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## Northwest Ace Hardware and Salem Fair recognize and assist 127 Place



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**From left to right: Nathan Overstreet, Vance Overstreet, Ray Moore, Charlie Overstreet, and Wendy Delano. The check presentation took place Tuesday afternoon at the Salem Northwest Ace hardware store on West Main Street.**

*Submitted by City of Salem*

The good folks at Northwest Ace Hardware in conjunction with the Salem Fair once again have made a generous donation to a local non-profit.

This past June, fair fans purchased hundreds of Megapass unlimited ride tickets at area Northwest Ace stores in the region. The purchase of the tickets before the start of the fair enabled the Overstreet family, which owns and operates the chain of hardware stores, to donate \$7,725 to 127 Place.

“Northwest Ace Hardware is truly inspired by the exceptional work 127 Place is doing to improve the lives of children in our hometowns and we are honored to make this contribution on behalf of our community,” says Nathan Overstreet, NW Ace Hardware Vice President. “The Salem Fair’s positive impact on the region for more than three decades really compels us to partner with them.”

The 34th Salem Fair attracted visitors from all over Virginia and neighboring states during its 12-day run at the Taliaferro Complex. This year’s fair featured over 40 rides, unique blue-ribbon exhibits and an array of family-friendly shows and musical acts each day.

“The pre-sale passes for the 2022 Salem Fair were once again a big hit with fairgoers,” says Wendy Delano, Salem Director of Civic Facilities. “Buying the passes early not only allowed fairgoers to save money, but it also provided a donation back to this deserving organization. This is truly a win-win for all involved and this is just one more way that the Salem Fair and Northwest Ace Hardware are supporting our community.”

The organization 127 Place has a goal of helping children who are unable to help themselves. The members strive daily to positively impact the lives of vulnerable children, their

families, their communities and the world.

“It may be surprising to know that Roanoke has the largest foster care population in the state by far,” says Ray Moore, 127 Place Executive Director. “If we can support families so that children do not go into foster care in the first place, that will be a victory for everyone. We want to support grandparents and other family members who take children to keep them out of foster care.”

Currently, there are approximately 5,000 children in foster care in Virginia. In most cases, the brokenness of family disruption is not something they chose, but rather something that happened to them.

“We are so thankful to Northwest Ace Hardware and the Salem Fair for supporting the work that 127 Place and its partner churches are doing in our community to serve the most vulnerable,” says Moore.

## Man dies after setting self on fire in park

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A man who reportedly doused himself with a flammable liquid and lit himself on fire in Lake Spring Park on Sunday, August 7 died in the hospital from his injuries later that night.

The man, whose name has not been released by the City of Salem, was acting normal, smiling and greeting those around him in the sunny afternoon before covering himself with the fluid, kept in inconspicuous energy drink bottles.

“When we walked by him, he smiled at my kids and said that they were beautiful. So we said thank you and smiled back,” eyewitness Kelseigh Meador told the Roanoke Times. Kelseigh was one of three individuals at the park at the time who attempted to put the flames out and call emergency services.

Getting ready to leave the park, Meador had just put her children in her car when she looked back over at the man, who yelled something before going up in flames. “I screamed,” said Meador. She immediately ran to help the man along with a married couple.

“The lady jumped over the gate of the pond and was getting water while I was pouring water bottles from my car on him,” Meador said. “The husband ran to the store to grab a fire extinguisher.”

Salem emergency services responded to the call at 1:07 p.m. The man was quickly rushed to Roanoke Carilion Memorial Hospital, where he later perished from his injuries.

Salem Communications Director Mike Stevens said of the tragic scene, “While this is a very sad and unfortunate incident, we do not anticipate any charges to result from it. It remains under investigation.” The City of Salem has since stated that they have nothing further to report on the incident.

While little is known about what happened to the victim or what led him to this, the possibility of suicide seems likely. Suicide awareness and prevention resources are available to citizens of Salem through the LewisGale Center for Behavioral Health on Braeburn Drive, as well as through the Veteran’s Affairs Medical Center for veterans.

Additionally, the National Suicide Prevention Hotline now has a 3-digit emergency number for crises, 988. If you or a loved one are suffering from depression or suicidal ideations, contact these resources today.

## Journey of Hope rides through New Castle ~ Cyclists raising awareness of issues in disabled communities came through Craig as part of a cross-country journey ~

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Last Saturday, seventeen bicyclists pedaled through New Castle and Craig County on their way across the country. Stopping off at Camp Easterseals for the night, these bicyclists spent their time speaking with locals and working with disabled children at the camp to raise awareness of issues in those communities.

These are the men of Pi Kappa Phi’s Journey of Hope, a cross-country cycling journey sponsored by nonprofit The Ability Experience. They signed

up for the journey from PKP chapters across the country, beginning their two-month trek in Seattle, Washington, on June 8 to arrive in Washington, D.C. on August 13.

“The mission is to spread awareness for people with disabilities and organizations that support them as well,” said Fernando Cortes, the Journey of Hope’s public relations coordinator and one of six crew members that drives ahead of the cyclists. In describing the program, he explained, “We go to ‘friendship visits,’ where we meet with complex



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**The Journey of Hope cyclists came through New Castle and now head to D.C. through Roanoke.**

See **Journey of Hope**, page 8



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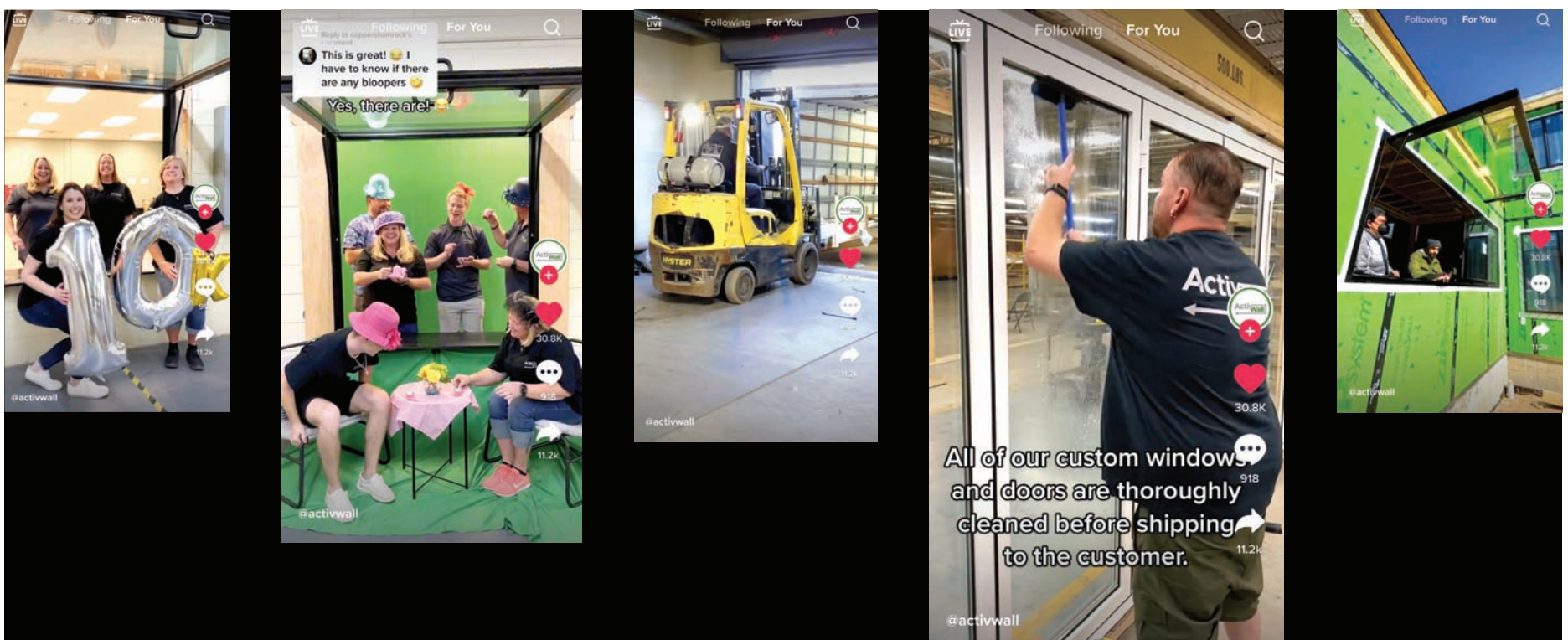


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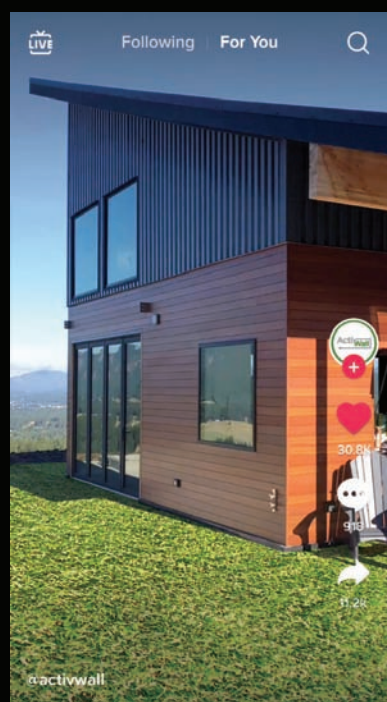




# Virginia business booms on TikTok

Locals like [@activwall](#) had their best month ever thanks to a trending TikTok video.

ActivWall designs and manufactures beautiful moving walls, windows, and doors. In April 2022, ActivWall had its highest-grossing month of sales ever when a product demo became a trending TikTok video. Now they're using TikTok to attract dealers and offer their custom-made products to customers across the country. It's just another example of how Virginia business is booming on TikTok.



# BRIEFLY: Salem News In Brief

## RCAHD Weekly Health Update: COVID-19:

Cumulative Case Count Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts: 70328 (up 930)

People hospitalized with COVID-19, as of Monday 8/8/2022: 43 (30 new hospitalizations)

COVID-19 related deaths, as of Tuesday 8/9/2022: 1030. 648 Alleghany Health District; 382 Roanoke City Health District

Monkeypox: The RCAHD teams continue to work with healthcare professionals and community-based organizations to identify and provide vaccine to individuals who are at greatest risk for this orthopox virus.

Hepatitis A Outbreak: Since January 1, 2022, 79 cases of hepatitis A, including 58 hospitalizations, have been reported to RCHAD. No new cases were reported this week.

*Submitted by Roanoke County and Alleghany Health Districts*

## Line dancing classes offered at Vinton Community Center:

Free line dancing classes are available at the Charles R. Hill Community Center, located at the Vinton War Memorial in Vinton on Tuesdays at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. The 10 a.m. class is appropriate for “beginner-plus” students, who are just a little more advanced than beginners. The 11:30 a.m. class is for those just starting out in line dancing. The 6 p.m. class is an advanced class. These classes are open to everyone. Registration is not required. For more information call 540-983-0645 or email cbarbour@vintonva.gov. *Submitted by The Vinton Messenger*

## Civic Center presents Virginia Shoot-Out Model Contest:

The Roanoke Valley Chapter of IPMS

is pleased to announce the return of the Virginia Shoot-Out Model Contest to the Salem Civic Center, Saturday, August 13, 2022. Come enjoy a full day of modeling fun and friendship. Over 78 Categories, as well as “Best Of’s” and other Special awards will be presented. Vendors galore, raffle, mega-affle and a Super Raffle prize will be available. Also, new this year, there will be a silent auction for up-scale items. Visit with

members from Regions 2, 3 and 12 as well as neighboring car model clubs and Gundam, war-gaming, space and sci-fi organizations. Contact Tim Ward at 1-540-977-6205 or go to [wardf86@aol.com](mailto:wardf86@aol.com) or contact Greg Clower at 1-540-650-1552 or [gclower@aol.com](mailto:gclower@aol.com) for vendor information. Please check out our website at [www.rvipms.com](http://www.rvipms.com) for updates as they happen.

*From the City of Salem Civic Calendar*



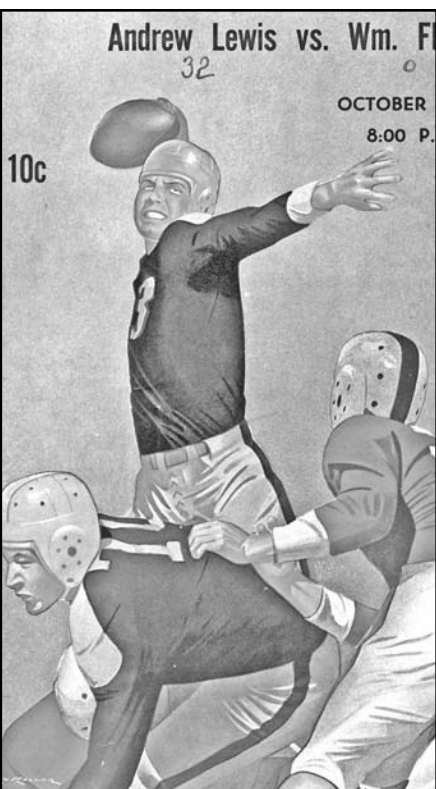
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Line dance classes are offered at the Charles R. Hill Community Center in Vinton. Lori Spickard (seated) teaches the 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. classes on Tuesdays.

## SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT

Did you know that high schools used to sell weekly programs for their football games? Pictured is an example from 1946 for a game between Andrew Lewis and William Fleming High Schools. Notice that the student recorded the final score below the team names. You can see this program up close at the Salem Museum at Hands on History Saturdays! These handouts were sponsored by Coca-Cola, who provided high schools with a catalog of images to choose from. The schools received template programs with a colorful illustration on the front and a Coke advertisement in the middle, and local print shops filled in schools’ and players’ information, and local advertisements. To learn more about these programs, and to see some for yourself, join us on Saturdays in August!

This month, Hands on History Saturdays are highlighting Salem baseball and football history with items from Salem’s baseball teams, Andrew Lewis High School football, and Salem High School football. On Saturdays, visitors can pull on a glove and touch a piece of history with their own hands! Visitors can also visit our sport’s gallery to learn more about Salem’s sports history! Salem Museum is open 10-4 and located at 801 E. Main St.



A Football Program from October 11, 1946 for a game between Andrew Lewis and William Fleming.

## VDOT ROAD WATCH

INTERSTATE 81 (UPDATED 8-5-22) \* INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT EXIT 137 TO EXIT 141 – A \$179 million design-build project to widen both directions of I-81 between mile markers 136.6 and 141.8 from two to three lanes is set to begin. Starting in February and continuing into the early summer, work will be performed on the inside and outside shoulders along a five mile section of both northbound and southbound Interstate 81 in Roanoke County and the city of Salem. The shoulders will be built up before barrier wall can be installed for road crews to work behind. Barrier wall will be installed along the shoulders in the spring and summer. Two lanes of I-81 traffic in each direction will remain open during the project with periodic lane closures scheduled during nighttime hours or outside of peak travel times as needed. Drivers can expect the following lane closures and upcoming impacts on northbound and southbound I-81:

• ROUTE 635 (GOODWIN AVENUE) CLOSURE – As part of the ongoing I-81 project from exit 137 to 141, Route 635 (Goodwin Avenue) will be closed beginning July 11 where it runs underneath I-81. It will be closed for approximately 30 days for reconstruction to accommodate the widening of the interstate. Drivers will need to seek alternate routes as traffic will not be able to pass underneath the interstate during this time. Estimated to reopen August 11.

• BARRIER WALLS: Barrier wall installation

is in process. Nighttime lane closures will be in place and lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet.

• From mid-March until mid-June, nighttime right lane and shoulder closures between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday

• From mid-May to mid-June, alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday

Nightly lane closures may be in place along the right lane with possible nightly ramp narrows as needed for guardrail and shoulder strengthening.

• Northbound I-81 lane closures from mile

marker 138 to 142 • Northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows possible at Route 311.

The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 off-ramp intersection at Wildwood Road and adding interchange lighting at exits 137, 140 and 141 are also included in the project. Expected completion in early 2026.

(UPDATED 8-5-22) \* I-81 TROUTVILLE REST AREA CLOSURE - The Troutville Rest Area located on southbound Interstate

See VDOT, page 7

## POLICE REPORT

### City of Salem Police Department



### Weekly Arrest Report

Week of July 19, 2022 – July 25, 2022

Arrested On	Name	Age	Charges
07/19/2022	Suzanne E. Wilkerson	39	Criminal Trespass
07/19/2022	Edward J. Zarobinski IV	36	Public Intoxication
07/19/2022	Victoria M. Smith	36	DUI
07/20/2022	Christopher L. Fralin	35	Violation of Probation
07/20/2022	Andrew B. Gustafson	21	Burglary, Petit Larceny
07/21/2022	Taurean E. Rush	25	Fugitive From Justice
07/21/2022	Clifton G. Gray	33	Distribution of Marijuana, Possession of Firearm by Felon
07/22/2022	William G. Hall	31	DUI
07/22/2022	Tyler C. Hall	25	Failure to Appear
07/22/2022	Joshua L. Stover	34	Petit Larceny
07/23/2022	John T. Harrison III	46	DUI
07/24/2022	Joshua L. Stover	34	Public Intoxication
07/24/2022	Joshua L. Marshall	31	DUI
07/25/2022	Donald S. Mountcastle	57	Violation of Protective Order
07/25/2022	Joshua L. Stover	34	Public Intoxication

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
13-JUL-2022	0 BLK Turner Rd	Vehicle Theft
19-JUL-2022	1000 BLK Union St	Burglary
20-JUL-2022	500 BLK Bowman Ave	Damage Property
21-JUL-2022	1500 BLK W Main St	Shooting/Throwing Missiles -Vehicle
22-JUL-2022	0 BLK E Main St	Neglect
23-JUL-2022	1100 BLK Easton Rd	Grand Larceny
24-JUL-2022	2000 BLK Roanoke Blvd	Abduction
25-JUL-2022	1400 BLK W Main St	Obtain Money by False Pretense

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

### Cucumbers

*From the 1938 Centennial Edition of the Times-Register*

May 27, 1920  
The first cucumbers of this season were found at a local market by one of our Salem friends on Monday of this week. The gentleman whose name we promise never to mention could hardly wait until supper was placed on the table and an opportunity was given

him to store a quantity of these cucumbers away under his baseball belt.

However, during the night things began to get desperate and two of our local physicians were called in with instructions to bring with them their full-grown stomach pumps. Along about daybreak Mr. — said he imagines the State militia, the Salem fire department and the Water street band had arrived on the scene to

take part in the terpsichorean exercises.

When he awakened, Tuesday morning the first thing he did was to feel his stomach to see if it was all there. He found his stomach in the proper place, also the cucumbers, which on the night before smiled so innocently at him. The young man came very near being harvested before he was ripe, and for this reason we refrain from publishing his name.

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# OPINION

Editor's note: Due to a printing press error, most copies of page 4 in last week's issue were illegible. The disrupted stories are being reprinted in full this week with apologies to our readers.

## Hospice/Friends/Initials

*Frances Stebbins has been covering events in Western Virginia, especially those relating to faith communities, since 1953. She lives in Salem.*

Ever since Good Samaritan Hospice was established in the Roanoke Valley 30 years ago, there has existed the dream of being able to care for terminally ill persons in a nearby facility where they could have their pain treated.

Currently, medical personnel come to the patients' homes to provide pain-relieving medicines as well as comfort and emotional support. This, it has been noted in materials from "Good Sam," puts additional strain on the family of those who are not expected to survive much longer. Even so, families frequently express their appreciation for the attention their loved ones received.

Now the prospect of a true Hospice House has brightened. A retired Roanoke owner of a construction and real estate business, Maury L. Strauss, has donated a memorial gift of one million

dollars to the non-profit Good Samaritan organization. It recognizes the care given to his wife Sheila to whom he was married for 65 years before her death from cancer in 2016.

In announcing the gift in a Community Report, Aaron Housh, the CEO of Good Samaritan, further updated the public of the building campaign starting soon to augment the Strauss gift. Employees so far have pledged nearly \$17,000 toward the construction of a building in North-west Roanoke County.

This free-standing building will have 16 beds in a campus-style facility to be on six acres in the 4000 block of Cove Road. Brochure materials state that it will be known as the Good Samaritan Center for Caring and that it will afford a cheerful place for relatives to be with their loved ones as death nears.

[Parenthetically, I have written about the concept of Hospice care since the idea was introduced to a Roanoke clergy group around 1990. Sue Ranson, long the CEO

Frances Stebbins Correspondent

of Good Samaritan before Housh, talked with me often about the concept of making life as meaningful as possible for patients whom doctors have judged have limited time to live. I did not experience Good Sam family care when my husband and a son died earlier in this century, but if need arises, I am glad the program is there. I am glad I played a part in educating the community about it.}

Scripture tells us in several places that God—call the deity Higher Power if you prefer—always makes good come of the bad events in life. And so having recently experienced another birthday and the loss of my last friend old enough to have reared

her family in the same years and church as mine, I find that I can see some socially and spiritually rewarding events emerging from the COVID pandemic as well as what I call the Digital Age.

I'm thinking of the new friends I have made in recent years as well as the renewal of some friendships from many years back. Through e-mails and other means I have been enabled to catch up with such folk as clergymen Malcolm Minnick Jr., a retired Lutheran pastor now living with his wife in a retirement home in a Minneapolis suburb; retired Episcopal Bishop A. Heath Light, who shares a birth month with me and communicates by telephone or postal mail from his home with a daughter in Southwest Roanoke County; and Bernard Via, retired United Methodist pastor and his musical wife in their Southwest County home.

In addition, there is Richard Cummins, now retired to his Southwest County home with his singer wife, Rita, after a long career in church musical leadership in the Roanoke Valley. Cummins likes to reminisce about his native city of Petersburg when he and I, a fledgling news reporter, met there in 1952.

My newer friends are mostly widows of retirement age whom I've met through church or spiritually-focused small groups nearby. They, and the several nearby neighbors I acquired when I moved to my present small East Salem home in 2014, are proving invaluable as I age and my independence in driving is no longer assured.

Omitting their full names, I'm glad to call as friends Tracey, Cackey, Annie, Kay, Barbara, Kate, Stuart, Dorothy, Jim, David and others I must be forgiven for forgetting who can get me to grocery stores, church and groups I enjoy.

An Oddity: In the "Alphabet Soup" in which we live there are three common abbreviations occasionally confused as a telephone book once did for me several years ago.

DMV is the common designation for the Department of Motor Vehicles for Virginia. DVM stands for Doctor of Veterinary Medicine which sadly is no longer needed for a cat family in my life. DAV designates my favorite thrift store benefitting Disabled American Veterans.

## PETS OF THE WEEK

### Pan & Tybalt

*If you would like to see your pet in the Salem Times-Register, submit a photo and some fun facts to alexander.shedd@ourvalley.org!*

For this week's Pet of

the Week, we would like to introduce Pan and Tybalt, two perfect boys who live with yours truly, Alex Shedd.

Pan is a handsome grayish-blue cat that we adopted from Clover Cat Rescue in 2020 when he was just six weeks old. Though he's very moody and likes to re-

lax in shadowy nooks and crannies, he also loves to cuddle on the couch and groom his brother and sister (our beagle Mellow). Pan's name comes from The Golden Compass, my fiance Olivia's favorite book series, after the character Pantalaimon.

Every now and then, Pan gets to go outside on his leash. He's not much of a natural hunter, but he loves to explore the tall grass and flowers in our overgrown backyard. If there is a sunspot somewhere in the house, he will be there. Though he likes to be independent, he always makes a big deal of when it's time for pets.

Tybalt is a much smaller ginger cat that we adopted from the Richmond Animal Control Center in 2021 at about 10 weeks old. Named for a character from Romeo & Juliet referred to as "King of Cats," Tybalt never got much bigger after his kittenhood, but he has the playfulness and energy of a dozen cats his size. His favorite thing in the world is being slung over a shoulder and carried around, and he often surprises us by leaping into our arms from tables and counters, purring constantly despite the significant risk that we'll fail to catch him.

Tybalt had lots of health issues as a kitten. He has scarring on his corneas from a feline herpes infection after he was born, and for the first several months after bringing him home nothing but a faint squeak would come out of his little mouth when he meowed due to a polyp in his throat. He also had

an injury to his eardrum before being taken in by the RACC, leaving him with a permanent head tilt and somewhat imperfect balance, though that has never stopped his extreme acrobatics around the house. Tybalt also takes care of most of the bugs in our house and has a wasp kill count that would make an exterminator blush.

While both cats were effectively raised by our beagle, they can both wrestle her to the ground now, much to her excitement. The boys sprint and play around the house with great energy every night, but in the morning they are always ready for copious pets and their daily scoops of wet food.



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5. Time units (abbr.)  
8. Pigeon's murmur  
11. Moves aside in fright  
13. Partner to "ahh"  
14. Taxis  
15. Monetary units of Turkey  
16. Returned material authorization (abbr.)  
17. Prolific Italian opera composer  
18. Restaurants  
20. One's grandmother  
21. Ancient Greek City  
22. Italian mountain ranges  
25. Data  
30. Acted in an obedient way  
31. Autonomic nervous system  
32. Not on the up-and-up  
33. Mock lightly  
38. Mimic  
41. Built

CLUES DOWN

1. Sign language  
2. In style  
3. Norwegian river  
4. People with impaired hearing  
5. Large stinging paper wasp  
6. Bucharest is its capital  
7. River in Ireland  
8. Type of TV  
9. Double-reed instruments  
10. Spanish motorcycle manufacturer  
12. Midway between south and southeast  
14. French commune  
19. Alike  
23. A bachelor's apartment  
24. Foot part between the ball and ankle  
25. Belonging to a thing  
26. Japanese classical theater  
27. Supervises flying  
28. Not even  
29. Capital of Saudi Arabia  
34. Electronic counter-

## The Training Program: Week 9

By Chamberlain Zulauf, Student Reporter

The topic for this week, injury/setbacks, was bound to show its face sooner or later. It's hard not to get a little banged up spending so much time running. While being home was relaxing in a lot of ways, getting to spend time with family and running some old routes, I still ran into some trouble. One run late in the week had to be cut short as my knee was killing me. Getting my mileage for the day was out of the question and I had to walk back a few miles to get to my car. My IT band had become inflamed which meant I couldn't bend my knee without sharp pain under my kneecap— it was not a pleasant walk back to say the least. It's hard to say what caused the tweak. It could be my new shoes, more doubles than was good for me or simply just a wrong step.

The best thing to remember with any setback is that it will pass. I've had problems with my right knee before. I know that I just

need to take time off to let everything cool off. At most I spent a few days on a stationary bike when I felt up to it. To me, setbacks are a psychological battle more than a physical one. Something I've been actively working on mentally is having the confidence in myself to get back into motion but only when I'm ready. Patience over frustration will see me running sooner rather than later.

Helping yourself is the most you can do when in recovery, it's not all going to come back all at once. Don't over stretch and try to fix the problem 24 hours a day. I think all that would do is invite the problem to live in one's head rent free. Take the setback in stride and stay looking at the positives. For example...

It's been a nice rest period for me while I'm nursing my knee. Sure, I was in a groove the week before this, and I do want to get back to that, but I was getting so exhausted every day so maybe this is a gift in disguise. For now, I'll just take it one day at a time and keep building up from where I wake up each day.

# School buses return to Roanoke County roads

## ~ Students return to class for first day of school ~

Submitted by Roanoke County Public Schools

The buses are back for the first day of the 2022-2023 school year on August 11.

Roanoke County Public Schools asks drivers to be aware of all buses and give them plenty of space on the roads, particularly during the morning and afternoon runs. While following a bus, drivers should be alert to the bus and its numerous stops. Drivers should permit a safe distance of twenty feet or more between their vehicle and the bus. Drivers should not only be prepared to stop when following buses but be responsible and obey all laws to guarantee the safety of our children.

By Virginia law, motorists are required to stop for a school bus with flashing red lights that is loading or unloading children, whether the motorist is approaching a bus from the opposite direction or following a bus. Motorists must stay stopped until all children are clear of the roadway, the flashing red lights cease, and the bus starts moving again. This includes roadways with center turn lanes.

There is an exception to this law: motorists are not required

to stop for a school bus with flashing red lights if the motorist is driving in the opposite direction of the school bus on a roadway with travel lanes that are separated by a barrier or physical median.

“Please give our school buses space and please stop for our school buses when you see the flashing red lights. We want to make sure our students safely arrive at school in the morning and at home at the end of the school day,” said Dr. Ken Nicely, superintendent for Roanoke County Public Schools.

Here are some additional safety tips for motorists (source DMV/NHTSA):

- When backing out of a driveway or leaving a garage, watch out for children walking or bicycling to school.

- When driving in neighborhoods with school zones, watch for children traveling to school. They are unpredictable in their actions, and it is your responsibility to anticipate and react to what they might do.

- Drive slowly. Watch for children walking in the street, especially if there are no sidewalks in the neighborhood.

- Watch for children playing and gathering near

school bus stops.

- Be alert. Children arriving late for a school bus may dart into the street without looking for traffic.

- Never pass on the right side of a school bus where children enter or exit. This is illegal and can have tragic results.

Parents of children who may be waiting at a school bus stop should keep the following tips in mind (source DMV/NHTSA & RCPS Policy):

- Make sure your children leave home on time if they are walking to the bus stop, running can be dangerous.

- Practice Safety: Students should be at the bus stop at least 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. Students must be at the bus stop when the bus arrives.

- Respect the “Danger Zone” surrounding the bus. The Danger Zone is the 10-foot wide area on all sides of the bus.

- Children must always cross the street in front of the bus and never behind the bus. This allows the driver to see the children as they walk in front of the bus.

- Make sure your children stand at least 10 feet (five

giant steps) from the road while waiting for the school bus. The children will then be out of the way of traffic. Have younger children practice taking five giant steps to become familiar with how far away 10 feet is from the side of the road.

- Have your children put everything they carry in a backpack or school bag so they won’t drop things along the way.

- If it is raining, have your children wear raincoats that are bright with contrasting colors so they can be easily seen by drivers.

- Go to the bus stop with a young child and have older children walk in groups. There is safety in numbers because groups are easier for drivers to see.

- Practice good pedestrian behavior in front of your children. Walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, they should stay out of the street. If they must walk in the street, they should walk single file, face traffic and stay as close to the edge of the road as they can. Exaggerate your head turns and narrate your actions so your children know you are looking left, right, and then left again.

- Warn your children

that, if they drop something near the bus, they should never pick it up. Instead, they should tell the driver and follow the driver’s instructions. If they bend over to pick up a dropped object, they might not be seen by the driver and could be hurt if the driver pulls away from the stop.

- Teach your children to secure loose drawstrings, scarves, loose fitting or baggy clothing, and other objects that could get caught in the handrail or door of the school bus as they are exiting.

- If you meet your children at the bus stop after school, wait on the side where they will be dropped off, not across the street. Children can be so excited at seeing you after school that they dash across the street and forget the safety rules.

Below are some helpful Web sites for more information:

Roanoke County Public Schools bus routes: <https://www.rcps.us/busroutes>

DMV School Bus safety page: <https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/safety/#programs/schoolbus/index.asp>

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) School Bus safety page: <https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/school-buses>

# Bookstore to host Roanoke Launch for bestselling author

Submitted by Book No Further

Book No Further will present the local launch of Beth Macy’s new book *Raising Lazarus*, Monday, August 22, at 7 p.m. at Charter Hall in the Roanoke City Market Building. Subtitled “Hope, Justice and the Future of America’s Overdose Crisis,” *Raising Lazarus* tells the story of the everyday heroes fighting to stem the tide of addiction in communities across the country and of the individuals struggling for accountability in America’s courts.

After detailing the origins of the opioid epidemic in the New York Times bestseller *Dopesick*, Macy uses emotionally stirring portraits in her new book *Raising Lazarus* to explore potential solutions to the

problem. *Lazarus* is set in the last two years and tells the story of the people on the ground who are helping the addicted.

Esquire magazine says Macy “turns the lens ... the reformers pioneering innovative treatments for the afflicted. Enlightening and exhaustive, it’s at once a damning exposé about greed and a moving paean to the power of community activism.”

Macy, an award-winning journalist, worked for *The Roanoke Times* and has published two other books in addition to *Raising Lazarus* and *Dopesick*. Truevine tells the story of Franklin County natives George and Willie Muse, two albino African Americans who, in the early 20th Century, were taken and placed in a circus as sideshow freaks and their

mother’s search for them. In *Factory Man*, Macy tells the story of John Bassett who sued Chinese

manufacturers for dumping furniture in U.S. markets.

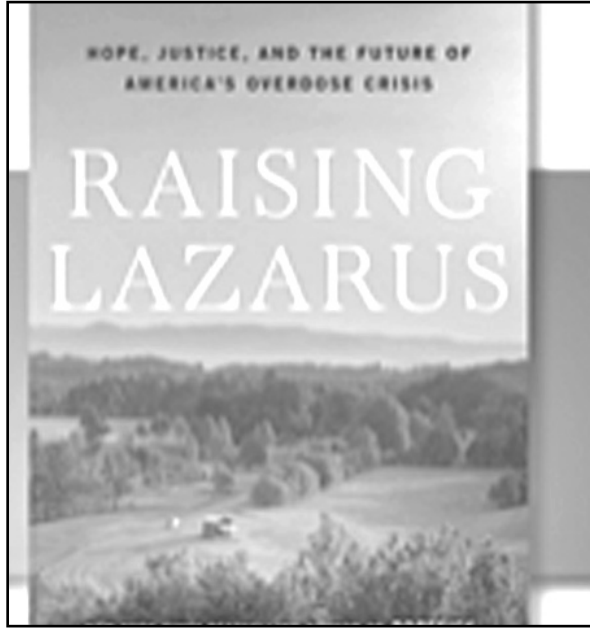
The event will be fol-

lowed by an author signing. Admission is free with purchase of the book, which includes

reserved seating, or \$5 general public. Purchase details online at <https://bit.ly/3xNIWog>.



Bestselling author Beth Macy will launch her new book, *Raising Lazarus*, at Roanoke’s Book No Further on Monday, Aug. 22.



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# Final weekend savings at Explore Park’s T-Rex Trail

## ~ Over 15,000 Individual Attendees Since Memorial Day Weekend ~

Submitted by Roanoke County Parks, Recreation and Tourism

Travel back-in-time and don’t miss the last chance to see 18 animatronic dinosaurs before they’re gone this weekend at Explore Park’s T-Rex Trail! Save \$5.00 off admission during the final operating weekend of T-Rex Trail at Explore Park on Saturday, August 13 and Sunday August 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tickets purchased in advance and walk-up tickets are \$9 for adults (ages 16+) and \$4 for children (ages 2-15).

Advance tickets are available for purchase online, with assigned arrival times every 20-minutes from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Walk-up tickets can be purchased at the Explore Park Visitor Center based on availability. Tickets can be purchased in the following ways:

- Online: Visit [ExplorePark.org/T-Rex](https://ExplorePark.org/T-Rex) for advanced ticket purchases.
- Walk-Up: Purchase tickets at the Explore Park Visitor Center, 56

Roanoke River PKWY 24014. T-Rex trail has seen more than 15,000 visitors over the span of 62 operating days since Memorial Day weekend.

Visitors can experience the sights and sounds of 18 larger-than-life dinosaurs including a stegosaurus, velociraptor, triceratops and tyrannosaurus rex, as well as a dino dig pit and photo ops along the trail.

All proceeds from the event go to support the valuable missions of Center in the Square and Explore Park. T Rex Trail is made possible through generous support from Carilion Children’s Clinic, Wells Fargo, Wirt Consulting and Wilbanks Smith & Thomas Asset Management, LLC.

Explore Park is located at Blue Ridge Parkway Milepost 115. Attendees can access Explore Park for T-Rex Trail from the Blue Ridge Parkway at Milepost 121 (US 220), Milepost 112 (VA 24) or from Explore Park’s Alternate Entrance at 3900 Rutrough Road.



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# Dr Pepper Park brings folk, rock and blues

Submitted by Dr Pepper Park

A lot of talent is headed to Dr Pepper Park in August. Three fun and diverse shows will be headlining the stage at Roanoke's favorite live music venue on August 12th, 13th, & 17th. Each show will feature performers who have perfected their own genre and travel the world playing wonderfully exciting and memorable shows. President of Dr Pepper Park, Waynette Anderson, stated "These shows are going to be a great addition to the season. We are starting off with a Flash-back Fridays tribute show and follow up with two amazing artists in genres that have been requested by our community!"

First up, Face 2 Face will be coming to Roanoke on August 12th. This act is the premier tribute to Elton John and Billy Joel.

The piano pair play a wild and fun show perfect for a Friday night. New York native Mike Santoro's fingers flash up and down the keys before he jumps up to grab the mic to belt out such high-energy Billy Joel classics as "Uptown Girl" and "Only the Good Die Young." For the second half of the roughly three-hour show, Kenny Metcalf dons the iconic sunglasses and bedazzled suits of Elton John as he charts his style from the '70s to the present. Don't forget kids 12 and under are FREE for Friday night's performance.

On Saturday, August 13th Dr Pepper Park will host JJ Grey and Mofro. The band has carved out a place in blues history with their unique combination of southern soul and rock. JJ Grey remains an unfettered, blissful performer, singing with a blue-collared spirit over

the bone-deep grooves of his compositions. On-stage, Grey delivers his songs with compassion and a relentless honesty. The support for the show is a perfect match and offers just as much character. Nat Myers is a young talent quickly recognizable as one of the best to play the folk blues in this generation of music.

Later in August the world-renowned Indigo Girls will be headlining Dr Pepper Park. Georgia natives Amy Ray and Emily Saliers spent their careers defining folk rock. The Grammy-winning duo has recorded sixteen studio albums (seven gold, four platinum, one double platinum), sold over 15 million records, and built a dedicated, enduring following. With an opening act by Lucy Roche, this night at Dr Pepper Park will feature two major talents in folk music.



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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 12 – FACE 2 FACE: ELTON JOHN AND BILLY JOEL TRIBUTE**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 – JJ GREY & MOFRO WITH SUPPORT FROM NAT MY-**

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**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17 – INDIGO GIRLS WITH SUPPORT FROM LUCY ROCHE**  
The gates open at 6:00PM. Dr Pepper Park

would like to welcome guests to bring their furry friends for a great night with the whole family. Tickets, a full season schedule, and policies can be found at [www.drpepperpark.com](http://www.drpepperpark.com)

# Blues music, festival favorites and new features at the 2022 Anthem GO Outside Festival

Submitted by Roanoke Outside Foundation

The Anthem GO Outside Festival, known locally as GO Fest, returns to downtown Roanoke October 14-16 with inspiring blues music, jaw-dropping outdoor films, and a plethora of outdoor activities. The three-day outdoor sports festival will host American blues, funk, and soul artist Black Joe Lewis & the Honeybears for Saturday night's Project Outside benefit concert presented in partnership with Berglund Center. Described as a "vital and distinctly American voice," Black Joe Lewis is a stone-cold original who has honed his "gut bucket blues" on stages with Sharon Jones, Charles Bradley, Cedric Burnside and Lightnin' Malcom. Opening the show is award winning vocalist Shemekia Copeland, who possesses one of the most instantly recognizable and deeply soulful roots music voices of our time.

The festival footprint surrounds Elmwood Park, using the parts of Franklin Road and Jefferson Street adjacent to the park. That footprint will be filled

with favorite events such as the Banff Mountain Film Festival, lumberjack and BMX stunt shows, a second music stage, two beer gardens, outdoor exhibitors, gear demos, and more to be announced. GO Fest organizers are also happy to offer two new commemorative reusable pint cups, getting back to the festival's roots as a force for sustainability.

GO Fest is excited to announce new elements of the festival that underline a focus on creating space in the outdoors that is welcoming to all. To that end, GO Fest debuts a partnership with the Humble Hustle Co. as well as the launch of the new Campfire Stage as a place for conversation and storytelling. The Humble Hustle Co. is bringing its popular Outdoor Culture Event Series to the festival; this series invites folks of all backgrounds to hear Black outdoor enthusiasts speak at the Campfire Stage as well as participate in outdoor cooking, birding, geology, and fishing activities. The Campfire Stage lineup also features a live recording of the Super Carlin Bros Popcorn Culture podcast and a Hoot & Holler storytelling event,

akin to The Moth on the Radio Hour, featuring stories on the theme of Mother Nature.

The festival's expansion of live entertainment opportunities is thanks in part to a grant from the Virginia Tourism Corporation awarded to organizing partner Play Roanoke. The purpose of the \$20,000 award is to ensure the festival is free to attend and to amplify the significant and positive economic impact GO Fest brings to Roanoke. Tickets for Black Joe Lewis & the Honeybears are on sale now through the Berglund Center box office and online through [RoanokeGOFest.com](http://RoanokeGOFest.com). To stay up to-date on the activities, shows, demos, and more at this year's Anthem GO Outside Festival, follow on social media @RoanokeGOFest or visit [roanokegofest.com](http://roanokegofest.com).

**ABOUT THE ANTHEM GO OUTSIDE FESTIVAL:** The Anthem GO Outside Festival is a free annual event that encourages healthy outdoor recreation. Organized through a partnership between the City of Roanoke's Department of Parks and Recreation and the Roanoke Outside Foundation, the three day



event has evolved into one of the nation's premier outdoor festivals since 2011. Taking place in mid-October annually, the festival features over 100 family-friendly activities, pro athlete demos, races, craft beer, camping, and live music. Learn more at [www.roanokegofest.com](http://www.roanokegofest.com).

**ABOUT PROJECT OUTSIDE:** Project Outside is a partnership between the Roanoke Outside Foundation and local land managers (i.e. local governments, ATC, NPS, etc.) of identified

regional outdoor assets. Project Outside funds will be used to fill maintenance funding gaps in projects or initiatives and pool resources to tackle large-scale outdoor infrastructure projects. Project Outside is designed to help ensure that outdoor assets remain in top condition for residents and visitors. Since its creation in 2020, Project Outside has awarded \$150,000 to 24 different regional projects that benefit the outdoor community. Learn more at <https://www.roanokeoutside.com/project-outside>

**ABOUT BERGLUND CENTER:** Celebrating 50 years of bringing the world's best music to Southwest Virginia, Berglund Center is a full-service entertainment facility located in the heart of Virginia's Blue Ridge. Endeavoring to provide an unparalleled live experience, Berglund Center takes pride in furnishing exceptional customer service while entertaining audiences of all ages. Visit us at [www.BerglundCenter.live](http://www.BerglundCenter.live) for more information.

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CITY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Council of the City of Salem, at its regular meeting on Monday, August 22, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:

1. The request of Barker Salem Homes LLC, property owner, for the issuance of a Special Exception Permit to allow a two-family dwelling on the property located at 10 School Lane, (Tax Map # 145-12-2).
2. The request of Barry W. Gladden and Tina Marie Gladden, property owners, for the issuance of a Special Exception Permit to allow a 1,400 SF detached garage on the property located at 900 Palmer Avenue, (Tax Map # 215-7-1.1).
3. The request of Ornelas Main Street, LLC, property owner, and Sharp Cars for the issuance of a Special Exception Permit to allow automobile repair services, major on the property located at 2016-2020 West Main Street, (Tax Map # 138-2-3).

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

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

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA

BY: H. Robert Light  
Clerk of Council


OBITUARY

Pinkard, Ballard Forest Jr.

Ballard Forest Pinkard, Jr., 88, of Salem, Virginia, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 3, 2022.

Born in McComas, West Virginia on March 25, 1934, to the late Ballard Forest, Sr., and Fay Jennelle Pinkard, he is also preceded in death by his sister, Janice Pinkard Hitt. Ballard was a proud graduate of the University of Virginia, Class of 1958, after having served his country in the United States Army. He married the former Nancy Burress and together they returned to Salem to live and raise their family. Their family faithfully attended St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Ballard had a strong work ethic and developed a successful career in banking and finance. Ballard and Nancy retired to the Brandon Oaks community where they enjoyed their friends and neighbors, as well as an occasional game of golf.

Those left to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 66 years, Nancy Burress



Pinkard; sons, Forest Pinkard and Charlie (Julia) Pinkard; daughter, Susan Pinkard (Bill) Morgan; grandchildren, Kelsey and Ross Pinkard and Casey Morgan; niece, Candice Hitt (Kevin) Whitlock; and nephew, Aubrey Milan "Chip" (Jennifer) Hitt, III.

Funeral services were conducted on Saturday, August 6, 2022, at 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church with an inurnment immediately following in the church columbarium. The Rev. Dr. Robert T. Copenhaver officiated.

The family would like to express their sincerest gratitude to the staff of Brandon Oaks and that of the John P. Fishwick Memory Care Center, for the kindness and compassionate care they received.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity, <https://www.habitat-roanoke.org/give/donate/>, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 42, E. Main St., Salem, VA 24153, or a charity of your choice.

# HHS invests over \$5.5 million to strengthen health care workforce and improve access to care in rural communities in Virginia

*Submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services*

On August 8, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), announced investments of over \$5.5 million in American Rescue Plan funding to grow the health workforce and increase access to quality health care in rural communities in Virginia. The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to improving health outcomes and promoting health equity in rural America.

In 2021, thanks to President Biden's American Rescue Plan, the Department of Health and Human Services invested over \$16 billion to strengthen rural health.

"The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to ensuring all Americans have access to high-quality, affordable health care — no matter where anyone lives," said HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra. "Thanks to the American Rescue Plan, we have significantly improved access to health care for the millions of families who live in rural America. Our work doesn't stop here

with these funds, we can continue working to ensure rural communities have the support they need."

The Rural Public Health Workforce Training Network Program will support four awardees to expand health care capacity in rural and tribal communities through health care job development, training, and placement. This funding includes support for critical health workforce needs in rural areas such as dental hygienists, medical or dental assistants, community-based doulas, and other frontline health care workers.

Additionally, a national technical assistance provider was awarded \$500,000 to strengthen the ability for these networks to develop formal training and certification programs.

"Among the most important steps we can take to improve access to health care in rural communities, including access to behavioral health care, is to invest in growing the rural health care workforce," said HRSA Administrator Carole Johnson. "Today's announcements are another important part of the Health Resources and Services Administration's strategy to advance

health equity for the nearly 65 million people who call rural areas home."

Nearly one in five Americans lives in a rural area, and rural communities are becoming even more diverse. However, health disparities between rural and urban areas tripled between 1999 and 2019, with rural residents experiencing higher rates of heart disease, respiratory disease, cancer, stroke, unintentional injury, and suicide; and higher risk of maternal morbidity and mortality. Access to quality health care is at the heart of these issues.

# New budget gives Virginia's farmers record funding for soil and water conservation

*Submitted by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation*

Never-before-seen levels of conservation funding for Virginia's farmers are included in the new state budget. Producers throughout the commonwealth will benefit from expanded cost-share and tax credit opportunities.

Changes to the application for much of this support will also streamline the process for many farmers.

"We are very excited about the historic level of cost-share funding for farmers in the new budget, and grateful to the General Assembly for providing it. The governor has prioritized meeting Virginia's Bay water quality goals, and with this money comes the responsibility to provide meaningful results," said Matt Wells, director of the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation.

"We also know that we cannot meet our goals without true partnerships with our Soil and Water Conservation Districts and the agricultural community. This includes engagement, open lines of communication and

mutual trust. We look forward to working with all of our partners to support agricultural best management practices across the commonwealth."

Increased cost-share and tax credits: The Virginia Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Program, or VACS, is funded at a record high for the 2022-2023 program year with \$123 million.

VACS is the state program that helps farms implement a range of conservation practices that protect water quality. By improving animal and soil health and reducing nutrient waste, these practices also help increase farm profitability — a key issue for producers as inflation rises.

DCR administers the state cost-share program in partnership with Virginia's 47 soil and water conservation districts.

"Virginia's soil and water conservation districts are the one-stop shops for state cost-share sign-up and practice implementation," said Dr. Kendall Tyree, executive director of the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. "We applaud the governor and the General Assembly for this record

show of support for voluntary conservation efforts and look forward to serving Virginia's agricultural community in our district offices."

Farmers may receive up to \$300,000 in state cost-share reimbursement for more than 70 best management practices including:

Cover crops  
Nutrient management plans

Forested or herbaceous buffers

Animal waste systems  
Livestock stream-exclusion systems

Many of these practices can often be funded through a combination of state and federal funds, reducing the farmer's expense to less than 25% of the total cost.

Also available to Virginia's farmers this year are:

Up to \$25,000 in state tax credits for fully implemented agricultural best management practices.

Up to \$50,000 in tax credits for best management practices on lands with an approved resource management plan.

To apply for funding or tax credits, farmers should contact their local soil and water conservation districts.

Streamlined paperwork for many producers: Farmers in many localities will now find it simpler to apply for funding to support multiple nutrient management and/or cover crop best practices.

Under what is sometimes called a "whole farm approach," a producer only has to submit one cost-share application to cover all of the nutrient

management practices, or all the cover crop practices, established on as much acreage as desired.

Previously, this program was only available to farmers in Essex, King and Queen and King William counties, and in the Chesapeake Bay watershed of the Eastern Shore.

This year, however, farmers in Carroll, Gloucester, Grayson, Hal-

ifax, Mathews, Middlesex, Page, Rockingham, Washington counties — and all of the Eastern Shore — may also participate.

More information on Virginia's soil and water conservation programs can be found at <https://www.dcr.virginia.gov/soil-and-water/>.

The program year ends June 30, 2023.



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**A farmer plants crops using a no-till drill. No-till farming is one of many practices for which producers can receive cost-share funding.**

## VDOT

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81 near mile marker 158 in Botetourt County is currently closed from late May 31, 2022 until September 2, 2022. Signage indicating the closure has been posted in the rest area. During the closure, a temporary concrete barrier wall will be installed in front of the facility. The rest area facility, ramps and parking lot will be closed to the public. This project will extend the ramp into the rest area by 500 feet and the ramp out of the rest area by 2,100 feet. It will also include expanding the truck parking area at the facility by about 10-13 spaces. Work is expected to be completed in early fall 2022.

**REST AREA OPTIONS:** While the Troutville Rest Area is closed, southbound I-81 drivers can use the Fairfield Rest Area at mile marker 195 in Rockbridge County or the Radford Rest Area at mile marker 108 in Montgomery County. In addition, the Troutville Weigh Station, located on southbound I-81 at mile marker 149, will have portable toilets and parking will be temporarily available for commercial vehicles.

(UPDATED 8-5-22) \* INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION EXIT 141 TO EXIT 143 – A project to widen the lanes on I-81 in Roanoke in both northbound and southbound directions between Exit

141 to Exit 143 has been underway. All lanes now open and will remain open through winter with periodic lane closures at night as needed. The final surface paving and markings for northbound is underway this summer during nighttime hours, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Drivers can expect rough pavement. Estimated completion date of the project is summer 2022.

(UPDATED 8-5-22) \* I-81 NORTHBOUND AT EXIT 105 NEW RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Traffic on northbound I-81 has been switched onto the newly constructed bridge over the New River at the Montgomery/Pulaski County line. The old bridge is being demolished. Lane and shoulder closures may be in place near exit 105. Lane closure may be in effect during the week from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Shoulder closures may be in effect at any time during the week. Slow rolls may be performed on I-81 in the north and southbound lanes from mile marker 98 to 109. Speed limit is reduced to 60 miles per hour in the work zone. Shoulder closures will remain in place though the duration of the project. Project completion is estimated by summer 2023.

**LANE CLOSURES:** Nighttime alternating lane closures will be in

place on I-81 northbound between mile markers 104-106 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

**SLOW ROLLS:** Slow rolls may be utilized periodically on both the northbound and southbound lanes from mile marker 98-109 for structural steel deliveries and setting beams.

(UPDATED 7-29-22) \* I-81 PAVING OPERATIONS – Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

(UPDATED 8-5-22) \* I-81 BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 138 to 152, right and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

(UPDATED 8-5-22) \* I-81 POT HOLE PATCHING OPERATIONS – Weather permitting, crews will patch potholes along southbound and northbound Interstate 81. Mobile right and left lane closures will be in place and moving along northbound and southbound

lanes during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for moving vehicles and equipment. Expect possible delays.

ROANOKE COUNTY

(UPDATED 8-5-22)

\* ROUTE 311 AND ROUTE 419 ROUNDABOUT AT HANGING ROCK – A road

project to replace the signalized intersection of Route 311 and Route 419 in Roanoke County at Hanging Rock with a roundabout is set to begin. The new roundabout opened to traffic on July 15. During the remaining construction, lane closures may be in place. Drivers should expect the following:

**TRAFFIC IMPACT AUGUST 8:** On Tuesday, August 9, traffic headed north on Route 419 coming from exit 141 area will need to make a full circle around the roundabout to access north Route 311 toward New Castle. This switch is only planned for one day.

July through November: The new roundabout is now open to traffic. Drivers should still expect nighttime lane closures with flaggers between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday around the roundabout for final paving, pavement marking and sign installation.

(NEW 8-5-22) \* ROUTE 419 TURN LANE EXTENSION

AT COLONIAL AVENUE – Starting Sunday, July 24, nighttime road work to lengthen the left turn lane from Route 419 onto Colonial Avenue in Roanoke County will begin. Drivers should expect nighttime lane closures, Sunday night through Friday morning between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m., in both directions of Route 419 at Colonial Avenue. In

addition, there may be daytime lane closures on Route 419 for paving outside of peak travel times. Work is expected to be completed in mid- or late August.

(NEW 8-5-22) \* ROUTE 635 (GOODWIN AVENUE) CLOSURE – As part of the ongoing I-81 project from exit 137 to 141,

See VDOT, page 11

Take notice the undersigned will apply to the Council of the City of Salem at a public hearing on August 22, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard in the Council Chambers of the City of Salem, at 114 North Broad Street, Salem, Virginia, based on an application to permanently dispose of an approximate 0.046 acres of unopened right of way situate off Dalewood Avenue more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF DALEWOOD AVENUE; SAID POINT BEING 212.4' MORE OR LESS FROM THE INTERSECTION OF DALEWOOD AVENUE AND EAST MAIN STREET (RTE. 460); THENCE LEAVING DALEWOOD AVENUE AND WITH A CURVE TURNING TO THE LEFT WITH AN ARC LENGTH OF 25.54'; WITH A RADIUS OF 15.00'; WITH A CHORD BEARING OF N 46°20'02" W, AND A CHORD LENGTH OF 22.56'; TO A POINT; THENCE S 84°54'58" W A DISTANCE OF 119.37' TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF T.M.#77-3-13; THENCE N 05°05'02" W A DISTANCE OF 14.00' TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF T.M.#77-3-12; THENCE N 84°54'58" E A DISTANCE OF 131.24' TO A POINT; THENCE WITH A CURVE TURNING TO THE LEFT WITH AN ARC LENGTH OF 8.12'; WITH A RADIUS OF 11.85'; WITH A CHORD BEARING OF N 65°17'23" E, AND A CHORD LENGTH OF 7.96'; TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY OF DALEWOOD AVE; THENCE WITH THE SAME S 02°30'58" W A DISTANCE OF 33.94' TO THE POINT AND PLACE OF BEGINNING, HAVING AN AREA OF 1,995 SQUARE FEET, OR 0.046 ACRES, LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF SALEM VIRGINIA.

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individuals and we go to organizations that focus on helping those people, and we just hang out with them, spend time with them, eat dinner, lunch, have dance parties, draw, color with them, just kind of hang out.”

The journey takes the cyclists through a total of thirteen states on their way to D.C. Beginning in Washington state, the cyclists ride east to southeast for 12,000 miles through Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Texas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, and finally Virginia. Though the trip is incredibly long and difficult, the PKP cyclists are not professional athletes.

“We’re just ordinary college students that wanted to do more during the summer,” said Cortes. “These guys train ever since they hear about the trip, ever since they get accepted. We have guys who train a month before the trip, and a lot more months before the trip... These are just regular guys

that know how to ride a bike, then they really push themselves when they get on the trip.”


This year, the Journey of Hope celebrates its 35th anniversary. Cortes noted some of the difficulties in moving through back roads (and sometimes highways) that may be different now than in years past, running into issues such as construction and road blockages that the crew members must figure out quickly to get the cyclists through on time. However, they always hit their August mark on time.

“We’re all the same people, even if we may look different or not be as physical as everyone, we’re all still one together,” Cortes explained the journey’s message. “So there’s no reason to treat other people differently.”

Those interested in joining the Journey of Hope must be enrolled in a chapter of Pi Kappa Phi and apply online through TheAbilityExperience.org.

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# VDOT

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Route 635 (Goodwin Avenue) will be closed beginning July 11 where it runs underneath I-81. It will be closed for approximately 30 days for reconstruction to accommodate the widening of the interstate. Drivers will need to seek alternate routes as traffic will not be able to pass underneath the interstate during this time. The road is scheduled to reopen approximately August 11.

(UPDATED 7-22-22) \* **ROUTE 628 CULVERT REPLACEMENT** – Beginning April 11, 2022, Route 628 (Greenridge Road) will undergo a culvert replacement located .25 miles east of the road's entrance from Route 780 (Cove Road). Lane closures on Route 628 maintained utilizing temporary traffic signals are now in place as of May 16 and will be in place through August 2022. Expected completion is October 2022.

(UPDATED 8-5-21) \* **ROUTE 760 (DIUGUIDS LANE) BRIDGE REPLACEMENT & DETOUR** – A project to replace the Route

760 (Diuguids Lane) bridge over the Roanoke River is underway with preliminary work. The bridge is located at the Salem city limits near Route 760's intersection with Route 639 (West Riverside Drive). Typical work hours are expected to be Monday through Saturday during daytime hours with occasional work on Sunday. Flagging operations may be in place periodically and occasional night work is possible. Drivers can expect short-term lane closures with flaggers controlling traffic on West Riverside Drive periodically. Access to Green Hill Park, private entrances and businesses will be maintained at all times. Completion is expected winter 2022.

• **DETOUR:** The 45-day detour will be in place July 5. For the majority of the 45-day closure, traffic can detour using West Riverside Drive and Mill Lane. However, there will be two, three-day periods when a large crane will be in use at Diuguids Lane and West Riverside Drive, so this intersection will need to be closed

temporarily. The bridge is expected to reopen between August 11 and 16.

On those days when the large crane is in use, drivers will need to use Creekside Drive and Lilly Drive to detour. The crane is expected to be at the intersection on July 6, 7 and 8 and require that traffic use the alternate detour route between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. each day. During these hours, flaggers will control traffic on Lilly Drive to allow drivers to alternate using one open lane. Between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., flaggers will control traffic at the West Riverside Drive intersection while the crane is present.

For three days later in July to be determined, the crane is anticipated to impact the West Riverside Drive intersection again. The same traffic pattern will be implemented on those days with drivers using Creekside Drive and Lilly Drive between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. and flaggers controlling traffic on Lilly Drive.

• **Flagging operations** in place, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on

southbound Diuguids lane as well as the intersection of Harborwood Road/W Riverside Drive. A right lane closure northbound may also be in place, Monday through Friday.

(UPDATED 8-5-22) \* **PAVING OPERATIONS** – Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

(UPDATED 8-5-22) \* **SURFACE TREATMENT OPERATIONS** – Weather permitting, crews will begin surface treatment operations on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays. The road surface may be rough for a several weeks after surface treatment is applied. Once it packs down, the road surface will be

brushed and return to a more smooth surface.

**CRAIG COUNTY**  
(UPDATED 6-24-22) \* **ROUTE 311 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER MEADOW CREEK** – On March 17, temporary signals began to control traffic across the bridge and will be in place throughout the project. Construction will begin on the northbound side of the bridge and once completed, work will switch to the southbound side. In addition, a section of Route 646 (Allen Street) between Route 650 and Route 311 will be closed during construction and a signed detour will be in place. All traffic will be detoured to Marshall Street and Kanawha Street to access either 311 or the homes located off Allen Street. Speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph in the work zone with a width restriction of 9 feet. Drivers should expect delays and allow extra travel time through the work zone. Weather permitting, the bridge is expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2022.

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## LITTLE LEAGUE CHALLENGER BASEBALL HAS FUND-RAISING GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Little League Challenger baseball program (see photo) will have a fund-raising golf tournament on Saturday, October 1st, at the Ashley Plantation course in Daleville. The tournament is a captain's choice and cost is \$85 per golfer or \$340 for a team of four. Many prizes will be offered, including an all-inclusive trip to Pebble Beach for two for a Hole-in-One. Sponsorships are also available. Price includes green fees, cart, range balls, lunch and beverages. To sign up or for more information call Sid Witt at 540-309-6274.

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# Hokies name Wells to sports communications post

Travis Wells, a two-time Virginia Sportscaster of the Year, has been named assistant athletics director for strategic communications at Virginia Tech, director of athletics Whit Babcock announced Monday. In his new role, which he will begin on August 22, Wells will serve as the primary communications contact for Virginia Tech Football, among other duties.

“Travis will be a great addition to our team,” Babcock said. “He has a wealth of knowledge and experiences from nearly three decades in local media that will serve our department well. Travis has an array of skills that will make him a valuable asset to Virginia Tech. I’m extremely grateful for the time and effort our search committee devoted to identifying Travis. I look forward to welcoming him and his family to Blacksburg.”

Wells arrives in Blacksburg following a lengthy career in local sports television that spans parts of three decades. His career includes stops at TV stations in Charlottesville, Bristol, and for the last 20 years at WDBJ in Roanoke, where he has served as

the sports director since 2008.

During his time at WDBJ, Wells helped produce Virginia Tech Sports Today for 10 years, in conjunction with LEARFIELD, the university’s media rights partner.

Wells spearheaded the station’s multi-faceted coverage of ACC football and basketball, and anchored WDBJ’s popular high school football program – Friday Football Extra – for nearly 15 years. He was named Virginia Sportscaster of the Year in 2015 and 2016 by the National Sports Media Association.

In addition to his on-air duties, Wells filmed and edited video for broadcasts and posted content to wdbj7.com, as well as the station’s social media platforms. Wells has emceed numerous events over his tenure and has fully embedded himself within the greater Roanoke and New River Valley areas.

“I’m honored to join the Virginia Tech athletics department, and I am looking forward to being a part of the Virginia Tech community,” Wells said. “I have a deep understanding of and appreciation for the rich history and tradition of Virginia Tech

Athletics. The university’s strong academic reputation, along with its record of sustained athletic success, were among the many factors that made this opportunity appealing to me.”

Wells played basketball for his father, Troy, at Martinsville High School and he’s a 1995 graduate of Radford University, where he played basketball and earned a degree in communications and media studies.

“There is no one better equipped to tell the Virginia Tech story than Travis,” Babcock pointed out. “He has built and maintained relationships with student-athletes, coaches and administrators throughout his media career. His track record of service and leadership will serve him well in this role.”

Wells, and his wife, Chandra, are Daleville residents and the parents of Meredith and Brayden. Meredith is a former pitching standout and basketball player for Lord Botetourt High School who is now a member of the Elon University softball team. Brayden is a rising junior at LB who plays basketball and baseball.

# Brian Hoffman's column

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is going to do what he wants anyway?

Meanwhile the Browns are in limbo, not knowing how long it will be before they know if they have an all-pro quarterback this season. Not that I feel sorry for them, they knew they were buying a snake when they sent all those draft picks to Houston.

And then we have Pete Rose. Oh, Pete Rose, will you ever learn?

Rose was back on a baseball field Sunday when the Philadelphia Phillies celebrated the 40th anniversary of their 1980 World Championship. If 2022 minus 40 doesn’t equal 1980 you can blame the COVID pandemic for that.

Rose got a big cheer, because everyone loved him as a player, and he was a big part of the Phillies first ever World Series championship. Remember when he caught that foul ball after it popped out of Bob Boone’s catcher’s mitt?

Again, as most of you likely know, after retiring as a player Rose was banned from baseball for betting on games when he was the manager of the Cincinnati Reds, and you can be pretty sure he was betting on games as a player as well. I’ve heard the stories about him being on the clubhouse phone shortly before he stepped on the field, and it doesn’t take The Amazing Kreskin to figure out who he might be calling.

Five years ago the Phillies decided to add Pete to their “Wall of Fame,” but not long before the ceremony a woman accused him of having an affair with her when she was 14 and Pete was 32. Wisely, this time, the Phillies decided to postpone that ceremony to a later date, and that date has yet to arrive.

HOWEVER, that didn’t keep Rose from arriving Sunday and one of the things he was asked was about that case. Pete could have politely sidestepped the question but that’s not his style. Instead he said this to the female reporter who asked the question, “No, I’m not here to talk about that. Sorry about that. It was 55 years ago, babe.”

He’ll never learn, will he? Rose, the all-time hits leader, is not in the Hall of Fame because of his gambling, but even at 81 years old he can’t avoid controversy because he constantly puts his foot in his mouth. He said some other stuff during his weekend trip to Philadelphia that had people cringing, and in hind sight it was probably a bad idea to invite him to the reunion despite what he meant to that team on the field.

I’ve always been of the opinion that Rose deserves to be in the Hall of Fame because he was a great baseball player, and it’s not the Hall of Nice People. Ty Cobb was a known bigot who was hated by just about everyone in his day, but he was a great hitter. Other great players had their flaws, but I think you can appreciate the player without liking the person, and the Baseball Hall of Fame is to recognize great players.

HOWEVER, listening to a radio show on Monday I heard something interesting in that regard. If Pete would actually make the Hall of Fame tradition has the player making an acceptance speech, and can you just imagine what he might say? It was suggested that if he ever went into the Hall most likely it would be posthumously, and when’s the last time you heard someone should be put in a Hall of Fame posthumously when they were still alive?

Only a Rose, I give you.



## VOLLEYBALL RINGS

The Glenvar girls' volleyball players from the 2021 state championship season received their rings on Monday. By the size of those things I wouldn't think the girls will be reaching into their pockets with the hand the ring is on. Five seniors return to this year's team, and Glenvar will scrimmage Salem tonight at Lewis.



## Recreation football season coming soon

Salem Junior Spartans coaches Mike Jones(left) and Trevor Stump work with the team to prepare for the coming recreation season in a Monday night practice at Spartan Field.

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# Ryan Wilkes works to make a career in sports

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through Friday from 3 pm to 6 pm on the same station that airs the Turtles. They also do Blacksburg High football and Ryan got his foot in the door as a stat man for the Bruin broadcasts.

“I’d do the stats and supplement the broadcast when they needed something,” said Wilkes.

Steve Adams was the play-by-play man and Brad Epperley served as color man. Brad, who worked for the Salem Department of Parks and Recreation before taking a job as the Director of Parks and Rec. in Christiansburg, has a son who was the quarterback for the Bruins.

Parker Epperley was an outstanding two-way player, but in the spring of 2021 he suffered an in-game injury. Blacksburg was playing at Salem Stadium in a game that had been rescheduled to the spring due to the COVID pandemic during the fall of 2020. Parker injured his knee in the first

half and ended up missing the rest of the season and part of the next.

“When Brad went down to the locker room to be with Parker I did the color,” said Wilkes.

The next season the station decided to do some sideline reporting and that job went to Ryan for the first half of the season. In the second half of the season Brad moved to the sideline job to be close to Parker, who was returning from his injury, and Wilkes moved to the booth.

It proved to be a challenging season. The Bruins had perhaps their worst football season in school history, going winless and scoring just 64 points while giving up 332. However, it proved to be a learning experience for the aspiring young broadcaster.

“The main thing I took from it was knowing what my audience is and knowing what they wanted to hear,” he said. “They didn’t want to hear how bad the team was. I tried to focus on the positives, as hard as it was to do at times. Even at the lowest of the lows I tried to put a positive spin on it. We really struggled with the Star of the Game. I think we gave it to the punter five times.”

This fall Epperley is slated to do play-by-play and Ryan is back to doing stats.

“I don’t view anything as ‘below me’,” he said. “Whatever you do can provide valuable experience. Paul (VanWagoner) believes in me and he’s been very encouraging. He’s the reason I got the job with the Turtles.”

Pulaski General Manager JW Martin needed a radio guy this year and he reached out to VanWagoner, who suggested Wilkes.

“JW had listened to the football broadcasts and he asked Paul if I could do baseball,” said Wilkes. “He gave me a chance and I’ve had a great summer. The coolest part is when people come up to the booth and say they really enjoy listening to my broadcasts. I’m just a kid in college but that makes me feel special.”

Ryan’s goal is to get a full-time job in sports when he graduates from Tech in the spring. He’s willing to put in the work to reach his goals.

“I’ve never wanted to do anything else,” he said. “Sports has been my one and only love and I knew I wanted to be involved one way or another since I was a kid. I’d like to get a job with a team or a university and I’m open to marketing or anything that will keep me around sports. You know what they say, if you love what you’re doing you’ll never work a day in your life.”



Ryan Wilkes takes time out to throw the ball around before climbing into the radio booth in Pulaski.

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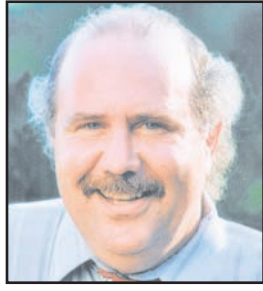


## Future Spartans on the ballfields

Two Salem ballfields held promise for the future as the Salem Department of Parks & Recreation conducted camps for baseball and softball last week. Top, Salem coaches and players held a camp for baseball at Billy Sample Field, and left coach John Counts and his staff and players had a softball camp for girls at the Salem Civic Center Field. The final recreation camp of the summer, for tennis, is being held this week with school to begin in a couple weeks.

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Brian Hoffman



### The Good, the Bad and the Smugly

A couple comments about two guys who seem to be better on the field than in society.

First, DeShaun Watson. If you're a football fan you most likely know about the things he's been accused of. He denies it, but it's one man's word against the word of 24 women. Maybe if it's two women I'd have my doubts, but 24?

Whatever, he's been accused of abusing women in the guise of getting a message and, guilty or not, it's not good publicity for the National Football League. They say no publicity is bad publicity, but in this case I beg to differ.

As you football fans know, Watson was recently traded to the Cleveland Browns for a bunch of draft picks after he agreed to waive his no trade clause so he could accept a guaranteed \$240 million. Not the MegaMillions jackpot, but not bad.

Watson sat out last season in Houston as this hung over his head(no jokes please), and in fact he was paid last year for not even playing. Currently he has not been charged with any crime after settling with all but one of his accusers, and don't think \$240 million doesn't help you settle stuff.

Under NFL rules the commissioner, Roger Goodell, still has the right to suspend Watson for his perceived violations of the league code of conduct. In cases like this the NFL has an arbiter, appointed jointly by the league and players association, to rule on such cases. The arbiter, retired federal judge Sue L. Robinson, decided a fair suspension for Watson would be six games.

Most folks felt Watson got off easy, real easy, with that decision. One of those folks was Goodell, and the NFL has a right to appeal that decision and decided to do so. In fact, Goodell has the right to appeal and appoint himself as the person to hear the appeal, but instead he appointed Peter Harvey, a former New Jersey attorney general. No decision was handed down by press time, but I'll just bet(the NFL likes betting) Harvey is going to come up with a much longer suspension.

To me, this is ridiculous. No matter what I feel about what Watson did, why even have an arbiter if you don't have to abide by what the arbiter decides?

Let's look at this way. Let's say I get arrested for selling crack cocaine to middle school children on school property. Everyone knows that's a bad thing, and I'm arrested and go to trial. I'm found guilty by a jury of my peers and the judge sentences me to six years in jail.

HOWEVER, the prosecuting attorney thinks that's way too light a sentence for what I've done so he appeals. Then, he gets to decide who hears the appeal, and he can even appoint himself to hear it if he so chooses.

Why even have a judge if that's the case? Likewise, why even have an arbiter if Roger Goodell

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## Sox waste opportunity to gain ground

The Salem Red Sox let a chance to pick up ground in the standings slip away when they dropped four of six games to Fayetteville at Salem Memorial Ballpark last week. The Sox come into the week eight games behind Fredricksburg in the second half of the Carolina League's North Division standings and time is running out.

The Sox were hoping to have a big week against Fayetteville, the last place team in the South Division, with a six game series at home. They split the first four games with Friday's game rained out, setting up a Sunday doubleheader. That proved to be a disaster for the Red Sox as the Woodpeckers swept a doubleheader from Salem, winning 6-5 and 3-2. The Sox wasted a chance to gain ground on Fredricksburg as the Nats lost to Down East to split their six game series with the Wood Ducks.

Beginning Tuesday the Red Sox still have 31 games left on the schedule to try and catch the Nationals, including the last seven at home against the North Division leaders. However, in the last couple weeks Carolina and Down East have also passed the Red Sox. As of Tuesday Carolina was six and a half games behind Fredricksburg, Down East was seven back and the Sox are eight back.

This week Salem is at Kanapolis for six games, beginning Tuesday. The Cannon Ballers are a White Sox farm team and these games are also important to them, as the Ballers are in second place in the South Division just two and a half games behind Charleston.

Salem will return home next Tuesday, August 16, to begin a six game series with Delmarva.



Above, Salem manager Luke Montz gets his two cents in before being thrown out of Saturday night's game against Fayetteville. Below, Karson Simas beats a throw to the plate in last Wednesday's game with the Woodpeckers.

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## GETTIN' READY

Above, Glenvar's Eli Taylor looks for a receiver as Coach Kevin Clifford and assistant Joey Taylor look on at Monday's Highlander practice. Right, Salem's Shawn Lewis (#2) breaks free for a nice gain in Salem's practice.



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## High School Football, volleyball teams have scrimmages this week

### Lewis hosts MS football jamboree today

The fall sports season is rapidly approaching and several teams have scrimmages scheduled for this week.

Tonight, Thursday, the Salem volleyball team will host defending Class 2 state champion Glenvar in a scrimmage in the Andrew Lewis Middle School gym. The jayvees will go at 5:30 pm with the varsity to follow at approximately 7 pm.

Also Thursday, the Andrew Lewis Middle School football team will be participating in a jamboree at Spartan Field, in front of Salem High School. William Byrd, William Fleming and Patrick Henry will join Lewis for a series of 20 plays each.

The jamboree will begin at 5 pm with Lewis against Fleming and PH against Byrd. Lewis and Byrd will switch opponents for the next round, and the third series will pit Lewis against Byrd while PH goes against Fleming.

On Friday both high school teams will scrimmage for the first time. Salem High will be at Brookville for a controlled scrimmage at 6 pm while Glenvar has a scrimmage at William Byrd, also at 6 pm.

On Saturday the Lewis middle school team will participate in a jamboree at Cave Spring, and next week the Spartans are at Pulaski for a volleyball scrimmage Tuesday and Glenvar is at Lord Botetourt to bump with the Cavaliers on Wednesday, August 17.

A week from today Lewis sports open for real with the football team hosting William Fleming at Spartan Field and the volleyball team heading to Franklin County.

Final football tuneups for the high school teams will be on Friday, August 19. Salem will host Magna Vista in a Benefit game at 7 pm and Glenvar will be in a jamboree in Blacksburg.

## Spartans finish one stroke back in Botetourt Metro tourney

The Salem High golfers finished a stroke behind Jefferson Forest, 304 to 305, to claim runner-up honors in Tuesday's Botetourt Metro Golf Tournament. Glenvar also competed in the 13 team Metro at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club and shot 358.

Salem carded the 304 without sophomore sensation Kathryn Ha, who had a prior commitment and missed the Metro. Ha was the medalist at the John Scott Heritage Invitational a week prior, but in her absence the Spartans still competed for the title. The top score for Salem at the Botetourt G&SC was a three-over-par 74 by Macy Johnson while Trey Joyce was a stroke back at 75, Trace Monroe shot 77 and Taylor Davis had a 79.

"I'm incredibly pleased with the

way we performed," said Salem coach Thad Snyder. "We had four scores in the 70s! I'm very, very happy with that."

Patrick Henry finished third with 316 while Blacksburg came in fourth at 317. Franklin County was fifth with 324, Northside carded 330, Lord Botetourt had 332, James River was eighth with a 338 and William Byrd had 341. Hidden Valley was 10th with a 347, Glenvar was next at 358 and Cave Spring was 12th at 387. William Fleming had three competitors but did not have a full team. Nick Crawford of Northside was medalist with an even par 71.

Glenvar's top score was an 83 by Jacson Shepherd. Other scorers for Glenvar were Mason Hylton at

86, Aidan Hylton at 93 and Brendan Magruder and Adam Harvey tied for the fourth score with 96 each.

"Last week we shot a team score of 381 and this week we shot a team score of 358," said Glenvar coach Shawn Duff. "I'm looking for us to continue to improve and get more consistency. I'm excited to see this group continue to have fun enjoying the game while at the same time getting better."

The 381 score Duff was referring to came in a match at the Olde Mill Course last week in a Three Rivers District match hosted by Carroll County. Floyd County was the easy winner with a score of 320. Radford was next at 353 and James River took third among the six teams with a 365. Rounding out the day were Glenvar at

381, host Carroll at 410 and Alleghany at 435. McKenzie Weddle of Floyd was medalist with a 71.

"Olde Mill was playing very tough but in beautiful shape," said Duff.

Jacson Shepherd led Glenvar again with an 85. Magruder had 97, Grayson Shepherd had 99 and brothers Mason and Aidan Hylton both had 100 to tie for the Highlanders' fourth counting score.

The Highlanders had a match scheduled for the Radford River Course on Monday but that was rained out. The Three Rivers District tour will make a stop at Floyd Monday.

Salem's next match is Monday at the Hunting Hills Country Club as Cave Spring plays host to a River Ridge District affair.

## Glenvar's Wilkes was voice of the River Turtles

Glenvar graduate Ryan Wilkes wants to earn a living doing something he loves when he graduates from Virginia Tech next spring. Sports is what Ryan loves, and he's been focusing on a job in a sports related field since he was a kid.

Ryan took a big step in that direction this summer by serving as the play-by-play man for the Appalachian

League Pulaski River Turtles. The Pulaski games were aired on 93.1 and 97.1 FM this summer as well as 810 AM and Ryan was the lone voice on the baseball broadcasts. That made it tough enough to carry a baseball broadcast by himself, but he also found himself with a new team in a new college wooden bat baseball league that he knew virtually nothing about.

"At the beginning it was hard to fill time," he said. "I'd mention the weather five times every couple innings and update scores from around the league. We had some guys in the press box and that gave me something to talk about."

As the season progressed, so did Ryan. He became more familiar with the players and the league and soon he was right at home in the listeners' living room.

"I started to get some story lines together," he said. "I went into the clubhouse to get to know the guys, and it was a little intimidating at first. I walk in there and they know I'm not a player, but they were a very welcoming group of guys."

Ryan's first real interview was with former University of Virginia standout Avery Mabe, who pitched for the River Turtles. Mabe went to high school at George Wythe and, between UVA and the Maroons, it gave him some ammunition to strike up a conversation.

"That first interview was maybe two and a half minutes," he said. "Now I feel much more comfortable. My interviews are going seven, eight minutes and I'm at ease."

This is what Ryan has always wanted to do. He grew up a sports fan and played recreation and school sports through the Glenvar system. He attended the Arnold R. Burton Technology Center in Roanoke County to major in



Mass Communications with his future in mind.

"It was a broad look at media, not necessarily sports, but you could bend it toward sports," he said.

Ryan got a position interning for sports celebrity Greg Roberts at WFIR in Roanoke his senior year at Glenvar, doing day-to-day operations and helping on Roberts' afternoon call-in show.

"I got on the air every once in a while, but I was a little timid," he said.

Wilkes decided to continue his education at Virginia Tech and got involved in the "3304 Sports" program, which is an extension of the classroom. He would go to games in different sports at Tech and broadcast them like he was doing them live, only it was being recorded to play for future prospective employers so he could show what he could do. He also got some help from his friend Evan Hughes, who does women's basketball and play-by-play for the Hokies.

"His dad (Kelly) and my dad (Kirk) grew up together and I've been friends with Evan since we were kids," said Ryan. "He's a few years older than me and everyone at Tech knows Evan. He's been a great help to me."

Ryan also got to know Paul VanWagoner, who is the operations manager for ESPN Blacksburg. Paul is the Host of "The Drive," which airs Monday

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Ryan Wilkes calls a River Turtles game at Calfee Park. SUBMITTED PHOTO