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## Hopetree asks to delay Planning Commission request until Feb. 14

**Meg Hibbert**  
Contributing writer

HopeTree Family Services has asked to delay its request for rezoning and development until the Feb. 14 meeting of the Salem Planning Commission.

The application was submitted to the Jan. 10 meeting. HopeTree, which was founded in 1890 as the Virginia Baptist Orphanage, wants to sell more than half of its 64 acres to developers who could build up to 340 single-family homes, townhomes, shops and a restaurant.

The HopeTree application is for a

Planning Unit Development (PUD). The largely greenspace property is bordered by North Broad Street, Red Lane, Mount Vernon Lane, East Carrollton. When founded, it cared for orphans and children whose parents could not care for them. It was a farm that grew vegetables for the dining hall and had livestock which the children helped to tend.

More recently, the campus has also been home to mentally challenged adults and has a day academy for students who can benefit from one-on-one teaching and counseling.

HopeTree representatives have said

with changing times and regulations, the facility should change its direction. Existing zoning on 20 acres could allow single-family homes with no zoning changes, but HopeTree plans to sell acreage to developers.

The 14 existing brick cottages and other buildings would remain. According to the plan drafted by Balzer Associates and filed with the Salem Planning Commission, developers want to add single-family houses, multifamily houses, townhouses, a "pocket court" with residences facing a culdesac street, lofts, a community center and shops.

North Broad Street neighbors and other nearby owners are concerned about changes to the HopeTree campus particularly with potential traffic increases from additional homes. They frequently address Salem City Council during five-minute slots for Citizen Concern at the beginning of regular council meetings.

In addition to traffic, neighbors also have raised concerns about runoff and drainage.

The HopeTree campus is the largest

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Snow was starting to accumulate at Lake Spring Park Monday afternoon.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

## Monday snow blankets Salem

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Several inches of snow blanketed Salem on Monday. Ahead of the storm, VDOT crews pretreated major roads and interstates.

Over night between Monday and Tuesday, VDOT mobilized crews to plow and treat roads. By Tuesday

morning, VDOT advised motorists that many secondary roads and neighborhoods streets in the Roanoke Valley were still covered in snow and ice. As a result, it suggested that motorists delay travel until later in the day.

Interstates and most primary roads had been

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## Livingston reflects on first full year as head of chamber of commerce



Livingston is pictured second from the left at a chamber event.

**Aila Boyd and Lisa King**  
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Last year marked Amanda Livingston's first full year as executive director of the Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce after having joined the chamber in October 2022.

Livingston describes her first year as being "great" and reports that she's excited about the chamber's growth.

"I've been spending a lot of time just getting out in Salem and Roanoke County, just introducing myself and meeting people, introducing the chamber and also spending a lot of time with existing chamber members, trying

to engage with them and listening to what their needs are," she said.

One area of focus, she said, has been meeting with small business owners. In fact, about 50% of the membership has fewer than five full-time employees.

"Everything I have done this past year has been focused on the value proposition. Really, when it's time for members to write that check for their annual dues, I want them to feel really good about it," she said. "I want them to feel like it is worth every penny, and then some. That's my thought when I think about all of our different programs, seminars; our entire program of work, that's my mantra if you will."

Additionally, Livingston said all members want to know that their membership is valuable.

"That means different things to different people. Some people want to use the chamber to help grow their business, other people are really looking for networking opportunities," she said. "In a nutshell, people want the chamber to help them with their professional goals and the goals of their companies. And so that is what we really focus on. One of our most popular series is our Business Advocacy Breakfasts, which we have had an excellent turn out for, it's very popular. It's really a

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Livingston is pictured at the end on the right at a chamber event.

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## Roanoke County School Board re-elects Hudson chairman

The Roanoke County School Board has elected Catawba member, Brent Hudson, to continue as board chairman for 2024. Hudson was first elected chairman in 2023. The board also elected Windsor Hills member Cheryl Facciani as the vice-chairman. This is her first term.

They were nominated at the first School Board work session of the year on Jan. 4 by Tim Greenway, who represents the Vinton District on the School Board. The two remaining seats are held by newly elected Shelley Clemons of the Cave Spring District (replacing Mike Wray who did not run for re-election) and David Linden, who represents the Hollins District.

Roanoke County Public Schools (RCPS) Director of Facilities and Operations Todd Kageals made presentations to the board on several potential projects.

The board discussed using solar panels to produce electricity in county schools after a presentation from Katherine Knight of Sun Tribe, solar providers based in Charlottesville. The company has worked in Virginia with 15 school systems, including Arlington, Henrico, Pittsylvania, Fairfax, and Chesterfield County schools, and Newport News, as well as Virginia Tech.

RCPS is considering a pilot project to provide solar energy to Cave Spring High School (CSHS) through a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). A PPA through Sun Tribe (or another provider) could lock in electric rates lower than what RCPS is currently paying AEP at no cost to RCPS.

Under a PPA, RCPS would agree to purchase power at a predetermined rate for the life of the agreement. Sun Tribe (or another provider) would install and maintain the system for the life of the agreement. CSHS would remain "grid tied" and would draw power from AEP as needed. The proposal for CSHS projects approximately \$1,961,000 in savings over the life of the agreement (25 years). RCPS currently pays approximately \$.12/kwh for electricity from AEP.

Under a PPA with Sun Tribe, the school system would pay less than what it currently pays AEP; the cost for electricity from Sun Tribe would not change over the life of the agreement. According to Kageals, entering into a PPA would allow RCPS to gain experience with solar energy at no cost, and at a guaranteed rate providing budgetary certainty from year to year.

Knight also noted that Sun Tribe offers curriculum content to be used in classrooms to educate students on renewable energy.

The board decided to continue the solar panel discussion at future meetings, after "due diligence" in speaking with other school systems currently using

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Hudson

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# Briefly: Salem News in Brief

**Annual Meeting & Economic Outlook Update:** The Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual update on Friday, Jan. 19 from 8 a.m.-10 a.m. at the Salem Civic Center. This meeting includes an Economic Outlook Update from representatives of Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge, City of Salem and Roanoke County Economic Development, and the Roanoke Regional Partnership. There will be a moderated panel and attendees are encouraged to come with questions.

**"Winterfest Beach Bash":** Salem's annual "Winterfest Beach Bash" is coming back in February of 2024 with the legendary "Band of Oz". The 2024 version of this entertaining indoor beach party will take place on Friday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m. inside the Salem Civic Center arena. This is the 17th straight year that the Hall of Fame band has been selected to showcase its talents for this popular wintertime party. Tickets for the group's appearance went on sale at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12, at the Salem Parks & Recreation Department, 620 Florida Street. Admission is \$10 in advance and \$12 the day of the show or you can purchase a table of eight for just \$80. Cash, check or credit card will be accepted between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays from Dec. 12 – Feb. 2. This event is often a complete sell-out, so those who are interested are encouraged to get their tickets early. For additional ticket information, please contact the Salem Parks and Recreation Department at 540- 375-3057.

**First Mondays:** The family-friendly events are held by Gary John, who manages the "Mason Creek" bluegrass group, and Vicky Sword from the center. The bluegrass/acoustic shows are free, but a tip bucket will be passed around for donations to the musicians. Cake raffles and door prizes will be offered. The event is on Monday, Feb. 5: 7p.m. - The Brothers Young and 8 p.m. - Bubba Chandler & Mary Butterworth.

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**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.

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**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."

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**Happy Trails Film & Television Festival:** The festival will take place at CommUNITY Church in Salem on May 17, 18 and 19. There will be panels, workshops, special programming, autographs and a banquet. The event is billed as a "nostalgia/faith media convention for the whole family."

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**Public meetings:** The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Jan. 22 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Feb. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 7 p.m.

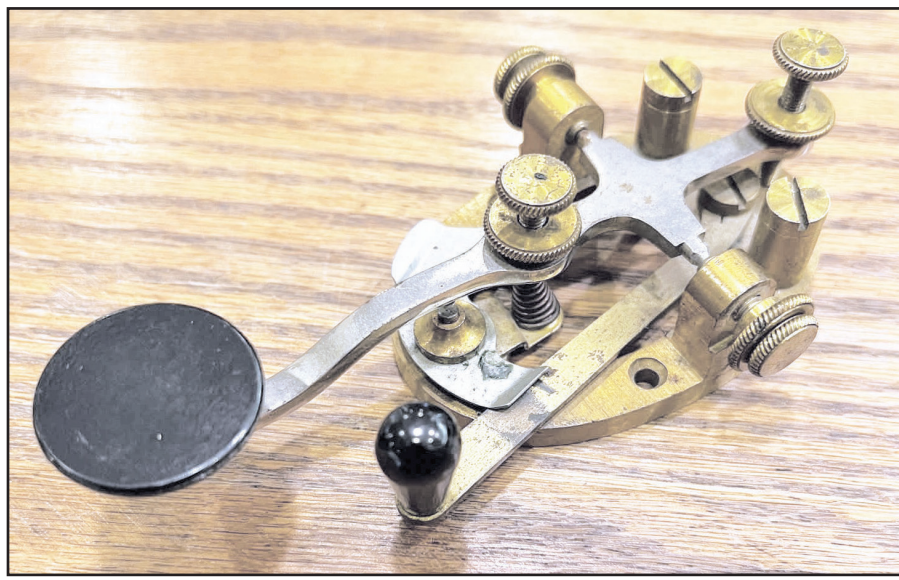
The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m.

## SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT



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### Telegraph key

Long before cell phones, telegraphs were the fastest form of communication. They use Morse Code, a series of dots and dashes that symbolize different letters and numbers, to quickly send messages. The message is typed into a "key" and sent through a wire to a "sounder" that rings with each corresponding dot or dash. These wires were often hung along rail lines, so messages were usually received at train stations, causing the two industries became closely connected.

You can see and use a telegraph key on display in the Salem Museum's "Through Their Eyes" exhibit.

There is still time to see the Salem Museum's model train set! The train

display has been extended through February 3, 2024. Come visit to see one of the Museum's most popular displays.

This will be the last year for the Burke family trains. Don't miss this classic—and imaginative—American Flyer layout!

This year, the display has expanded to three tracks, including a tiny N-scale train.

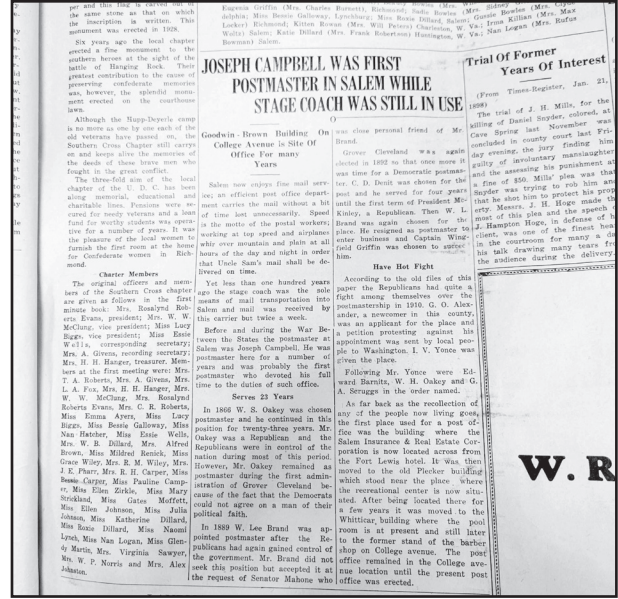
This year, sharp-eyed visitors will discover an array of new surprises. A scavenger hunt will help visitors find all of the tiny delights.

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

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

# Joseph Campbell was first postmaster in Salem while stage coach was still in use

## Goodwin-Brown Building On College Avenue is Site Of Office For Many Years



FROM THE TIMES-REGISTER ARCHIVES

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

Salem now enjoys fine mail service; an efficient post office department carries the mail without a bit of time lost unnecessarily. Speed is the motto of the postal workers; working at top speed and airplanes whirl over the mountain and plain at all hours of the day and night in order that Uncle Sam's mail shall be delivered on time.

Yet less than one hundred years ago the stage coach was the sole means of mail transportation into Salem and mail was received by this carrier but twice a week.

Before and during the War Between the States the postmaster at Salem was Joseph Campbell. He was postmaster here for a number of years and was probably the first postmaster who devoted his full time to duties of such office.

### Serves 23 Years

In 1866 W.S. Oakey was chosen postmaster and he continued in the position for twenty three years. Mr. Oakey was a republican and the Republicans were in control of the nation during most of this period. However, Mr. Oakey remained as postmaster during the first administration of Grover Cleveland because of the fact that the Democrats could not agree on a man of their political faith.

In 1889 W. Lee Brand was appointed postmaster after the Republicans had again gained control of the government. Mr. Brand did not seek this position but accepted it at the request of Senator Mahone who was a close personal friend of Mr. Brand.

Grover Cleveland was again elected in 1892 so that once more it was time for a Democratic postmaster. C.D. Denit was chosen for the post and he served for four

years until the first term of President McKinley, a Republican. Then W.L. Brand was again chosen for the place. He resigned as postmaster to enter business and Captain Wingfield Griffin was chosen to succeed him.

### Have Hot Fight

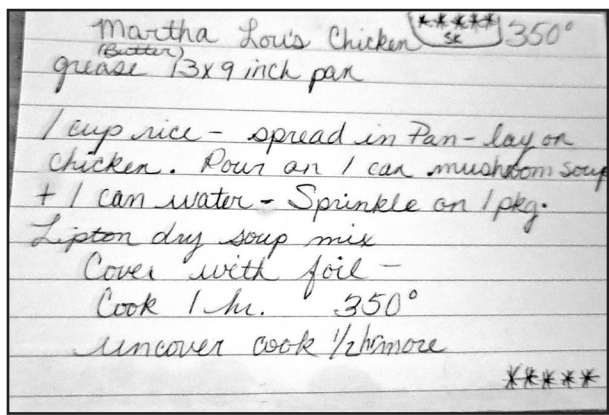
According to the old files of this paper the Republicans had quite a fight among themselves over the postmastership in 1910. G. O. Alexander, a newcomer in this county, was an applicant for the place and a petition protesting against his appointment was sent by local people to Washington. I.V. Yonce was given the place.

Following Mr. Yonce were Edward Barnitz, W.H. Oakey and A. Scruggs in the order named.

As far back as the recollection of any of the people now living goes, the first place used for a post office was the building where the Salem Insurance & Real Estate Corporation is now located across from the Fort Lewis hotel. It was then moved to the old Plecker building which stood near the place where the recreational center is now situated. After being located there for a few years it was moved to where the pool room is at present and still later to the former stand of the barber shop on College Avenue. The post office remained in the College Avenue location until the present post office was erected.

-Prepared by Shelly Koon

# RECIPE OF THE WEEK



**Shelly Koon**  
Contributing Writer

in the refrigerator at home. I got this recipe from a neighbor, (funny how most good recipes are found this way) when I was 13 years old. My mom was working part-time, my dad was always working, and it was my job to cook dinner. I did not mind, I felt important and got to boss my little brother around. This elderly neighbor, Martha Lou, kept an eye on us and was available when Mom was not home. I have made this so much I have memorized it. When I found the recipe in my box, it surprised me that the recipe card was so vague.

**Martha Lou's chicken and rice bake**  
**Ingredients:**

- 3-4 boneless and skinless chicken breasts
- 1 cup uncooked white rice
- 1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
- 1 envelope of dry onion soup mix

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease a 9x13 pan with butter or nonstick spray. Spread dry rice evenly in pan. Lay on chicken. Mix can of soup and 1 can of water together and pour over chicken and rice. Sprinkle dry soup mix over everything. Cover with foil and cook for 1 hour. Uncover and cook 1/2 more.

**Tips:**

I use boneless and skinless chicken breasts, tenders, or chicken thighs. I have left the breasts whole or cut them up in pieces. I used pork chops once and it turned out well. Basically, whatever you prefer. Make sure you get all the rice wet. Lift the chicken so the soup gets under it if needed. I have made this in my casserole crockpot, cooking on high for 3-4 hours, low 6-8 hours. Check the chicken for doneness. Try cream of chicken or cream of celery soup instead of mushroom soup. I have used Minute rice in a pinch, but it can get mushy if overcooked.



PHOTOS BY SHELLY KOON

January is a cold and dark month with short days. The holidays are over, not much is going on, and time seems to have slowed down. The "January Blues" is the feelings of sadness and depression that make the month hard. The lack of excitement the holidays bring and the return to the daily routine can make the peppiest person feel unenthused about the coming year. January is said to be the least productive month. Some tips to overcome the blues is to know that it is normal to feel this way. Lack of sunlight plays a big part in the mood. Get as much daylight as possible, sit in a window or wrapped up on the porch. My dad would sit in the car on the driveway to get sunlight in the winter. Don't make New Year resolutions. This can lead to feelings of failure should you slow down or quit. Make plans for the summer or a goal you can look forward to and really want to accomplish. Stay as active as you can though. Take the stairs, walk around a store before shopping, or just going outside for a walk in the yard can help your mood. Get enough sleep. Winter is the cold and flu season so getting enough sleep can keep you healthy. Try something new. A new hobby or start a new TV drama or puzzle; read for fun, not your job. Eat properly. Making meals is hard when your mood is poor. Make something easy and that you enjoy but still healthy. Extra sugar is tempting but it will just make you more tired and grumpy.

This week's recipe is one I make when I need a good dinner after a long day at work. I know it reheats well, so I am not tempted to get fast food when I know it's

# POLICE REPORT

*City of Salem Police Department*



*Weekly Arrest Report*

*Week of January 02, 2024 – January 08, 2024*

DATE	NAME	ARRESTS	OFFENSES
01/02/2024	Paul R. Nakhle	32	Assault & Battery, Conceal Merchandise, Neglect, Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
01/02/2024	Brayl Y. Fax	31	Fugitive From Justice
01/02/2024	Ashley D. Martin	33	Conceal Merchandise
01/03/2024	Roger L. Woods	35	Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
01/03/2024	Phillip E. Stultz	52	Possession of Controlled Substance
01/03/2024	Mickey R. Barnett	47	Public Intoxication
01/04/2024	Richard J. Viar	45	Shoplifting
01/05/2024	Danielle Stockstill	47	Possession of Controlled Substance
01/05/2024	Nicole E. Claybrook	40	Shoplifting
01/05/2024	Sierra S. Doss	33	Violation of Probation
01/05/2024	Lashley M. Thomas	59	DUI
01/05/2024	Michael D. Davidson	52	Conditional Release Violation, Violation of Probation
01/06/2024	Jamie W. Mabry	52	Possession of Controlled Substance
01/06/2024	Jessica D. Hutton	43	Embezzlement
01/06/2024	Danielle Stockstill	47	Shoplifting, Public Intoxication
01/06/2024	Joseph D. Lafferty	42	Possession of Controlled Substance, Paraphernalia
01/06/2024	Jessica A. Boyer	36	Criminal Trespass
01/06/2024	Joshua K. Nielsen	30	DUI
01/06/2024	Michael A. Lucado	45	Public Intoxication
01/07/2024	Tiffany L. Moses	36	Vehicle Burglary, Assault & Battery, Burglary, Public Intoxication
01/07/2024	Amanda L. Childers	33	Public Intoxication
01/07/2024	Brandon W. Erke	37	DUI, Obstructing Justice
01/08/2024	Jaquese D. Whorley	31	Indecent Liberties with Children, Obscene Communication

*City of Salem Police Department*



*Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)*

*Week of January 02, 2024 – January 08, 2024*

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
03-JAN-2024	1800 BLK W Main St	Shoplifting
07-JAN-2024	900 BLK Camelot Dr	Burglary

## Salem VA Medical Center announces update

The Salem VA Medical Center on Monday announced that due to a rise in the number of positive COVID-19 cases, and in an effort to protect veterans and staff, it has implemented the following rules:

- Mandatory masking for all inpatient areas, including the domiciliary.
- Masking is highly

recommended in all other areas of the facility, including outpatient areas.

The center said it will provide masks to those who do not have one. "Please remember to frequently wash your hands and distance when possible," it added.

*-The Salem Times-Register*

## Roanoke County launches broadband, cell service community survey

ROANOKE COUNTY – Roanoke County has launched a new resident connectivity survey to better understand local internet and cell phone connectivity needs county-wide.

"While we have made great strides in our efforts to increase both broadband connectivity and cell phone coverage across the County in the last few years, we know there are still service gaps that are affecting our people and our economy," Director of IT Services Bill Hunter said. "This survey will help us pinpoint the remaining areas needing our attention and help us build the business case for additional

investment, grant funding, and other avenues for addressing these concerns."

One representative from each household is being asked to take the survey which can be accessed online at [www.roanokecountyva.gov/connected](http://www.roanokecountyva.gov/connected) and can be completed from a computer, tablet or cell phone device. Residents who need additional support completing the survey may request it at any of Roanoke County's public library facilities.

The survey is open through Feb. 14 and the results will be published later in the year.

*-The Salem Times-Register*

## Livingston from page 1

different topic every other month. One of our more popular topics is getting elected officials in, giving our members access to them to be able to listen but also to ask questions. Our engagement with our members is up over 200% in terms of attending events and connecting with us on socials."

As of October, Livingston said there have been 95 new members since January 2023, which is an increase of 30.8%. The chamber has a 98% retention rate, only losing eight of 403 members. Attendees for 2023 rose considerably, Livingston said, going from 622 in 2022 to 1,604 in 2023. All in all, revenues and profit are both way up in comparison. All of which makes Livingston very proud and she is looking forward to hitting the 500 mark for memberships.

Additionally, the chamber office was renovated last year. The old carpet and wallpaper were removed and replaced with new vinyl flooring and fresh paint.

The chamber is celebrating its 90th anniversary this year, which Livingston described as "a big year."

The chamber is comprised of

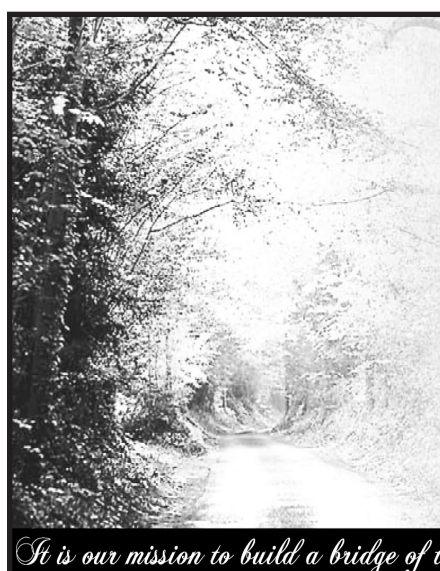
Livingston and Lucie Benevise, the marketing coordinator. While Benevise handles the day-to-day operations, bookkeeping, marketing, socials and web design, Livingston is able to be in the field.

When asked how she's settled into her position, Livingston said, "It's been great, I feel like I'm really starting to figure things out. It's very dynamic. I feel like every day is different, I really enjoy it. I feel like I am kind of a people-person, so this feels like it fits my personality type. I now have one year under my belt and feel like I have a better feel for the position."

Livingston, a Roanoke County resident, worked in real estate before joining the chamber, holding licenses in Virginia and South Carolina. While in South Carolina, she was a real estate salesperson for a development company. Prior to her work in real estate, she worked at Jackson Hewitt Tax Service, Inc. for 21 years. Her title at the time of her departure was that of division vice president.

She received an undergraduate degree in speech and communications from the University of Rhode Island.

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# OPINION

## Dolly Parton's Imagination Library launch party at Salem Public Library

Saturday, Jan. 27; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.  
 Salem children aged 5 and under: Register to receive a free monthly mail-order book from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library due to partnership of Salem Rotary and additional community organizations.  
 Celebrate the launch of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library (DPIL) for City of Salem residents (24153 area code) ages birth through age 5 at the Salem Public Library Saturday, January 27th, 11am-1pm. Crafts, a photo booth, and a registration table for DPIL and music by Doc McClintock will be provided.  
 Since launching in 1995, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library has become the preeminent early childhood book-gifting program in the world. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is dedicated to inspiring a love of reading by gifting books free of charge to children from birth to age five, through funding shared by Dolly Parton and local community partners in the United

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States, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, and The Republic of Ireland. The Imagination Library mails more than 2 million high-quality, age-appropriate books each month to enrolled children from birth to age five. Dolly envisioned creating a lifelong love of reading and inspiring children to dream more, learn more, care more and be more.

Rotary Club of Salem, the Salem Public Library, The Friends of Salem Library, and other community partners worked together to provide funding to promote literacy in the children in our community. The Dollywood Foundation covers overhead costs and negotiates wholesale pricing for the books, while local community partners fundraise to cover the cost of mailing and decided-upon wholesale book prices (about \$2.10 per child).  
 The first book a child receives is "The Little Engine That Could." The month a child turns 5 they will receive "Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come." Each registered child will receive a free book every month until their 5th birthday.  
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## Youngkin re-ups call for tax changes, vows to veto right-to-work repeal

**Graham Moomaw**  
*Virginia Mercury*

In a formal speech last Wednesday to the Virginia General Assembly at the self-described "halftime" of his term, Gov. Glenn Youngkin reemphasized his plan for a tax overhaul, promised to veto a pro-union measure if the legislature's new Democratic majorities send it to him and pushed back against accusations his budget shortchanges public schools.  
 As he addressed lawmakers on the opening day of the 2024 legislative session, Youngkin pitched his plan to lower state income taxes and eliminate the car tax as part of a broader effort to win the "opportunity sweepstakes" and make Virginia more attractive to families, workers and businesses.  
 "We are going to compete and win and ensure Virginians keep more of their hard-earned money," Youngkin said. "And to do this, we must lead."  
 The governor's tax plan appears to be facing long odds in the legislature after being criticized by Democratic leaders who say it disproportionately benefits the wealthiest at the expense of the poor. Some lawmakers have also expressed doubt that the governor's proposed tax cuts can be offset by his planned increases in the sales and use tax and beefed-

up taxes on tech products like streaming services, software and digital purchases.  
 Youngkin seemed unswayed by that pushback, stressing that his proposal also includes an increase in the earned-income tax credit that benefits lower-income workers. He also hinted he doesn't want to see his plan picked apart, calling it a "package deal."  
 "I'm only interested in a plan that reduces taxes for Virginians," the governor said.  
 New Senate Majority Leader Scott Surovell, D-Fairfax, said the speech left him and other Democrats feeling Youngkin remains more interested in campaign slogans than serious policymaking.  
 "A lot of the policy proposals we heard tonight were all dependent on a magic money tree growing somewhere on Capitol Square," Surovell said in an interview.  
 Youngkin made another sales pitch for the pending economic development deal that could bring both the Washington Wizards and the Washington Capitals to a new sports arena in Alexandria, calling it a rare opportunity to deliver a "huge win" for the state. However, that plan too faces an uncertain path in the legislature, with many lawmakers saying they're still reviewing the details to make sure the plan makes sense for the region.

widespread bipartisan support.  
 Many of Youngkin's legislative priorities were familiar from last year's campaign season. He called for the repeal of a Democratic-backed law tying Virginia to California's vehicle emissions standards, even though the federal Clean Air Act requires states to either follow federal standards or the California standards.  
 He also called for new rules to restrict tech companies from selling data gathered from minors, tougher criminal penalties for drug dealers whose products lead to overdoses and stiffer punishment for those who commit crimes with guns.  
 "We should also know that Virginia's gun laws are already among the toughest in the nation," Youngkin said, seemingly laying down a marker against a proposed assault weapon ban and numerous other gun-control bills Democrats are expected to pass this session. "Therefore, I'm asking you, allow us to hold accountable those criminals that commit crimes with guns by lengthening and making more severe the penalties in order to keep them off the streets."  
 There were a few new proposals in the speech. After championing legislation last year to adopt a new definition of antisemitism, Youngkin called for new legislation seemingly tied to the Oct. 7 attacks in Israel and the ongoing debate about how American institutions should respond to the Israel-Hamas conflict.  
 "Pass a bill which says the commonwealth of Virginia won't do business with companies that boycott Israel," Youngkin said. "Pass a hate crime bill which ensures all forms of antisemitism, not just religious bigotry, are treated as hate crimes under the law."  
 Surovell, the Senate Democratic leader, said that for all Youngkin's talk of bipartisanship, it was light on policy specifics and issues the Democratic legislature might support.  
 "It's hard for us to know where he stands," Surovell said. "Because he never takes positions on a lot of important issues."  
 One big question hanging over the 2024 session is whether Youngkin can be convinced to move forward with legalized sales of marijuana, a proposal that's drawn at least some bipartisan support as a way to restore order to Virginia's cannabis laws. Democrats decriminalized possession of small amounts of pot in 2021, and the state now allows home growers to cultivate up to four marijuana plants for their personal use. But there's still no way to legally purchase marijuana for recreational use.  
 Speaking to reporters after the speech, Youngkin said "I just don't have a lot of interest in pressing forward with marijuana legislation."  
*Mercury reporters Charlie Paullin and Nathaniel Cline contributed to this story.*

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# Virginia Western calling for distinguished alumni nominations

ROANOKE — The Virginia Western Educational Foundation and the Virginia Western Alumni Association are calling for nominations for the 2024 Distinguished Alumni Award. The annual recipient or recipients will receive the award at a special Scholarship Awards Ceremony in the spring, and a plaque will be placed on the Virginia Western Distinguished Alumni Wall outside Whitman Theater.

For many, the road to lifetime achievement started at Virginia Western Community College. The Virginia Western Alumni Association established the Distinguished Alumni Award in 2006 to recognize those alumni who have achieved outstanding success and made a lasting impact on their community. The prestigious award is intended to showcase the diversity of Virginia Western graduates and their range of influence on the region.

#### Prior honorees:

2023 – Dr. Brenda L. Hale '89 and Joe Gaither '77  
 2022 – Elvir Berbic '06 and Jason Peters  
 2021 – Mary Catherine (Kate) Lawrence '06  
 2020 – Tony Pearman '10  
 2019 – Deborah L. Petrine '74

2018 – Elizabeth Testerman '06  
 2017 – Dr. Carol Swain '78  
 2016 – Mary B. Loritsch Ed.D., R.T. (R) '74 and Michael A. Crawley  
 2015 – Deborah A. Yancey '97 and '98  
 2014 – Chief Craig S. Harris '00 & J. David Wine '73  
 2013 – Cheryl Cunningham '86  
 2012 – Anne Hogan '76  
 2011 – Carolyn Webster '81  
 2010 – Russell H. Ellis '80  
 2009 – Shirl D. Lamanca '75 and Dennis R. Cronk '72  
 2008 – Donna L. Mitchell '81  
 2007 – Dr. Kent A. Murphy and Charlotte C. Tyson '84  
 2006 – John B. Williamson, III '75  
 Anne Hogan ('76) serves as chairwoman of the Alumni Association. The Association fosters a mutually beneficial relationship and interaction between the college, its alumni, and the community, connecting with the college community to recognize and foster the diverse talents and successes of Virginia Western graduates.

#### Distinguished Alumni eligibility requirements:

- To be eligible for nomination, the candidate must:
- Be a graduate of or have completed a minimum of two semesters at Virginia Western Community College.
  - Have attained extraordinary distinction and success in his or her profession or life.
  - Be a person of such integrity and stature that the College will take pride in his or her recognition.
  - Have attained regional, statewide or national prominence and significant involvement in civic, cultural or charitable affairs.

#### How to nominate:

Anyone may nominate a Virginia Western Community College alumna/us or former student for this award by completing a nomination form. This form can be submitted online or downloaded from the College's website at [virginiawestern.edu/alumni](http://virginiawestern.edu/alumni). Two letters of reference are also required.

#### Deadline:

Nominations must be received by Feb. 29.

*-The Salem Times-Register*

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A jogger isn't deterred by the snow on Monday afternoon.



Snow starts to blanket Roanoke College on Monday.

cleared by 4:30 a.m. on Tuesday.

"Temperatures are expected to plummet heading into the evening hours, so drivers can expect refreezing and icy road conditions until there is a warming trend," VDOT said on Tuesday. "Cold spots, mountainous areas, shaded locations, bridges, ramps and overpasses will become icy before other areas."

Tuesday classes were cancelled for students of Salem City Schools and Roanoke County Public Schools. "Due to the winter storm, snowy conditions, and temperatures that are expected to drop throughout the day, all Salem City Schools are closed on Tuesday, January 16," the division said. "Enjoy your extra day off and stay safe!"

Both divisions also canceled classes on Wednesday due to the possibility of refreezing.

Roanoke College had a delayed opening on Tuesday, opening at 9:30 a.m.



Downtown Salem was starting to be covered in a dusting of snow Monday afternoon.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

# V DOT ROADWATCH

## Interstate 81

**SOIL TEST BORING ON I-81 IN ROANOKE COUNTY - SEQ** Drilling will be performing soil test boring within the median of I-81 near mile marker 143.2 in Roanoke County on Tuesday, January 23 and Wednesday, January 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There are no direct impacts to traffic for this project such as lane or shoulder closures, but traffic may be delayed due to location and onlookers.

**INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT EXIT 137 TO EXIT 141** – The \$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 underway. Work is being performed along a five-mile section of both northbound and southbound Interstate 81 in Roanoke County and the city of Salem. Barrier wall is in place along the shoulders. Two lanes of I-81 traffic in each direction are expected to 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 traffic impacts in this area on northbound and southbound I-81:

### ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC IMPACTS:

- WORK ZONE SPEED:** Drivers should adhere to posted 60 mph speed limits in the work zone and allow space when following a vehicle. Narrow spacing in lanes due to barrier walls, lack of shoulders and lane shifts in various locations, are present.
- TRAFFIC SHIFTS ON WILDWOOD ROAD:** Expect a work zone with traffic shifts and narrow width on Wildwood road after exiting I-81 southbound on exit 137 heading towards Salem. Southbound and northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows are possible at Route 311.
- TRAFFIC SHIFT ON EXIT 140:** Drivers may experience a periodic quick merge into traffic onto Thompson Memorial Drive from the southbound exit ramp of exit 140. Work zone located at bottom of the ramp for work on the I-81 bridge at the underpass.
- 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. Expected completion in early 2026.

**I-81 NB & SB BRIDGE REHAB OVER ROUTE 100 AT EXIT 98** - Beginning late March 2024, work will begin on I-81 rehabbing the northbound and southbound bridges over Route 100 at Exit 98. Lane and shoulder may be in place on Route 100 north and on I-81 northbound and southbound, 8 p.m. – 6 a.m. Flagging operations may also be in place on Route 100 north for up to eight-minute slow rolls. Both northbound and southbound on and off ramps at exit 98 for I-81 traffic will remain fully operational for the duration of this project. Estimated completion date is summer 2024.

**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. 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 for Summer 2024.

**LANE CLOSURES:** Beginning December 10, nighttime alternating lane closures are possible 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 may be present on Route 605, located under the New River Bridge, for paving operations and work overhead on the bridge.

**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.

**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.

**Roanoke County SIDEWALK PROJECT ON SOUTHBOUND WILLIAMSON ROAD IN HOLLINS AREA** - Work is underway on a project to construct new sidewalk along the section of southbound Route 11 (Williamson Road) between Plantation Road and Peters Creek Road. Drivers in the Hollins area can expect periodic right lane closures on southbound Williamson Road between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. As work progresses, occasional nighttime lane

closures also will be scheduled. The sidewalk project is expected to be completed in summer 2024.

**STARKEY ROAD AND BUCK MOUNTAIN 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 in progress. 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. have resumed due to school now being in session.

**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.

**BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY CLOSURES IN ROANOKE AREA** - Blue Ridge Parkway will be repairing slope failures and road closures with detours may be in place. Visit their website at [www.nps.gov/blri/planyourvisit/roadclosures.htm](http://www.nps.gov/blri/planyourvisit/roadclosures.htm) for more information.

**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.

**Craig County MOUNTAIN VALLEY PIPELINE** – The Mountain Valley Pipeline construction project is underway. Temporary intermittent flagging operations will be in place in the county throughout the project to load/unload equipment at crossings and construction entrances. Scheduled completion is February 2024.

**Montgomery County WATERLINE PROJECT TO IMPACT TRAFFIC** - Intermittent lane closures are in place on Route 658 (Meadow Creek Road), Route 693 (Childress Road) between Meadow Creek Road and Route 8 (Riner Road) between Meadow Creek Road and Route 1097 (Turnberry Lane) for a water line infrastructure project. Expected completion in late 2024.

**MOUNTAIN VALLEY PIPELINE** – The Mountain Valley Pipeline construction project is underway. Temporary intermittent flagging operations will be in place in the county throughout the project to load/unload equipment at crossings and construction entrances. Scheduled completion is February 2024.

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# School Board

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solar energy. Kageals had been asked to provide pricing to pave the two play areas at Bonsack Elementary School. Both are in poor condition and have previously been repaired. The cost of the project would be \$95,000 to be appropriated from minor capital special projects.

After discussion, the board decided to complete an assessment on paving needs in play areas at other county elementary schools to determine which ones are most in need of repair before making a decision on Bonsack.

After a presentation by Finance Director Susan Peterson, School Board members considered an application for a federal electric school bus grant program. After discussion, they concluded that electric buses could be dangerous, may not be suitable for mountainous terrain, would require installation of charging stations and hiring someone to work on the electric vehicles. The buses must be recharged between routes generally, and they are more costly to purchase than regular diesel buses (\$360,000 vs. \$120,000). The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021

authorizes the EPA to offer rebates to replace existing school buses with clean and zero-emission (ZE) models. The 2023 Clean School Bus (CSB) Rebates process includes SAM.gov account registration, rebate application submission, review, and selection by EPA. Selectees then submit purchase orders to request payment and then receive payment, which is followed by new bus delivery, existing bus replacement, and project closeout.

Although Roanoke County Public Schools applied for the electric bus grant from the EPA in 2022, the school system was not awarded the grant. This year's application for the Clean Bus Rebate is due on Jan. 31. After discussion, the board instructed staff not to spend any more time on the grant application. Chairman Hudson commented that the use of electric buses is not fiscally responsible at this point for the county with its mountainous topography.

At the work session, the School Board approved the list of meeting dates and times for 2024. School Board meetings will take place at 6 p.m. Work sessions will take place at 3:30 p.m. Meetings are scheduled to take place as follows (dates and times are subject to change):

School Board work sessions are scheduled for Feb. 1, Mar. 7, Mar. 19, Apr. 4, May 2, Jun. 6, Jul.11, Aug. 1, Sept. 5, Oct. 3, Nov.7, and Dec. 5.

School Board meetings are scheduled for Jan.18, Feb. 22, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, May 16, Jun. 20, Jul. 18, Aug. 15, Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 14, and Dec. 19.

All meetings and work sessions will take place at the Roanoke County Public Schools Central Office at 5937 Cove Road in Roanoke. Meetings are open to the public. In-person meeting attendance may be limited, and citizens may have to use overflow rooms. Citizens of Roanoke County or parents, students, or employees of Roanoke County Public Schools who wish to address the School Board in person must sign up in advance by 8 a.m. on the morning of the meeting using the form found at [www.rcps.us/schoolboard](http://www.rcps.us/schoolboard).

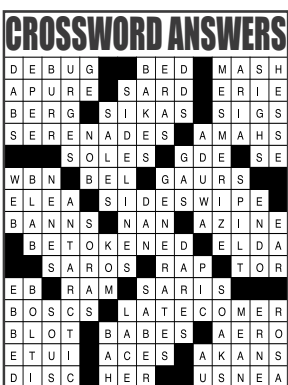
Meetings and work sessions are streamed live and are available for on-demand playback at [www.rcps.us/schoolboardmeetings](http://www.rcps.us/schoolboardmeetings). Meeting agendas can be found at <https://www.rcps.us/SBagenda>.

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# Hopetree

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remaining greenspace in Salem City Limits.



According to the plan filed by Balzer Associates with the planning commission, 20-plus existing historic buildings would remain, and developers would add single family homes, multi family homes, townhouses, cluster housing, shops, a town center and other uses.

HopeTree President and CEO Jon Morris has been quoted as saying it would continue to own about 25 acres, with the

remainder, 37 acres, going to the developers. Stateson Homes, a residential builder, and Snyder & Associates, a commercial builder, both based in Blacksburg have been mentioned as developers for the potential project.

Once the application goes before the Salem Planning Commission and if the commission recommends approval, it would go before Salem City Council for a vote.

# Mac and Bob's Restaurant to close for renovations

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Mac and Bob's Restaurant is set to close for roughly two weeks starting on Monday as part of a renovation effort.

Bob Rotanz, owner, said the effort will involve "extensive kitchen renovations." Four hoods, which are 32 years old, will be replaced. One of them is 16 feet in length. A crane will be used to pull them out. "It's going to

be pretty major," he explained.

Rotanz said the move was prompted by an annual check by the fire marshal, who was concerned by the age of the hoods. "A lot of the codes that were back in 1992 have changed. It's kind of out of code and needs to be replaced anyway," he said. "We've got a pretty big kitchen and need to have the most contemporary system."

He added, "It will be good from a utility standpoint. More importantly, it will be good from a safety standpoint."

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

**BAPTIST (INDEPENDENT)**  
**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH** - 7th and Florida Streets, Salem VA. Pastor: Roger D. Counts, 540-389-3818. Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship 11:00 a.m., Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m., Wednesday Night Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m.

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

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

**TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH** - 4339 Daugherty Road, Salem, Greg Irby, Pastor, Church: 380-3567; Home: 389-7240, Sunday School 10:00 AM, Worship Services 11:00AM & 6:00PM, Mid-week Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:00PM, [www.templebaptch.com](http://www.templebaptch.com).

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

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

**RIDGEWOOD BAPTIST** - 703 Hemlock Road N.W. Roanoke, 342-6492. Roy E. Kanode, Pastor. Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Morning Worship 11 a.m., Awanas 5:15 p.m., Adult Bible Study and Youth Fellowship 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service 6:30p.m.; Fellowship Meal 5:45 p.m.; Praiz Kidz 6:00p.m.; Family Night Activities 6:30 p.m. website:[www.ridgewood-baptist.com](http://www.ridgewood-baptist.com).

**FELLOWSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH** - Salem Campus: 1226 Red Lane Extension (Salem). North Campus: 7640 Alpine Road (Roanoke). Southwest Campus: 3585 Buck Mountain Road (Roanoke). Español Campus: 1226 Red Lane Extension (Salem). Worship Times: 9:00 AM and 10:45 AM for Salem, North, and Southwest; 10:30 for Español. For more information, visit: [www.fcclife.org](http://www.fcclife.org)

**CATHOLIC**  
**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH** - 314 Turner Rd, Salem VA. 540-387-0491. Mass Times: Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 10:30 am (nursery available). Visit our website: [olpchsalem.org](http://olpchsalem.org) for our full schedule.

**CHURCHES OF CHRIST/ CHRISTIAN CHURCHES**  
**DALE RIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST** - 7165 Cloverdale Rd., NW Roanoke, 24019; office: 992-4385. Sunday Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m. Ladies class

# Salem WORSHIP DIRECTORY

- Thursdays 10:00 a.m. Visit our new web page: [daleridgechurchofchrist.net](http://daleridgechurchofchrist.net), it's updated each week from local, national and international sources with news of interest to Christians. Take a video tour of our facilities. Read articles taken from the word of God that apply to our lives today. View a new sermon each week. Dale Ridge is reaching out to the Roanoke/Botetourt area with the good news of Jesus Christ. Come join our plea to return to the Bible. We believe in the inspired Word of God which is as relevant today as it was when it was written. We believe in the Holy Spirit is a gift, given to every Christian when we respond to the Gospel as taught in the context of Acts 2 and emphasized in verse 38. We believe Jesus is the only means of our salvation. (Acts 4:12) Is this your time to make a choice? (John 16:13) Have you been looking for a church family that's led by the Holy Spirit into all truth? (John 13:35) You will know we are His disciples by our love for one another. Follow the advice of Philip when he told Nathanael about Jesus in (John 1:46) "Come and See."

**SALEM CHURCH OF CHRIST** - 401 West Main Street. 540-389-2400. Minister Taylor Plott; 10:00am Sunday Bible Study; 11:00am Sunday Worship Service; Wednesday Life Groups: 5:30 -7:00pm. For more info contact the Church Office.

**WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST** - 1705 Starview Drive, Salem. Minister Neil Richey, 389-9139, Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 AM, Morning Worship: 10:30 AM, Evening Worship: 6:00 PM, Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 PM.

**CHURCH OF GOD/ANDERSON COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH** - 955 Bird Lane, Salem, Va 24153, 389-5639. Pastor: Scott Hudson. Sunday School 10:00AM, Worship 11:00AM; Bible Study 6:00PM.

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

**DISCIPLES OF CHRIST**  
**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**, 712 Front Ave. Salem, Pastor Dan Netting (540) 389-6831. [www.firstchristiansalemva.com](http://www.firstchristiansalemva.com). Adult and Children Sunday School - 9:30 am, Worship - 10:30 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](http://www.flccsalem.org). Sunday: 9:30am Adult Study Group, 10:30am Worship, Youth & Children's Church. All are welcome!

**ECKANKAR**  
**ECKANKAR, THE PATH OF SPIRITUAL 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](http://www.eck-va.org), [www.meetup.com/Roanoke-Spiritual-Experiences](http://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](http://www.collegelutheran.org) for information on services.

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

**INDEPENDENT**  
**RESTORATION CHURCH** - a Community on Mission Following Jesus into the World - 10:10am Sundays at the Salem YMCA - 1126 Kime Lane, Salem - 540-384-1601 - [www.restorationsalem.org](http://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) via zoom and conference call line. Wednesday Adult Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. in person for adults, children and teens. Adult class is also streamed on Facebook. Men's Bible Study Saturday at 7:00 a.m.(Zoom). Saturday Intercessory Prayer Service at 8:00 a.m. (conference call line). Sunday Women's Bible Study Class at 8:30 p.m. (Zoom). In-person Worship on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. or worship with us on line via Facebook. Church office can be contacted for additional information.

**PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS**  
**CHRISTIAN LIFE INTERNATIONAL CHURCH** - 1 CLI Way, Salem, VA, 540-343-3801 | [www.clichurch.org](http://www.clichurch.org). Sundays @ 10 am | Wednesdays @ 7 pm. Livestream on YouTube & 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](http://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](http://www.fumcsalemva.org).

**LOCUST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** - 3415 Locust Grove Lane, Salem, 540-315-0881, Pastor Mike Sanborn. Each Sunday Traditional Worship 9:30 a.m.

To list your church, contact Wendi Craig at 276-340-2445 or email [advertise@ourvalley.org](mailto:advertise@ourvalley.org)



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**Auctions**

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

January 19, 2024 at 4:00pm  
by Bank of Botetourt At 5462 Lee Hwy, Troutville  
In Branch parking lot 2017 GMC Acadia Mileage: 94,034  
For information contact: Bank of Botetourt Danielle at 540-591-5035 Marla at 540-591-5056  
Vehicle Sold As Is Other vehicles also may be sold if repossessions occur prior to sale. All announcements made date of sale supersede printed advertisement. Bank of Botetourt reserves the right to accept or decline any offer.  
Not responsible for injury.

**For Sale - Firewood**

**FIREWOOD**  
Mixed Hardwood. Call 540-784-3436 or 540-581-4183. Delivery in Botetourt only.

**Help Wanted - General**

**WANTED Models**

Models needed for life drawing class, male and female, \$65 for 3 hour session. Call David 540-473-3713

**Legals - Botetourt County**

**Order of Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104  
Case No. **CWF220000276** BOTETOURT COUNTY Circuit Court, 5 W. MAIN STREET, FINCASTLE, VA 24090 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* ESTATE OF WILMA C. TODD, DECEASED  
The object of this suit is to: SHOW CAUSE AGAINST PAYMENT AND DELIVERY OF ESTATE TO PARTIES ENTITLED. It is ORDERED that Upon the motion of Atlantic Union Bank, Executor of the Estate of Wilma C. Todd, deceased, (the "Estate") pursuant to Va. Code Section 64.2-556, for an order to show cause against distribution of the Estate. It appearing to the court that the necessary reports of the accounts of the Estate and of the debts and demands against the Estate have been filed with the Court, and at least six months have elapsed since the qualification of the Executor, it is accordingly ORDERED that the creditors of, and all others interested in, the Estate of Wilma C. Todd, deceased, do appear at 11:00 A.M. on the 31st day of January, 2024 in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Botetourt County, 1 West Main Street #120, Fincastle, Virginia 24090 and show cause, if any the can, against payment and delivery of the Estate to the parties entitled thereto, without requirement of refunding bonds.  
1-5-2024  
Joel R. Branscom, Circuit Court Judge.

JANUARY 8, 2024  
Leslianne Smith, Deputy Clerk

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL COMMISSIONER SALE OF 101 DRY BRANCH ROAD, BUCHANAN, VIRGINIA, 24066**

Pursuant to a Decree of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, made and entered into November 29, 2023 in Case No. 23CL23-00036100, (styled Janis P. Barrett (Plaintiff) v. Cherokee Rose Eubank (Defendant)), I will, on Friday, January 26, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the front door of the Courthouse of Botetourt County Virginia, located in its new temporary quarters, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate: 101 Dry Branch Road, Buchanan, Virginia, 24066, being 2.56 acres in the Buchanan Magisterial District, Tax Map #53-4, property ID#99013634. A more accurate description can be procured as shown on a plat attached to Deed Book 128 at page 123 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia.

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Terms of Sale Cash (10% on the day of sale with the remainder at closing within 60 days).  
For further information, apply to Tommy Joe Williams, Special Commissioner, 2721 Brambleton Avenue, S.W., Roanoke, Virginia, 24015, office telephone number: (540)772-7848, cell phone number: (540) 797-4065.

I, Tommy Joe Williams, hereby certify that I have given bond, with surety, as required by the Decree.

Tommy Joe Williams, Special Commissioner  
  
I, Tommy Moore, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, hereby certify that Tommy Joe Williams, Special Commissioner, has given bond, as required by the Decree with Surety approved by the Court.

Tommy Moore, Clerk Botetourt County Circuit Court

**Legals - City of Radford**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Council of the City of Radford will hold a public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting of Council on Monday, January 22, 2024 at 7:00 pm, in the City Council Chambers located in the City Administration Building, at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, Virginia to receive citizen comment and input regarding the Radford Transit application for FTA F.Y.25 Operating Funds, in the amount not to exceed \$2,550,000 and Capital not to exceed \$175,000. Interested persons may appear at the aforementioned time and place to present their views and comments. Comments may also be sent to Melissa Skelton, Transit Coordinator at 10 Robertson Street, Radford VA 24141 or Melissa.Skelton@radfordva.gov.

Authorized by Radford City Council

**Legals - City of Salem**

**Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Council of the City of Salem,** at its regular meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., in the Community Room, Salem Civic Center, 1001 Roanoke Boulevard, 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 T J Real Properties, LLC, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 1236 West Main Street (Tax Map # 141 – 1 – 4) from HBD Highway Business District to CBD Community Business District.

2. Consider the request of Helm Building Enterprises, LTD, property owner, for the issuance of a Special Exception Permit to allow a two family dwelling on the property located at 301 Carey Avenue, (Tax Map # 74-2-6.1).

3. Consider the request of Helm Building Enterprises, LTD, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 416 Electric Road (Tax Map # 150-3-1) from HBD Highway Business District to HM Heavy Manufacturing District.

4. Consider the request of Virginia Baptist Children's Home (dba HopeTree Family Services), property owner, for rezoning the properties located at 1000 block Red Lane and a portion of 860 Mount Vernon Lane (Tax Map #s 41-1-1, 41-1-2, 41-1-3, 41-1-4, 41-1-5, 41-1-6, and a portion of 44-3-10) from RSF Residential Single Family to PUD Planned Unit 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

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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

**LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the Board of Appeals (Building) of the City of Salem, Virginia will hold a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-38 Code of City of Salem, Virginia, on January 24, 2024, at 4:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting and hearing shall be to determine if certain structures are dangerous to the inhabitants of the City and whether such structures should be ordered to be repaired or demolished. The structures are located as follows:

- (1) Dilapidated structure located at 602 Goodwin Avenue, Salem, Virginia (Tax Map #201-10-2); and
- (2) Dilapidated structure located at 336 Schrader Street, Salem, Virginia (Tax Map #115-1-4).

All parties in interest at the public hearing will be given an opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and show cause why action by the City and Board to remedy a potentially dangerous situation should or should not be granted. For additional information, contact the Building Official's Office, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia (Phone 375-3036) THE BOARD OF BUILDING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF SALEM BY Troy D. Loving, Building Official

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

at its regular meeting on January 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., in the Community Room, Salem Civic Center, 1001 Roanoke Boulevard, in the City of Salem, Virginia, voted to continue the public hearing of the following item.

Consider the request of Virginia Baptist Children's Home (dba HopeTree Family Services), property owner, for rezoning the properties located at 1000 block Red Lane and a portion of 860 Mount Vernon Lane (Tax Map#s 41-1-1, 41-1-2, 41-1-3, 41-1-4, 41-1-5, 41-1-6, and a portion of 44-3-10) from RSF Residential Single Family to PUD Planned Unit District.

This item will be heard at the February 14, 2024, 7:00 P.M. meeting of the Planning Commission. This meeting will also be held at the Salem Civic Center.

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 - Craig County**

**Public Notice – Environmental Permit**

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that allows the continued release of treated wastewater into a water body in Craig County, Virginia.

**Legals - Craig County**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: January 17 to February 19, 2024

PERMIT NAME: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater issued by DEQ pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations.

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Craig-New Castle Public Service Authority (PSA); PO Box 128, New Castle, VA 24127; VA0064599  
FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS: Craig - New Castle Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP); 370 Commerce Ave., New Castle

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The PSA has applied for reissuance of a permit for the WWTP in Craig County, Virginia. The applicant proposes to continue to release treated sewage wastewater at a rate of 175,000 gallons-per-day into a water body. Sludge from the treatment process will be stabilized, dewatered, and transported to Roanoke Valley Resource Authority for ultimate disposal in a sanitary landfill. The facility proposes to release the treated wastewaters into Craig Creek in Craig County in the James River watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: organic matter, solids, physical & chemical properties, nutrients, inorganics, and bacteria.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing on the draft permit by hand-delivery, e-mail, or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. DEQ must receive hand-delivery and postal mail by close of business and email and fax comments by 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requester, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Susan Edwards; Blue Ridge Regional Office, 901 Russell Drive, Salem, VA 24153; E-mail: Susan.Edwards@deq.virginia.gov; Phone: 540-562-6700.

**Legals - Montgomery County**

**BWW# VA-360283-2 TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 105 ASTER LANE, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073.**

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated August 27, 2007, in the original principal amount of \$190,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Virginia as Instrument No. 2007011289

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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 February 23, 2024, at 3:15 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and

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more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, LYING AND BEING IN THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG, RINER MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, BEING DESCRIBED AS LOT 99, PHASE V, NEW RIVER VILLAGE, AS SHOWN ON A PLAT OF SURVEY ENTITLED "PLAT FOR MICHAELW. AND SHANNON M. HARDWICK OF LOT NO. 99, PHASE V, NEW RIVER VILLAGE, IN THE TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA" 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 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 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-362029-1.

**Order of Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104  
Case No. **CL230020118-00** MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* MELISSA JANE MCPHERSON v. JACOB ANDRE MCPHERSON A/K/A KOBI MAZUR

**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 130 HELM DRIVE, ELLISTON, VA 24087.**

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated November 26, 2005, in the original principal amount of \$77,284.21 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Virginia as Instrument No. 2005014678. 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 February 23, 2024, at 3:15 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IN, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF VA, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN BOOK 973 PAGE 241 ID# 59-A-6-5, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 5, MINOR SUBDIVISION FOR E AND V ENTERPRISE, FILED IN PLAT BOOK 973 AT PAGE 243, RECORDED 08/29/1997. 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

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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 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-362029-1.

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Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104  
Case No. **CL230020118-00** MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* MELISSA JANE MCPHERSON v. JACOB ANDRE MCPHERSON A/K/A KOBI MAZUR

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JANUARY 5, 2024  
K. MIKE FLEENOR, JR. JUDGE  
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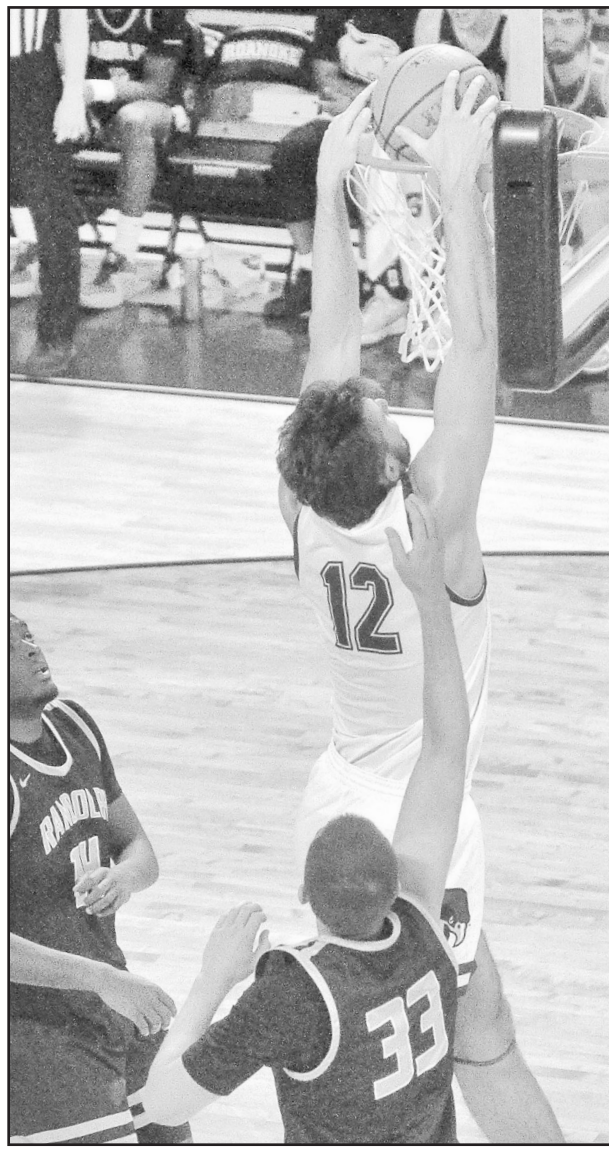


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Justin Kuthan of RC throws down a dunk Saturday.

## Maroons home Friday

After losing their first four Old Dominion Athletic Conference basketball games the Roanoke College men won three of their last four. The Maroons had a big game with arch-rival Washington & Lee on Wednesday but results were too late for publication. Roanoke improved to 3-5 in the ODAC with two conference wins last week. On January 10 they traveled to Lynchburg to play the University of Lynchburg and took an 85-73 win over the host Hornets. The Maroons led by just a point at the half, 39-38, but outscored Lynchburg 46-35 in the second half.

Zach Rosenthal had a big night with 23 points, including four three pointers. Justin Kuthan had 20 points, shooting eight of 10 from the field, while Josh McClary had 16 points and six assists and Joshua Morse had 15 points and a dozen rebounds.

On Saturday afternoon in Salem the Maroons won for the fifth time in their last six games with a 79-53 win over visiting Randolph College. Freshman Clayton Gaither led the team with 23 points, his season high, and the Maroons shut out the Wild Cats for the final eight minutes and six seconds after Randolph pulled to within six at 59-53.

Kuthan and Morse controlled the paint again as Kuthan had 16 points and Morse had 10 points and 11 rebounds. Gaither hit five three pointers in seven attempts and McClary had 14 points and five dimes.

With the win RC improved to 9-7 overall. After Wednesday's game with W&L the Maroons will host Regent University on Friday, then Bridgewater comes to Salem next Wednesday, January 24, for an ODAC game.

## Hornets sting RC women

The Roanoke College women will be in Danville Saturday to take on Averett University in a 2 pm Old Dominion Athletic Conference basketball game. The Maroons were 10-6 overall and 5-4 in the conference before hosting Ferrum College on Wednesday at the Cregger Center. Results were too late for publication.

Last Saturday Roanoke played host to Shenandoah in an ODAC game and the vis-

iting Hornets stung the Maroons to the tune of 69-44. The loss ended a four game winning streak for the Maroons.

Nereu paced the Maroons with 13 points and three steals while DeJesse notched 12 points and five rebounds. Keel finished with seven points and six boards and Kate Littlejohn led Roanoke with three assists.

Next Wednesday, January 24, the Maroons are at Hollins University for a 7 pm game.

## SHS, GHS run at RC

The Salem and Glenvar track teams had a busy time last week with a meet at Roanoke College and a couple big meets during the weekend.

Salem and Glenvar both participated in the East Coast Elite Meet #2 at the Cregger Center indoor facility at RC last Thursday. Salem's boys placed sixth among 17 teams and the girls were 13th among 22 teams that participated. St. John's College High School out of Washington, D.C. won both the men's and women's titles.

Among the top performances for Salem was a first place in the long jump by Josiah Persinger with a new school record of 22' 9". Trenton Moyer won the boys' 55 meters and Carson Tucker took fourth in the 3,200 and fifth in the 1,600. Addy Funk was third in the girls' 1,000.

For Glenvar, Joey Loder was second in the 300 meters as the Highlanders had 22 personal bests at RC. The girls 4x800 relay was third with Rayya Bryson, Joanna Killeen, Anna Hall and Emma Pope and the 4x400 relay took fourth with Hall, Aliyah Allen, Bryson and Killeen. The boys 4x800 took fifth with Aldin Smith, Casey Weeks, Asher Faught and Tyler Davis.

On Saturday Glenvar sent four boys to the VA Showcase in VA Beach, Charlie Horrell, Zach Curfiss, Colby Thompson and Loder. Horrell competed in the boys 1600, crushing his PR by nine seconds with a time of 4:40.11 and turning around and doing the same in the boys 1000 with a 16 second PR with a time of 2:43.83.

Curfiss ran the boys 300m and PR'd with a time of 37.03 while Thompson ran the boys 55m and the boys 500 and PR'd with a time of 1:06.45. All four boys competed in the boys 4X400 with a new PR of 3:31.50.

"What a fantastic weekend and wonderful experience for these athletes," said Glenvar coach Bekka Loder.

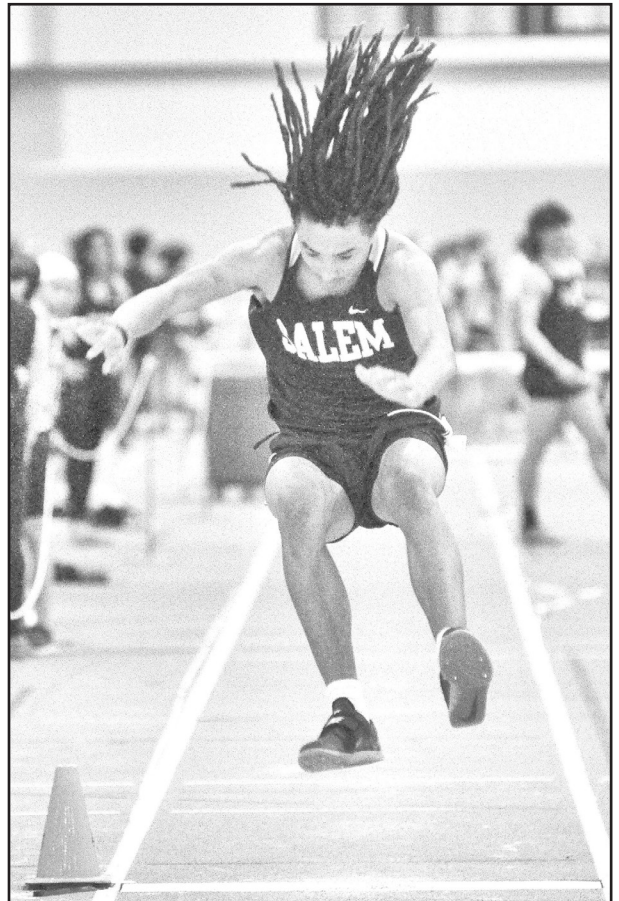
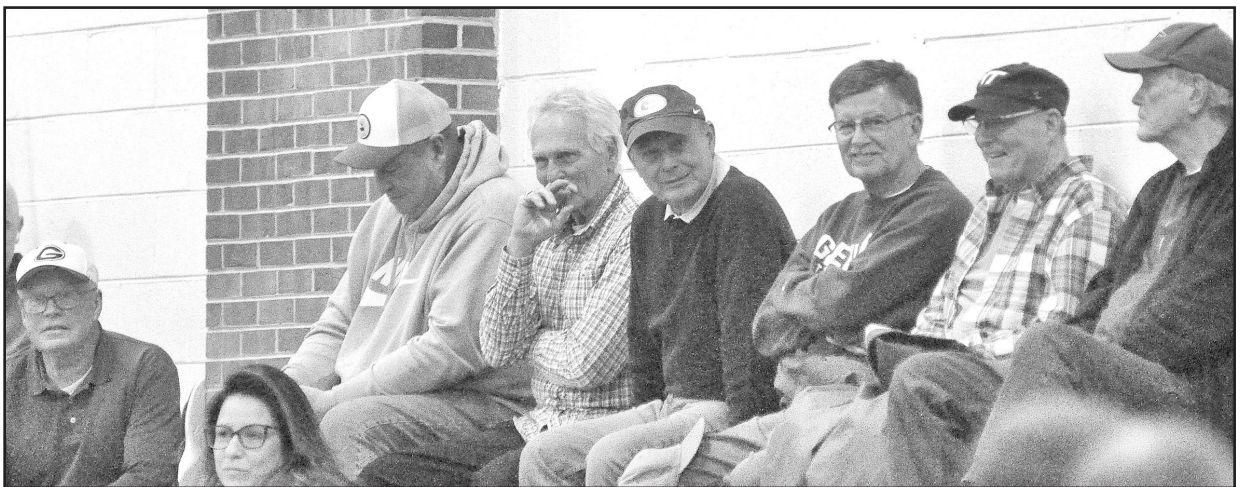


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Davy Jones of Salem long jumps at RC last week.

Salem sent a small group of athletes to the Walt Cormack Memorial Meet at VMI on Saturday and Persinger won the 55 dash. Mitchell Taylor took a fifth in the 55 meter hurdles and Salem had lots of personal bests as well.

Both the Salem and Glenvar teams will be participating in the Bulldog Invitational at Liberty University on January 27th.



## Remembering champs from 25 and 30 years ago

A couple past championship basketball teams were recognized last week at Glenvar and Roanoke College. Above, former Glenvar coach Art Lawrence (with dark Glenvar hat) was on hand with several of his players as the 1999 state championship Highlanders were remembered. Reminiscing with Art are Glenvar "legends," left to right, Mike East, Tommy East, Jimmy Williamson, Lawrence, Larry Wood, Dennis Layman and Paul Coleman. Below, the 1994 ODAC champion Roanoke College team was honored during halftime of RC's win over Randolph College Saturday afternoon at the Cregger Center. Left to right are Mark Genthner, coach Page Moir, Kevin Martin, Stan Clements, Dustin Fonder, Steve Camara, Bryant Lee, Jason Bishop, Darnell Norman, Joe Schrantz, Hilliary Scott and Mike Thornton.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

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to the best high school and college linebackers in the country.

Chris will be recognized for the Watkins Award at a ceremony in Washington, D.C. on March 2nd.

### BLOCKING OUT VITAL INFORMATION

Did this bother anyone else?

I know everyone around here is eaten up with the weather, but I got a little annoyed by it while I was trying to watch the Dallas-Green Bay football game Sunday afternoon.

On our Fox affiliate the score of the game is at the bottom of the TV screen along with the time, down and yards to go for a first down. It's an important part of enjoying the game to know those things.

Well, the station put a "weather alert" across the bottom of the screen and it completely covered up the time, down and yards to go. I could still see the score, but that doesn't change very often. Well, let me take that back. It changed a lot in the Packers-Cowboys game but it was still easy to keep up with.

While I was learning about what precipitation might be coming to Pocahontas County I was wanting to know how much time was left in the game when the Cowboys cut the lead to two scores. Couldn't they have put their weather alert at the top of the screen? Maybe not, but it was irritating to say the least.

I hope the people in Pocahontas County made it through the day okay.

### GOOD SPOT FOR A SIGN

As I stood at attention for the national anthem prior to the Glenvar-Floyd County basketball game last Friday night something odd caught my eye.

You know how most gyms now sell advertising signs to hang on the wall? It's a great way to make a little extra money for the school and I'm sure the advertisers are glad to support the local teams.

Well, with that in mind, the sign high on the wall behind the basket opposite where the concession stand is located is an advertisement for "Lake Ridge RV Resort" in Hillsville. Underneath it says "Go Glenvar."

My first thought was, shouldn't those folks be advertising in the Carroll County gym? And, even if they are, why Glenvar as well?

Then I got to be thinking. If you LIVE in Hillsville you're likely not going to vacation there in your RV. If you live in Roanoke County, however, that might be a fun thing to do. So, they're just appealing to the crowd who might use their services.

Also, the sign is right next to the American flag. What a great place to have your sign! At every event, when they play the national anthem, everyone in the gym is staring at your sign for as long as it takes to sing or play the Star Spangled Banner. Where else can you put a sign, anywhere, where you're assured everyone in the building is going to look at it?

Plus, I'm giving them a little pub by writing about it in this column. Very saavy on the part of "Lake Ridge RV Resort."

### THE NEW 72

Last week when Seattle Seahawks coach Pete Carroll "parted ways" with his coaching position he indicated he'd still like to coach in the NFL. It was mentioned that Pete is 72, but is still in good shape.

The guy on the radio reporting this noted that with today's attention to nutrition and exercise, 72 is "the new 52." Since I recently turned 71 that sounded really good to me, then I wondered if a lot of people were dying in their 50's during "the old 52?" And how long ago was that? Was George Blanda still playing for the Oakland Raiders?

Whatever, Pete Carroll is way younger than either of our likely presidential candidates and my guess is coaching a football team is stressful, but not nearly as much as being the leader of the free world.

Does this mean 85 is the new 65? I'm going to see if I can find an 85 year old and ask him.

### NO NEED FOR CALZONES

As many of you know I'm a big Philadelphia Eagles fan and have passed that disease along to my grandsons, who like to come to my house to watch the Eagles play just about every week during the season.

We always get something good to eat for the game, and their favorites are calzones from Mac & Bob's Restaurant. So, with that in mind, it's good timing that Mac & Bob's will be closed for a couple weeks for some repairs during the remainder of the NFL playoffs.

You know what I'm talkin' about Cowboys' fans.

## Spartans finish on 14-1 run to beat Pulaski

After taking their first loss of the season the Salem High girls got back on the winning track last Friday with a 59-55 basketball win over Pulaski County at Salem High.

Salem came from behind for the win, trailing by 10 points early in the fourth quarter. The Spartans ended the game on a 14-1 run to pull out the win.

"We showed a lot of heart against a very good team," said Spartan coach Scott Jester. "It was a big win for us."

Gabby Crawley led the Spartans with 20 points. Bailey Rider had 16 points, seven rebounds and six assists and Emme Custer had 12 points and five boards.

With the win Salem improved to 12-1 overall and 5-1 in River Ridge District play after one trip through the RRD. The Spartans were weathered out of a non-district game against E.C. Glass on Tuesday and they'll be back home Friday to host Cave Spring to begin the second half of their district schedule.



Left, Salem's Emme Custer(#20) battles for position in last Friday's win over Pulaski. Right, Taniya Byrd of Glenvar shoots a foul shot in the Highlanders' game at Radford.



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## Salem, Glenvar wrestlers head to "Big Blue" this weekend

Andrew Lewis and Glenvar Middle School wrestlers will grapple in season ending tournament at Northside

It was a busy time for the local wrestlers last Wednesday as Salem and Glenvar both had quad-matches and the two middle schools wrestled each other, all on the same day.

Salem had a home match with the two south county schools and beat them both. The Spartans defeated Hidden Valley, 62-16, then beat Cave Spring, 45-31, on the maroon mats.

On Saturday the Spartans were in Forest for a tri-match, and they won two more duals. Salem beat host Jefferson Forest, 60-19, and Liberty Christian Academy, 51-28. The Spartans are now 10-3 in duals and were scheduled to wrestle William Byrd, Northside and James River on Wednesday of this week at Northside.

Salem and Glenvar will both wrestle in the "Big Blue" at Christiansburg High School this weekend. The Big Blue draws many of the top teams in the area and some tough competition from out of state as well.

"We'll see some solid competition," said Glenvar coach Tim Miles. "It will have some good teams

from Richmond and Northern Virginia."

Glenvar was in a quad at William Byrd High last week and went 1-2 as a team. The Highlanders beat Roanoke Catholic but lost to Patrick Henry and host Byrd. In the process senior Ethan Flowers, who has committed to wrestling at VMI after high school,

picked up his 100th career win as a Highlander.

The two local middle school teams went head-to-head last week at Andrew Lewis Middle School and Glenvar Middle came out on top, 50-29. Both are scheduled to wrestle in the season-ending middle school tournament at Northside this Saturday.

## RC wrestlers home tonight, at Mill Mountain Theatre Sat.

The Roanoke College wrestling team will have a home match tonight in the Cregger Center in Salem when they take on Southern Virginia University. Matches start at 7 pm and it's "Kids Night."

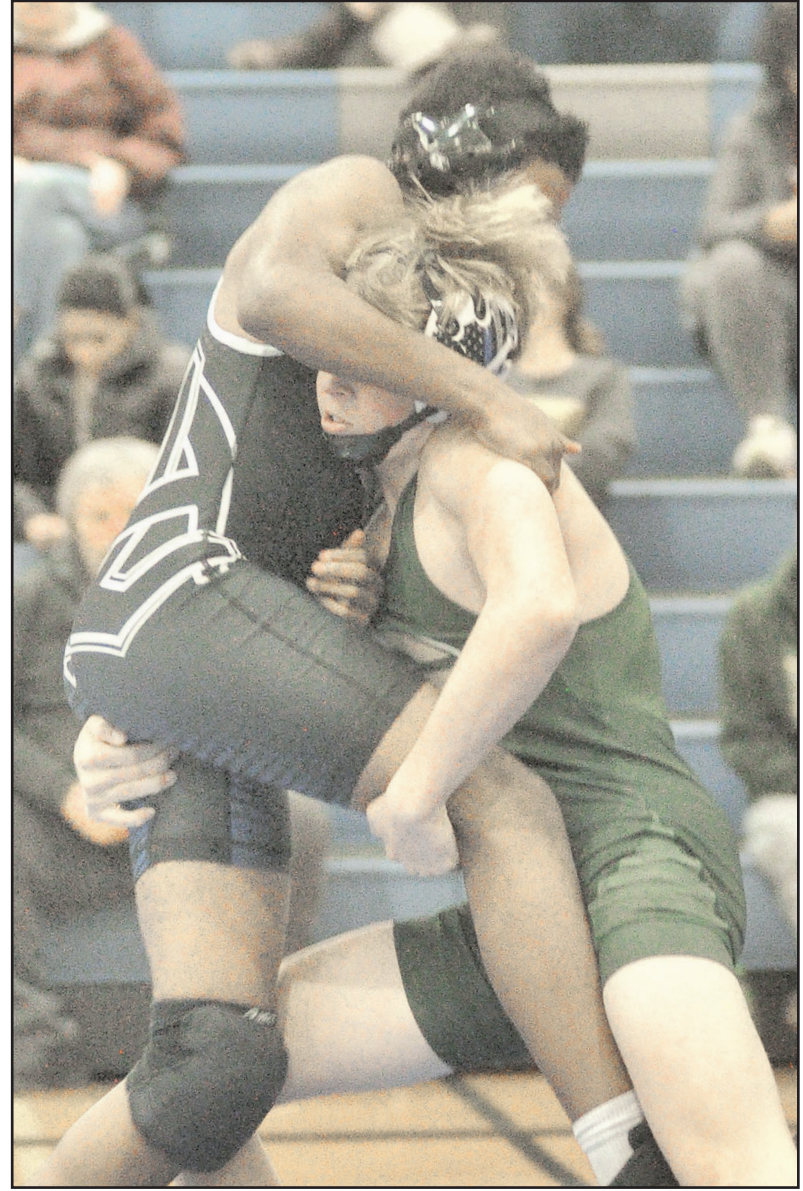
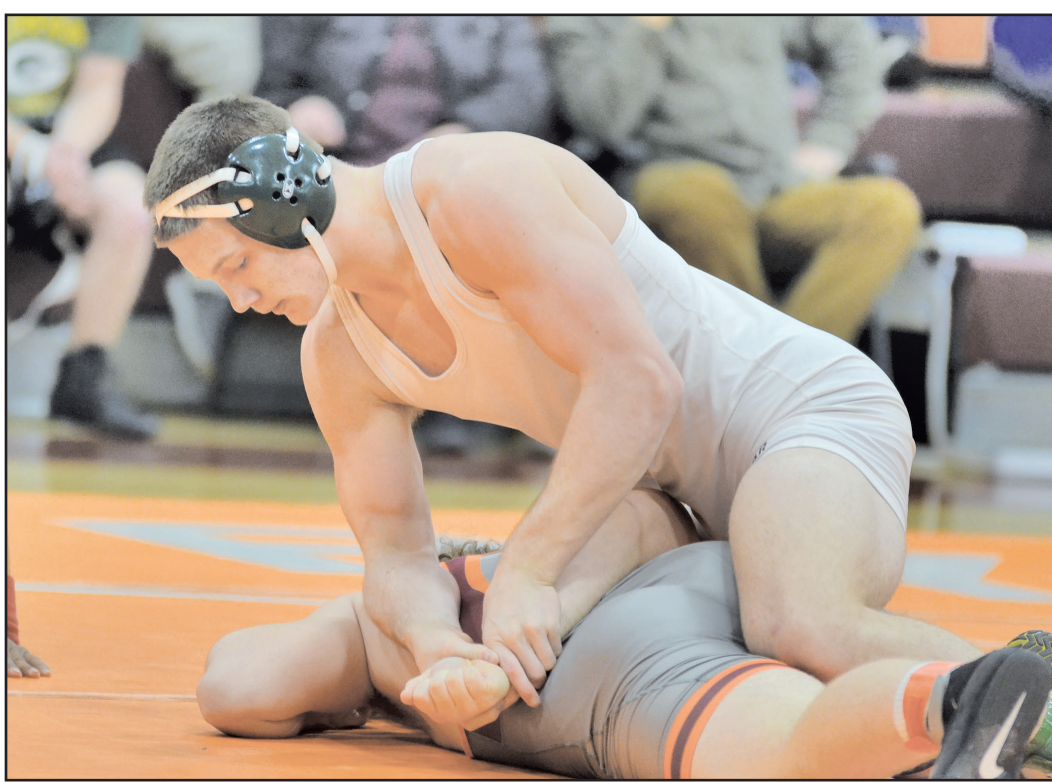
On Saturday the Maroons will wrestle Washington & Lee University in a special event at the Mill Mountain Theatre in downtown Roanoke. General admission is \$25 for mat side seats for the 6 pm match between the two Old

Dominion Athletic Conference rivals.

Last weekend in Williamsport, PA the Maroons won three dual matches Friday to win their group and advance to the championship bracket of the 16-team Budd Whitehill duals, but fell Saturday to eighth ranked Wisconsin-Eau Claire and ODAC rival Washington & Lee University in the championship group Saturday and finished fourth overall.

The Maroons defeated the Milwaukee School of Engineering, 28-15, Oswego State, 34-12, and Springfield, 33-14, to win Group C. Mac Cafurello won four matches over the weekend at 125 pounds, two by technical falls, while Mark Samuel won all four of his matches at 141, three by technical fall and one against W&L in the sudden victory session.

Roanoke is now 8-3 overall in dual matches.



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Above, Hayden Henderson of Glenvar Middle School(right) battles Nick Baxley of Andrew Lewis in last week's match in Salem. Top left, Salem heavyweight Jackson Bryie pins his man in last week's match against Hidden Valley. Left below, Glenvar's Ethan Flowers is on his way to 100 career wins as he works over an opponent from William Byrd in Vinton.

## Salem, Glenvar swimmers put up good times in All-Timesland meet

Salem and Glenvar swimmers competed in the "All-Timesland" meet at the Gator Center in Roanoke last Saturday as 14 schools from around the valley crammed into the facility near Virginia Western Community College. The Albemarle boys and Cave Spring girls took the team titles at the annual meet.

The Salem boys took third overall with a total of 239 points while the girls were ninth with 71 scored by just seven girls.

Top scorers for the Spartans included the boys' 200 medley relay that placed second with a foursome of Zach Easter, Joren Poush, Carter Biscotte and Carson Tucker. In the boys' 200 free relay Biscotte, Easter, Tucker and Poush took third.

Individually, Easter was second in the 100 breast and third in the 100 fly, Poush was third in the 50 free and qualified for the state meet and Biscotte was fifth in the 200 free.

In the girls' meet Eliza Fleenor took second in the 100 in state and third in the 200 IM and qualified for the state meet in both events.

Glenvar took six boys to the All-Timesland meet and finished sixth with five of the six Highlanders making the finals. Connor Wilkes had the swim of the day, winning the 50 freestyle by .01 (1/100) seconds and lowering his school record in the event. Wilkes also placed fifth in the 100 butterfly and the boys' 200 medley relay team of Avery Thompson, Landon Cairns, Wilkes and Kees vanGerven took fifth. Cairns lowered his school record in the 100 breaststroke during the meet.

"Overall a very long but successful day for the swimmers," said Glenvar coach Shannon Hall.

Glenvar also hosted a meet at the Salem YMCA last week and Salem jumped in when the Spartans were weathered out of a meet at Franklin County at the last minute. Salem outscored Glenvar, Rural Retreat, Fort Chiswell and George Wythe in the combined scores and also swept the boys and girls meets.



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Eliza Fleenor swims the butterfly for Salem at the All-Timesland Meet Saturday.

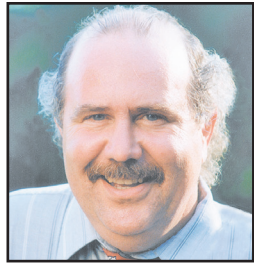
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## Salem football standouts off to SEC schools after All-Star game

Salem High seniors Peyton Lewis and Chris Cole didn't lose many football games during their time with the Spartans, but it was all but guaranteed one of them was going to lose when they played in the Under Armour All-American High School Football Game in Orlando, FL the first Saturday of the month. They were on different teams.

Lewis played for the "Fire" and Cole was on the "Ice" team and apparently the guys who split up the teams were like the Dixie League baseball draft where one coach knows all the kids and other guy is coming in blind. Cole's "Ice" team beat Lewis' "Fire" team handily, 39-9.

"The other team had a lot more talent than we did," said Lewis, who is headed to the University of Tennessee to play next fall. "Our offensive line wasn't nearly as good as theirs."

Cole, who is already working out at the University of Georgia, was impressed by, but not in awe of, the players participating in the annual all-star game.

"Oh man, everybody was so good, even the kickers," he said. "The shortest guy on the line was 6'6" and most of them were like, 6'8" and 320 pounds. But I've gotten used to that practicing at Georgia."

Both Salem players made their presence felt. Cole had five solo tackles and three quarterback hurries for the Ice team and Lewis didn't start, but had a majority of the carries in the second half for the Fire.

"Toward the end I started going crazy," said Lewis. "I carried a lot late in the game."

Lewis had to learn a completely new offense from what Don Holter runs at Salem, and he only had half a dozen practices to learn it. Cole played an inside linebacker position for his team, making it a little easier to adjust. Lewis claimed he didn't remember Cole tackling him during the game but Chris claims he brought down his pal from Salem twice.

"They both looked like they belonged there," said Holter, who watched the stream of the game. "Peyton looked like the best running back there. They

both represented Salem very well, as I knew they would."

Both Spartans said they enjoyed the experience, and they got a lot of free stuff.

"I got four pairs of shoes and a ton of shirts, shorts and socks," said Cole, and Lewis added they also received a duffel bag and sun glasses and a bunch of other cool stuff.

Cole is already in Athens. He's been practicing with the Bulldogs since December 20th, even participating in a practice on Christmas Day. He attended Georgia's 63-3 rout of Florida State at the Orange Bowl on December 30.

Peyton didn't get to go to the Citrus Bowl on New Year's Day, when the University of Tennessee shut out Iowa, 35-0. Practice had already started for the Under Armour game and if he had missed a practice he would have had to sit out a quarter for the game, and he didn't want to do that.

Peyton won't be defending any of his high school track state sprint titles this winter or spring, as he's leaving for UT this Saturday to enroll in school next Monday. He noted he's still recovering from a pelvic sprain that plagued him all season, despite a year in which he was named the state Class 4 Offensive Player-of-the-Year.

"I had a lot of pain all season, especially in the second half of games when the adrenaline wore off," he said. "The doctor said the only way to heal was with complete rest, and I couldn't do that during the season."



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Salem seniors Peyton Lewis(left) and Chris Cole were recognized for their selection to the Under Armour All-Star football game after Salem's win over Christiansburg.

I feel if I had been healthy I could have rushed for 2,500 yards and 40 touchdowns."

Both Salem boys were joined in Orlando by some of their future teammates who played in the Under Armour game.

"I developed some good friends from going on official visits," said Lewis, who is hoping to wear his Salem number 2 for the Volunteers as this year's number 2, Jabari Small, was a senior.

Cole received a nice honor last week when he was named one of six recipients of the Franklin D. Watkins Memorial Award, presented to the top African American male high school scholar-athletes in the nation. This follows his being named a semifinalist for the annual Butkus Award that is presented

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## Highlanders end 9-year drought

The Glenvar High boys are scheduled to play a Three Rivers District basketball game in Buchanan tonight against long-time rival James River. The Highlanders were snowed out of a trip to Alleghany on Tuesday as they continue running the gauntlet of a challenging district schedule.

Last week Glenvar played two strong district rivals and got a split. On Wednesday they played host to Radford and beat the Bobcats for the first time in the last 19 games between the two teams. The Highlanders hadn't beaten Radford in almost nine

years, going back to January of 2015, before pulling out a 66-50 win last week.

"We played without energy or urgency against Blacksburg(on January 8), but a great practice Tuesday had us focused for Radford," said Glenvar coach Cliff Bordewisch.

The game was tied at the half before Glenvar turned up the pressure after intermission. Brody Dawyot had 15 points in the fourth quarter, and 25 overall, to lead the Highlanders. Adam Franklin hit three three-pointers and finished with 13 points.

On Friday Glenvar was back home to host Floyd County. A big crowd turned out to watch the rivals play and it was close throughout before the Buffaloes pulled out a 64-58 win.

"Great environment," said Bordewisch. "We were able to create some turnovers and came back from 10 down to tie at half, but we couldn't get much going in the final four minutes as we dealt with some foul trouble."

Dawyot, who sat out a good deal of the second half with foul trouble, led Glenvar with 16 points. Reed Hutchison had 13, Franklin had a dozen and Aidan Hylton had 10 points.

"I feel like we're close to turning the corner as a team," said Bordewisch.

With the split the Highlanders are now 4-8 overall and 1-3 in the district. After tonight's game at James River they'll host Patrick County in a girls-boys doubleheader at Glenvar Monday. The girls are scheduled to play at 5:30 pm with the boys to follow at approximately 7 pm.

Meanwhile, the girls are still looking for a win. They fell to 0-10 last week with a 64-21 loss at Radford. The girls were snowed out of a game at Floyd this Monday and were hoping to get in a Wednesday home game with Alleghany, but results were too late for publication. The girls are scheduled to host James River on Friday.

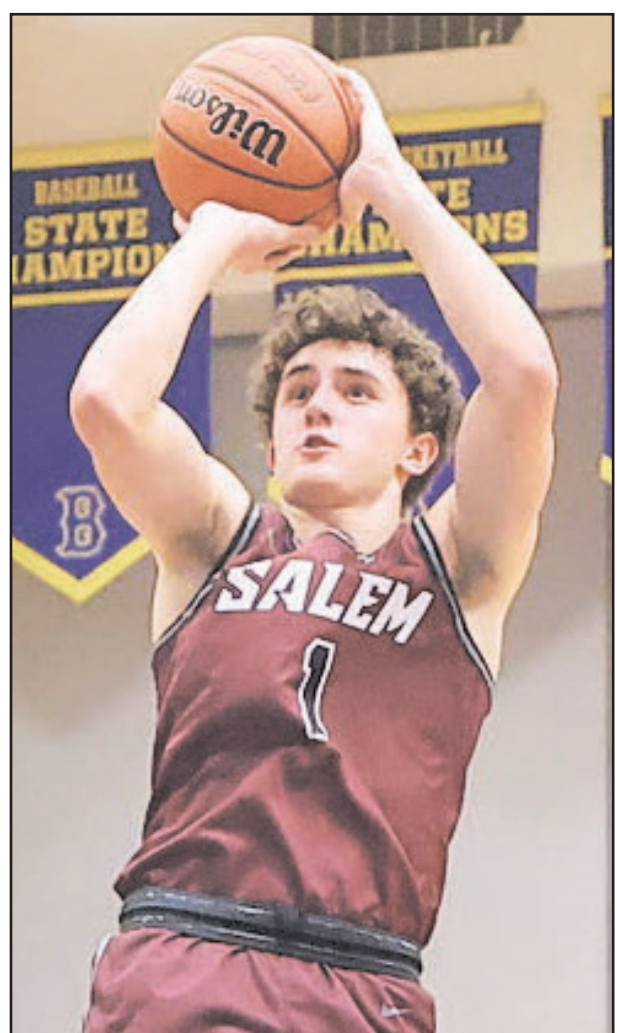


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Grant Clemens shoots a three for Salem.

## Spartan boys are at Cave Spring Friday

The Salem High boys scored the first 25 points of the game and never looked back in a 76-42 win over the Cougars at Pulaski County High School last Friday.

Salem led 39-13 at the half, then increased the lead to 34 points when they outscored Pulaski 25-17 in the third period. Salem coach Kevin Garst took his foot off the gas at that point and everyone on the team got in the game.

The Spartans dominated every category of the stat sheet, shooting 56 percent from the floor to 25 percent for Pulaski. Salem outrebounded the Cougars 40-24 and had 19 assists to just eight for the Cougars.

Individually, Cam Boles led three Spartans in double figures with 17 points, hitting seven of 10 shots from the field and going three-for-three from the line. Lucas Yerton had 13 points and Marvin Fields had 11. LeMarius Foxx had a game high 10 rebounds and five assists for Salem.

With the win the Salemites improved to 6-7 overall and 2-4 after one trip through the River Ridge District. Salem was weathered out of a non-district game at Jefferson Forest on Tuesday, and Friday they'll start the second half of the RRD season with a trip to Cave Spring.



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Glenvar's Tre Dawyot(#14) skies for a clean block in last Friday's game with Floyd.