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Fire burns former Givens Books building



The former Givens Books building at 1641 East Main Street caught fire on the night of Tuesday, Dec. 6.

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1641 East Main Street, the

former location of Givens

Books, caught fire on Tuesday,

Fire & EMS Department. The vacant building, which A commercial building at was scheduled for demolition

as part of an extensive renovation project for that corner of the street, sustained extensive

Dec. 6, according to the Salem

control.

damage, the department said.

It took firefighters several hours to bring the fire under

The department responded to the fire at approximately 8:05 p.m. on Dec. 6. "The first units arrived within four minutes of receiving the call and found heavy fire and



Chip and Susan Givens are pictured outside of the former Givens Books building in September.

smoke coming from the sec-

rival. Firefighters worked to put out the fire on all sides of the building, including with the use of two ladder pipes for

master stream operations.

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PHOTO BY MEG HIBBERT

Salem Times-Register Sports Editor Brian Hoffman, third from right, receives a "Salem Salutes" award from Salem City Council at the Dec. 12 meeting. From left, Councilmembers are Randy Foley, Vice Mayor Jim Wallace, Mayor Renee Turk, John Saunders and Bill Jones.

Hoffman recognized for covering three generations of athletes

RichfieldLiving daylily garden earns national recognition

ond floor of the building," a

scene requested assistance

from the Roanoke Fire &

EMS Department upon ar-

The commander of the

release said.

Meg Hibbert Contributing writer

Each summer the grounds of RichfieldLiving in Salem glow with more than 300 stars of orange, yellow, bur-gundy and pink. The flowers are daylilies planted by Shirley Jarusek, director of landscape operations at RichfieldLiving.

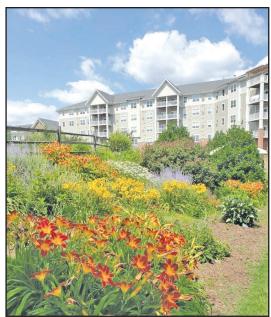
In the next several years, Jarusek plans to have 1,000 daylilies.

Her arduous work over the last four years paid off when the American Daylily Society accepted the Richfield plantings as a Display Garden for the Jane Morgan Harris Gardens.

Jarusek received the official

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Meg Hibbert **Contributing writer**

The man who has written about and photographed three generations of Salem and Glenvar athletes was recognized with a "Salem Salutes" award by Salem City Council Monday night.

Brian "Hoop" Hoffman, sports editor of the Salem Times-Register and other newspapers in the Mountain Media weekly chain, has been writing about local athletes, coaches and teams since graduating from Roanoke College in 1974.

As Mayor Renee Turk said when presenting the award, "He has done more for City of Salem athletes than any other person."

Hoffman is a Telford, PA native who is in the Salem-Roanoke Baseball and Roanoke College Sports Hall of Fames and active in other sports organizations. Turk noted he has spent "countless hours highlighting sports in the area."

Taking the podium after getting the award, Hoffman said, "I am very lucky to have found this place," meaning Salem. "I went to Roanoke



RichfieldLiving's director of landscape operations has planted more than 300 daylilies such as this one and spectacular double, star and spider-shapes.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF SHIRLEY JARUSEK

RichfieldLiving's daylily plantings earned recognition by the American Daylily Society for the Jane Morgan Harris Gardens.

Roanoke County reviews 2022, looks to 2023



SCREENSHOT The address was presented at the Green Ridge Recreation Center.

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Roanoke County presented its State of the County address on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at the Green Ridge Recreation Center.

Board of Supervisors Chairman Paul M. Mahoney delivered the address. He touched on a number of topics, including economic development, transportation projects, personal property tax relief, American Rescue Plan funding, broadband, housing, outdoor recreation, public safety and education.

"Before we position the county for future growth, we must first look at where we are now. I am proud to report that we have enjoyed

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PHOTO COURTESY OF CITY OF SALEM Councilman Bill Jones presents "Swoop," the mascot for the Philadelphia Eagles, to Brian Hoffman at the Dec. 12 Salem City Council meeting.

HopeTree Family Services, a Salembased provider of mental and behavioral health services, has appointed Lisa Clause as its chief advancement officer. In this role, she will oversee HopeTree's statewide strategic planning and execution for fundraising, development, marketing and communications.

"HopeTree supports families across Virginia, and I wanted to make a difference with foster kids and the developmental disabilities ministry," Clause said. "The Advancement Department combines philanthropy and marketing which are my two greatest strengths. A long history of donations from the faith community and alumni who helped shape the agency contribute to the success of our team. I am blessed to work with amazing people."

Clause, HopeTree noted in a release, brings more than 25 years of experience in donor relations, fundraising campaigns and marketing. Most recently, she served as senior director of marketing and philanthropy and public information officer

at Richfield Living, where she oversaw all marketing efforts, led fundraising campaigns that exceeded goals of \$1.2 million and was critical to the development of the organization's Roanoke campus.

We are so excited to have Lisa join our team," said Jon Morris, president and CEO of HopeTree. "Her experience and qualifications are top notch, but it's her energy and leadership that sets her apart. She is a great fit to our team and she came to HopeTree at the perfect time."

Clause is a graduate of Virginia Tech, earning an undergraduate degree in marketing management and a graduate degree in business from Liberty University. Currently, she serves on four nonprofit boards, including Goodwill Industries of the Valleys, Salem-Roanoke Coun-ty Chamber of Commerce, American Cancer Society's Cattle Baron's Ball and YMCA of Virginia's Blue Ridge, where she chaired the Annual Campaign for two years.

-The Salem Times-Register



Clause

COURTESY OF HOPETREE FAMILY SERVICES

Gingerbread Festival winners announced



Business Entry: Roanoke County Schools' "Cozy Holiday by the Hearth



Ages 7-11: Abiageal Kid's "Jesus is the Reason for the Season"



Ages 15-19: Roanoke County Schools-Burton CVA1 students' "Greek and Roman Architecture"



Ages 12-14: All Ability Scout Troop #123's



PHOTOS COURTESY OF SALEM-ROANOKE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Amateur Community (Ages 20+): Angela Helm's "Holiday Bakery"

'Winter Beach Bash' set for February return



Salem's annual "Winterfest Beach Bash" is set to return in February of 2023 with the Band of Oz. The latest version of this wintertime beach party will take place on Friday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m. inside the Salem Civic Center. This is the 16th straight year that the Hall of Fame band has been selected to headline this event.

Tickets for the group's appearance went on sale at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 12, at the Salem Parks & Recreation Department, 620 Florida Street. Admission is \$10 in advance and \$12 the day of the show or you can purchase a table of eight for just \$80. Cash, check or credit card will be accepted between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays from Dec. 13 – Feb. 3. For additional ticket information, please contact the Salem Parks

and Recreation Department at 540- 375-3057.

Doors will open at 6 p.m. and proceeds from the event will benefit the Penguin Club's community service projects. The City of Salem Parks and Recreation Department, InFirst Federal Credit Union and P.A. Short Distributing Company are once again spearheading the popular concert. Coolers and outside food or drinks are not permitted inside the arena for this event.

The Band of Oz was enshrined in the North Carolina Music Hall of Fame in 2016 with fellow honorees The Avett Brothers, Kelly Pickler and The Carolina Chocolate Drops. The "Band of Oz" has been playing beach music at packed venues since 1967. -The Salem Times-Register

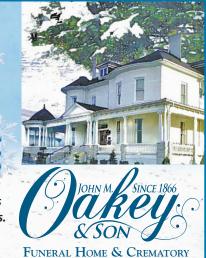
Light a Light of Love Traditions are special at the Holiday Season. At John M. Oakey & Son, we too have our Traditions.

Qur Lights of Love Memorial Tree

We would like to give you the opportunity to honor the memory of your loved one. You may call or email us your loved one's name. A special light will be placed on our tree in their memory.

Blessings from the John M. Oakey & Son family. We would like to wish our families and friends a "light" of hope, joy, and peace during the Holiday Season and always.

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Briefly: Salem News In Brief

Illuminights: Illuminights runs through Dec. 30 for More information and to purchase tickets, visit: www.roanokecountyparks.com/545/ illuminights.

Salem Gun & Knife Sale: The event will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 17 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 18. Admission is \$10 for adults and free for children 12 and under with a paying adult. Saturday admission is good for both days. For more information, please visit www.cegunshows.com

Festival Service of Lessons & Carols: On Sunday, Dec. 18 at 5 p.m., St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 42 E. Main Street, will offer a Festival Service of Lessons & Carols. This service recalls the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus told in scripture readings from Genesis, the prophetic books and the Gospels, interspersed with the singing of carols, hymns and anthems. The St. Paul's Choir, directed by Steve Lawrence, will be joined by Brass 5 to present music by David Willcocks, Ralph Vaughan Williams, John Scott, Joseph Flummerflet and Lara Hoggard. A reception follows the service in the parish hall. All are invited to attend.

DMV2Go: The service will be at the Salem Civic Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 19.

Stampede Championship Rodeo: The event will be at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 6 and 7 and 2 p.m. Jan. 8. For 55 years, the Salem Championship Stampede Rodeo brings the perfect mix of sporting event and family entertainment. When the 2023 edition of the rodeo rides back into Salem, fans can expect more of the same non-stop excitement they have come to love. Additional information can be found at: https://www.salemciviccenter. com/Events/ArtMID/1693/ ArticleID/2687/Stampede-Championship-Rodeo

DMV2Go: The service will

be at the Salem Civic Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 23.

Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce An**nual Meeting:** The meeting will be on Jan. 27 at Roanoke College at 8 a.m.

Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce Awards Business Awards Breakfast March: It will be on March 17 at 8 a.m. at the Salem Civic Center.

51st Annual Spring Home Show: The show will be at the Salem Civic Center 2-6 p.m. Friday, March 24, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, March 25 and 12-5 p.m. Sunday, March 26. Tickets will be sold at the door.

2023 Senior Fun & Health Fair Day: The event, which is open to the public and free, will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 12 at the Salem Civic Center.

OLICE REPORT

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of December 06, 2022 – December 12, 2022

Arrested On	Name	Age	Charges
12/07/2022	Keith A. Jeffries	33	Failure to Appear
12/07/2022	Lubov A. Smith	30	Criminal Trespass
12/07/2022	Chelsea L. Stafford	29	Petit Larceny, Public Intoxication
12/08/2022	Dominque L. Murrell	33	Failure to Appear
12/09/2022	James D. Henderson Jr.	38	Assault on Police Officer
12/10/2022	Hunter A. Day	25	Public Intoxication
12/10/2022	Mitchell C. Winters	21	DUI
12/10/2022	Timothy L. Kirkpatrick	45	DUI
12/11/2022	April L. Murray	40	Domestic Assault & Battery, DUI
12/11/2022	Jasmine E. Harris	22	Domestic Assault & Battery
12/11/2022	Kalin B. Paxton	18	DUI
12/12/2022	Timothy J. Lawhorn	42	Criminal Trespass
12/12/2022	Jacob A. Swearengin	31	Attempt to Defect/Defeat Screening Test
12/12/2022	Ashley D. Jewell	36	Failure to Appear
12/12/2022	Xavier L. Giles	31	Sexual Battery
12/12/2022	Jasmine H. White	18	Neglect

Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Roanoke Symphony Orchestra: The Music of John Denver: The performance will be at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 28 at the Salem Civic Center. Tickets are \$31, \$34 and \$45.

2023 Mother's Day Brunch Fundraiser: The event hosted by Salem Area Ecumenical Ministries will be on Saturday, May 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Hidden Valley Coun-try Club. It will benefit ACT Packs for Children, Student Led Food Pantry, Summer Feed & Read and Mrs. Dorsey's Clothes Closet.

Foreigner: Greatest Hits Tour: The performance will be at 8 p.m. Sunday, May 21 at the Salem Civic Center. Tickets are \$39.50, \$55, \$69.50, \$85 and \$125.

Roanoke Symphony Orchestra: Pink Floyd—Dark Side of the Moon: The performance will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16 at the Salem Civic Center. Tickets are \$31, \$34 and \$45.

Public meetings:

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Jan. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday,

Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 11 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Jan. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. The Salem City Planning

Commission will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Feb. 27 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, March 14 at 7 p.m.

The Salem Planning Commission will meet on March 15 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, March 27 at 6:30 p.m.

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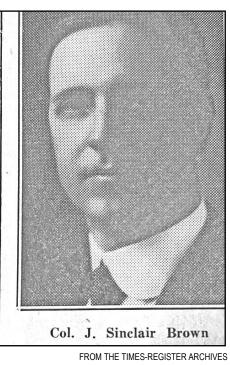
Col. J. S. Brown State Leader For Quarter Century

From the 1938 centennial edition of The Times-Register

Colonel J. Sinclair Brown, president of the Farmers National Bank of Salem, is recognized not only in Roanoke County but throughout Virginia as a man of unusual ability in the banking business, and because of the outstanding service he has given in public life, Colonel Brown's name is frequently mentioned in connection with the Governorship of the state.

Born in Warm Springs, Va., September 30, 1880, son of the late Rev. and Mrs. George L. Brown, at six years of age J. S. Brown went with his parents to Bridgewater, Rockingham County, to live. At fifteen he went to Braxton County, West, Va., and later attended Burnsville Academy in that county. Then became a country school teacher for two years, which he gave up to go into the railroad contracting business.

In 1904 Col. Brown came to Salem to learn something about the hardware business, expecting a little later to go to Oklahoma and go into business for himself. He made such rapid strides working for his uncle F. W. Brown, that in two years he bought out the Salem business which he operated until 1910, when on account of his health he was forced to take outside employment and he went into the contracting business with G. L. Sears. His first connection with the Farmers National Bank was in 1904, when he opened a savings account and in 1914 Col. Brown became a director of the bank and vice-president. On April 1, 1922, he was elected president to succeed W. H. Ruthrauff and has been head of the Salem institution since that date.



Col. Brown was recognized by the Virginia Bankers Association in 1934 by being selected vice-president of the organization and the following year was elected president of the association. In 1936 Mr. Brown was chosen vice-president from Virginia on the National Bankers Association and this year attended the executive committee meeting as a representative from this state.

For twenty years Colonel Brown was a

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
07-DEC-2022	2300 BLK W Main St	Obtain Money By False Pretense
09-DEC-2022	2700 BLK W Main St	Possession of Controlled Substance
11-DEC-2022	1300 BLK E Main St	Grand Larceny

BITUARY

Henley, Janet Marie

Janet Marie Henley, 68, of Salem, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2022, at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital.

She was born on Feb. 17, 1954, in Salem, Va., daughter of the late Maynard Ray and Sylvia Gay Grubb Wise.

Family remaining to cherish her memory includes her husband of 28 years, Eddie Henley; daughter, Holly Roberts (Brian); stepdaughter, Jessica Alls; sister, Judy Bibbs (Tom); four grandchildren, Matthew and Sydney Bates, Cloe Robertson (Regan), and John Alls; three great-grandchildren, Laura Lai, Ellie, and Gyene; and nephew, Jason Pauley (Kim).

Memorial services to honor Janet's life will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making donations in Janet's memory to the Alzheimer's Association by visiting https://www.alz.org/cwva.

Online condolences may be expressed to the Henley family by visiting www. johnmoakey.com.

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

member of the House of Delegates from Roanoke County and for three years was speaker of the House of Delegates, refusing to offer for re-election. He is now serving as a member of the State Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Col. Brown maintains an active interest in local civic affairs, being a member and past president of the Salem Kiwanis Club and a member of the board of directors of the Salem Chamber of Commerce. He retains his membership in the Salem Presbyterian Church in which he is an ordained elder.

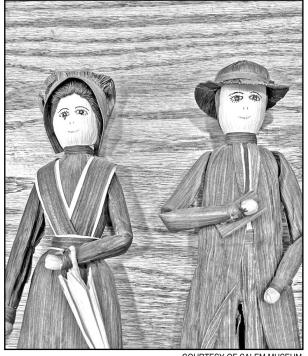
Mrs. Brown was formerly Miss Jane Lewis Johnston, of Salem, and they have two children Mrs. William S. Russell and James Brown.

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Long before Barbie, and even paper dolls, cornhusk dolls were a common colonial-era toy.

Invented by Native Americans, these dolls have been made and loved by children for centuries. They taught children to use all parts of a plant and not be wasteful. After European settlers arrived, Native Americans taught them how to plant and use corn. This included using cornhusks for making baskets, mats, and dolls! The creation of cornhusk dolls became a fixture for colonial children, and remained a tradition for generations.

These dolls were made more recently, during the Craft Re- This month, visit the vival period of the 20th Museum to see "Toys of Century, but this dem- Christmas Past." On Satonstrates how long these urdays, visitors can pull on part of the Salem Muse- Dec. 20-23, for Handsum's Hands-On History On History Week, where



Saturday program.

dolls have been popular! a glove and touch a piece You can see them on of history with their own display this weekend as hand. Join us next week, COURTESY OF SALEM MUSEUM

visitors can interact with historic toys leading up to Christmas. In December, Hands-On History is sponsored by the Jim and Caroline Wallace. Salem Museum is open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and located at 801 E. Main St.

UPINION

Technology advice for buying for senior citizens

Now is the time of year that you may be thinking about technology gifts for that special senior citizen in your life. During the recent pandemic, technological advances either provided a new avenue for seniors to open themselves up to the rest of the world or it may have made them feel more isolated.

It's important to do your research when considering what to purchase. A librarian in Canada and works with seniors all the time, provides the following advice:

Any device can be set up to be "senior friendly." Consider what other technology exists in the senior's world. If someone who had a Mac, an iPad may be the best answer. Someone who is used to a PC may not get the same benefit of familiarity.

Remove (or hide somewhat) icons for things they don't need or want and find a good tutorial that teaches them how to use the device.

If Android, get them set up with a Google account and log everything in. If Apple, make sure they have an Apple ID.

Set up apps to work with the things they might want to use like getting the Libby app set up

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to borrow e-books and e-audiobooks from the local library.

Locate and enable accessibility features like font size, colors, reduce motion, and gestures.

Provide a carrying case that will keep the device safe, with maybe a larger grip handle and a place to write down passwords. Add apps that they specifi-

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cally want, puzzles, shopping, news, Zoom/Skype/Facetime/ Team, e-mail, weather, birdwatching, etc.

Some people have a hard time typing with on-screen keyboards so consider other options like Chromebooks.

Be sure to research options by using the library's online subscription to Consumer Reports. Also explore new options especially for seniors on the AARP website.

Once you have your new device and need assistance with using it, find free technology instruction on finditva.com/

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adults using "Digital Learn." Digital Learn is a great source to use if you are new to computers, haven't used them for a while, are a little unsure and uncomfortable, or just need a refresher. New tutorials were recently added to provide assistance with using iPhone or Android devices.

If you are new to computers, haven't used them for a while, are a little unsure and uncomfortable, or just need a refresher, we have the tools to help you tackle technology at your own pace and gain the confidence you need to succeed.

The IRS and Big Tech are watching you



When asked why he robbed banks, Willie Sutton, the notorious 1930s fugitive, famously retorted, "Because that's where the money is." Democrats in Congress took this advice and ran with it.

A key priority of President Biden's agenda has been empowering the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Befitting his party's addiction to taxing and

Michael Showell, Publisher

levels, he has repeatedly sought to expand the size and reach of the IRS.

Last year a change giving the IRS sweeping new power was enacted by one-party Democrat rule and is set to inflict damage in the coming year unless altered. The socalled American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which kicked off the inflationdriven cost increases hampering our economy, also included a tax provision targeting regular Americans engaged in the digital economy. Democrats have essentially given the IRS and Big Tech a mandate to scrutinize individuals,

spending at enormous small business owners, and just about anyone who uses money transfer apps.

The provision centers on the 1099-K tax form. The form is used to report transactions made on "third-party settlement organizations," online marketplaces such as PayPal and Venmo that allow for money to change hands. These marketplaces allow people to transfer money online. Prior to the changes made by Democrats, minimum threshthe old for reporting money transfers made on thirdparty settlement organizations was \$20,000 on 200 or more transactions.

Now, it is \$600 on any number of transactions. It could even be a single \$600 transaction during the year. Accordingly, PayPal, Venmo, etc. will be required to tell the IRS about transactions that cumulatively reach \$600.

I believe that such a low threshold will lead to millions more people being subject to filing additional paperwork with the IRS.

Venmo payments be-

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the condition of the building, firefighters operated in a defensive mode and did not enter the including Engine 13, Ladder 5

"Due to the size of the fire and Medic 802, Medic 801, Battalion 1 and Fire Medic 1, and the Roanoke Fire & EMS Department,

services online will be reon tax preparation. ceiving a 1099-K form for Another concern is

"third-party settlement organizations" are required to collect taxpayer information and share it with the IRS.

The Treasury Department's Inspector General for Tax Administration has identified weaknesses in the IRS' cybersecurity defenses for protecting taxpayer data. Handing over more of it without shoring up the agency's protections could lead to disaster.

I have cosponsored a bill, the Stop the Nosy Obsession with Online Payments (SNOOP) Act of 2022, to reverse these harmful tax provisions, and I have also signed a letter to the acting commissioner of the IRS urging it to delay implementation and demanding more information about how the agency will carry out the 1099-K requirements.

One of the new Republican-led House's priorities will be reining in the IRS. As Americans feel the impact of decades-high inflation and a stifled economy, they should not have to worry about more visits from the tax collector.

available for purchase for \$1-2 on Sept. 10 and 17, as well as over 70 bookcases.

Givens Books opened in the

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It took firefighters several hours to bring the fire under control. While they worked, East Main Street near the intersection with Route 419 did remain closed to through traffic.

30 person-Approximately nel from the Salem Fire & EMS Department, including Truck 1 Engine 2, Engine 3, Medic 801,

and Battalion 2, responded to the call.

As of press time Tuesday, the city said the fire is still under investigation and that no updates are available.

The fire comes roughly three months after the longtime owners of Givens Books, Chip and Susan Givens, sold off the store's inventory. Over 30,000 books were early 1980s. Chip and Susan operated the store for 32 years. Once they closed it in 2014, a friend of theirs ran it for about a year and a half before it permanently closed.

'It was a fun business. It's been a fun, fun life. It's been an education life and it's been wonderful,' Chip Givens said of operating the business in September prior to the liquidation sale.



Roanoke College Poll: Virginians more optimistic

The Institute for Policy and Opinion Research (IPOR) at Roanoke College interviewed 652 adult residents of Virginia between Nov. 13 and November 22 in a survey addressing topics such as the midterm elections, political anxiety, abortion, Virginia Gov. Glenn Youngkin's national spotlight, and general feelings about current and former elected officials. The survey has a margin of error of 4.48%.

Governor Youngkin, Trump and the national spotlight

The Roanoke College Poll asked Virginians' opinions about Youngkin and the national spotlight. With continued speculation that Youngkin may run for president in 2024, we found that 34% of Virginians think he should run, while 52% do not, mirroring similar sentiment from August. Among Republicans, a slight majority (52%) feel that he should seek the party's nomination for president. Regarding former President Donald Trump, 59% of Virginians somewhat or strongly disagree with his decision to run again in 2024; when only Republicans are considered, only 59% felt somewhat or strongly that he should actually run.

When the Roanoke College Poll asked Republicans in August who they would vote for in the Republican primary, 28% picked Youngkin, while 62% selected Trump; in this month's poll, Youngkin has gained substantial ground, taking 39% of the Republican vote compared to 52% for Trump. Just 7% mentioned voting for someone else or said they haven't decided.

Approvals, favorable/unfavorable, direction of Virginia, country

Youngkin's approval rating has remained relatively constant over the last several polls (53% in May, 55% in August and 52% now); disapproval has increased to 41% (up from 35% in August), which mirrors his disapproval rating shortly after he took office in January; Democrats' approval of his job dropped to 31% from 37% in August. Approval for President Joe Biden has increased slightly, as well, up to 41% compared to 39% in August. Job approval for the U.S. Congress is up, now at 27% compared to 23% in August and $\overline{21\%}$ in February; Republicans and Independents drove that increase. Half (50%) of Virginians currently have a favorable view of Youngkin, but 40% (up from 37% in August) have an unfavorable view. The increase in unfavorable views, unsurprisingly, comes from Democratic sentiment. Biden saw an increase (44% now compared to 41% in August) in favorable views and decline in unfavorability (51% now compared to 55% in August). This poll found that former President Trump's favorability fell to 33%, down from 37% in August; unfavorability of the former president is now at 60% among Virginians. Consistent with how Republicans in Virginia see Trump compared to Youngkin, favorability of Trump dropped to 72% (from 77% in August) in that party.

August; 68% replied that things have gotten off on the wrong track, down from 72%. Regarding the commonwealth, less than half (47%) say that we are heading in the right direction, while 48% say we're going in the wrong direction, expressing less optimism in our state compared to August.

American democracy and the economy

Following a recent CBS News/YouGov Battleground Tracker survey, we asked Virginians, "when they think about the next few years, which is a bigger concern for them right now" 'having a strong economy" or "having a functioning democracy." We found that a slight majority (51%) of Virginians report being more concerned about having a strong economy, while 46% reported being more concerned about having a functioning democracy. Much like the results reported in the CBS News/YouGov poll, we found differences across party affiliation, with 67% of Republicans being more concerned about the economy and 63% of Democrats being more concerned about a functioning democracy. Independents were slightly more concerned about the economy.

This aligns with the most important issues Virginians believe are facing the commonwealth today. Half (50%) of Virginians cite inflation, the economy or jobs as the most important issue facing the commonwealth, while gun policy, abortion, crime and climate change each garnered about 9% of the respondents as the most important issue. Election integrity and race issues were cited by about 4% or 5% of respondents.

Abortion and the Supreme Court

Prior to the U.S. Supreme Court decision in June that overturned Roe v. Wade, the Roanoke College Poll found in May that 35% of Virginians felt abortion should be legal under any circumstance, 53% felt it should be legal under certain circumstances, and only 11% believed abortion should be totally illegal. Six months later, the Roanoke College Poll now found that 42% of respondents in Virginia feel that abortion should be legal under all circumstances, 45% believe it should be legal under some circumstances, and just 11% favor a total ban on abortion.

In August, 35% of Virginians

site is true of Republicans (70% in August, 62% now). Fewer Virginians, though (55% now, 64% in August), believe that the worst is still yet to come; this change comes from both Democrats and Independents.

Gridlock in Washington

The Roanoke College Poll began shortly after the midterm elections on Nov. 8 when control of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives started to become clearer. A plurality (42%) of Virginians feel that the results will "make no difference" in the ability of Washington to get things done, but more Virginias (29%) than not (25%) believe that the midterm election results will make it "more likely" for Congress to get things done for the country. We saw modest differences across party affiliation, with 39% of Democrats reporting that the midterm results will make it "more likely" to get things done in Washington, while only 26% of Republicans and 24% of Independents responded similarly.

Political anxiety

IPOR has tracked political anxiety in the commonwealth since mid-2016, and those results were last reported in May. In this November poll, 78% of Virginians report trusting the federal government to do what is right only some of the time or never, virtually unchanged from May. A majority (58%) thinks that ordinary citizens can do a lot to influence the federal government, up six points from May. The poll found that a majority (58%) thinks their side is losing more than winning in politics today, and nearly a third (32%) thinks their side is winning more than losing, which represents a significant change in both responses from May. Separated by party, 56% of Democrats feel on the winning side, while only 18% of Republicans feel that way.

On one hand, half (50%) of Virginians believe that the country's best years are ahead of it, which represents a six-point increase since May. Similarly, while a large majority of Virginians (82%) continues to see the nation divided regarding the important issues facing the country, 16% think that Americans are united in the challenges we face, the highest it has been since the index's inception.

On the other hand, a majority of respondents (51%) is dissatisfied with how the federal government is working, with another 17% reporting feeling angry, 24% feeling satisfied, and just 6% feeling enthusiastic. In the aggregate, each of these measures has remained relatively stable over time, but the responses of subgroups have varied, particularly those of Democrats and Republicans, depending upon which party is in power. See the crosstabs at the end of the topline, linked at the end of this release, for more. Six questions regarding political anxiety are used to construct our Political Anxiety Index, and data since late 2017 appears in the graph above. Higher numerical values represent more anxiety, with an index maximum value of 300 and minimum possible value of -300. (Note that in prior releases about anxiety, lower numbers meant more anxiety; current and past values have been flipped so that higher numbers do reflect more anxiety, and this scale will continue to be used in the future.)

Political anxiety overall (grey line) had not changed much over the last four years with the exception of an all-time high in May, when gas prices had sharply increased, higher prices had been evident at stores for several months, and the draft opinion that led to Roe v. Wade being overturned had just been released. Anxiety has now returned to a normal value (69.3), down from 109.5 in May and similar to 65.7, which was the value a year ago. As usual, a large gap between Democrats (-36.5) and Republicans exists (156.6) with Independents solidly in the middle (not shown because Independents roughly follow the overall line). Those values in May, respectively, were 34.6 and 161.2; as we note over time, the party in the White House determines which party has less anxiety in the index. The current return to the "normal" level is due to the large change in index for Democrats since May; Republican anxiety decreased just slightly.

Analysis

"The story from this poll is that Virginians have mixed feelings about the direction things are going in the country and in Virginia," said Dr. Bryan Parsons, senior political analyst at IPOR and the Roanoke College Poll. "While we see a slight rise in the percentage of Virginians who believe things are going in the right direction in the country, we see a slight drop in the percentage of those who believe things are going in the right direction in Virginia. Adding to that, slightly more than four in 10 Virginians believe that the results of the recent midterm elections will make no difference in being able to get things done in Washington."

"This poll also shows small yet noticeable changes in the approval ratings for both President Biden and Gov. Youngkin. President Biden's approval rating is up slightly from our May poll earlier in the year. Gov. Youngkin's approval rating is down slightly, but the more noticeable change is that his disapproval rating is up six points from the same May poll earlier in the year."

"The favorability ratings for Biden and Youngkin are also worth mentioning since Virginians' overall favorability of both leaders have improved slightly

a Republican primary, a slight majority of Republicans (52%) reported that they would vote for Trump compared to 39% of Republicans who reported that they would vote for Youngkin instead."

"Virginians' unfavorable opinions of the U.S. Supreme Court remain unchanged from our last poll in August, but the percentage of Virginians who disagree with the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade is up six points from August and up nine points from May, when we asked Virginians their attitudes about the draft opinion released before the decision. This result suggests that Virginians' overall disagreement with the decision persists from when the news broke earlier this summer."

'The percentage of Virginians who reported that they have been following the news about the war in Ukraine is virtually unchanged since our last poll in August, which suggests that we do not see any evidence of news fatigue about Ukraine. With that said, we saw a nine-point increase in the percentage of Virginians who think that the worst of the war is over. A little more than a third (36%) of Virginians reported that they think the worst of the war is over compared to 27% when we last conducted our poll in August."

"Despite the record turnout we saw among young voters in the midterm elections, a little more than four in 10 Virginians think that the midterm results will not make a difference in the ability to get things done in Washington. Ultimately, additional gridlock in Washington may not do much to move the needle on the levels of political anxiety we continue to track in our polls."

'Perhaps the most promising result for our November poll is that 16% of Virginians think that Americans are united in the issues and challenges facing the United States. While this is admittedly a small percentage compared to the eight in 10 who think we are still divided, the share of Virginians who think we are united is the highest that IPOR has recorded since we first began asking this question in August 2017, and it is an eight-point increase from August 2021. It is far too early to say that this result suggests we are becoming less divided, but perhaps it is a small step in the right direction."

When asked about the country, 28% of respondents said that things are going in the right direction, up from only 25% in

agreed with the court's decision to overturn the 1973 landmark Roe v. Wade decision; that has decreased to 27% in this month's poll. More Republicans and Independents here in Virginia now disagree with the Supreme Court's decision than in August.

However, more Virginians (40% now compared to 37% in August) have a favorable view of the Supreme Court. A majority (53%) continue to have an unfavorable view. This increase was driven primarily by a slightly more favorable view of the court by Democrats in Virginia.

Russia and Ukraine

With the ongoing war in Ukraine now in its 10th month, three-quarters (75%) of us continue to follow the news either very or somewhat closely. Democrats report following the news more closely now (84%) than in August (80%), while the oppofrom our May poll earlier in the year. As for former President Trump, this poll records the highest unfavorable rating in IPOR polls since January 2016, with six in 10 Virginians reporting an unfavorable opinion of him."

"Looking ahead to the 2024 presidential election, about a third of Virginians think that Gov. Youngkin should seek the Republican nomination, including a slight majority of Republicans (52%). As for former President Trump, a majority of Virginians (59%) either somewhat or strongly disagree with his decision to run for president in 2024. Republicans, however, are more supportive, with nearly six in 10 Republicans reporting that they somewhat or strongly agree with his decision to run. Interestingly, when we asked about a potential matchup between Youngkin and Trump in

Methodology

Interviewing for the Roanoke College Poll was conducted by The Institute for Policy and Opinion Research at Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia, between Nov. 13 and Nov. 22, 2022. A total of 652 residents of Virginia, 18 or older, were included in this study. Telephone interviews, conducted in English, comprised 393 of the respondents, and 259 responses were drawn from a proprietary online panel of Virginians. The landline sample consisted of random-digit numbers generated in proportion to the Virginia population so that all residential telephone numbers, including unlisted numbers, had a known chance of inclusion. Cellphone samples were purchased from Marketing Systems Group and comprised 56% of the completed telephone interviews. Lucid, LLC, facilitated the online panel.

Hoffman from page 1

College and left for two months after graduation and came back.

"If you want a good place to live and raise your kids, I can't think of anywhere better than Salem," he said.

Councilman Bill Jones presented Hoffman with an award of his own, a statue of the Philadelphia Eagles mascot, "Swoop." The Eagles are Hoffman's favorite team.

Hoffman pointed out he had covered two of the Councilmembers, John Saunders and Jones, when

they played sports, "before today's Salem High School even opened."

Jones mentioned he was in 10th grade when he first met Hoffman.

In other matters at the meeting, Council:

Heard from John Breen during the Citizen Comment portion. He said Council needs to do more to address non-conforming signs, discarded tires and asked for a 100tire limit, and exterior storage buildings. "Salem is treading water," Breen said;

Approved on second reading a change to local law to be in line with the state, regarding payment of personal property taxes and motor vehicle license fees;

Approved after a public hearing at which no one spoke an amendment to the current budget to appropriate American Rescue Plan Act funding;

Accepted the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ending June 30, 2022, as presented by John Aldridge of Brown Edwards; Vice Mayor Jim Wallace noted "We are fortunate to have so much capital to work with because of the Councils before us";

Appropriated \$23,687 from the Library of Virginia that will be used to increase the number of books and other materials;

Amended the School Grants Fund and School Cafeteria Fund budgets by \$17,402 and \$66,374, respectively;

Amended the School Grants Fund Budget to clean up an error in the the vice mayor;

erosion, sediment control change polling places for and landscaping for Lay- the West Salem and Bevman-Apperson fill site on erly Heights precincts to Apperson Drive;

adopting a Legislative cincts vote. Program for the 2023 The fina session of the Virginia Council meeting for the General Assembly and calendar year adjourned petitioning the General at 7:01 p.m. Assembly to consider favorable issues and topics addressed in the resolution;

Adopted a resolution authorizing the City At-

spread sheet, according to torney to take necessary steps to obtain a "Certifi-Set \$21,707 bond for cate of No Objection" to the Salem Civic Center Adopted a Resolution where all the other pre-

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Daylily Garden from page 1

ADS Display Garden sign in late September. The gardens are named for Harris, who started residential medical care for women primarily in 1934 at Mercy House which evolved into RichfieldLiving.

There are 185 daylilies in the gardens that date from the 1970s and 1980s, and a few from the 1960s. Jarusek is proud that "The oldest one is 'Cleo' from 1938."

Although many people are familiar with wild orange "ditch lilies," not everyone has seen extra-large daylilies, doubles, spiders, sculpted and many others Jarusek names effortlessly.

The Daylily Display Gardens at RichfieldLiving are along wide, well-maintained sidewalks, and each daylily is labeled with professional labels listing the cultivar name, hybridizer's name and the date that lily was registered. There are more in grassy areas, and near benches where residents, staff and visitors can sit to enjoy the flowers.

"Our Master Plan provides for the expansion of the Display Gardens over the next several years with a goal of acquiring a minimum of 1,000 different named culitvars," Jarusek explained. "We have provided a map of our campus which highlights existing and future Display Garden areas.

In addition to her duties of planting, trimming and fertilizing all types of flowers and shrubs, Jarusek is known for the massive raised baskets she plants around the campus, filled with petunias or impatients in the summer.

She also designs and creates all the outdoor Christmas displays, puts together the huge Christmas tree near the lower lake, places the indoor trees and displays and many other duties.

As far as daylilies go, her newest acquisitions have such intriguing names as Crimson Pirate, Heavenly Starfire, Miss Piggy's Hot Pink, Searing Wind, The Cat that ate the Mighty Mouse and Wild Times.

Jarusek got those at the Blue Ridge Area Daylily Society Member Plant Auction in September.

She plans a separate Jane Morgan Harris Memorial Garden planted in a 1930s style with daylilies that would have been available during that period.

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many successes over the last year, many of which are worth acknowledging this morning," he said.

He noted much of the county's growth can be attributed to its economic development efforts. "We saw more than \$170 million dollars in new project announcements and investments in 2022, along with the creation of over 550 new jobs."

Mahoney outlined the county's legislative priorities for the upcoming year, including additional resources and funding to localities for school capital needs, capital grant funding and economic development workforce grants for

career and technical capital education projects, using available state funds to continue the operation and expansion of Catawba Hospital and support and mental health public hospital needs, utilizing state funding to improve the access and affordability of reliable

broadband services and promote the goal of statewide coverage and advocate for funding for the Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport to support a runway extension and other improvements.

"Our vision for the future is bright," Mahoney said. "Let's

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continue to strengthen the foundation of our community and explore the possibilities that lie ahead. And let's all continue working together as we make our region even greater and better than it is today."

School Board Chairman David Linden also provided an update on the school system.

"We still have work to do because we're committed to lifting every student, but we're working from a solid foundation of practice and success," Linden said. "We need to make sure our schools are places families will want their children to learn."



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CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH - 7th and Florida Streets, Salem VA. Pastor: Roger D. Counts, 540-389-3818. Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship11:00 a.m., Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Night Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m.

LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH - 447 Dalewood Avenue, Salem, 986-0062, Pastor Carl Goodman. Coffee Bar 9:00 a.m., Connect Groups 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Children & Student Ministry 5:00-6:30 p.m.; Thursday 7:00 pm Young Single Adults, Wednesday Morning Prayer Service 10:30, Lifegroups meeting throughout the week www lbcva com

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EPISCOPAL

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

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INDEPENDENT

RESTORATION CHURCH - a Community on Mission Following Jesus into the World - 10:10am Sundays at the Salem YMCA - 1126 Kime Lane, Salem - 540-384-1601 - www.restorationsalem.org. Watch Live at: YouTube: Restoration Church-Salem, VA. Facebook: RestorationChurchSalem

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SHILOH BAPTIST- 201 South Market Street, Sa-

SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH, 2721 12O'Clock Knob Rd., Salem, Pastor: Tim York; Sundayschool, 9:45AM, Sunday morning worship,11:00AM, Sunday evening, 6:00PM, Wednesdayevening, 7:00PM.

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Vdot roadwatch

INTERSTATE 81

INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUC-TION 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:

LANE CLOSURE WITH SIGNIGICANT TRAFFIC DE-LAYS - Tentatively scheduled to start on Monday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m., a right lane closure will be in place on southbound I-81 at mile marker 138.4 in Roanoke County near Salem for major repairs to the bridge over Route 635 (Goodwin Avenue). The lane will remain closed around the clock and is expected to reopen prior to the morning commute on Thursday, Dec. 8. Drivers between Roanoke and Christiansburg will be significantly impacted during this closure. This bridge is located within the work zone for the I-81 widening project between exits 137 and 141 and was damaged when hit by a tractor-trailer. The repairs involve removing a section of damaged concrete, replacing reinforcing steel and pouring new concrete.

WORK ZONE SPEED: With narrow spacing in lanes due to barrier walls, lack of shoulders and lane shifts in various locations, drivers should adhere to posted 60 mph speed limits in the work zone and allow space when following a vehicle.

RAMP CLOSURES: Ramp closures are possible during night-time hours, 12 a.m., to 5 a.m. Drivers should watch for message boards dates and times the ramp will be closed.

LANE CLOSURES: Alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, are possible. Lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet. Northbound lane closures from I-81 mile marker 136 to 141. Southbound Lane closures from I-81 mile marker 141 to 136.

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 re-

placing 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.

I-81 TROUTVILLE REST AREA CLOSURE - The Troutville Rest Area located on southbound Interstate 81 near mile marker 158 in Botetourt County is closed until further notice. The opening scheduled before Thanksgiving has been rescheduled due to construction delays. Paving is weather dependent and will have to be completed to reopen the rest area. Signage indicating the closure is posted in the rest area. A temporary concrete barrier wall will remain in place in front of the facility. The rest area facility, ramps and parking lot are 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.

LANE CLOSURE WITH SIGNIGICANT TRAFFIC DE-LAYS - Due to paving the ramps and the shoulder at the Troutville Rest Area, a 24-hour right lane closure is tentatively scheduled on Tuesday, Dec. 6 from 6 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 7, and a 12-hour right lane closure is expected to be in place on Thursday, Dec. 8, from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m.

REST AREA OP-TIONS: 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.

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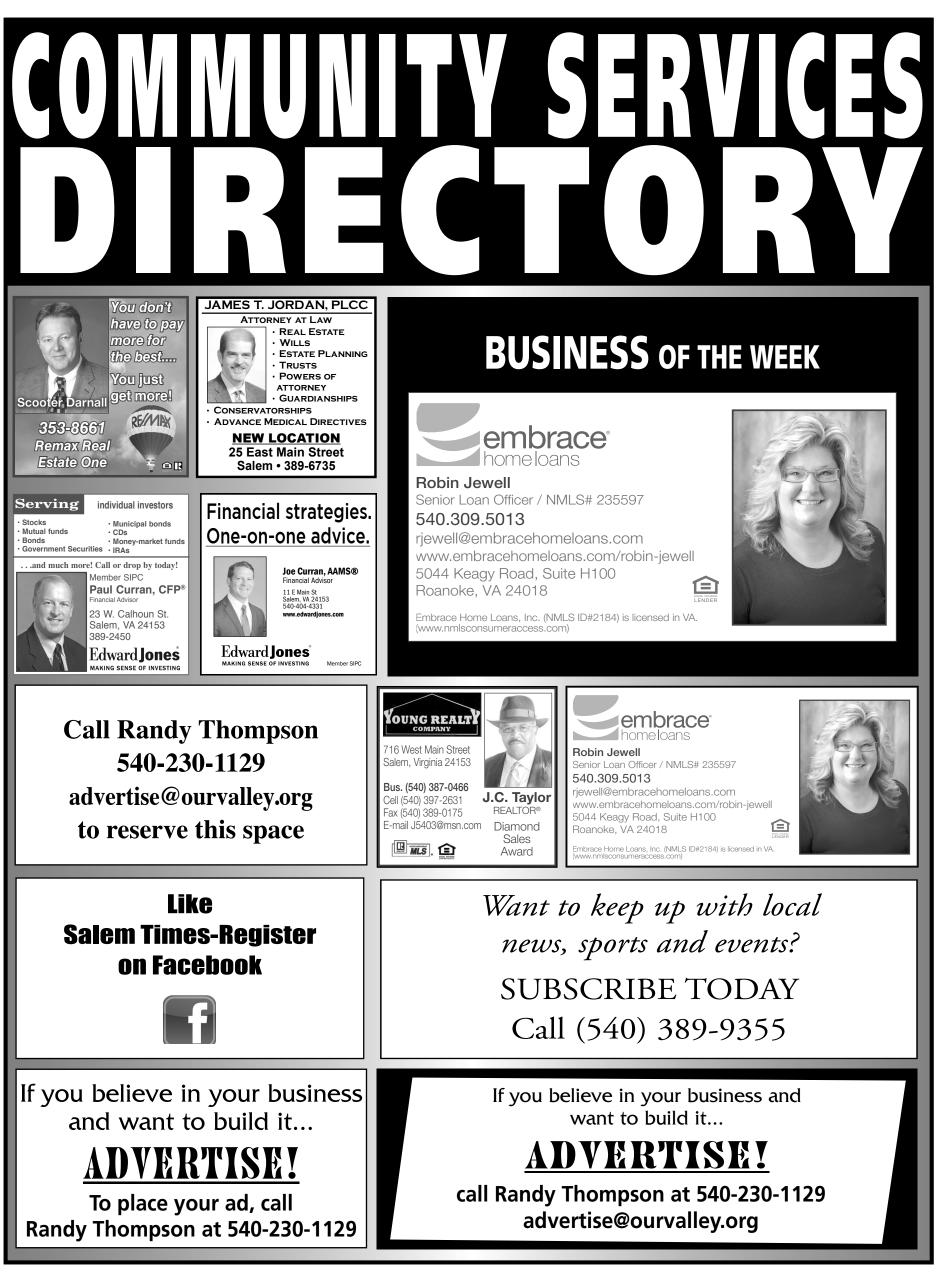
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The destroyed a lot of the logs, this was going to require a lot of extra work and materials. After discussing this with several historical society members and notifying them that there would be an extra charge to this restoration. I was told to continue. This project restoration to rebuild. I had to collect parts and pieces of other structures from all around the county, including a large log barn that I had to demo and dismantle. I have restored about 20 of these being the most difficult I have Restoration time is usually about 6 months for one of these cabins, this one took almost a year. After completing this project, I submitted a bill for \$5000 dollars for extra time and labor. The Craig County Historical Society voted and approved but two of the members decided I did not deserve this and I was not paid. The two Historical Society members were disrespectful and hard to work with throughout the whole project. I restored the other cabin in town about 20 years ago with no problems. The Holstein cabin will stand for many years as a testament to mv hard work and skills- I believe I should be paid for it. I want to give special thanks to the people that contributed to this project: Rob Bradley, Rob Givings, Mary & Pete Hutchinson, Joel Johnston, Randy Zimmerman, Ed Mattox,

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Riverheads, Graham win state championships in Salem

Salem Stadium was the site for the Virginia High School League Class 1 and 2 state football championship games last Saturday as the high school season came to an end. In the noon game Riverheads won their seventh straight Class 1 state championship with a 49-27 win over George Wythe. Above left, Wythe's Leyton Fowler scores on a 31 yard touchdown pass in the third quarter to cut the Gladiators' lead to 21-14. However, Riverheads would score four more times with Cayden Cook-Cash(above right) finding the end zone five times in the championship game. In the 4:30 pm game Graham won the Class 2 championship with a 34-7 win over Central High of Woodstock.

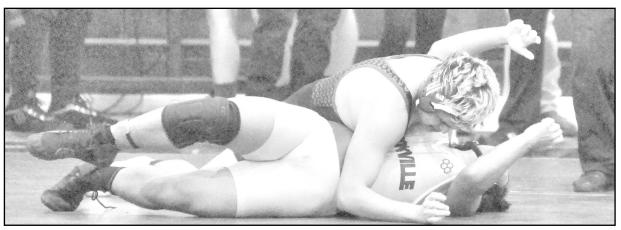
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mats this week hosting tri-matches. Salem was scheduled to host James River and Northside on Wednesday while Glenvar had Blacksburg and Cave Spring. Salem will be in the annual Big Orange

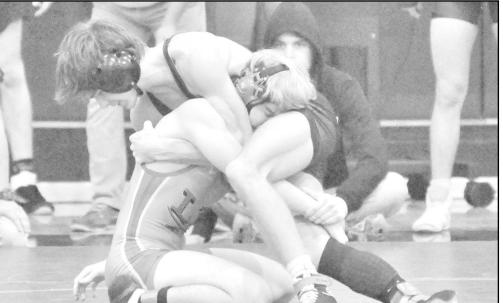
Classic at William Byrd High School this Saturday. This year's tournament will be just one day and it's in the William Byrd Middle

School gym as construction continues at the high school. Wrestling begins at 9 am Saturday.



Above, Glenvar's **Tony Miranda'Ange** is ready to pin Brookville's DeShawn Otey-Hall in a 175 pound consolation bracket match at Hidden Valley Saturday. Right, Salem's Caden Thomas (on top) tangles with Trey Saunders of Lord **Botetourt in the 132** pound semifinals.

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The football contest was a tight one this week with few upsets and lots of folks tied for the top spot. When it was all said and done Bill Thorne of Salem came out on top.

Had Thorne not made a last minute change the \$50 gift certificate from Mac & Bob's would have gone to someone else. He wrote "San Diego" down for the final game of the contest and, as you know, there is no NFL team in San Diego anymore. He then scratched that out and wrote "Chargers" underneath, and that made "Los Angeles" and Billy both a winner. Winner, winner chicken dinner, or at least a meal from Mac & Bob's and a blizzard from Dairy Queen.

Our old friend Pam "The Little General" Cassell did it again on the 19th Hole. I asked you to predict the score of the Army-Navy game and she hit it right on the nose with a predication of 20-17 in favor of Army. It helped the Little General that the game went into overtime, but it was no relief for the Navy coach who was fired after the game. Pam gets a free day of golf at the Salem Munipal Course on Academy Street and she'll soon have a foursome if she keeps winning these questions every week.

This week is our second last contest of the season and I've included a bunch of early bowl games. We'll start with the Stagg Bowl game between Mount Union and North Central, and I'm sure some of you noticed that Mount Union was listed as "Mount Vernon" last week by mistake. Hopefully you figured out it wasn't George Washington's home but the Purple Raiders, who won many a Stagg Bowl right here in Salem.

We'll give our graphic artist in charge of the contest, Debbie Nixon, a break since she broke a tooth and was having it repaired on the day the contest went to press last week. Maybe they should have given her a new wooden tooth in honor of George Washington.

For this week's 19th hole we'll ask you to predict, what else, but Friday evening's Stagg Bowl. This year the game will be held at Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium in Annapolis, Maryland between Mount Union, in Alliance, Ohio, and the North Central Cardinals of Naperville, Illinois. Put your prediction in the space provided and the closest will get you a free day of golf. And if you don't win, maybe the Little General will let you play with her. –**Brian Hoffman**

AL, GMS matmen still unbeaten

The local middle school wrestling teams continued to excel as both Andrew Lewis and Glenvar are undefeated in dual matches coming into the week.

Lewis beat Northside last week, 57-33, to improve to 11-0 on the season. The Spartans had a big one against Cave Spring on Tuesday but results were too late for publication.

"Our light weights

are continuing to wrestle well," said coach Randall Sell. "Northside has a very athletic team, so they pushed us at certain weights."

Glenvar is 6-0 after sweeping two teams last week. The Highlanders beat Christiansburg, 80-12, then polished off Central Academy, 66-21. The Highlanders were scheduled to wrestle at William Byrd Middle School on Wednesday.



Maroon wrestlers defeat Shenandoah in first ODAC match at Cregger C'tr

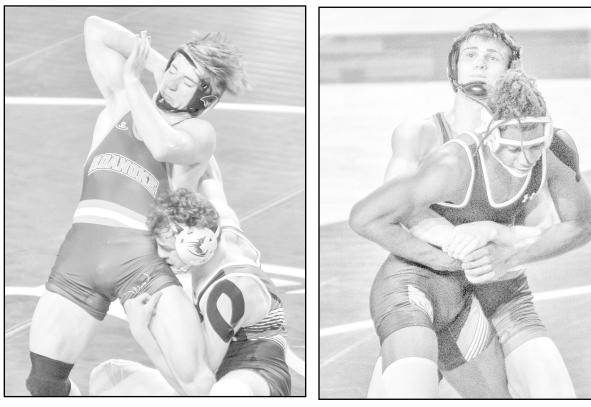
The Roanoke College wrestling team hosted their first ever ODAC dual in the Cregger Center last Thursday evening against the Hornets of Shenandoah University. With the match starting at 125 pounds, it only took to the 165 pound match for the Maroons to secure the win as Roanoke won 42-3 with two falls, three tech falls, and three decisions.

The Maroons got things started off right with Mac Cafurello and Sean Hall picking up tech falls at 125 lbs and 133 lbs to put Roanoke up 10-0. Back-to-back decisions by Dustin Smith and Jarrod Pominville at 141 lbs and 149 lbs gave the Maroons a 16-0 lead with one match left before intermission. At 157 lbs, Ryan Foutz went scoreless through the first period but used a strong push and secured the fall with 42 seconds left in the third period for six

team points, putting Roanoke ahead 22-0.

David Reid picked up right where the Maroons left off before the break, earning a fall in the second period at 165 lbs. After the Hornets picked up a decision at 174, 2022 All-American Mahlic Sallah got Roanoke back on the winning ways with the Maroons' third tech fall of the evening, 16-1 in the third period. Cam Cavins secured the Maroons' third fall of the evening just 28 seconds into the third period, putting Roanoke ahead 39-3. In the final match of the night, Joshua Mancia picked up a decision giving the Maroons three more points and the 42-3 win.

The Maroons are back in action on Dec. 29-30 at the 2022 Citrus Invitational at the Broward County Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.



Left, Dustin Smith of Roanoke College escapes the hold of a Shenandoah opponent in last week's match in Salem. Right, Jarrod Pominville of the Maroons has a Hornet around the waist in his match.



Above, Glenvar's Nick Yetzer gets a pin in last week's match with Christiansburg. Below, DeShawn Jones of Andrew Lewis is ready to put his man away.

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Roanoke College soccer players are named to All-Region team

Berk, Jerrild Named to United Soccer Coaches All-Region Teams

With the 2022 season complete, the United Soccer Coaches announced their All-Region teams with a pair of Roanoke men's soccer players being named to a squad.

Dylan Berk was named Second Team All-Region VI while teammate Chris Jerrild was a Third Team All-Region VI selection. Both had previously been named to the All-ODAC First Team following the ODAC regular season. The pair led the Maroons to the ODAC Championship game for the first time since 2014, falling to Washington and Lee, 2-1.

Berk, playing a mostly defensive role in the midfield, constantly pressured his opponents into costly turnovers throughout the season. He started every game for the Maroons this year scoring one goal and two assists.

Jerrild, a true defender, started all 18 games he played this season and 66 of the 80 for his career. While not having offensive stats on his ledger, he helped lead the defense that had seven shutouts this season.

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

-Clip and mail THE ENTRY PART ONLY to Salem Times-Register, Football Contest, P.O. Box 1125, Salem, VA 24153. Entry must be postmarked by 5 p.m. on the Friday immediately following the date of the paper, or bring your entry by the Salem Times-Register office at 1633 West Main Street in Salem. Your entry must be in the box by 5 p.m. Friday.

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Records fall at RC indoor track meet

The Roanoke College indoor track & field team competed for the first time in the 2022-23 season when the Maroons hosted 20 other teams in the Cregger Field House for the 2022 Bast-Cregger Invitational. The two-day meet took place on Friday afternoon and all-day Saturday with over 45 individual and relay events.

Among the highlights, Sam Crawford broke the Roanoke school record in the 300m with a new record time of 35.43 to finish runner-up in the event. Brady Fowler tied the school record in the 60m with a time of 6.94, 14th best in the NCAA Division III this year.

Victor Cardwell broke the Maroon school record in the 600m with a third place finish in time of 1:24.65. The Maroons took home the top four spots in the pole vault with, in order of finish, Joseph Eldridge (4.05m), Edward Rygalski (3.90m), Dominic McCombs (3.90m), and Miles Enstrom (3.75m) all claiming spots for Roanoke.

Eldridge was named the ODAC Men's Field Athlete of the Week. A freshman from Chattanooga, Tenn., his clearance ranks second in the ODAC sits just outside the top-50 in NCAA Division III.

For the women, Mikayala Hefferon was runner up in the 300m with a finals time of 42.82 and Cammi Winston was runner up in the triple jump with a distance of 10.44m.

With a pair of runner-up finishes at the 2022 Bast-Cregger Invitational, Grace Fowler was named the ODAC Women's Field Athlete of the Week. A junior from Lewisville, N.C., Grace put together a strong season-opening performance in the throws. She finished second overall and was the top Division III competitor in both the shot put and the weight



Olivia Newman (left) and Ophelia Ladner of Roanoke College compete in last weekend's indoor track meet at the Kerr-Cregger Indoor Fieldhouse. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

throw. She heaved the shot 11.32 meters (37-1.75) to 14.46 meter (47-5.25) to rank second in the ODAC. take over the top spot in the ODAC so far this season. In the weight throw, Fowler flung the implement Invitational on January 20-21 in Salem.

Roanoke is now off until the 2023 Finn Pincus

SHS, GHS compete at LU

Both the Salem and Glenvar indoor track teams were among 76 schools competing in a meet at Liberty University in Lynchburg last Saturday. Schools ranged from Class 1 to Class 6 at the LU indoor facility.

Salem had 13 girls compete and there were 12 season best performances in four different events. Arianna Simon and Genelle Balthazar both met the regional standard in the 300 meter run.

"This was only our second meet this season and team members are showing improvement," said Salem girls' coach Tom Roth.

The boys had 21 athletes compete. Meeting region standards were Dominic Wright in the 300 and the triple jump, Mitchel Taylor in the 500 meter dash and Dontay Davis in the shot put.

For Glenvar, Heath Bowker took second overall in the boys 500 with a time of 1:06.54, beating the school record set by Killian McCroskey in 2018. Heath, Zach Curfiss and Colby Thompson made

state qualifying times in the 300 and 500 and are a part of the 4X400 that placed fifth overall with a state qualifying time.

Caeden Bowker qualified for states in the 1,600 and was also a part of the fifth place 4x400 team. Thompson hit the mark for states in the High Jump and the Triple Jump along with Heath Bowker in the Triple Jump.

For the girls, Sydney Loder made it to the finals in the 55 hurdles and placed sixth overall with a time of 8.94. She qualified for the state meet in the 55 dash, the 55 hurdles and the 300.

We're excited to see what this season brings for both the boys and the girls,' said coach Bekka Loder. "We're just getting started and they are already working hard and showing they belong in these big meets."

Both the Highlanders and Spartans will run in a high school meet the Roanoke College Kerr-Cregger Fieldhouse this Saturday.



Glenvar's Sydney Loder made the finals in the 55 hurdles at Liberty University. PHOTO BY BARRY COX

Spartans top Hidden Valley on overall score at Gator Center

The Salem High swim team had a busy stretch in Poush came out on top and Poush also won the 50 the water last week with meets at the Salem YMCA Free.

The boys took first and second in the 200 free relay with Bowen, Easter, Peterson and Poush winning and the team of Davis Griffith, Aidan Poush, Zane Easter and Thomas Miles taking second. In the 400 Relay John Atkins, Davis Griffith, William Marable and Bowen won while Hall Blackwood, Ian Berroteran, Starke Griffith and Zane Easter took second.

and the Roanoke Gator Center.

Last Tuesday in Salem the Spartans took on Lord Botetourt, Roanoke Catholic and a huge Jefferson Forest team. The combined scores had Salem beating LB, 193-91, topping Roanoke Catholic, 198-119, but losing to Jefferson Forest, 206-116.

First places for the girls included Eliza Fleenor in the 200 IM and 100 Breast, Emma LaFountain in the 100 Free and the 200 Free Relay team of Lauren Baba, Jayden Jenkins, LaFountain and Fleenor.

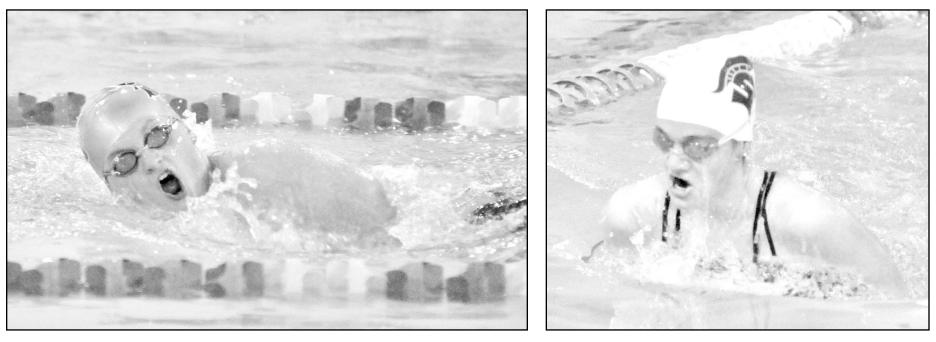
For the boys, the 200 Free relay team of Cole Bowen, Zach Easter, Walker Peterson and Joren

On Thursday of last week the Spartans went head-to-head with Hidden Valley at the Gator Center and came out on top in the combined scoring, 162 to 158. The boys fueled the win, outscoring the Titans 120-37 while Hidden Valley's girls prevailed, 121-42.

Poush, John Atkins, Easter and Peterson won the 200 medley relay. Joren also won the 200 IM and 100 Breast while Easter won the 200 Free. Bowen and Peterson were one-two in the 100 Free and Zach Bocock won the 500 Free his first time racing the event.

Eliza Fleenor won both the 100 Backstroke and 100 Breast for the girls and Jayden Jenkins won the 500 Free.

Salem had two meets this week, on Tuesday at Christiansburg and Wednesday at Hollins, but results were too late for publication.



Left, Salem's Cade Lakin swims the freestyle in last week's meet at the Salem YMCA. Right, Eliza Fleenor swims the breast stroke leg of the individual medley.

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Glenvar swimmers sweep five opponents

The Glenvar swim team had a meet at the Botetourt YMCA last week against five teams and came out on top in every matchup.

For the girls Glenvar beat Alleghany 62-27, James River 69-27, Carroll County 64-55, Covington 75-0 and Northside 68-34. In the boys meet the Highlanders topped Alleghany 108-8, James River 105-27, Carroll County 103-37, Covington 108-8 and Northside, 106-14. The girls are now 5-1 and the boys are undefeated at 6-0.

"Coach Daniel and I have been coaching this team for five years and last week's meet was the best for the boys during our tenure," said Glenvar coach Shannon Hall. "The Highlanders were hitting on all cylinders as they swept the competition for both the boys and girls teams. Along the way they set a new school record, had three state championship qualifying times and set nine new High School personal records."

The Boys' 200 medley relay team of Avery Thompson, Zander Honaker, Connor Wilkes and Landon Cairns took first place, breaking a five year old school record and qualifying for the state championship. Cairns was first in the boys' 200 individual medley, Wilkes won the 100 butterfly and qualified for states while Honaker won the 100 freestyle. Cairns also won the 500 free and Wilkes took the win for the boys in the 100 breaststroke, also qualifying for states.

The boys 200 freestyle relay "A" team of Thompson, Honaker, Cairns and Wilkes won the event while the "B" team of Tucker Henderson, Kees VanGerven, Bryce Schart and Lucas Birdlebough finished 2nd.

For the girls, Claire Griffith brought home the victory in the 100 and 200 freestyle. The girls 200 freestyle relay team of Jasmin Bane, Izzy Shearer, Adrianna Hall and Griffith won that event. Hall won the 100 backstroke.

Wrapping up the evening in the 400 freestyle relay the boys' team of Davis Norman, Tucker Henderson, Kees VanGerven and Lucas Birdlebough won the event as did Addie Cockram, Erin Hamilton, Adrianna Hall and Claire Griffith for the girls.

The Highlanders were at Christiansburg for a meet on Tuesday and on Friday they swim in Wytheville.



Glenvar's Olivia Keen looks for an open teammate.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Harris scores 32 points in win over Northside

Ryhan Harris scored 32 points as the Glenvar girls' basketball team defeated Northside at GHS Tuesday, 57-37.

Harris had just five fewer points than the entire Viking team in the win. She also had 13 rebounds as Glenvar improved to 3-2 on the young season.

The Highlanders split two games on back-toback nights last week. On Thursday they lost to Blacksburg, 53-26, despite 26 points and 11 rebounds by Harris. A night later they bounced back with a 57-45 win over Hidden Valley at home as Harris scored 25 points and had seven steals.

Glenvar is at Staunton River tonight, and next Monday they return the trip to Northside.

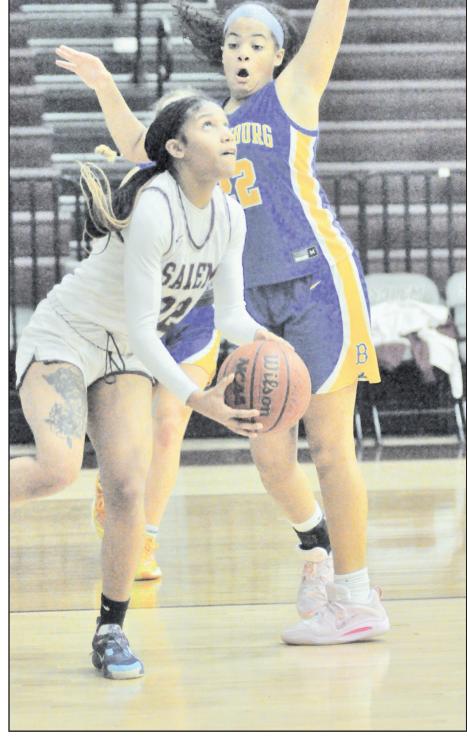
Salem girls at C'burg tonite for basketball

The Salem High girls will try to get back on the winning track Friday when they travel to Christiansburg for a River Ridge District basketball game with the Blue Demons. Salem is 3-2 after opening the season with three wins.

Last Friday the Spartans lost a heartbreaker in Salem, 47-46 to visiting Blacksburg. The Spartans had a 10 point lead in the fourth quarter but let it slip away as the Bruins furiously rallied and Salem went cold at the free throw line. My'la Green led Salem with 14 points and Summer Bayne had 11.

On Tuesday in Roanoke the Spartans dropped a 47-37 game to Patrick Henry. The Patriots led by eight at the half and Salem got no closer than five in the second half as PH was able to come out with the win. Gabby Crawley led the Spartans with 13 points, Zoe Robtison had eight and Emme Custer and Green had seven each.

Next Tuesday the Spartans are back home to host Hidden Valley in their last game before Christmas.



Salem's My'la Green drives the baseline to score in last Friday's game with Blacksburg at Salem High. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Maroons win big in New York

The Roanoke men's basketball team traveled north to the Big Apple for a contest at Pratt Institute. After some back and forth, the Maroons pulled away midway through the first half for an 84-42 win over the Cannoneers last Saturday afternoon in Brooklyn.

It was nearly two minutes into the game before either team scored with Tripp Greene hitting all three free throws to put the Maroons ahead. After going back and forth, Pratt stretched their lead to the largest they would have at six points at 13:52 of the first half but the Maroons responded with an 8-0 run to take a four-point lead at 11:59. Another run by Roanoke, this time by nine, gave RC the lead for good, followed by a 22-5 run for a 17 point halftime lead. Roanoke shot 49.3% from the field (35-71) while holding Pratt to 28.6% just (16-56).The Maroons led the Cannoneers in nearly every offensive category including three pointers (10-4), rebounds (51-29), assists (21-9), bench



Trent Dawson handles the ball for Roanoke.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

RC women are unbeaten

The Roanoke women's basketball team used a big push in the middle two quarters for their sixth win in a row Saturday. The Maroons remained undefeated with a 57-56 win over Virginia Wesleyan in Virginia Beach.

The second quarter was all Maroons as Roanoke held the Marlins to just five points in the quarter while more than doubling their first 10 minute point output, leading Virginia Wesleyan 29-18 at the break. Roanoke pushed its lead to as many as 17 at 37-20 with 5:12 left in the third quarter. The teams would go back and forth and trade baskets the rest of the period with



points (38-14), steals (13-5), and points in the paint (44-20).

Marcus Morgan led Roanoke with 15 points and six rebounds while Kasey Draper nearly had a double-double with nine points and 10 rebounds. Zach Rosenthal and Justin Kuthan scored 12 points each and Tripp Greene added 11. In total, 11 Maroons scored while 13 grabbed a rebound.

The Maroons, now 7-1, also won their third ODAC game last week when they took a 79-73 win over Washington & Lee in Lexington. A quick start led to a large lead midway through

the first half before the Maroons held on for the win. Draper and Kuthan led all scorers with a game-high 18 points each and were two of four in double figures. Rosenthal finished with 13 points and Joshua McClary finished with 11 for Roanoke.

After a break for final exams, the Maroons will travel south to Tennessee for a pair of contests before the Christmas holiday, starting with a game against Berry (Ga.) on Monday, December 19. The game will take place just outside of Nashville and is scheduled to get started at 11 am.

the Maroons keeping a 16 point lead heading into the final period.

It was in the fourth quarter where the Marlins doubled their first three quarters offensive output and pulled even with a three pointer with just nine seconds left in the game at 56-56, forcing the Maroons to call a timeout. A quick foul by VWU sent Sayre Brandstatter to the freethrow line where she made one of two to put Roanoke ahead 57-56. A last second shot attempted by the Marlins clanked off the rim, allowing Roanoke come away with the 57-56 win in Virginia Beach.

The undefeated Maroons were led by Madison Nereu's 15 points and 11 rebounds, both game-highs. Brandstatter finished with 12 points and both Lauren Keel and Morgan Micallef each scored 10.

After a break for final exams, the Maroons will travel south

Morgan Micallef scores for RC in last week's win over Averett. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

to Florida for the 2022 Dayton Beach Shootout. Roanoke will kick off the two games with a contest against Hood on Monday, December 19 at 11 a.m. in Daytona Beach.

Lewis teams will play CS today

The Andrew Lewis Middle School basketball teams will wrap up the season today, Thursday, with games against Cave Spring. The boys will host the Squires while the girls will play at Cave Spring Middle School.

Both teams played against Northside Middle on Monday. In Salem, the boys dropped a 46-37 decision to a strong Norse team. Lewis led at one point in the second period but Northside finished strong for the win. Tanner Overstreet had eight points for Lewis.

"The coaching staff was pleased with this game as a whole, even though we did not get the victory," said coach DeWayne Harrell. "It confirms that we have good student athletes who are improving each day."

The girls won at Northside, 47-7. Kourtney Goens had eight points and five assists, Kate Gibson had half a dozen points and 13 of the 15 Lewis girls scored.

"I'm really happy with how this team has passed the ball the last few games," said coach Nat Franklin. "The girls are doing a much better job of being strong **Tanner Overstreet handles the ball** with the ball and making good decisions."



for Lewis. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Glenvar middle splits with Squires

The Glenvar Middle School teams split games with Cave Spring on Monday as their season nears the end. The girls won a close one at Cave Spring and the boys lost at home.

The girls pulled out a 19-17 win as Grace Fiedler scored seven points for the Highlanders. Ryan Jones and Kinley Phillips had four each as Glenvar held the Squires to four points in the first half.

"Cave started pressing and made a comeback, but we were able to hold them off," said coach Andrew Quillen.

Last week the girls won at Floyd, 28-12. That marked just the third time the middle school has beaten Floyd since 2014, and two have been this season. Fiedler and Phillips had eight points each to lead Glenvar.

The boys lost to Cave Spring, 48-25, at home Monday after pulling out a big win at Christiansburg last Friday, 44-39. Evan Harris led the Highlanders with 11 points against Christiansburg, Levi King had 13 rebounds and Brody Williams had four steals.

Both teams were scheduled to play Northside on Wednesday of this week but results were too late for publication.



Kinley Phillips scores for Glenvar.





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Left, Glenvar's Trey Lawrence has a head lock on William Fleming's Bricen Booth in Saturday's 150 pound semifinal at the Titan Toughman Tournament. Right, Salem's Dakota McGlothlin is on top of Blacksburg's Ryan Ankrum in the 165 pound semifinal. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Glenvar is toughest in Titans' tournament, Salem finishes 9th

The Salem High wrestlers finished ninth and Glenvar outscored 25 other teams to win the Titan Toughman wrestling tournament at Hidden Valley High School last weekend. It was a big win for the Highlanders, one of just eight schools in Class 2 or smaller in the big tournament.

"I'm not sure if Glenvar has ever won the Titan Toughman before, so it was a big weekend for the team," said Glenvar coach Jason Cline, and he's correct in assuming this was a first for the Highlanders. "This year's tournament was 26 teams with lots of solid wrestlers in every weight."

Glenvar was able to put four wrestlers into the semi-finals, three into the finals and walked away with two champions plus five place winners. Trey Lawrence and Jake Cline were champions in back-toback weight classes at 150 and 157.

Lawrence, now 7-0, pinned his way through the in 34 seconds. Ethan is now 15-1. 150 pound bracket for his championship. In the final it took him just 33 seconds to pin Robbie Knott of fourth for Glenvar and Alan Vu took a fifth. Franklin County, who was also undefeated to that point.

his way to the top step of the podium with falls of 47, 22nd," said coach Cline. 51 and 60 seconds prior to the final. In the championship match he pinned Joel Swanson of Northside in tlers still in the hunt but ended up ninth. 1:28. That was Jake's 100th career win.

time this year in the final, 104 to Braden Henderson of Blacksburg. River is 13-1.

match of the season to JJ Pociask of Christiansburg on three made the semifinals before they lost. a tie-breaker in the quarterfinals, then wrestled back to pin Isaac Hamilton of Liberty in the consolation final

Mason Hylton and Wesley Heltzel both finished

"This was a great second event and prepares us for some of the tough competition that we'll see at our At 157 Cline improved to 13-0 and he also pinned next big tournament in Grundy on December 21st and

Salem was fourth after Friday's round with 16 wres-

"We wrestled to our potential on Friday but came River Smith took second at 126, losing for the first up short on Saturday," said coach Lawrence Van Liew.

The Spartans had three place winners, Haden Smith with a fourth at 138 and two fifth places, Caden At 175 Ethan Flowers finished third. He lost his first Thomas at 132 and Dakotah McGlothlin at 165. All

Both Salem and Glenvar will be back on the

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Highlanders host C'burg tonite after falling to Auburn Monday

The Glenvar boys will be back on the hardwood tonight when they host Christiansburg in a basketball game at GHS. The Highlanders will be trying to bounce back from their first loss of the season, a 52-38 loss to Auburn on Monday night in Riner.

'Auburn is a good team that shoots the ball well, plays tough full court defense and doesn't make a lot of mistakes," said Glenvar coach Cliff Bordewisch. "We kind of reverted back to the version of us from Christiansburg and just made it up on offense and didn't work hard enough offensively to get better looks. When you're not shooting the ball well and you're not working through the offense, then you're not going to have a lot of success." Glenvar trailed by six at the half at Auburn, then was outscored 25-17 in the second half. The loss to Auburn, a Class 1 school, followed wins over Class 4 Blacksburg and Class 3 Christiansburg on back-to-back nights last week, both on the road.



Glenvar's Brody Dawyot blows by a Blacksburg defender to score in last week's win over the Bruins. PHOTO BY KENNY FORD

"This is a great learning lesson for us and we will get back in the gym this afternoon," said Bordewisch on Tuesday morning.

Last Thursday in Blacksburg the Highlanders picked up a big 57-53 win over the Bruins. Glenvar trailed by five points going into the fourth quarter but outscored the host team 22-13 down the stretch to pull off a big win on the road. Freshman Brody Dawyot led the way with 16 points and Gabe Ford had nine of his 14 in the fourth quarter.

The Highlanders were back in the greater New River area on Friday night with a trip to Christiansburg, and again they came home with a win. This time it was 42-33 as Dawyot and Elijah Carter had 13 points each. Carter scored all of his points in the fourth quarter to lead a late charge after sitting out the whole second quarter with foul trouble.

"He's our energy guy," said Bordewisch. "He's the kid I never have to question his effort or desire. He was huge for us in this one because he does it first on the defensive end."

Now 4-1, the Highlanders will be off for the rest of the year after tonight's home game. They'll return to action January 3rd at Carroll County.

Hot-shooting Patriots top Salem, Spartans host Demons Friday

The Salem Spartans will be home Friday for a River Ridge District basketball game against Christiansburg with a chance to even their overall record. Salem is 3-4 after losing to Patrick Henry at Salem High Tuesday.

The Patriots came out on fire and hit 14 three pointers for the night, accounting for 42 points in an 84-59 win over the Spartans. The smaller Salemites packed in a zone to try and counter Patrick Henry's size advantage but it came back to bite them.

'They shot it well," said Salem coach Kevin Garst. "We played a zone and did what we wanted to do, but they beat us with their outside shooting.'

Kam Brown led the Spartans with 16 points while LaMarius Foxx had nine and Marvin Fields had eight.

The loss was Salem's second in a row. Last Friday at home visiting Blacksburg took a 74-50 win over Salem. The Bruins jumped off to a 23-9 lead after the first quarter but Salem held serve in the second period and trailed 38-25 at the half. Blacksburg increased the lead to 57-40 after three quarters and Salem never got any closer.

Grant Clemens was four for seven on three point goals to lead Salem with 16 points while Jayden Johnson had seven. Blacksburg was led by Wade Bland who hit 13 of 16 shots, including six of seven threes, for a game high 34 points.

Last Wednesday the Spartans hosted Rockbridge and pulled out a 63-61 win. Foxx had 18 points and four steals, Clemens had 15 pints and Cam Boles had 10. Clayton Davidson dished out five assists in the win.

The Spartans will close out their pre-Christmas schedule with two games next week. They're at Hidden Valley on Tuesday and home to Staunton River on Thursday, December 22nd.



Left, Salem's Cam Boles drives the lane against Blacksburg Friday. Right, Josiah Moyer shoots a three-pointer from the corner. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN