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School starts back for Salem students



Carver kindergarten teacher Donna Cogar is in her 29th year of teaching.



West Salem Elementary Assistant Principal Marcus Crowder greets students.



COURTESY OF SALEM CITY SCHOOLS

Salem High School's new principal, Kelly Linkenhoker, is surrounded by her administrative staff, including from left to right Assistant Principal Chris Wilkes, Assistant Principal Bridget Nelson, Assistant Principal Jeff Bird, Athletic Director Drew Barrett.

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Students of Salem City Schools returned to the classroom on Monday. According to the division, the opening day enrollment was 3,587, with a few students not in attendance due to scheduled or planned absences.

Dr. Curtis Hicks, superintendent, said the opening went smoothly.

"We had some brief water issues at Andrew Lewis Middle School and at our Central Office related to an ongoing water main repair on College Avenue, but all in all, it was a very good day," he said. "It looks like the new HVAC systems at East Salem and West Salem elementary

schools are running smoothly, which is good, given the temperatures we are still experiencing. There are always a handful of transportation delays on the first week of school, but we did not experience anything out of the ordinary. In fact, I would say that the transportation department had an exceptionally good start."

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Curtis Draper Edwards COURTESY PHOTOS

Salem Police make arrests in recent vehicle theft cases

Salem Police made several arrests Monday morning and charged three individuals with multiple counts of theft and other crimes related to a rash of vehicle thefts in several areas of the city, according to a Tuesday report from the department.

Salem detectives charged 28-year-old Bradey Draper of Vinton with five counts of Unlawful Entry of a Vehicle, three counts of Grand Larceny, three counts of Conspiring to Commit Grand Larceny, Accessory to Theft and Petit Larceny.

Carly Curtis, 22, of Roanoke was charged with two counts of Conspiring to Commit Grand Larceny, Unlawful Entry of a Vehicle, Possession of Methamphetamine and Accessory to Grand Larceny.

The third person involved in the crimes is 33-year-old Jerrad Edwards of Roanoke. He was charged with three counts of Conspiring to Commit Grand Larceny, five counts of Unlawful Entry of a Vehicle and accessory

to Theft.

On Friday, Aug. 18, in the early morning hours, officers responded to reports of two automobiles and a motorcycle being stolen, as well as multiple vehicles that were unlawfully entered. During the investigation, officers and detectives were able to locate the suspects and recovery the stolen property. The suspects were positively identified as the individuals who committed the crimes. There were no weapons involved in the crime and no injuries resulted from the incident.

All three individuals were arrested and transported to the Roanoke County-Salem Jail. Additional suspects have been identified and charges are pending. This incident remains under investigation and anyone with more information is asked to contact the Salem Police Department at 540-375-3083.

- The Salem Times-Register

Salem Police Make Arrest in West Main St. robbery



Childress COURTESY PHOTO

The Salem Police Department announced last week that it had arrested Leonard Childress of Roanoke and charged the 45-year-old with two counts of robbery related to a call

for help in the 1200 block of W. Main Street.

Officers arrived at the West Gate Center after receiving a 911 call about a robbery in progress at approximately 10:15 a.m. last Thursday. A store employee advised the officers that an unknown male subject entered the retail business and demanded cash from the worker who was on duty.

"The cashier complied with the demand and the subject quickly exited the store with an undetermined amount of money," the department said. "After investigation, officers

were able to locate the suspect and positively identify him as the subject who perpetrated the crime. There were no weapons involved in the crime and no injuries resulted from the incident."

Childress was arrested and transported to the Roanoke County-Salem Jail where he remained as of late last week. The department said the incident remains under investigation and anyone with additional information is asked to call 540-375-3083.

- The Salem Times-Register

Roanoke County earns Virginia Association of Counties Award for partnership with Roanoke College



COURTESY IMAGE

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ROANOKE COUNTY – The Roanoke County Sheriff's Office was recently recognized with an Achievement Award from the Virginia Association of Counties

(VACo). The award celebrates the partnership between the sheriff's office and Roanoke

College to provide the Inside-Out Prison Exchange, an international program designed to teach inmates and college students issues pertaining to justice.

The Inside-Out program provides inmates an opportunity to further their education and receive free-of-charge college credits if they complete the course. The program provides an avenue for advanced educational opportunities in the hopes of increasing post release employment opportunities and reducing rates of recidivism.

The mission of the program is to create an environment of critical thinking and respectful dialogue regarding a variety of topics, with the goal of seeing that individuals are more than the sum of a

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Briefly: Salem News In Brief

36th Annual Mopars In The Valley Car & Truck Show: The free event will be at the Salem Civic Center from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2.

Star-B-Q: One of the most respected new artists in country music is headed to Salem to headline the 2023 Star-B-Q concert at the Salem Farmers Market, according to the city of Salem. Dalton Dover will become the latest up-and-coming recording artist to play the annual fall concert on Wednesday, Sept. 20. Southwest Virginia's Travis Reigh will open the show.

PAW Patrol Live! "The Great Pirate Adventure": The event will be at the Salem Civic Center Tuesday, Oct. 31 at 6 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 6 p.m. Tickets start at \$42.

Theory of a Deadman and Skillet: The bands will perform at the Salem Civic Center on Wednesday, Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.50.

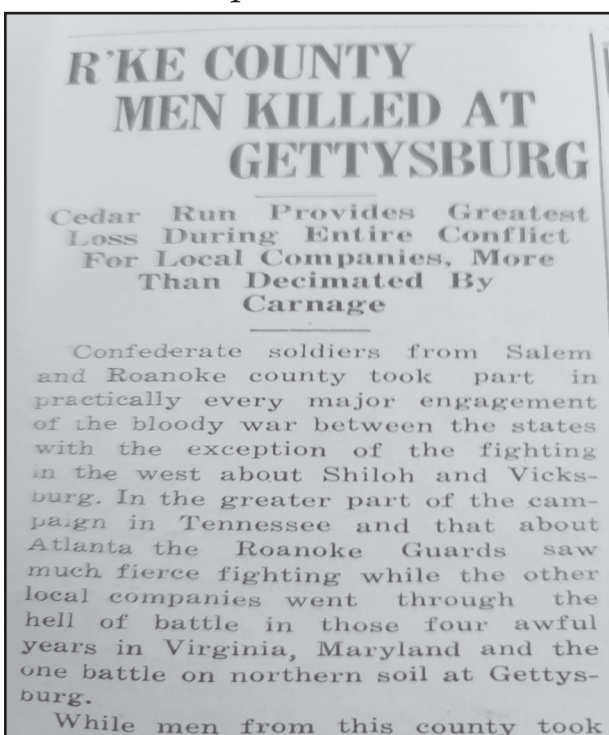
Mannheim Steamroller: Chip Davis, founder and creator of Mannheim Steamroller, will celebrate over

35 Years of his annual Christmas concert tour during a Sunday, Dec. 3 performance at 7 p.m. at the Salem Civic Center. It is the longest running concert tour in the entertainment industry. Tickets can be found at the Salem Civic Center Box Office or online at Ticketmaster.com.

Public meetings: The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Aug. 28 at 6:30 p.m.

FROM THE ARCHIVES ROANOKE COUNTRY MEN KILLED AT GETTYSBURG

Cedar Run Provides Greatest Loss During Entire Conflict For Local Companies, More Than Decimated By Carnage



FROM THE TIMES-REGISTER ARCHIVES

From the 1938 centennial edition of *The Times-Register*

Confederate soldiers from Salem and Roanoke county took part in practically every major engagement of the bloody war between the states with the exception of the fighting in the west about Shiloh and Vicksburg. In the greater part of the campaign in Tennessee and that about Atlanta the Roanoke Guards saw much fierce fighting while the other local companies went through the hell of battle in those four awful years in Virginia, Maryland and the one battle on northern soil at Gettysburg.

While men from this county took part in all the major battles in the Virginia campaign and suffered losses at Cold Harbor, Seven Pines, Sharpsburg, the Battle of the Wilderness, Chancellorsville, Gaines Mill, Spottsylvania and other places it is probably that with the exception of Gettysburg more Roanoke county blood was spilled at the comparatively unimportant battle of Cedar Run than at any of the other battlefields.

Cedar Run

At this battle, which was fought on August 8, 1862, fifteen members of the Dixie Grays were killed within a half-hours time and fifteen more were wounded. Four of the wounded subsequently died and when it is considered that the company had been reduced to thirty-eight men before the battle the terrific loss they suffered is realized. In the annals of the civil war this battle is set down as one of the minor engagements but for Roanoke county it was one of the most deadly battles of the great war.

It was on August 9, 1862 that the Dixie Grays were sent in the vanguard of the charge against a strongly fortified federal position at Cedar Mountain which is in the central part of this state. General Stonewall Jackson was in command of the southern forces as he had been sent to that point to halt General Pope's army who were endeavoring to get control of the Virginia Central railroad. General N. P. Banks with a force of northern soldiers had advanced further south than the main portion of Pope's army and they were found encamped on August 9 on Cedar Run. General Jackson's men attacked a strongly fortified position and were repulsed with heavy losses during the first part of the battle when most of the casualties of the Dixie Grays were sustained. However, Jackson's men continued the attack and won a sweeping victory. The southerners are said to have lost 1276 men in

this engagement.

This battle of Cedar Run is sometimes known as the battle of Cedar Mountain. Close by the place where the bloody battle was fought is a ridge appropriately known as Slaughter Mountain.

Pickett's Charge

The most dramatic event took place when Pickett made his famous charge at Gettysburg and with Pickett on this drive into the mouth of hell were the Roanoke Grays which with other Virginians reached Cemetery Hill before turning their backs to the enemy. The Dixie Grays, local men were also at the battle of Gettysburg so that this county suffered heavy losses in that battle.

Pickett on his famous charge had only 5,000 men and the losses were frightful. General Lee had intended to send Hood's and McLaw's division with Pickett but objections raised to the method of battle by Longstreet was probably the reason he changed his mind. Pickett's charge was aimed directly at the center of enemy lines, and it was thought that if they could have broken through and taken possession of Cemetery Hill that the southern forces would be in position to command the entire sector.

This wonderful charge was first started soon after one o'clock on July 3, 1863, and when Pickett's forces returned, they had left the field strewn with hundreds of dead, some of whom were from Roanoke county.

The heaviest losses sustained by the Salem Flying Artillery was at Cold Harbor in 1864. This was largely an artillery battle, and the northern forces raked the southern lines with heavy shells. At this area about Richmond a large number of Roanoke county men were killed during the war. The Roanoke Grays were at Gaines Mill which is sometimes referred to as being in the first Cold Harbor campaign which took place in June, 1862. The federals were driving towards Richmond

on both occasions.

At Spottsylvania

While the remained Dixie Grays were at Spottsylvania and engaged in one of the fiercest engagements of the civil war at this place it cannot be said that Roanoke county suffered heavy losses here because of the fact that the local company had been wiped out earlier in the war and only a comparatively few men of the original Dixie Grays were left to give battle there, the remainder being replacements.

However, the Dixie Grays occupied the very tip of Bloody Angle at this battle which is said to have provided the most horrible scene of all the war. Fighting took place at this point for several days but it was on May 12, 1864 that the fiercest fighting took place when the battle lasted sixteen hours and well into the night.

General Lee was determined to hold the log parapet at Bloody Angle or Mule Shoe as it is sometimes called until he could fortify a new line for his men. Northern forces stormed the parapet time and again, sometimes three deep, and their losses were tremendous. It is said that on both sides of the parapet the dead were thrown back out of the way. Sometimes the soldiers fought by thrusting their bayonets through the logs.

Behind the parapet was a sea of mud which had become discolored with blood. The southern soldiers would leap up onto the wall to fire and drop back to this dismal mire.

But one member of the original Dixie Grays was listed as being killed at Spottsylvania but the company suffered heavy losses. The one man of the company formed here who was killed was J. Dabney Shrewsbury who had been through some of the crucial battles of the war including the carnage at Cedar Run, Gettysburg, Kernstown and Chancellorsville.

Bloodiest Day Of War

The bloodiest day of the war is said to have been on September 17, 1862, at Sharpsburg or Antietam as it is sometimes called. Here, the Roanoke Grays suffered losses and this fighting company also left some of their men at Petersburg where the Yankees undermined the confederate position and sent many soldiers to their deaths when explosives were fired that made a deafening roar heard for miles about the place.

The Salem Flying Artillery which had gone through the entire war was still intact when their artillery fired the last shot at Appomattox. They are said to have been the only company which did not split up after the last campaign about Richmond. Soon after the last shot was fired at Appomattox the weary soldiers set out on foot for home after four years of the most brutal warfare in the history of the world.

- Prepared by Lisa King

POLICE REPORT

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of August 15, 2023 - August 21, 2023

Arrested On	Name	Age	Charges
08/15/2023	Bradley C. Fisher	36	Possession of Controlled Substance
08/15/2023	Donte C. Jones	38	Public Intoxication
08/17/2023	Joe E. Baba	51	Embezzlement
08/17/2023	Leonard D. Childress	45	Robbery
08/18/2023	Jerrad A. Edwards	33	Vehicle Theft, Vehicle Burglary
08/18/2023	Nicole M. Fink	37	Possession of Controlled Substance
08/18/2023	Richard N. Green	35	Shoplifting
08/18/2023	Julius A. Baxley	37	Public Intoxication
08/18/2023	Michael A. Fisher	34	Public Intoxication, Obstructing Justice
08/19/2023	Lorne F. Layman	39	Public Intoxication
08/19/2023	Thurman E. Ayers	34	Criminal Trespass
08/19/2023	Brian K. Jones	47	DUI
08/19/2023	Gregory A. Sumner Jr.	47	Public Intoxication
08/20/2023	Jaqawn A. Rosser	20	DUI, Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
08/20/2023	Erick Telsaint	22	Public Intoxication, Obstructing Justice, Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
08/20/2023	Maurice D. Peterson	34	Domestic Assault & Battery, Public Intoxication
08/21/2023	Thurman E. Ayers	34	Criminal Trespass
08/21/2023	Robyn L. Sulloway	40	Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
08/21/2023	Carly A. Curtis	22	Vehicle Theft, Vehicle Burglary
08/21/2023	Robert J. Corbin	38	Failure to Appear

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of August 15, 2023 - August 21, 2023

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
17-AUG-2023	1200 BLK W Main St	Robbery
18-AUG-2023	600 BLK Palmer Ave	Vehicle Theft
18-AUG-2023	1500 BLK E Main St	Possession of Controlled Substance
18-AUG-2023	2200 BLK Vine St	Vehicle Theft
18-AUG-2023	100 BLK Lakehurst Ave	Grand Larceny
18-AUG-2023	2100 BLK Plum St	Grand Larceny
18-AUG-2023	1200 BLK North Mill Rd	Vehicle Theft
18-AUG-2023	400 BLK Dalewood Ave	Grand Larceny
18-AUG-2023	1600 BLK Lynchburg Tpke	Robbery
18-AUG-2023	1800 BLK W Main St	Illegal Use of Credit Cards
19-AUG-2023	700 Blk Moran Ave	Abduction, Strangulation of Another
20-AUG-2023	400 BLK W 4th St	Evading Police

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OPINION



Ben Cline
Congressman

While Congress continued its District Work Period, we were once again reminded of the harmful impact that out-of-control spending and the misnamed "Inflation Reduction Act" has on families in the Valley and across the Nation. On a brighter note, I joined Veterans in Roanoke to highlight the importance of PACT Act benefits for our Nation's heroes and visited a new VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) in the Winchester area. Additionally, I spoke with folks from the Virginia Credit Union League, and I took the opportunity to meet with local faith leaders at a small growing church in the Valley. As your Representative, I fight every day for your interests and for the safety, security, and freedom for the people of Virginia's Sixth District.

"Bidenomics" is not working for Middle America

In yet another slap in the face to hardworking families and small businesses struggling to make ends meet, President Biden and the Democrats celebrated the anniversary of the failed "Inflation Reduction Act", which has done nothing to bring down costs for hard-working Americans. Families are still paying \$709 more a month than two years ago, credit card debt is at a record-high, interest rates are spiking up again, and mortgage rates have increased to over 7% - forcing more folks to withdraw from their 401(k).

When it comes down to it, "Bidenomics" is simple: Americans pay more to get less. House Republicans are working every day to restore fiscal responsibility in Washington and get our economy back on track so families and businesses can keep more of their hard-earned paychecks.

Fighting for our veterans

As a cosponsor and supporter of PACT Act legislation, it was an honor to join members of the group called The Children of Camp Lejeune in Roanoke to celebrate the anniversary of this vital legislation and to highlight how important expanded VA health benefits are to Veterans exposed to toxic chemicals, burn

pits, and tainted waters. Taking care of those who took care of us is one of my top priorities in Washington, and I will keep fighting to ensure our Veterans have the support they need and deserve.

Virginia Credit Union League

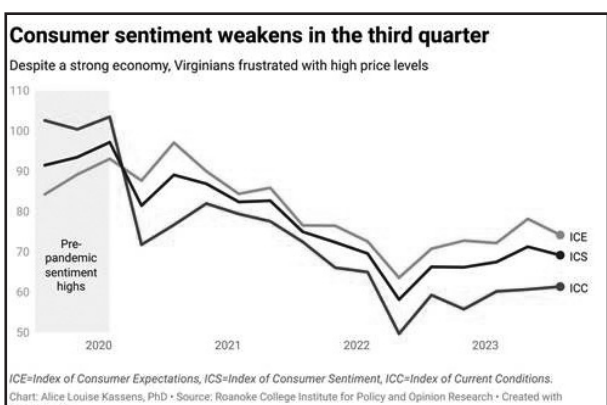
The Virginia Credit Union League has served as a statewide association representing member-owned credit unions since 1934. Credit unions are vital to our community and guide folks' financial plans to accommodate ever-changing goals for the future. It was a pleasure to join members of the organization at its Shenandoah Valley Legislative Reception.

School is back in session

It's back-to-school time for Virginia's Sixth District, and it is important to remember to be extra cautious and watch out for students, families, teachers, faculty, and staff as they head to school. As children across the Valley head back to the classroom, here's wishing everyone a fantastic start to what is sure to be an incredible school year.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Congressman. If my office can ever be of assistance, please contact my Washington office at (202) 225-5431.

The Institute for Policy and Opinion Research at Roanoke College releases new report



The Virginia Index of Consumer Sentiment (VAICS) lost momentum in the third quarter of 2023, falling 2.2 points to 69.2. Virginians express frustration with high prices despite slowing inflation, rising wages and strong labor markets. The national inflation rate was 3.3% in July 2023, down more than five and a half percentage points since the highs of June 2022. Nationally, wage growth now outpaces price growth; wages rose 4.6%

over the last 12 months. The national unemployment rate remains low at 3.5% in July; in Virginia, the rate is even lower at 2.7% in June, with 2.5 job openings for every unemployed person.

Consumer sentiment slipped 2.2 points in the third quarter of 2023 to 69.2 but remained well above the historic low of 58.2 in May 2022. The primary driver behind the sentiment slowdown is high price levels despite slowing inflation (the growth rate of prices), rising wages and a resilient labor market. As measured by the Consumer Price Index, which captures the price of goods and services the typical household buys, inflation hit the highest level in more than 40 years in June 2022 (8.9%). Since then, inflation has rolled over and was 3.3% (seasonally adjusted) in July 2023. However, inflation measures the growth rate of prices, so while prices are not growing as quickly as a year ago, price levels are still higher than in the past. The price pressures are a headwind to sentiment compared to the tailwinds of rising wages and a strong labor market. Wage growth now outpaces price growth, allowing for consumer purchasing power to increase. Nationally, wages increased 4.6% over the last year while benefits rose 4.2% over the same period.

In addition to wage growth outpacing price growth, another tailwind to sentiment is the strong labor market. Nationally, the July unemployment rate was 3.5%, equal to its pre-pandemic value; the rate in Virginia is 2.7%. A comparison of labor supply (households) and labor demand (businesses) shows that the number of unemployed persons is much lower than that of current job openings: the number of unemployed persons per job opening is 0.4 in Virginia compared to 0.6 nationally, both unchanged over the last quarter. Another way to think about this statistic is that there are 2.5 job openings for every unemployed person in Virginia, which indicates that finding workers is challenging for businesses, and workers continue to have bargaining power. The tight labor market and increased minimum wage and social security payments at the start of the year bolstered spending and household income. Consumer spending, adjusted for inflation, rose 0.4% between May and June 2023, fueled by spending on goods rather than services.

The VA Index of Current Conditions (VA ICC) is 61.4, up 0.7 points since the last quarter, its third consecutive quarter of growth, although still well off its pre-pandemic February 2020 value of 103.5 and the historic high of 106.6 in February 2019. Only a quarter of respondents report that their finances are better today than a year ago, despite increased average home values and incomes. Thirty-two percent of respondents believe now is a good time to purchase large, durable goods like refrigerators. Prices of such durable goods fell 1.4% over the last year, compared to a slight decrease in nondurables (-0.2%) and an increase in services (5.7%). Virginians are less optimistic about current conditions than the nation. The preliminary national ICC was 77.4 in August 2023.

Although sentiment is low in the commonwealth,

there is relative optimism about the future. The Virginia Index of Consumer Expectations (VA ICE) is 74.2, down 4.0 points since last quarter but almost 7.0 points above the national number of 67.3. About 40% of respondents believe the coming five to 10 years will be a period of economic growth and prosperity, and 35% anticipate improved household finances in the coming year. The optimism is likely linked to low inflation expectations: the 12-month inflation expectation is 3.3% nationally and 3.0% in Virginia.

Analysis

"Consumer sentiment stalled a bit this quarter, likely due to consumer frustration over high price levels," says Dr. Alice Louise Kassens, John S. Shannon Professor of Economics and senior analyst at the Roanoke College Institute for Policy and Opinion Research. "Consumer sentiment reflects how consumers feel about the economy, and it signals their anticipated consumption patterns now and into the near future. While sentiment fell slightly this quarter, it is higher today than one year ago; a one-period drop does not mean we will stay on that downward path, particularly in light of slowing price growth, strong labor markets and rising wages. The labor market remains resilient and is a tailwind for the economy. The Virginia labor market in particular is tight, with only one unemployed worker for every 2.5 job openings. Consumer spending, which increased nationally by 0.4 percentage points between May and June 2023, remains strong, particularly for goods. Increased consumer spending adds to inflation, but given it makes up two-thirds of total spending in our economy, it is a firewall against a recession. The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta's GDP nowcast for the third quarter is 5.8%, indicating a strong U.S. economy."

Methodology

Interviewing for The Roanoke College Poll was conducted by The Institute for Policy and Opinion Research at Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia, between Aug. 6 and Aug. 15, 2023. A total of 751 completed interviews came from random telephone calls to 459 Virginians, and 292 responses were drawn from a proprietary online panel of Virginians. Telephone interviews were conducted in English. Cell phones constituted 53% of the completed phone interviews. Marketing Systems Group provided the telephone dialing frame, and Lucid, LLC facilitated the online panel.

Questions answered by the sample of 751 respondents are subject to a sampling error of plus or minus approximately 4.0 percent at the 95% confidence level. This means that in 95 out of 100 samples like the one used here, the results should be at most 4.0 percentage points above or below the figure obtained by interviewing all Virginians with a home telephone or a cell phone. Where the results of subgroups are reported, the sampling error is higher.

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4. Indigenous peoples of northern Scandinavia
9. Popular California/Nevada lake
14. Go quickly
15. Fatty acid in soaps
16. Brand of fuel stations
17. State of fuss
18. Romance novelist
20. Members of a household
22. Asserts to be the case
23. Type of infection
24. With metal inlays
28. Chinese philosophic principle
29. Early multimedia
30. Employee stock ownership plan
31. He investigated Clinton administration
33. Shells
37. Six

CLUES DOWN
38. Snake-like fish
39. Capital of Kenya
41. Influential group (abbr.)
42. Used to chop
43. It comes as a case
44. Challenges
46. Small amounts
49. The Golden State
50. Peyton's little brother
51. For walking in Alaska
55. Buddhist honorific titles
58. Lively ballroom dance
59. Capital of Albania
60. Late night host
64. Draw from
65. A way to utilize
66. One who is not native Hawaiian
67. A power to perceive
68. Bulky
69. Horse mackerels
70. Proclaim out loud

CLUES DOWN
1. Hits
2. Bathroom accessory
3. Young
4. Beef patties
5. It's often in soap
6. For each
7. Innermost membrane
7. Enveloping the brain
8. A way to leave
9. Emaciation
10. Punish with a fine
11. Steeds
12. Having eight
13. Greek goddess of the dawn
19. Mature reproductive cells
21. Armadillo species
24. Ancient country in what is now Romania
25. Extreme greed
26. Stars
27. Poems
31. Places to sit

CLUES DOWN
32. One from the Lone Star State
34. Small rails
35. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)
36. Where coaches work
40. Indicates position
41. Mammals
45. Resembling a wing
47. Beliefs
48. Hindu male religious teachers
52. Mischievously
53. Where athletes want to end up (abbr.)
54. Large, deep-bodied fish
56. Horned squash bug genus
57. Excessively sentimental
59. Shared verbally
60. You can put it on toast
61. Data mining methodology (abbr.)
62. Resinlike substance secreted by certain insects
63. Mauna ____, Hawaiian volcano

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK



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Shelly Koon
Contributing Writer

Tomatoes have started to show up on my porch. My neighbor, Jane, grows vegetables in raised beds in her back yard. It's a war against the squirrels, birds, and groundhogs but she gets some to do well. They may not be pretty, but they taste good. I give her Betsy's reject dog treats for her dogs, and she gives me tomatoes. This week I have an abundance of tomatoes. I decided to make a recipe that I got from an old friend. This savory pie is a good use for fresh tomatoes and is held together by a mixture of mayonnaise and cheese. This friend was the total opposite of me. She liked natural fabrics, hated air conditioning, and grew her own food. Her dream was to own a place in the country and keep chickens. She made this pie and I thought she was nuts. The words tomato and pie just did not go together in my mind. However, one bite and I was hooked. She gave me the recipe and the recipe tips were longer than the recipe. Her tips help prevent a soggy bottom. I use a premade frozen deep dish pie crust but you can make your own. The crust is prebaked and then lined with bread crumbs. Some recommend cornmeal to line the crust. I use seasoned bread crumbs but you can use plain or Italian seasoned. Fresh summer tomatoes emit a lot of water when cooked. It's best to get as much of that liquid out as possible before adding them to your baked crust. One key is to cut up your tomatoes, remove the watery seeds, sprinkle with salt and let stand in a colander for at least 30 minutes. Then when you are ready to use them, pat them and squeeze them very dry with paper towels. She also said to add cooked, crumbled bacon to the layers in the pie for extra flavor.

Ingredients

- 1 deep dish pie shell (homemade or store-bought)
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 3 to 4 large tomatoes, I dice them up but the recipe says to slice them (approximately 3 cups chopped tomatoes)
- 1/2 cup chopped yellow or red onion
- 1/4 cup sliced basil

- 2 cups grated cheese (combination of sharp cheddar and Monterey Jack, or Gruyere or Mozzarella)
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 egg beaten
- 1 teaspoon Frank's Hot Sauce or Tabasco, or to taste
- 1/4 tsp ground black pepper
- 2 TBSP bread crumbs or cornmeal

Preheat the oven to 350°F (175°C). Place the oven rack in the center of the oven.

Pre-bake the crust:

If you are using a store-bought pie shell, follow the directions on the package for pre-baking, or pre-bake it in the oven for about 8 to 10 minutes (a little longer for a frozen pie shell), until lightly browned.

If you are using a homemade crust, press it into the pie plate and freeze for 30 minutes. Remove the plate from the freezer and press a sheet of aluminum foil into the crust to keep the sides of the pie crust from falling down as it cooks. Fill the pie with pie weights such as dry beans or rice to help hold the foil in place.

Pre-bake the homemade crust for 15 minutes, then remove the foil, use the tines of a fork to poke a few small holes in the bottom of the crust (for venting), and bake for 10 more minutes

Salt and drain the tomatoes while you are prebaking the crust.

In a large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil over medium-high heat. Add the onion; cook until lightly browned on the edges (about 6 minutes). Transfer onion to a bowl and set aside to cool completely.

Make cheese mixture. In a medium bowl, mix together the cooked onion, grated cheese, egg, mayonnaise, Tabasco, and a sprinkling of freshly ground black pepper. Sprinkle the bread crumbs over the pie shell evenly. Spread half of the cheese mixture over the bottom of your pre-baked pie crust shell. Spread the drained chopped tomatoes over the cheese mixture. Sprinkle the sliced basil over the tomatoes. Spread the rest of the cheese mixture over the tomatoes.

Place in the oven and bake at 350°F (175°C) until browned and bubbly, 25 to 45 minutes.

Cut into slices and serve warm or at room temperature. I find that it's easiest to slice when I allow the pie to rest for at least 20 minutes being cutting into it.

SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT



COURTESY OF SALEM MUSEUM

Dixie Caverns Souvenir Dish

Many local residents are familiar with Dixie Caverns, but not everyone knows the legend of how the local cavern got its name.

According to the story, in 1920 two boys were hunting on a local hill when their dog, Dixie, fell into a hidden hole. Dixie only fell a few feet and was easily rescued, but they quickly discovered that the hole led to a large cavern system. This marked the official discovery of Dixie Caverns, though local Glenvar residents were likely already aware of the cavern before then. Today it is a popular destination for locals and tourists to tour the caverns and see its natural formations.

Due to this popularity, there are also plenty of souvenirs from Dixie Caverns. This Dixie Caverns souvenir dish is currently on display in the Salem Museum's new featured exhibit "Hometown History."

Scattered throughout Salem and the surrounding area are countless reminders of Salem's past. Many of these locations have either been replaced or forgotten after years of development. "Hometown History: Salem's Forgotten Beginnings" sets out to share these historic locations' forgotten stories.

The Salem Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and located at 801 E. Main St.



COURTESY PHOTO

Dover

Rising star Dalton Dover headlining Star-B-Q 2023

One of the most respected new artists in country music is headed to Salem to headline the 2023 Star-B-Q concert at the Salem Farmers Market, according to the city of Salem. Dalton Dover will become the latest up-and-coming recording artist to play the annual fall concert on Wednesday, Sept. 20. Southwest Virginia's Travis Reigh will open the show.

Dover is just 23-year-old, but his path to country music radio and the various streaming services is no different than most. He first started singing in church and his first big award came in the fifth grade when he won a talent show performing Justin Bieber's "Baby."

His grandfather eventually introduced him country music and classic artists like Keith Whitley, Rhett Akins, Joe Diffie, Conway

Twitty, Merle Haggard and Steve Wariner. Enamored with the honesty and storytelling found in country music, Whitley's "Don't Close Your Eyes" was the first song Dover taught himself to play on guitar.

Despite his young age, the Universal Music Group Nashville artist has been called a "master country talent." He credits current stars Luke Bryan and Blake Shelton with influencing and inspiring him to make great music.

You will get no argument on that from his wife, Faith, who was also his high school sweetheart. The couple still lives in Polk County, Georgia in small town of Rome that has a population of 1,200. They have lived there all their lives and hope to give

their two young children the same experiences they enjoyed in a small town.

His debut hit "You Got a Small Town" drew critical acclaim from Billboard, MusicRow, Country Now and Wide Open Country" and he was named a Spotify Hot Country "2022 Artist to Watch". His other releases include "Damn Good Life" and "Night To Go."

The Star-B-Q concerts have featured an amazing array of artists since 2007 including - Clint Black, Montgomery Gentry, Billy Currington, John Rich, Lauren Alaina, Maddie & Tae, Bucky Covington, Jordan Davis, and Parker McCollum to mention a few.

- The Salem Times-Register

Award

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few bad choices. The county said is important for college students from the "outside" to come inside the facility and see what life is like, which gives them the opportunity to share with their communities what they have learned.

"The Inside-Out program has proven to be a great partnership, between Roanoke College and the Roanoke County Sheriff's Office," said Roanoke County Sheriff Eric Orange. "This program allows outsiders a view into the criminal justice/corrections system, that they may not otherwise experience prior to entering the workforce, while providing insiders with the opportunity to further their education and give promise to the opportunities that exist post release."

The most recent class met

once a week during the fall 2022 semester in the Roanoke County Jail where Melanie Trexler, associate professor of religion and philosophy at Roanoke College, and students were brought into a secure location for class to be held face-to-face with inmates. The class met in a room monitored by a Roanoke County deputy. For 13 weeks, the students facilitated an inclusive environment and safe space for everyone to learn from each other.

"We live together in society and have the responsibility to all learn together," said Trexler.

Since the program's inception four years ago, the sheriff's office has completed three semesters with 23 inmates successfully completing the course.

"Inside-Out has been an eye-

opening experience for many involved and helped to open the door for other possible programs and partnerships," said Orange. "I am grateful to Roanoke College for their willingness to partner with us on this endeavor and for all of the participants, that have helped to make this program a success."

This year marks the 21st year of the VACo Achievement Awards.

"We are pleased the County is recognized for its innovative work and collaboration within the community," said Richard Caywood, Roanoke County administrator. "Thanks to the partnership between the Sheriff's Office and Roanoke College, the Inside-Out program will surely leave a lasting impact on many college students and inmates."



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Interstate 81

SLOW ROLLS TO IMPACT I-81 IN ROANOKE - AEP will be performing a slow roll operation for two crossings in both directions over I-81 near mile marker 135.41 and 135.91 on Thursday, September 14 from 12 a.m. to 5 a.m.

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

ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC IMPACTS:

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

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

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.

ROUTE 605 - There will be intermittent lane closures on Route 605 under the bridge maintained by flagging operations.

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

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, for work overhead on the bridge.

I-81 PAVING OPERATIONS - Weather permitting, crews will be performing paving operations along Interstate 81. Right and left lane closures may be in place along northbound and southbound lanes during nighttime hours, 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Drivers should watch for moving vehicles and equipment. Expect possible delays.

I-81 BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS - Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 170 to 89, 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

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

I-581/220 LANE & RAMP CLOSURES FOR PAVING AND MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS IN 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 delays.

Roanoke City

13th STREET SE 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-foot-wide 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. Minimal traffic impacts at this time. The project is expected to be completed in late summer 2023.

Roanoke County

STARKEYROADANDBUCKMOUNTAIN ROAD ROUNDABOUT - A road project to construct a single-lane roundabout at the intersection of Route 904 (Starkey Road) and Route 679 (Buck Mountain Road) is underway. The new roundabout is now open to traffic and drivers should be aware of the new roundabout configuration. There will be occasional flagging operations in place between the 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the intersection of Starkey Road and Buck Mountain Road, drivers should still expect lane closures with flaggers controlling traffic for final paving, additional concrete pouring and pavement marking until the project is finished. Final completion is expected in late spring 2024.

LANE CLOSURES WITH FLAGGING OPERATIONS: Lane closure times of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. resumed on Monday, July 31 to allow preparation for school to begin.

ROUNDABOUT: The roundabout configuration has been set up. This means drivers should continue around the circle without turning left and that drivers in the circle have the right of way.

MOUNTAIN VALLEY PIPELINE - Mountain Valley Pipeline is expected to begin full construction again by mid-July. Temporary intermittent flagging operations will be in place in the county throughout the remainder of the project (with a tentative completion date of February 2024) to load/unload equipment at crossings and construction entrances. Scheduled completion is February 2024.

PAVING OPERATIONS - Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight or nighttime hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

Botetourt County

DALEVILLE INTERSECTION PROJECT FOR FIELDSTONE DEVELOPMENT ACCESS - Lane closures 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

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OBITUARIES

McCormick, Sue

Sue McCormick, 79, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2023, in Salem, VA. She was born on May 21, 1944, in Hamlin, West Virginia, to her late parents, Ernest Turley and Lydia Smith Turley.



Canada.

Sue was a devout woman who lived her life according to her faith. She cherished her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her passions included gardening, cooking, and spending time in nature. She worked as a private-duty LPN for over 20 years and also drove a tractor-trailer truck with her husband, exploring the United States and

Sue was preceded in death by her grandparents Richard Smith and Sue Ella Thompson, and her siblings Elaine Akers, Bill Turley, Marylee Scott, Evelyn Chapman, Glenn Turley, Judy Hammill, and Helen Hernandez.

She is survived by her spouse, Kenneth McCormick; children, Vincent McCormick and his wife Betsy, Traci Bitrick and her husband Matthew; siblings, Renee Bayne, Valena Trowbridge, Joan Hayes, and Charles Turley; grandchildren, Jared McCormick, Sophia McCormick, Jamous Bitrick, and Eli Bitrick; and great-grandchild, Jutaro Bitrick.

A graveside service was held on Friday, August 4, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. at East Hill Cemetery.

Please visit www.johnmoakey.com to express your condolences online.

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work is associated with construction of the Fieldstone Development through a permit. Lane closures will be set up on various days and noise disturbances may be in place through August 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 project. Drivers should expect delays due to a single lane closure across the bridge with a flagging operation. The jacking and bearing replacements have been completed. Contractors are now applying protective paint underneath the bridge and will replace expansion dams on the bridge deck. Message boards are present to alert and update drivers. Expected

completion in early fall 2023.

FLAGGING OPERATION - A flagging operation will be in place on the bridge Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. until early part of August 2023. Drivers should expect delays.

PAVING OPERATIONS - Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight or nighttime hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

Craig County PAVING OPERATIONS - Weather permitting, crews will pave, patch and repair pavement on various routes. Lane closures may be in place and flaggers may control traffic at times during daylight


or nighttime hours. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, U.S.A., INC.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 226 South Broad Street, Salem. Rev. Melton Johnson, 389-9648. Sunday School 9:30 AM, Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 AM, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM.

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

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

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)
SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 41 East Main Street, Salem, VA . 389-3881. Come worship with us, Pastor, Rev. Chris Vogado, and our Associate Pastor, Rev. Janet Chisom each Sunday at 11:00 AM (10:00 AM from Memorial Day - Labor Day). In- Person Sunday School is 9:30 AM (9:00 AM Memorial Day - Labor Day). You may still worship with us online live at www.salempres.org, or Facebook, or YouTube. During in-person worship, masking for health reasons is optional.

UNITED METHODIST
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 125 W. Main St, Salem, VA. 540-389-5459. Pastor Alan Combs, Traditional Worship - 8:45am, Sunday School - 9:45am, Genesis Contemporary Worship 10am; Traditional Worship - 11:00am. www.fumcsalemva.org.

LOCUST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 3415 Locust Grove Lane, Salem, 380-4303, Pastor Logan Hollenbeck. Each Sunday Traditional Worship 9:30 a.m.

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



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Auctions

PUBLIC NOTICE
The contents of the listed unit will be sold at Public Auction August 25, 2023 at 11am at 1st Security Self Storage 5 Midway Plaza Dr. Christiansburg, VA. D020 D025 1st Security reserves the right to refuse any bid. Terms: CASH OR CREDIT CARD AT SALE.

Help Wanted - General

Help Wanted: The Depot Lodge in Paint Bank Virginia is now hiring housekeepers. Must be available weekends. If interested, call Tina at 540-897-6000. No experience necessary.

Help Wanted Experienced Barber and Cosmetologist Needed

Upscale Barber-Salon Hair and Skin Care Center One of Southwest Virginia's Most Exclusive Shops Conveniently located at 810 University Boulevard Suite E, Blacksburg, VA 24060 Shop # 540-808-7745

Research Scientist, Blacksburg, VA.

Chemist w/strong understanding of chemistry principles behind quantum mechanics, biomolecular simulation, & computational materials science to create computer code to describe/predict molecular relationships. Develop computational chemistry software infrastructure & frameworks for scientific community use & development. Teleworking may be available on an ad hoc basis. Criminal conviction check reqd. Apply online w/VA Tech at <https://jobs.vt.edu/>

Help Wanted - Medical

B.I. Dvlp'r-1, Roanoke, VA.

Analyze, gather data req's, dvlp, modify, validate, & extract reports using Oracle SQL Server. Work on SQL Querying, Stored Procedures, Data Analysis & Complex reporting. Fix data integ issues. F/T remote work from home allowed. Apply online w/Carilion Services, Inc. at <https://jobs.carilionclinic.org/job>

Homes For Rent

Brick Ranch rent: Daleville, Bot. Co shopping, schools 5 min

3 BR 2 Ba EIK + formal dining room, quiet street, great neighborhood. Family room w/ fp.Rear Deck has gorgeous views of mtns & large back yard Basement: finished rec room, laundry hookups, lots storage!! 2 car garage 2400' living space on quiet pretty street, great neighborhood. Shown by appt. after Aug/15/2023. Move in Sept 15. Rent \$2100 + deposit \$2100 tenant pays utilities. Tenant to provide credit report. Call Micki 540-556-2525 Will send photos

Cemetery Plots & Monuments

FOR SALE
Two Cemetery Plots Westview Cemetery \$950 each Please call 276-692-5167

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE 740 Elizabeth Avenue, Salem, VA 24153

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust dated July 31, 2002 and recorded at Instrument Number

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020003402 in the Clerk's Office for the City of Salem Virginia Circuit Court, Virginia, securing a loan which was originally \$87,400.00. The appointed SUBSTITUE 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. September 28, 2023 at 10:00 AM improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of the following described property, to wit: BEGINNING at a point on the south side of Elizabeth Avenue, said point being N. 82 degs. 58' E. 339.50 feet from the intersection of Arch Street and Elizabeth Avenue; thence N. 82 degs. 58' E. 62.50 feet to an iron; thence S. 7 degs. 02' E. 158.05 feet to an iron; thence S. 87 degs. 37' W. 62.71 feet to an iron; thence N. 7 degs. 02' W. 152.96 feet to the place of BEGINNING, and being part of Lots 7 and 8, Section 3, Map of Puckett Addition; and BEING the same property conveyed unto the Grantor herein by deed dated July 30, 2002 from James M. George and Buddy D. Mason and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office immediately prior hereto. AND as more fully described in the 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 forfeited and applied to the costs and expenses of sale and Substitute Trustee's fee. All other public charges or assessments, including water/sewer charges, whether incurred prior to or after the sale, and all other costs incident to settlement to be paid by the purchaser. In the event taxes, any other public charges have been advanced, a credit will be due to the seller, to be adjusted from the date of 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 bidding. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT Rosenberg & Associates, LLC (Attorney for the Secured Party) 4340 East West Highway, Suite 600 Bethesda, MD 20814 301-907-8000 www.rosenberg-assoc.com

Trustee's Sale

1442 Filson St, Salem, VA 24153

(Parcel ID: 239-6-1)

Default having been made in the terms of a certain Deed of Trust dated October 18, 2004, in the original principal amount of \$74,000.00 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Salem, Virginia on November 15, 2004, as Instrument Number 040004736, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will sell at public auction on September 29, 2023 at 10:00 AM, in front of the building housing the City of Salem Circuit Court, 2 East Calhoun Street, Salem, VA 24153, the property designated as Lot 10, Block 6, according to the Map of Section 3, South Side Hills, made by

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Raymond E. Robertson, SCE, February 26, 1955, of record in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Roanoke County, Virginia, in Plat Book 6, page 43. Sale is subject to all prior liens, easements, restrictions, covenants, and conditions, if any, of record, or other matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the premises. TERMS: CASH. A deposit of \$7,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required of the successful bidder at time of sale. Prior to the sale, interested bidders will be required to register with and must present a bid deposit which may be held during the sale by the trustee. The bid deposit must be certified funds and/or cash, but no more than \$9,900.00 of cash will be accepted. The successful bidder's deposit will be retained at the sale and applied to the sale price. If held by the trustee, all other bid deposits will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders. Settlement is to be made within 15 days. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining possession of the property, and for all costs and fees related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Memorandum of Trustee's Sale, available for review upon request before the sale, outlining additional terms of sale and settlement. A Trustee's Deed will be prepared by Trustee's attorney at high bidder's expense. This is a communication from a debt collector. Tromberg, Morris & Poulin, PLLC on behalf of Southeast Equity Trustees, LLC and/or Auction.com-VA, LLC, Substitute Trustee(s), 413 Stuart Circle, Suite 314, Richmond, VA 23220, File No. 22-001096, Tel: 804-525-1570.

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons

that the Council of the City of Salem, at its regular meeting on Monday, August 28th, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 114 N. Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA:

1. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Jesse Spence, property owner, for the issuance of a Special Exception Permit to allow a two family dwelling on the property located at 128 Bellevue Avenue (Tax Map # 78-1-1).
2. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Helm Building Enterprises Ltd., property owner, for rezoning the property located at 105 St. John Road (Tax Map # 155-3-2) from HBD Highway Business District to HM Heavy Manufacturing.
3. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Doyle Properties, LLC, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 2005 East Main Street (Tax Map # 78-2-2.11) from RSF Residential Single Family to HBD Highway Business District.
4. Hold public hearing to consider the request of Neal Wall, property owner, for rezoning the properties located at 1139, 1133, and 1127 Highland Road (Tax Map # 230-2-7, 230-2-6, and 230-2-5) from RSF Residential Single Family to HBD Highway Business District. If approved, Salem City Council intends to adopt the ordinance(s) associated with the above item(s) on first reading, with a second reading of those ordinance(s) at a subsequent meeting. Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia. At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY: H. Robert Light Clerk of Council

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the City of Salem, Roanoke County, Virginia, and Case No. 23-03-0152P. The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect these flood hazard determinations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. For more information on the proposed flood hazard determinations and information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit FEMA's website at https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/BFE_Status/bfe_main.asp, or call the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held before Salem City Council, in Council Chambers, Salem City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, Salem, Virginia, on August 28, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. to consider the following amendment to The Code of the City of Salem, Virginia, pertaining to a change in voting places:

Section 26-41 (b) to change the voting place of Precinct D or West Salem Precinct from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Social Hall, located at 314 Turner Road, to the Salem Civic Center, located at 1001 Roanoke Boulevard, Salem, Virginia 24153; and Section 26-47 (b) to change the voting place of Precinct J or Beverly Heights Precinct from Fort Lewis Christian Church, Fellowship Hall, 2931 West Main Street, to the Salem Civic Center located at 1001 Roanoke Boulevard, Salem, Virginia 24153. Maps and other documents pertaining to these changes may be viewed in the City Manager's Office, 114 North Broad Street, Salem, Virginia. Interested parties may appear at the public hearing and be heard by City Council.

CITY OF SALEM

H. Robert Light Clerk of Salem City Council

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 1155 KING STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073.

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated October 18, 2013, in the original principal amount of \$133,257.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Virginia as Instrument No. 13010149 . The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Montgomery County, 55 East Main Street, Christiansburg, Virginia or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the

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Judges of the Circuit Court on September 18, 2023, at 12:30 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL OF LOT 2, BRUMFIELD HEIGHTS CONTAINING 0.581 ACRE, AS SHOWN AND DESCRIBED ON A MAP ENTITLED, "MAP OF SURVEY OF 0.518 ACRES IN CAMBRIA TO BE ACQUIRED BY KENT R. CARLSON AND LORRAINE H. LANDIS FROM LEIGH C. GARRISON, TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA," PREPARED BY ANDERSON AND ASSOCIATES, INC., DATED JULY 29, 1993, DESIGNATED AS DOCUMENT NO. 10645002. A COPY OF WHICH MAP IS RECORDED IN THE CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN DEED BOOK 801, AT PAGE 31. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com. VA-307497-2.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 1650 BOW HILL ROAD, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073.

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated January 25, 2006, in the original principal amount of \$43,700.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Virginia as Instrument No. 06000887. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Montgomery County, 55 East Main Street, Christiansburg, Virginia or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court on September 18, 2023, at 12:30 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THOSE CERTAIN TRACTS OR PARCELS OF LAND WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE SHAWSVILLE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AND BEING ALL OF TWO (2) TRACTS OR PARCELS OF LAND, AS SHOWN ON A PLAT OF SURVEY STYLED "PLAT OF PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED BY NELL T. JEFFERSON", DATED JUNE 21, 1988, PREPARED BY CLEAN WATER ENGINEERS,

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INC., AND DESIGNATED AS DRAWING NUMBER S-8, WHICH MAP IS RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN PLAT BOOK 14, PAGE 158. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwwsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWW Law Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwwsales.com. VA-307497-2.

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316
Case No. **JJ00376703-03**
RADOFRD CITY JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* Miranda Sue Simpkins. Toney Lee Martin, Christopher and Christa Simpkins, Tammy Sue Davidson *vs.* Karen Sue Webb
The object of this suit is to: DETERMINE CUSTODY AND VISITATION OF THE MINOR CHILD. It is ORDERED that TONY LEE MARTIN appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before September 22, 2023.
July 21, 2023
Sally Davis, CLERK

ABC NOTICE

THE BLUE HEN LLC., trading as THE BLUE HEN, 1465 Roanoke Street, Christiansburg, Montgomery County, VA. 24073

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Retail restaurant or caterer Application- Restaurant, Wine, Beer, Mixed Beverages, Consumed On and Off Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

MAGDY GHALY, OWNER.

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

ABC NOTICE

NOT YOUR MAMA'S PASTA LLC., trading as Not Your Mama's Pasta LLC, 301 S. Main Street, Blacksburg, Montgomery County, Virginia 24060.
The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Retail Restaurant or Caterer Application-Wine, Beer,

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consumed On and Off Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.
Chris Cirenza, Owner

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF PROPERTY 201 S. Main Street and 105 Lee Street, Blacksburg, VA 24060

Tax Map Nos. 257-A 47 and 257-A 48 Parcel ID Nos. 002611 and 002612
In execution of a Credit Line Deed of Trust dated February 20, 2020, in the principal amount of \$2,109,000.00, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, of record as Instrument Number 2020001260, Woods Rogers Vandeventer Black PLC, Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction outside the main entrance of the Montgomery County Circuit Court, 55 East Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, on September 8, 2023 at 12:00 noon, the property described in said Deed of Trust lying in Montgomery County, Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

All of the following tract or parcel of land lying and being in the Town of Blacksburg, Mt. Tabor Magisterial District, County of Montgomery, State of Virginia, and more particularly described as follows:

Two parcels of adjacent real estate in the Town of Blacksburg, County of Montgomery, Virginia bounded in part by South Main, Lee, and Church Streets, Blacksburg, Virginia, Tax Map Numbers 257-A 47 (PID 002611) and 257-A 48 (PID 002612), beginning at the corner of Main and Lee Street and running with the south line of Lee Street in an easterly direction 268 feet to the corner of Lee and Church Street in a southerly direction 100 feet to a point on said line; thence in a westerly direction parallel to Lee Street 268 feet to a point on the east line of Main Street; and thence with the east line of Main Street in a northerly direction 100 feet to the place of Beginning.

TERMS: Cash - Bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sales price by cashier's or certified check may be required. Balance of purchase price shall be due and payable not later than ten (10) days after sale. WOODS ROGERS VANDEVENTER BLACK PLC, Substitute Trustee

For Information Contact: Woods Rogers Vandeventer Black PLC, P.O. Box 14125, Roanoke, VA 24038-4125, Telephone: 540-983-7729

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. CL23000992-00
MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* NANNIE FAY LONG, THOMAS LONG AND EDWARD LONG *v.* NONE
It is ORDERED that GAIL LONG, BETHANY LONG, SABRINA LONG, SCOTTY W. LONG, BILLY W. LONG appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before OCTOBER 20, 2023 AT 8:30 AM..
AUGUST 9, 2023
TIFFANY M. COUCH, CLERK



Services Needed Salem Area

VDOT
Virginia Department of Transportation

ADVERTISEMENT FOR SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES WITH OPERATOR SIGNUP

The Virginia Department of Transportation invites heavy equipment owners to sign up for the rental of their equipment with operators for SNOW & ICE REMOVAL purposes in Salem Residency which includes the counties of Roanoke, Botetourt and Craig during the winter of 2023-2024. Price per hour shall include operators, fuel, tire chains, supplies and required insurance. VDOT will need dump trucks,

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pickups with plows, motorgraders, backhoes, dozers, track loaders, tractors, rubber-tire loaders and farm tractors. All equipment shall be equipped for night work and be in good mechanical condition to ensure a safe and dependable 24/7 operation. VDOT reserves the right to determine acceptability of equipment size and condition for the task. Contractors submitting prices meeting the requirements of the Agreement may be contracted with and may be eligible to receive a mobilization payment and a minimum guaranteed payment for the season.

Contractors must submit their application on the electronic M7B bidding site at <https://plow4va.com/>. All new and returning Contractors must be active in the Virginia

eProcurement Portal (eVA) in order to do business with the Commonwealth of Virginia (<https://eva.virginia.gov>).

Applications received by 7:00 PM on Monday October 2, 2023 may be eligible for a mobilization bonus. See the EVA posting for additional information, including contract requirements.

Questions can be directed to the Salem Residency from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday – Friday. Phone: 540-387-5497. Email: SalemDistrictSnow@vdot.virginia.gov EEO/AA Employer

Services Needed Christiansburg Area

VDOT
Virginia Department of Transportation

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RECREATION FOOTBALL OPENS SATURDAY

Recreation football leagues for Salem and Glenvar kids will have season openers this Saturday at various locations around the valley. Check the City of Salem website for times and locations of games. Above, Salem High football players instructed these future Spartans at the recent Salem Department of Parks & Recreation football camp at Spartan Field. Below, Glenvar kids practice at Green Hill Park to get ready for the coming season.

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Red Sox will host Nationals farm team all week



Albertson Asigen of the Salem Red Sox takes a rip at the last homestand.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

The Salem Red Sox will be home all week as they host Fredricksburg for their second last homestand of the season.

The Sox will host the Nationals for six games beginning Tuesday. Weekday games will be 7:05 starts with a 6:05 pm start Saturday and a 3:05 pm getaway game Sunday. Tonight will be "College Night," followed by "Marvel Super Hero Night" Friday and "Bark in the Park" Saturday.

The Sox come into the homestand with a 21-27 record in the second half of the Carolina League split season. They're eight games behind Carolina in the North Division, effectively ending their chances of post-season play.

The Red Sox had a six game series against the Delmarva Shorebirds in Salisbury, MD last week and split the series with the Baltimore Orioles far team. Salem won the first and third games, 6-2 and 4-2, around a 7-3 loss on Wednesday of last week. They lost the next two, 7-1 on Saturday and 10-2 on Sunday, but bounced back to win Sunday's series finale, 8-6, to earn a series split.

On Sunday the Sox trailed 2-0 after five innings but put a crooked seven on the scoreboard in the top of the sixth. Luis Ravelo hit a two run homer with one out, then Albert Feliz blasted a three run bomb with two outs. Johnfrank Salazar had three hits Sunday and Albertson Asigen drove in two runs.

Railin Paez picked up his fourth win on the mound Sunday, pitching the first six innings and fanning five. The Birds scored four runs against three Salem relievers but the Sox were able to hold on for the win.

After this week's series with Fredricksburg the Red Sox will head to Augusta for six game series on Tuesday. They'll wrap up the season with six games at home against Carolina beginning September 5.

Kasey Draper of RC is Region VI Athlete-of-the-Year

The Division III Commissioner's Association has announced the 20 student-athletes who have been recognized by the organization as the Regional Student-Athletes of the Year, and in just the second year of the award recent Roanoke College graduate Kasey Draper of the men's basketball team has been named the Region VI Men's Student-Athlete of the Year.

Each of the regional winners will advance to the national ballot for consideration as the 2022-23 D3CA Men's and Women's Sport Student Athletes of the Year. Washington and Lee's field hockey player Tess Muneses was named the Region VI Women's Student-Athlete of the Year. Only graduating seniors are eligible for the award.

Selection criteria for the awards included academic achievement, athletics excellence, service and leadership and a personal statement submitted by each nominee. Voting was conducted by the commissioners within each of the ten regions, with the top male and female honoree recognized as finalists for the Awards Committee to select the Division III Commissioner's Association Men's Sport and Women's Sport Student-Athlete of the Year.

"In my experience, it wasn't how my athletic career impacted my academic career, it was more about how the two coincided because I cared about and prioritized them equally, so the two banded off one another and shaped me into the person I am today," said Draper.

Draper has experience with multi-tiered awards. Earlier this season, the Roanoke-native was named the ODAC's winner of the Harry G "Doc" Jopson Award, the highest award a male student-athlete can earn; as well as one of 10 finalists for the men's Jostens Trophy, an award developed by the Rotary Club of Salem, Va., with Jostens Inc. that honors the top men's and women's basketball scholar-athletes in Division III.

Roanoke's Class of 2023 Valedictorian earned numerous honors in his pursuit of a business administration degree with a concentration in marketing and a minor in Spanish. He received the Powell



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

KASEY DRAPER

Scholarship Award for Business as well as the Dr. William A. Sandridge Leadership Award, John Todd Faw Memorial Award, and Business Advisory Board Award as major honors from Roanoke College. He is a two-time ODAC/Virginia Farm Bureau Insurance Scholar-Athlete of the Year for men's basketball in addition to two selections to the CSC Academic All-America First Team. He will soon earn his fourth appointment to the ODAC All-Academic Team to go with eight semesters of Roanoke President's List achievements.

Draper maintained a 4.00 grade point average in

his classroom work. He is a member of numerous honor societies including Omicron Delta Kappa (leadership), Alpha Lambda Delta (first-year academic excellence), Delta Mu Delta (business), Xi Theta Chi (languages, cultures, and civilizations), and Sigma Delta Pi (Hispanic).

Campus and community activity is a central focus for Draper, evidenced by earning Roanoke's Paul W. Rice Award presented to the senior student-athlete who has made significant contributions to campus life. He is a founder and leader with Young Life, a Christian ministry that reaches out to middle school, high school, and college students around the world. He has served as a Maroon Ambassador, member of the Student President Search Committee, and as a program mentor for "Joy of Reading" at West Salem Elementary. He has been a guest speaker at Northside High School and a volunteer and guest speaker at Exercise Skill Development Camp. He has helped with Appalachian Outreach Missionary and Habitat for Humanity RC Home Construction.

"Kasey is the consummate student-athlete," said Maroon basketball coach Clay Nunley. "For four years, he applied himself as a person, a student, and a basketball player to the very best of his abilities. His outstanding and unique accomplishments are a testament to that. Kasey is an impactful leader and a person of uncompromising character and integrity. He was a privilege to coach and leaves Roanoke with a remarkable career of which to be proud."

On the basketball court, Draper was a three-time All-ODAC First Team selection and two-time honoree as the Roanoke College Male Athlete of the Year. He was a three-year captain for the Maroons and earned multiple tournament honors including MVP laurels at the 2022 Cregger Tip-Off and Dick Leftwich tournaments.

Draper graduated having scored 1,521 points with 543 rebounds and 117 assists in four seasons covering 92 games with 84 starts. He averaged double figures in points in each season highlighted by 20.5 points per game and 554 total points in 2021-22, both second in the conference.

Busy week for Spartan golfers

The Salem High golfers have had a busy week, getting a variety of matches in before school officially opened this week.

Last Tuesday Salem's Taylor Davis played in the Tiger Girls' Invitational in Gainesville, VA and finished third out of 40 girls. Taylor shot a three-over-par 75, including one-under on the back nine.

"A great round on a beautiful course against a solid field," said Salem coach Blaine Hancock. "Taylor was solid from tee to green and just kept giving herself opportunities all day. Finishing in the top three against that field is a great accomplishment."

On Wednesday of last week the Salem jayvees played a nine hole match at the Willow Creek Golf Club in Franklin County.

"For the first time ever, we have a JV team that was able to participate in a JV match," said Hancock. "We have four on our team, but only three were able to participate

in this match."

Will Creger finished third out of 18 with a score of 43. Eli Wells and Landin Barton also played for Salem.

"I'm proud of our young guys," said Hancock. "Will played great and had one of his best rounds of the year. The future is bright for Salem golf."

A day later, on Thursday August 17, the varsity was back in action at the Blacksburg Country Club for the second River Ridge District match of the season. The Spartans finished second once again to a very talented Blacksburg team as the Bruins shot eight under as a team with a score of 280. Salem was second at 308, followed by Christiansburg at 322, Hidden Valley at 327, Patrick Henry with 328, Cave Spring at 348 and Pulaski County at 357.

Kathryn Ha led Salem and was third overall with an even par 72. Jake Albert of Blacksburg continued to post impressive scores as

he was eight under at 64 to easily win medalist honors over his teammate, Cameron Sharp, who shot 70.

Salem's next best score was a 78 by Andrew Rea. Davis and Aiden Andrews rounded out the scoring with 79 each while Zach Bocock shot 90 and Max Benne came in at 94.

"Jake Albert continued his hot playing, firing his second straight eight under score," said Hancock. "Hats off to him for just playing some unbelievably good golf. I'm thrilled with our team's performance. We were able to get four scores in the 70s for the first time this year with four players in the top 15 of our district."

On Monday the Spartans continued a busy schedule with a round at the Waterfront Country Club against host Franklin County and Patrick Henry. The Spartans shot 306 to win the day, followed by Franklin County at 352 and PH at 353.

Ha shot a career best 66 to finish six under par and pick up her fourth individual win of the young season. Davis was next at 73, Andrews shot 78 and Rea finished out the scoring with an 89. Salem golfers finished first, second and fourth on the day.

"Waterfront played tough and I was proud that we had three great scores," said Hancock. "This was our second lowest team score of the year by number, but our lowest team score to par at 18 over. I'm proud of this team as we continue to improve each tournament."

The jayvees were scheduled to play a nine hole match at Hunting Hills Tuesday. The next varsity match won't be until August 31 at the Hidden Valley Country Club, hosted by Salem and Hidden Valley High.



Kathryn Ha watches her shot fly in last week's golf match at the Blacksburg Country Club.

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Salem golfer Ha commits to UVA

Salem High junior golfer Kathryn Ha has announced her verbal commitment to play golf at UVA upon her graduation in 2025.

"I can't say enough great things about Kathryn," said Salem High golf coach Blaine Hancock. "I'm proud of her hard work and dedication that has led her to receiving an offer to play D1 golf at UVA."

Ha is the number one player on the Peggy Kirk Bell Girls Golf Tour after winning the tour championship. Kathryn is first out of 640 players and is the first player to ever win three championships on the PKBGT.

"To be number one out of 640 is just unbelievable!" said Hancock. "UVA will be getting a great golfer, but an even better person."



Grayson Shepherd of Glenvar hits a drive in last week's match at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club.

PHOTO BY MATT DE SIMONE

Highlanders host the 3RD at "Rock" today

The Glenvar golfers will be at the Hanging Rock Golf course today to play host to a Three Rivers District match. Tee time is 1:30 pm.

The Highlanders finished fourth in a match at the Botetourt Golf & Swim Club last Thursday with a team score of 346. Floyd County won the round with a team score of 318 followed by Radford at 329 and James River at 330.

The district was scheduled to play at the Great Oaks course in Floyd on Monday but that was postponed due to aerating of the greens. That match will now be played on September 7th.

A match at Cliff View that was previously postponed was moved to Tuesday of this week and the Highlanders shot a solid 331. Adam Franklin was low for the Highlanders with a 77.

"Adam has really worked hard and has greatly improved on chipping and putting," said Glenvar coach Shawn Duff.

Riley Wolk and Tyler Smith both shot 83 at Cliff View and Adam Harvey had an 88.

"I am really proud of how this team is responding and pushing each week to better themselves," said Duff.

MS v-ball teams on the road today

The Salem and Glenvar Middle School volleyball teams opened their seasons last week.

Glenvar opened with Central Academy and won in two sets, 25-16 and 25-12. "The team set a high standard for the rest of the season with how well they played," said coach Stephanie Butler.

Andrew Lewis lost their opener at home against Pulaski. The Wolverines won the first set, 25-21, but Pulaski rallied to take the next two 25-19 and 15-9 in the tie-breaker. On Thursday of last week the Wolverines bounced back to beat Blacksburg, 25-20, 17-25 and 15-9.

"We are working hard and making great progress," said coach Perry Manning.

Lewis was scheduled to visit Ben Franklin Middle School on Tuesday, followed by a match at Read Mountain today. Glenvar is at Christiansburg today.



Salem High's Taylor Davis(left) finished third among 40 girls in last week's Tiger Girls' Invitational in Gainesville, VA. Next to her is Brentsville District High golf coach Gina Butler, who organized the tournament.

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Benefit golf tournament honors Chase O'Brien

The 12th annual City of Salem Benefit Golf Tournament was held at the Salem Municipal Course on Academy Street Saturday. This year's proceeds went to the Life Ring Foundation in honor of Salem's Chase O'Brien. The winning team in the captain's choice tourney was, above left to right; Will Shaner, Joey Story, Sam McKinney and Frank Young. Below, Salem's Yogi Roberts putts on the first hole as teammates look on. Left to right are Keith Smith, Alan Zeigler and Ronnie Sink.

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Left, Spartans react as Dontay Davis(#34) recovers a fumble in the Brookville backfield Friday. Right, Josiah Persinger(#22), Dorian Vance(#67) and a host of Spartans combine to tackle a Brookville ballcarrier.



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Two best backs in the state go head to head in Salem Friday, Highlanders open with traditional rival Galax continued from page 14

The Spartans will have a tougher foe this week with LCA. The Bulldogs went up against always tough Appomattox County last week and won 36-25 in a preseason game.

Football has a rich tradition at LCA with seven VISAA state championships. Since entering the Virginia High School League for the 2015 season LCA has made five Class 3A or 4A playoff appearances, a state semifinal appearance in 2020, and the Dogs were the state runners-up two years ago.

Over 70 LCA football athletes have advanced to play at the college level. Most notably, four have played in the NFL, Rashad Jennings with the NY Giants, Bobby Massie with the Denver Broncos, Elijah Benton with the Cleveland Browns and Michael Strachan with the Indianapolis Colts. There could be another on the way as current junior Gideon Davidson has committed to Clemson and is one of the top high school players in the state. He ran for 1,291 yards and 19 touchdowns as a freshman and committed to Clemson in the spring.

Davidson was born in Ghana and lived in an orphanage after his father died and his mother struggled to provide for Gideon and his brothers. He was a year and a half old when he and his brothers were adopted by an American family but given back two years later. He was adopted by the Davidsons in 2011 and took up football after playing soccer for most of

his life. He received his first football offer from the University of Virginia when he was just in eighth grade, but decided on attending Clemson in June of this year.

“He would be the best runningback in the state if not for the kid in our locker room,” said Holter, referring to Salem’s Peyton Lewis who has committed to the University of Tennessee. “He runs behind the pads and you have to wrap him up to get him down.”

LCA made it to the Class 3D regional final last year before losing to Heritage High, coached by former Salem High standout Brad Bradley, 22-17. The Bulldogs are expecting another good year, and they replace Martinsburg of West Virginia on the Salem High schedule for opening day.

“They have good size, they’re well-coached and they have good skill kids,” said Holter. “Coach (Frank) Rocco does an excellent job of preparing his team.”

Glenvar had an equally impressive benefit game win last Friday as the Highlanders led Blacksburg at the half, 34-0, before the jayvees took over after intermission.

“I thought we improved a lot from the week before,” said Glenvar coach Kevin Clifford. “We competed better, and that’s what I really wanted to see.”

The Highlanders open at home with Galax Friday in what has become a tradition for both schools. This

will be the 12th time in the last 13 years Glenvar has opened with the Maroon Tide, with the exception being the 2020 season that was played in the spring of ’21 due to COVID concerns.

It’s been a great series. Glenvar holds a 6-5 edge in the series but the Tide has won two of the last three meetings, including a 27-20 loss in Galax last fall. Galax has been in the Class 1 championship game four times in the past eight years, every time against Riverheads. They beat Riverheads in the final in 2015 but lost to the Gladiators in 2019 and both the spring and fall seasons of 2021.

“It’s a good opener for us,” said Clifford. “They have a great program. They’re physically talented and well-coached, and it’s almost always a one touch-down game when we play them. They’ve been the second best Class 1 team in the state for years.”

This year, they may be the best Class 1 team as Riverheads moves up to Class 2, putting them in the same VHSL classification as the Highlanders no less.

Glenvar’s jayvee team was scheduled to open at Galax on Wednesday night of this week. The Salem jayvees will be at LCA tonight.

Look for previews of the Salem and Glenvar varsity teams in TOUCHDOWN XLVII, a special section included in this week’s edition of the Salem Times-Register. Also, watch for the annual ST-R football contest to return next week.



Left, Glenvar's Peyton Deel runs down a Blacksburg ballcarrier in last Friday's benefit game at Highlander Stadium. Right, Jack Camper breaks free for GHS touchdown.



PHOTO BY JIM & REGINA DEVINNEY

Lewis, Glenvar win big in middle school football openers

The Middle School football season opened last week and both local teams debuted with impressive wins. Salem took a 45-6 win over Patrick Henry at Salem Stadium while Glenvar defeated Hidden Valley on

the road, 48-0.

The Wolverines scored six touchdowns with Braylon Smith and Jayden Wood scoring two each. Grayson MacBrien and Zion Honaker caught touchdown passes thrown from quar-

terback Jaidyn Rudisell. The offensive line, led by Jake James and Alex Regan, fueled the running game.

On the defensive side James Semones, Tristen Noel and Keenan Helm performed well.

The Lewis eighth graders will be at William Fleming today for a 5 pm game while the seventh grade team opens its’ season at home today against Covington, also at 5 pm. Glenvar made first year middle


school head coach Josh Jones a winner in his debut with an easy win at Hidden Valley. Jensen Hutchison threw four touchdown passes and Haden Henderson and Jake Franklin each scored three touchdowns.

“Our defense did great all afternoon, limiting Hidden Valley to very few first downs,” said Jones.

The Highlanders also return to the gridiron today with a 5 pm game at Blacksburg.



James James IV of Andrew Lewis Middle School grabs a Patrick Henry ballcarrier from behind in last week's win at Salem Stadium. PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN




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Glenvar volleyball hopes to "three-peat"

The Glenvar volleyball team is off to a rough start as the girls attempt to pull off a "three-peat" this season. The Highlanders opened the 2023 campaign at home with a three-set loss to a solid Giles team on Tuesday.

Glenvar has won the state Class 2 championship for the past two years while rolling up a 49-3 overall record,

including a 26-0 season in 2022. Tuesday's season opening loss was their first after 38 straight wins through October of 2021. Glenvar was hit hard by graduation as the Highlanders lost four seniors who were key to their success the past two championship seasons. However, they have plenty of talent returning and coach Mark Rohrbach

is optimistic they'll be playing at a high level once again this season.

"I expect the girls to work hard, make a lot of progress on their individual and team skills and have a lot of fun," said Rohrbach. "I have a lot of respect for all of the teams in our district and area. We will have to play high level ball against all of our opponents."

Returning from last year's team will be senior setter Audrey Conner, senior outside hitter Natalie McMahon, senior outside hitter Jamie Forster, senior middle hitter Daisy Ann Dawyot and junior defensive specialist Mahre Swanson.

"I expect all five to contribute significantly, be great leaders on and off the court, and help the varsity squad have a lot of fun and success this season," said Rohrbach.

New players to the varsity this year are juniors Olivia Fobare, Sophie Nicely, and Teagan Pratt, sophomores Sophia Hammersley and Addi Cockram and freshman Sawyer Wilson. This will be the first time in a couple years multiple starting spots are open on the varsity and Glenvar has good players who were waiting for this opportunity.

"All our players have multiple seasons of volleyball experience and the ability to contribute right away," said Rohrbach.

Mark's wife Jen returns as varsity assistant and jayvee coach.

"We're the only two coaches in the high school program," he said. "Stephanie Butler is the middle school coach, and we work closely with her to develop all three teams."

As usual, Glenvar will take on all comers this season and Rohrbach isn't to play teams in a higher bracket than the Highlanders' VHSL Class 2 division. Glenvar is at Class 3 Cave Spring tonight, followed by a trip to Class 4 Blacksburg Monday and a home game with Class 3 William Byrd a week from today.



The 2023 Glenvar varsity volleyball team. Front row left to right: manager Luke Rohrbach, Audrey Conner, Jamie Forster, Mahre Swanson, Olivia Fobare, Sawyer Wilson and manager Emily Rohrbach. Back row, left to right: Head Coach Mark Rohrbach, Sophie Nicely, Sophia Hammersley, Daisy Ann Dawyot, Addi Cockram, Natalie McMahon, Teagan Pratt and assistant coach Jen Rohrbach.

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Spartan volleyball girls have busy first week

The Salem High girls have a busy week as they open the volleyball season with three matches in as many days. The Spartans opened with a win at Roanoke Catholic on Tuesday, followed by a home match with Northside Wednesday and a trip to Jefferson Forest tonight.

Coach Beth Denton has five girls returning from last year's 12-10 team. The Spartans were one win away from a trip to the state tournament in 2022 and graduated six seniors from that team.

Returning rising seniors include Makenzie Board, Anne Hayden Hall and Katie Johnson. Board is a third year varsity player who is a setter. "She's a court leader in both her playing style and voice," said Denton.

Hall, a fourth year varsity player, is also a setter who will be counted on to step up as a hitter and blocker this year, and Johnson is a defensive specialist who will open as Salem's libero.

Also returning from last year's team are junior Myah Crews and sophomore Emme Custer. Crews was a libero last year due to a shoulder injury, but she's healed and will be an outside hitter. Custer is a middle blocker who played varsity as a sophomore.

You might need a roster to know the players this year as Salem has two sets of twins. Tate and Tinsley Thomas are juniors, with Tate setting and Tinsley serving as an outside hitter. Kate and Macy Gibson made the varsity as freshmen with Kate hitting outside and Macy serving as a middle blocker.

Three sophomores round out the varsity, middle hitter Gabby Crawley and outside hitters Bailey Redford and Emma Collins.

Denton will be assisted by Moriah Moore on the varsity. Carleigh Cunningham is the jayvee coach and former head coach David Turk is a volunteer.

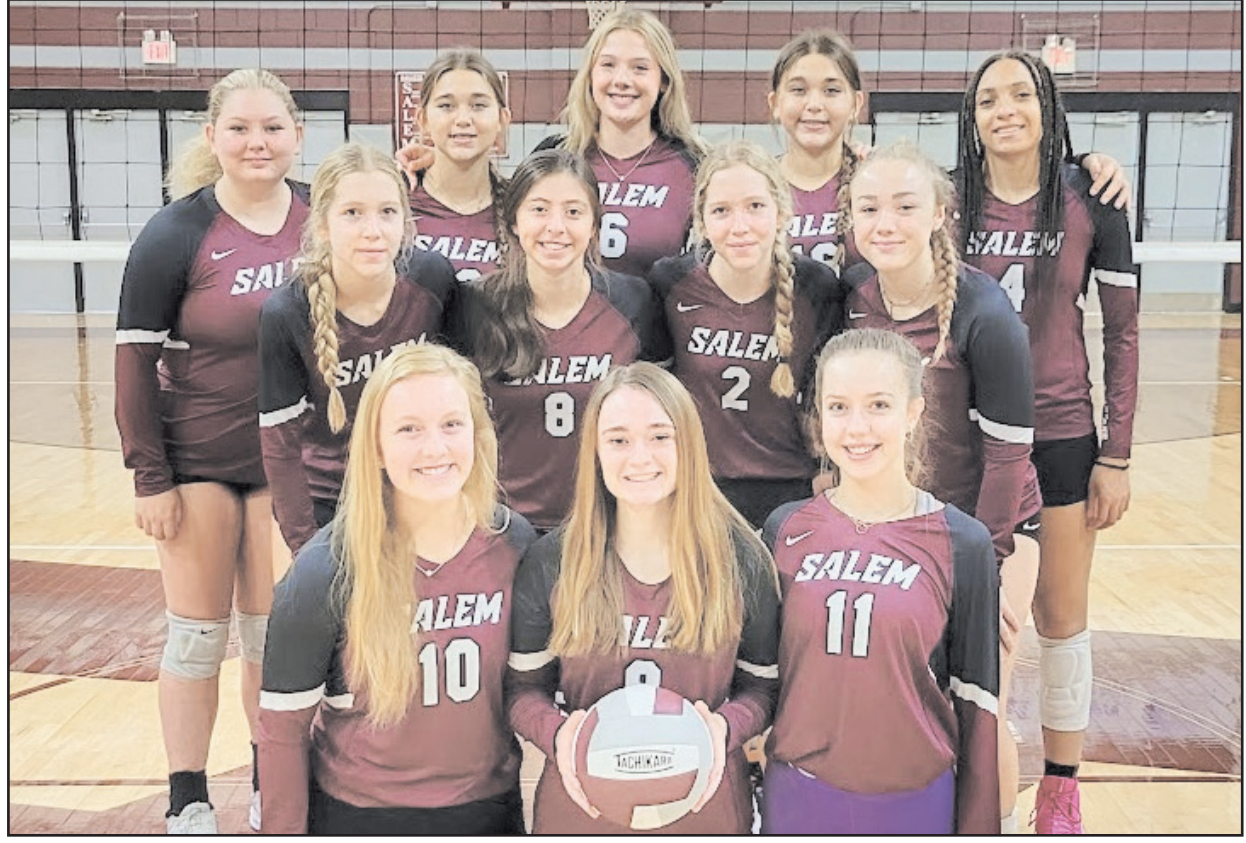
"We have a very young squad coming in," said Denton. "We're excited about what they will bring to our team this year as we rebuild. Graduating a large

senior class leaves a lot of opportunity for young players to grow and own leadership roles. We know Tinsley Thomas will be a powerful addition to the outside and we look forward to a strong middle game with Gabby Crawley as our second middle blocker."

The girls have high hopes. They went to a camp at

the University of North Carolina and finished Gold Bracket, and they went 5-1 in Salem's preseason volleyball jamboree.

"The team has set the bar high at the start of the season so we are looking forward to what they can do," said Denton.



The 2023 Salem High varsity volleyball team. Front row, left to right; Makenzie Board, Katie Johnson and Anne Hayden Hall. Middle row, left to right; Tate Thomas, Bailey Redford, Tinsley Thomas and Myah Crews. Back row, left to right; Emma Collins, Macy Gibson, Emme Custer, Kate Gibson and Gabby Crawley.

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SHS, GHS open football season at home



Salem's Josiah Moyer returns an interception for a touchdown in last Friday's benefit football game at Salem Stadium.

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The high school football season officially kicks off Friday night and Salem area fans have two good ones to choose from. The Salem High Spartans will be home to meet Liberty Christian Academy and Glenvar will host Galax, both at 7 pm Friday night.

The Spartans were hitting on all cylinders last Friday when they played host to Brookville in their last tuneup before games counted for real. Salem led 46-0 at the half and finished the benefit with a 58-6 win over the over-matched Bees.

"It was a good opportunity for us to go to work and try to get better," said Salem coach Don Holter.

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