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\$32-million Volvo-related production announced for former Salem GE plant Expected to hire 119 employees



Contractors deliver supplies for an addition to the former Salem GE facility where a \$32-million Volvorelated production facility will be.

Meg Hibbert

Contributing writer

Salem and Roanoke Valley residents are excited about last week's announcement for a \$32-million Volvo-related production facility in the former Salem GE plant.

"I'm excited, thrilled," Salem Mayor Renee Turk said after Monday night's Salem City Council meeting. When asked reactions of Salem and Roanoke Valley citizens who have contacted her, she said, "People are happy because so many all over the Roanoke Valley have had some attachment to GE."



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STS Group North America has contractors on site drilling footers for and constructing a 32,000-foot addition on the rear of the 200,000-square-foot building at the intersection of Electric Road and Roanoke Boulevard.

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First snow of season blanketed city on Sunday

Salem finally saw some winter weather this season when a light dusting of snow covered the city on Sunday. The weather was followed up by light flurries on Tuesday morning. Several readers snapped photos of the snow and shared them with The Times-Register.

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Manufacturers showcase held at Salem High School Event helps create workforce pipeline for local businesses

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A manufacturers showcase was held at Salem High School on Tuesday morning. The goal of the showcase was to inform students about the type of manufacturing that is done locally in the hopes of piquing their interest in this line of work.

All the manufacturers that were on hand are located within the city or right next to it. They included Integrated Textile

Solutions, Integer, Graham White/Wabtec, Mersen USA, Oak Hall Cap & Gown, Medeco Security Locks, QualiChem, New Millennium, Yokohama Tire, Kik Products and Damon The showcase was organized by Wayne Adkins, business

outreach coordinator for Salem. "We're introducing our young people to the manufacturers we have here in the city," he explained. "We have companies here that do everything from medical devices that go inside the body to folks that

manufacture equipment that builds buildings.'

He went on to note that the majority of the students at the showcase didn't know much about the manufacturers beforehand, as well as the opportunities that might be available to them. Showcases like this one, he noted, are part of the division's goal of ensuring that every senior has a post-graduation plan. He said the plans might include either attending a two-

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The Damon Company's Josh Pope discussed the manufacturing capabilities of his company.



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All of the manufacturers that attended the showcase are either located in or near Salem.

Roanoke College Board of Trustees welcomes new member

Merrill is a 1993 graduate of the college

The Roanoke College Board of Trustees appointed a new member, 1993 graduate Christopher "Topher" Merrill, during its winter meeting Feb. 9-11.

Merrill, who lives outside Chicago, Illinois, is the founder, chairman and CEO of Harrison Street, a real assets investment management firm established in 2005. He earned a degree in economics from Roanoke, where he played on the golf team and was a member of Pi Lambda Phi fraternity.

"As I've gotten to know Topher, I've been inspired by his entrepreneurial spirit, authentic and humble perspective, as well as a deep and earnest desire to help Roanoke College flourish," said Roanoke College President Frank Shushok Jr. "His skills and business acumen are exactly what we need at this important moment in Roanoke's history. I could not be more pleased to welcome Topher to the board.'

Following graduation from Roanoke, Merrill earned an MBA at Cass Business School in London. He then worked his way up through the ranks at Heitman, a Chicago-based global real estate investment management firm, where he became a partner, owner and managing director. There, he developed the firm's presence in Europe and created one of the first real estate funds exclusively targeting the markets of central Europe.

At Harrison Street, where he is the largest individual shareholder, Merrill serves as chairman of the board and leads the firm's investment and executive committees. Since he founded Harrison Street 18 years ago, the firm has completed \$70 billion in transactional volume. As of the fourth quarter of 2022, it had approximately \$55 billion in assets under

Outside the office, Merrill serves on a number of community boards related to real estate, health care, education and other fields and he enjoys acting as an angel investor for newly

developing companies. "The education and relationships I developed at Roanoke College served as a firm foundation for my graduate studies and subsequent career in the real estate industry, which in turn allowed me to invest in my community and support other entrepreneurs," Merrill said. "I look forward to collaborating with the rest of Roanoke College's Board of Trustees to champion innovations that will help our students excel - and propel our alma mater into a prosperous future."

In addition to welcoming Merrill at the February meeting, the board voted to approve resolutions granting emeritus status to retired Roanoke College registrar Leah Russell and two former members of the board of trustees, 1975 graduate David L. Guy and 1972 graduate John E. Lang. Russell served the college for 40 years prior to her retirement in June 2022, and Guy and Lang each served on the board of trustees for 17 years.

-The Salem Times-Register Merrill



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Briefly: Salem News In Bri

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.

DMV2Go: DMV2Go will be at the Salem Civic Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, March 20.

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.

Salem Spring Holiday Market: The market will be at the

Salem Civic Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 15. Admission is free.

BBB Shred & Secure Your ID Day: The day will be at the Salem Civic Center from 8-11 a.m. on Saturday, April 22.

DMV2Go: DMV2Go will be at the Salem Civic Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, April 24. 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. Roanoke Valley Holistic Expo: The expo will be at the Salem Civic Center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April

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, March 27 at 6:30 p.m.

ROM THE ARCHIVES

"Dad's" Living, Word Picture Of His Life In Salem One Of Few Who Can Remember And Describe Residents And Locations Of County In Years Gone By

From the 1938 centennial edition of The Times-Register

As I am often asked about people who lived in Salem before and after the War Between the States, also of the buildings and lots of those who figured in certain transactions of interest, I am going to try in my crude way, to give the information and my recollections from 1856 to present time.

I was born in Salem on July 19, 1856, in a two-room brick cottage on the lot where now stands the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wiley on West Main street. In front of the cottage stood a large three-story residence and my first recollection of it was that it was the home of Dr. T. B. Dillard, father of Dr.

We are all interested in Salem, especially the younger generation, who have seen her awake from her Rip Van Winkle sleep, discard as it were, her old rags, but off that clumsy old beard (the old council), dress up in new and more modern clothing and get into society, but for all that the grandest and most precious inheritance of any people is its history. All that forms the national character, their tone of thought, their devotion, their love, their sympathies, their antipathies, their language, all are found in their history as the effect is found in the cause.

Let us go back to East Hill cemetery, where we can look down upon Salem in 1856. We stand among the oak trees in the northeast corner where, at that time, stood a little brick Baptist church, very simple in architecture, with a gable roof and small windows. The inside was very plain, without any paint, no ceiling, rafters of pine poles, crude benches and a small table for a pulpit. Roanoke river and Mason's creek served these people as a baptismal pool.

This church was, after a while, closed and was used by Mr. Strickler (father of John and Joseph Strickler) as a fanmill shop, and while still occupied by him was wrecked by a wind storm.

A Six Horse Team

Coming through the cemetery might have been seen a sixhorse team with a circle of sweet-toned bellson the hames of each, proudly pulling an old coach, as the road from Big Lick to Salem passed through the cemetery and entered the state road at the corner of the McCauley lot on East Main street.

Where the home of Mrs. T. H. Cooper is located Frederisk Johnston lived in a two-story brick house. The grounds in front were terraced, beautiful with flowers and shrubbery.



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Craig avenue entered Main street at the corner of the W. E. Brown residence and on the west corner of the Johnston property was a two-story frame building and west of that was a wheelwright and blacksmith shop. On the brow of the hill was a large three-story building generally spoken of as "Burwell's Folly." It was never used as a hotel but after the colored people were given their freedom it was occupied by them until torn

On the left coming down the road, the first house which was owned by Peter Shirey is now the McCauley property. Next stood the Presbyterian Manse. On the right side was the home and store of "Old Brown, Salem's Most Honest Merchant". In that house were born Frank Brown, father of A. Gibson Brown and George Brown, the father of Hom. J. Sinclair Brown and the two boys, Garland and Joshua.

The Robert's place was the home of James Noffsinger. On the west corner of this lot was a two-story house, with two rooms above and two below. The lower rooms were used as a harness shop. The property was later changed and improved by Mr. Armstrong.

The Chapman Hotel

Now comes the Chapman hotel which occupied both sides of the street and was known far and wide as the best hotel in the state. In imagination, I can see it as it was, two stories high with a wide porch above and below. The house roof covered the entire porch. The building extended from the west sides of the Roberts property to N. C. Dillard's.

At the west end of the porch was a long washing table

covered with tin with a stream of water flowing into it from a pipe. This water was brought by gravity from the spring on the lot where C. J. Smith now lives. By the wash table there hung a roller towel, which could not have been changed very often. It was there that the guests washed their hands and faces. In the backyard there was a hydrant that supplied water for the kitchen. Near the wash table was the bar room door. In it, Virginia

gentlemen drank their mint julips, and to this day the fumes from that room are still in my nostrils and will be there until my dying day. Next door led into the dining room, possibly 36 to 60 feet wide with two long tables filled with choice food in the days when ham, turkey, and roast pig were cooked by the black mammy whose art has gone with her, and no one can imitate her. The soda and buttermilk biscuits are but memorials of her past achievement. There were no waiters, everything being placed within reaching distance.

There were no fly screens to keep out the flies, so hangers were hung over the tables on which paper cut in stripes was fastened. These hangers worked on a pivot and were swung by a boy who held the rod which was attached to them. In this way the flies were kept away. Meals were announced by the loud ringing of a bell.

The Masonic Hall

The hotel annex stood on the opposite side of the street. This was also a two-story building, with a porch below, and the second story extended out over the porch. The Masonic hall was on the second floor. I remember as a boy going into that room and being startled at its splendor, of a beautiful carpet of fine texture and pattern and damask curtains at the windows. The solemnity of the whole room awed me.

The hotel barns stood where the home of S. V. Hutson and John R. Keister now stands. In the corner of the barn lot was the watering trough for horses. The water for this came from the same spring on the property where Dr. Smith lives.

In those days there was a stage line from Lexington to Salem. The stage was generally crowded inside and on top and occasionally two on the driver's seat. When the coach reached the top of the hill coming into Salem, the driver blew a loud blast on a long tin horn, and when the stage drove up to the hotel all the guests were assembled on the front porch. The

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During World II, Civil Defense groups were an important part of Homefront efforts. They organized blackout drills, scrap drives, liberty bond sales, and more. They also educated citizens on what to do in emergency situations, such as firefighting and

You can see this Civil

Defense armband on display this weekend as part of the Salem Museum's History Hands-On Saturday program. March, Hands-On History highlights "Through Their Eyes," the Museum's upcoming exhibit. Saturdays, visitors can pull on a glove and touch a piece of history with their own

Come to the opening of "Through Their Eyes' on March 25. This exhibit highlights sixteen major events, dating back to 1671,



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WWII Civil Defense Armband

that have shaped Salem and the Roanoke Valley into the community it is today. History gets personal as seen 'through the eyes' of men and women who lived here at the time. The Gallery features personal narratives, pictures, maps, artifacts, hands-on elements, and augmented reality

technology.

To celebrate the opening, the Salem Museum is hosting a Living History Day on Saturday, March 25, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free. Costumed interpreters representing the 17th through the 20th centuries will bring the region's history to life.

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of March 7, 2023 - March 13, 2023

Arrested On	Name	Age	Charges	
03/07/2023	Seresa C. Farris	27	Possession of Controlled Substance	
03/07/2023	Jessica P. Harmon	41	Public Intoxication	
03/08/2023	Nathan N. Seibert	45	Violation of Probation	
03/08/2023	Linda K. Gordon	71	Contempt of Court	
03/10/2023	Chelsea L. Stafford	29	Criminal Trespass	
03/10/2023	Mark E. Michael	34	Burglary, Petit Larceny, Vehicle Theft	
03/11/2023	Hunter A. Richardson	20	Failure to Appear	
03/11/2023	Chelsea L. Stafford	29	Burglary	
03/13/2023	Alysia K. Richards	30	Failure to Appear	
03/13/2023	Antonio O. Goins	47	Public Intoxication	

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Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of March 7, 2023 - March 13, 2023

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED		
08-MAR-2023	1900 BLK W Main St	Shoplifting		
10-MAR-2023	800 BLK W Main St	Obtain Money/Goods by Fales Pretense		
10-MAR-2023	1200 W Main St	Obtain Money/Goods by Fales Pretense		

Radford University student selected as nominee for VCHC award

these awards than any RADFORD Sophomore Jackson other institution. Hunter has been selected as one of Radford University's two nominees for two awards given by the Virginias Collegiate Honors Council

(VCHC). Radford has

more past winners of

completed fewer than Hunter is marketing

West Virginia who has

institution. major from Salem and has been nominated for the VCHC Emerging Honors university Scholar of the Year, which students. goes to an active honors student from Virginia or

54 credit hours at their Radford University is

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The new facility will supply commercial truck parts for Volvo Trucks in Pulaski County and other truck and automotive facilities throughout the US Midwest and Southeastern markets

A related item was added to the March 13 agenda before Councilmembers went into a closed session, to allow city staff members to move forward to seek loan options to match the state's \$500,000 money toward the project.

Salem Economic Development Director Tommy Miller said interviews are starting now for potential employees for the new manufacturing facility.

Support for hiring and training will come through the Virginia Talent Accelerator Program, Miller said, a workforce initiative created in collaboration with the Virginia Community College System and other higher education partners, with funding support from the Governor's administration and the Virginia General Assembly.

Salem Economic and Development Authority Chairman Dave Robbins said Monday night after the City Council meeting "STS is building the adjacent 32,000 square foot addition on the rear of the GE building to have 50-foot-high ceilings to accommodate large presses for the truck cabs."

Robbins said in order to handle the 600-ton weight, "They

had to drill down through the earth into bedrock."

He added production at the new facility is scheduled to

start about March next year. The building is actually owned by Phoenix, not STS North America, Robbins said

Miller said, "We reviewed job descriptions, time lines, establishing a landing page and different social media pages to get ready to reach potential employees."

The Salem project is instead of one previously announced by STS Group AG in Wythe County in April 2021. Due to changing market conditions and rising construction costs for a new building, the governor's media release said, the company reevaluated the project and identified the existing facility in Salem.

"I am pleased that the former General Electric building in the City of Salem could meet the company's needs," the governor said, "representing 119 new jobs for hardworking Virginians and a vacant facility's return to productive use."

Secretary of Commerce and Trade Caren Merrick pointed out "The GE facility has remained vacant since 2019 and will now be revived as a North American headquarters and manufacturing operation that complements the booming automotive cluster in the Roanoke region — a tremendous win for the City of Salem, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and STS Group."

Albert Buniato, the Chief Operating Officer of STS Group, was quoted as saying "On top of a perfect existing location in a suitable industrial cluster, we were delighted to find very attentive and helpful support from the City of Salem, Roanoke Regional Partnership and Virginia Economic Development Partnership."

Mayor Turk said Salem and the Blue Ridge region welcome STS Group "and are confident this high-tech facility and its new locally trained workforce will prove to be the perfect fit for the area and a thriving success for years to come. Using creative and collaborative teamwork, STS has taken an available and strategically located facility in Salem and will create a well-positioned, state-of-the-art manufacturing space that will benefit all involved."

Virginia Senator David Suetterlein and Delegate Joe McNamara likewise praised the STS decision.

McNamara added, "We were all disappointed when General Electric left Salem a few years ago, and it is encouraging that STS Group will be filling the void at this very workable site.

There's no better place for businesses than the Roanoke Valley. I commend Governor Youngkin, VEDP, the Roanoke Regional Partnership, and the City of Salem for bringing this deal home."

STS Group AG, headquartered in Hagen, Germany, develops, manufactures, and supplies products and solutions for components made of plastic or composite material ("hard trim products") for the automobile and trucking industries. STS Group's customer base includes a number of major automobile and commercial vehicle producers. The company operates 12 plants in four countries on three continents, with production facilities in its key regional markets of Europe, China, and the Americas.

The Virginia Economic Development Partnership worked with the City of Salem and the Roanoke Regional Partnership to secure the project for Virginia. Governor Youngkin approved a \$500,000 grant from the Commonwealth's Opportunity Fund to assist the City of Salem with the project.

Support for STS Group's job creation will be provided through the Virginia Talent Accelerator Program, a workforce initiative created by VEDP in collaboration with the Virginia Community College System and other higher education partners, with funding support from the Governor's administration and the Virginia General Assembly. Launched in 2019, the program accelerates new facility start-ups through the direct delivery of recruitment and training services that are fully customized to a company's unique products, processes, equipment, standards, and culture. All program services are provided at no cost to qualified new and expanding companies as an incentive for job creation.

Councilmembers, City Manager Jay Taliaferro and other staff went into a closed session at the close of the meeting at 7:30 for the announced purposes of acquiring or sale of property, and for the city manager's annual evaluation.

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year or four-year school or going into the military or workforce.

"One of the things we're doing here today is introducing our students to opportunities with companies that are here in town that they can go to work for," he said. "They need a pipeline of employees. All of these companies here need entry-level employees. They need engineering people. They need chemists. They need people in all facets of education. There're here to create interest and build a pipeline to help them fill opportunities in the future."

Jordan Blankenship was representing Oak Hall Cap & Gown. She said the students were receptive and interested in learning about how much goes into the caps and gowns they will wear for graduation.

She said, "A lot of them don't really know what our business is. When you get your graduation regalia, you don't really think about the company that it comes from, so they're actually getting to see where their cap and gown comes from."

Josh Pope, from the Damon Company, discussed the type of work his business does. It specializes in metal tag manufacturing. Shrewd Archery, which makes things like stabilizers and scopes, is also part of the company.

"It's cool to see a lot of these guys coming up and



Many of the same companies will return to the school next month for a job fair.

asking about what we do. A lot of them have interest in engineering," Pope explained. "I started there when I was in high school, working there doing assembly work. Learning how manufacturing works. Learning that there are significant



PHOTOS BY AILA BOYD

Oak Hill Cap & Gown was represented by Jordan Blankenship.

manufacturing companies in Salem itself."

Many of the same companies will return to the school on April 27 for a job fair, which will also be attended by a number of other companies.

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walk in front of the hotel was of flagstone and a foot bridge was built across the branch. The stage went down and through

the branch to the hotel yard.

After leaving the hotel on the south side of Main Street was the home of Zebulon Boon and the building bore the following inscription over the door: "Z Boon, Merchant Tailor." Mr. Boon was loved and respected by all, always just and truthful in his dealings. He was tailor for the gentry and personn alike

On the other corner lived James Diuguid, the undertaker. He did not carry metal caskets but made the ones he sold right there in his shop of poplar boards. He did not have a decorated hearse but a one-horse wagon served for this purpose.

The Village Smith

On the lot between the property of Norman Potts and Claud Parrish was a two story frame house with a porch below and the second story extending over it. The property of F. C. Dame was the home of George Stevens and where F. C. Dame's tinshop now stands was a log blacksmith shop, where Mr. Stevens made a living by the skillful use of his hands.

The Lewis garage stands on the site of an old foundry and facing the street was a one-story log shop which was, in later years, converted into a blacksmith and wheelwright shop by Ligon Brothers. There was a bar room in the room on the corner.

W. R. Surface now lives where John M. Harlow's home and

W. R. Surface now lives where John M. Harlow's home and general store were located. Judge Blair spent the first years of this married life in the building next to Mr. Harlow. Where Al Huff used to live, James Hammond, a tailor, owned a small two-story frame building. This property was bought by Edward Gross and remodeled as it now stands.

Edward Gross and remodeled as it now stands.

The Simmons property is an old landmark but its once beautiful yard has been marred by two frame buildings on the

front. The building across College avenue which is occupied by the W. B. Dillard drug company was originally occupied by Shirley and Holland where they conducted a dry goods store. I can remember when hogs roamed over the streets and at the corner of this building was a mud hole where they wallowed. After their mud bath they would rub against the building and leave their imprint.

From Dillard's drug store to Whiticar' pool room was a long two-story frame building with an upper porch that extended over the pavement and the posts that supported it were on the pavement. A small building next to this was the post office. The postmaster was named Joe Campbell, he being succeeded by W. S. Oakey, I think.

Below the old post office was the Schmid property where furniture was made. Next to this was the drug store which has been operated by the following men and under the following names: Samuel Nowlin, Geo. Landon, Smead & Saunders, Smead & Younger and Smead & Webber.

The Old Hotel

A two-story frame hotel which extended from the drug store to the alley was known as William's hotel. This hotel was at one time under the management of Alexander Whaling, father of Dr. Thornton Whaling. Our late venerable townsman, Mr. Al Huff, was a bartender at one time and John Hurt was proprietor. I think Mr. F. J. Chapman was the proprietor when it was bought by Mr. Duval and torn down and the present brick hotel built.

Just across the alley was another hotel two stories high which was owned and operated by Thomas Huff. Peter Magee, father of R. E. Magee and A. H. Magee, and John Denit, father of C. D. Denit boarded there with numerous other young men as, at that time, it was a gathering place for young men. I am reminded of a little incident which Mr.

Denit told me occurred there. They were sitting in the dining room one night when an officer came in and arrested a man for debt. Being unable to raise the money to cancel the debt

he was lodged in jail.

This hotel building was later bought by George Fleming, torn down and the building which was last owned by the Critz

estate and now occupied by a chain store took its place.

The old Western Hotel stood across the street where the Brown Hardware company does business. The old Lutheran church which stood on the corner of Main Street and College avenue for so many years is still in the memory of some of the Salem people today.

On the opposite corner stood the old county courthouse. I can still see in my mind the two old fireplaces that were expected to warm the building for the loafers; the rusty old stove to warm the bench, the jury and the judge; also the old stone pitchers that were filled with drinking water from the town pump that stood on the street corner and the great intellects that represented and graced the Roanoke county bar, with brows overshadowed with mighty thoughts and a dignified bearing not seen at the bar today. When a small boy I went to the courthouse to hear Judge W. R. Staples plead on behalf of a widowed mother.

Where the W. P. A. Offices are today, there was a tin shop, owned and operated by A. Hupp, the father of the man that made the Hupmobile. Old Joe Fisher, the town wit, a man who loved a joke and didn't mind when the joke was on him, lived where the Standard Oil filling station is located now. There was a high paling fence around his home and he had pet foxes, coons, groundhogs and a general menagerie of small animals. Oh, how the boys liked to gather there. John Denit had a chair factory on the same lot. He worked his turning

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Ben Cline Congressman

It was a short week back in session, but that didn't stop House Republicans from packing in a busy few days in D.C. As inflation continues to eat away at the paychecks of hardworking Americans, the House passed legislation that will provide a critical check on the Biden administration's costly executive orders which have fueled this inflation crisis. Additionally, we voted to block the administration's ESG investment scam, which chooses wokeness rather than financial return as a condition for investment, thereby potentially robbing seniors of their hard-earned retirement funds. Back in the Sixth District, I spoke with folks at several "Coffee With Your Congressman" town hall events, and I had the pleasure of celebrating Read Across America Day with some grade school students. As always, it was great to see friendly faces around the Capitol and take meetings with constituents. Rest assured, as the work of getting America back on a path to prosperity continues, I will continue fighting for the Sixth District.

REIN IN Inflation Act

Before President Biden took office, inflation was at just 1.4 percent. Now, inflation is at 6.4 percent. Biden and the Democrats' out-of-control spending spree has caused everyday goods and services to skyrocket, costing families roughly \$10,000 over the last two years - from the grocery store to the gas pump to everything in-between. From canceling the Keystone XL pipeline to pushing out-of-touch and costly Green New Deal regulations on small businesses, Joe Biden must factor in the harmful impact of his failed Far Left agenda, which continues to worsen our inflation crisis.

That's why, last week, House Republicans passed the REIN IN Inflation Act (H.R. 347). This important legislation will require the Biden administration to prepare a report of the inflationary effects for any executive order with an estimated impact of at least \$1 billion, and provide these findings to Congress. American taxpayers deserve to know how much Biden's executive orders will cost them. House Republicans are committed to holding the Biden administration accountable for their devastating economic failures, and the passage of the REIN IN Inflation Act is a good step in the right direction.

The Biden Admin Should Not Play Politics With Retirement Savings In November 2022, the Biden Department of Labor

(DOL) released a reckless new rule greenlighting financial managers to consider Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) criteria when making retirement investment decisions, and will even automatically enroll retirement savers into ESG investment plans. These ESG "risks" make up a broad range of factors, including carbon emissions and diversity quotas. This would impact over 150 million Americans who currently participate in a federally regulated retirement plan. Retirement plan fiduciaries should be delivering maximum returns on retirement accounts for the men and women that depend on them, not advancing Democrats' woke ESG

I was proud to join House Republicans in passing H.J Res. 30, a joint resolution introduced by Rep. Andy Barr (R-KY-06), which will nullify DOL's rule by using the Congressional Review Act's expedited procedures to allow Congress to consider whether to block newly enacted federal rules. This resolution was quickly passed in the U.S. Senate. The House Republican majority will continue working to fulfil our Congressional oversight responsibility by pushing back on the Biden administration's attempt to force their Far Left agenda on millions of hardworking Americans.

Read Across America Day

In celebration of Read Across America Day, I had the pleasure of reading "House Mouse, Senate Mouse" to students of Pleasant Valley Elementary School in Harrisonburg, and Mount Pleasant Elementary School in Roanoke. Books are the fundamental building blocks to learning, so I encourage every American to never stop reading.

Heritage Apiary Bees program scheduled for March 20

Library Corner

Empowering individuals to build a stronger community

Has the early spring weather and higher food prices got you eager to start planting your garden? The flower, herb and vegetable seeds in the Seed Library at the Salem Public Library are going fast if that is any indication of the level of interest. According to information from the Virginia Cooperative Extension service, it's okay to start some plants indoors, but be aware of the last frost dates for your area before you plant outside. Need more information? Find a large collection of books and information about everything related to gardening and horticulture at the Salem Public Library including handouts printed from the Virginia Cooperative Extension website with the Virginia Hardiness Zone Map (also on VCE website, www. Educational beekeeper, Vasilla McCrady, from Blue Ridge,

will present a program on Heritage Apiary Bees at the Salem

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OOT Roadwatch

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

shift with narrow width on Wildwood road after exiting I-81 southbound heading towards Salem. Southbound and northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows possible at Route 311. 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

nighttime 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 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

The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 offramp 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 NORTHBOUND AT EXIT 105 NEW RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY - Traffic on northbound I-81 has been switched onto the newly constructed bridge over the New River at the Montgomery/Pulaski County line. The old bridge is being demolished. Lane and shoulder closures may be in place near exit 105. Lane closure may be in effect during the week from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Shoulder closures may be in effect at any time during the week. Slow rolls may be performed on I-81 in the north and southbound lanes from mile marker 98 to 109. Speed limit is reduced to 60 miles per hour in the work zone. Shoulder closures will remain in place though the duration of the project. Project completion is estimated by summer 2023.

SLOW ROLLS: A slow roll operation may be in place daily, Monday through Friday, between mile marker 101 and 105 northbound and between mile marker 109 and 105 southbound, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

LANE CLOSURES: Nighttime alternating lane closures will be in place on I-81 northbound between mile markers 104-106 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

ROUTE 605: Alternating lane closures and flagging operations will be present on Route 605, located under the New River Bridge See VDOT Roadwatch, page 5

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Krippendorf, John Lucas

John Lucas Krippendorf of Salem, Virginia, passed away at the age of 57 on February 8, 2023. In death he follows his parents, Carl Krippendorf and Jean Lucas Krippendorf, and his brother Matthew Krippendorf. He is survived by his siblings and their spouses: Rick (Mary) Krippendorf, Marsha (Earl) Southee, Mary (Greg) Keene, and Molly (Robbie, former spouse) May; his nephews: Blake Krippendorf and Riley May; his niece: Haley Southee; his beloved aunt: Jane Curd; and his two cousins: Berkley Roberts and Marla Allara, whom he loved like siblings.

John was born on June 29, 1965, in Portsmouth, Ohio, and grew up in Salem. He attended Salem High School, where he was a lively member of the debate team, was voted "best leader" and "wittiest" in the Senior Mirror, and also served as SCA president during his senior year. He studied Accounting Virginia Western Community College and received a BFA in History from Roanoke College. While pursuing his BFA,

John provided loving care for his mother and brother during their struggles with cancer.

Many locals remember John as the lead singer in the punk rock band "Luke Pewk and The Vomit,



who performed in various venues across the Roanoke/ Salem area and other parts of Virginia. Few can forget the band's infamous performance at Olde Salem Days, where they billed themselves as a "60s band." Some might also remember him as the shift supervisor at the CVS Pharmacy on Brandon Avenue in Roanoke, where he twice received an Outstanding Customer Service Award.

He had also worked at Roanoke College and the Retail Odyssey Company.

John had a passion for skateboarding at an early age, and he was considered the best in his neighborhood and surrounding areas. As a young child, he once wrote a letter to the editor asking the City of Salem to build a skateboard park. He had a huge presence in the online gaming community, and many of his fellow gamers have remained steadfast friends.

Everyone who knew John will remember his boisterous personality, his uproarious laugh, and his hilarious sense of humor. He always lit up a room. John was also a sweet and gentle soul who was loved by many. The family will receive

friends from 12:30 to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 22 at John M. Oakey & Son Funeral Home, Salem. A graveside service will follow at Sherwood Memorial Park, with the Rev. Dr. Robert T. Copenhaver officiating. An online guest book is available for family and friends by visiting www.

johnmoakey.com.

for work overhead on the bridge. SLOW ROLLS: Slow rolls may be utilized periodically on both the northbound and southbound lanes from mile marker 98-109 for structural steel deliveries and setting I-81 BRIDGE DECK

REPAIRS Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 170 to 95, right and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

INTERSTATE 581

ROUTE BRIDGE WORK OVER WILLIAMSON ROAD Bridge work is underway on Route 11 (Williamson Road). Intermittent and alternating lane closures between the intersections with Rutherford Avenue and Wells Avenue are still possible. Intermittent daytime and nighttime lane closures between the intersections above may still be required utilizing flagging operations. Any impacts to I-581 will be minimal. Expected

completion Spring 2023. I-581/220 EXPRESSWAY PAVING OPERATIONS -Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. closures may be in place during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

I-581/220 LANE & RAMP CLOSURES FOR PAVING MAINTENANCE **OPERATIONS** ROANOKE COUNTY-Weather permitting, crews will be milling and paving along Interstate 81. Right and left lane closures will be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours. Drivers should expect possible

ROANOKE CITY

13th STREET IMPROVEMENTS WITH DETOUR - A project to improve a portion of 13th Street SE in Roanoke is underway. Located in a residential neighborhood just east of downtown Roanoke, this project will improve traffic flow and connectivity along 13th Street SE from Tazewell Avenue to Norfolk Avenue. The project entails reconstructing about 0.2-mile of 13th Street as an improved, two-lane roadway with 10.5-footwide travel lane and a raised median. A new roadway will extend 13th Street to Norfolk Avenue and the intersection at 13th Street and Wise Avenue will be reconfigured to include

a roundabout. Bike lanes, sidewalks, crosswalks and curb and gutter will also be added. Southbound 13th Street traffic has a detour in place using Norfolk Avenue onto 12th Street to Tazewell Avenue. This detour will be in place throughout the duration of this project. Signs will be posted to designate the detour route. Northbound 13th Street will remain open to traffic. Flaggers may be possible and the speed limit through the work zone is 25 mph. Drivers should expect intermittent flagging operations on Wise Avenue when necessary. The project is expected to be

completed in summer 2023. TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGE: Northbound traffic is switched to the northbound lane of 13th Street. Southbound traffic will still be detoured around the work zone.

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4303, Pastor Logan Hollenbeck. Each Sunday Traditional Worship 9:30 a.m. To list your church, contact Randy Thompson at 540-230-1129 or

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From the Archives from page 3

lathe by foot power.

As I look at the changes and the new faces, I wonder where the old ones have gone and what has become of the hogs that rooted up the street and the cow that would open your gate at night and destroy your garden. It has all changed with the rapid march of civilization.

Town Hall Razed By Fire

The first house after passing the old Lutheran church, where the Farmer's National Bank stands now, was a two-story brick storeroom, built the same year the church was built. The first floor was originally about four feet above the ground. Just beyond this storeroom was a brick residence about thirty feet from the street with a front yard in which there were lovely roses. Where the town offices are now was a storeroom and a three-story town hall stood on the site of the present "Town Hall." Soon after the Civil War a fire which started in the storeroom destroyed the hall, the storeroom and the residence.

There was a two story frame building with a storeroom below, which was never used to my recollection, the former John Strickler property. William Rhodes' home was next door and where the College Apartments stands was the Rhodes carriage factory. He employed wheelwrights, blacksmiths, painters, carriage trimmers, to help him build carriages, coaches, buggies and wagons.

Across the street from the Rhodes property was the old Methodist church built of brick and perhaps 60 by 30 feet. There was a gallery across the front and around the sides. During the days of slavery, one side was occupied by colored people and a stairway for them was on the outside while the white people used a stairway on the inside.

Hymn Books Were Scarce

Hymn books were scarce in those days so that the preacher read out two lines of the hymn at a time and the congregation would sing them; then two more lines and so on until the hymn was finished. Cuspidors were plentiful, being scattered promiscuously among the benches for those old time Methodists loved their chews of tobacco.

This church was made famous by Dr. Munsey who preached often in it and delivered his great lecture on "Man" here. A two-story frame parsonage has been replaced by the present parsonage. On the corner of College avenue and Clay street was the preacher's study, a one story frame building with a touch of Grecian architecture.

On the opposite corner of Clay street was the jail, a place of torture, filth and vermin, cold in winter and suffocating in summer. James Huff was jailer, town sergeant and deputy sheriff and he did his duty as well as he was able but he was handicapped by the law. While Mr. Huff was town sergeant, the town passed an ordinance forbidding hogs to rove about the street. In order to enforce this ordinance they had a municipal pen built and the sergeant was required to arrest all hogs found on the streets and place them in durance vile. You could not get them out until you had paid the utmost farthing and it was no unusual sight to see the natives, when their hogs failed to show up in the evening, pay a visit to Mr. Huff. Mr. Huff was a terror to the little boys of Salem and if they

saw him coming they would scamper home. Mothers would intimidate their children with the name of "Old Jim Huff" and they used to sing. "Old Jim Huff, rough and gruff,

He lives in the town of Salem,

If you don't pay bail, he'll put you in jail, And land you on the other side of Canaan." We will now retrace our steps to Roanoke College. Many

of the trees that beautified the campus are gone, some blown down by storms. The birds are not as numerous, the lilac bushes on the west side are gone and the old building has had another story added and has been adorned with fluted pillars of Corinthian architecture and capped with a gable. All this has a tendency to take you away from the modest bearing of old Dr. Bittle, its first president, who was a pillar of wisdom and strength at the time I remember him. He was spoken of by the students as one always loved and never feared. How different are the comforts of the college today from

Dr. Bittle's time. There was no steam heat but every room had an open fireplace and every student had his individual woodpile on the south side of the college. He had his own ax to cut it to proper length and then carried it to his room himself. Sometimes, when his pile grew small, he would, in a secret way, borrow from his neighbor. Some students could swing an ax like a backwoodsman.

A Silversmith Shop On the lot where the post office stands was the home of

Adolphus Huff, which was later sold to R. E. Magee and then to the government. On the west side of this lot was the property of John E. Withers, a silversmith and a doctor for sick and disabled watches. I don't think he ever died but just wasted away and shrunk up to a little dust and was blown Across the street Barney Pitzer lived and on the corner where the Episcopal church now stands lived a Mr. Campbell and afterwards his son-in-law, Philip Reed. The Episcopal

church bought this property, moved the house back, and built

the little chapel which was torn down not so long ago to be

replaced by the present parish house. Adjoining that property

was the home of Jacob Stevens, who was a blacksmith and his little brick shop stood in the yard just west of the house. The Presbyterian church stood across the street. When it was first built, it had a tall spire, but in late years it has been cut down. In the steeple was a quaint old clock with dials and it struck the hour of the day on the old church bell. One still silent night, it struck the hour and continued to strike until it had tolled about a hundred times but it struck its death knell and its hands afterwards remained motionless. It had run its course. Later the clock was repaired and put in the fire house

on Burwell street. The bell has never been removed from the

Only Market In Town

Market street had only four houses on the west side and one on the east side. The first was a one story house on the site where G. L. Sears now lives; nest was a two story frame house on the corner of Clay street. Then came the home of Ben Estes who killed and furnished meat for the town. With a one-horse wagon loaded with beef, he would drive through the streets bringing the market to the door of the housewives who would go out and select their roast. His was the only market in town, hence the name Market street. Near the branch on Market street was the "Hatter's Shop"

of James Huff. He did not sell the stylish hats worn today but a durable wool hat of the same style and finish as Chief Justice John Marshall, John Hancock and others of the Virginia From the Presbyterian church going west on Main street were the storehouse and home of John Kizer; Snyder's tannery

which was occupied by the rest of the block to the branch. The lower floor of a two-story building, about thirty feet wide and extending almost the entire length of the lot, was where the leather was finished and the upper floor was used as a shop for showmakers. At least 25 showmakers were employed here. The backyard was filled with vats. By the branch on Clay street stood a long two-story frame building with the bottom story for vats and the top floor for drying room.

Furnished Army With Meat

When the civil war started Mr. Snyder contracted with the federal government to furnish meat for the army. Broad street stopped at Clay street and all the land west of that was known as the Snyder tract. Cattle were pastured and kept here until butchered. A large frame building on the north side of Clay street was the slaughter house. After the beef was skinned it was conveyed by car to the building where it was cut up and packed in vats. I can not say how it was cured.

The homestead, owned by Lewis Snyder, was the home of his grandfather. Across the street was the Hannah property. Dixie furniture and Chevrolet garage are located there now. The home of Robert Martin was where Mr. George Shanks lived and he and his family were looked upon as "aristocrats" and in terms of that day they truly were. They had a fine carriage and coachman, servants to come to their beck and call and all the comforts that the country could afford. The home of Judge Griffin was where Mr. Shanks assorted and pressed into hogsheads his tobacco crop to be hauled to Lynchburg. All the work was done by slaves.

Salem's First House

Across the street from Robert Martin's, we find a one story log house (the first house built in Salem). It was built by Nicholas Shootman, my grandfather, who drove a six-horse team from Lynchburg to Bristol, carrying and delivering Ira Peter owned the property where Dr. R. M. Wiley now lives but the property was remodeled by Judge Blair.

Mr. John Barnett lived in the house next door which is now owned by Mr. J. A. Thomason. On the next corner was the home of the late John B. I. Logan often referred to as John Big Eye. He was a fine Christian gentleman who went about Across the street from the Logan home where the late William B. Bowles afterward lived was a building built for

a depot to receive and hold freight brought up the Roanoke river when it was made navigable for boats but this project The only other home on this street with the exception

of the Dillard home which was located on the property now owned by Mrs. A. M. Langhorne, was the home and blacksmith shop of Joe Campbell. This was located on the Karnes property, which is just east of the Main street church of Christ. There was not another house on either side of the street until you reached Lake Spring. At the time the home of Mrs. Margaret Johnston, an ideal country home, stood where Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Starkey residence stands today.

There was no lake there, but just a big spring about twelve feet square as clear and cold as could be desired for the stream

never lost its force. The water was carried to the house by means of a trolley wire and from the windlass on the porch. The bucket went down this wire to the spring, dipped down and traveled back when filled. The face of Mrs. Johnston is still in my memory. Many were the slices of bread and butter covered with apple butter

that she gave me. How these little acts of kindness linger on I have reached the last mile post in my description of

Salem. I have but this to say that one of the strongest passions and the noblest that God has implanted in the heart of man is the love of the land that bore him. The poet has well said: "Breathes there a man with soul so dead

That never to himself hath said

This is my own, my native land".

-Prepared by Lisa King

ROANOKE COUNTY STARKEY ROAD AND BUCK MOUNTAIN ROAD

On Tuesday, March 14, a road project to construct a single-lane

roundabout at the intersection of Route 904 (Starkey Road) and Route 679 (Buck Mountain Road) will begin. Drivers should be aware of a new three-way stop to be implemented in the work zone at the intersection. The new roundabout is expected to be open to traffic sometime this summer. Once the roundabout is open, drivers



And Orchard Drive Intersection Improvements City of Salem Find out about a project that will improve safety and reduce delays at the intersection of Apperson Drive

(Route 11) and Orchard Drive in Salem. The project entails installing a new traffic signal at the intersection and coordinating it with the nearby signal

on Route 419. A new right turn lane from eastbound Apperson Drive onto southbound Orchard Drive also will be constructed. Eastbound Apperson Drive approaching its intersection with Orchard Drive will be reconfigured to provide a right turn lane, a through lane and a left turn lane. **Review** the project information and National Environmental Policy Act document in the form of a

Salem District Office located at 731 Harrison Avenue in Salem, 540-387-5353 1-800-FOR-ROAD, or TTY/TDD 711. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel to answer your questions. If your concerns cannot be satisfied, VDOT is willing to hold a public hearing. You may request that a

Programmatic Categorical Exclusion at VDOT's

Mr. Jesse Weitzenfeld, Virginia Department of Transportation, 731 Harrison Avenue, Salem, VA 24153, on or prior to March 24, 2023. If a request for a public hearing is received, notice of date, time and place of the hearing will be posted. VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal

public hearing be held by sending a written request to

employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you have questions or concerns about your civil rights in regards to this project or need special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact Jesse Weitzenfeld

at the phone numbers listed above. UPC: 119474 State Project: 011-129-254, C501, P101, R201 Federal Project: NHPP-5128(470) From: 0.057 mile west of intersection of Orchard Drive To: 0.057 mile east of intersection of Orchard Drive final paving, additional concrete pouring and pavement marking until the project is finished. Final completion expected in late spring THREE WAY STOP: Stop signs will be in place on each road approaching the intersection. This means drivers on Buck Mountain

Road who do not stop currently will be required to stop while the

should still expect lane closures with flaggers controlling traffic for

FLAGGING OPERATIONS: Throughout the life of the project, flaggers may control traffic between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily so motorists should expect delays. TRAFFIC SHIFTS: In addition, drivers should also be alert to

traffic shifts and changing traffic patterns while the roundabout is

BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY CLOSURE - The Blue Ridge Parkway will be repairing slope failures and a culvert failure at mile marker 127.9. A 15-mile stretch of the Parkway, mile marker 121.4 to 136, will be closed to all uses including cyclists, pedestrians and drivers. Detour signs to detour traffic around the Bent Mountain section of the Parkway will be in place. Traffic will be rerouted to Route 220 south to Route 419 north to Route 221 south. Traffic traveling north on the Parkway would be reversed. The detour is expected to be in place until summer 2023.

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intersection is under construction.

under construction.

northbound and southbound on Route 220 in Daleville will be in place for construction of a median with crossover, a right turn lane and a new traffic signal. This work is associated with construction of the Fieldstone Development. Lane closures will be set up on various days in spring 2023. ROUTE 11 BUCHANAN BRIDGE PROJECT - A construction project on the Route 11 Bridge in the Town of Buchanan is underway. Water Street is closed for the duration of the

DALEVILLE INTERSECTION PROJECT

FIELDSTONE DEVELOPMENT ACCESS - Lane closures

project and drivers should expect periodic lane closures with flagging operations to be in place during daytime hours. Message boards are present to alert and update drivers. Expected completion in summer ROUTE 611 (GREYLEDGE ROAD) - A. 1.5 mile section of

The Largest Quilt Show in SW Virginia Presented by Star Quilters Guild of Roanoke, VA

Saturday

March 25

9am - 4pm

Route 611 (Greyledge Road) is closed due to flooding that damaged the roadway. Extensive repairs will be needed and a detour will be in place. There is no estimated time for the road to reopen.

CRAIG COUNTY

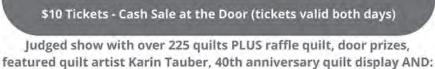
ROUTE 626 CLOSURE - On March 13 at 8 a.m., Route 626 (Bethel Church Road) will be closed to traffic for a bridge replacement with a concrete slab. The bridge is located between Route 624 Little Mountain Road) and Route 42 (Cumberland Gap Road). A detour will be in place. The bridge is scheduled to reopen by the end of the day on March 16, 2023. ROUTE 311 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER MEADOW

CREEK - Temporary signals control traffic across the bridge and will be in place throughout the project. Construction will begin on the northbound side of the bridge and once completed, work will switch to the southbound side. In addition, a section of Route 646 (Allen Street) between Route 650 and Route 311 will be closed during construction and a signed detour will be in place. All traffic will be detoured to Marshall Street and Kanawha Street to access either 311 or the homes located off Allen Street. Speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph in the work zone with a width restriction of 9 feet. Drivers should expect delays and allow extra travel time through the work zone. Weather permitting, the bridge is expected to be open to traffic by the late spring 2023. TRAFFIC SWITCH: Traffic is using the southbound lane to the northbound lane while work continues. Southbound lanes are

closed. Temporary traffic signals will continue to direct traffic and message boards will notify drivers. MONTGOMERY COUNTY ROUTE 8 PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS - On March

13, work will begin to construct pedestrian improvements on Route 8 in Riner. The work zone will begin at the intersection with Route 669 (Union Valley Road) and will end at the current site of the Atlantic Union Bank. Drivers should expect shoulder and lane closures to be in place with flagging operations between the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. through the start of the project until May 24, end of the school year. Once the school year is complete, lane closures will expand in hours to 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Expected completion is summer 2023. ROUTE 808 CLOSURE FOR PIPE RELACEMENTS -On Wednesday, March 15, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Route 808

(Hightop Road) will be closed



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for two pipe replacements. The first pipe to be replaced is located near the intersection of Davis Street and Warm Hearth Drive. Once this one is completed, the next pipe replacement will take place near the intersection of Martin Drive and Merrimac ROUTE 813 BRIDGE REPAIRS - On March 20, work

will begin to repair the bridge on Route 813 (Stones Keep Lane) that crosses over the Roanoke River. The bridge is located approximately .13 mile east from the intersection of Route 813 and Route 460E/11N. Drivers will experience daytime alternating single lane closures across the bridge with flagging operations in place. Expected completion is November 2023.

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Salem

BY: Mary Ellen H. Wines,

Notice

interested persons that the

meeting on Monday, March

Street, in the City of Salem,

Virginia. will hold a public

Sections 15.2-2204 and

15.2-2285 of the Code of

Virginia, as amended, to

consider approval of the

OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:

following requests relative

1. Consider the request of

Michael O. Garst and Alan

L. Garst, property owners,

907 Florida Street (Tax Map

Highway Business District

to RSF Residential Single

2. Consider the request of

& Grading, Inc., property owner, and AM

Roanoke, LLC, contract

of a Special Exception

Permit to allow a truck

parking facility on

174-5-1).

examined

Virginia.

purchaser, for the issuance

the property located at 2730

West Main Street, (Tax Map

Copies of the proposed

in the Office of Community

Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem,

At said hearing, parties in

interest and citizens shall

be heard relative to the said

have an opportunity to

plans, ordinances or

amendments may be

Transportation of

Daniel N Suggs Excavating

for rezoning the property

185-5-9) from HBD

located at

Family.

to the CODE OF THE CITY

hearing, pursuant to

27, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in

the Council Chambers of

City Hall, 114 N. Broad

Zoning Administrator

is hereby given to all

of Salem, at its regular

Council of the City

OF SALEM

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STORAGE AUCTION Salem Storage

736 Roanoke Street Salem, Va. 24153 March 30, 2023 at 11:30 AM Salem Storage will conduct a public sale of merchandise to collect liens from the following delinquent building. Owner: Christie Key Unit 73. Cash Only We reserve the right to refuse bids.

Lost & Found

ISO: Looking for family or friends of Edward Shanklin,

formerly from Radford, VA. His mother's name was Ruth, sisters name Barbara, previously married to Deuncan family. I am in possession of documents and photos that belong with his family. Contact Steve: after 5pm. Cell 540-246-2963 Home 540-298-8054 Collect calls will be accepted.

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NOTICE OF **SUBSTITUTE**

TRUSTEE SALE 321 South Market Street, Salem, VA 24153. By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust dated May 18, 2015 and recorded at Instrument Number 150001592 in the Clerk's Office for the City of Salem Virginia Circuit Court, Virginia, securing a loan which was originally \$57,400.00. The appointed SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps for the Circuit Court for the City of Salem located at 2 E Calhoun Street, Salem, VA 24153-7933. April 11, 2023 at 10:00 AM improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of the following described property, to with ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY **DESCRIBED AS** FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT, WHICH POINT IS ON THE WESTERLY SIDE OF SOUTH MARKET STREET, SAID POINT BEING 137.5 FEET FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF SECOND STREET AND SOUTH MARKET STREET; THENCE S. 78 DEGREES 00`00" W. 84.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE, N. 12 DEGREES 00'00" W. 37.50 FEET TO A POINT; thence N. 78 DEGREES 00`00" E. 84.00 FEET TO A POINT: THENCE S. 12 DEGREES 00`00" E. 37.50 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, AND CONTAING 0.723 ACRE AS IS MORE SPECIFICALLY SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED FOR ANTIOINE B. STALLINGS BY ROBERT

S. LANG, LAND

SURVEYOR AND BALZER

AND ASSOCIATES, SAID

more fully described in the

PLAT BEING DATED

APRIL 2, 1990, AND as

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aforesaid Deed of Trust. TERMS OF SALE: The property will be sold "AS is," without REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND AND SUBJECT TO conditions, restrictions. reservations, easements. rights of way, and all other matters of record taking priority over the Deed of

Trust to be announced at the time of sale. A deposit of \$20,000 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required at the time of sale, in the form of certified check, cashier's check or money order by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price, with interest at the rate contained in the Deed of Trust Note from the date of sale to the date said funds are received in the office of the SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale. In the event of default by the successful bidder, the entire deposit shall be

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sale at the time of settlement. Purchaser agrees to pay the seller's attorneys at settlement, a fee of \$470.00 for review of the settlement documents. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustees a memorandum or contract of

the sale at the conclusion of

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Notice is hereby given to all

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will hold a public hearing, in

provisions of Sections 15.2-

2204 and 15.2-2309 of the

1950 Code of Virginia, as

amended, on March 23,

2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the

Council Chambers of City

Street, in the City of Salem,

Salem, property owner, and

administrator, for a variance

from Section 106-226.7 of

greenway trail, extending

from the existing trail on

Salem City owned property

(Tax Map # 178-4-1) near

Kingsmill Drive to the

property (Parcel ID #

106-226.7(A)

states that no new

construction shall be

on flood heights is fully

Request of the City of

a variance from Section

106-226.7 of the Code of

the City of Salem, to allow

greenway trail work on and

Riverside Drive (Tax Map #

106-226.7(A) states that

no new construction shall

where the effect of such

At this hearing, all parties in

present evidence, and show

cause why such requests

should or should not be

granted. For additional

Office of the Zoning

Administrator.

3753032)

information, contact the

21 South Bruffev Street.

Salem, Virginia (Phone

THE BOARD OF ZONING

APPEALS OF THE CITY

interest will be given an

opportunity to be heard.

development on flood

heights is fully offset.

near the 1600 block East

the bridge widening of

Apperson Drive Bridge

along with incidental

259-2-1). Section

be permitted, except

Salem, property owner, for

Roanoke County owned

056.01-01-17.00-0000) near

Riverside Nursery. Section

permitted, except where the

effect of such development

the Code of the City

of Salem, to allow

construction of the

Roanoke County, project

Hall, 114 North Broad

Virginia, to consider the

following applications.

Request of the City of

the City of Salem, Virginia

accordance with the

Associates, LLC

bidding. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT requests. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF (Attorney for the Secured SALEM, VIRGINIA H. Robert Light

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Clerk of Council

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TRUSTEE SALE OF 1801 4th Street, Radford, VA 24141

In execution of the Deed of Trust dated March 20, 2006, in the original principal amount of \$124,019.00 recorded as Inst. 0600326, modified to the amount of \$108,447.79 as Inst. 1600936, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the City of Radford, Virginia, default having occurred in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and at the request of the holder of the note, the undersigned, as Substitute Trustees, any of whom may act, will sell at public auction at the front entrance of the Circuit Court for the City of Radford on March 29, 2023, at 11:30 a.m., the property located at the above address and described as Lot 8, Section 13, Plan D, as shown in Deed Book 42, page 7, County of Roadford. TERMS: CASH. PROPERTY SOLD AS IS WITH SPECIAL WARRANTY OF TITLE. A deposit of \$9,000.00 or 10% of the successful bid amount (whichever is lower) will be required immediately of the successful bidder, in cashier's check or certified funds only payable to or signed over to "DOLANREID PLLC, TRUSTEE", balance due within 15 days from date of sale. No personal checks accepted. Sale is subject to post sale confirmation and audit of the status of the loan including, but not limited to, determination of whether the borrower filed for and obtained bankruptcy protection, entered into any repayment agreement, reinstated or paid off the

loan prior to the sale. In any

unable to complete the sale,

such event, or if trustee is

or if it is set aside or not

reason except purchaser's

purchaser's sole remedy, in

return of the deposit without

default, the deposit shall be

interest. Upon purchaser's

forfeited and the property

resold at the risk and costs

of the defaulting purchaser.

liens, easements, restrictions

Sale is subject to all prior

, covenants, reservations

and conditions, if any, of

law or equity, shall be the

default, the sale shall be

null and void, and the

fully completed for any

Montgomery County record, as well as inchoate

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liens and any other matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the premises. Real estate taxes will be adjusted to the date of sale. All costs of conveyance, deed, examination of title, recording charges, grantor's tax and possession will be at the expense of the purchaser. All risks of casualty immediately pass to the successful bidder. Time is of the essence. Winning bidder must sign a memorandum of sale immediately upon completion of sale. Additional terms may be announced at the time of sale. Trustee's affidavit and a copy of the notice of sale available at the foreclosure sale. The opening bid is not announced until the sale. Current sale status available at dolanreid.com/foreclosuresales. THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. For Information Contact: DolanReid PLLC and G. Benny Moore, Substitute Trustee(s) 12610 Patrick Henry Dr., Ste. C, Newport News, VA 23602; (757) 320-0255

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Town of Vinton

is accepting SEALED BIDS from interested landscaping contractors to perform mowing, general landscaping and snow removal services for the Vinton War Memorial. The term of the mowing contract shall be for one year, with the option to renew for an additional four (4) oneyear term. Sealed bids must be submitted to the Vinton War Memorial, C/O Chasity Barbour, 814 E. Washington Ave, Vinton, VA 24179, on or before Monday, April 3, 2023, at 3 p.m. Bids must contain the Bidder's company name and address, and be signed by the appropriate company representative. No bids will be accepted after said time and date. Bid opening will occur after 3 p.m. at the Vinton War Memorial, 814 East Washington Ave. Vinton, VA. Bid information can be acquired by contacting the Town Manager at (540) 343-1508. The Town of Vinton reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Town also reserves the right to award an individual or

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would be in the best interest

bidder if in its judgment, it

of the Town to do so.

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RC lax men fall to S'more

The Roanoke College men fell behind early and couldn't catch visiting Swarthmore in an 18-13 lacrosse loss at Salem's Kerr Stadium last Saturday afternoon.

Swarthmore took the lead to start the game with five goals in the first five minutes of the game. Aidan Sullivan got the Maroons on the scoreboard with a goal at 9:57 off an assist from Jay Frye. The two teams would trade goals for the rest of the first quarter with Brooks Klyver, Luke Kammerman, and Julian Kammerman all scoring for

Swarthmore upped the lead to 13-7 at the half, then scored the first three goals of the second half to put the game all but out of reach. Luke Kammerman had two goals and two assists to lead the Maroons and Salem's Wyatt Whitlow had two goals and one assist.

The loss dropped the Maroons to 3-4 on the season. They were scheduled to host Mary Washington in Salem on Wednesday, and this Saturday at 1 pm Ohio Northern will visit for a 1 pm game.

Maroon lacrosse women are still undefeated The Roanoke College women remained first of three straight for Roanoke as Lilly

undefeated in lacrosse with a 20-5 rout of FDU-Florham at the US Lacrosse Facility in Sparks, MD over spring break.

The first quarter was all Maroons with Salem's Libby Bowman leading the way with three goals while Tiernan Connor and Kate Loughran added two more as Roanoke led 5-0 after the first 15 minutes.

Grace Koutouzis scored what would be the game-winner at 12:42 on a free position shot in the second quarter. The goal was the Blair scored two in less than a minute with Koutouzis assisting on both, as the Maroons took an 8-1 lead and never looked back.

Bowman finished with six goals and Blair tallied four goals and dished out two assists as nine different players scored for RC. With the win Roanoke improved to 5-0.

The Maroons are back home today to host Illinois Wesleyan at 4 pm at Kerr Stadium in Salem. On Saturday they travel to the College of New Jersey in Ewing, NJ for a noon game.

Roanoke College has home men's volleyball game Tuesday

The Roanoke College men's volleyball team will be home for the first time since February 21 when they host Randolph-Macon in Salem

is scheduled for 7 pm.

Roanoke is 7-11 in the initial men's volleyball season at the college. Last Saturday

next Tuesday. The first serve they played two matches at Southern Virginia and lost to the host team, 3-0, then dropped a close one to Randolph-Macon, 3-2.

Middle School Sports

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A full slate of middle school games are scheduled today for both Andrew Lewis and Glenvar. Lewis teams will play Cave Spring with the softball and girls' soccer teams at home and the baseball and boys' soccer teams at Cave Spring. Glenvar will play William Byrd with the baseball and boys' soccer teams at home and the girls' soccer and softball teams heading to Vinton.

In recent games. . .

BASEBALL

Andrew Lewis dropped an 8-6 game to Hidden Valley last Thursday in a game shortened due to darkness. Kobe Hairston had a two run homer for the Wolverines.

Glenvar lost a 14-6 decision to Read Mountain last week despite two hits by Landyn Pickard. The Highlanders also fell to Franklin County, 3-2. Cam Feazell and Haden Henderson had two runs batted in each for the Highlanders.

Lewis beat Hidden Valley, 9-8, last Thursday at the Salem Civic Center, then beat Northside, 16-11, on Monday. Olivia Crosswhite leads the Wolverines with a .586 batting average and she's also pitched every inning thus far, striking out 25.

Glenvar lost to Read Mountain, 7-4, and Franklin County, 9-3. Zella Hayes had a home run against Read Mountain and Peyton Jones pitched a complete game. One bad inning cost the Highlanders against Franklin County.

BOYS SOCCER

Andrew Lewis remained undefeated with a 4-0 win over Northside in Salem Monday. Glenvar played Franklin County to a scoreless draw last week.

GIRLS SOCCER

Lewis won at Northside Monday, 5-0. Leah Johnson and Emma Elder had two goals each and Keely Prosser added a goal and assist. Keeper Liz Keffer did not face a shot in her first shut out of the

Glenvar's home game with Central Academy on Monday was postponed due to inclement weather.





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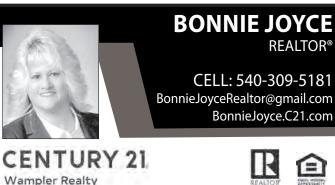
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Glenvar sweeps Salem to open tennis season

It was a little windy and a lot cold, but none the less the high school tennis season opened on Monday with Glenvar and Salem going head-to-head in both girls' and boys' matches. The Highlanders swept the Spartans, winning the girls' match, 6-3, and the boys' match, 5-4.

The girls played at Glenvar and the Highlanders opened defense of their 2022 state championship with a win. Glenvar took a 4-2 lead after singles with Isabella Gustafson winning at number one, Avery Flynn winning at two, Hannah Hylton taking fourth singles and Olivia Fobare winning at five. Victors for Salem were Caroline Loveday at three and Elisa Nyugen at six.

In doubles the GHS state champion team of Gustafson and Flynn won 8-1 over Claire Rawlins and Lauren Baba of Salem. Cara Butler and Hylton won second doubles and Salem took the third with the team of Nyugen and Anna Spence.

At Salem the two neighboring rivals had a close match with the boys. It was tied 3-3 after singles

Glenvar winners were Blaine Bishop at four, Beckett Wilkinson at five and Ian Kelley at six. Perez and Poush won at first doubles, 8-2, but Glenvar won the second and third matches. Marco Gustafson and Logan Garner won at number two,

with Salem getting wins from Drew Perez at one, Joren Poush at two and Andrew Wilkes at three.

8-0, and Kelley and Wilkinson won the deciding third doubles match, 8-4. "Our guys responded to the challenge," said Glenvar coach Bob Haynie. "Salem has some very good players, and the match could have gone either

way. We feel fortunate to come home with the win." Salem teams were scheduled to play Lord Botetourt on Wednesday, with the girls at home and the boys at Hollins University. On Friday both teams play Blacksburg, with the girls at home and the boys at

Karnes named top ODAC pitcher after strong showing in Florida

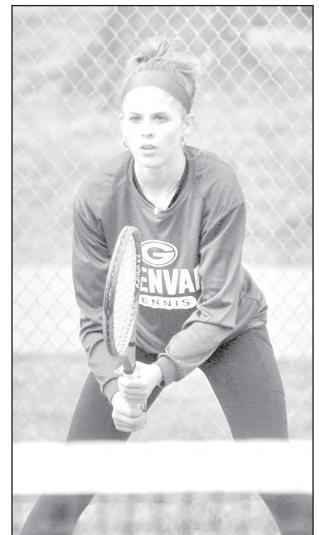
Roanoke College softball pitcher Jada Karnes helped the Maroons open the season in Florida last week and her performance earned her ODAC Pitcher of the Week hon-

Karnes, a senior from William Byrd High School in Roanoke County, pitched two complete games over the Spring Break trip. In the first game of the season, against Concordia-Chicago, she gave up only one run, walked just one and struck out 11. She came on in relief in the second game that day for one inning of work and struck out two more batters in an 8-3 win over Simmons College.

Two days later Karnes pitched another complete game in a 2-0 shutout over Wentworth, striking out six in a 2-0 shutout win. The next day she started and pitched eight innings against Marietta, allowing just one unearned run while striking out five. Jada left the game after eight innings with the score tied at 1-1 and Marietta ended up winning 2-1 in nine innings.

The Maroons won their first six games of the Florida trip, defeating Concordia, Simmons, Itasca CC, St. Cloud CC, Mount Mary and Wentworth before dropping their final two games to Marietta and Otterbein.

Roanoke has yet to play a home game. The Maroons were rained out of a season-opening doubleheader with Pitt-Bradford prior to the Florida trip. After return- Sports Complex.





Isabella Gustafson of Glenvar won her number one singles and doubles match against Salem Monday. Right, Drew Perez of Salem won singles and doubles in the boys' match with Glenvar. PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Blacksburg.

Glenvar is back in action today against Lord Botetourt with the boys at Hollins and the girls at home. Next Tuesday the Highlanders take on LB again with the girls at Hollins and the boys at GHS.



JADA KARNES

ing to Salem they were weathered out of a doubleheader with Southern Virginia on Tuesday of this week. Their next scheduled games are this Sunday at William Peace University in Raleigh, NC, and if the weather holds they'll finally have a home game next Tuesday, March 21, when they host Salisbury at 2 and 4 pm at the Botetourt

Lingenfelter is ODAC Pitcher of the Week

Roanoke College pitcher Caleb Lingenfelter, a senior righthander from Salem, made the most of his one appearance in the past week as he was named the ODAC Pitcher of the Week after hurling the Maroons to an 8-1 win over Eastern Mennonite.

Lingenfelter pitched a nine inning complete game two-hitter in the second game of a doubleheader against the Royals in the opening weekend of ODAC play. He induced 17 groundouts while walking just one batter and striking out three. With the win, Lingenfelter improves to 3-1 on the season.

Offensively, Bonzon had four hits for the Maroons and scored three tmimes. Conner Butler and Owen Lawn had two RBIs each.

The Maroons swept the doubleheader in

Harrisonburg, winning the first game 8-6. Will Turner earned his second win of the season and Aiden Kuhle, who came into pitch in the bottom of the ninth, earned his first save. Bonzon finished the game with three runs, two hits, and two walks and Jonny Wall led the Maroons with three hits, two RBIs, and a run scored.

Now 8-7, the Maroons will host the University of Lynchburg in a doubleheader at Salem Memorial Ballpark this Saturday. The first game is scheduled



CALEB LINGENFELTER

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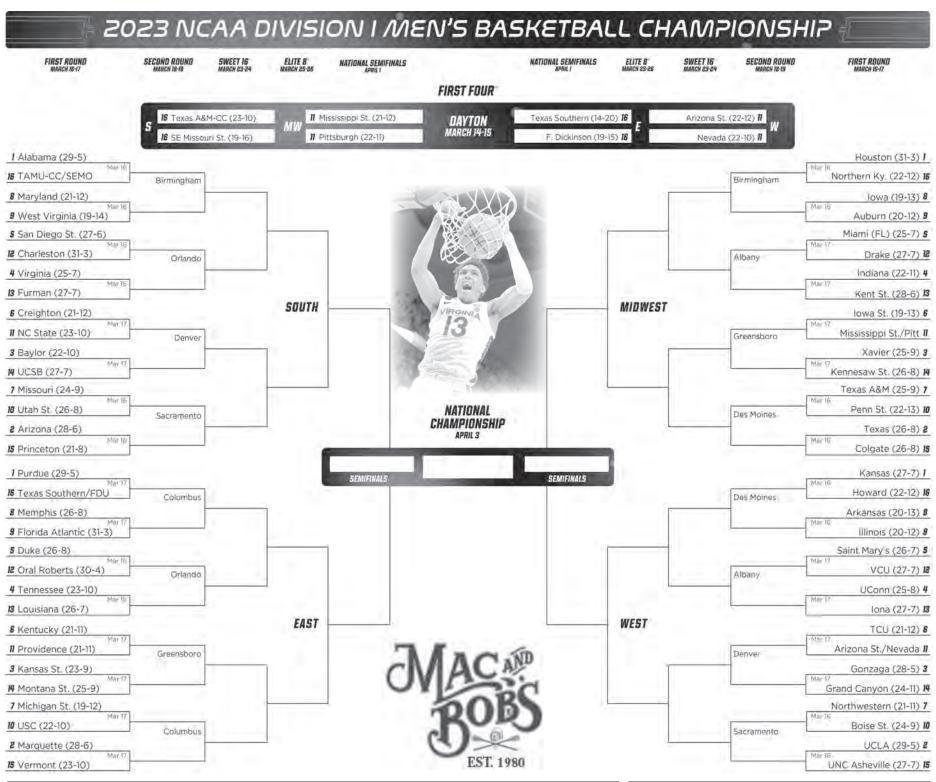


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The bracket for the NCAA Division I men's basketball championship is on the facing page, and you'll want to enter. This year first prize is a \$100 gift certificate from Mac & Bob's restaurant in Salem, as well as a year's subscription to the Salem Times-Register.

The rules of the contest are simple. Simply fill in the brackets, right down to the championship winner. The person who fills in the most blanks correctly when the NCAA championship is decided on April 3rd in Houston will be the winner.

The tie-breaker, if needed, is as follows. If two contestants are tied for the top spot, the winner is the contestant whose pick to win the championship has advanced farther. If it's still tied, then whoever had the most correct in the "Final Four" will win. If still tied, we go to the Final Eight, Final 16, etc.

Your completed entry form must be in our office by 5 pm this Friday. So, realize you get the Thursday games for free if you play your cards right. However, don't try to slip your entry in after the deadline on Friday because we'll be watching, and you'll be dis-

You can also mail your entry, but it must be postmarked by 5 pm Friday. Send it to, "Steps to the Championship," Salem Times-Register Sports, P.O. Box 1125, Salem, VA 24153.

Please note all entries must be on the official ballot, cut out of a Salem Times-Register newspaper.

GHS baseball, softball & soccer openers were postponed on Tuesday

Glenvar had baseball, softball and soccer games postponed early this week due to inclement weather.

The baseball team was weatnered out of a home game with Hidden Valley, and that was to be made up on Wednesday. The Highlanders are at

Lord Botetourt today. "We're looking forward to a great season," said coach Jeremy Cromer. " The guys worked really hard in the offseason and are ready

to go." The softball team also missed their game Hidden Valley Monday and that was also rescheduled for Wednesday. The girls

River today. "Our four returning starters are all strong soft-

are home to Staunton

ball players and although young, are impact players," said coach Lonnie Raines. "This year will be a year of rebuilding and a lot of learning for the new players.

Both soccer games were postponed by bad weather on Tuesday. The boys' game with Lord Botetourt will be made up on May 1 and the Highlanders will now open today at Staunton River. The girls' game Auburn rescheduled for April 27 so the Highlanders will open today at home against Staunton River at 6 pm.

It should be another strong year of soccer at Highlander Stadium as the girls' are defending state champions and the boys' were state runnersup in Class 2 last season.



Mahlic Sallah wrestles at the Berglund Center.

PHOTO BY RYAN HUNT Sallah is D-III mat All-American

Mahlic Sallah of Roanoke College finished eighth at the 2023 NCAA Division III Wrestling National Championships, held at the Berglund Center in Roanoke last weekend. In the seventh-place match, Sallah fell to Charles

Baczek of Wabash in an 8-0 major decision. Baczek led 4-0 after the first two periods with Sallah picking neutral to start the fourth. Baczek grabbed a takedown, a second stalling penalty point, as well as the riding time point for the 8-0 win.

The eighth place finish was the second All-American honor for Sallah in the two years of the Roanoke College wrestling program. A Cave Spring High School graduate, Mahlic transferred from Campbellsville College when RC initiated the wrestling program. He finished the regular season with a 19-1 record.

RC's Draper is NCAA 1st team Academic A-A

The College Sport Communicators (CSC) announced their 2023 Academic All American teams for basketball this week and Roanoke College guard/forward Kasey Draper was named First Team Academic All-American. Draper, a senior from Roanoke, was one of three to earn make either 1st, 2nd, or 3rd teams over the past two seasons.

Earlier in the year Draper was named Academic All-District by the national organization. This past season, Draper was fifth in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference averaging 17.3 points per game. In addition he was 10th in the league with 6.6 rebounds per outing while shooting 43.4 percent from the field field. At season's end Draper was named to the All-ODAC First Team after earning All-ODAC honors both his sophomore and junior seasons. In the ODAC Tournament semifinals, he became just the 12th Maroon in program history to score 40 or more points in a game.

In the classroom, the Northside High graduate maintains a 4.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) in Business Administration with a minor in Spanish. Draper is a member of the Omicron Delta Kappa (Leadership Honor Society) and Delta Mu Delta (Business Honor Society). In both 2021-22 and 2020-21, Draper was named Academic All-State by the Virginia Sports Information Directors (VaSID).



Kasey Ddraper is a first team Academic All-American.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN





Highlanders make all-district, all-region

With the high school basketball season officially at an end the Three Rivers District and Region 2C announced their all-district and all-region teams. Glenvar was well-represented as freshman Brody Dawyot(left) made the All-I hree Kivers and All-Region 26 tirst teams. Gabe Ford(right) of Glenvar was named to the second team on both the all-district and all-region squads.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Glenvar leads "Cup" standing after winter sports

Glenvar High School is among the schools sitting atop the National Guard Cup standings after the win-

The Highlanders are defending cup champs from the 2021-22 school year and they're at it again, leading Class 2 with 335 points. After taking the lead with 152.5 points in the fall the Highlanders added another 182.5 in winter sports to hold a 37.5 point overall lead over second place Poquoson.

In the just completed winter season Glenvar scored 50 points with a state championship in boys' indoor track and 30 in girls' indoor track. They added 45 with a second place finish in wrestling, 35 in swimming and 22.5 by making the state tournament in girls' basketball.

The Three Rivers District has three of the top six schools in the Class 2 standings. Floyd County is third and Radford is sixth.

First awarded in 1990, the Cup represents 33 seasons of excellence, with six Cups awarded for academic activities and athletics in each of the VHSL's six enrollment classifications.

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Award earn 50 points each. Other leaders after the current season include George Wythe in Class 1, Maggie Walker in Class 3, Western Albemarle in Class 4, Deep Run in Class 5 and James Robinson in Class 6. Glenvar's 335 points is the highest point total among any school in the state, with Western Albemarle next at 325.

Salem High is in 25th place in Class 4 with 62.5 total points. The Spartans earned 40 points in the winter season, all in boys' indoor track. River Ridge District rival Blacksburg is second in Class 4 with 320 points, just five behind Western Albemarle.

"Triumph NIL" at Sports Club Monday

The March meeting of the Roanoke Valley Sports Club will be held on Monday, March 20, at the Salem Civic Center. This month's meeting will feature the Triumph NIL organization.

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Former Virginia Tech and Detroit Lions runningback Kevin Jones is a financial backer and he's scheduled to attend Monday's meeting at the civic center. He will be discussing work with Virginia Tech

A reservation is needed per person and includes



Former Virginia Tech football star Kevin Jones is part of the Triumph NIL group and he's scheduled to attend Monday's RV Sports Club meeting at the Civic Center.

a catered dinner. Social time begins at 5:45 pm with dinner at 6:15 pm and program starting at 7 pm. Reservations are \$22.50 for members and \$28 for non-members.

Due to meal guarantees required by the Salem Civic Center, all reservations must be made online or received by mail prior to 4 pm on Friday, March 17. No Walk-Ups and No Pay-At-The-Door will be accepted.

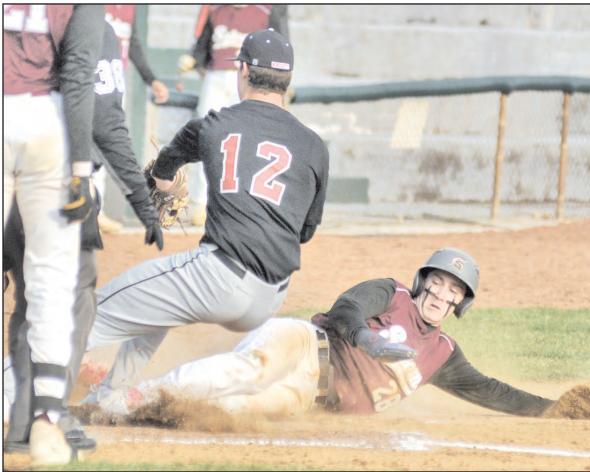
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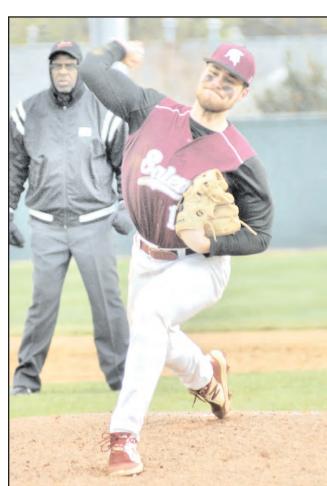


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Left, Salem's Kolton Hedge slides home with a run in the Spartans' opening day win over James River on Monday. Right, Camden Hart got the ball to open the season on

THE MOUNT FOR SAILEM. Spartans beat James River to open high school baseball season

The Salem High baseball team opened the spring season on a winter day Monday but it was all worth the while as the Spartans took a 9-4 win over James River on Billy Sample Field.

River plated three runs in the top of the first off Salem senior pitcher Camden Hart, who started the season opener and pitched through the third. Sophomore lefty Trace Monroe relieved Hart in the fourth and threw three dominant innings yielding no hits while walking two and fanning six on just 43 pitches., walked 2, and struck out 6 on 43 pitches. Freshman Brayden White closed the game with a scoreless seventh inning.

Salem's defense was stellar, committing no errors and turning two double plays, including a bases-load double play to get the Spartans out of a third inning jam.

River ace Heath Andrews, a senior, started for the Knights and allowed just one hit before reaching his pitch limit with one out in the third. With Andrews out of the game the Spartans started to rally. They scored two runs off River reliever Zeal Hammons in the fourth, then put a three-spot on the board in the bottom of the fifth to open an 8-4 lead.

Freshman Kolton Hedge scored Salem's first run after working his way around the bases after getting hit by a pitch, and he started the third inning rally with a lead-off single. Another freshman, Brayden White, had a tworun bases loaded single in the fifth. Salem's final run came on a sacrifice fly by Grant Keffer.

The Spartans were scheduled to be back in action Wednesday at Lord Botetourt. On Friday they're at Blacksburg.

"I'm looking forward to our season," said first year coach Jimmy Winterer. "We have a young, talented team. I'm anxious to see them play together and develop their identity as the year progresses."

Salem Invitational softball is at Civic Center, BSC this weekend

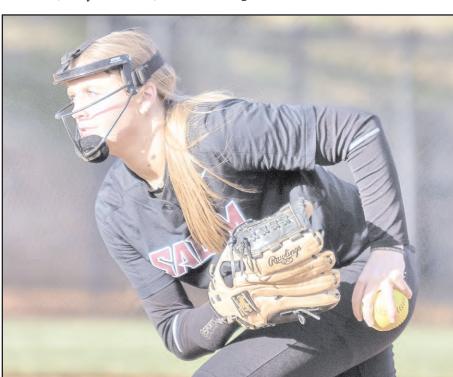
Spartans open with "perfect" win over Fleming

The Salem High softball team will host the annual Salem Invitational this weekend but this season it won't be at the James I. Moyer Complex due to current construction. Most of the games will be at the Botetourt Sports Complex with a few at the Salem Civic Center on Friday evening.

This year's event will include Northside, Blacksburg, James River, Roanoke Catholic, William Fleming, Auburn, Radford, Halifax, Jefferson Forest, Lebanon, Amherst and Lord Botetourt. Salem will play Blacksburg at the Salem Civic Center on Friday at 7 pm. On Saturday the Spartans will play two games at the Botetourt Sports Complex, against Roanoke Catholic at noon and Jefferson Forest at 4 pm. Games at the BSC will be played from 10 am to 4 pm Saturday on all four fields and there's also a jayvee invitational.

The Spartans got off to a fast start with a 20-0 win in the season opener at William Fleming High School on Monday. Cora Grace Sparger and Cora Robinson combined to pitch a perfect game against the over-matched Colonels. Sparger had eight strikeouts in three innings and Robinson fanned five in two innings of work before the game was ended by slaughter-rule.

Sparger also led the offense with three hits, including two doubles and four runs batted in.Sarah Tennant was two-for-three with a double and two RBIs and Bayleigh Booth drove in three runs. Taelyn Woodard and Ciara Steele had two runs batted in each.



Cora Grace Sparger combined with Cora Robinson to pitch a five inning perfect

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Salem boys win lax opener, girls debut tonight at home



leading the v Major, and captains and the team."

The Salem High boys' lacrosse team got the season off to a great start Monday with a 16-5 win over visiting Rockbridge County on Spartan Field.

The Spartans scored the first six goals of the game and never looked back. Andrew Crumpacker led the offense with four goals and two assists while Trey Joyce, who moved from the goal to attack this spring, had three goals and an assist.

Also scoring for Salem were

Kaidan Garst with two goals and four assists, Landon Miles with two goals and an assist, Jackson Jones with two goal and Eli Chambers, Jackson Wininger and Dakotah Hawkins with one goal each. Knox Fountain got his first start in goal and had 11 saves.

The Spartans are back in action

The Spartans are back in action today with a game at Western Albemarle. The Salem girls were postponed from a game at Rockbridge Monday due to a wet field, and that will be made up on April 14. The girls are home to Western Albemarle today at 7 pm.

"This season has the potential to be a really great one," said girls' coach Maggi Pace. "We have 10 seniors leading the way. Zoe Blair, Natalie Major, and Reese Redford are our captains and bring a great balance to the team."