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PHOTO BY MEG HIBBERT Salem Director of Economic Development Tommy Miller, left, briefs City Council on economic development during a work session before the Feb. 13 regular Council Meeting.

Footers for new Valleydale apartments expected by spring

Meg Hibbert **Contributiong Writer**

Demolition is proceeding on schedule and footers are expected by early spring on the former Vallevdale Meat Packing site being turned into a \$50-million with 300 apartments, a pool and various amenities.

according That's to Salem Director of Economic Development Director Tommy Miller, who updated Salem City Council Monday night.

Miller gave a 30-minute presentation during the work session that preceded the Feb. 13 Council meeting. "All the walls are down," he reported.

Ed Walker and Joe

Thompson are principals in Valleydale Catalyst LLC that is doing the project.

The former plant filled the air in Salem's East Bottom with aromas of bacon, ham and other smoked meats for more than 70 years. Valleydale closed in 2006, after years of slaughtering, processing and smoking hogs and cattle. At one time, it was one of the largest employers in Salem and had 344 employees when closing was announced.

Some of the employees had a couple of generations proudly working there.

Walker promised the apartments' amenities will include a pool and terrace area, club rooms, a gym, greenspace, dog run, garage

and extensive landscaping. According to Miller, the first building is expected to be completed by June 2024.

Valleydale was one of more than a dozen updates Miller talked about Monday evening. He reviewed:

- The city's Façade Grant Program that offers grants to downtown businesses which want to improve their exteriors;

- Demolition and possible tenants for the former GE building, now owned by Phoenix XXX, with the possibility of an Economic Development Authority loan;

HopeTree Family

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5th Annual International Film Series is set for February 15-26

Series is presented by Roanoke College, Hollins University

The 5th Annual Roanoke College International Film Series, presented in collaboration with Hollins University, started yesterday with a lineup of films centered on the theme of ghosts.

The screenings, which are being hosted across multiple campus and community venues, are designed to intercultural promote exchange, learning and world cinema among both students and the wider region.

In total, eight films will be shown between Feb. 15 and Feb. 26. Each screening is free, open to the public and subtitled in English. Panel-led discussions with the audience and faculty members will be held after each film.

"Film is a powerful vehicle of culture," said Teresa Hancock-Parmer, a Spanish lecturer with Roanoke College and committee chair for the film series. "The International Film Series encourages our students to engage with the cultures of the languages that they study and get that multi-layered exposure and language input."

The International Film Series was first launched in 2019 as an initiative of Roanoke College's Department of Modern Languages. Key partners in the program include Hollins



University, Roanoke Valley Sister Cities, the Grandin Theatre and the Taubman Museum of Art.

The college said the event works to cultivate cross-cultural learning and dialogue.

"The series also builds community," Hancock-Parmer said. "We want community members to come. Afterward, we invite people to come together to discuss the films and share their thoughts. So, we get to build those connections both within the Roanoke College community and beyond."

Each film series is organized around a unifying theme that adds depth to the experience by encouraging audiences to reflect on how an issue is dealt with across different cultures. This year's theme, ghosts, was the top pick of the organizing committee.

"Hollins University is thrilled to partner with Roanoke College on this year's international film series on the rich and provocative theme of 'ghosts,'" said Nathan Lee, assistant professor of film at Hollins. "All of cinema is a kind of haunting, as images captured in the past float and glimmer on screen. I'm particularly excited to be screening the sublime Russian Ark - one

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Last-minute Valentine's Day shoppers keep retailers busy







PHOTOS BY AILA BOYD

The Kroger on W Main Street in Salem was busy in the middle of the day on Tuesday. Employees were working diligently to keep the shelves stocked with flowers and plants for last-minute Valentine's Day shoppers. "We saw record sales in 2021, we saw record sales in 2022, and our projection is that in 2023 we will have record sales specifically for Valentine's Day," Barbara Leshyn, floral design instructor for Virginia Tech's School of Plant and Environmental Sciences, said of flower sales for this year.

Roanoke County was awarded \$820,000 for improvements to Wood Haven Technology Park

Aila Boyd

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Roanoke County announced on Monday that Rep. Morgan Griffith (R-9th) has secured \$820,000 in new funding for a project to increase the Wood Haven Technology Park's competitiveness for industry. The park is located near the I-81 and I-581 interchange.

Roanoke County made a Community Project Funding request to fund the extension of additional water utility capacity to the Wood Haven Technology Park. The county said the funds will go toward improving the site's water infrastructure to make it more attractive for future development.

"I was glad to submit this federal funding request to increase the water supply to Wood Haven Technology Park," Griffith said. "The funds will enhance available

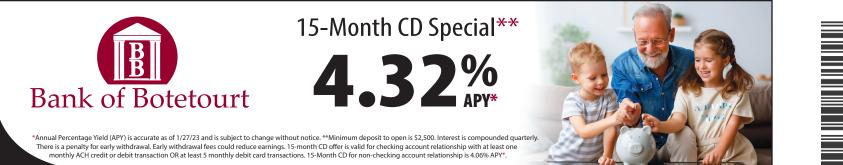
utility capacity, hopefully accelerating the property's speed to market and providing economic benefits to the entire Roanoke Region."

Roanoke County requested these funds to address the need for greater water capacity at the site. Wood Haven Technology Park has been seeing greater interest from site selectors.

The county said it is clear that many projects are requiring large water and sewer utility capacities. Many of the requirements for significant utility usage correspond with significant capital investment and high-wage employment creation. The proposed project seeks to increase water supply to the 110-acre site, making it significantly more attractive to water-intensive business operations that may be interested in establishing a facility in the park.



See Wood Haven, page 5 The park is located near the I-81 and I-581 interchange.





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Congressional Town Hall: Residents of Salem are invited to a town hall event with Congressman Ben Cline (VA-06) next week. This town hall event is an opportunity for residents of Salem to engage in a dialogue with Rep. Cline about important issues in Virginia's Sixth Congressional District. The Salem town hall will take place Thursday, Feb. 16, from 12-1:30 p.m. at the Lydia's Italian Kitchen, located at 1713 Riverview Dr., Salem, VA 24153. In order to accommodate the diverse schedules of Sixth District constituents, Rep. Cline has rotated all of his town halls between morning, lunch, and evening meetings. "I look forward to meeting with the citizens of Salem next week," Cline said. "As with my previous town halls in the area, this forum will allow me to engage with Salem residents and take their views to Washington." Constituents planning to attend must register here on Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/salem-townhall-with-rep-ben-cline-tickets-541580731547. Citizens of Salem will be given priority regarding comments during the town hall.

Ridge View Bank Ribbon Cutting: Ridge View Bank will host a ribbon cutting ceremony for its first full-service SMART Center office in Salem, Virginia at 124 West Main Street. The SMART Center concept is focused on customer interaction and advanced technology and is one of several Ridge View Banks has planned for the immediate future. The ceremony will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16.

Craft and Vendor Fair: The Craft and Vendor Fair hosted by the Lambda Chapter of VA Alpha Delta Kappa Teacher Sorority is set to make its return this year after taking several years off due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The last fair was held in 2020. This year's fair will be at Andrew Lewis Middle School on Saturday, Feb. 18 from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. The inclement weather date is Feb. 25. Admission is free.

Theatre Roanoke College Winter Production: "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde: The event will be Feb. 23- 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Olin Theater It is directed by Danielle Barre. Jack and Algernon are both trying to woo their lady loves. The two charming young ladies - sophisticated Gwendolen from the city and naive Cecily from the country - are in love with Earnest Worthing. But there is no such person as Earnest Worthing. Gwendolen thinks Jack is Earnest, and Cecily thinks Algernon is Earnest. Each girl swears that she could never love a man who wasn't named Earnest. In the midst of all this confusion comes Lady Bracknell, who doesn't like the idea of anybody loving anybody. Wilde unwinds this knotty affair into one of the favorite comedies of English literature. Tickets are \$7 for general admission or \$5 for seniors/students. Tickets are available by calling 540-375-2333 or by emailing boxoffice@roanoke.edu.

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.

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 Country 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, 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.

FROM THE ARCHIVES "CRADLE AND GRAVE" CALLED OUT IN 1864

Sergeant Blackwell's Famous Account Of Service Given-Salem Men In Stuart's Cavalry Regiment

From the 1938 centennial edition of The Times-Register

Almost every able bodied male in Roanoke county had been mustered into the army of the Confederacy before the war ended. Cold figures tell the story so that we quote the following figures from a speech made by Major W. W. Ballard at the unveiling of the Confederate monument here on June 3, 1910 when he said that this county sent 1,091 men to the front while the census of 1860 showed that there were but 1,136 white males over the age of 21.

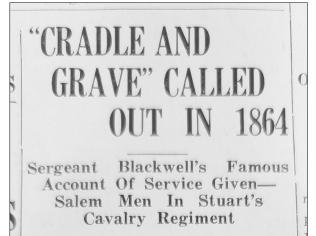
Subject to the law which called out boys from sixteen to eighteen and those from fifty-five to sixty Co. F 2nd Regiment Virginia Junior Reserves was organized at Salem on March 22, 1864, The officers elected by this company were said to have been a happy mixture of old men and boys and they were as follows:

Captain J. C. Miller; 1st Lieut., G. Frank Board; 2nd Lieut., Samuel Lee; 3rd Lieut., John Steel; 1st Sgt., Calvin Blackwell; 2nd Sgt., Chas Stevens; 3rd Sgt., Chas. Brady.

Concerning the service of these "cradle and grave" fellows Sergeant Blackwell wrote the following which are excerpts from his account:

81 In Company

"There were 81 in the company when we were called out and organized in Salem, March 22, 1864. We were assembled in the five acre horse lot of Dr. Griffin on the south side of the rock road west of town. Of the officers selected only Second Lieutenant Samuel Lee mentioned had served in the war with Mexico. None of the others had seen service. A federal force was striking for the railroad at Salem or Christiansburg and we were armed and put under the command of Col. Preston, he being an old militia officer. We marched through the rain to Hanging Rock and went into camp. Our chief duty was to obstruct the road from north by cutting trees across it and arranging breast work of logs."



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we were assigned to similar duty in Richmond at Libby prison. July 1, we were moved to South Anna bridge and guarded and fortified the bridge against a second attack. On July 30, when Crater Mine was exploded at Petersburg we felt the shock although we were north of the James River. We remained in that vicinity for some time but things did not get lively until Sept. 29 when Warren's Corps made an attack on Fort Harrison near Chafin's farm. The fort was taken in the morning; our line was fiercely assaulted in the afternoon and the enemy repulsed with great slaughter." Sergeant Blackwell winds up his narrative by telling how the company was sent to Waynesboro, Lynchburg and then to the trans-Alleghany department under General Nichols at Dublin. They were disbanded at Christiansburg.

Students Form Company

The other reserve company organized at Salem was composed of students then attending Roanoke College, between the ages of 16 and 18 years. This company was first organized in September, 1861 but was not mustered into service until September, 1864.

The officers were: Captain Geo. W. Holland; Captain R. W. Branch; 1st Lieut., Arthur Parkhill; 2nd Lieut., Geo. A. Hubburt; 3rd Lieut., C. W. Nowlin; 1st Sgt., Otho O. Ovens; 1st Sgt., Willie Sledd; 1st Sgt., G. W. Price; 1st Sgt., W. R. Watkins.

Served In Maryland

This company saw some active service in Maryland. Two of the company, H. R. Morrison and W. W. Smith died while in the service at Point Lookout, Md. and one man, Private Andrew Wingfield was captured by the enemy at this place.

This company also did duty at Dublin, Saltville and Lynchburg. They were mustered out of the army on their way from Salem to Lynchburg upon the intelligence of Gen. Lee's surrender at Appomattox.

In all four Companies of regulars which saw the hardest kind of service during the war, two companies of reserves and parts of companies formed in other parts were furnished by men of Salem and Roanoke county.

The companies for which Roanoke county supplied a portion of the men were the following:

Cavalry Company Organized

The 2nd Regiment Virginia Cavalry which was organized at Lynchburg on May 8, 1861. The mustering officer was Col. J. A. Early and this was the first mounted regiment organized in Virginia. When Gen. J. E. B. Stuart organized his cavalry after the first battle of Manassas, he made his regiment the first and this regiment was designated as the Second Virginia Cavalry. Ten Salem men were in the company. Co. A, 36th Regiment Virginia Volunteers was originally organized at Cabell, West Virginia and was mustered into the service of the Confederacy in the early part of 1862 at Greenbrier. Fifty-three men of this county joined the company which was commanded by officers from West Virginia. Another company in which there were a large number of Roanoke county men was Co. E, 28th Regiment Virginia Volunteers which was at first known as the Botetourt Rifles. This company saw service in many of the major engagements of the war and served in Hunton's Brigade of Pickett's division at Gettysburg.

After giving some incidents of life in camp the writer goes on to give the following account of their activities:

Ordered To Richmond

"The enemy not appearing we were ordered to Lynchburg and put in the camp for instruction. On May 1 the company was ordered to Richmond where at Camp Lee we were

again put under instruction and organized into the 2nd Regiment, Virginia Reserves. On May 10 we were put forward a few miles but did not get into the fight on June 2. We then marched to the York River Railroad and were placed to the extreme right of Lee's army during the second battle

of Cold Harbor. The Federals were on the north side of the river and put us under a heavy shell fire, our first experience of the kind."

"On June 15 we were taken to Richmond and assigned to duty on Bell Isle to guard federal prisoners. A week later

Make General Lee Laugh

"The next day, Sept. 30, Gen. Lee himself came to the north side to direct a vain effort to retake Fort Harrison. A terrific artillery fire was opened from the gun boats, at Drury's Bluff and Chafin's farm. We were lying in the ditches and behind us was a battery of guns. It was a drizzling rain. At every discharge of the guns great volumes of powder smoke would pour on us so that by 3 P.M. every man was black as powder. Just then General Lee and his staff drove by and we boys to a man leaped up to cheer him. We looked so much like so many negro boys that it provoked a radiant smile from General Lee and a heavy laugh from the whole staff. Gen. Lee quietly remarked 'Lie down boys, some of you might get hurt.' Through the rest of the fall and winter we remained at Chafin's farm.

-Prepared by Lisa King

SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT

The Purple Heart is one of the most recognizable and most revered distinctions in the U.S. military. It is awarded to soldiers wounded or killed while serving in the military. It recognizes that the soldier has greatly sacrificed themselves, or made the ultimate sacrifice.

The Purple Heart is based on one of the oldest military awards actively presented to U.S. soldiers. Although the first modern Purple Heart was awarded in 1932 to veterans of World War I, it is based on a practice George Washington began during the Revolutionary War. Washington awarded the Badge of Military Merit to soldiers in the form of purple cloth shaped like a heart. This is why Washington is pictured on the modern medal.

You can see this Purple Heart on display this weekend at the Salem Museum as part of the Museum's Hands-On History program.

On Saturdays, visitors can pull on a glove and touch a piece of history with their own hand. In February, Hands-On History highlights items from the collection related to the D-Day Invasion of Normandy during World War II. Salem Museum is open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and located at 801 E. Main St.



Purple Heart Medal

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OPINION **How RCAHD's Environmental Health Food Program works**

Among our roles to better protect the community's health, the health department employs staff to help ensure the proper handling of food served to the public. The Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts' (RCAHD) Environmental Health Food Program works with restaurant operators to reduce risk factors associated with foodborne illnesses. The program covers various facilities, including restaurants and mobile food units, as well as the food services of schools, hospitals, nursing homes, and other vendors that provide prepared food to the public. In 2022, RCAHD issued 1072 food permits for both new and established vendors.

RCAHD employs eight environmental health specialists whose primary job is specifically food inspections. All food service facilities in our seven jurisdictions (Alleghany, Botetourt, Covington, Craig, Roanoke City and County, and Salem) are inspected at least once per year and many are inspected more often, depending on their food preparation methods or on the vulnerability of the populations they serve. When needed, our team also performs follow-up inspections for those facilities with excessive numbers of violations or with violations that are deemed a high priority (for example, establishments with failing refrigeration or nonfunctioning dishwashing capabilities).

In 2022, our staff performed over 2,000 food service inspections of both yearly permitted facilities and over 60 temporary food events, such as festivals. During inspections, our team members review policies with staff. These include the requirement to have an Employee Health Policy to help prevent ill food service workers from possibly contaminating food or food-contact surfaces. Excellent employee hygiene, especially proper handwashing, is vital in preventing foodborne illness.

Health regulations for food establishments

typically require at least one person in a supervisory or management position to be a Certified Food Protection Manager (CFPM). The CFPM program educates managers to ensure that their employees follow proper food safety guidelines. Our inspectors act as trainers too, assisting staff to safely operate their establishments in accordance with Virginia Department of Health (VDH) food regulations. While our goal is to prevent foodborne illness, our environmental health team plays a critical role in assisting in any investigation of potential foodborne illness outbreaks.

Foodborne illness is a common, yet preventable public health matter. What can you do to safeguard your family's health when eating out or eating at home? Consider these tips from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

• Before going to a restaurant, check the restaurant's health inspection score at inspections.myhealthdepartment.com/ virginia

• Confirm the cleanliness of the restaurant's tables, floors, and utensils. If they do not appear clean, you may want to take your business elsewhere.

• Both in restaurants and at home, check that your food is thoroughly cooked. Meat, fish, poultry, and eggs should be cooked thoroughly to kill germs. If food is served undercooked or raw, send it back.

• Properly handle your leftovers. Taking your food to go? Remember to refrigerate within two hours of eating out. If food is left in a hot car or temperatures above 90°F, refrigerate it within one hour. Eat leftovers within three or four days.

And finally, always make sure you wash your hands before touching any ready-to-eat food!

-Christie Wills, communications officer Roanoke City & Alleghany Health Districts

Crossover, electric bills & foreign affairs

Tuesday marked the 2023 General Assembly's Crossover Deadline when each chamber must finish work on the vast majority of bills from their own chamber. Between Monday and Tuesday, the Virginia Senate considered 187 bills, confirmation of 1,177 gubernatorial appointments spread out over five confirmation resolutions, six other resolutions, and 4 proposed constitutional amendments. On Wednesday, most Senate committees started hearing House bills and on Friday the Senate passed fifteen House bills - including three from Delegate Joe McNamara to make Virginia's tax system more favorable to taxpayers.

Bad News and Good News on Campaign Finance Reform

First the bad news, General Assembly members will continue be allowed to legally fundraise from their seat in the Capitol while actively voting on legislation during Special Sessions. My Senate Bill 946 that would have prohibited legislators from fundraising on any day the General Assembly was scheduled to meet during a special session was defeated without a vote after a Democrat-led parliamentary maneuver in the Democratcontrolled Senate. Although this is a disappointment, I will continue to fight for this common sense reform.

The good news is that my SB1427 that will add new timely reporting requirements for Political Action Committees cleared the Senate on Tuesday. Electric monopoly attacks

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against Glenn Youngkin veiled as a phony Second Amendment advocacy group during the gubernatorial campaign helped reveal major gaps in Virginia's PAC reporting requirements. My legislation to close these gaps is expected to be considered in the House Privileges and Elections Committee next week.

The Continuing Fight over Electric Bills

Although the electric monopoly's tactics in the 2021 gubernatorial campaign were abhorrent, Governor Youngkin's resolute advocacy for captive rate payers facing ever increasing bills shows the monopoly was right to fear his administration. While the Virginia Senate remains extremely monopoly friendly, Virginians now have a Governor who has both the high finance acumen to understand utility complexities and the politically independent disposition to advocate for captive rate payers.

The 12-3 Democrat superstacked Senate Commerce and Labor Committee killed my bills to return significant authority to the State Corporation Commission and allow any competition in January. Since then Governor Youngkin and Speaker Todd Gilbert helped get bills containing pro-rate payer provisions through the House of Delegates that are now making their way to the Senate. The current pro-monopoly Democratic Senate leadership is expected to significantly rewrite these bills and that will likely lead to significant conference committees at the end of the General Assembly session.

During consideration of the Senate Budget proposal on Thursday, Democrats advocated hundreds of millions of dollars in additional spending proposals but went out of their way to remove \$253,000 in the Office of the Attorney General's budget dedicated to ratepayer protection. Every Senate Democrat voted to remove this modest provision to help captive rate payers during rate cases against the monopoly's high priced attorneys. The House of Delegates' Budget included these provisions meaning this will go to budget negotiations. On all issues related to electric bills the

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Services planning;

- Visits to existing businesses, including National Peening, New Millennium, Salem Frame/Rowe Furniture; Missile Baits that manufactures fishing baits; Ridgeview Bank; the former Virginia Brick plant on West Main; best advice is: stay tuned.

Foreign Affairs in the Virginia Senate

Right after the Chinese spy balloon finished its flight over the United States, foreign affairs legislation made rare appearances in Richmond - and passed with bipartisan support.

In his State of the Commonwealth speech in January, Governor Youngkin urged the General Assembly to prohibit a foreign adversary from acquiring or transferring any interest in agricultural land in Virginia. Senator Richard Stuart's SB1438 does just that to protect both food supply and protect land close to Virginia's abundance of militarily sensitive locations from the hostile actions of the Chinese Communist Party. Despite lengthy speeches by many Democratic detractors, five Democratic Senators joined the effort and it passed 23-16 and is now in the House of Delegates where Delegate Rob Bloxom's similar HB2325 passed 99-0 the next day.

All of my Senate Republican colleagues joined me in co-patroning Senator Ryan McDougle's SB1459 banning the Chinese Communist Party controlled TikTok and WeChat for use on state electronic devices. Despite no opposition in the Senate General Laws Committee, several Democratic Senators spoke against SB1459 and generated significant opposition producing a 20-20 tie vote that was broken in support of the bill by Lt. Governor Winsome Sears. The House of Delegates will soon consider SB1459 after having already voted 99-0 for Delegate Emily Brewer's similar House Bill 2385.

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They would also like to see alternate transportation options, street improvements, internet fiber connectivity, and trying to partner more with Roanoke College and Virginia Tech.

When Councilman Bill Jones asked Miller what he would place as the most important thing, Miller replied, "Promotion of Salem and a web presence." He said he hopes to become more involved with the web presence, and in addition to using staff resources, use web consulting services. A mural program is in the works, with a subcommittee of the EDA. A Roanoke regional artist would probably be involved, Miller said. At the close of Miller's presentation, Mayor Renee Turk praised his efforts, saying "Your hard work is showing."

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Miller explained he and business consultant Wayne Atkins and members of the Salem Economic Development Authority viewed those businesses, industries and nonprofits.

In meetings with residents, business leaders, schools, the Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce and civic club members between October last year and December, Miller said they would like to see Salem offer:

- More food grocers;
- Restaurants;
- Boutique retail, and
- Outdoor services.

During the regular meeting, Council heard from four citizens:

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"On behalf of the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors I want to thank Congressman Griffith and his staff for securing this additional funding to make one of the premier economic development sites in our region even better," Roanoke County Administrator Richard L. Caywood said in a statement.

Roanoke County said Wood Haven Technology Park is ideally situated in relation to transportation infrastructure, making it an attractive site, and the regional capacity of water availability has long been a regional advantage.

Currently, water is provided to the site by the Western Virginia Water Authority with water sourced from Spring Hollow. The new work will bore under I-81 to install a second line that offers a redundant supply of water, dramatically increasing the water capacity available to Wood Haven Technology Park.

The county hopes the increase will enhance available utility capacity, strengthen speed to market and contribute to a future economic win for the entire Roanoke Region, which it said it hopes will lead to a significant capital investment and creation of additional high-wage employment opportunity for regional residents.

"This is excellent news for the economic landscape," John Hull, executive director of the Roanoke Region Partnership, said. "It's not uncommon for the Partnership to work with companies seeking expansions that require significant water utilities. This project will make the region more competitive for business investment, and thus, better employment opportunity."

"The Water Authority provides quality utility services to meet our customers' needs and enhance our regional community. This water line extension supports our long-range plan to increase water distribution resiliency and fire protection for residents and makes this area of the county even more attractive for future investment in our community," Michael T. McEvoy, executive director at the Western Virginia Water Authority, added.

The \$820,000 award, coupled with \$670,000 provided by the Western Virginia Water Authority, brings the total project cost to \$1,490,000. The authority will administer the work for the proposed project, which it hopes to have completed by the end of 2023.

Voting begins in 16th Annual Black History Month Art Contest by UScellular

ROANOKE -- Voting is now open in UScellular's 16th Annual Black History Month Art Contest with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia. Voting is available online, and residents of the greater Roanoke area can go to newsroom.uscellular.com/2023-bhmac-vote-now to vote for their favorite piece of original art.

Boys & Girls Club members created original pieces of artwork representing influential Black STEM icons. These included historical figures, world leaders, scientists and educators who have made vital contributions to the world of science, technology, engineering and math.

Ten finalists from the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southwest Virginia were chosen by Club representatives based on creativity, quality, interpretation, clarity of theme and overall

impression. Voting will remain open until Feb. 28, and anyone 18 or older can vote for their favorite. The finalists artwork is also digitally displayed at some UScellular retail store and agent locations, including the store at 1420 West Main Street in Salem.

The top three vote-getters will be announced in March and prizes include gift cards in the following amounts: \$250 for 1st place, \$150 for 2nd place and \$100 for 3rd place.

The public can vote for their favorite artwork by going to newsroom.uscellular.com.

Since 2009, UScellular has donated more than \$22.6 million along with countless experiences and technology items to nonprofit organizations across the country.

-The Salem Times-Register

Feeding Southwest Virginia receives \$200,000 grant

The William R. Kenan, Jr. Charitable Trust has awarded Feeding Southwest Virginia a \$200,000 grant to support the organization's operational expenses as it implements its strategic plan to nourish neighbors, engage community partners and develop solutions to address food insecurity.

The grant will be particularly impactful in counties like Buchanan, Lee and Dickenson, where food insecurity rates are over 19% compared to Virginia's average of 7.7%. The organization said the support will aid Feeding Southwest Virginia in its efforts to provide food to over 140,000 individuals who need food assistance in the region.

"This is an amazing partnership for Feeding Southwest Virginia," said Pamela Irvine, CEO of Feeding Southwest Virginia. "The generosity of the William R. Kenan, Jr. Charitable Trust allows us to carry out our strategic plan and further our mission to reduce hunger."

One in eight individuals in the 26 counties and nine city service region are food insecure. Feeding Southwest Virginia said the grant will play a critical role in helping provide nutritious food to families in need.

"Feeding Southwest Virginia is deeply committed to addressing food insecurity in the region and is grateful for the support of the William R. Kenan, Jr. Charitable Trust. With this grant, the organization will be able to continue its work of nourishing neighbors

and creating a more equitable food system,' the organization said in a statement.

-The Salem Times-Register





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

BAPTIST (INDEPENDENT) CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH 7th and Florida Streets, Salem VA. Pastor: Roger D. Counts, 540-389-3818. Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Morning 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.



CHURCHES OF CHRIST/CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

DALE RIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST - 7165 Cloverdale Rd., Roanoke, 24019; beside the Botetourt Athletic Club. Leave message 992-4385. Sunday Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m. Please come visit us in person or get to know about us first by visiting our web page: daleridgechurchofchrist.net. Updated each week with a new sermon by Mike Mazzalongo, four minutes of video showing our nearly six acres of land and our beautiful, functional inside facilities, articles, events, news from Christian sources around the world and here locally plus much, much more. See how many ways Dale Ridge is "Reaching Out There" to the Roanoke Valley with the "Good News of Jesus. By clicking on "visit us virtually" real time access to our Worship services is available via your computer, a tablet or smartphone: Just follow the instructions. We believe in the inspired Word of God which is as relevant today as it was when it was written. We believe the Holy Spirit is a gift to every Christian upon their response to the Gospel as demonstrated by the 3000 obedient souls in (Acts 2:38). We believe Jesus is the only author of our salvation. (Acts 4:12) Have you been looking for a church family that is progressive, outside the box thinkers, led by the Holy Spirit into all truth. (John 16:13). You will know we are His disciples by our love for one another. (John 13:35) Real time contact thru our website via email. SALEM CHURCH OF CHRIST - 401 West Main Street. 540-389-2400. Minister Taylor Plott; 10:00am Sunday Bible Study; 11:00am Sunday Worship Service; Wednesday Life Groups: 5:30 -7:00pm. For more info contact the Church Office. WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST - 1705 Starview Drive, Salem. Minister Neil Richey, 389-9139, Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 AM, Morning Worship: 10:30 AM, Evening Worship: 6:00 PM, Wednesday Bible Study, 7:000 PM.

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.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

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

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

INDEPENDENT

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

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.

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

BAPTIST (SOUTHERN)

BETHEL BAPTIST - 1601 S. Colorado St., Salem, Pastor Hilton Jeffreys, 389-2376, Sunday: Connect Groups meet at 9:30am; Worship Service starts at 10:30am. You can stream live with us at 10:30am on Facebook, You-Tube, our App & Website (www.bethelbaptistva.com). Tuesday mornings we have Adult Bible Study at 9:00am.; Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm we have TeamKid for kids 3 years old through 5th grade, Amplify Youth (6-12th grade), Band of Brothers Men's Bible Study and then our College & Young Adult Bible Study at 8:00pm. www.bethelbaptistva.com

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

RIDGEWOOD BAPTIST - 703 Hemlock RoadN.W. Roanoke, 342-6492. Roy E. Kanode, Pastor.Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Morning Worship 11 a.m., Awanas 5:15 p.m., Adult Bible Study and Youth Fellowship 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service 6:30p.m.; Fellowship Meal 5:45 p.m.; Praiz Kidz 6:00p.m.; Family Night Activities 6:30 p.m. website:www.ridgewood-baptist.com. FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH - Salem Campus: 1226 RedLane Extension, Salem, 387-3200, Worship Times: 9:15AM & 11:00AM. North Campus: 7640 AlpineRoad, Roanoke, Worship Times: 9:15AM & 11:00AM. Southwest Campus: 3585 Buck Mountain Road, Roanoke, Worship Times: 9:15AM &11:00AM. www.fcclife.org.

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CHURCH OF GOD/ANDERSON COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH - 955 Bird Lane, Salem, Va 24153, 389-5639. Pastor:Scott Hudson. Sunday School 10:00AM, Worship11:00AM; Bible Study 6:00PM.

CHURCH OF GOD/CLEVELAND

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

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

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

FORT LEWIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - 2931 West Main Street, Salem - Pastor Matthew Cox - 380-4636 website: www.flccsalem.org. Sunday: 9:30am Adult Study Group, 10:30am Worship, Youth & Children's Church. All are welcome!

ECKANKAR

ECKANKAR, THE PATH OF SPIRITUAL FREE-

DOM, is a simple teaching that focuses on the Light and Sound of God to help people find more love in their life. The Roanoke Eckankar Center is located at 1420 3rd St. SW, Roanoke, VA 24016. A spiritual event is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 a.m. Since contracting COVID-19 may still be possible, please take the health steps that are best for you. It is appreciated that by attending you are taking responsibility for your own health. Visit www.eck-va.org, www.meetup.com/Roanoke-Spiritual-Experiences * Group* or call 540-353-5365 for other Eckankar programs and for more information about how the teachings of Eckankar can lead you to spiritual freedom.

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION,

U.S.A., INC.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 226 South Broad Street, Salem. Rev. Melton Johnson, 389-9648. SundaySchool 9:30 AM, Sunday Morning Worship Service11:00 AM, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM.

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

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

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

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SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 41 East Main Street, Salem, VA . 389-3881. Come help us welcome our new Pastor, Rev. Chris Vogado, and worship along with him and our Associate Pastor, Rev. Janet Chisom each Sunday at 11:00 AM. In-Person Sunday School is 9:30 AM. You may still worship with us online live at www.salempres.org, or Facebook, or YouTube. During in-person worship,

mask wearing for health reasons is optional.

UNITED METHODIST

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

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

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of the most extraordinary films ever made - at Hollins, as well as the supremely spooky Pulse, a movie that dramatizes millennial anxieties about the 'ghosts in the machine' of network culture."

This year's lineup:

"Volver" (2006)

Screening: 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, in Wortmann Ballroom (Roanoke College)

- Language: Spanish
- Runtime: 121 minutes
- Rating: R

Details: This comedy-drama, directed by the acclaimed Pedro Almodóvar, tackles difficult themes of sexual abuse, death, and family secrets. Penélope Cruz stars as Raimunda, a working-class woman forced to go to great lengths to protect her 14-year-old daughter, Paula. Raimunda's dead mother, Irene, also mysteriously reappears. The film, which Roger Ebert praised as "enchanting, gentle, transgressive," won two awards — Best Actress and Best Screenplay — at the 2006 Cannes Film Festival where it premiered.

Panelists: Charlene Kalinoski and Juan Manuel Portillo

"Russian Ark" (2002)

Screening: 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, at Visual Arts Center auditorium, Room 200 (Hollins University)

- Language: Russian
- Runtime: 159 minutes
- Rating: Not Rated

Details: A sumptuous cinematic experience and experimental historical drama, with a cast of over 2,000 actors and three orchestras, director Alexander Sokurov's extraordinary masterpiece is a unique journey through time and Russian history. Filmed entirely in the State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, this groundbreaking film recreates 300 years of history in a single, unedited, feature-length take. Sokurov's camera glides through 33 rooms of the Hermitage, moving in and out of cathedral-like galleries, opulent ballrooms and shadowy corridors and workrooms covering three centuries of Russian history and European art.

- Panelists: Nathan Lee and Tatyana Munsey
- "Rouge" (1987)
- Screening: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21, in Wortmann

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Ballroom (Roanoke College)

- Language: Cantonese
- Runtime: 96 minutes
- Rating: Not Rated

Details: "Rouge" bridges past and present in its tragic romance between a humble courtesan (Fleur) and the wayward scion of a wealthy family (Chan), who embrace death by suicide pact amid the opulent teahouses of 1930s Hong Kong. Fifty years later, Fleur returns to the city-state to find her lover, who never showed up in the afterlife. When she posts a newspaper advertisement, she draws a young contemporary couple into her quest to rekindle a passion that may be as illusory as time itself. With its lush mise-en-scène and transcendently melancholy mood, this sensuous ghost story directed by Stanley Kwan is an exquisite, enduringly resonant elegy for both lost love and vanishing history.

Panelist: Stella Xu

"Pulse" (2001)

Screening: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, at Visual Arts Center auditorium, Room 200 (Hollins University)

- Language: Japanese
- Runtime: 119 minutes
- Rating: R

Details: An apparent suicide in Tokyo triggers a chain of mysterious disappearances involving computers in writerdirector Kiyoshi Kurosawa's creepy techno-thriller. As ghosts invade the world through the Internet, many more people vanish. The film inspired a 2006 English-language remake.

- Panelist: Nathan Lee
- "Sicilian Ghost Story" (2017)

Screening: 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at Wortmann Ballroom (Roanoke College)

- Language: Italian
- Runtime: 122 minutes
- Rating: Not Rated

Details: Directed by Fabio Grassandonia and Antonio Piazza, in this film, in a little Sicilian village at the edge of a forest, 13-year-old Giuseppe vanishes. Luna, his classmate who loves him, refuses to accept his mysterious disappearance. She rebels against the code of silence and collusion that surrounds her, and to find him she descends into the dark world which has swallowed him up and which has a lake as its mysterious

entrance. The film, inspired by true events, is dedicated to the memory of Giuseppe Di Matteo, a victim of Mafia violence.

- Panelist: Giuliana Chapman
- "Phoenix" (2014)

Screening: 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, in Antrim Chapel (Roanoke College)

- Language: German
- Runtime: 98 minutes
- Rating: PG-13

Details: This evocative and haunting drama, set in rubble-strewn Berlin in 1945, is like no other film about post--World War II, Jewish-German identity. After surviving Auschwitz, a former cabaret singer (Nina Hoss) has her disfigured face reconstructed and returns to her war-ravaged hometown to seek out her gentile husband, who may or may not have betrayed her to the Nazis. Without recognizing her, he enlists her to play his wife in a bizarre hall-of-shatteredmirrors story that is as richly metaphorical as it is preposterously engrossing. Revenge film or tale of romantic reconciliation? One doesn't know until the superb closing scene of this marvel from director Christian Petzold, one of the most important figures in contemporary German cinema.

- Panelist: Rob Willingham
- "Sylvie and the Ghost" (1946)

Screening: 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26, at the Taubman Museum of Art

- Language: French
- Runtime: 98 minutes
- Rating: Not Rated

Details: Director Claude Autant-Lara enters the realm of pure fantasy with this film, conceived during the German occupation and released after World War II. Odette Joyeux stars as Sylvie, in love with a long-dead romantic figure from her family's past. Sylvie's father hires three actors to impersonate the ghost of her beloved, while the spirit himself (Jacques Tati) stalks the grounds. Marrying a playful script, artful special effects, and wistful performances, Sylvie et le fantôme stages a delicate dance of enchantment.

Panelists: Jeanne Jégousso & Matthew Trumbo-Tual -The Salem Times-Register

Thompson, expressed concerns over drainage from a planned industrial park on 12 acres of city-owned land on Mill Lane and a housing development. The Thompsons said when there are heavy rains the existing 8-inch sewer line cannot handle the flow, allowing raw sewage to flow over their hay fields that produce hay for horses.

Ronald Thompson said when that happens, although the hay is unusable because of e-coli, he still has to cut and

enforcement by July of this year.

current \$435 business tax license fees for real estate agents and brokers. She said the fee in Roanoke City is \$15 and \$50 in Roanoke County.

- Salem Electoral Boardmember Shirley Everett urged Council to place the existing Registrar's Office on a projects list because it is too small, poorly insulated and inadequate for the training of election officials, who now are trained in meetings at the Salem Civic Center. "A new home for the Registrar's Office is desperately needed," Everett said.

In other business, Council:

- Appropriated a \$1,500 grant for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) for use at the Salem Farmers Market;

- Set a \$899,228 bond for erosion and sediment control for North Salem Court Townhomes;

- Set a \$44,220 bond for erosion and sediment control for new recreational facilities for Christian Life International. All five Council members were present. The meeting, which started at 6:30 p.m., concluded at 7:11 p.m.



PHOTO BY MEG HIBBERT

Ronald Thompson and son Matthew Thompson address Salem Council over concerns the existing sewer line for a planned industrial park expansion and new homes is inadequate to prevent raw sewage flooding his hay farm.



- Farm owner Ronald Thompson and his son, Matthew

dispose of the crop. Mayor Turk said she would ask city staff to look into the situation.

- John Breen asked Council to take steps in code

- Realtor Janie Whitlow asked the city to reduce the

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA VA CODE§§1 211.1; 8.01-316, 20-104 Case No. CL23-40 ROANOKE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT 305 E. MAIN STREET, SALEM, VA 24153 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re CHLOE GRACE DUNN v. The object of this suit is to: change the minor's name. It is ORDERED that MICHAEL MATTHEW DUNN appear at the abovenamed court and protect his/her interests on or before March 14, 2023 @2:30pm, JANUARY 11. 2023 STEVEN A. MCGRAW, clerk

266 Tax Map No. 35-2-2 THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale. I oan

properties, nutrients, organic matter, solids, and bacteria. HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR **REQUEST A PUBLIC** HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing on the draft permit by handdelivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. DEQ must receive hand-delivery and postal mail by close of business and email and fax comments by 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible. to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit. CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL **INFORMATION: Susan** Edwards; Blue Ridge Regional Office, 901 Russell Drive, Salem, VA 24153-3068; Phone: (540)795-9749; E-mail: Susan.Edwards@deq.virgin ia.gov; Fax: (540)689-4178. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person

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Page 27.Date of Sale: March 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Location: outside the Botetourt County Circuit Court, Courthouse, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090. Terms: CASH; a deposit in the form of certified funds in the amount of \$10,000 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower Settlement within thirty (30) days of date of sale. Time is of the essence. OPTIONS: 1. All costs of conveyance, examination of title, recording charges, etc. will be at cost of purchaser with the exception of the grantor's tax. Neither the Substitute Trustee nor any other party guarantees or covenants to deliver or in any way to obtain possession of the premises for any third party purchaser 2. The Substitute Trustee reserves the right to reject all bids, extend the time to receive bids or withdraw the property from sale at any time. In addition, should the Substitute Trustee be unable, for any reason, in its sole discretion, to convey title, the successful bidder's sole remedy in law or equity shall be the return of his deposit. Upon refund of the deposit, the sale shall be void and of no effect. Additional terms may be announced at the time of the sale. The Substitute Trustee will convey the above-described property to the purchaser(s) by Special Warranty deed at settlement and makes no additional representations or warranties of any kind regarding the title to said property. John K. Prillaman, Esq.Substitute Trustee For Information Contact: John K. Prillaman, Esa OPN LAW 3140 Chaparral Drive Roanoke, Virginia 24018 (540) 725-8194

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Zoning Administration NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 15 2-2204 and 15.2-2309 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, on February 23, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, to consider the following applications. Request of the City of Salem, property owner, and Roanoke County, project administrator, for a variance from Section 106-226.7 of the Code of the City of Salem, to allow construction of the greenway trail, extending from the existing trail on Salem City owned property (Tax Map # 178-4-1) near Kingsmill Drive to the Roanoke County owned property (Parcel ID # 056.01-01-17.00-0000)near Riverside Nursery. Section 106-226.7(A) states that no new construction shall be permitted, except where the effect of such development on flood heights is fully offset.

Request of the City of Salem, property owner, for a variance from Section 106-226.7 of the Code of the City of Salem, to allow the bridge widening of Apperson Drive Bridge along with incidental greenway trail work on and near the 1600 block East Riverside Drive (Tax Map # 259-2-1). Section 106-226.7(A) states that no new construction shall be permitted, except where the effect of such development on flood

265489. PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION OF VIRGINIA, Substitute Trustees, C/O LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP. 10021 Balls Ford Road, Suite 200. Manassas, Virginia 20109 (703) 449-5800.

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Reference Number 17-

Public Notice Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of treated wastewater into a waterbody in Craig County. Virginia PERMIT NO VA0091324 NAME AND ADDRESS OF FACILITY: Department of Wildlife Resources - Paint Bank Fish Cultural Station, 14505 Paint Bank Road, Paint Bank, VA 24131 DEQ CONTACT: Lynn V. Wise, (540) 597-0300, lynn.wise@deq.virginia.gov, 901 Russell Dr, Salem, VA 24153 The full public notice is available at https://www.deq.virginia.gov /permits-regulations/publicnotices/water/virginiapollution-dischargeelimination-system-vpdes.

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<u>OBITUARIES</u>

Stallins, Mary 'Penny'

Mary "Penny" Stallins was born to Martha Elizabeth (Black) and Frederick Garland Stallins on Jan. 1, 1951, In Princeton, Kentucky. She died in her home in Salem, VA, on Dec. 8, 2022, at the age of 71.

Penny attended public schools in Princeton until the fifth grade, at which point her family moved to Salem, Virginia. She graduated from Andrew Lewis High School, Salem, VA, in 1969; and from Longwood College, Farmville, VA, in 1973, with a degree in Education.

Following graduation from college, Penny taught Physical Education and Health at Salem High School and Andrew Lewis Middle School. She was granted a disability retirement from her teaching job at Andrew Lewis in 1995.

Penny was an avid golfer, winning many awards throughout her golfing career. She won the Roanoke Valley Women's Golf Association City-County Championship in 1973. And in 1985-87, she became the first golfer to win the Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame women's championship three times in a row.

Penny also had an intense love for the city of Salem and for all with whom she came into contact. She had



an endearing and infectious personality that attracted friends and strangers alike. She took a special interest in young people, because she was forever young herself and could easily relate to them. She especially treasured her relationship to her niece and nephew and great niece and nephews.

Penny was pre-deceased by her mother, Martha Elizabeth (Black) (Stallins) Moyer; her father, Frederick Garland Stallins; her stepfather, Judge James I. Moyer, all of Salem, VA; her sister Judy Black (Stallins) Halstrom, of North Branch, MN; and her aunt and uncle, James and Mary Wadlington, of Princeton, KY.

She is survived by her niece Deborah (Halstrom) Rutledge, of St. Croix Falls, WI; her nephew Michael Halstrom, of Osceola, WI; her great niece Callie Halstrom, of Dresser, WI; and great nephews Coby Halstrom, of Dresser, WI; Dane Rutledge of St. Croix Falls, WI; and Cole Rutledge, of St. Croix Falls, WI; and her brother-inlaw James Halstrom, of Centerville, MN.

Burial was with her sister, Judy, at Harris Covenant Church, Harris, MN. As an expression of sympathy and in loving memory of Penny, the family suggests that any memorials be made to Salem, VA, High School "24153 Club" or Golf Team programs at https:// the24153club.com/about/

Governor releases human trafficking prevention report

R I C H M O N D – During Human Trafficking Month, Gov. Glenn Youngkin announced last week that the Commission on Human Trafficking Prevention and Survivor Support released their report on human trafficking in Virginia.

On his first day in office, Youngkin reaffirmed Virginia's commitment to combat human trafficking by creating the Human Trafficking Commission through Executive Order 7.

7. The commission's recommendations focus on reducing the number of human trafficking incidents, as well as identifying solutions to fight human trafficking in the commonwealth.

"During human trafficking month, my administration is expanding our efforts to eradicate human trafficking, the modernday slavery of our time, in Virginia once and for all. The critical collaboration between the commission and my administration has fostered new state roles to address human trafficking and legislation born of commission recommendations. Thank you to the commission for your important work and reports, we are one step closer to removing this evil from the commonwealth," said Youngkin.

"Eradicating human trafficking in the commonwealth remains at the center of our service, and we laud the many dedicated parties working tirelessly on this most important issue," said First Lady Suzanne S. Youngkin.

"The commission was established following the continued increase of human trafficking cases both nationally and in Virginia. Comprised of survivors, law enforcement professionals, and practitioners who deliver services and resources to victims, the commission was chartered to take a broad look at historic trends and provide recommendations to combat this heinous crime. Human trafficking remains a priority amongst the unfinished work in society to ensure the respect and inalienable rights of all people throughout the world," said Commission Chairman Michael K. Lamonea.

"I applaud all the work that has been done by our sex trafficking coordinator. We must take every action to make resources about trafficking are available in the commonwealth," said Director of the Department of Criminal Justice Services, Jackson Miller.

On Dec. 15, Youngkin proposed over \$1 million annually to create 10 new full-time positions at the Virginia State Police, including two human trafficking analysts.

-The Salem Times-Register





Sam Crawford (far left #6) and Brady Fowler (far right #3) run the 60 meter dash in last Saturday's Joe LaRocco Invitational at Roanoke College. The two Maroons both won races in record time, Fowler in this race and Crawford in the 200. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

RC women win Joe LaRocco Invitational

The Roanoke College women's indoor track team took first place in the Joe LaRocco Invitational at the Kerr-Cregger Indoor Fieldhouse last Saturday. The RC men were fifth.

The women had five first place finishes. Cammi Winston took first in both the high jump (personal record 1.60m) and the triple jump (season-best 10.80m). Her high jump mark is tied for the best in the ODAC this season. Winston also finished fifth in the 60m hurdles (9.60 seconds).

Mikayla Hefferon broke the tape in the 400 with an ODAC-leading time of 59.95 seconds, while Hannah Snodgrass won the 60m hurdles (9.16 seconds) and Allison Sarver finished first in the 5,000 (24:00.79). Grace Fowler recorded a pair of second-place finishes, notching distances of 13.86m in the weight throw and 11.45m in the shot put.

For the men, Brady Fowler and Samuel Crawford won individual events in school-record times. Fowler took first in the 60m dash with a record-setting time of 6.86 seconds, placing him atop the ODAC season leaderboard.

of 22.26 seconds, currently the third-fastest time in the conference this winter. Fowler came in third at 22.51, which is good for fifth in the league. Crawford also recorded a runner-up finish in the 400 (50.50 seconds).

Roanoke will compete at the Virginia Tech Invitational this weekend. It's the final regular-season tune-up before the Maroons host the ODAC Indoor Championships at Cregger Fieldhouse on Feb. 25-26.

HS region meets at RC this week

The Kerr-Cregger indoor track at Roanoke College will host region meets for Class 1 through 4 schools this weekend, including local teams from Salem and Glenvar.

Action will begin Friday afternoon at 4 pm with the Region 1C/2C meet, which will include Glenvar. The Region 3D meet will begin at 9 am Saturday and last until mid-afternoon. Then, the Region 4D meet, with Salem High athletes, will begin at 4:15 pm Saturday.

Crawford won the 200 with a school-record mark

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47.5 points, finishing fifth. The 200 medley relay started the meet and the Highlanders were off and swimming. The boys' team of Avery Thompson, Zander Honaker, Connor Wilkes and Landon Cairns found themselves nine seconds down at the halfway point but touched the wall just four tenths of a second behind Radford, who has the top time in the state. The girls' team of Adrianna Hall, Izzy Shearer, Claire Griffith and Addi Cockram finished fourth, qualifying for the state championship.

Kees VanGerven swam a new personal record in the boys' 200 freestyle, finishing seventh and scoring two points for the team. Honaker swam a personal record in the 200 individual medley, finishing fifth and qualifying for

states.

In the 50 freestyle Wilkes and Cairns finished finished first and second with Wilkes setting a new school record at 22.86. Adrianna Hall swam a seasons best time and goes back to states for the girls.

Wilkes won the 100 butterfly for the boys while Thompson finished third in the 100 freestyle. Both go to states.

VanGerven dropped 20 seconds off his best time in the 500 freestyle and Tucker Henderson dropped six. The two boys finish fourth and fifth earning a spot at the state championship.

The boys 200 freestyle relay team of Lucas Birdlebough, Thompson, Cairns and Wilkes won the event and set a new school record. Their time is the fastest in Class 2 this season. The girls 200 freestyle team of Hall, Cockram, Shearer and Griffith finished second and earned a trip to states.

Thompson placed fifth in the 100 backstroke to qualify for states and teammate Davis Norman finished sixth.

Cairns, Honaker and Henderson all swam lifetime bests in the boys 100 breaststroke. Landon won the event, Zander was third and both get entries to the state championship. In the girls race Griffith swam the fastest time in her 10 plus years of competitive swimming, winning the event and earning a state championship cut.

"Overall the Swimmin



Dan Brugh's one up to win the final contest

With last Sunday's Super Bowl game our 2022-23 football contest officially comes to an end. It's been a great season with many exciting games, even though high school, college and pro seasons didn't end with results some of us were hoping for.

One person who ended the season a winner is Salem's Dan Brugh, who also happens to be a sponsor of our contest with his Real Estate Group. Dan closed a deal Sunday when he finished with just three losses in our final contest. That tied several others but Dan won on the tie-breaker, and having the Eagles and Kansas City in the Super Bowl didn't hurt.

For his efforts Dan will receive a \$50 gift certificate to Mac & Bob's Restaurant in Salem, a gift certificate to Dairy Queen and a year's subscription to the Times-Register so he can enter the contest again next fall.

For our 19th hole question I asked you to pick the final score of the Super Bowl. Many of you had the final contestants correct and about half of those had the Chiefs winning. However, the closest to the actual score of 38-35 was Salem's Cammi Beason, who picked the Chiefs to win 34-31. Cammi will get a free round of golf at the Salem Municipal Course on Academy Street, and the weather is starting to get nicer.

Thanks to all for playing our contest and please support our sponsors so they'll be happy to support our contest once again next year. **-Brian Hoffman**



Logan Deal is a first team All-ODAC swimmer for RC.

RC women are second, men third in ODAC swimming championships

PHOTO BY RYAN HUNT

The Roanoke College women's swim team finished as the runner-up at the 2023 ODAC Championships after four days of events at the Greensboro Aquatic Center. Washington & Lee was the women's team champion and the RC men finished third behind W&L and Lynchburg. The Maroon women got their first ODAC event champion when Susanna Price won the 200 yard free with a time of 1:54.58. Price won the 1,650 yard free for her second ODAC title with a time of 17:51.83. Price, Lily Mullens and Halle Schart were named first team All-ODAC. The Maroons collected their first ODAC champion of the weekend when Logan Deal won the 100 yard breaststroke in a school, ODAC Meet, and ODAC record time of 55.80. Deal won his second ODAC title of the championships with a win in the 200 yard breaststroke with a time of 2:04.58. Josh Rauch set a new school, ODAC meet, and ODAC record with a time of 16:04.82 in the 1,650 yard free, breaking the previous record by SEVEN seconds. Ethan Brewer was runner-up with a time of 16:05.14, a time that would have also broken the previous records. Both times also were NCAA Championship B Cut times by over 11 seconds. Rauch, Brewer and Deal were all named first team All-ODAC.

"Overall, the Swimming Highlanders had four regional championship wins and four runners up," said coach Shannon Hall. "A great night at the pool."

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sion over Radford's Taven Williams, while Jake picked up a fall over Carter Nicely of Alleghany.

"Winning four Region titles in your high school career is quite an accomplishment for these guys so we are very proud," said Glenvar coach Jason Cline.

At 175 junior Ethan Flowers won his third Region Championship over Radford's Lance Duncan. Ethan dominated his opponents on Saturday and was in control every second of every match.

Three Highlanders won their second regional titles, River Smith at 126, Mason Hylton at 132 and Chase Miller at 190. Smith beat Patrick County's Juan Gutierrez in the final, Hylton beat James River's Evan Byers and Miller beat Dawson Martin of Radford. Smith and Hylton are seniors while Miller is just a sophomore.

Also qualifying for the state tournament were sophomore Alan Vu, who finished second at 106, and Wesley Heltzel, who was third at 215.

"We were so happy for Wesley," said Cline. "He has been so close to qualifying for State the past two years, so to see him reach that goal was awesome."

Glenvar took 14 wrestlers to Buchanan and all 14 placed in the top six, a first for the Highlanders. At 120 freshman Joey Loder did not qualify for the state tournament, but his match in the consolation round will go down as probably the most remembered of the day.

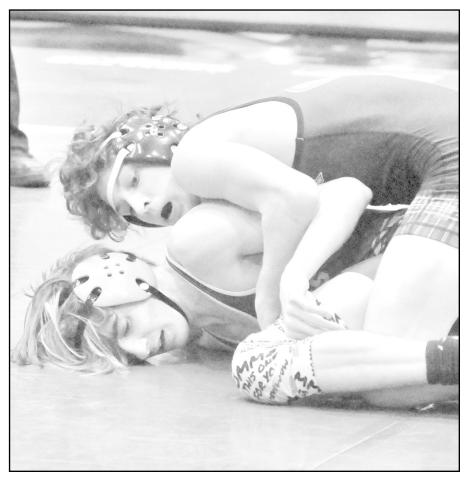
"Joey did not have a great tournament, he wrestled tough but came up short in his first two matches to end up in the 5th-6th place match," said Glenvar coach Cline. "There he would wrestle Avery Smithers, a special needs kid from Alleghany High School. This would be Avery's last ever wrestling match because he will exceed the VHSL age restrictions next year.

"Joey took it upon himself to make sure Avery went out with a bang. After scoring several points in the first and second periods, Avery turned Joey to his back and when the referee called the pin the entire gym erupted. Avery ran and jumped into his coach's arms and there wasn't a dry eye in the house. We are proud of Joey's sportsmanship, selflessness and how this young man turned his bad day into something special."

Glenvar will take six top seeds to the state tournament and the Highlanders should be one of the contenders for the Class 2 state title. However, it

won't be easy as returning state champion Strasburg returns most of last year's lineup and teams from Poquoson, Central Woodstock and Union are also eying a shot at the big trophy.

"We're going to need every point possible this coming weekend," said Cline. "The kids have put in so much training and preparation throughout the season in hopes of performing well at these last two events of the year, you really want to see them hit their peak performance levels in mid-February. We got a great start on seeing kids begin to reach those peak performance levels and that's really good to see heading into the State Tournament this week."



Glenvar's Joey Loder (on top) wrestles in an early match in last Saturday's Region2C wrestling tournaent at James River High.PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

2 RC wrestlers win first place in conference championships

Corey Messick and Mahlic Sallah won individual titles as the Roanoke wrestling team finished third at the 2023 ODAC Tournament at Shenandoah University in Winchester last Saturday. Overall the Maroons had a top-four finisher in nine of the 10 weight classes.

Sallah won the title at 184 pounds with a 6-2 decision over Khalil Mitchell of Averett in the final. Messick won the 133 pound title after going 3-0 with an 8-7 win over David Rubin of W&L in the final. Jacob Cherry fell in the title match by a 7-5 decision to finish runner-up at 165.

The 2023 Southeast Futures Championships will be held at the Bast Center in Salem this Sunday.

Region basketball tournaments for Salem, Glenvar to begin

The post-season is here and both Salem and Glenvar boys and girls basketball teams will be participating in region tournaments in the coming week.

Both Salem teams will open Region 4D play this Friday at Western Albermarle with a girls-boys doubleheader. The girls are the number four seed and Western Albemarle is the five seed, and they'll open the doubleheader at 6:30 pm.

The Salem girls lost in the opening round of the River Ridge tournament last Friday in Pulaski, 64-33. It was their third loss of the season to the Cougars as Salem fell to 15-8. Patrick Henry beat Cave Spring in the other semifinal and PH and

Maroons will play last home game at Bast Center Sat.

With the Old Athletic Dominion Conference tournament just one week away the Roanoke College men stand in fourth place in the conference standings. The Maroons have one conference game left and can lock up that spot with a win at home Saturday against Virginia Wesleyan at 2 pm.

The Maroons are currently 11-4 in the ODAC and 18-6 overall. With a win Saturday fifth place Washington & Lee can't catch them, as the Generals have five conference losses. The Maroons are two games behind third place Guilford in the loss column and the Quakers play 5-10 Ferrum this week. If Guilford wins that game the Maroons can't climb to third, and that's big as the third seed would keep them them out of the same bracket as first place Randolph-Macon. The fourth seed would run into the Yellow Jackets in the semifinals.

Roanoke traveled to Ashland to play Randolph-Macon, the number two ranked Division III team in the nation, last Saturday and dropped a 69-50 decision as the Jackets improved to 23-1 overall. The Maroons trailed by just four points at intermission before Randy-Mac pulled away in the second half.

Tripp Greene led the Maroons with 17 points while Kasey Draper had 13. Roanoke outshot the Yellow Jackets from beyond the arc, making seven three-pointers on 41.2 percent shooting. The two teams had an identical number of rebounds with 32 each.

Roanoke will honor six seniors prior to Saturday's game at the Bast Center.

RC women battle for seed in coming ODAC tourney

The Roanoke College women will wrap up their basketball regular season with two road games this week. The Maroons are at Bridgewater Wednesday and at Averett on Saturday.

Roanoke comes into the week with a 17-5 overall record and an 11-5 mark in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. The conference tournament begins Tuesday of next week when the seventh and eighth seeds host the 10th and ninth seeds. The quarterfinals then move to the Salem Civic Center a week from today.

The Maroons can assure themselves of avoiding a first round game with a win in either of their games this week, and Averett is just 2-14 in ODAC contests so RC would be heavily favored in that one. Currently there is just a two game difference between third and seventh place teams with Roanoke standing fifth with a week to go. Last Saturday at home the Maroons dominated Virginia Wesleyan for a 69-44 win. It was the third win in a row for the Maroons, who are hitting their stride again after a mid-season slump. Rose Sande led all scorers with 21 points to lead a trio of Maroons in double figures. Madison Nereu finished with 16 points and Peyton Kirchner closed out the game with 10. Nereu also finished with 10 rebounds for her second double-double of the season.

Pulaski County were set to play in the RRD tournament championship this week.

The Salem boys did not make the district tournament, as only the top four teams in the River Ridge played in the tournament. Patrick Henry beat Pulaski County and Cave Spring downed Blacksburg in the semifinals and they were set to play for the RRD tournament championship this week. Salem finished the regular season at 9-14 but that was good enough to make the regional.

Semifinals in the Region 4D tournament will be next Monday at the higher seeds and the final, for both girls and boys, will be February 24 at the higher seeds.

The Three Rivers District did not have a post-season tournament. The Region 2C tournament is set to begin Friday but both Glenvar teams have first round byes. With that, both Glenvar teams will open region play next Tuesday having gone almost two full weeks without a game.

The Glenvar girls will host the winner of a first round game between Radford and Appomattox on Monday, February 20, at Glenvar High at 6 pm. The boys will play a night later, on Tuesday, February 21, at 6 pm against the winner of a first round game between James River and Nelson County.

The Glenvar girls come into the tournament at 11-11 while the boys are 13-9.



Kasey Draper (shooting) and Efosa U-Edosomwan (#10) are two of six Maroon seniors who will play their final regular season home game for Roanoke College on Saturday. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Roanoke men's lacrosse team drops debut against Salisbury, home opener is Saturday versus Sewanee

The Roanoke College men's onds into the game, putting the lacrosse team will have their home opener this Saturday when they host Sewanee at 2 pm at Kerr Stadium in Salem. The Maroons will be looking for their first win as well after dropping their opener to Salisbury last Saturday in Maryland, 18-10. Roanoke's Luke Kammerman opened the first quarter with an immediate caused turnover and fired a goal just seven sec-

The third quarter was much like the first with the teams trad ing goals with the Seagulls scoring three and Roanoke scoring two. The Maroons got goals from Salem High grad Wyatt Whitlow and Noah Goad to head into the final period with SU leading 15-8. Goad scored his third goal of the game and Ethan Caldwell scored with 17 seconds left as the Seagulls held on for the 18-10



JaBryah Haverkamp of Roanoke College (#20) goes high to fight for a rebound in last Saturday's win over Virginia Wesleyan in Salem. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Maroons up 1-0. The two teams traded goals for the rest of the opening period with the score tied at 5-5.

The Seagulls opened the second quarter with five unanswered goals before RC's Jay Frye scored an unassisted goal with 3:42 left in the first half. Salisbury added a pair of goals before halftime as the Seagulls led 12-6 at the break.

Hollins is eliminating women's lacrosse

Hollins University has made the difficult decision to discontinue its lacrosse program effective at the end of the current academic year. The school has had women's lacrosse since 1952.

"The lacrosse program has long struggled to reach a roster size that would allow us to sufficiently compete and to ensure the health and safety of our athletes," said Director of Athletics Chris Kilcoyne.

Evaluation of the lacrosse program has been ongoing since 2009. In 2016, after years of struggling to carry a full roster, Hollins lacrosse paused its Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) play. In 2018, Hollins received a waiver to be exempt from in-conference play and was granted an extension to the waiver in 2022.

In addition to reallocating lacrosse resources to other athletic programs, current facility projects, including an outdoor track and field facility improvements and additions to the riding center, and construction of new spaces for athletic training and strength and conditioning in the athletic center all reflect the university's commitment to growing the overall athletics program, Kilcoyne said.

ODAC Commissioner Brad Bankston stated, "League officials have worked with Hollins' athletic and senior level administrators since 2016 as they've assessed the long-term viability of the lacrosse program. The conference supports this decision."

RC baseball team picked 4th in coaches' poll, will open season Saturday at N.C. Wesleyan

The Old Dominion Athletic Conference has released the 2023 Baseball Preseason Coaches' Poll and Roanoke College was picked

fourth among the 12 programs. Defending ODAC champion Shenandoah was picked to repeat with 119 points and nine firstplace votes. Lynchburg, the 2021 ODAC champion, was picked second with 105 points and the remaining three first-place votes. Randolph-Macon is third with 99 points, just ahead of Roanoke with 90 points. Bridgewater finished the top five with 87 points.

The Maroons kick off the season this Saturday, February 18, when they travel to N.C. Wesleyan for a three-game weekend series starting off at 11 am. The first home game is Wednesday, February 22, in Salem at 4 pm against Greensboro.

ODAC softball coaches pick VWU first

ODAC softball has been wildly successful for much of the last decade on several levels with a combination of single-school dominance and multi-institutional parity. This year's ODAC Softball Preseason Poll may illustrate that better than ever with just one point separating two of the 15 squads that have qualified for NCAA Tournament play over the past five seasons.

Six-time defending ODAC champion Virginia Wesleyan University sits atop the table but by just one

point over fellow 2022 NCAA super regional qualifier Randolph-Macon College. The Marlins collected six first place votes on the way to 95 points, while the Yellow Jackets secured the remaining five top nods to power a 94-point haul.

University of Lynchburg lines up next with 81 markers and is followed closely by 2022 NCAA qualifier Roanoke College with 75 tallies. Bridgewater College rounds out the top-five with 63 points.

The Maroons open on the road February 25.

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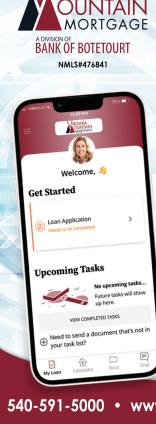
Highlanders will play college football

Three Glenvar football players committed to continue their education and play football on the collegiate level last week on national signing day. Seated left to right, Caleb Crowder committed to Catawba College in Salisbury, NC, Will Johnson will play for Frostburg State University in Frostburg, MD and Gabe Ford is headed to the University of Charleston in Charleston, West Virginia. Here they ink their offical letters in front of family and friends at the Glenvar gym last week.



Hylton will play volleyball for Wasps

Glenvar High School senior Hannah Hylton (left) has committed to Emory & Henry to play volleyball for the Division II Wasps. A strong outside hitter, Hannah was a key player on Glenvar state volleyball championship teams the past two seasons. She'll join volleyball teammate and fellow GHS senior Rhyan Harris at Emory next fall, as Rhyan recently committed to the Wasps to play basketball. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



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Trey Lawrence(left on top) and Jake Cline(right on top) of Glenvar are on their way to their fourth straight Region 2C wrestling championships in last Saturday's region tournament at James River High School. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFEMAN

Highlanders repeat as Region 2C wrestling champions, are state contenders at Salem Civic Center this weekend

The Salem Civic Center will be packed with wrestlers and fans from across the state when the Class 1, 2 and 3 state championships are held at the facility this weekend.

There will be eight mats of action when wrestling begins with first round matches at 10 am Friday. Class 1 and 2 will wrestle on two matches each with Class 3 wrestling on four mats to begin the weekend. Quarterfinals and first round consolation matches will be at 1 pm Friday and more consola-

tion bracket bouts will take place Friday evening. State semifinals in all classes will begin at 10

am Saturday and go to approximately 11:30 am. Consolation semifinals are at noon, consolation finals are at 1:30 pm and championship finals are due to start at 5 pm.

James River played host to the Region 2C tournament in Springwood last Saturday and Glenvar High won the region championship for the second straight year with 248.5 points. The Highlanders were followed by Patrick County at 188, James River at 165 and Alleghany and Radford tied for fourth with 163 points each.

The top three in each weight class advance to this week's state tournament and Glenvar qualified eight wrestlers, including six region champions. Two Highlanders, Trey Lawrence at 150 and Jake Cline at 157, won regional championships for the fourth straight year. Trey won with a solid decicontinued on page 9

Spartans send 10 to Va. Beach

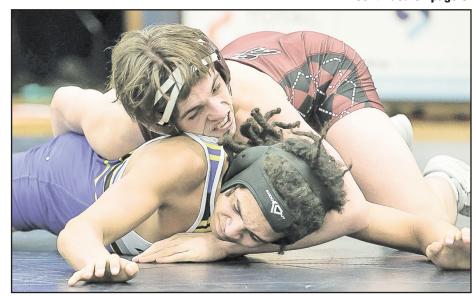
Ten Salem High wrestlers are headed to Virginia Beach this weekend to participate in the Class 4 state wrestling tournament Friday and Saturday at the Virginia Beach Sports Complex. Salem coach Lawrence Van Liew is hoping to improve last year's performance, when the Spartans placed 18th among 50 schools represented at the tournament.

"We should finish in the top 10 if everyone wrestles to their potential," said Van Liew. "I wouldn't be surprised to finish in the top six."

Once again Great Bridge figures to be the team to beat. The Wildcats are the defending state champs and have 13 wrestlers in the tournament. Orange County, with 11, is another team to watch and they're coming off a Region 4D championship, edging the Spartans for that title on February 4.

Salem's Ty Porter comes in as a top seed at 120 with a 34-16 record. Second seeds are Haden Smith, who is 37-10 at 138, and Thomas Miles, who is 26-12 at 285. Salem has five number three seeds, Caden Thomas at 132, Brandon Conklin at 144, Taylon Herndon at 150, Dakota Mcglothlin at 165 and Jackson Bryie at 215. Braden Armes at 113 and Linkin Callahan at 190 are four seeds.

"All 10 guys have a chance at the podium," said Van Liew. "If all 10 place we Salem's Haden Smith(on top) is a second seed at 138 in this weekend's Class 4 state would definitely achieve our team goal."



wrestling tournament at Virginia Beach.

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Salem's Zach Easter won the Region 4D 100 yard butterfly title in a time of 53.92. PHOTO BY JON FLEMING

Salem's Easter is region champion in 100 Butterfly, 10 Spartans make state

The Salem High swim team will be taking 10 swimmers to the Class 4 state meet in Richmond this week. The diving is today and the swimming is Saturday, February 18, at the Swim RVA Collegiate School Aquatics Center in Richmond.

The 10 swimmers from Salem will be Gracie Michael, Emma LaFountain, Jaedyn Jenkins, Eliza Fleenor, and Laci Barnes for the girls and Davis Griffith, Walker Peterson, Cole Bowen, Zach Easter and Joren Poush for the boys. All qualified for the state meet with strong swims in last week's Region 4D meet at the Christiansburg Aquatic Center on February 8.

Salem took 26 swimmers to the regional and out of 36 individual swims 31 came in with their best times. A total of 23 swimmers scored points for the team, as the boys took fourth and the girls were fifth in the region out of 11 total teams. Western Albemarle swept the meet while the Jefferson Forest boys took second and Blacksburg was third, and in the girls' meet Blacksburg was second and Jefferson Forest was third.

Individuals from Salem who qualified for the state include Joren Poush and Zach Easter for the boys and Eliza Fleenor for the girls. Zach won the 100 Fly with a time of 53.92 and took fourth in the 100 Breast while Joren was second in the 50 Free and fourth in the 100 Free. Fleenor took second in the 50 Free and third in the 100 Free.

Three relay teams advanced to the state meet. The top four qualified and all three Spartan foursomes finished fourth, including the girls 200 and 400 Free Relay teams of Michael, LaFountain, Jenkins and Fleenor and the boys' 400 Free team of Griffith, Peterson, Bowen and Easter.

La Fountain had won the Region 4D diving a day prior, and she will be competing in the state meet today.

Glenvar boys are Region 2C runnerup in swimming; state meet is Saturday

The Glenvar swim team will have a big team at the Class 1&2 state swim meet at the Christiansburg Aquatic Center this Saturday. Last Thursday the Highlanders competed in the Region 1&2C meet in Christiansburg as 13 boys' swims qualified for states along with six swims for the girls.

The Swimming Highlanders set three new school records and 18 new personal records at the meet. The eight boys swam neck and neck with the 14 boys of Appomattox but fell by four points, 113-109, to bring home the runner-up trophy. Five Glenvar girls put up an impressive

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Glenvar's Left, **Claire Griffith swims** breaststroke for the **Highlanders'** 200 medley relay team during the Region 1C/2C championship, with the team placing 4th in the event. Griffith also contributed a championship win in the 100 yard breaststroke. **Below, Connor Wilkes** won the Region 1C/2C 50 yard freestyle championship with a time of 22.86 seconds.

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