www.fcclife.org.

BRETHREN
GREEN HILL CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, 2699 Harborwood Rd (Ro. Co.) Salem, (540) 389-5109, Email: greenhillcob@verizon.net, find us on Facebook. Continuing the work of Jesus, Peacefully, Simply, Together. God's Work Our Hands

CHURCHES OF CHRIST/CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

SALEM CHURCH OF CHRIST - 401 West Main Street. 540-389-2400. Minister Taylor Plott; Youth Minister Nathan Beard; 10:00am Sunday Bible Study; 11:00am

Salem

WORSHIP DIRECTORY

THE NIGHT SEASON

Read Psalms 62:1 through 68:35

George A. Young, a bivocational preacher in the nineteenth century, ministered mainly to rural churches while he supplemented his income as a carpenter. After many years of struggle he was able to build a home for his family with his own hands. While away from home in ministry, some who disagreed with his preaching burned his house to the ground. Shortly thereafter he wrote the hymn, "God Leads Us Along."

Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me. I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue (Psalm 66:16-17).

The Psalmist's words speak to us when we are going through life's challenges. And Pastor Young speaks to us of praising God in the night seasons of life: "Some through great sorrow, but God gives a song, in the night season and all the day long."

Like Pastor Young, we can pray and we sing in the night. Prayer plus praise equals power. Focus on God's presence and power and don't let sin cut the lines of communication.

Prayer Suggestion: Lord, we are thankful that through the challenges, we can still sing praises to You.

Quicklook: Psalm 66:13-20

Sunday Worship Service; Wednesday Life Groups: 5:30 -7:00pm. For more info contact the Church Office.

WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST - 1705 Starview Drive, Salem. Minister Neil Richey, 389-9139, Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 AM, Morning Worship: 10:30 AM, Evening Worship: 6:00 PM, Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 PM.

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

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

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 712 Front Ave. Salem, Pastor Dan Netting (540) 389-6831. www.firstchristiansalemva.com. Adult and Children Sunday School - 9:45 am, Worship - 10:45 am. Nursery Provided for both. Everyone welcome

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

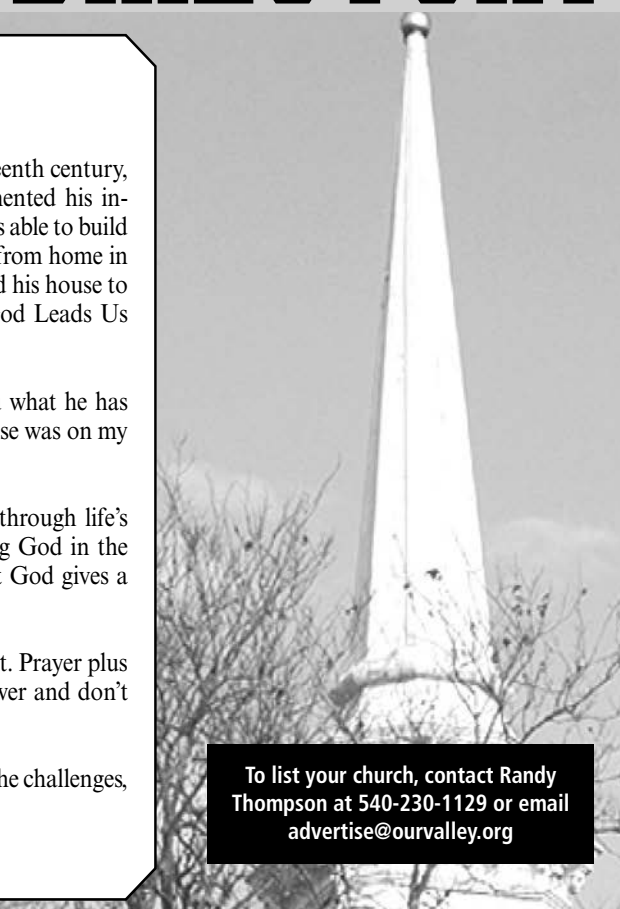
ECKANKAR
ECKANKAR, THE PATH OF SPIRITUAL FREEDOM, is located at 1420 3rd St. SW, Roanoke, VA 24016. However, due to COVID-19, the Light & Sound Services and other ECK programs are currently available online through Zoom. Visit www.eck-va.org for program listings, www.meetup.com/Roanoke-Spiritual-Experiences-Group,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

EPISCOPAL
ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - 42 East Main Street, Salem, 389-9307. The Rev. Dr. David Compton. Sundays at 7:30am and 10am. Holy Communion in church and live-streamed on YouTube @ StPaulSalemVa.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN COLLEGE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - 210 S. College Avenue, Salem VA 24153. Please visit our website www.collegelutheran.org for information on services.

FOURSQUARE
the BRIDGE SALEM CHURCH - 4335 West Main Street, Salem. 540-404-1414 | bridge.salem@icloud.com • www.salemva.church Saturday service, 6pm (Nursery & Kids Church available). Mail: PO Box 1954, Salem. Twitter/ Instagram: @thebridgesalem Joey Lyons, Senior Pastor | joey@salemva.church | 540-831-9864

INDEPENDENT
RESTORATION CHURCH - a Community on Mission Following Jesus into the World



To list your church, contact Randy Thompson at 540-230-1129 or email advertise@ourvalley.org

- 10:10am Sundays at the Salem YMCA - 1126 Kime Lane, Salem - 540-384-1601 - www.restorationsalem.org. Watch Live at: YouTube: Restoration Church-Salem, VA. Facebook: RestorationChurchSalem

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, U.S.A., INC.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH-226 South Broad Street, Salem. Rev. Melton Johnson, 389-9648. Sunday School 9:30 AM, Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 AM, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM.

SHILOH BAPTIST- 201 South Market Street, Salem, Rev. Adrian E. Dowell, H) (389-0409). Sunday School at 8:30 a.m. (All classes) each Sunday online via zoom and church conference call line. Wednesday Adult Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. via zoom and church conference call line. Children's Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. via zoom. Teen Talk Bible Study at 7:30 p.m. via zoom. Saturday Men's Bible Study at 7:00 a.m. via zoom. Saturday Intercessory Prayer Service at 8:00 a.m. via church conference call line. Sunday Women's Bible Study Class at 8:30 p.m. via zoom. In-person Worship on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. or worship with us on line via Facebook or on the church conference call line. In person worship requires CDC guidelines for mask wearing and social distancing. Ushers are available to assist with seating.

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

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)
SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH- 41 East Main Street, Salem, VA . 389-3881. Associate Pastor Rev. Janet Chisom, Interim Pastor: Rev. Tupper Garden. In-Person Sunday School and worship has resumed at 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM on Sundays or worship with us online live at www.salempres.org, or Facebook, or YouTube. During in-person attendance for Sunday School and worship we strongly encourage wearing a mask while inside the church due to COVID concerns.

ROMAN CATHOLIC
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP -314 Turner Road, Salem. 387-0491, Rev. Danny Cogut, Saturday Mass - 5:00 p.m., Sunday Mass 10:30am, Daily Mass: Mon 12noon, Wed 6:30pm, Thur 12noon & Fri 12noon; Mass on Sunday at 1:00 pm in Spanish; Confessions Wednesday 5:30-6, Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

UNITED METHODIST
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 125 W. Main St, Salem, VA. 540-389-5459. Pastor Alan Combs, Traditional Worship - 8:45am, Sunday School - 9:45am, Genesis Contemporary Worship 10am; Traditional Worship - 11:00am. www.fumcsalemva.org.
LOCUST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH- 3415 Locust Grove Lane, Salem, 380-4303, Pastor Logan Hollenbeck. Each Sunday Traditional Worship 9:30 a.m.

Winter Weather from page 1



Willow, a one-and-a-half-year-old Presa Canario, lives in Salem and greatly enjoyed the snow on January 17.

SUBMITTED PHOTOS



Many Roanoke County residents braved the cold weather to take various pictures.



Enaas Shawkat loves taking visuals of animals in his backyard.



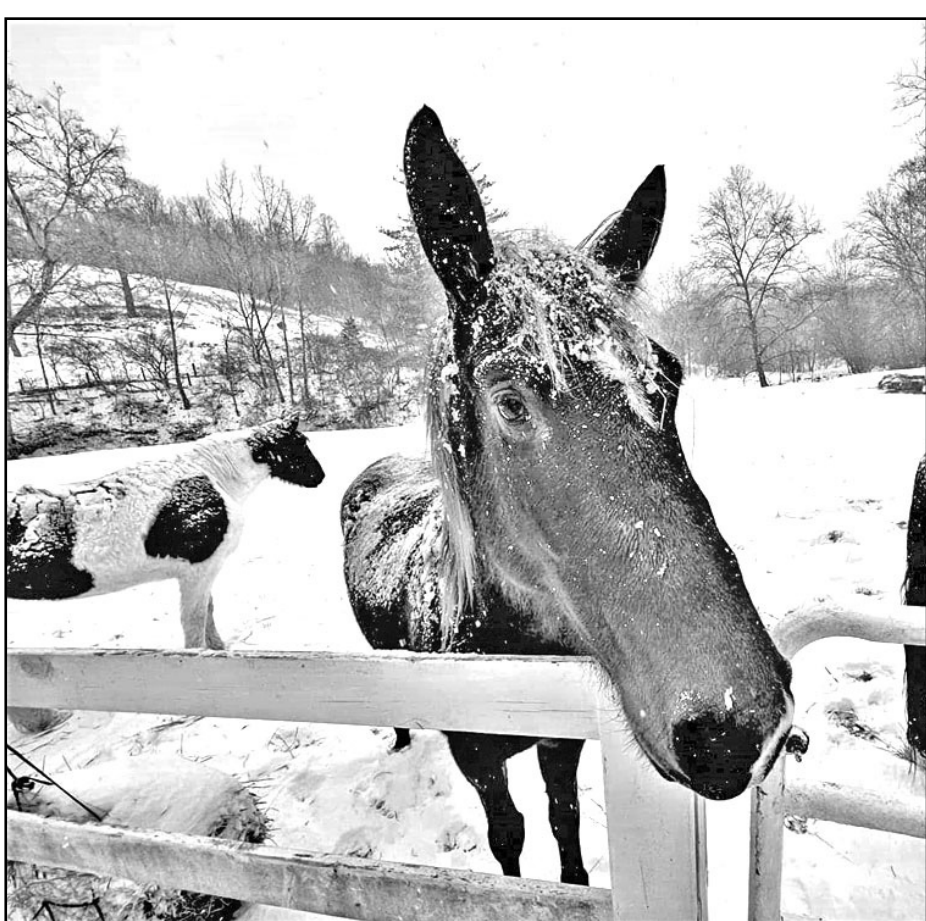
Monday's snow blanketed nearby mountains.



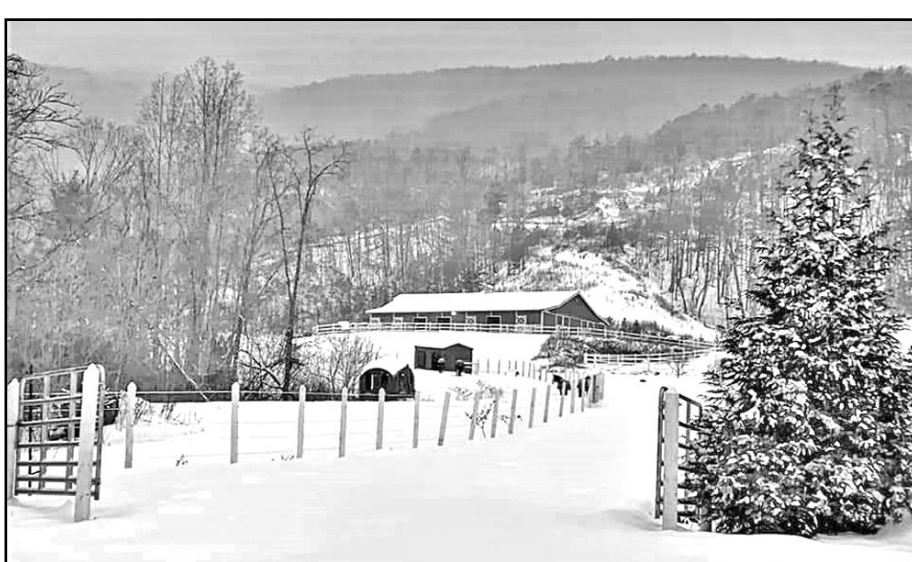
For the last 26 years, Salem resident James Reinhard has built a large snowman in his front yard anytime there was decent snow.



Lash's owners let him out of the barn to play in the snow and he loved it.



Chase, who is from a throwaway farm, experienced her first snow on Monday.



Brookhaven Staples in Salem is a private family-owned horse farm.



Roanoke County native Jason Styles decided to capture some nature visuals on Monday.

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



- ☞ Traditional Funerals
- ☞ On Site Crematory
- ☞ Pre-Planning
- ☞ Aftercare Services
- ☞ Compassionate Personalized Care

JOHN M. SINCE 1866
Oakey & SON
Funeral Home & Crematory

305 Roanoke Blvd., Salem • 540-389-5441 • www.johnmoakey.com

BUSINESS SERVICES DIRECTORY



DR FAME
ALLERGY
ASTHMA

540 404-9598
1002 APPERSON DR • SALEM, VIRGINIA 24153
WWW.DRTOMFAME.COM



SENIOR FOR SENIORS
PAINTING & RESIDENTIAL MAINTENANCE

Cell: 540-293-4271



CIRCLE R ROOFING OF VIRGINIA

Call for a FREE Estimate
Rob Gendreau • 540.784.0500



embrace homeloans

Robin Jewell
Senior Loan Officer / NMLS# 235597
540.309.5013
rjewell@embracehomeloans.com
www.embracehomeloans.com/robin-jewell
5044 Keagy Road, Suite H100
Roanoke, VA 24018



Embrace Home Loans, Inc. (NMLS ID#2184) is licensed in VA. (www.nmlsconsumeraccess.com)



FOX RADIO 910
Roanoke and 104.3 FM

CBS SPORTS RADIO

The Radio Home of the World Champion Atlanta Braves

www.foxradioroanoke.com
(540) 343-7109



Lisa Martin, REALTOR®
Serving the industry for 30+ years
Roanoke Valley & Blue Ridge Mountains
Premier, REALTORS
(540) 597-0480
Lisa@Lisa2buy.com • www.Lisa2buy.com
1638 Roanoke Road, Suite 101
Daleville, VA 24083

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HomeServices
A member of the franchise system of BHH Affiliates, LLC



MHC
Monroe Health Center

Craig County Health Center
226 Market Street - New Castle, VA
Phone: (540) 864-6390 Fax: (540) 864-6356

- *Physical Exams * X-ray Services
- * Laboratory Services * Acute Care
- *Mental Health Services * Well Baby Checks

ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS

CARPET RE-STRETCHING!
STEVEN W. DURRANCE FLOORS

Repairs • New Sales • Expert
540-776-9591
Cell: 540-353-7908
Licensed & Insured
carpetroanoke.com

Sunflooring Inc.
STEVE SMITH

With over 40 years of experience

Specializing in Hardwood Floors, Hardwood Refinishing, Laminate Flooring, Engineered Floors, Ceramic Tile, Carpet and Luxury Vinyl Plank

540-556-3100



CUSTER'S PLASTERING AND DRYWALL

- No job too large or small
- Repair work, new construction, etc.
- Quality Work At A Reasonable Price

Call 864-6498



THE CLASSIFIEDS-
Where the Deals Are!

The best place to find it, sell it, buy it, and announce it.



BAG A GREAT DEAL IN THE CLASSIFIEDS!

To place your ad, call 389-9355



Roof Replacement & Repair

540-966-0688
PO Box 630
Daleville, VA 24083
www.southerntracellc.com

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunity is knocking loud and clear.

SITUATIONS WANTED

Find a job in your special field, or find the help you need.

AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE

Get rid of the old rattletrap while it still runs

HOMES FOR SALE

House-hunting couldn't be easier.
389-9355

WE NOW OFFER NEW TAILLIGHTS! COME CHECK OUT OUR PRICES!



Price is Right
Auto Parts + Supplies

We sell used cars, bedliners, wheels, truck covers & boxes. Plus many other new & used parts - for every make of car!

Robert Cox 341 Walnut Avenue Vinton, VA 24179
Sonny Arrington 800-982-8778 Phone: (540) 982-8777

"Absolutely Best Real Estate Experience Ever!!"
-J&M T.

540.342.9600
Patrick Team HOMES Farms & Unique Properties RE/MAX All Stars - Daleville, VA
Dayna@PatrickTeamHomes.com



ADVERTISE!

To place a classified ad, call 540-389-9355

ADVERTISE!



THE CLASSIFIEDS-
Where the Deals Are!

To place a classified ad, call 540-389-9355

Spartans top Eagles, fall to Cougars

The Salem High boys' basketball team has a home game scheduled for tonight, Thursday, against Christiansburg after being snowed out of a Tuesday home game with Patrick Henry. The PH game has been rescheduled for February 9th.

Salem is 4-7 after splitting two games last week. The Spartans were playing without senior Tanner Dallas, their top scorer, and senior Chase Greer, one of the top defensive players on the team, but still managed to come away with a split.

Last Wednesday in Moneta the Spartans took a 47-41 win over host Staunton River. The game was close throughout as Salem led 20-18 at the half and 31-30 after three quarters before winning down the stretch.

"They have some size and they ran a two-three zone the whole

game, but we were able to knock down some threes," said Salem coach Kevin Garst.

Tyrell Green hit four three pointers, Josiah Moyer hit two and Lucas Yerton had one while the Spartans held the Eagles to no three pointers for the game. Moyer had 14 points to lead the Spartans, Hunter Bayne had 13 and Green had a dozen, all on threes. Bryson Hill had nine rebounds and three assists.

On Friday night Salem traveled to Dublin to take on Pulaski County in a River Ridge District game and the host Cougars took a 69-56 win. Pulaski jumped to a 24-12 lead after the first period but Salem trimmed the lead to 37-33 by the half. Pulaski then outscored Salem 20-9 in the third quarter and held off the visitors.

"We got down early but we tied it up near the end of the

half," said Garst. "We stayed right with them in the second half but they shot the ball well, and we were a step slow getting to the shooter."

Sophomore Grant Clemens led Salem with 13 points and three other Spartans hit for double figures, Green with 11 and Bayne and Moyer with 10 each. Bayne led the team with five rebounds and Moyer had five assists.

After tonight's home game with Christiansburg the Spartans will return to the SHS gym Saturday to make up a game with George Wythe that was previously postponed. The varsity is scheduled to begin around 2:30 pm.

Next week Salem will play back-to-back River Ridge District road games with a trip to Hidden Valley on Tuesday and a game at Christiansburg on Wednesday, January 26.



Salem's Bryson Hill turns the corner in a recent game as coach Kevin Garst looks on. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Bolling scores 21 in spot start for Glenvar

The Glenvar boys are hoping to get back on the court Friday after having their last two games postponed. The Highlanders are scheduled to play Carroll County in the

second game of a doubleheader with the girls in Hillsville.

Glenvar's scheduled game at Radford on Tuesday of this week was postponed by inclem-

ent weather, and last Friday's game at Floyd was also postponed. The last time Glenvar played they took a 67-58 win over Alleghany at GHS despite missing two

starters. With the team shorthanded Ty Bolling stepped up and scored a career high 21 points in a starting role.

"He's normally our sixth or seventh man," said Glenvar coach Cliff Bordewisch. "He was a little down on himself after missing the game tying three against James River, but he worked really hard the next few days in practice and had himself quite a game with five threes."

The Highlanders jumped to an early 24-7 lead but only scored five points in the second quarter as Alleghany battled back. The Highlanders opened a 15 point lead by the end of the third period, and although Alleghany cut into the lead in the fourth quarter the Mountaineers never really threatened. In addition to Bolling, Stephan Barber had 16 points and Aiden Alexander had 15, all on five threes.

"I wasn't happy with how we played for much of the game, but a conference win is always important and you have to get them at home," said Bordewisch.

The win lifted Glenvar to 10-3 on the season. Next week the Highlanders are at Covington Monday for a non-district game before a Three Rivers rematch with James River on Wednesday, January 26, at GHS.



Glenvar's Aiden Alexander lines up a three in last week's win over Alleghany. Aiden sank five threes in the win. PHOTO BY REGINA DEVINNEY

GHS girls are cold in overtime loss in Floyd

The Glenvar girls split two Three Rivers District basketball games last week and they're scheduled to play two more tough ones this week, although the forecast of more inclement weather may end up having a say about that.

Glenvar defeated Alleghany at home and lost to Floyd County on the road last week. They beat Alleghany 43-29 in the first half of a doubleheader with the boys on Wednesday. It was just the third loss of the season for the Mountaineers.

"It was our best rebounding effort in a while," said Glenvar coach Jeff Johnson. "We did a good job of

boxing out. They didn't get many second shots."

Rhyan Harris led the Highlanders with 21 points and McKenzie Harris had 11.

On Friday Glenvar traveled to Floyd for what is always a tough game against the Buffalo Gals. The game went down to the wire before Floyd pulled out a 55-47 overtime win. The Highlanders were cold in this game, and that doesn't necessarily mean they weren't shooting well.

"Every time we go to Floyd they have the AC (air conditioning) turned on over our bench," said Johnson. "This is the third time that's happened, and our girls kept complaining they were cold. I'm thinking it was a little warmer over their bench."

Glenvar got off to a tough start, trailing 26-15 at the half. However, they cut three points off the lead in the third quarter, then outscored Floyd 15-7 in fourth quarter to put the game into overtime. Floyd had to hit two foul shots near the end of regulation to tie the game.

"The (Destiny) Harman girl hit Rhyan in the stomach and she bent over, and they called a reach in foul," said Johnson. "I complained about the call and he said she reached in, and the only reason was because she bent over from being hit in the stomach."

Harman hit both free throws to tie the game and Harris missed a chance to win it at the buzzer. In overtime Floyd outscored Glenvar 14-6 as three of Glenvar's best players fouled out.

"We were gassed," said Johnson. "We only had one field goal in the overtime period."

Four players scored all but two of Glenvar's points as Rhyan Harris had 13, McKenzie Harris had a dozen and Savana Luper and Sophie McCulley had 10 each.

Now 7-8, the Highlanders were scheduled to play at Radford on Wednesday, weather permitting. On Friday they play a doubleheader with the girls at Carroll County. The Cavaliers are 12-1 and held James River to two points in a game last week, allowing no field goals for the entire game.

"They're good," said Johnson. "We're going to have our work cut out for us."



Brynn Bowen of Salem finds an open teammate with a no-look pass in the win at LB. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



Glenvar's Savana Luper is open for a shot in Glenvar's win over Alleghany at GHS. PHOTO BY REGINA DEVINNEY

Life is short. Don't make it shorter.

Choose life. Make sure your kids get their HPV vaccine and protect them against cancer.

@vaccinatevirginia

Protect the ones you love, get vaccinated now.

VDH VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

SPORTS

Thursday, January 20, 2022

Send story ideas & announcements to bhoffman@ourvalley.org, or PO Box 1125, Salem, Va, 24153 • ourvalley.org

**Haley Has It For Less...
For Salem!**



Haley Toyota
1530 Courtland Road NE,
Roanoke, VA 24012 • 540.345.1666
Haleyhasitforless.com
Bring this coupon in for
\$100 Off Your Best Deal!
Limit One Per Customer
Expiration Date: JANUARY 31, 2022



Top left, Salem's DaRon Wilson hands off to Joshiah Persinger after completing the first leg of the 4x200 relay at Liberty University on Saturday. Above right, third leg Evyn Hughes hands the baton to anchor leg Chauncey Logan, Jr., who carried the mail for a third place finish and team personal best. Below left, Salem's Marie Snyder checks her 55 meter time after finishing her heat. Below center, Glenvar's Colby Thompson clears the bar in the high jump, and below right Joanna Killeen of Glenvar leads a pack of distance runners down the stretch.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



Big day for Salem sprinters at Walter Bass Invitational at Liberty U.

Salem and Glenvar competed in the Walter Bass Invitational at the Liberty University indoor track facility in Lynchburg last weekend and both teams had some good performances in the big meet.

The Spartan boys' 4x200 relay team of DaRon Wilson, Joshia Persinger, Evyn Hughes and Chauncey Logan, Jr. finished third out of 41 teams competing with a time of 1:33.49. That's not only a state qualifying time but the top time in Region 4D this winter and the fifth best time in the entire state among Class 4 teams.

Logan also took second in the long jump with a state qualifying jump of 21' 0.5". That's the third best in the region and fifth in Class 4.

Chauncey also led an impressive list of 55 meter

times for the Spartans, who competed among 208 sprinters. Logan was third at 6.65 to qualify for the state with a time that is second in the region and eighth in the state. Wilson wasn't far behind at 6.77 for 11th, which is a region qualifying time along with fifth in the region and top 20 in the state. Hughes ran 6.9 for 21st to qualify for the region and Persinger ran 6.91 for 24th, also qualifying for the region.

In the shotput Dontay Davis was 28th among 84 competitors with a toss of 35' 1" and Nathan Bonds was 30th at 33' 8". Jonathan Vernon was 13th among 207 runners in the 300 meters. His time was 11th in the region.

For the Salem girls, Marie Snyder ran the 55

meters, finishing 99th among 163, and the 300, finishing 88th among 193. Sutton Semones was 68th in the 500 and 70th in the shot put.

Glenvar also had some athletes at the meet, although distance standout Carly Wilkes did not attend as she ran in the Virginia Showcase event. Also, all-around standout Sydney Loder did not compete due to a volleyball commitment.

"This was a last minute meet for us due to Roanoke College being cancelled," said coach Bekka Loder. "The athletes did great this weekend and continue to hit personal records and meet individual goals."

Both the Salem and Glenvar indoor track teams will be back at Liberty University on January 29 for the Bulldog Invitational.

Glenvar girls splash three more, now 11-1 in team competition



Glenvar's Claire Griffith competes in the breast stroke in last week's meet at the Salem YMCA.

PHOTO BY TONYA WOOLWINE

Weather permitting, the Glenvar swimmers will be busy this week. The Highlanders are scheduled to swim Christiansburg tonight and in Wytheville on Friday.

The Wytheville meet is a late addition to make up for a cancelled meet at the Botetourt YMCA last Thursday. Glenvar's last dip in the pool in competition came last Tuesday, January 11, at Salem YMCA. The Ladies moved to 11-1 on the season with a victory over Three Rivers District and Region 2C rival Radford (104-63) as well as topping the Cavaliers of Carroll County (127-29). The boys' team again swam well but fell to both opponents.

Starting the scoring was the boys 200 medley relay team of Jacob Hall, Zander Honaker, Connor Wilkes and Tucker Henderson, finishing third while the girls team of Adrianna Hall, Claire Griffith, Natalie McMahon and Delaney Eller finished second.

Connor Wilkes was second in the boys' 200 freestyle while Claire Griffith won the event for the girls and Kaylin Paitsel was second in personal record time. Carly Wilkes also had a second place finish in the 200 Individual Medley.

Hall and Eller went 1-2 in the 50 freestyle for the girls while Griffith won the 100 but-

terfly and Natalie McMahon was third.

Honaker set a new personal record in the boys' 100 freestyle, finishing second. Kaylin Paitsel, Emily Gard and Brooklyn Woolwine finished 1-2-3 for the girls, all setting new personal records. Wilkes won the 500 freestyle with Eller finishing third.

The girls 200 freestyle relay team of Hall, Eller, Wilkes and Griffith won the event with a season's best time. The B team of Kaylin Paitsel, Emily Gard, Brooklyn Woolwine and Macy Westland finished third.

Natalie McMahon and Hall went 1-2 in the 100 backstroke with Natalie setting a new personal record. Macy Westland was third in the 100 breaststroke also with a new personal record.

The girls 400 freestyle relay team of McMahon, Gard, Paitsel and Wilkes finished the meet with a win and the B team of Brooklyn Woolwine, Izzy Shearer, Emma Pope and Macy Westland finished third.

The team set 13 new personal records on the night.

"Swimming district rivals seems to bring out the best in our swimmers," said coach Shannon Hall. "The girls had an exceptional night in the pool and the boys continue to consistently improve."

Salem girls swim past William Byrd, "Senior Night" is snowed out Tuesday

The Salem High swim team had "Senior Night" scheduled for Tuesday of this week but that meet was called off due to last weekend's snowstorm. The meet had not been rescheduled at press time.

Last week at the Gator Center in Roanoke the Spartans took on William Byrd in a dual meet. The Salem girls took a 76-68 win and the host Terriers won the boys' meet, 100-67.

For Salem, Mary Martha Blackwood and Kate Mann tackled the 200 Free and came out on top taking first and second

place. Mary Martha took another first place swim with her 100 Fly.

Another two time winner congratulations goes to Jaedyn Jenkins in the 200 IM and 100 Free. Samuel Miles won the 50 Free and Joren Poush won the 100 Free.

Both 200 Free Relays came out on top. The girls 200 Free Relay consisted of Laci Barnes, Jenkins, Lauren Baba and Blackwood and the Boys 200 Free Relay had Samuel Miles, Walker Peterson, Cole Bowen and Zach Easter.



Salem's Kaylee Shiflett swims freestyle.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN