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## Salem receives \$10K Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program grant

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The City of Salem has received \$10,000 from the Virginia Tourism Corporation's Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program. The grant funds will be used to spotlight Downtown Salem businesses January through April of 2024.

"The city has been very fortunate to benefit from a number of these grants in the past few years," Carey Harvey-Cutter, Salem's tourism director, said. "We try to make everything we do in Salem a championship-caliber event and this funding is a big reason why we are able to accomplish that goal for our visitors and residents."

Salem has received a total of nine grants from the Virginia Tourism Corporation since 2020 totaling \$130,000. For this round of awards, the Virginia Tourism Corporation awarded more than \$757,000 to 131 marketing programs, ultimately impacting 655 combined partners, and supporting more than 1,300 jobs across the state to help increase off-season visitation



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### Downtown Salem

to tourism businesses and destinations.

"These programs will help bring in year-round overnight visitation which will support small businesses and jobs in localities across Virginia," Gov. Glenn Youngkin said. "In 2022, the tourism industry supported more than 210,000 jobs in Virginia and

travelers spent over \$83 million per day in Virginia, and we will continue to grow thanks to these programs."

The VTC Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program is designed to increase visitor spending in the off-season by leveraging limited marketing dollars, stimulating new tourism marketing through partnerships, and extending the "Virginia is for Lovers" brand. This is a program focused on supporting tourism businesses with less than 20 full time employees through marketing partnerships. A minimum of five Virginia entities must partner to apply for the microbusiness marketing grant. Partners may consist of Virginia cities, towns, counties, convention and visitors' bureaus, chambers of commerce, other local or regional destination marketing organizations, private businesses, museums, attractions, cultural events and other tourism-related businesses.

"This program is part of VTC's strategy to grow year-round visitation in Virginia and is designed to support small tourism businesses with marketing dollars to drive

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## Decorations go up along Main Street



PHOTO BY SHELLY KOON

The Salem Electric Department was busy putting up the wreath lights on W Main Street in Salem Monday morning.

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## Range of Christmas events coming up in Salem

The City of Salem's annual holiday celebrations are set to return in early December. The annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony and Christmas Parade open the month of activities on Friday, Dec. 1, at 6 p.m. at the Salem Public Library and on Main Street. The Gingerbread Festival and Salem Crafty Christmas are set for the following day, Saturday, Dec. 2. The Salem Civic Center will also host the Salem Holiday Market on Dec. 10 and 11 along with two holiday concerts featuring Mannheim Steamroller and the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra.

### Schedule:

- Lighting of the Christmas Tree Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. at the Salem Public Library
- Christmas Parade Dec. 1 at 6:15 p.m. in downtown Salem
- Roanoke Symphony Holiday Pops Dec. 1 at 7:30 p.m. at the Salem Civic Center
- Gingerbread Festival Dec. 2 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Salem Museum/Longwood
- Salem Crafty Christmas Dec. 2 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Salem Farmers Market
- Mannheim Steamroller Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Salem Civic

- Center
- Salem Holiday Market Dec. 9 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Salem Civic Center
- Salem Holiday Market Dec. 10 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Salem Civic Center

### Details about upcoming events: Lighting of the City Christmas Tree at Public Library and The Ridgeview Bank Parade

The Annual Lighting of the City of Salem Christmas Tree will be on Friday, Dec. 1, 6 p.m. at the Salem Public Library lawn.

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The community is invited to come together in the downtown area to view the decorations on Main Street and enjoy some holiday music just before the Salem Christmas Parade begins at 6:15 p.m. This photo is from 2021.



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Mary Jane Mellott holds Poppy, a Shitzzu who lives with Meg Hibbert, at the Nov. 18 Moose fundraiser.

## Salem Moose event raises \$4,200 for pets

**Meg Hibbert**  
Contributing writer

Members and supporters of the Salem Moose Family Center 2573 collected more than \$1,500 in food and supplies for the Salem Animal Shelter and raised \$4,200 for Paws4People Foundation through a fundraiser on Nov. 18.

The Soup and Sandwich Saturday was organized and coordinated by Salem resident Ann Whitenack. More than 70 people and a couple of dogs attended the event at the Moose Lodge on East Main Street.

Paws4People Foundation is a Golden retriever service dog group.

Fundraiser attendees had a chance to win door prizes and raffle items ranging from donated new Coach purses to a dog bed filled with treats, toys and food, cat toys and supplies, gift cards to area restaurants and businesses. There were also donated homemade cakes.



Visitors and Moose members look over raffle prizes at the Nov. 18 Soup and Sandwich Saturday fundraiser.



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More than \$4,000 was raised for Paws4People at the Salem Moose Family Center 2573 Soup and Sandwich Saturday on Nov. 18.

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# SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT

Gingerbread is a classic holiday dessert, for both eating and decorating. This 1942 McCormick ginger tin hints at how long this spiced dessert has been popular, but the history of gingerbread may be deeper than people realize.

Ginger has been used as a spice in cakes and breads for thousands of years, first recorded in ancient Greece in 2400BCE. Gingerbread was a luxury in medieval Europe, since it contains multiple imported spices. According to legend, Queen Elizabeth I invented the first gingerbread men, having them decorated like visiting dignitaries. German bakers in the 1500s

went a step further and introduced gingerbread houses.

In the 19th and 20th Centuries, the mass production of baking ingredients made gingerbread easily accessible. Its association with the winter holidays ensures its popularity endures from year to year.

To see wonderful gingerbread creations made by your local friends and neighbors, come to the Gingerbread Festival this weekend! On Saturday December 2 from 10am-2pm, visit the Salem Museum to see Salem's amazing gingerbread creations. Then head to Longwood Park to visit the rest of the Gingerbread Festival.



COURTESY OF SALEM MUSEUM

1942 McCormick Ginger Tin

## Christmas from page 1

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### Gingerbread Festival at the Salem Museum & Longwood Park

The Salem Parks and Recreation Department, the Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce and the Salem Museum present this year's Gingerbread Festival at the Salem Museum

& Longwood Park on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Check out the culinary creations, children's activities, vendors, the holiday train and Santa.

### Salem Christmas with Craft Artisans

The Salem Farmers Market and Salem Parks and Recreation are hosting a "Salem Crafty Christmas" on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Salem Farmers Market. Over 40 crafters and vendors will

have handmade crafts, artisan items, greenery, baked goods, cheeses, eggs and many more items available for holiday shopping.

### Manheim Steamroller & Roanoke Symphony Holiday Pops

Tickets are available at the Salem Civic Center Box Office Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

### Salem Holiday Market

This two-day Craft and Vendor Show will feature unique crafters, artists, and direct sell companies. Homemade crafts and local delicacies from more than 70 regional sellers will be featured at this year's Salem Holiday Market. Admission to the event is free, but shoppers are encouraged to contribute to the Salem/Roanoke County Food Pantry with a donation of nonperishable food items, such as peanut butter, boxed pasta, canned vegetables and spaghetti sauce.

-The Salem Times-Register

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# Briefly: Salem News In Brief

**Christmas with the Salem Choral Society:** The free Christmas concert will be Sunday, Dec. 3, at 4 p.m. at Salem Presbyterian Church on Main Street in Salem. Donations will be accepted.

**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.

**Simone Paterson — “ULTRAVIOLET, A Life of Purpose”:** The exhibit runs through Dec. 3 from 1-4 p.m. in the Olin Hall Galleries. Over the past 30 years of practice-led research, Simone Paterson’s art has undergone significant transformations — from photographic self-portraits in Australia to abstracted landscapes and intricate machine embroideries in America. Through her exploration of the intersection between technology and the human condition, Paterson seeks to find meaning in the world around us and from within ourselves, promoting self-awareness and inner peace. Her belief in the power of art to enhance our well-being is showcased throughout the exhibition, which celebrates her personal and artistic journey and her unwavering commitment to purposeful creation. Paterson received a Ph.D. from The University of Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia, and an M.F.A. from Sydney College of the Arts, Sydney University, New South Wales, Australia. She is a retired associate professor and once chair of undergraduate studies in creative technologies and studio at the School of Visual Arts at Virginia Tech. “ULTRAVIOLET, A Life of Purpose” is made possible with support from the Copenhaver Scholar in Residence Grant of Roanoke College, the Joanne Leonhardt Cassullo Center for Art and Olin Hall Galleries.

**Amelia Salisbury and Derek Mueller:** “Out of Hollow Green Stuff Woven”: The exhibit runs through Dec. 3 from 1-4 p.m. in the Olin Hall Galleries. “Out of Hollow Green Stuff Woven” is an exhibition reflecting two artists’ relationship with a place called Wonder Hollow. Their images document and

trace the daily edges of weather, chart a pollinator’s carousel, and frame as placemats a dream soup of domestic and land-based rituals and wanderings. Together their works represent fragments of a naïve almanac; composed from a selection of uncollated pictures and page spreads. Many works are paired with textual inflections and micro essayistic filaments of narrative. Amelia Salisbury’s works move between digital and analog processes, combining collage, paper cutting, illustration, and several types of print. They center on themes of encountering the land as a novice and regathering the endangered knowledge and traditions of women folk in her familial lineages. Derek Mueller’s works are digital drawings, composites, and illustrations developed in Procreate. They include maps of abstracted topographies; one, above ground, in a bird’s eye view of the land; another, beneath ground, plotting the mysteries of a homemade creek-fed irrigation system.

**Mobile Office Hours:** Congressman Ben Cline (VA-06) announced that his office will hold Staff Mobile Office Hours in Salem. A member of Congressman Ben Cline’s staff will hold mobile office hours at the Salem Public Library (Meeting Room), 28 East Main Street, Salem, VA, on Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 10 a.m. A staff member will be available to meet with citizens to assist with problems they might have with a federal agency and hear their views on current issues before Congress.

**DMV2Go:** DMV2Go will be at the Salem Civic Center from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Dec. 18.

**Festival of Lessons & Carols:** A Festival of Lessons & Carols with the St. Paul’s Choir and harpist, Rachel O’Brien will be on Thursday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 42 E. Main Street, Salem - www.stpaulssalem.dioswva.org.

**Salem Stampede Championship Rodeo:** Southwest Virginia’s favorite family-friendly event is back for the 56th year. The Salem Stampede Championship Rodeo bucks back into Salem Jan. 5-7 of 2024 with the same non-stop excitement fans have come to love for decades. Tickets are start at \$20 and go up to \$30. They can be purchased at the Salem Civic Center Box Office or online at www.ticketmaster.com.

**Riley Green & Tracy Lawrence:** Riley Green, the

Academy of Country Music’s new male artist of the year in 2020, is set to make his first appearance at the Salem Civic Center. Green will be joined by Tracy Lawrence and opening act Ella Langley when he hits the arena’s historic stage on March 7, 2024. Tickets can be purchased at the Salem Civic Center Box Office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. and online anytime at www.ticketmaster.com

**REO Speedwagon and Rick Springfield:** Classic rock and roll hitmakers REO Speedwagon and Rick Springfield are once again joining forces on the road in 2024 and bringing their tour to the Salem Civic Center on Tuesday, March 26. Tickets range in price from \$35 to \$169. Tickets can be purchased at the Salem Civic Center Box Office or online at ticketmaster.com.

**Rend Collective:** Rend Collective, the popular Contemporary Christian worship band from Northern Ireland, is coming to the Salem Civic Center on Sunday, April 7, 2024, for a night of uplifting and upbeat praise music. The band is an eclectic collection of multi-instrumentalist performers who have produced two No. 1 albums on the Christian charts and produced a song of the year in “Counting Every Blessing.” Tickets, which can be purchased at the Salem Civic Center Box Office or online at ticketmaster.com, start at \$28 and go up to \$48.

**Dustin Lynch:** “Kill the Cowboy” tour: Country musician Dustin Lynch will perform at the Salem Civic Center on Friday, April 12, 2024, as part of his “Killed the Cowboy” tour with special guest Skeez. Tickets start at \$35.50. Lynch first appeared in Salem in 2015 when he starred on the final day of the Blue Ridge Music Festival at Salem Stadium. He was just starting to crank out hit songs back then, but he now has eight No. 1 songs, four top-5 albums, 10 gold and platinum certified singles, and he has tallied over 5.4 billion cumulative global streams. His sixth studio album is “Killed The Cowboy.”

**Public meetings:**

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Dec. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 7 p.m.

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Ready for Christmas? Me neither. I enjoy giving gifts and get together though. One year at work we did a cookie exchange. It was fun but we went overboard. We had two eight foot tables loaded with cookies, candies and cake. We were a bit competitive. Some coworkers brought a dozen cookies per person, another brought cupcakes from a bakery in town, and one brought homemade fudge. A cookie exchange party is a party where guests bring a few dozen cookies to share and swap with each other. Homemade is best but if someone wants to bring store bought deli-bakery baked goods they can. Let’s be real, some people just can’t bake and you don’t want to leave someone out of the party. Simple cookies are easier to make in large amounts but competitiveness between friends is a thing. This is a chance to make a chocolate dipped Oreo or a Rollo pretzel melt treat. Some basic rules included in the invitation are a must; 1. Make at least 6 cookies/treats per guest to bring. 2. Bring some to share at the party. 3. Bring a copy of the recipe to share. The host provides drinks, snacks, and a container for the cookies to go home in. Talk with your guests about what they are bringing. Try to get as many different types of cookies as possible. No one wants all chocolate chip cookies. You could also have an appetizer swap party. Everyone brings an appetizer to share and the recipe. You all can try a new appetizer and get the recipe for it. Recipes can



**Shelly Koon**  
Contributing Writer

be as complicated as you like. Friends can get together, eat, play games, or just sit and talk. Here is good cookie for an exchange, not too difficult but looks fancy.

**Butterscotch toffee cookies**

- 1 box yellow cake mix
- 2 eggs
- 1/3 cup oil- canola, vegetable or sunflower
- ¾ cup toffee bits
- ½ cup butterscotch chips

Preheat oven to 350°F. Mix cake mix, eggs and oil until a soft dough forms. Add toffee bits and butterscotch chips. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Place rounded tablespoon balls of cookie dough at least 2 inches apart. Bake for about 10 minutes checking at 8 mins. Cookies should be lightly golden around the edges. Don’t over bake them. Cool completely.

**Icing**

- ½ cup confectioners’ sugar
- 1 tsp evaporated milk
- 1 tsp light corn syrup

Mix until smooth, then drizzle over cooled cookies. Allow to harden before wrapping or stacking cookies.



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## Franklin named new head of Children’s Trust



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**Franklin**

**R O A N O K E —** Children’s Trust, an advocate for the welfare of children and families in the Roanoke Valley, is thrilled to announce the appointment of Shawna Franklin as the organization’s new executive director, effective Nov. 1.

As a cornerstone in the community, Children’s Trust is committed to coordinating services that enhance the lives of area children and families. Children’s Trust is one agency that is comprised of five programs: Children First, Healthy Families Roanoke Valley, Roanoke Valley Trauma Informed Community Network, Children’s Advocacy

Center, and CASA: Court Appointed Special Advocates. Through these programs the organization focuses on raising awareness about child abuse, providing educational support for families, creating a safe environment for abuse investigations and tirelessly advocating for the best interests of abused and neglected children.

Shawna joined Children’s Trust in 2015, as a forensic interviewer and has been serving as the Interim Executive Director since May 2023. With a deep commitment to community welfare and a history of successful leadership, Shawna is poised to lead

Children’s Trust into its next chapter of growth and impact.

“We are delighted to appoint Shawna Franklin to this position. Her experience and dedication to our mission make her the ideal leader to guide us in our ongoing efforts to create a safer and healthier environment for children and families,” said Janet Crawford, chair of the Children’s Trust Board of Directors.

Children’s Trust has a longstanding tradition of making a positive impact in the community. The organization’s multifaceted approach to child welfare involves collaboration with various stakeholders, including local agencies, law enforcement and educational institutions.

“I am honored to be a part of Children’s Trust, an organization that plays a crucial role in fostering a supportive and safe community for our children. I am excited about the opportunity to work alongside our dedicated team and community partners to further our mission,” said Shawna Franklin, Children’s Trust executive director.

For more information about Children’s Trust and its mission, please visit www.roact.org. Please see the headshot below for use.

-The Salem Times-Register



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**“Visions of the Nativity” will be available for viewing from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3.**

## Four Salem churches present ‘Visions of the Nativity’

In the weeks leading up to Christmas, Nativity sets are a popular—and meaningful—decoration in many homes. Nativity sets depict the story of Jesus’ birth. The sets typically include the people, angels, and animals who were there, but some sets also include others who could not have been there, but who would have been welcomed nonetheless.

On Sunday, Dec. 3, from 2-4 p.m., four downtown Salem churches are joining together to present “Visions of the Nativity.” A wide variety of Nativity sets will be on display, designed and crafted by artists from various cultures and in a range of sizes and media. These sets are on loan from personal

collections, and displayed at each church as a gift to the community.

**View “Visions of the Nativity” at these locations:**

- Salem Presbyterian Church, at the corner of Main and Market
- St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, at the corner of Main and Market
- College Lutheran Church, 210 S College Ave.
- Salem Baptist Church, 103 N Broad St.

The displays at each church will be different. The public is invited to visit all of the churches and enjoy the array of Nativity sets at each location.

-The Salem Times-Register

# OPINION

As we gathered with family and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving, we reflected on the abundance of blessings that God has bestowed upon us and remember those this season who are less fortunate. Additionally, we were grateful that some of the hostages being held captive by Hamas terrorists are being released and reaffirmed our support for Israel in this war. We also celebrated America's small businesses and awarded a Vietnam War Veteran in Harrisonburg with a well-deserved Purple Heart. With Congress set to return this week and continue the appropriations process, I will continue fighting to rein in out-of-control government spending that has wreaked havoc on our economy for far too long.

### Giving Thanks

For many Americans, Thanksgiving is a favorite holiday - full of good food and family and loved ones around the table. But it is also a time to remember that, despite the hardships we may often face in our lives, we are so fortunate to wake each morning in the greatest country in the world.

Each and every day, I give God thanks for my family



**Ben Cline**  
Congressman

and friends, our brave servicemembers, our Veterans, the freedoms we hold so dear, and the opportunity to serve the people of Virginia's Sixth District in the People's House. It is truly the greatest honor of a lifetime.

### Hamas' War on Israel: Agreement to Release 50 Hostages Reached

This past week, Israel agreed to a deal to free 50 women and children being held hostage by Hamas, and we are glad these people will be coming home. In exchange for the release of these hostages, there is now a multi-day pause in fighting. However, America's unwavering support for Israel and its right to defend

itself in this war doesn't stop. Every hostage needs to be released and Hamas must be defeated.

### Supporting America's Small Businesses

As we celebrated Small Business Saturday, we are also reminded that Big Government must not hinder but promote economic growth, especially for small businesses - the engine that drives the economy of our local communities. Unfortunately, Washington bureaucrats continue to impose new costly and unnecessary regulations that only make it harder for America's small business owners to thrive.

That is why earlier this year, I introduced the Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act to ensure that federal agencies consider the actual economic impact that new rules might have on small businesses, rather than impose one-size-fits-all mandates. I will keep working to support our small businesses and ensure they can succeed.

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.

# Last 'Learn To Curl' event coming up

Yes, Roanoke Valley, there is a regional curling club. Not to be confused with hair styling or weightlifting, the sport of curling originated in Scotland and is very popular with our Canadian neighbors.

Curling is a team game played by people of all ages and abilities. Teams have four members. During a game, each of the two teams take turns pushing eight, 42-pound polished "stones" down a 125-foot sheet of ice. Other teammates will sweep the stone down the ice as needed. Once the last stone has been thrown, whichever team has the stone closest to the center of the 12-foot target scores a point. Often, more than one point is scored in each "end." An end is similar to an inning in baseball. A complete recreational curling game consists of eight ends.

On Sunday Dec. 17 from 5:30-7 p.m., the Roanoke Valley Curling Club will host its last "Learn To Curl" event of the year at Roanoke's Berglund Center. It's the best opportunity for beginnners to learn about the sport and experience the ice firsthand. The cost is \$29 per person and includes off-

ice and on-ice instruction. By the end of the event, participants will be able to throw and sweep several stones. The event is open to the first 32 registrants and all equipment is provided. Just bring some tennis shoes, warm athletic clothing, and a spirit of fun.

The event often sells out and advanced registration is required. For more information and registration, visit the RVCC website at: <http://www.curlroanoke.com>

Interest in the sport increases during the Winter Olympics especially since many of the matches are broadcast on television. In 2018, the USA men's team won a gold medal at the games held in South Korea. It's the first and only gold medal won by an American curling team. Interest in the sport often leads to many questions about the rules, scoring and why team members brush the ice. Attending a Learn To Curl event is a great way to have those questions answered!

-Hank Ebert  
Salem



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### Magical Mystery Bike Tours, LLC

out-of-state visitation during off-peak travel seasons." Rita McClenny, president and CEO of Virginia Tourism Corporation, said. "We are excited about this program because we see it as a gateway for small businesses to engage with our marketing and grow."

Magical Mystery Bike Tours, LLC in nearby Roanoke County also received a \$5,000 grant through the program. The company is owned by Sharon Bochman, an eastern Virginia native who relocated to the area several years ago. The company offers "adventure, exploration and a chance to see unique places, small towns, and breathtaking vistas while riding your bicycle in Virginia." Bochman said the money will be used to help market the business.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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14. Surfers use it  
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# Andrew Lewis Heart & Sole Running Club to conclude on Saturday



The team folded fir trees out of catalogs and spray painted them.

**Aila Boyd**  
 aboyd@mainstreetnewspapers.com

The Andrew Lewis Middle School Heart & Sole Running Club is comprised of 15 girls in 6th, 7th and 8th grade and

three coaches—Cynthia Bowen, Marcia Patton and Carla Rutrough. It has been meeting twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school since September. The 10-week program concludes this Saturday with a regional 5K at Hollins University.

The program offers “fun evidence-based programs that inspire all girls to build their confidence, kindness and decision-making skills. Dynamic lessons instill valuable life skills including the important connection between physical and emotional health.”

The school’s first middle school team was formed in the spring of 2020 but did not get to compete that season due to COVID-19. “Our team is the only middle school team in the region and the first at ALMS to compete a season,” Bowen said. “One of the goals of the season is to conceive and complete a community impact project. Our team decided to fold fir trees out of catalogs and spray paint them for holiday decorations. The trees we made will be donated to residents at Salem Health and Rehab.”

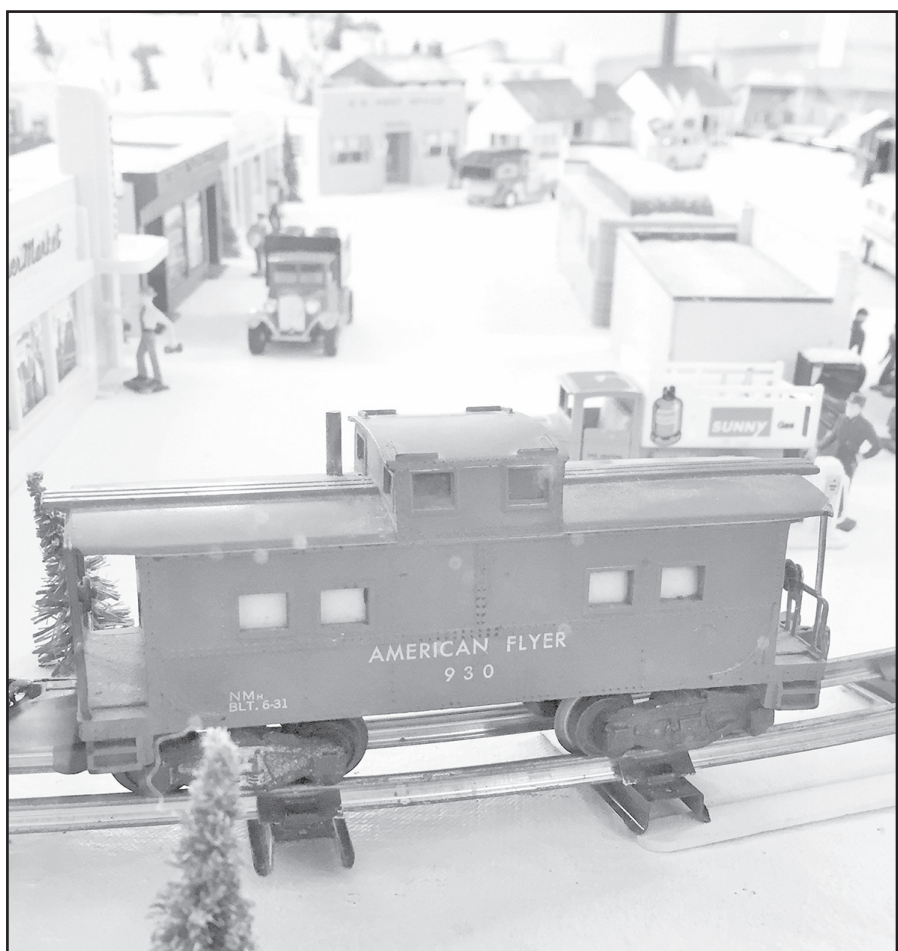


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A scavenger hunt will help visitors find all the tiny delights.

# The Salem Museum’s Christmas Train returns

The Salem Museum’s highly anticipated Christmas model train set is rolling again, now through January 2024. For the past six years, the Burke family has shared their childhood American Flyer model trains with delighted museum visitors. The layout changes and grows every year. This year, the display has expanded to three tracks, including a new, tiny N-scale train.

The Salem Museum is open Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is free.

These vintage trains, so popular for the holidays, take visitors back in time to the charming village of “Plasticville,” set in the 1950s and 60s. In addition to the trains and buildings of all sorts, there’s an interesting cast of little characters playing in the snow. This year, sharp-eyed visitors will discover an array of new

surprises. A scavenger hunt will help visitors find all the tiny delights.

This holiday season, 2023, will be the last year for the Burke family train set. “The trains will roll through January, 2024, so don’t miss your chance

to enjoy this classic—and imaginative—layout. Come once, or come often,” Frances Ferguson, executive director of the museum, said.

-The Salem Times-Register

## CITY OF SALEM TAXPAYERS IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE

### FIRST HALF 2023-2024 REAL ESTATE TAX DUE DECEMBER 5, 2023

Tax bills have been mailed insofar as possible, but failure to receive bill, does not relieve the taxpayer of any additional charges of penalty or interest that will accrue under the law for failure to pay the tax assessment.

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

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Officers of the company were: Captain, John S. Deyerle; 1st Lieut., Ballard Deyerle; 2nd Lieut., William Woods; Captain, W. W. Brand; 1st Lieut., R. W. Plunkett; 2nd Lieut., Fred N. Bryant; 3rd Lieut., M. W. Stover; 1st Sgt., Anderson Crawford; 2nd Sgt., John T. Stover; 3rd Sgt., John N. Smith; 4th Sgt., F. A. Wright.

Captain John S. Deyerle was promoted to the rank of major in 1862. Second Lieutenant William Woods was retired on account of old age in 1862 but afterward rejoined his company and was wounded at the battle of Stone Mountain in 1864.

This company engaged in the following battles: Harrodsburg, Ky., Richmond, Ky., Chickamauga, Tenn., Knoxville, Tenn., Missionary Ridge, Tenn., Atlanta, Ga., and Stone Mountain, Ga. They took part in the campaign from Dalton, Ga. to Atlanta and in the campaign about Franklin, Tenn. Besides these battles they took part in numerous skirmishes.

#### Twice Complimented

This company was twice complimented by the officer in command. At the battle of Chickamauga, it won honors in a bloody battle during which the waters of Chickamauga Creek actually turned red with blood. In this battle the Salem company captured the colors of a Michigan regiment as well as the commanding officer of the northern organization who turned his sword over to officers of the Roanoke Guards.

At Franklin, Tenn., when the

company was on picket duty it held off four or five times its numbers and killed about as many men as they had in their own ranks. Such action probably prevented the main force from being surprised and captured and for their gallantry they were complimented on the field by Col. R. C. Trigg, the commanding officer in charge.

After the battle at Franklin, Tenn., a portion of the army joined the army under Joe E. Johnston in North Carolina and surrendered with him there while the other portion of the company who were soldiers on furlough or in hospitals were gathered together by Col. R. C. Trigg and by a special order of the secretary of war of the confederacy they were sent to guard the salt works in Southwest Virginia. After hostilities ceased this portion of the company was disbanded at Christiansburg by General John Echols.

-Prepared by Lisa King

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### PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Salem School Board will hold a public hearing for comment on the FY 2024-25 budget on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> The hearing will begin at 7:00 PM at the School Administrative Office, 510 South College Avenue, Salem. Any citizen of Salem who wishes to address the Board should contact Susan E. Young, Clerk of the Board, at 540-389-0130 by Friday, December 8, in order to be placed on the agenda. Individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to bring a copy of their remarks for the record. In accordance with Board Policy KD, Public Participation in Board Meetings, individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to:  provide their name and address,  address their remarks to the Board,  be brief,  provide a copy of their remarks for the record, and  be prepared to answer questions from the Board.  In unusual cases or cases of emergency, the Board, by consensus, may allow an individual or organization to speak if not on the agenda.

### DIVORCE NOTICE

Granville County Civil Court in Granville County, NC will be hearing a plea for the decree of divorce for which suit is pending and as filed by Larissa L. Peluso-Fleming of 4010 Pastor Lane, Wake Forest, NC 27587 (petitioner/wife) versus Andrew Taylor McDonald of 1619 Valhalla Court, Salem, VA 24513 (defendant/husband)

The defendant must enter a defense to such pleading within 30 days after the date of receipt of divorce filing as delivered by the Roanoke County Sheriff's Department. Should the defendant fail to make a defense within that time period, the plaintiff shall apply to the court for relief.

### Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission,

at its regular meeting on December 13, 2023, at 7:00 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. Consider the request of E2ST John, LLC, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 68 St. John Road (Tax Map # 155-2-2.1) from HBD Highway Business District to HM Heavy Manufacturing District.

2. Consider the request of Poindexter SW Florida, LLC, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 2105-2121 Apperson Drive (Tax Map # 281-1-2.2) from BCD Business Commerce District to HBD Highway

### Legals - City of Salem

#### Business District

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 PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY:

H. Robert Light Deputy Executive Secretary

### Legals - Montgomery County

#### Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316, 20-104 Case No. CA23000019-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073

Commonwealth of Virginia, in re: The Adoption of a Minor Child Under Eighteen Years of Age, to be known as SERITA DANIELLE TICKLE

By: MILDRED ANNE TICKLE, FRED LEE TICKLE, JR.

The object of this suit is to obtain an adoption of the minor child, Serita Danielle McLemore, by your petitioners, Mildred Anne Tickle and Fred Lee Tickle, Jr., husband and wife. An affidavit having been made and filed, pursuant to Virginia Code §8.01-316 (1950), as amended, showing that the biological father, Kenneth McLemore (aka Kenneth Lee Sturdivant), despite the exercise of due diligence on behalf of Petitioners, could not be personally served with legal process for this action and his last known address is unknown, though he is known to be residing in and around the Montgomery County, Virginia area.

It is further ORDERED that this Order shall be published once a week for (4) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation, serving the Montgomery County, Virginia, the locality of father's last known whereabouts, and contemporaneously posted in a conspicuous location at the Montgomery County Courthouse.

Enter this 1 day of November, 2023. Robert M.D. Turk, Judge I ask for this: R. Cord Hall, Esquire, VSB 77637

R. Cord Hall Attorney-At-Law, P.C. 106 S. Franklin Street, Suite B-2 Christiansburg, VA 24073 (540)318-0707 (540)381-0505 fax Counsel for Petitioners

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### LEGAL NOTICE

#### Roanoke County Board of Supervisors Seeking Applicants to Fill Vinton District Vacancy

The Board of Supervisors of Roanoke County is searching for candidates to fill the vacancy in the Vinton Magisterial District as the result of P. Jason Peters' election to the Roanoke County Commissioner of the Revenue.

The person appointed shall be a qualified voter of the Vinton Magisterial District and hold office until a special election in November of 2024.

The person elected at the special election will serve the remainder of Mr. Peters' term, which expires December 31, 2025.

If any qualified voter in the Vinton Magisterial District would like to be considered for the vacancy, please mail or email a 300-word essay on why you want to be the Supervisor for the Vinton Magisterial District and why you feel you are qualified to serve to the Chief Deputy Clerk at the following address or email by January 1, 2024.

Deborah C. Jacks Chief Deputy Clerk to the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors 5204 Bernard Drive Roanoke, Virginia 24018 Telephone: 540-772-2003 Email: djacks@roanokecountyva.gov

Dated: November 26, 2023 Deborah C. Jacks Chief Deputy Clerk to the Board

### Legals - Botetourt County

#### VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY IN RE: ESTATE OF CHARLES MATTHEW BARTON, DECEASED

#### NOTICE

Having been requested to do so by Lenden Eakin, attorney for James McClure, administrator of the estate of Charles Matthew Barton, Deceased, and in accordance with Section 64.2-550 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, all creditors of Charles Matthew Barton, and all persons in any way interested in his estate, are hereby notified that I have fixed the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024 at 10 o'clock a.m., at my office at 13 South Roanoke Street, Fincastle, Virginia as the time and place for determining an account of the debts and demands against said Charles Matthew Barton or his estate, the priorities among them, and the names of the persons to whom they are due. All creditors of Charles Matthew Barton, deceased, and persons interested in his estate should appear at the time and place named, or any other time or place to which the proceedings may be adjourned, and protect their interest.

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# NCAA Soccer will be 100th championship

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events.

"This is beyond anything we could ever have imagined," said Salem's Carey Harveycutter, Salem Tourism Director and former Director of Civic Facilities at the Salem Civic Center. "We knew we could give the Stagg Bowl a first-class experience, but we also knew that wrestling it away from its sunny home in Bradenton, Florida would take some doing."

Back then, Mayor Jim Taliaferro was anxious for Salem to take advantage of its outstanding facilities and become a serious player in the budding sports tourism game. He emphatically told city staff to not only enter the Stagg Bowl sweepstakes but to win the top prize.

"We thought we had a shot, because we were right in the middle of many of the Division III schools up and down the east coast," Forest Jones, Assistant City Manager at the time, said. "It was a matter of us selling not just Salem, but the entire Roanoke Valley, even as far down as Smith Mountain Lake. The NCAA committee members liked what they heard, and the rest is history."

In December 1993, the city hosted the first of 25 straight Stagg Bowls and began building its reputation throughout Division II and Division III colleges and universities. Student-athletes couldn't get enough of the city's second and third helpings of southern hospitality, and almost overnight Salem became Virginia's Championship City.

"We went after football and had no idea these other NCAA sports would have an interest in coming here and playing at a neutral site," Jones said. "The people who came here for football, like Mount Union, would always stand up for us and say, 'if Salem promises you something they are going to do it and do it first class,' but never in my wildest dreams did I think we would see this many championships."

Randy Smith and Jones occupied the city manager's office in those formative years and proudly watched the entire Salem community embrace these NCAA experiences. Both men have since retired, but Harveycutter, now 71, remains. He has been the game manager or tournament director for each of the 99 NCAA National Championship events the city has hosted since 1993 in Division II and Division III and he will assume the same role again this weekend.

Salem's partner through 80 of the D-III Championships has been the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. That relationship will continue this weekend at Roanoke College's Kerr Stadium when both the men's and women's soccer titles are decided, marking championships 100 and 101.

Thursday through Sunday. They will mark championships 100 and 101.

"The ODAC has been a proud partner in this process since the start," said Brad Bankston, ODAC Commissioner. "Our former commissioner, Dan Wooldridge, was instrumental in attracting the Stagg Bowl here in 1993 and getting the ball rolling. Our partnership has positively influenced the Division III championship landscape and the ODAC's national profile."

Salem and the Continental Volleyball Conference hosted men's D-III volleyball in 2021 during COVID-19 conditions. Those games were played in a very socially distanced Salem Civic Center in front of only select fans. The city also has entertained 18 Division II championships in this 30-year stretch with partnership assistance from the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, now known as the Mountain East Conference.

Once the soccer champions are crowned this coming weekend, Salem will turn its focus back to football and the place where it all began, Salem Stadium. In 2020, the NCAA officially asked Salem to host the 50th annual Stagg Bowl.

"Bringing the Stagg Bowl back to Salem for the game's golden anniversary is tremendous for all of Virginia's Blue Ridge region," Harveycutter said. "We had unbelievable community involvement in this game for three decades, and I believe this is our way of saying thank you to the people and the businesses who made that incredible streak possible. We cannot wait."

In April of 2017, the NCAA decided to move the Division III National Football Championship game out of Salem and play the contest at various sites around the country. Before that move, Salem had successfully hosted the annual title tilt for two and half decades. "The Road to Salem", became the battle cry for every Division III school across the nation during that time and will again be evident on Friday night, December 15, as a new champion is crowned on national TV.

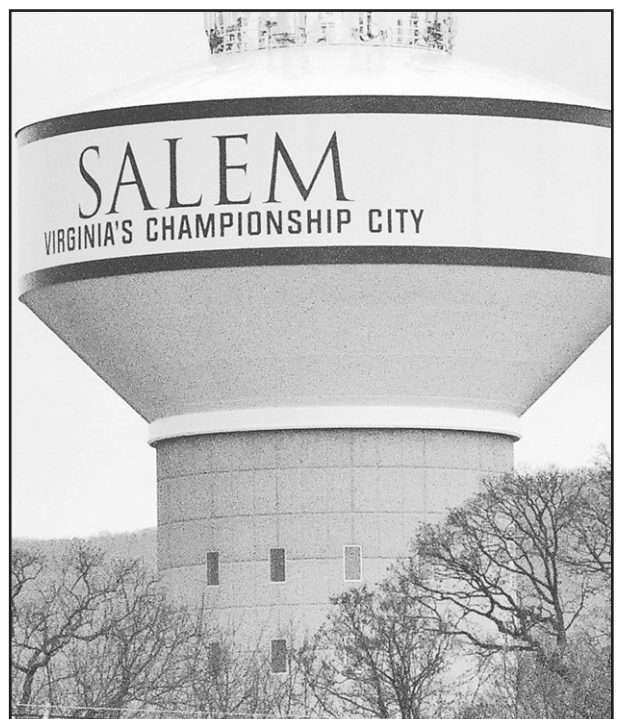


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WOMEN'S D-III BASKETBALL**

## Stinespring brings energy, strong resume to RC football

Bryan Stinespring, the new coach of the Roanoke College football team, stood behind the end zone at Salem Stadium last week intently watching the Spartans beat E.C. Glass in the Region 4D football game. Stinespring may soon have some players from both teams on his new Maroon roster, playing in that very stadium the Spartans and Maroons will both call home.

Stinespring was chosen to coach the Maroons after an extensive search as the Salem college revives football, soon to put a team on the gridiron for the first time since World War II. It will be up to the former Virginia Tech offensive coordinator to compile a roster of over 70 students that will compete in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, and the Maroon braintrust thinks they found the right man.

"We are very fortunate to get a person with Coach Stinespring's background and experience," said RC Athletics Director Curtis Campbell. "He is a Virginia native and has established relationships with high school and college coaches throughout the state. Coach Stinespring has name recognition in southwest Virginia, and that will be very important with getting our first recruiting class and establishing our program. We have a great group of coaches on staff, and he will be a welcomed addition."

During a news conference on campus at the Cregger Center last week, Stinespring said he is eager to bring his experience to the Maroons.

"It is an honor and a privilege to stand before you as the head football coach of Roanoke College," he said. "Roanoke has been a second home for me for a long time. So, when I look out and see the familiarity of faces here, it means a lot to me. I want to thank President Shushok, Curtis, this administration and this college for giving me this opportunity."

"Bringing back Maroon football, along with marching band and competitive

cheer, will open new doors at Roanoke College, attracting a wider range of students and fostering community spirit and fun in the Roanoke Valley, a region with a deep passion for football," said Roanoke College President Frank Shushok Jr. "Coach Stinespring's proven track record as a recruiter and coach, combined with his deep relationships in the region and across the commonwealth, make him an ideal leader to build a successful football program at Roanoke College. During the interview process, it became clear that in addition to his athletics credentials, Coach Stinespring has the heart of an educator, viewing football as a leadership laboratory – a perfect fit for our Division III ethos."

A native of Clifton Forge, Virginia, Stinespring earned a bachelor's degree in political science at James Madison University and a master's in education administration from Virginia Tech. Beginning as a graduate assistant at Tech, he was hired into his first full-time coaching role under Frank Beamer in 1992, when he became director of sports programs. He went on to spend 26 years on Beamer's coaching staff. He also has coached at the University of Delaware, Old Dominion University and University of Maryland, and he just wrapped up a stint at Virginia Military Institute.

In Stinespring's time at Virginia Tech, the program won seven conference championships and advanced to 23 consecutive bowl games. The Hokies earned invitations to eight BCS bowl games, including the national championship game in the 1999 season. Stinespring was primarily the team's tight ends coach for his final 10 seasons (2006-15) in Blacksburg. Stinespring spent three years as the recruiting coordinator and tight ends coach after an 11-year role as offensive coordinator from 2002-12.

Prior to his elevation to offensive coordinator, Stinespring was assistant head coach for one season (2001). He managed the offensive line for eight years (1998-2005) and coached tight ends for five seasons (1993-97).

After leaving Tech, Stinespring returned to his alma mater, JMU. He worked his first season at JMU as the tight ends coach and then transitioned to offensive line coach in 2017. He additionally served as the team's run game coordinator. In year two with the Dukes, Stinespring helped lead the team to another strong offensive campaign, resulting in a second consecutive national championship appearance and back-to-back records of 14-1.

Stinespring's first coaching experience was at the high school level. He coached for three years at Lexington High School (1986-88) followed by one year at Patrick Henry High School in Roanoke before heading to Tech as a graduate assistant. Stinespring was a walk-on player for the JMU Dukes in the early 1980s.

At VMI, Stinespring served under head coach Danny Rocco. "Bryan is an outstanding football coach and an even better person," Rocco said. "He has great history and an outstanding reputation in the state of Virginia. Coach Stinespring has a great respect for the high school coaches and programs, with a special appreciation for those coaches and programs in Southwest Virginia. He brings energy and enthusiasm to his work, as well as providing a wide range of position versatility as a football coach."

The search for a football coach was one of the first projects tackled by Campbell when he joined RC as athletics director this summer. The nationwide search resulted in more than 100 candidates for the position. The search committee included Vice President of Enrollment Management James Pennix '88, Associate Athletics Director John Farmer, Head Women's Basketball Coach and Senior Women's Administrator Carla Flaherty, Head Men's Basketball Coach Clay Nunley, Vice President and Dean of the College Kathy Wolfe, John S. Shannon Professor of Economics Alice Kassens and Assistant to the President Ryan Otto.

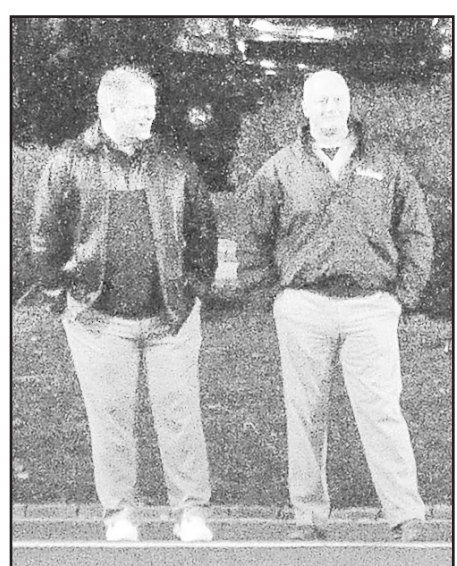


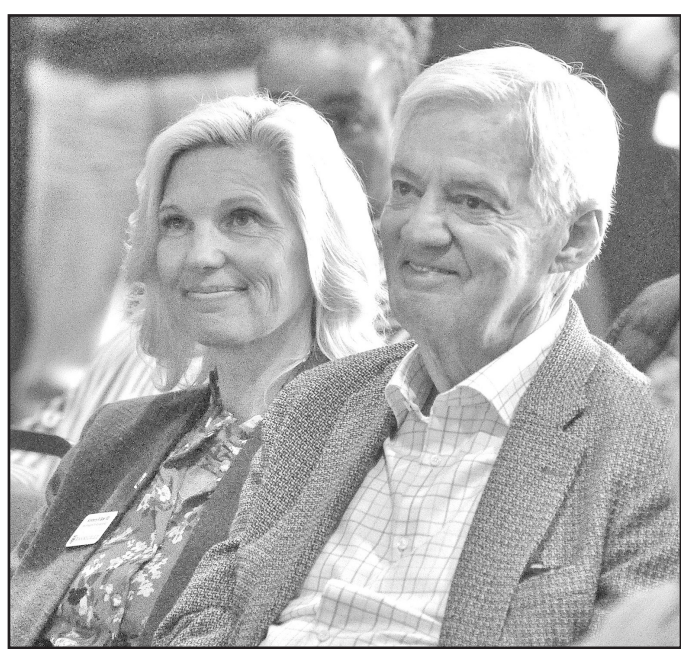
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Roanoke College football coach Bryan Stinespring (left) chats with Salem Parks & Recreation Director John Shaner during last Friday's Region 4D football game between Salem and E.C. Glass at Salem Stadium.



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Above, new Roanoke College football coach Bryan Stinespring speaks at the press conference announcing his hire as college president Frank Shushok (middle) and athletic director Curtis Campbell look on. Right, Roanoke College Vice President for Advancement Kim Blair (left in photo) and former Virginia Tech football coach Frank Beamer enjoy the moment.



## Middle School sports return to action after Thanksgiving break

The middle school sports season returns this week after time off for Thanksgiving break. Andrew Lewis and Glenvar basketball and wrestling teams are back on the floor and mats.

Glenvar Middle basketball teams returned to action Monday with a home doubleheader against Carroll County. The boys took a 61-42 win as JD Williamson scored 12 points, Hudson Luton and Parker Doolan had nine and Kipton Jones and Jon Deel had eight apiece.

The girls lost a heartbreaker to Carroll, 26-22. Glenvar led 19-9 at one point but Carroll rallied in the second half. Maudie Dolan led Glenvar with seven points and Ashante Byrd had six.

"Tough loss, our girls came out strong and focused," said Glenvar coach Tiana Byrd. "Reckless fouls on our part put them back in the game and they took the lead in the fourth and held on."

Glenvar was scheduled to host Christiansburg in a home doubleheader on Wednesday, and tonight

Central Academy is at GMS.

Lewis teams played Pulaski on Tuesday, but results were too late for publication. The Wolverines take on Ben Franklin today with the boys at home and the girls at Rocky Mount.

In wrestling, Lewis was scheduled to meet William Byrd Middle prior to the high school Salem-Byrd match on Wednesday. Glenvar was at Christiansburg. Next Wednesday, December 6, Lewis is at Hidden Valley and Glenvar will host Ben Franklin.



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Salem's Julian Warne(#18) and Chris Cole bring down the ballcarrier in Salem's win over E.C. Glass Friday.



## TWO WEEKS OF WINNERS

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving, and a few of our football contest contestants have a few more things to be thankful for after two weeks of exciting games.

We had early deadlines for Thanksgiving last week so I wasn't able to correct the contest entries that appeared in the November 16 issue. So, this week we're announcing winners from that week as well as the November 23 edition.

First things first. For the edition that came out on the 16th the winner is Carl Schultz, Jr. of Kimbal Avenue in Salem. He was one of several who missed four on a very tough week, but was closest to the high point total of 50 by Radford against Appomattox in the Region 2C semifinals. So, Carl gets the \$50 gift certificate from Mac & Bob's and a \$20 certificate from Macado's.

For our "19th Hole" I asked you what you were thankful for, and we got some good answers. I'm going to give the free day of golf at the Salem Municipal Course to Emory Coe who wrote, "football and family, in that order." That made me laugh, although her parents might not think it's funny to put football in front of family.

For this week's contest always competitive Mike Cassell comes out on top with just two misses. He had Union over Graham and UNC over NC State but other than that he was perfect on another tough week, so he gets the food from Mac & Bob's and Macado's.

For the "19th Hole" I asked you to pick the Tech-UVA score, and most of you didn't see a 55-17 Hokie win coming. Closest to that score, and pretty darned close, was Joe Whelby who guessed the Hokies would win 48-19. So, Joe gets the free day of golf on the popular course on Academy Street.

For this week's "19th Hole" give me your prediction on Salem's state semifinal game at Tuscarora Saturday. That's a tough one to call, as when you get this far in the playoffs there are few common opponents. As always, the closest to the actual score gets a free day of golf.

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving, even if you put football before family. **-Brian Hoffman**

## SALEM FOOTBALL

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then put some icing on the cake with a "pick six," racing 50 yards to the end zone for the final score with 2:26 to go.

Lewis finished with 283 yards rushing on 24 carries with three touchdowns. Eli Taylor completed four passes for 83 yards, including a 24 yard touchdown pass to Josiah Moyer that was set up by a Glass pass interference in the end zone against Jaelyn Allen.

On defense Cole was a beast with five solo tackles and the intercep-

tion. Logan and Quenton Dillard had eight tackles each, Allen and Moyer had seven each and Chris Martin had six. Salem had four interceptions, two by Persinger and one each by Moyer and Logan.

The win was Salem's 12th in a row, setting up a state semifinal game with undefeated Tuscarora in Leesburg Saturday at 2 pm. Tuscarora reached the semifinal with a 24-21 win over John Champe last Friday afternoon.

"We were in here studying them for seven

hours on Saturday and eight hours on Sunday," said Holter from the Salem High fieldhouse Monday afternoon. "They run the ball hard, they have good size and they're well-coached. They're the Region C champs, so they must be a pretty good football team."

The winner will meet the winner of a semifinal game between Region A champ Phoebus and Region B champ King George in the state championship at Liberty University on December 9 at 11:30 am.

## Spartans are on the air Saturday on WRTZ radio

Salem's Class 4 state championship football game against Tuscarora High in Leesburg on Saturday will be aired on WRTZ radio, 1410 AM, and streamed on trueoldieswrtz.com.

The game will kickoff at 2 pm with air time beginning at 1:35 pm. "Radio Ron" Myers will do the play-by-play.



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Left, Salem's Chris Martin makes an open field tackle against E.C. Glass Friday night. Right, Peyton Lewis breaks off a 70 yard run to set up a Salem touchdown.

## GLENVAR FOOTBALL

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front in the fourth quarter, 23-16.

Glenvar put on a classic drive late in the game to take the lead for the fourth times in the game. With five minutes on the clock the Highlanders moved down the field, highlighted by a 35 yard run by Shane Gibson. The 10 play drive resulted in a Cooper Mullins eight yard run for a score, cutting the lead to 23-22. Glenvar went for two and quarterback Brody Dawyot found Reed Hutchison for a 24-23 lead with 2:04 remaining.

"I knew all along we were going for two," said Clifford. "I didn't want to go into overtime, I wanted to win the game right there."

And they almost did if not for a final

hurrah by the host Bobcats. Faced with a fourth and four on the 40, Clark scrambled away from pressure and picked up a first down in what could have iced the game for the Highlanders. Then he threw a 22 yard TD pass to a wide open Luke Woodard with 10 seconds remaining to regain the lead at 29-24. Glenvar had one play after the ensuing kickoff but, for all intents and purposes, the game was over on the touchdown pass.

"It was an exciting game to watch, and it was an exciting game to coach," said Clifford. "Give the Clark kid credit, he's the best quarterback in the state."

Glenvar sophomore quarterback Dawyot had a good game in defeat, completing 17 of 23 passes for 84

yards and rushing for 25. Mullins, also a sophomore, ran 23 times for 87 yards and two scores and Gibson had nine carries for 64.

Hutchison ended his high school football career with four catches for 28 yards, including a touchdown and the big, at the time, two point conversion. Dawson Anderson had seven receptions for 38 yards and Carl Muse had a 27 yard field goal in the first half.

On defense, Nate Johnson had eight tackles, including a sack. Gibson had nine tackles and a sack, Jack Camper had nine tackles and Hutchison had two interceptions. Mullins had five tackles and a pick.

With the loss Glenvar ended the season at 10-3 with two of the loss-

es to Radford. It's become quite a rivalry, with Glenvar winning three straight before this season, and the only one that didn't go down to the finish in the past five meetings was this year's regular season game.

Glenvar will graduate 12 seniors, including three year starters Johnson, Gibson, Anderson and Ben Holiday. However, plenty of talent returns and Glenvar's jayvee team was 9-1, losing only to undefeated William Byrd. The Highlanders will return to fight another day.

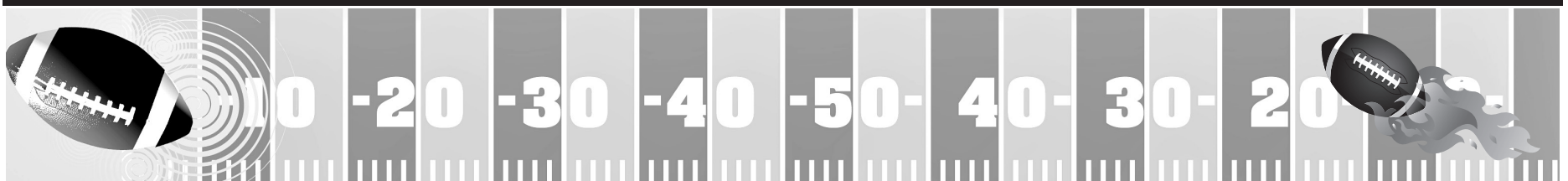
"There's risk-reward in anything you do, but I love being in the arena," said Clifford. "We played two of the most exciting games in the state the last two weeks and I wouldn't have it any other way."



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Left, Glenvar's Anthony LaRosa (#70) tackles Radford quarterback Landin Clark. Right, Glenvar QB Brody Dawyot cuts loose with a pass against the Bobcats.

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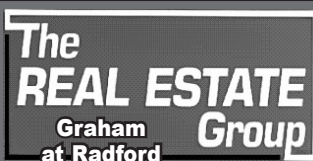


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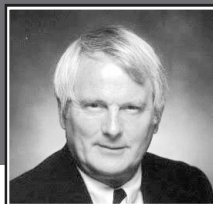
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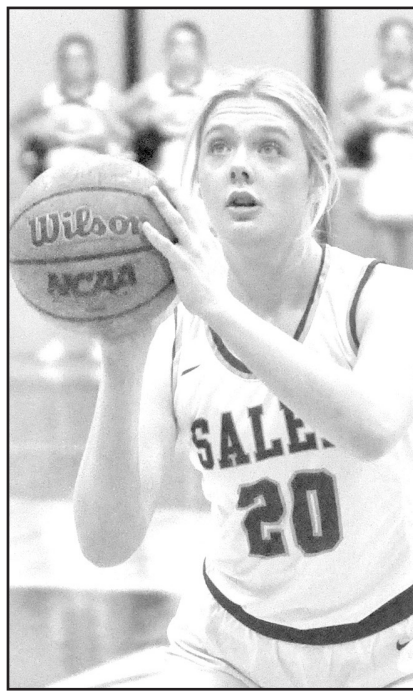
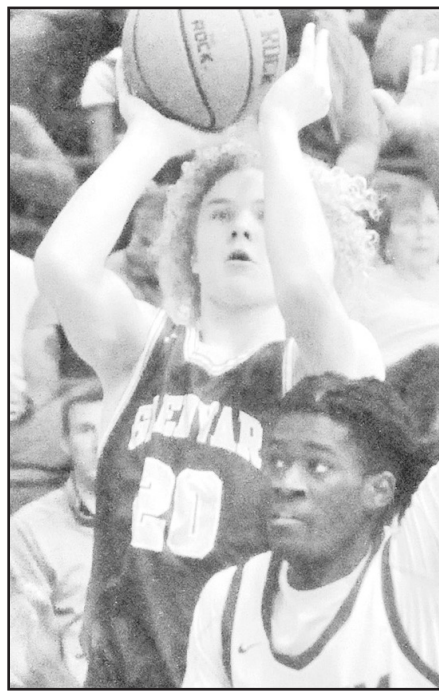
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Left to right, Grant Clemens is a senior three-point sharpshooter for Salem; Brody Dawyot was all-region as a freshman at Glenvar, sophomore Emme Custer will be a force under the basket for the Spartan girls and Atalee Strausbaugh is a returnee for the Glenvar varsity.

# High School basketball season opens this week

The VHSL basketball season tips off this week and both Salem and Glenvar, boys and girls, will jump it up after three weeks of preseason practice and scrimmages.

Both the Salem and Glenvar football seasons were prolonged due to excellence by their respective teams, so the Spartan and Glenvar boys could be a little shorthanded to start their campaigns.

Salem is still playing football this Saturday and coach Kevin Garst is expecting three or more players from the football team to join his cagers when the Spartan season ends. That could be December 9 if the Salemites can beat Tuscarora this week.

Until then, Salem has nine players on the varsity team, including seniors Grant Clemens and Lucas Yerton. Juniors currently on the squad are Kam Brown, LaMarius Foxx, Bryce Carver and Marvin Fields and three sophomores are Cam Boles, Elijah Paddyfote and Parker Dallas. The Spartans are scheduled to open Friday at Northside, one of the top teams in the area once again.

“We’ll find out where we’re at in a hurry,” said Garst. “That will bring the most out of you when you play a team like Northside. They can take you to a higher level.”

Salem’s home opener is next Tuesday against Rockbidge.

The Glenvar boys will open tonight at Hidden Valley. Coach Cliff Bordewisch welcomed the football players this week after a tough loss at Radford ended their season last Friday. Sophomore quarterback Brody Dawyot led Glenvar in scoring and was all-region as a freshman in hoops, so he’ll be the horse Glenvar will ride this winter. Reed Hutchison and Aidan Hylton were key reserves last year who should step into starting roles while Tre Dawyot moves up and Luke Farmer transfers in to balance out the point guard position. Adam Franklin and Grayson Shepherd move up and could have key roles in the rotation as well.

“We’ve lost 11 players to graduation in my first two years as coach so we return a very young team, but a talented one,” said Bordewisch. “We’re

creating an environment where a bunch of guys will be able to constantly compete for minutes. We have eight players coming from football. Health and how quickly we come together as a team will determine how successful we will be in January.”

The Highlanders were scheduled to host William Byrd for their home opener on Friday but that game was postponed due to Byrd playing in the football state Class 3 semifinals this Saturday. The home opener will now be next Wednesday, December 6, against Hidden Valley.

Glenvar’s girls opened their season Monday against Hidden Valley and dropped a 45-10 game to the Titans. The Highlanders return Atalee Strausbaugh from last year’s team and key newcomers include Kamirah Watts, Ava Paxton, Audrey Moles, Taniya Byrd and Rebecca McGruder. Last year’s second leading scorer, Makenzie Harris, is now at PH.

“We hope to get better each day,” said coach Jeff Johnson, who has the Highlanders in a full rebuild with a young team. “We have five freshmen

on the varsity team. We want to play hard and have fun.”

The girls are back in action Friday at William Byrd, followed by a home game against Auburn on Monday.

The Salem girls will open at home on Friday against Northside. Second year coach Scott Jester returns a solid corps from a team that finished 16-9 last season, and it’s still a young group. The Spartans have no seniors, seven juniors and four sophomores on the 11 player roster.

Junior Charli Wynn and sophomores Gabby Crawley, Bailey Rider and Emme Custer are all slated to start and juniors Ashlyn Adkins and Elizabeth Smith are returnees with varsity experience. Key newcomers include guards Faith Nance, Lexi Hart and Taelyn Woodard and forwards Shaniya Robinson and Alecia Kasey.

“We have a very talented group of players and we are working to improve every day,” said Jester. “The River Ridge District and Region 4D will both be very challenging, but we believe if we can reach our potential we can compete at the top of both.”

## Salem, Glenvar wrestlers have high hopes for new mat season

The Salem and Glenvar wrestlers both have home matches this week to open the season. Glenvar was scheduled to host Alleghany and Patrick County on Tuesday and Salem was home to William Byrd on Wednesday, following a middle school match between Andrew Lewis and Byrd Middle.

The Highlanders have a new coach in Tim Miles, who replaces Jason Cline. Jason stepped down after leading Glenvar to a state Class 2 runner-up finish last winter with three state champions and a runner-up. Miles comes to Highlander Heaven with great credentials and somewhat of a rebuilding job after some big losses to graduation, but there’s talent returning as well.

Among the top returnees for Glenvar is senior Ethan Flowers, who recently committed to wrestle at VMI next year. Ethan was the 175 pound

state champion last year with a 34-3 season record.

Glenvar also returns two-time state champ Chase Miller, a junior. He won the state championship at 170 as a freshman, but didn’t start last season at Glenvar. He returned to the Highlanders for the second semester and went 15-0, winning the state crown at 190. He’s expected to be at 190 again this season.

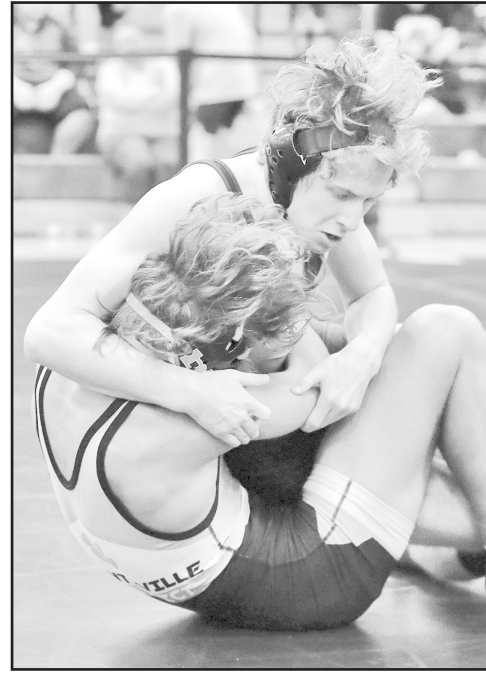
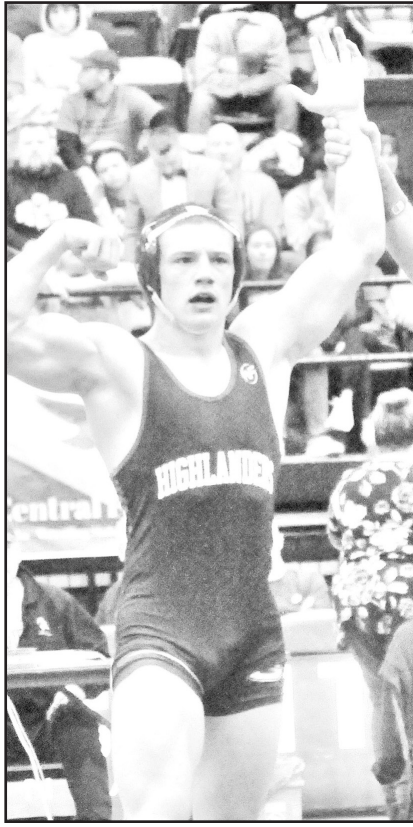
Alan Vu returns after making it to the state semifinals last season, finishing fourth at 106 with a season’s record of 24-9, and he’ll be at 120. Miles has high hopes for freshmen Jacob Flowers and Robbie Ferrell at 106 and 157.

“I’ve seen great effort and focus so far in the preseason training, which has reassured me we are ready to go compete,” said Miles. “We are going to find out quickly how good we are because we

are heading out of state twice in December to hunt down elite competition. When we do get to the postseason, we plan to be firing on all cylinders and hunting down multiple individual state titles. With great support from the administration, parents and surrounding community, this team’s ceiling is very high.”

Salem has a solid roster of seven seniors, seven juniors, six sophomores and a dozen freshmen and coach Lawrence Van Liew is expecting at least five more boys to come out when the Spartan football season is over.

Caden Wright and Andrew Brooks are two seniors who should make a big push this year, along with juniors Braden Armes, Linkin Callahan and Jackson Bryie, all two-time state qualifiers. Freshmen and sophomores will all compete for starting spots,



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Ethan Flowers, left, is a returning state champ and VMI commit for Glenvar. Above, Caden Wright is looking to have a big year for Salem.

and keep an eye out for Kolynn Eastman, who was injured last year, and newcomer Derick Bush.

“My whole team is full of a bunch of returners,” said Van Liew. “The key to success this year will be staying healthy, and competing long before we see another school in

competition. Our region got significantly more difficult this year, and I believe the winner of the region will make a run at the state title.”

Salem has taken second in Region 4D the last 4 years.

“The first year it was exciting, no Salem team

had done it before,” said Van Liew. “The next year we lost first place in the last match of the day, and the next two years it was back and forth. Our goal is simple this year, do better than we ever have as a team. The ceiling is very high for this team.”

## Glenvar's Conner on first team Class 2 all-state volleyball team

The Virginia High School League Class 2 All-State volleyball team was announced last week and Glenvar’s Audrey Conner was named to the first team. All-District and All-Region high school volleyball

teams were also recently announced and Salem and Glenvar had girls represented.

Conner, a senior setter, was named to the first team as a “player.” All selections were designated “player”

with the exception of “libero.” Gate City senior outside hitter Makayla Bays is the Class 2 Player of the Year, and Appomattox head coach Mark Drinkard is the Class 2 Coach of the Year.

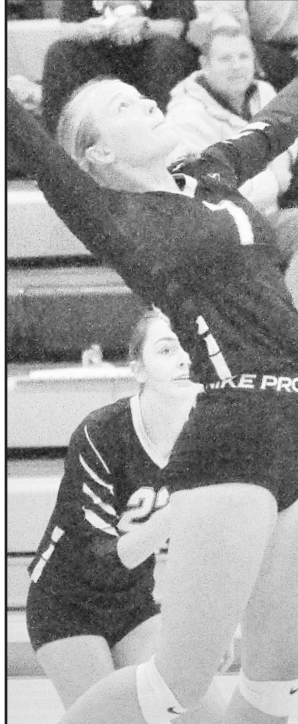
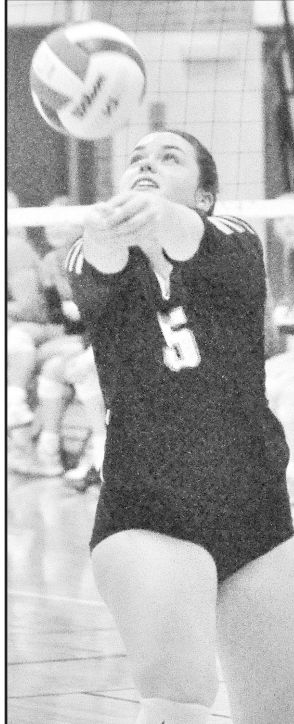
In Class 3 Hidden Valley head coach Haley Quesenberry was named the Class 3 Coach of the Year. Quesenberry, named interim head coach before the district championship, led Hidden Valley to a 32-1 record in her first season with the Titans after serving as an assistant for the 2022 Class 2 state champion Glenvar team. After winning the Region 3D title, her Titans team won the school’s third state volleyball title with a 3-1 (25-19, 25-22, 25-27, 25-19) victory over Grafton in the finals.

The all-state volleyball team in each class consists of nine position players and one libero. Only those players selected to the all-region first-team are eligible for selection to the all-state team. The all-state selection committee comprises eight coaches, with two from each region.

Three Glenvar senior girls were named to the All-Region 2C team, including a first team selection in Conner. Daisy Ann Dawyot and Natalie McMahon made the second team. All three Highlanders also made the All-Three Rivers District team. Conner and Dawyot were named to the first team and Natalie McMahon was named to the second team.

“We are proud of our Highlanders and the whole team around them,” said coach Mark Rohrback.

Salem High’s Makenzie Board has been named to the All-River Ridge second team in volleyball. Board, a senior setter, was also deemed Honorable Mention on the All-Region 4D team.



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These local girls earned post-season volleyball honors. Left to right are Glenvar’s Audrey Conner, Daisy Ann Dawyot and Natalie McMahon and Salem’s Makenzie Board.



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## Spartans down Glass for region title, advance to state semifinal

Sometimes it can be helpful to have the fastest young man in the state on your football team. Such was the case last Friday when Salem High hosted E.C. Glass at Salem Stadium and took a 42-14 win, sending the Spartans to Leesburg this Saturday for the Class 4 state semifinal against Tuscarora High.

Last Friday in Salem the Spartans led the Hilltoppers at the half, 20-7. However, Glass had the ball first in the second half and went 80 yards to cut the lead to a single score, 20-14. After forcing the Spartans to punt on the ensuing possession the visitors from Lynchburg had the ball and a chance to take the lead.

With the ball on their own side of the field, speedy Hilltopper quarterback Maxwell Calloway found some room to the left side. He bolted through a couple defenders and had clear sailing in front of him toward the scoreboard end of Salem Stadium. However, he wasn't going to outrun Peyton Lewis.

Lewis, the spring 100 and 200 meter Class 4 state track champion, closed the gap on Calloway and caught him just inside the five, saving a touchdown. Salem then held on the next two plays, and after two costly Glass penalties the ball moved outside the red zone, and then back to Salem on an interception by Josiah Persinger. The defensive play by Lewis was the turning point of the game.

"Peyton ran for 285 yards but the play he made on defense was his best play of the night," said Salem coach Don Holter. "He has heart and grit, and he plays for his brothers. He's a tremendous competitor with a desire to succeed."

For most of the season Lewis doesn't even play defense, saving his energy for carrying the ball. However, when its three weeks into the post-season with the region title in the balance, he's going to see time on both sides of the line.

"At this time of the year you have to get your best on the field," said Holter.

From that point it was all Salem. The Spartans made it 27-14 just over a minute into the fourth quarter on a 52 yard TD run by Lewis. The Hilltoppers drove to the red zone on their next possession but Salem kept them out of the end zone on four straight pass plays as Chris Cole, Coen Logan and Persinger took turns breaking up potential scoring plays in the end zone.

After taking possession Lewis raced 70 yards to put Salem in scoring position again, with Jayveon Jones taking it in from the one and a 35-14 lead with 3:59 to go, as Lewis scored a two-point conversion after a Glass penalty on the extra point attempt. Cole

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Above, Spartans hold the Region 4D football championship trophy high with the score on the board following last Friday's win at Salem Stadium. Below left, Wilson Rakes(#50) makes a stop in the red zone during a third quarter goal line stand, and below right Josiah Moyer goes high between two Hilltoppers for a big interception.



## Radford edges Glenvar in region final on late TD pass

For the second week in a row last Friday Glenvar's football playoff game came down to the final play. This time, however, the Highlanders didn't win.

Glenvar was eliminated from the Virginia High School League Class 2 playoffs by undefeated Radford, 29-24, in one of those games ESPN calls an "instant classic." Radford scored with 10 seconds remaining to spoil a dramatic Glenvar comeback in a thriller at

Radford's Norman G. Lineburg Field.

"It was disappointing, but it's part of the business," said Glenvar coach Kevin Clifford, who saw his team go down to defeat in the region final for the fourth season in a row. "The week before (against Gretna) we won on the last play and it was exhilarating. This time we lost on the last play."

Glenvar came into the game as decided underdogs after losing a regu-

lar season game to Radford at home, 36-3, the last weekend of September. The two had been on a collision course for a rematch and Clifford knew his team was better than what showed in the first meeting.

"The first game wasn't indicative of what kind of team we are," he said. "Our kids know how to win. It's not like we were in uncharted territory, we've been to the region final the last

four years. I felt completely confident we could win this game."

The Highlanders trailed 15-10 at the half but Clifford felt like they missed a couple opportunities to have the lead, failing to take advantage of some good field position. Then Glenvar jumped in front, 16-15, in the second half, but a 67 yard run by Radford quarterback Landin Clark put the Bobcats back in

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Left, Glenvar's Cooper Mullins picks up yardage in last Friday's game at Radford. Right, Jack Camper pulls down Bobcat quarterback Landin Clark from behind.

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## NCAA soccer championships in Salem this week will hit milestone 100 mark

When the City of Salem hosts the NCAA Division III men's and women's national championship soccer tournaments this week it will mark the 100th championship event hosted by the city.

The D-III soccer championships will be held for four days at Kerr Stadium on the campus of Roanoke College. Action begins today with the women's semifinals. California Lutheran will take on Tufts at 3 pm, followed by Messiah against Washington University at 6:30 pm.

On Friday the men's semifinals will be held. Washington College and St. Olaf will play at 3 pm with Amherst against Washington & Lee, an Old Dominion Athletic Conference school, at 6:30 pm.

Championship finals will be this weekend, both starting at noon. The women's championship will be on Saturday and the men will decide their national champion at noon Sunday.

This will be the 30th year Salem has hosted NCAA championships, beginning with the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl in 1993. No one at that time envisioned "Virginia's Championship City" would host another 99

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