

### OurValley.org Mask wearing now optional at Salem City Public Schools

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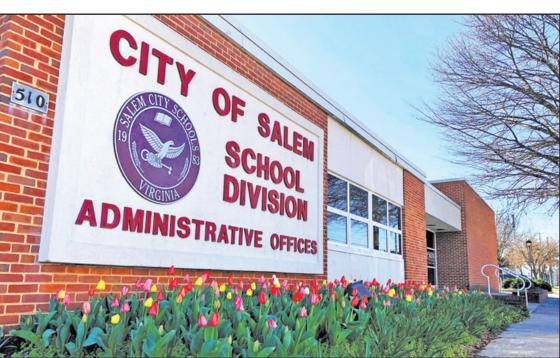
In addition to an enrollment of approximately 4,400 students, Salem's six public schools also employ more than 200 teachers and educators. On Feb. 28, mask wearing became optional at all four elementary schools, Andrew Lewis Middle School and Salem High School.

In a recent letter sent to parents, Superintendent Curtis Hicks said, "Late in the day on Friday (Feb. 25), the CDC hosted a press conference where they unveiled a new tool to help communities determine appropriate COVID mitigation strategies. Using a variety of metrics, the tool assigns a level for every county and major city in the country (low, medium, high). Citizens can determine the level for their community by using the interactive map on the website. Please visit the CDC COVID-19 Community Levels page if you would like more information about why the CDC is transitioning to this method, how they determine each locality's designation and the mitigation recommendations for each level."

He added, "Currently, our area has a medium designation. It is important to note that masks are not a recommended mitigation strategy at the medium or low levels, and are only included as an individual and household mitigation strategy in communities with a high designation."

After the Va. House of Delegates voted to include an emergency amendment from Governor Glenn Youngkin to

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Superintendent Curtis Hicks sent out a letter to parents last week explaining why the decision was made.

Salem Police Department announces 2021 Officer of the Year

Salem's 2021 Police Officer of the Year is known for going the extra mile in everything he does.

Whether he's traveling all the way from Seattle to join the Salem Police Department, driving nearly an hour to get to work each day or hitting the pavement in a full sprint to apprehend an armed suspect, Jonathan Detzler has earned the utmost respect of his peers.

"Jonathan has been a member of the department for less than three years, but in that short time he has made a favorable impression on everyone he has encountered," said Mike Crawley, Salem Police Chief. "He has a great understanding of service to others, and it is very apparent that he genuinely cares about people and wants to help them."

That was never more evident that on the night of June 30, 2021, when Officer Detzler reported for duty on the opening night of the Salem Fair.

"I had just been on

six hours of traffic duty when I arrived at the fairgrounds," said Detzler. "Sgt. Malek and I were walking to our observation post on the midway and as we were approaching the tower, we heard three loud pops in succes-

sion." Because that particular observation lookout is in the middle of several rides, concessions and games, Detzler and Malek initially thought the sounds were coming from the balloon popping game.

"We were right beside that game, but as I turned around, I saw a juvenile with a gun in his hand and he was pointing it into the crowd," said Detzler. "When he saw me, he stumbled back, put the gun in his pocket and started running." Detzler was able to get a description to his fellow officers and keep track of the suspect as he weaved his way through fairgoers, who were entering the midway. His quick and decisive actions allowed the Salem Police Department to capture the suspect before he left the premises and secure the weapon that was used in the shooting.

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"I didn't realize how bad the incident could have been until we did our debriefing meeting," he said. "I wish I could tell you why I didn't hesitate, but I think my training and instincts just took over. I feel very fortunate that he did not shoot at me and that I did not have to draw my gun on a juvenile."

Two people were in-



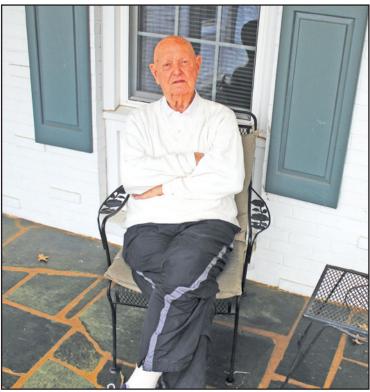
Officer Jonathan Detzler



SUBMITTED PHOTOS Salem Police Chief Mike Crawley

jured in the incident, new safety measures were immediately put in place on the fairgrounds and the criminal case was adjudicated in Salem Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. Officer Detzler's peers recognized him for

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**On February 23, beloved community member Howard Packett celebrated his 90th birthday.** 

# Former Salem Mayor turns 90

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Individuals 90 years or older make up less than five percent of the population. Howard Packett, a beloved member of the Salem community, recently celebrated that milestone. In addition to serving as Salem Mayor, Packett also served on Salem City Council for 24 years, retiring in 2008. Perhaps what Packett is best known for is his advertising agency, the Packett Group.

Born in Kilmarnock, Virginia, on February 23, 1932, Packett graduated from Washington & Lee High School in 1949. In the subsequent years, he served in the Marine Corps and fought in the Korean War. As a teenager, he worked part-time as a grocery store cashier and butcher. One day, he explained, I realized that I wanted to do something more with my life, so I joined the Marines. After my time in the military, he added, I felt encouraged to attend journalism school, so I applied to Washington & Lee University and got accepted.

Packett has lived through countless historical events – World War II, the assignations of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, the first human to walk on the moon, and many, many more.

When asked to put all of that into context, he replied, "I never quite thought of it that way. But you're right. A lot of events that are documented or in the history books, I was alive when they happened. I distinctly remember many of those instances."

Early on, Packett realized that life was an adventure. Many of the hobbies he enjoys as a senior were the same things he enjoyed as a young adult such as fishing, riding his bicycle and spending quality with loved ones.

When Packett moved to the Roanoke Valley in 1958, his first job was at the Roanoke Times. In 2006, two years before retiring, Packett began his 24-month term as Salem Mayor with Randy Foley serving as his processor.

In 1959, Packett and his wife Jane were married. To-

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# 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 Management team members are in constant contact with the Virginia Department of Health, the Roanoke-Alleghany Health Department and area health professionals at our local hospitals. During this time of uncertainty, people are encouraged to monitor the website (salemva. gov) for official city details on closings or cancellations. This site will be updated daily whenever there is new information.

#### FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

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

#### SECOND MONDAY

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

#### EACH TUESDAY

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

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

•Knights of Columbus hosts bingo for charity. Proceeds support local charities including RAM House, Madonna House, the Roanoke Rescue Mission, Saint Francis House, food pantries and various youth projects. Games are played from 5:30 -9:30 p.m. at Gator Hall, at 5301 Williamson Road, near Happy's Flea

Market.

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

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

monthly The 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 Select permitting. vendors will have country sausage, cagefree eggs, grass-fed beef, cage-pasture-raised

homemade chicken, rolls, pieces of artisan bread, muffins, seasonal greens and more.

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# OLICE REPORT

The Salem Police Department reported the following people were arrested and charged Feb. 8-21. Arrest indicates an accusation, and defendants are presumed innocent unless found guilty in court. Police do not release the names of persons under the age of 18.

Those arrested and their charges were listed as:

Feb. 8 – Joshua A. Stover, 34, public intoxication; and Cory J. Reynolds, 33, possession of controlled substance.

Feb. 9 - Rebekah A. Burnham, 43, assault and battery

Feb. 10 - Tony S. Worrell III, 19, possession of controlled substance

Feb. 11 - Kevin T. Jessee, 40, conceal merchandise; and Jarrett E. Gilmore, 29, public intoxication.

- Feb. 12 Rex P. Settles, 42, shoplifting
- Feb.  $1\overline{3}$  Robert L. White, 43, criminal trespass

Feb. 14 – Leslie A. Reusch, 31, DUI; and Brandon S. May, 41, violation of probation.

Feb. 15 - Heather L. Oakes, 45, public intoxication

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Feb. 17 - Reginald L. Brown, 41, violation of protective order; Phillip L. Hall, 40, violation of protective order; and Michael L. Murray, 38, fugitive from justice.

Feb. 18 – Danna L. Jones, 59, violation of probation; James S. Eubank, 57, possess firearm by felon, threatening/brandishing; and Leron W. Smith, 31, DUI. Feb. 19 - Heather L. Oakes, 45, public intoxication

Feb. 20 – Anthony J. Baker Jr., 27, domestic assault and battery

Feb. 21 - Adolfo V. Acevedo, 27, DUI, evading police; Emily K. Weddle, 35, possession of controlled substance; and Frederick L. Haibon, 40, public intoxication.

# **Salem GOP elects Executive Committee**



# Salem Museum Speaker Series

Beginnings, Firsts, and the Emergence of Virginia Tech

Calling all Hokies! Virginia Ťech is in the midst of its Sesquicentennial Celebration, marking the 150th anniversary of its founding with celebrations that extend across the commonwealth, nation, and world. On March 10 at 7 p.m., Peter Wallenstein, ofessor of history at Virginia Tech, will look back at various episodes and people in Virginia Tech's storied history. This program is presented by the Salem Museum on Zoom. The Zoom link will be posted on the Museum's website, salemmuseum. org, on the morning of the talk. The university that would become Virginia Tech officially opened on October 1, 1872, as Virginia's white landgrant institution. Its founding name was Agricultural Virginia and Mechanical College, later changed to Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and on the school's history. Polytechnic Institute. Faced The latest, just off the with such an unwieldy press, is a second edition name, people called it of Virginia Tech, Land-Virginia Institute, or VPI. In 1970, 1997: History of a School, the state legislature gave a State, a Nation. He is it the present legal name, currently completing a Virginia Institute and



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From left to right, Chairman Chris Thomas, 1st Vice Chair Robert Andrews, Secretary Amy Willis, Treasurer Faye Curren, 2nd Vice Chair John Garrison and Sgt. Keith Delk.



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a bill that already passed ing that parents matter in the General Assembly, by signing SB739, efmasks were going to be fectively giving parents optional no later than the ability to opt-out of March 1. school mask mandates,"

After a 52-48 vote on Senate Bill 739, Gov. Youngkin officially signed the bill on Feb. 16.

"Since day one, we have worked to empower Virginia parents who want to have a voice in the upbringing and education of their children. This is a defining moment and decisive victory for parents and kids across the Commonwealth. We are reaffirm**Peter Wallenstein** 

University. Once again, though, it goes by a shorter name: Virginia Tech.

Peter Wallenstein is the author of three books Polytechnic Grant University, 1872-Polytechnic much longer history of State Virginia Tech. His many

he said at the time.

Safety has always been

the number one priority

for Salem students and

employees. Tremendous

progress has been made

over the last year, most

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Richard Wright un-

cases.

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other books include Cradle of America, a history of Virginia written for his "tall readers." Perhaps some fourth-grader in your family has read his book for "short readers," Our Virginia. He has been recognized with various awards for both his teaching and his research.

- Submitted by Frances Ferguson, Salem Museum Executive Director

friends on both sides of the fence and for the most part, they have all made compelling arguments," Wright said. "I am of the belief that whatever the health experts suggest, I am going to do with that. Obviously, they know more than people who just spew rhetoric on social media. I do think this decision will have a positive impact on the community.'

Additional information about mask wearing and more can be found at www.salem.k12.va.us.

# LewisGale Pulaski first Southwest Virginia Hospital to offer HDR prostate brachytherapy

Sarah Cannon Institute at LewisGale Hospital Pulaski is the first and only local hospital in southwest Virginia to offer highdose rate (HDR) prostate brachytherapy, a more convenient and precise form of radiation therapy to treat prostate cancer.

HDR brachytherapy is a type of internal radiation therapy that enables doctors to deliver higher doses of radiation to specific areas of the body, by temporarily placing radioactive sources inside the tumor cavity.

Rogers, MD, John oncologist, radiation performed the first HDR brachytherapy prostate

treatments using real-time, CT-based planning at the facility.

"This technology administers treatment faster, often with just two treatment sessions spaced about two weeks apart," stated Dr. Rogers. "The radiation source is completely removed after each treatment and doesn't remain inside the body in between treatments."

prostate HDR brachytherapy is a minimally-invasive procedure that allows patients to undergo just one or two outpatient treatments, rather than weeks of daily treatments,

as has been traditionally The radioactive done. source is directed through small catheters that are inserted into the body and guided by computer to the tumor, or target area, where it delivers precise radiation treatment. The radiation is delivered in minutes and then removed from the patient's body.

The effectiveness of HDR brachytherapy in treating prostate cancer is comparable to traditional external beam radiation treatments, but with reduced side effects and lower risk of damage to nearby tissue and organs.

"We are the only facility officer. "This marks another



Sarah Cannon Institute at LewisGale Hospital Pulaski

in Southwest Virginia that offers HDR prostate brachytherapy for men with prostate cancer," stated Sean Pressman, chief executive

major milestone for our comprehensive cancer program and demonstrates our commitment to caring for, and improving, the overall health of our

patients who live in in Southwest Virginia."

Submitted by Finley, Christopher Marketing Director

# State leaders call for decisive action in support of Ukraine

Governor Glenn Youngkin recently called for decisive action in support of Ukraine Russian President after Vladimir Putin's unprovoked invasion. The Governor directed an immediate review of state procurement of any and all goods and services involving Russian companies, called for Virginia Mayors to terminate sister-city partnerships with

Russian cities, and urged the Virginia Retirement System and university endowments to divest any Russian holdings immediately.

"The invasion of Ukraine by Soviet dictator Vladimir Putin cannot stand, and the people of the Commonwealth are ready to rally in opposition to this senseless attack on a sovereign nation and western ideals," said

Governor Youngkin. "We are acting to show our solidarity with the Ukrainian people as they defend their country. And while these are important steps, it is incumbent upon President Biden to take a stronger, more decisive leadership position to end this war."

Actions taken by Governor Youngkin include:

Ordering the Department of

**General Services to immediately** review all contracts across government and procurement to determine what, if any, Virginia tax dollars are spent on goods and services from primarily Russian companies.

Calling on The City of Norfolk and the City of Roanoke to end sister city partnerships with Russian cities.

Calling on the Virginia Retirement System Board of Trustees and university endowment funds to divest in a prudent and orderly fashion any and all holdings of the Russian Ruble and any and all securities of Russian companies

Submitted by Macaulay Porter, Office of the Governor

# Bank of Botetourt welcomes Chapman as Senior Systems Administrator

Bank of Botetourt recently welcomed Robert Chapman as AVP Senior Systems Administrator within the Bank's IT Department. He will work at the Care Center in the Town of Buchanan.

Robert has been in the financial industry for more than twenty-one years and earned his Associates , Degree from the East Coast Polytechnic Institute™ (ECPI). Throughout his career, he has

specialized in the information technology sector. A native and resident of Buchanan, he and his son Robert reside in the Indian Rock area of Botetourt County.

The Bankalsowelcomes Shannon McClure as the Compliance and Risk Administration Officer/ Training Officer. She will also be based from the Bank's Care Center in Buchanan. She joins the Bank with more than ten years of

industry experience in numerous departments. Shannon attended Roanoke College and is a native and current resident of Roanoke. She and her husband Darren love their three children Lizzy, Austin and Branden.

> Submitted by Mary Ann Miller, Business Banking and Community Relations VP

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gether, they raised two sons - Mark and John. Their daughter tragically died before her first birthday due to heart complications. "I lost my best friend in Jane this past July. I still think about her every day, but I know that she is in a better place looking down on us. She taught so many Salem children over the years that it is hard to count. We made so many beautiful memories together."

Packett's secret to living to celebrate your 90th birthday? "Make time for your friends and loved ones. Don't take yourself or your job too seriously," he said. "And most importantly, never lose sight of what matters to you the most."

The Salem Times Register wishes this remarkable man a very happy belated 90th birthday!

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# **O**PINION

Give Light ~ Growing into lent ~

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

My early memories of the penitential "season" of Lent are of "Mite Boxes." They were little square cardboard boxes that came folded up, were often purple in color, and when opened, became two by four-inch containers for small coins. I learned the money was for poor people in other countries.

The "mite," I learned later, referred to the 'widow's mite' to which Jesus referred as He taught that it's not the amount of money one gives, but the spirit of generosity that counts.

For a small girl with curls and a single mother who supported the two of us on a three-acre poultry farm in the 1930s with no government assistance, the name was appropriate. I always had what I needed, my mother's undivided attention, plenty to eat and a clean dress every day which my paternal aunts and uncles helped Mama provide.

All my early learnings came

from Sunday School held in the bright upper rooms of the Parish House at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in the Piedmont Virginia town of Orange. The building for Christian education and fellowship dated from a few years earlier, but the attached worship center was much older; 1833 was marked upon its front beside the green shutters. General Lee had worshipped there in 1863, a marker said.

{Maybe this is as good a time as any to reveal the denomination into which I was born at the beginning of the Great Depression. I'm sure that through the publication of these and earlier columns, any readers who care have long known it, I have always tried to avoid giving any preference to the Christian group of British origin which is sometimes described as a "Middle Way" between the Roman Catholic and the Protestant. The practices at St. Thomas followed those of the 17th Century Protestant Reformation in Europe. They remain mine today. For instance, the use of "Father" for a clergyman was unknown to folk of my childhood; all were graduated from the Protestant Episcopal Seminary in Alexandria

## Frances Stebbins Correspondent

and served under a Bishop living in Richmond.}

My mother's Shenandoah Valley Presbyterian roots were as strong as my fathers from Eastern Virginia. My parents had decided, before his death from the effects of tuberculosis before I could remember him, that I should be Baptized into the Stringfellow religious heritage.

So, at three years old, my mother pushed me in a stroller up the hill to St. Thomas' for we had no car and lived on the edge of our town of 2,000. A nursery for babies and toddlers was unknown in those days. We sat near the back on hard straight-backed pews. Windows were open in summer in the nave of simple architecture; there were a few stained-glass windows and more came from a rich benefactor after World War II when I left for college in Richmond –and never came back.

The wonderful memory of the woman who became my mother's best friend, Kathleen Newman Tolliver, will live with me forever. She was my teacher for most of my Sunday School years. (Interestingly, the more melodious pronunciation of the "Taliferro" name is common in the Roanoke area, but around Orange, several families, all more or less related, used an Americanized form. My mother wondered why.)

"Mrs. T" and her husband, a lawyer from what had once been a wealthy landed family, were childless. Both, however, loved children and knew many in town in and out of their church.

With a good memory and coached by my mother, I learned there the Lord's Prayer, the Apostles Creed, the Twenty-third Psalm, the 10 Commandments and the Beatitudes. I stood on a table and recited them at seven and received a gold-tipped pin which is still with me.

Later, I could recite some other statements of faith - "confessions" of our service.

Back to Mite Boxes. St. Thomas' Sunday School had in all perhaps 30 children. I got to know them all, but we scattered by our teens when many of the few girls were sent off to one of the church boarding schools not far away. The boys similarly went to private Woodberry Forest School or to a church-affiliated boarding school. My adjustments to public high school have already been revealed.

With no youth group to help me learn and socialize, I rebelled against church by the time I was confirmed reluctantly at 16 and went off to college in Richmond. But there I met in a church social the ill-fated WW II veteran who became my first love.

More importantly, just after my mother's death when I was 19, Charlie Stebbins came into my life; his family and religious heritage were amazingly similar to mine. In time, we both came back in Roanoke to the Episcopal side of our families and never left it through many, many ups and downs.

And so today I've grown past Mite Boxes through the three parishes in which I have been active. Lent's observances - even the Roman Catholic-inspired Stations of the Cross - I try to take seriously.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor,

MVP will not end by one single action but by 1,000 cuts. All along, the main battle for and against MVP has been about timing - a cliffhanger. For MVP privileged beyond any shred of justice - has known all along that its future depended on fast-tracking its unlawful completion ahead of effective federal court scrutiny and

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 whose disadvantage for opponents was the years it takes to work through legal challenges while MVP was allowed to construct.

At every public hearing, MVP officials repeated its percentage progress of completion. MVP's "unstatable" subtext was: "You permitted us, and we are so far completed - just grandfather us in! Ignore the law and citizens' rights to justice, safety, historical preservation clean water and peaceful communities."

Opposing MVP from when it was merely a "kleptomaniacal twinkle" in EQT's eve (now a parent-partner who has abandoned its losing monster MVP baby) was POWHR (Preserve Our Water, Heritage and Rights) - a coalition of MVP-crossed SWVA county "Preserve" groups. POWHR's first accomplishment was a 2015 Key Log economic impact study of out-of-state MVP LLC's economic damage (which underestimated the yet-to-be-determined endless economic and potential "abandonment-restoration" costs) which will now likely occupy us for decades.

across the Virginias - usurping land before a dime was paid to traumatized landowners under the FERC-granted privilege of "tolling orders" pre-emptively transgressing the property rights, bisecting the widest intact contiguous U.S. East Coast wilderness - including Americans' Jefferson National Forest. Thanks to "Nutty"

(protest name) for her heroic five-week aerial blockade of Pocahontas Road which prevented MVP's entrenchment of 42" pipes across Peters Mountain! She and other tree and equipment clairvoyant blockade heroes were upheld the law while many local judges, state and federal agencies and two successive Virginia governors - McAuliffe and Northam were on the unlawful side.

Leaders were propagandized by the fossil fuels interests-occupied Roanoke (and Virginia) Fourth Circuit Federal Court judges - Gregory, Thacker and Wynn. The difficulty of regaining these permits is now commensurate to the task we now face to restore MVP-crossed land permanently harmed.

Opponents are undoing MVP's "done deal." We've been on our own. Only lately, the Biden EPA backed our rights to clean water. After years of delays to MVP's attempt to fast-track, the courts are finally overruling the united corrupt state and federal agencies' lawless MVP permits. Bittersweet justice is finally coming to bear on MVP but look at the sobering destruction - easily viewed from hundreds of Salem vantage points.

Thankfully, we're dodging MVP's worst bullets - an arbitrary 300-mile bomb planted under the Virginias' roads - including our major Salem North-South

The Virginia Way paved MVP's easement that took Virginia corruption to a new level. Even a deaf or blind person could not miss MVP's massive water destruction of every stream it crossed! Still doubling down, while other East Coast states long-ago ended ridiculous export-sized pipelines, Virginia's DEQ was "Supporting Actor" to help MVP win the title of "Last Standing Epic East Coast Pipeline Boondoggle" by recommending to its VA Water Board on December 14, 2021 - a CWA permit that makes a mockery of our nation's beloved 1972 law.

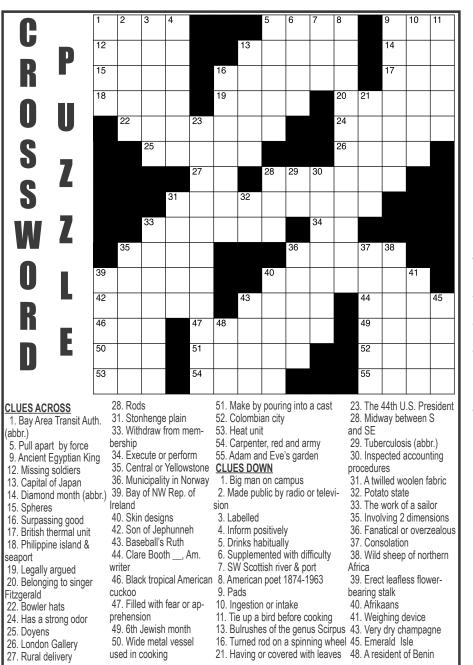
MVP - destroyer of everything - only offers higher heating costs to VA for private profit! Still, the Chamber supports it while VA Republicans join VA Dems (after all our Mothers-Out-Front whistleblowing on VADEQ's corruption) to pass a law to transfer ALL permitting power to VADEO! Wouldn't that reward the VADEQ perpetrator of SWVA's economic harm? Let's hope Delegate Joe McNamara (who originally opposed MVP on the Roanoke Co. BOS) takes note and preserves the authority permitting of VA Citizen Boards whose Air Pollution Board acted properly on not permitting MVP Southgate although the Water Board wrongly upheld VADEQ's CWA permit for the MVP mainline. Recognize corruption, end the "Virginia Way" - a major attack on honest, flourishing VA business that never "needed" MVP and whose attack of our Valley's pristine outdoor theme must be rejected. Authentic leaders need to recognize these straight-on attacks and use their standings to fight back with all available tools - not neutrality and pretend actions! Local governments must insist that all construction in Roanoke River's watershed and Bent Mountain headwaters be halted now!

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Chambers of Commerce "MVP was needed that and stimulate economic development and jobs." Leaders should always be aware of the oft-repeated, irresistible "shiny object" propaganda. The truth we now confirm was simply scheme to advance а profiteering private investors who cared nothing about how their destructive project affects locals, the stability of our mountains or endangered species that - if we know them and protect them - in turn protect us. An operational MVP is an explosive bomb undercutting our Salem I-81/ US 460 major North-South thoroughfares that had to be detonated before completion.

MVP lost essential permits twice its US Forest Service and BLM authorization for two crossings of JNF and the US Fish and Wildlife biological (endangered species) opinion. Additionally, the Army Corps of Engineers will not issue a Clean Water Act (CWA) water crossing permit (needed to cross the remaining waterways) without a valid MVP biological opinion. These two permits were already twice rejected by the Obama-appointed trio of

#### Dear Editor,

The recent State Air Pollution Control Board (APCB) hearing in Chatham exposed MVP's lack of preparedness and Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)'s lack of providing appropriate guidance for MVP Southgate to be successful. The board members questioned the specs for MVP Southgate which included gas-powered turbines. A nearby Transco pipeline upgraded their compressor station to use electric turbines, resulting in less harmful emissions. Electric turbines should have been included in the plans for Southgate.

The board interacted with environmental

thoroughfares, I-81, U.S. 460 and the railroad. Don't forget MVP's proximity to Spring Hollow Dam.

MVP must now face its investors after exploding their billions in foolhardy. Major MVP partner, NEXTERA, just took losses and seceded from this privileged, hyped, fast-tracked, lawless and fraudulent project that is the greatest threat to Salem's security and quality of life ever.

Who will restore the land that this boondoggle destroyed? Taxpayers? Never let an LLC gamble on your future without a bond - for MVP - at least \$20 billion to cover its forewarned priceless destruction of what we most love. MVP's pipes' steel should have built bridges - not corruption. Needed is MVP's own acknowledgement of its impossible completion prospects - the final coup. With MVP's commercial abandonment, we escape the unholy allied MVP-VA-FERC scheme to turn our precious, pristine outdoor playland into a sacrifice zone of constantly threatening random bomb with one-"incineration mile-wide zones" of yet undemonstrated explosive power.

- Cynthia Munley, Preserve Salem

lawyers. They wanted to know why the U.S. 4th Circuit Court of Appeals threw out an air board permit for the Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP). The ACP permit was thrown out because of federal environmental justice laws that are still in effect. DEQ should have warned MVP of the problem and required a solution before submitting a recommendation to the APCB to issue a permit.

The DEQ's recommendation to the APCB to issue the MVP Southgate permit without requiring electric turbines demonstrates that the DEQ is not diligent in issuing permits.

# **2022 Governor's Fellows Program announced** -Deadline to apply is Sunday, March 27-

Governor Glenn Youngkin announced recently that applications are now being accepted for the 2022 Governor's Fellows Program.

The Governor's Fellows Program is a prestigious opportunity for rising seniors and recent graduates to get a firsthand look at the executive branch in action. Since 1982, fellows have worked alongside the Governor's Cabinet and staff, learning about state government and assisting in essential work for the Commonwealth.

"We are excited to welcome

the next generation of leaders to kick off their careers with administration," our said "The Governor Youngkin. Governor's Fellows Program is a unique opportunity for young Virginians and students to experience public service firsthand and gain essential work skills for their future."

"Through meaningful interactions with the Governor's senior level staff, lunches with Cabinet members, trips around the Commonwealth, and projects both inside and outside my assigned Secretariat, I became fully immersed in

Virginia government at the highest level," said Tommy Lukish, a 2012 Governor's Fellow. "In every way, those experiences amplified my appreciation for public service and helped my personal and professional growth."

During their time in service to the Commonwealth, Governor's fellows have the opportunity to learn from special guest speakers who are leaders in state government and beyond. Fellows also experience state government on the road, visiting state government agencies and historic sites that have shaped

our past and are improving our future.

Qualified applicants must be rising college seniors, graduating seniors, or graduate students. All Virginia college and university students are eligible to apply. Virginia residents who attend out-of-state colleges and universities are also eligible. Both public and private college and university students are encouraged to apply.

The selection of fellows is based solely on merit. The Fellows Program does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, national origin,

religion, sexual orientation, age, disability, or veteran status.

The deadline to apply for the Governor's Fellows Program is Monday, March 28. Interviews will begin two days later. Applicants will be advised on decisions beginning on April 18, 2022. The program runs from Monday, May 30, 2022, to Friday, July 29, 2020.

To apply, visit the Governor's Fellows Program website and send the required.

> Submitted by Macaulay Porter, Office of the Governor

# Virginia state parks hiring hundreds of part-time, full-time positions in 2022

Virginia's state parks are now seeking to fill numerous part-time and full-time positions at the commonwealth's 41 parks in 2022.

The opportunities are varied, from working outdoors to sharing educational or historical expertise to planning events and programs, all providing the chance to gain unique and valuable experience, knowledge, and skills.

Daily duties will vary for each job with different needs at each park location. For example, new hires may have the opportunity to present nature, culture, and history programs for all ages; provide

friendly customer service at a park contact station, camp store, or visitor center; and/or perform the routine grounds care, maintenance, light construction, and cleaning tasks necessary to operate state park facilities.

Available jobs are listed online with the requirements and all interested persons have to do is apply at https://www.dcr. virginia.gov/document/general-state-job-application.doc.

Part-time jobs include maintenance ranger, contact ranger, groundskeeper, housekeeper, trades technician, office assistant, administrative assistant, park interpreter, education support specialist, food service, and lifeguard.

Among the additional park positions now available are park ranger, chief ranger, office manager, housekeeping park ranger, resource specialist, and headquarters management.

The following parks have an online version of the application for part-time employment opportunities.: Bear Creek Lake, Cumberland; Belle Isle, Lancaster; Claytor Lake, Dublin; First Landing, Virginia Beach; Holliday Lake, Appomattox; Machacomoco, Hayes; Pocahontas, Chesterfield; Twin Lakes, Green Bay; and York River, Williamsburg.



Customer service and park ranger jobs are open at First Landing State Park.

# Officer from page 1

heroically reacting to what could have been a much worse situation.

"I was pretty emotional when the Chief and Major informed me that my peers had voted for me to receive this honor," he said. "They expressed that it was not just for my actions at the fair, but an accumulation of my work. For the people I care about the most, other than my family, to recognize my efforts means a great deal to me."

"Salem can take great pride in having Jonathan serving in our community," said Crawley. "He always tries to set the right type of example for others, and he is someone who joined this profession for all of the right reasons." And it's how the former high school wrestler and boy scout made his way to Salem that is a story in itself. "I think the moment I decided that I wanted to be a police officer was when an arsonist was being pursued in San Diego and I was there at the time," said Detzler. "He was going up and down the highway starting fires and I just felt like I needed to be out doing something. I had always been part of team and I knew then that police work was something I wanted to do." Detzler grew up in a Seattle and met his wife while both were students at Washington State University in Pullman. His wife was an accomplished swimmer, who eventually earned a full Division One scholarship as a member of the Cougars varsity rowing team. Detzler was

a member of the Washington State men's club rowing team and the two met through their connection on the water.

"We got engaged in college and we were married as soon as we got out of school in 2013," he said.

At the time, his new in-laws were living in San Diego, but his wife's parents were both Virginia Tech graduates and his new mother-in-law actually grew up in Henry County. Work took his wife's family to San Diego, but it was that family connection that brought them all back to Virginia.

'My wife had a difficult

"The first ride-along I did to see if this was really something I could do was eye opening," he said. "There was a traffic stop, a domestic situation and a possible suicide. It let me know that at the end of the day I could truly be helping someone." He knew the learning

curve would be steep one at the start, but Detzler's relentless work ethic and his engineering mindset allowed him to tackle the transition methodically.

"I constantly want to get better, and the people here will make sure that happens," he said. "I had never shot a gun when

conversations about personal accountability, and she helped me understand that even those with a hiscan treat someone with

courtesy and respect and still do your job.'

For the Detzlers, making a difference in the community requires all of those traits along with a competitive spirit.

"It's almost like we have a competition to help others that is similar to when we rowed," he said. "Although, she would probably disagree because she thinks I have terrible technique.'

Maybe on the water, but not on the streets of Salem.

Submitted by Mike Stevens, City of Salem Communications Director



tory of personal trauma need to be held accountable to protect the overall community. She helped me understand that you can be empathetic, you

pregnancy with our first child and actually lost her job in Seattle," he said. "Her aunts back in Bassett told them they should come back and live in a relative's house that has been sitting empty for two years."

The couple thought about the opportunity for about a week before putting their Seattle home on the market and heading to the east coast for a fresh start with family close by.

"I originally majored in civil engineering at Washington State but ended up driving a forklift for a shipping yard in Seattle and then Costco," he said. "My dad raised me with a service perspective in boy scouts and in church and I felt like I was missing that purpose in my adult life."

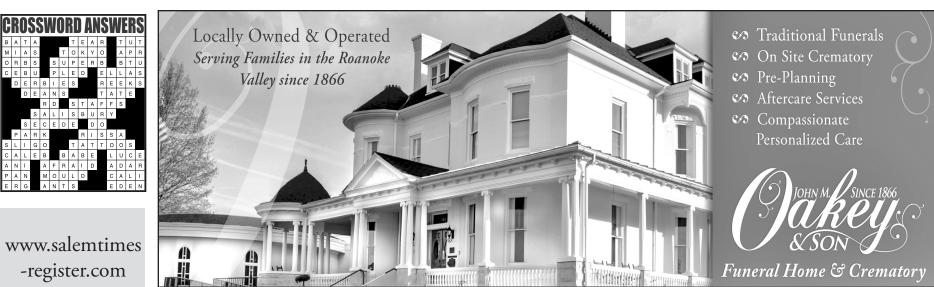
When he arrived back in Virginia, his wife's cousin, who is in law enforcement, told Detzler that Salem was hiring. He applied, made an indelible first impression and immediately got a true view of what lied ahead.

I got here, but Captain Todd Clayton initially took me to the range for eight straight hours and taught me what I needed to know. I wrestled in the state tournament, but I had never engaged in hand-to-hand battles until I was taught at the academy. Police work allows you to put in the time and get better and better with the help of training and classes.'

The desire to get better and help others is part of the fabric that ties the Detzler family together. His wife, Allie, worked with a crisis center to help the homeless in Seattle and seriously thought about becoming a police officer. She is currently pursuing her master's degree with plans to become a counselor in social work.

"I left a better paying job with better benefits and better hours to become a police officer and she never questioned me because she could see it gave me purpose," he said. "We have a lot of

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# Salem WORSHIP

#### WHAT WE NEED Read Judges 17:1 through 21:25

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Cities are racked by chaos. Innocents are cruelly victimized. People of all stripes—leaders and followers alike—lie and steal, thinking nothing of it. Rage, destruction, and brutality are the stuff of daily headlines. When did things get so bad?

This world is no stranger to dark times, including the period of the Israelite judges. Today's reading is full of horrific violence and inhumanity. After the miracles that brought the Israelites into the Promised Land, how did everything fall apart? Was it because they had no ruler to keep them in line? After all, it was repeatedly emphasized that "Israel had no king." But there's more to it than that.

In those days Israel had no king; everyone did as he saw fit (Judges 21:25).

Our world is what it is because fit. God's every action demonstrates that He desires peace, compassion, and community—things sorely missing from this world. Until we have the mind of Christ, politics will never offer hope. Our world doesn't need a king. It needs God.

Prayer Suggestion: Father, remake my will from the inside out, so that I will desire what You desire.

Quicklook: Judges 21:15-25



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

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# **Rabies shots fundraiser helps provide funds for Rescue Squad**



Dr. Marge Lewter slowly approaches each animal with the assistance of a volunteer to give Kimla McDaniel's dog, Ella, her rabies shot.

#### Pam Dudding Contributing writer

By 9 a.m. last Friday, the rabies shots were to start being administered at the Craig County Fairgrounds with over 25 vehicles in line and volunteers in place at the gate to help guide

people. Cats were in their cages and many dogs were looking out windows checking out the event. Other dogs had their heads out windows.

Veterinarian Dr. Marge Lewter, along with many volunteers, set up the station, though blistering winds continually blew their papers off the tables and out of their hands.

Still, they pushed through until the very end.

The volunteers assisting were, Dr. Marge Lewter (administering shots), Robert Wrzosek, Walter Marsden, Annette Hackner, Brent Montgomery, Ruth Wrzosek, Regina Wrzosek, Ryan McCormick, Ronnie Alan, Trace Bellassai, Amber Charette, Andy Charette and Greg May.

They had a great system set up of getting the information ahead of time and volunteers preparing and recording the necessary information, while Dr. Lewter administered the shot with the assistance of other volunteers helping with the pets.

Lewter noted, "Rabies is the only vaccine required by law for your pets."

Though they only ran the clinic for three hours, they administered over 160 vaccinations, according to Deputy Robert Wrzosek, who is also a member of the Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Lewter has been helping to host the rabies vaccines for about

seven years with the exception of the two pandemic years.

"I like to switch the fundraiser between the fire department and the rescue squad, to support both of those groups," she said. "We have in previous years done this twice a year, in winter and again in the fall at the fire department."

Lewter added, "I want to thank all the volunteers who came out to help and also to all the families who waited patiently, as it was a long line."

Lewter shared that she got the idea of the drive-thru from the Giles Animal Society Rescue as that is how they did it and it was so much easier to go from car to car.

She added, "And, there were no dog fight or cats jumped out of their owners' arms."

They positioned beside the bathroom so they could admin-

ister the vaccinations to the cats in there, so they could not run away.

It took many volunteers to make the rabies clinic run smoothly and successfully,

though the blistering wind tried its best to mess with their paperwork multiple times.

Money collected will pay for the cost of the vaccine, and the remainder will be donated to the Rescue Squad.

"Craig County Volunteer Rescue Squad would like to send out their appreciation for the ones who supported and assisted with the Rabies Clinic that was held at the fairgrounds," Wrzosek shared. "We had a successful day, despite the wind."

"We are always looking for people that may be interested in applying to our agency. We have a new Education Coordinator in the county that is planning to teach a hybrid EMT class this fall," he added. "It's in the works, so if you're wanting to help and serve by volunteering and obtain your EMT certification, keep an eye out for this class."

One may click on this link for a membership application. http://craigrescue.com/membership or call (540) 864-5115 for more information.

Lewter and Wrzosek both added, "We always welcome new volunteers to the squads!"

If anyone is looking to help though they cannot be a volunteer, the Rescue Squad can always use things such as toilet paper, paper towels and cleaning products. (A homemade dessert or dinner always makes them feel good too, for those who are great in the kitchen.)

Also, any monetary donations can be sent to the Craig Volunteer Rescue Squad at P.O. Box 81, New Castle, VA 24127 or deposited into their account at the Farmers & Merchants Bank in town.





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In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated October 28, 2005, in the original principal amount of \$53,200,00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia as Instrument No. 050006912. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Botetourt County, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090 on April 4, 2022, at 5:00 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: A CERTAIN STRIP OF LAND SITUATE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE #615 ABOUT ONE AND **ONE-HALF MILES WEST** OF THE HOME OF R. E. ROBINSON AND FLORA S. ROBINSON, AND BEING LOCATED BETWEEN STATE ROUTE NO. 615 AS NOW LOCATED AND OLD COUNTRY ROAD NO. 615: THENCE IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION WITH THE MEANDERS OF OLD COUNTRY ROAD TO A STAKE ON SOUTH SIDE OF SAID OLD COUNTRY ROAD; THENCE IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION. PASSING ONE FOOT WEST OF A LARGE LOCUST TREE, IN A STRAIGHT LINE STATE ROUTE NO. 615; THENCE IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION WITH THE

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The City of Salem School Board will hold a public hearing for comment on the FY 2022-2023 budget on Tuesday, March 8, 2022. The hearing will begin at 7:00 PM at the School Administrative Office, 510 South College Avenue, Salem. Any citizen of Salem who wishes to address the Board should contact Kathy A. Jordan, Clerk of the Board, at 389-0130 by Monday, March 7, in order to be placed on the agenda. Individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to bring a copy of their remarks for the record. In accordance with Board Policy KD, Public Participation in Board Meetings, individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to: provide their name and address, address their remarks to the Board, · be brief. provide a copy of their remarks for the record, and be prepared to answer questions from the Board, In unusual cases or cases of emergency, the Board, by consensus, may allow an individual or organization to speak if not on the agenda.

#### **ORDER OF** PUBLICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA. CODE §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, -317, 20-104 Case No. CL22000168-00 ROANOKE COUNTY Circuit Court 305 East Main Street. Salem, Virginia VICK, BROOKLYN RAYNE VAUGHT, BROOKLYN RAYNE The object of this suit is to: NAME CHANGE OF MINOR It is ORDERED that CECIL DURAN VICK appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on

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responsibility for support. The termination of your residual parental rights will permanently end all of your rights and responsibilities to the child named in the petition. It is ORDERED that Charles E. Barkley, Jr. appear at the above-named Court and protect her interests on or before March 14, 2022. 2-1-22 Amie Blankenship Clerk

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TRUSTEE'S SALE **OF PROPERTY** 1564 Alleghany Spring Road, Shawsville, VA 20158 Tax Map No. 097-A113A,

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# RC baseball begins 5-game homestand with DH Sat.

The Roanoke College baseball team swept a doubleheader from Susquehanna College in their home opener Saturday, then fell to Franklin & Marshall Sunday in action at Salem Memorial Stadium.

The Maroons shut out the River Hawks in Saturday's opener, 12-0. Chris Dudley got the start and went five innings, giving up a pair of hits with four strikeouts. Will Turner struck out three in two innings of work with Casey Rosenthal and Alex Markus closing out the shutout. Will Smith, Mason Staz and Jonny Wall combined to go 6-for-12 with six runs, seven RBI, and a pair of home runs.

In the nightcap the bats were hot again in a 16-2 RC win. PK Cocolis was 2-for-3 with a pair of runs and six RBI. Staz was 2-for-4 while Hunter Andrews came off the bench to go 2-for-2 with a run and two RBI.

Jeb Byerley started on the mound and went three and two thirds before being relieved by Colby Roy. Roy was credited with the win, recording four strikeouts in his three and a third innings of work.

On Sunday the Maroons dropped an 8-4 decision to Franklin & Marshall. The Diplomats used a four-run sixth inning to break open a close game.

Staz was the only Maroon with more than one hit, going 2-for-5 with a un scored. Wall was 1-for-1 with a trio of base on balls and Smith finished -for-2 with three walks and a run scored.

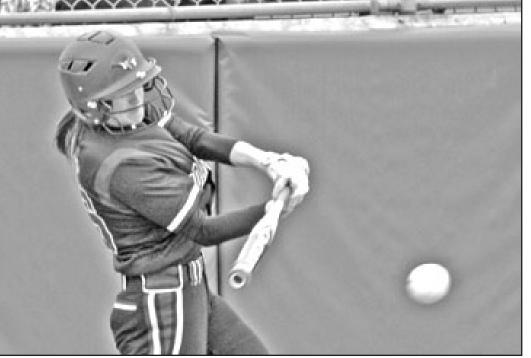
Brandon Hill received the start and gave up two runs, only one earned, while suffering his second loss of the season, giving up four hits and recording five punchouts.

The loss dropped RC to 2-2 on the young season. They were scheduled to play at Pfeiffer on Wednesday, followed by five straight home games.



Roanoke College shortstop Conner Butler puts the tag on a Susquehanna player attempting to steal second in last Saturday's Maroon sweep. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

North Carolina Wesleyan is here for a 1 pm doubleheader on Saturday followed by three games against Case Western Reserve with a 3 pm start Sunday and 1 pm games on Monday and Tuesday.



Meri Bostic of Roanoke College connects for one of her two hits in the opening game of a doubleheader sweep of Pitt-Bradford Saturday at the Moyer Complex. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

### Maroons sweep opening doubheader, play in "Mountain Mash" this week

The Roanoke College softball team held Pitt-Bradford to one run in two games as they opened the season with a doubleheader sweep at the James I. Moyer Complex in Salem Saturday. Roanoke won 8-0 and 10 - 1

William Byrd product Jada Karnes pitched the shutout in the opener, giving up two hits and fanning nine. Jada also had two hits, scored twice and drove in a run for RC while Meri Bostic was two-for-two.

In the nightcap the Maroons exploded for nine runs in the second inning, putting the game away early. Lilly Burns singled before Katelyn Craighead reached on an error and Lauryn Chappell walked to load the bases. Burns scored on a fielder's choice and Bostic was then hit by a pitch to load the bases for Adriana Rivera, who cleared the bases with a triple to left center. Burns finished 2-for-3 with two runs and an RBI while Rivera was 1-for-3, driving in three.

Lindsay Gedro got the win on the mound, going four innings and yielding two hits with four strikeouts while allowing just one unearned run. Lauren Hoffman got the last three outs, fanning two.

The Maroons took a 2-0 record to Southern Virginia on Wednesday and this weekend they're participating in the "Mountain Mash" at the Moyer Complex. On Friday they play Fredonia at 3 pm and Oneonta at 5 pm and on Sunday it's Oneonta at 10 am and Fredonia at noon.

# Dickinson tops RC at Hof F

The Roanoke College men's lacrosse team traveled to the United States Lacrosse Hall of Fame in Sparks, Maryland for a neutral site matchup with Dickinson College on Sunday afternoon and dropped a 19-15 decsion.

The game was close throughout, with Dickinson leading 10-9 at the half. Roanoke traded goals with the Red Devils before seeing Dickinson use a 5-2 fourth quarter to take the

Salem's Wyatt Whitlow led the Maroon offense with five goals while

George Gilbert added three and Luca Docking and Ethan Caldwell added two scores apiece. Luke Kammerman handed out six assists.

Now 1-2, the Maroons are back home this Saturday to host Sewanee at Kerr Stadium at 1 pm. It's the first of four straight home games for Roanoke with Ohio Wesleyan here for a 4 pm game on Tuesday, March 8, followed by home games with Guilford on Saturday, March 12 and Cortland on March 15.



# Laxwomen hammer SoVa, 19-1

The Roanoke College women got their lacrosse season off to a flying start with a 19-1 win over Southern Virginia last week at Salem's Kerr Stadium.

The Maroons led 15-0 at the half and cruised to the win. Salem's Libby Bowman began her Roanoke career with a pair of goals surrounding a score by Riley Chase as Roanoke took a 3-0 lead. The first quarter would end with Roanoke holding a 10-0 advantage. Nicole Harrison and Emerson Foster each scored short-handed goals and the period ended with back-to-back scores by Tiernan Connor.

Foster and Chase had three goals each while five other Maroons scored twice, including Bowman and former Salem High teammate Lilly Blair, who also had a game high three assists. Kyleigh Chickering got the win in goal, registering five saves while Hallie Redding come in relief and made a pair of stops.

The Maroons are in Puerto Rico for spring break this week with a scheduled game against Ursinus College on Tuesday.

Emerson Foster of Roanoke College is about to score one of her three goals in last week's season opening win over Southern Virginia. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

# U. of Lynchburg sweeps ODAC track championships at Roanoke College

The University of Lynchburg swept the men's and women's team championships when Roanoke College played host to the Old Dominion Athletic Conference indoor track meet last

weekend. The RC women were third and the men were fourth in the 10 team field.

The first ODAC Indoor Track & Field Championships since 2020 the women's team standings to outpace second place Washington and Lee place Bridgewater College (77.0). University (119.50) and third place



Left to right, Cammi Winston(#3), Hannah Snodgrass(#2) and Hannah Koepfinger of Roanoke College compete in the 60 meter hurdles at the Kerr-Cregger Indoor Fieldhouse Saturday. Snodgrass won the ODAC championship. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

featured nine broken men's record. Roanoke (104.50). Lynchburg's men Lynchburg collected 194.0 points in earned 170.0 points to rank ahead of second place W&L (95.0) and third

Lynchburg, which has won an ODAC-best 29 men's indoor titles, enjoyed its first men's championship since winning 17 consecutive titles from 1998 through 2014. Lynchburg's women's program increases its league record mark to 12 championships with its third straight conference title.

Hannah Snodgrass of RC won the 60 meter hurdles. The Maroon 4x400 relay team of Haylee Gamble, Hannah Koepfinger, Mikayla Hefferon and Lily Lippert took second.

In the field events Kaitlyn Nguyen won the high jump, clearing 1.57 meters, and Cammi Winston took third. Grace Fowler was second in the weight throw and Tiera Hudson took third in the shot put.

In the men's meet Samuel Crawford took second in the 400 and third in the 200 while Xavier O'Brien was second in the 60 hurdles and fifth in the 200 dash. O'Brien tied the old meet record in the hurdles at 8.23.

Roanoke's 4x400 relay team of O'Brien, Brady Fowler, Crawford and Hunter Bohon took first place with a time of 3:29.58. Bohon also took third in the high jump.

The Maroons are scheduled to go to Winchester for a "Last Chance" meet this weekend in advance of the 2022 NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships.





# Time Out for Dave

The recent incident between the Michigan and Wisconsin basketball teams brought back memories of a time when I called a late timeout with the game in hand.

If you've been out of the country for the past two weeks, Michigan basketball coach Juwan Howard became irate when Wisconsin coach Greg Gard called a timeout with a 15 point lead and 15 seconds left. It resulted in a near brawl when tempers flared during the handshake line and Howard was suspended for the remainder of the regular season.

Certainly, there's a matter of etiquette involved here. It was unsportsmanlike of Gard to call that timeout with the game decided, but others might argue that Michigan was still pressing at that point and they might have better served to back off as well. They weren't going to catch the Badgers, down 15 with 15 seconds to go.

Whatever, there was no excuse for punches being thrown after the game, and I've yet to hear either coach offer an apology. Cooler heads should have prevailed.

teams when my step-sons played and recall a game when I called a timeout in a similar situation. My team had the game well in hand with time running out when I signaled for a timeout with just seconds on the clock. With that, the obviously aggravated coach from the other team charged over to our bench and wondered just what the heck I was doing?

I explained to him that we had a boy on the team, Dave, who had never scored a point. He was a bright young man and a wonderful child but he had some motor skill challenges and, when he was on the floor, we were virtually playing four against their five. I always had him on my team because he was a friend of my son's and his dad helped me coach and, hey, it's recreation basketball.

When I told the opposing coach I called the timeout to try and get Dave a basket in his last chance he not only settled down, but offered to have his team back off when Dave got the ball. With that I drew up the play to have the ball inbounded to Dave under the basket. There was no guarantee he would put it in.

The teams took the floor, the whistle blew, and my player inbounded the ball to Dave. He looked around, concluded he was open, and put a two-handed shot high off the board. It bounced on the rim a couple times and dropped through the net just as the horn sounded.

Dave watched the ball go through the basket in half disbelief. He threw his arms in the air, the crowd roared and players from both benches rushed the floor, congratulating Dave on his first ever basket. At that point no cared who won the game, it was a win-win for everyone.

Nic Schmitt, who punted and kicked for the Virginia Tech football team, was on my 14 year old team that season. Years later, when he was a senior for the Hokies, I did a story on Schmitt for the paper. One of the questions I asked him was 'what are some of the most memorable moments you've had in your sports career?'

Nic was a member of state championship high school football teams at Salem High, kicking the game-winning point one season. He was an all-state kicker and also a standout receiver, defensive back and team in the Low-A East division with 1073 hits, 716 kick returner, so he had many memorable moments runs, 619 RBI and 103 home runs.



Salem's Chauncey "Deuce" Logan, Jr. recently made it official that he was heading to Harrisonburg in the fall to continue his education and play football at James Madison University. Here he's joined at Salem High School by mom Tasha Evans(left), younger brother Coen Logan(right) and Salem High football coach Don Holter(standing). SUBMITTED PHOTO

# Fer an apology. Cooler heads should have prevailed. With that said, I coached recreation basketball SSF inaugurates "Spartan Classic" golf tournament

The Salem Sports Foundation will be conducting the first annual Salem Sports Foundation and Salem Football "Spartan Classic" golf tournament on April 29 at the Hanging Rock Golf Club. The Captain's Choice tournament will have shot-

**Deuce to** 

the Dukes

gun tee offs at 8 am and 1:30 pm with lunch provided by Chick-Fil-A of Salem served between the two flights.

The event will help support the Salem football team and sponsorships are available from \$100 to

\$1,000. Cost to play is \$300 for a four person prepaid team or \$320 at the gate.

To sign up, or for more information, contact Van Gresham at 540-389-1088 or Teddy Dyer at Edyer. helmbldg@gmail.com.

# nounce 2022 coaching staff

The Salem Red Sox, Single-A affiliate of the Boston Red Sox, have announced the upcoming season's coaching staff, which features three returning members from the previous year.

Luke Montz returns as Salem's manager after a successful 2021 campaign. Montz and the Red Sox ended the previous season with a 71-49 record and were one victory away from earning a spot in the league championship series.

Before making his way to the Blue Ridge mountains, Montz spent time in the Red Sox organization serving as a manager for Boston's Short-A affiliate, the Lowell Spinners (2019-2020), and as a coaching assistant for Double-A affiliate, the Portland Sea Dogs (2018). In 2019, the Spinners captured the Stedler Division title and secured an impressive 42-34 regular season record under his guidance.

"I am looking forward to the 2022 season as we have a great group and a lot of young talent," said Montz. "I love what I do and it's always rewarding to help these players on and off the field. Each year, at this level, you get the newly drafted players and that's always great. Having Nick Green and Nelson Paulino back is a blessing for our team as they are beyond great at what they do and I look forward to working with our new staff members."

Veteran hitting coach Nelson Paulino returns to the squad in his 25th season coaching with the organization (1998-2022). Paulino previously spent time in Salem during the 2013, 2016-2018 and 2020 seasons. Throughout the 2021 season, he helped the team shine at the plate. Salem finished as a top 10 hitting



Luke Montz, here having a friendly conversation with a Carolina League umpire last summer, will return as Salem manager for the 2022 season. PHOTO BY JOHN WACHER

and saw action in 64 games, starting every contest at second base. Aside from coaching experience, Thomas left Michigan with a bachelor's degree in health and fitness.

Next, Jacob Loughman will step into the athletic trainer position. Originally from Springfield, Massachusetts, Loughman earned a Bachelor of Science in athletic training and minors in biology and chemistry from Salem State University. His previous experience includes working at the high school level and most recently, serving as an assistant athletic trainer for the Winston-Salem Dash, the High-A affiliate of the Chi-

with the Spartans.

At Tech, he was the first string punter and backup placekicker. He played in some huge ACC games and won all kinds of honors at Tech. You'd think his favorite sports moment would have been pinning Miami inside the 10 or punting against Auburn in the Sugar Bowl, or even kicking the winning point to win that high school state championship. But no, do you know what Nic said?

when Dave scored that basket.

I did my best to hold back tears, and that was one timeout I'll never regret.

#### **RASSLIN' GIRLS**

Congratulations to two Glenvar girls who recently did well in the VAWA State Wrestling Tournament in Doswell, VA.

Avery Steger, a first year wrester representing Glenvar wrestling, took first place in the middle school girls' division 126-137 weight class. Evie McDowell, also from the Glenvar team, took second place in the girls' division 89-94 pound weight class.

Way to go ladies. When they get a little older I wonder if they still won't have a problem telling everyone how much they weigh?



Evie McDowell(left) and Avery Steger showed prowess on the mat at the VAWA State Wrestling Tournament.

Similarly to Montz, Green returns to Salem as the cago White Sox. pitching coach after working with the Spinners for three seasons (2018-2020) in the same role. Under Green's instruction, the pitching staff finished second in the division after achieving a 4.14 ERA, 1066 strikeouts and allowing only 414 walks.

Three unfamiliar faces are joining the staff this season.

Ako Thomas will serve alongside the veteran staff He said his favorite all-time moment in sports was in his first year in Salem after working as a volunteer coach at his alma mater, Michigan. The Chicago native was a four-year member of the Wolverines baseball team. During his senior season he was a NCAA College World Series All-Tournament Team selection

Joining the Red Sox organization for the first time is Omar Porras, who will serve as Salem's strength and conditioning coach. Porras is no stranger to minor league baseball, as he previously experienced baseball and the Class-A level while working in the Los Angeles Angels organization. Teams he served the same role in before making his way to Virginia are the Burlington Bees and Inland Empire 66ers.

Opening Day 2022 for the Salem Red Sox is set for Friday, April 8th, as the Red Sox host the Lynchburg Hillcats. First pitch is slated for 7:05 p.m. For more information on the upcoming season, visit SalemSox. com or call (540) 389-3333.



## Rec. basketball championships at South Salem Saturday

Recreation basketball tournaments for City of Salem teams are coming to a head this week with championship games scheduled for most teams. Above is action from Tuesday's game at the West Salem Elementary School gym as the Triple Threat defeated the Royals in the 9U boys' championship game, 21-13. Three more championship games will be played Saturday, all at the South Salem Elementary gym. Games start at 10 am with the 10U boys final, followed by the 11/12 boys final at 11 am and the Junior girls championship at noon. Last week the "Ellingson" team defeated "Brown," 44-37, in the Junior Boys championship. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

RC's Sallah qualifies for NCAA National Wrestling **Championships** 

Mahlic Sallah of Roanoke College, a junior from Cave Spring, earned a trip to the NCAA National Wrestling Championships when he won the Southeast championship at 184 pounds last weekend at Lycoming College in Williamsport, PA.

Sallah picked up back-to-back major decisions to earn a spot in the semifinals. He then earned a 12-6 decision over Frank Medina of Stevens Tech, putting Mahlic in the Finals and securing a spot in the NCAA Tournament.

In the finale, Sallah picked up a 7-4 decision to claim the 2022 NCAA Southeast Regional title at 184 lbs. The 2022 NCAA Championships are scheduled for March 11-12 at the US Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Roanoke scored 70.5 points as a team to finish seventh among 14 teams competing, wrapping up their inaugural season.





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# High School spring sports are just a week and a half away

High School spring sports are just around the corner and Salem and Glenvar teams will be participating in scrimmages and jamborees in the coming week to get ready for their seasons. Official Virginia High School leagues games, matches and meets begin the week of March 14.

Today, Thursday, the Glenvar baseball team will scrimmage at Patrick Henry at 5 pm. The Salem High softball team will host Roanoke Catholic at 5 pm at the Moyer Complex and the SHS girls' soccer team is at Franklin County. On Friday the Spartan boys' soccer team is home to Jefferson Forest at 7 pm.

Salem will host a baseball Jamboree on Saturday at Kiwanis Field. Action begins at 10 am with Salem against Northside, followed by Pulaski County and Northside at noon. Pulaski will stay on the field to meet William Byrd at 2 pm, followed by the Spartans against Byrd at 4 pm to close out the day. Also on Saturday, Salem's girls' lacrosse team will be at Rockbridge County and on Monday the girls will host Virginia Episcopal at 5:30 pm.

Tuesday is a big day for Glenvar sports. The girls' soccer team will host Bassett at 5 pm and the boys' soccer team is at Cave Spring at 7 pm. The High-landers will host Bassett in softball at 5 pm and both Glenvar tennis teams will take on Staunton River, with the boys at home and the girls in Moneta. Also on Tuesday, Salem's boys' soccer team will be at Northside for a 7 pm scrimmage and the girls are here to take on the Vikings, also at 7 pm.

Next Wednesday you won't want to miss a scrimmage between the Salem and Glenvar baseball teams at Kiwanis Field at 5 pm. The same two bordering schools will meet in softball at the Glenvar High School field at 5 pm and the Salem boys' lacrosse team will host Virginia Episcopal at 7 pm at Spartan Field.

A week from today, on Thursday March 10, Salem's tennis teams will battle Lord Botetourt. The boys will be home and the girls will be at Hollins University to take on LB.

The final day of the preseason will be Friday, March 11, and it's all Glenvar against William Byrd. The Highlanders will host the Terriers in boys' tennis at 4:30 pm and boys' soccer at 7 pm. Meanwhile, in Vinton, Byrd will host the girls' tennis team at 4:30 pm, the softball team at 5 pm and the girls' soccer team in the evening.

# Yellow Jackets eliminate Maroons, win ODAC tournament

Randolph-Macon College eliminated Roanoke College on Saturday, then defeated Virginia Wesleyan on Sunday to win the Old Dominion Athletic Conference basketball tournament championship. The Yellow Jackets will host a four-team pod this weekend to open the NCAA Division III tournament.

The fifth seeded Maroons got off to a good start in tournament, defeating Washington & Lee in the quarterfinal round on Thursday, 82-69. Kasey Draper had 31 points and a dozen rebounds to lead the Maroons while Justin Kuthan came off the bench for 14 points and eight boards. The win avenged a prior loss to W&L in Salem, when the Generals beat RC by 20 points in the Cregger Center.

That set up a game with Randolph-Macon on Saturday. The Jackets have been ranked first in the nation by D3hoops. com for most of the season and they were hitting on all cylinders in a 75-58 win over RC, ending the Maroons' season





Left, Justin Kuthan of Roanoke College scores in last week's ODAC win over Washington & Lee. Above, Nic Price leads the break for the Maroons and, below, tournament Most Outstanding Player and four-time ODAC Player of the Year Buzz Anthony throws a behind-the-back pass for an assist in Randolph-Macon's win over the Maroons with Tripp Greene defending. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



18-9.

Randolph-Macon scored the first seven points of the game and led 40-19 at the half. Roanoke never got closer than 13 in the second half as an attempt at a comeback fell short. Efosa U-Edosomowan led the Maroons with 16 points and Nic Price wrapped up his Roanoke career with an 11-point, two assist, and three steal effort. Draper had just two points in the first half and finished with 10 while Zach Rosenthal also had 10 points off the NCAA play. bench

with a 74-59 win over third seeded Virginia Wesleyan. The Jackets finished their ODAC games at 16-0 and are 27-1 overall as they open

The All-ODAC team On Sunday Randolph- was announced last week Macon finished the job and the Yellow Jackets

dominated, including Kurt Axe Player of the Year Buzz Anthony, the only player to earn the award four years in a row. Draper was a first team selection from Roanoke College and U-Edosomowan made the third team.



Kristina Harrell of Roanoke College(left) fends off a Lynchburg defender in ODAC basketball tournament action at the Salem Civic Center Friday night. PHOTO BY RYAN HUNT

# Lynchburg upsets Roanoke women in ODAC hoops, Shenandoah wins tourney

The Roanoke College women's basketball team lost their opening round game in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference tournament last week. Third seeded RC was upset by sixth seeded Lynchburg, 63-58, and fourth seeded Shenandoah went on to win the tournament.

The Maroons had defeated the Hornets twice during the regular season and looked to make it three in a row in their tournament opener. The first half would see six lead changes and four ties as the teams went into the break in a 26-26 deadlock. Lynchburg exploded out of the break with seven straight points and built a 12-point, fourth quarter lead. Roanoke stormed back and cut it to two in the closing seconds but couldn't complete the comeback.

Renee Alquiza finished with 13 points for the Maroons while Sayre Brandstatter added 10 points, six rebounds, and three assists. Kristina Harrel and Ayanna Scarborough each added eight and Rose Sande finishing with six points and a team-high seven boards.

Shenandoah went on to win the tourney with a 56-43 victory over Randolph-Macon in Sunday's championship game, earning the automatic ODAC bid to the NCAA tournament. The Maroons finished at 20-6, the first time RC has won 20 games since the 2009-10 season

The All-ODAC team was named last week and Megan Horn of Washington & Lee was named Player of the Year. Alquiza was a first team selection from RC while Harrell made the second team. Both are seniors.