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## Council accepts \$10,000 tourism grant at Feb. 12 meeting

**Meg Hibbert**  
Contributing writer

At the Feb. 12 meeting, Salem City Council appropriated a \$10,000 state grant with local match for downtown tourism. It is from the Microbusiness Marketing Leverage Program awarded by the Virginia Tourism Corporation. Council approved moving the matching money from the city's tourism operating budget.

The vote was 4-0, with Councilman Hunter Holliday participating remotely and

Councilman Bill Jones absent. Council also appropriated \$125,000 for Upland Drive storm drain and curb and gutter improvements, transferring the funds from the general fund and to the Capital Projects Fund.

Council also approved rezoning requests Monday night during a routine meeting.

Councilmembers unanimously approved, on second reading, a request to:

\* Rezone 1236 W. Main Street from Highway Business District

to Community Business District in order to have an apartment on the second floor for employees of the nail art business;

\* Rezone 416 Electric Road from Highway Business District to Heavy Manufacturing. Community Development Director Chuck Van Allman explained the lot north of the former General Electric plant doesn't match surrounding zoning as HBD.

Council set March 11 for the

yearly public hearing for taxicab licenses.

Appointments were made to appoint Paul C. Kuhnel and J. David Robbins for four year-terms on the city's Economic Development Authority. Council also appointed Pat Dew for a three-term on the Fair Housing board, and John Shaner for a three-year term on the board of the Local Office on Aging.

Council ended the 30-minute

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## City of Salem Spelling Bee held last week



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The Andrew Lewis Middle School Auditorium served as the setting for the annual City of Salem Spelling Bee last Thursday morning. Individual champions from Salem's four elementary schools and Andrew Lewis competed for six rounds before Audrey Lee correctly spelled the word "stomach" to capture the 2024 title. The Andrew Lewis 7th grader, who is in Cynthia Bowen's class, will now represent Salem in the regional spelling bee on March 16 at Radford University. Isabella Ladonne from WBDJ-7 was the guest caller. Lee, center, is pictured after the spelling bee. Lee and other winners are pictured to the right.



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Pictured from left to right are Madi Martin, a Salem High School senior, Kris Harless, vice president of business operations, and Kendall Joyce, DECA chapter president.

## Salem High School DECA recognized for outstanding School-based Enterprise

Spartan Spirit, the school-based enterprise at Salem High School was among 728 school-based enterprises achieving gold-level certification for the 2023-24 school year and will be recognized during DECA's International Career Development Conference this April 27-30, in Anaheim, California.

A school-based enterprise (SBE) is an entrepreneurial operation in a school setting that provides goods and services to meet the needs of the market. SBEs are managed and operated by students as hands-on learning laboratories that integrate National Curriculum Standards in marketing, finance, hospitality and management. DECA advisors have utilized this effective educational tool for over four decades to provide their students with realistic and practical learning experiences that reinforce classroom instruction, enhance 21st-century skill development, and prepare students for college and careers.

The Salem High School DECA members who contributed to the certification were Kendall Joyce and Madison Martin with the assistance of their DECA chapter advisor, Kristie Harless. The SBE at Salem High School has operated for only two years and is to be commended for this achievement.

"DECA's School-based Enterprise Certification Program is a rigorous process designed to help DECA members demonstrate their classroom learning in a practical, learning laboratory, and then translate that into meaningful outcomes," said Christopher Young, chief program officer at DECA Inc. "These DECA members are practicing important workplace readiness skills while preparing for college and careers."

DECA's School-based Enterprise Certification Program provides recognition for outstanding achievement by school-based enterprises and motivates SBEs to strive for excellence and growth. SBEs can be certified at three levels: bronze, silver or gold. In order to apply for the certification, SBEs must submit extensive documentation that explains how the SBE demonstrates the practice of various marketing and retail standards. A review committee evaluates the documentation to determine which level of certification has been achieved. DECA's School-based Enterprise program is sponsored by Otis Spunkmeyer Inc. and Pop Chips/You Need This.

-The Salem Times-Record

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## Mack Trucks to invest \$14.5M to expand operation

Additional 51 jobs will be created as part of facility expansion

On Friday, Feb. 9, Governor Glenn Youngkin announced that Mack Trucks, part of Swedish-based Volvo Group and one of North America's leading producers of heavy-duty and medium-duty trucks, will invest \$14.5 million to expand its Roanoke County manufacturing operation. The company will build a new 70,000-square-foot production facility to increase capacity for its medium-duty truck line and an emerging medium-duty electric truck line. Virginia successfully competed with Pennsylvania for the project, which will create 51 new jobs.

The announcement was made at ValleyTech Park at 6450 Technology Drive in Salem.

"Mack Trucks' expansion further strengthens Virginia's manufacturing industry ecosystem, which is a core focus of the Commonwealth's economic development strategy," said Governor Glenn Youngkin. "We are proud that Mack Trucks' initial investment in a new Roanoke County operation four years ago has yielded a second major investment. This is

truly another vote of confidence in Virginia by a global industry leader."

"We are proud to support Mack Trucks' continued growth in the Roanoke Region," said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Caren Merrick. "The Volvo Group and Mack are shaping the future of transportation sustainability and recognize that Virginia's best-in-class business climate, workforce, and logistics infrastructure are drivers for success."

"Mack is committed to making the industrial and product investments we need to be a North American market leader," said Stephen Roy, global president of Mack Trucks. "The expansion of the Roanoke Valley operations plant will help us grow in a strategic market segment and support our sustainability goals."

"We were thrilled to embrace the arrival of Mack Trucks in Roanoke County four years ago and are further delighted to celebrate this expansion initiative



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Officials are pictured on Friday when the announcement was made.

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# Briefly: Salem News In Brief

**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, March 4: 7 p.m. - Mark & Karen Templeton and 8 p.m. - Seph Custer

**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](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

**Raising Lazarus:** The Search for Solutions with Beth Macy: The event will be on Tuesday, March 12 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the Olin Theater. To attend the lecture, register here: <https://www.givecampus.com/schools/RoanokeCollege/events/an-evening-with-beth-macy> James C. and S. Maynard Turk Pre-Law Program presents the Gentry Locke Lecture featuring journalist and best-selling author (Factory Man & Truevine), Beth Macy. She will discuss the unraveling of rural America, from the aftermath of globalization to the opioid crisis, the subject of her book, Dopesick.

**A Dialogue on Freedom, Difference, and Civil Society with Dr. John Inazu:** The event will be on Tuesday, March 15 from 7-8 p.m. in the Wortmann Ballroom in the Colket Center. Registration: <https://www.givecampus.com/schools/RoanokeCollege/events/an-evening-with-dr-john-inazu> The Henry H. Fowler Public Affairs Lecture Series hosts John Inazu, the Sally D. Danforth Distinguished Professor of Law and Religion at Washington University in St. Louis. He is the author of Liberty’s Refuge: The Forgotten Freedom of Assembly (Yale University Press, 2012) and Confident Pluralism: Surviving and Thriving Through Deep Difference (University of Chicago Press, 2016), and co-editor (with Tim Keller) of Uncommon Ground: Living Faithfully in a World of Difference (Thomas Nelson, 2020).

**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](http://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](http://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, 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.

## POLICE REPORT

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of January 30, 2024 – February 05, 2024

01/30/2024	Tiera L. Parson	29	Obstructing Justice
01/30/2024	Amgad M. Abdelgader	30	DUI
01/30/2024	Christiesha S. White	31	Criminal Trespass, Obstructing Justice
02/01/2024	Jessica A. Boyer	36	Trespass at Night in Cemetery
02/01/2024	Joshua N. Hall	46	Possession of Controlled Substance
02/02/2024	Lucas H. Barber	19	DUI
02/04/2024	Jessica A. Boyer	36	Assault on Police Officer, Disorderly Conduct, Criminal Trespass, Trespass at Night in Cemetery
02/04/2024	Jennifer R. Weeks	35	Public Intoxication
02/04/2024	Nathanael J. Moses	18	Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
02/04/2024	John R. Sheffey	18	Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
02/04/2024	Mieko J. Ramirez	18	Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
02/04/2024	Braden C. Cash	19	Contributing to Delinquency of Minor
02/05/2024	Holly J. Bowes	46	Failure to Appear

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Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of January 30, 2024 – February 05, 2024

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
02-FEB-2024	800 BLK E Main ST	Grand Larceny
04-FEB-2024	700 BLK Monroe St	Assault on Police Officer

## SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT



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### 23rd Regiment of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers button

Did you know that you could learn a lot about a British soldier in the Revolutionary War just from his uniform?

For example, these buttons show that the wearer served in the 23rd Regiment of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. These were British soldiers that fought in many important battles throughout the Revolutionary War.

You can see this button and other uniform pieces this weekend at the Salem Museum during Hands-On History Saturday.

Homeschool students ages five and up can learn more next week at Salem Museum Homeschool Days. On Feb. 21, students will learn more about Colonial Virginia. They will learn about

the founding of our country, colonial life, and surprising local connections to the Revolutionary War.

At Homeschool Days, students will learn interesting stories from our past, and get to hold pieces of history in their hand. Each program will include an hour of hands-on history instruction, group discussions, and a scavenger hunt to encourage exploration of the Salem Museum’s exhibits. The schedule is designed to give participants an opportunity to get to know other students.

The program will be held on Feb. 21 at 1 p.m. RSVP in advance is required. Please call 540-389-6760 or email [garrett@salemmuseum.org](mailto:garrett@salemmuseum.org) to register.

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# RECIPE OF THE WEEK

I must admit it, as a former Brownie and Girl Scout, I love Girl Scout Cookies. My favorite is the Trefoil cookie, but I can say that I have had a stash of Thin Mints in my freezer most years. Girl Scout cookie season helps to usher in Spring. Seeing Girl Scouts freezing outside Kroger, Food Lion, and Walmart just warms the heart and brings back memories. At six dollars a box (the price has increased this year) it is tough to risk the budget for a box. According to the Virginia Skyline council, every cookie purchase supports "Girl Scouts' ability to grow, learn, and thrive through all of life's adventures." All proceeds stay local to help fund the Girl Scouts in our area. And the Girl Scout cookie lineup this year contains all the old favorites. They've got Adventurefuls, Caramel Chocolate Chip, Samoas, Do-Si-Dos, Girl Scout S'mores, Lemonades, Lemon-Ups, Tagalongs, Thin Mints, Toast-Yay!, Toffee-tastic, and Trefoils.

Girl Scout Cookies were originally home baked by girl members with moms volunteering as technical advisers. The sale of cookies to finance troop activities began as early as 1917, five years after Juliette Gordon Low started Girl Scouts in the United States. Now the cookies are baked by two bakeries, ABC Bakery and Little Brownie Bakery. The names used by each bakery change, such as Caramel deLites and Samoas, but the cookies are the same. Every Girl Scout cookie is kosher, and Halal certified. There are also four vegan varieties - Thin Mints, Peanut Butter Patties, Lemonades and Toast-Yay! Cookies. All girl scout cookies are free of



**Shelly Koon**  
Contributing  
Writer

high-fructose corn syrup, partially hydrogenated oil, and trans-fat. Two cookies are gluten-free, Caramel Chocolate Chip and Toffee-tastic.

Don't know a Girl Scout? Download the Cookie Finder app or visit [girlscoutcookies.org](http://girlscoutcookies.org) and clicking the Find Cookies! search box. Just enter your zip code and a list of where the Girl Scouts will be set up appears.

This week's recipe is a cookie that tastes like the Trefoil. It does not require refrigeration before cutting like a standard shortbread cookie and has a crumbly melt in the mouth texture.

**Copycat cookie recipe**

**Ingredients:**

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1/4 cup cornstarch

**Directions:**

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. Beat butter in a large bowl with an electric mixer until light and fluffy.



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Add flour, confectioners' sugar, and cornstarch; beat on low for 1 minute, then high for 3 to 4 minutes. Drop spoonfuls of dough 2 inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake in the preheated oven until edges are golden, 12 to 15 minutes. Cool on the baking sheets before removing to a wire rack to cool completely. One thing to keep in mind. They move off the pan easier when they are almost to completely cool. They tend to fall apart if moved before cool enough.



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## REGION 4D CHAMPIONS

SALEM FORENSICS EARNS THE TITLE OF 2023-2024 REGION 4D CHAMPIONS!!



The Region 4D tournament was held on Saturday.

# Salem Forensics team won Region 4D tournament

**Aila Boyd**  
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The Salem Forensics team competed Saturday in the Region 4D tournament and won 52-23 over second place EC Glass High School. This is the 21st consecutive year the team has won the first level of the postseason.

Salem was led by six Regional individual event champions, including placing first and second in five events. Lebron Parsell, Connor Smythers and Colton Easter and Claire Rawlins all achieved the rare feat of earning straight first place rankings from all six judges, according to the school. Salem advanced 15 of 17 entries to the Super Region (state semifinals), with two potential alternates, which will be held March 2 at EC Glass.

"I'm really enthusiastic about this team! My captains, Kyra Netting and Kade Lakin, have really helped create a team-first orientated and collaborative atmosphere that's led to a ton of growth this year. We needed that. We only return four team members who won medals (top 3) at the state tournament last year. We need younger and new students to step up and become the new stars of the team. We need students with 1-2 years experience to consistently place at the top of their events. They are doing that and the Region meet was a great example and our first step toward being competitive at states. I'm excited to see the season play out," Mark Ingerson, coach, said.

**Leading Salem:**

Champions— Kade Lakin (12th) and Bella Poarch (10th), Serious Duo

Champion— Lebron Parsell (12th), Extemporaneous Speaking  
Champions— Connor Smythers (11th) and Colton Easter (11th), Humorous Duo

Champion— Claire Rawlins (11th), Impromptu Speaking

Champion— Charlie Bain (11th), Humorous Interpretation

Champion— Noah Lovern (11th), Storytelling

2nd place— Kyra Netting (12th), Poetry

2nd place— Zane Easter (12th), Impromptu Speaking

2nd place— Rebekah Steinweg (11th), Extemporaneous Speaking

2nd place— Hall Blackwood (11th), Storytelling

2nd place— Lacey Stratton (10th) Humorous Interpretation

2nd place— Parneet Gill (10th), Original Oratory

2nd place— Ava Milton (8th) and Rosalie Botos (8th), Humorous Duo

3rd place— Kaylee Sutphin (9th), Serious Dramatic

3rd place— Tara Farrokpoor (8th), Prose

1st Alternate— Lilly Smith (9th), Prose

1st Alternate— Zippy Elliot (8th) and Aly Ory (8th), Serious Duo

Those interested in seeing the team perform in person, state qualifiers will perform on "Forensics Night" on March 21 in the Salem High School Auditorium starting at 6 p.m.

# Craft and Vendor Fair back to being an annual event



Over 50 vendors participated last year.



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**Proceeds help support the sorority give a yearly \$2,000 scholarship.**

The Craft and Vendor Fair hosted by the Lambda Chapter of VA Alpha Delta Kappa Teacher Sorority is set to make its annual appearance on Saturday, Feb. 17 from 9 a.m. -3 p.m. at Andrew Lewis Middle School. (The inclement weather date is Feb 24.) Admission is free. Before the pandemic struck, our fair was up to over 80 vendors. We are slowly getting back to that level. We had over 50 vendors last year and are still looking for more vendors for this year. The proceeds from the vendor registrations and bake sale help the sorority give a yearly \$2,000 scholarship to a worthy individual, usually a high school graduate, that is committed to becoming a teacher.

The fair started over a decade ago with a couple of booths in a small church. Now it is large enough to be

held in the middle school's gym. It is a fun day filled with shopping the booths (jewelry, food, housewares, clothing, services, woodworking and more), door prizes, a baked sale, and lunch café.

The chapter said that it hopes to get as many shoppers as possible to benefit local crafters and vendors. Lambda is a local chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa with over 45 members in Salem, Roanoke County and Roanoke City.

For more information or if you would like to become of crafter/vendor, contact:  
[Mhwsan69@aol.com](mailto:Mhwsan69@aol.com)

-Submitted by Tarri Gauck, Lambda chaplain (Roanoke County Elementary Art teacher for Glen Cove and Mountain View Schools)

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**Interstate 81**  
**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.

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**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:** 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 will be in place on Monday, January 22 and Tuesday, January 23 on I-81 northbound from mile marker 104 and 106 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 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.

**APPALACHIAN TRAIL BRIDGE OVER ROUTE 311** – A new pedestrian bridge is under

construction over Route 311 at McAfee Knob trailhead. The trailhead parking lot is currently closed and will remain closed during construction. Flagging operations will be in place daily with occasional slow rolls during nighttime hours are possible to stop traffic for up to 15 minutes at a time for setting bridge beams.

**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 early 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.

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES

# NATIONAL BUSINESS COLLEGE ESTABLISHED FIFTY YEARS AGO AND NOW A LEADER IN VIRGINIA

## *M. A. Smythe A Factor In Steady Growth Since 1902-A Wide Variety Of Courses*

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

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the National Council of Standards, the ruling body of the student government of the National Business College.

Its athletic teams its student organizations and social groups furnish an opportunity to evaluate that most vital factor in the success of men and women today-personality.

The National Business College is proud of its past and is confident that its future will prove more useful to the economic, business, industrial, and social life of the territory and people which it serves.

*-Prepared by Lisa King*

## NASA

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them and for this opportunity."

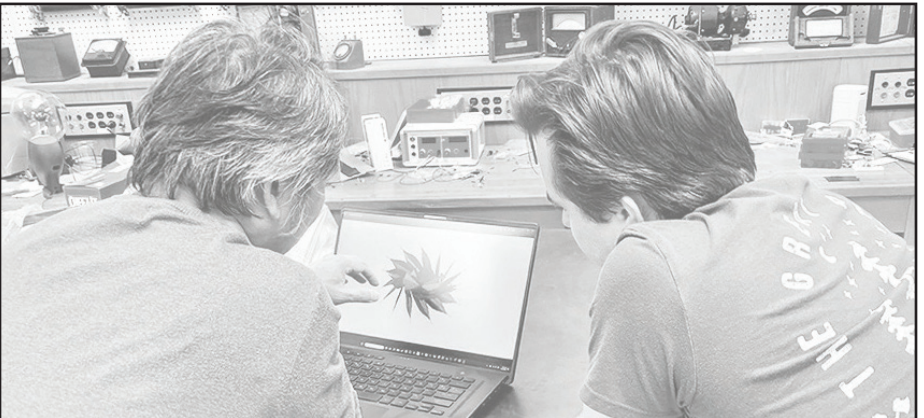
The award puts Roanoke's students alongside peers at the University of Notre Dame and University of Louisiana at Lafayette, which placed first and third, respectively. So impressed was NASA with the top-ranked teams that students also earned an invitation to continue pursuing the project and building a relationship with NASA scientists.

**Students who worked on Roanoke's team, as well as their roles and team committees, included:**

- Bobby Hoye '24: Project Lead, 3D Model Lead
- Alan Castellon '24: 3D Model

- Tony Saade '24: 3D Model, Physical Model
- Art Duncan '25: Calculations Lead, Report Lead
- Bryan Moctezuma-Vazquez '25: Physical Model Lead
- Dylan Knick '26: Calculations, Report
- Addy Littlefield '26: Physical Model, Report
- Enzo Tagum Fombeno '27: Calculations
- Patrick Brennan '27: Calculations, Report

*-The Salem Times-Register*



COURTESY PHOTO

**Visiting Assistant Professor Truong Le and physics major Patrick Brennan, a student in the class of 2027, examine a computer model of a starshade.**



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## Help Wanted - General

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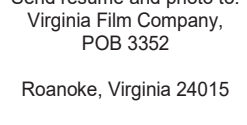
Models needed for life drawing class, male and female, \$65 for 3 hour session. Call David (Do not text) 540-473-3713

## Actor/Actress needed

to present stories for a documentary film. This is paid work. Last film released in December of 2023 is in worldwide distribution. Qualities needed: photogenic and articulate.

Send resume and photo to: Virginia Film Company, POB 3352

Roanoke, Virginia 24015



## Vice President for Planning & Resource Development

Nonprofit seeks an individual with experience in directing the activities of a planning department. Must have a minimum of seven years successful grant writing and supervisory experience. Thorough knowledge of state and federal anti-poverty programs; ability to understand and interpret RFPs, regulations and guidelines. Preferred knowledge of Human Service, Economic Development, Community Development programs at the local, Commonwealth, and federal levels. Performs complex professional and administrative work in directing the activities of the planning department, providing strategic planning, resource development and program development for the antipoverty programs, economic development, community development and partnership activities of the agency. Assists in gathering and collating pertinent data and program outcomes; identifies and qualifies resources; writes clear and compelling narratives, effective and accurate budgets; and prepares grant applications in response to request for proposals. Leads and trains a team of planners who support the agency's programs. Directs the communications and marketing efforts of the agency.

Disseminates information to program components,CEO,

## Help Wanted - General

Board of Directors, and other management staff on issues affecting the work of agency.

Recruits, trains, supervises, and evaluates planning staff, marketing & communications staff, and Whole Family Intake staff; organizes department responsibilities and workflow.

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## Events

### 6th Annual Church Community Chili Cook-off

The 2024 Church Community Chili Cook-off will be held this year at the Grace Baptist Church, on Saturday, February 24th, from 5 PM -7 PM. Each church may enter up to five (5) chilis for the competition. The Championship Trophy Cup will go to the church of the winning chili cook-off chef, to be displayed until the 2024 chili cook-off. There will be individual trophies given to the top three chili cook-off chefs. Free Hotdogs and drinks will be available during the cookoff. All are welcome to participate in the tasting. Come in for a good hot meal, commune with your neighbors and vote for your favorite chili. Official Rules: Each Church may enter up to 5 chilis in the competition. Each chili will be presented for tasting on tables in the competition area. Upon entering the competition area, everyone will be given a vote-ticket. Taste the chilis at your own pace. Place your ticket in the chili you judge as the best. The chili with the most tickets will be the champion. The chili with the 2 nd most tickets will be 2nd place. The chili with the 3rd most tickets will be 3rd place. In the event of a tie, a mini re-tasting will be held by those present, between the chilis involved in the tie. (New vote-tickets will be issued) The individual trophies will be presented to the winners at the conclusion of the cookoff.

The Championship Trophy Cup will be engraved with the winning information and presented to the winning chef's church in the next week (or whenever it's received back from the engraver). The Championship Trophy Cup will reside at the winning church until next year's Church Community Chili Cook-off.

## Events

For planning purposes: Please RSVP to Craig Valley Baptist Church if you are entering a chili. 540-864-5667, (if no answer, leave a message). The event is being held at the Grace Baptist Church 159 Old Railroad Ave. (SR696), New Castle, VA, (Near the Field Of Dreams).

## General Information

### WASHINGTON STREET ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW DATE CHANGE

The date for the juried Washington Street Arts and Crafts Show has changed to April 6, 2024.

The show will now coincide with the Cherry Blossom Festival sponsored by the Town of Buchanan. The show is sponsored by the United Women in Faith at Trinity United Methodist Church in Buchanan, VA. We would love to have you join us and applications are being accepted and may be requested by contacting the United Women in Faith at: WashingtonStreetArtShow@gmail.com

## Legals - City of Radford

### Public Notice: CDBG Public Service Program COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

The City of Radford Department of Community Development will accept proposals for the 2024 Program Year (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025) for funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

Applicants must be a not-for profit organization as established by the IRS. Proposals for Public Services programs are due no later than March 15, 2024, by 4:00p.m. The major focus of the City of Radford's CDBG program is to provide a suitable living environment, decent housing, social services, and economic opportunities in low-income areas, and low-to-moderate- income persons.

Applications may be accessed at [www.radfordva.gov](http://www.radfordva.gov) or via email request to [Melissa.Skelton@radfordva.gov](mailto:Melissa.Skelton@radfordva.gov).

The applications can also be picked up at Radford Administration Building, 10 Robertson St, Radford, VA, Monday through Friday between 8:30a.m. and 5:00p.m. For more information regarding the CDBG program, please visit <https://www.radfordva.gov/1261/HUD-Community-Development-Block-Grant>

## Legals - City of Salem

### NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

### TO: CITY OF SALEM REAL ESTATE OWNERS

The Board of Equalization for Real Estate Assessments in the City of Salem will meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Conference Room at City Hall located at 114 N. Broad Street, Salem, Virginia. The Board will continue its meeting from time to time thereafter, by adjournments, at and for such time or times, at the same place or such other place or places, as may be designated and deemed necessary by the Board to accomplish and complete its task of equalization of real estate assessments and to discharge the duties imposed by law upon the Board.

Said meeting will be adjourned on April 23, 2024, unless the powers of the Board are extended by order of the Circuit Court for

## Legals - City of Salem

the City of Salem. The purpose of the Board meeting is to equalize property assessments in the City and to hear and give consideration to all complaints of any inequalities in such assessment so that the burden of real estate taxation shall rest equally upon all owners.

At its meeting, the Board will hear and decide all inequality protest complaints, whether made by property owners, the City, or any taxpayer, on appeal to this Board by property owners. The Board may equalize any assessment by raising, or lowering assessments fixed by the Assessor, in proper cases, in order to make assessments uniform in the City as far as practicable. If you wish to discuss the assessment with the Board, call (540) 375-3058 for an appointment by February 23, 2024. The Assessor is required by law to prepare necessary papers for the Board and for the property owner who wants to appeal to the Board of Equalization. Information pertaining to the Assessor's valuations, along with forms for appeal to the Board of Equalization may be obtained from the Assessor's office by calling (540) 3753058, or online at [www.salemva.gov](http://www.salemva.gov).

## Legals - City of Radford

### BOARD OF EQUALIZATION OF REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CITY OF SALEM

Norman J. Beamer  
Kathy Fitzgerald  
Wendel Ingram Jr.  
David Prosser  
Janie Whitlow

## Legals - Craig County

### Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Case No. JU02260-06-00 CRAIG COMBINED COURT-JUVENILE Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court District Court

Commonwealth of Virginia, in re MANNING, EMILEE ROSE The object of this suit is to: terminate the residual parental rights of the parents, including the right of visitation, right to consent to adoption, the responsibility of support and all other rights and responsibilities remaining with the natural parents of the aforesaid child and to obtain the right to place said child for adoption.

And, based on an affidavit filed herein, the court finds that there exists sufficient grounds for causing service of process by publication.

It is ORDERED that the unknown father and any or all others who may be related to Emily Rose Manning, whose actual whereabouts are unknown, appear at the above-named Court on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. to do whatever is necessary to protect their interests.

We ask for this CRAIG COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES 177 Court Street, New Castle, Virginia 24127

February 8, 2024, Patty Taylor, CLERK

## Legals - Montgomery County

### Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Case No. CL23002018-00 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 KOBİ MAZUR The object of this suit is to: DIVORCE. It is ORDERED that JACOB ANDRE MCPHERSON A/K/A KOBİ MAZUR appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before MARCH 8, 2024. JANUARY 5, 2024 K. MIKE FLEENOR, JR. JUDGE TIFFANY M. COUCH, CLERK

## Legals - Montgomery County

### TRUSTEES SALE

### PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN:

The Riner Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia Containing 1.586 acres, more or less Commonly Known as: 3395 Radford Road, Christiansburg, Virginia IN EXECUTION OF A CERTAIN DEED OF TRUST OF RECORD IN THE CLERKS OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2008000295, DATED FEBRUARY 1, 2008, SAID DEED OF TRUST WAS MODIFIED BY MODIFICATION OF DEED OF TRUST DATED FEBRUARY 6, 2020, RECORDED IN THE AFORESAID CLERK'S OFFICE AS INSTRUMENT NO: 2020002980, AND BY SUBSTITUTION OF COLLATERAL AND RELEASE DATED MARCH 10, 2020, RECORDED IN THE AFORESAID CLERK'S OFFICE AS INSTRUMENT NO: 2020002979. DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN THE PAYMENT OF THE DEBT THEREIN SECURED AND BEING REQUIRED TO DO SO BY THE NOTEHOLDER, THE UNDERSIGNED SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, AFTER GIVING FOURTEEN (14) DAYS DUE NOTICE TO THE OWNERS OF THE REAL ESTATE OF THE DATE, TIME, PLACE AND TERMS OF SALE, WILL OFFER FOR SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION, IN FRONT OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 55 EAST MAIN STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA, ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024, AT 10:00 A.M., THE REAL ESTATE WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON KNOWN AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: All that certain tracts or parcels of land, with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being in the Riner Magisterial District of Montgomery County, Virginia, and described as follows: All of the 1.586 acres as shown on plat of survey entitled; Plat of Boundary Line Adjustment Between Tax Parcels 90-(A)-34A & 90-(A)-34E situated along Radford Road, U.S. Route 11 Near Plum Creek Riner Magisterial District Montgomery County, Virginia; dated June 28, 2016 prepared by Ralph O. Clements, L.S. for Gay and Neel, Inc. recorded in the Circuit Court Clerks Office of Montgomery County, Virginia as Instrument Number 2016004742.

Tax Map No: 090-A 34A; Parcel No: 024574

More commonly known as: 3395 Radford Road, Christiansburg, VA 24073

SALE WILL BE MADE SUBJECT TO ALL EXISTING EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AS THE SAME MAY LAWFULLY AFFECT THE REAL ESTATE. TERMS OF SALE: CASH, SETTLEMENT WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS OF SALE. A BIDDERS DEPOSIT OF TEN PERCENT (10%) MAY BE REQUIRED. PLACE OF SALE: FRONT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, AT 55 EAST MAIN STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA DATE OF SALE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024 TIME OF SALE: 10:00 A.M.

Daniel D. Hamrick, PC Substitute Trustee

By: Daniel D. Hamrick, Agent

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel D. Hamrick, P.C. 104 South Franklin Street Christiansburg, VA 24073 (540) 382-0131

## Legals - Montgomery County

### ABC NOTICE

W P RISING INC., trading as Spicity, 210 Prices Fork Rd STE E, Montgomery County, Blacksburg, VA 24060-3300.

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

Shu Yuan Lin President/Owner.

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

## Legals - Roanoke County

### ABC NOTICE

SAV ON SHOP LLC., trading as CATAWBA GROCERY, 5944 Catawba Valley Dr., Roanoke County, Catawba, VA 24070-2214.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Convenience Grocery Store Beer and Wine Off-Premises license to sell or

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The Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Program was established by the General Assembly to provide educational opportunities for persons who were denied an education in Virginia between 1954 and 1964 due to the closing of the public schools during Massive Resistance. Beginning in 2024, the scholarship program is extended to their descendants. The program is now open to eligible applicants for the 2024-2025 school year. For applications and information on eligibility, visit: [BROWNSCHOLARSHIP.VIRGINIA.GOV](http://BROWNSCHOLARSHIP.VIRGINIA.GOV)



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# ODAC basketball tournaments next week

Old Dominion Athletic Conference basketball championships will begin next week with "play in" games for the seventh through 10th seeds. The two winners in both the men's and women's play in games will join the top six seeds at the Salem Civic Center for games on February 22 through 25.

The Roanoke men come into the week tied for fifth in the ODAC with Virginia Wesleyan and Bridgewater, and the Maroons had two conference games remaining. Roanoke was scheduled to play at 20-3 Guilford on Wednesday and at home against 5-19 Eastern Mennonite on Saturday at 4:30 pm at the Cregger Center in Salem. If the Maroons drop out of the top six they would host a game on Monday against either Ferrum or Lynchburg, who are tied for the number nine spot. If the Maroons can hold on to the five or six spot they wouldn't play again until February 22nd at the Salem Civic Center in a tournament quarterfinal game.

The RC men are 8-6 in conference play after winning a thriller at Bridgewater last Saturday, enabling them to tie the host Eagles and Virginia Wesleyan in the conference standings. Roanoke won 73-72 with Zach Rosenthal scoring 20 points.

The Maroons led 67-65 with two minutes remaining, then Josh McClary scored on the next two possessions to make it a six-point game. Bridgewater rallied but missed a three-pointer to tie as time wound down and then tipped in the rebound at the buzzer for the one point difference. With the win the Maroons improved to 15-8 overall.

The RC women come into the week at 10-6 in conference play and stand a solid sixth place in the ODAC standings. Randolph College and Lynchburg are right behind the Maroons but they have nine losses each and Roanoke only had two games remaining, both at home. The Maroons had 8-14 Hollins on Wednesday and on Saturday they'll host 21-2 Washington & Lee in the regular season finale at 2 pm.

The 7-10 and 8-9 seed play-in games for the women are Tuesday of next week, and the two winners will join the top six for quarterfinal ODAC tournament games at the Salem Civic Center on Friday, February 23. The Maroons clinched a top-six spot when they beat Shenandoah in Winchester last Saturday, 70-59. Lauren Keel had 21 points to pace the Maroons as they improved to 15-8 overall.



## Jordan rules in final contest

Was that a good Super Bowl or what? Unless you're a big San Francisco 49ers fan, there wasn't much not to like about Sunday's Super Bowl LVIII when the Kansas City Chiefs beat the 'Niners in overtime, 25-22. Let's count the ways.

You got a lot of bang for your buck, so to speak. The game kicked off just after 6:30 pm and wasn't over until after 11 o'clock. Granted a lot of that was due to long commercial breaks and a big show at halftime, but the commercials are always fun and the half-time was entertaining. We didn't get a Janet Jackson nipple, but we got two from Usher. That didn't do much for me but the young ladies who only watched to see Taylor Swift probably got a charge out of that.

The two teams were never more than 10 points apart and you didn't get the feeling anyone was "in control" until the final points were scored. Sure, Patrick Mahomes was great on that last drive but remember that one fumbled reception could have ended the game with the 49ers on top, then we'd be singing a completely different tune today.

The Super Bowl was the final game of our 2023-24 run of ST-R Football Contests and we have the last winner of the season, and it's Ron Jordan of Antrim Street in Salem. Ron was one of a few who missed four games, and he won by the tie-breaker. Ron missed Southern Cal over Louisville, LSU over Wisconsin and he had Baltimore winning the AFC and the Super Bowl for his other two misses. He correctly picked Michigan over Washington in the college championship.

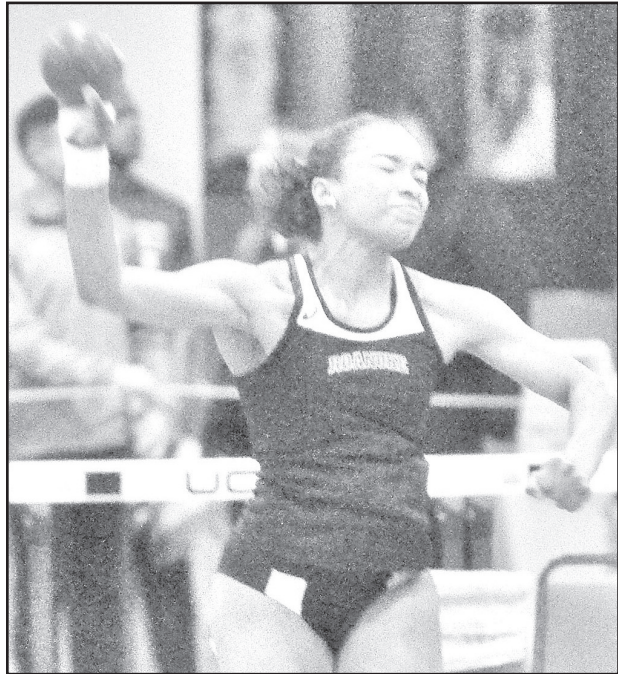
For his fine predicting Ron will receive the \$50 gift certificate from Mac & Bob's, the \$20 gift certificate from Macado's and a year's subscription to the Salem Times-Register. A long time member of the Salem Stadium chain gang, we hope to see Ron back on the sidelines next year after he took a year off to deal with some health problems. We're pulling for you, buddy.

For our "19th Hole" question you were asked to pick the score of the Super Bowl, and Salem's Robert Almond was pretty close. Rob picked the Chiefs to beat the 49ers by a score of 28-21, and hopefully he got down a bet on KC or the over prior to the game. If not, at least he'll get a free day of golf at the Salem Municipal Course on Academy Street, and better weather will soon be here.

Thanks so much to everyone who played our contest. This was my 50th year conducting our weekly contest and it's still just as fun as ever to sit in my chair on Monday night and correct a pile of entries like a high school teacher (note sarcasm). I gotta figure out a way to make it "true-false" next year.

I loved watching the Super Bowl but, as always, I hate to see the season come to an end. How many months until August? See you next year, I can hardly wait.

-Brian Hoffman



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Left, Noland Henderson of Roanoke College competes in the shot put in last Saturday's Joe LaRocco Invitational. Right, Jim Sarsfield spins and is ready to let go in the weight throw.

## Fowler breaks 200m school record in Joe LaRocco Invit.

The Kerr-Cregger Indoor Fieldhouse in Salem was the site of the annual Joe LaRocco Invitational indoor meet last Saturday, and host Roanoke College had some outstanding performances.

For the men, Brady Fowler won the 200m, breaking his own school record in the race as the Maroons posted six total top-five finishes at their final home meet of the regular season. Fowler recorded a program-record time of 22.00 seconds in the 200m to claim first, and he also landed atop the ODAC leaderboard and in ninth place in Division III for the winter. Fowler also notched a fifth-place run in the 60m, finishing in a season-best time of 6.89 seconds. That mark is good for second in the ODAC and is tied for 26th in Division III this season.

In the women's meet Haylee Gamble and Kaitlyn Nguyen produced first-

place performances for Roanoke. Nguyen won the high jump with a personal-record mark of 1.68m, narrowly missing out on a new school record and cementing her spot atop the ODAC standings for the winter. She is currently tied for sixth in Division III.

Gamble took first in the 400m

with a season-best time of 1:00.12, which leads the conference during the current indoor campaign. Gamble also ran a time of 26.35 seconds in the 200m, good for third overall.

Roanoke will compete in the Virginia Tech Challenge this Friday and Saturday.

## HS region meets at RC this week

Roanoke College will be the site for region indoor track meets this weekend. The Region 2C, 3D and 4D meets will all be held at the Kerr-Cregger Indoor Fieldhouse in Salem.

The Region 2C meet, with Glenvar athletes, will be held Friday evening. Field events start at 3 pm, the 4x800 is at 3:15 pm and a rolling schedule begins at 4:05 pm, beginning with the 55 meter hurdles.

On Saturday the Region 3D meet begins in the morning with the Region 4D meet, including Salem High athletes. It will open with field events at 3:30 pm and running events begin at 5 pm and go until conclusion.

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The Glenvar boys are Region 2C swim champions. Left to right above are Cooper Ermel, Landon Cairns, Connor Magruder, Kees VanGerven, Avery McClanahan, Ashton Meadows, Avery Thompson, Tucker Henderson, Tyler Smith, Aiden Robbins, Alec McIlwain and Connor Wilkes. Below, Ashton Meadows swims the 100 yard butterfly.

## Glenvar boys are Region 2C swim champs, girls are 5th

The Glenvar High boys will head to the Class 2 state meet as Region 2C champions after out-swimming the competition at the Christiansburg Aquatic Center last Thursday. The Glenvar girls were fifth in the region among a dozen schools and the Highlanders will send a strong delegation to today's state meet at the RVA Swim facility in Richmond.

Last week in Christiansburg the Glenvar boys scored 134 points to blow second place Radford, with 98, out of the pool. Radford won the girls' competition with 101 points. Of Glenvar's 40 individual event swims, 30 were high school lifetime bests. The boys took four event titles and the girls one, a school record was broken and 22 swims have qualified for the state championship meet.

"The hard work these kids put in at practice all season really showed," said Glenvar coach Shannon Hall. "Our 23 swimmers combined for over 2.5 million yards in practice this season. That's over 1,400 miles in 13 weeks."

The top eight individual finishes scored points with the top five advancing to the state Championship. The top

six relays also scored with the top four advancing to states.

The boys 200 medley relay team led off the meet, finishing first. Avery Thompson, Landon Cairns, Connor Wilkes and Ashton Meadows lowered the school record by more than a second. That school record has been broken three times this season.

Tyler Smith finished fourth in the 200 freestyle, followed by Tucker Henderson fifth, Kees VanGerven sixth and Cooper Ermel eighth. Chloe Childers notched an eighth place finish for the girls.

Wilkes, for the boys, and Macy McMahon, for the girls, each won region titles in the 200 individual medley with Cairns the runner-up on the boys side. Meadows hustled to a fifth place finish in the boys 50 freestyle and Alec McIlwain touched seventh. Hannah Street put a point on the board with an eighth place finish for the girls. Meadows made a quick turn around and placed second in the boys 100 butterfly.

In the boys 100 freestyle Thompson placed fourth for Glenvar and teammate McIlwain eighth. Street with an



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eighth place finish for the girls.

In the 500 freestyle Smith placed second with Kees VanGerven third, Ermel fourth and Henderson sixth. Natalie McMahon touched the wall fifth for the girls.

The foursome of Meadows, McIlwain, Cairns and Wilkes won the boys 200 freestyle relay, narrowly missing a school record. The girls team of Street, Chloe Childers, Macy and Natalie McMahon followed with a third place finish for the girls.

Thompson placed third in the boys 100 backstroke with Connor Magruder dropping a full ten seconds to take seventh. Natalie McMahon tallied a fourth place finish for the girls. Avery

McClanahan scored in the boys 100 breaststroke with a sixth place finish and Macy McMahon was fourth for the girls.

The final event of the night saw Thompson, VanGerven, Cairns and Wilkes with a big win the 400 freestyle relay. The girls team of Izzy Shearer, Childers, Macy and Natalie McMahon capped off the scoring with a fourth place finish.

"The 14 qualifiers is the largest team the Highlanders have ever taken to the state championship swim meet," said Hall. "Although the region finals was one of the best meets in school history there is still business to take care of in Richmond."

Right, Salem's Avery Mangus performs a reverse somersault dive during regional championships at Christiansburg. Below, Isaac Snow swims the opening butterfly leg in the 200 yard IM at the Region 4D meet.



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## W&L sweeps ODAC swim

Washington and Lee University continued its dominance of the ODAC's swimming ranks by hoisting both conference trophies following four days of competition in the ODAC Swimming Championships at the Greensboro Aquatic Center last week. The Generals have earned nine of the 10 men's championships competed under the league's banner, while Saturday's last event sealed the 33rd title for W&L's women's programs. Both totals stand as ODAC swimming records.

The University of Lynchburg took home second in the men's team standings, outpacing both third place Roanoke College and fourth-place Bridgewater College in a hotly contested showdown. Roanoke and Lynchburg were tight for second place in the women's table with the Maroons beating the Hornets to the silver medal. Both are second and third, respectively, for the second straight season.

RC junior Ethan Brewer earned the Men's Swimmer of the Meet honors. Brewer concluded his outstanding week with a first-place finish in the 1650 free in 16:02.65, both a meet and ODAC record time. Freshman Bella Jones, junior Lily Mullens, junior Susanna Price, sophomore Carter Satterfield and sophomore Halle Schart joined Brewer on the All-ODAC first-team.

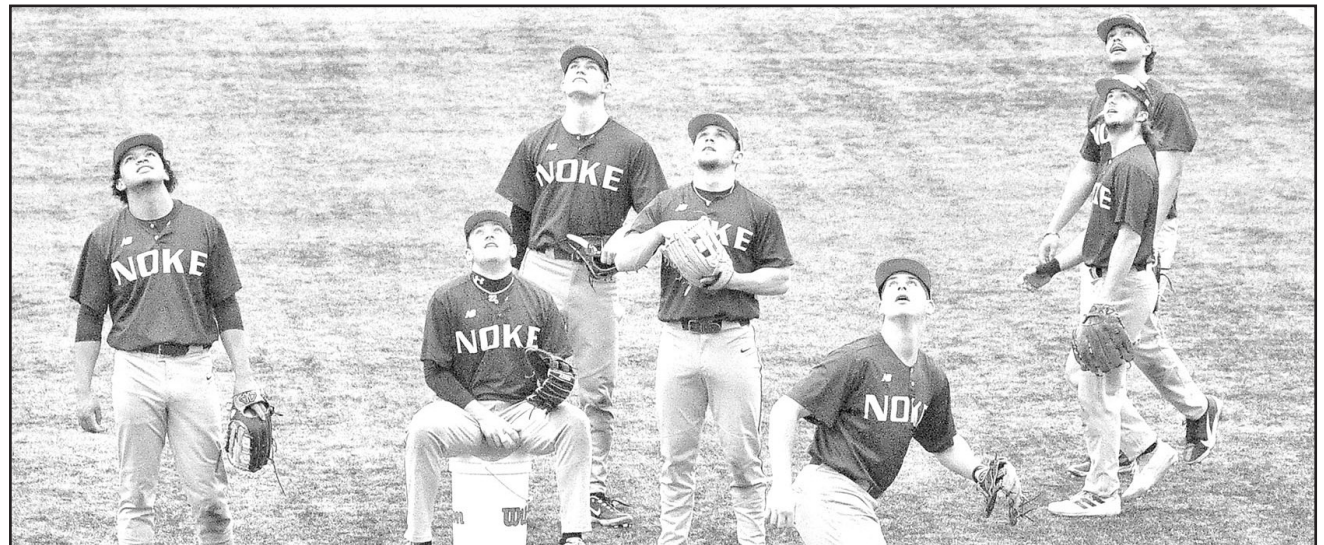


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Things are looking up for the Roanoke College baseball team as the outfielders have fly ball practice at Kerr Stadium.

## Roanoke College baseball, women's lax home Sat.

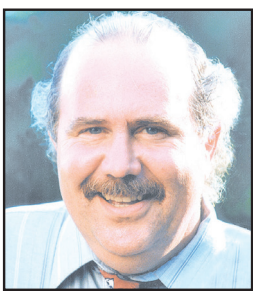
Roanoke College spring sports will open this Saturday with the baseball and women's lacrosse teams playing in Salem.

The Maroon baseball team will open with a doubleheader at Salem Memorial Ballpark on Saturday. Roanoke will host Maryville College with games scheduled for 1 and 4 pm. The Maroons will also be home to host William Peace University next Tuesday, February 20, at 4 pm at Salem Memorial.

The women's lacrosse team will open their season at Kerr Stadium in Salem this Saturday at 3 pm against St. Mary's College of Maryland. The Maroons have added Salem High and RC graduate Lilly Blair to the coaching staff.

The men's lacrosse team will open with two games on the road. The Maroons were at Southern Virginia University for their debut on Wednesday and they'll stay on the road to play the University of Mary Washington in Fredricksburg at noon this Saturday. Roanoke's home opener is next Wednesday, February 21, at 4 pm as the Maroons host Averett University in their Old Dominion Athletic Conference debut.

The Roanoke College softball team, which will once again call the Botetourt Sports Complex home while the James I. Moyer Complex in Salem is being renovated, will open on Sunday, February 25, with a home doubleheader against Pitt-Bradford. Games are scheduled for 11 am and 1 pm.



*Brian Hoffman*

## FRANKLIN COUNTY HUSTLE

A few weeks ago my wife and I were at the Harvest Performance Center in Rocky Mount to hear my daughter-in-law's band, Rachael Hester and the Tennessee Walkers. I'd been there several times before, and always to hear music. It's a great place to watch a show, very comfortable and the acoustics are great.

So, I was somewhat surprised to see that Pete Rose was going to be there on Friday, February 23rd. My first thought was, what kind of band does he have? Pete is 82 years old, two years old than Mick Jagger, and I never heard Pete sing before.

Well, rest assured he won't be singing. He certainly didn't "sing" for Bart Giamatti when he was investigated for gambling on baseball, using the word "sing" in a mafia kind of way. With that said, what will Pete be doing in Franklin County?

Apparently he's going to sit in a comfortable chair and talk about baseball, and I'm sure he has some interesting stories to tell. There will be a moderator named Brittany Morgan, who is described as a Northern Virginia native who has spent her professional career either at the ballpark or as a sports anchor on TV. The bio says she spent the 2017 and 2018 seasons in the entertainment department for the Washington Nationals.

This could be interesting if you care what Pete Rose has to say, and you believe him. I'm old enough to remember Pete as a rookie player for the Reds in the early '60s, and he was the first baseman for my favorite team, the Phillies, when they won the World Series in 1980. My feeling is they wouldn't have won it without him, because he was a great player and a great leader. . . . but he's also somewhat of a rascal and that could be entertaining if you're a baseball fan old enough to remember Pete's prime.

I watch just about every Phillies game during the summer, and there was one occasion in 2022 when Pete was at the ballpark for a reunion of the 1980 team and they had him join in on the telecast. It turned out to be somewhat controversial as he made a couple off color comments about women and said he knew Phillies analyst John Kruk when he still had two testicles. That caused the station to issue an apology, and one of the writers covering the Phillies noted that Pete "doesn't have a filter."

Rose has always been an interesting character. From his early days as "Charlie Hustle," running to first base on a walk and making the head first slide popular, Pete has been admired as a baseball player.

He's the all-time hits leader and he still holds a long list of baseball records, things like "most career winning games played" and "most seasons of 200 hits or more." In the promo for his appearance there are 19 MLB records listed that Pete still holds.

So why isn't this guy in the Hall of Fame? As most of you know, he was accused of betting on baseball and he's never really come clean on it. Will he do so at the Harvester Performance Center on February 23? Well, you can find out if you go.

Tickets are \$77 for a reserved seat, \$97 for a premium reserved seat and \$440 for a table of four. To me, that seems like an awful lot to hear someone most folks under 50 could care less about. I would expect the crowd to be a lot of old folks like myself who grew up with Pete Rose being one of the great players of the era.

I'm wondering if an autograph comes with this? While Rose was a great player, he's also famous



PETE ROSE

for trying anything he can to make a buck. He's been known to set up a table near the grounds of the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY during induction week and charge for autographs. And, of course, his gambling is well documented.

Rose has always insisted he never bet against his own team. However, the argument made was on the days he didn't bet on his team he was saying he didn't think they would win. It will be interesting to see what kind of answers he gives to questions about the gambling. Will he "have a filter" in that regard?

I'd love to see it, but next Friday is right in the middle of high school basketball playoffs and the ODAC basketball tournament is at the Salem Civic Center that weekend. And I can't see paying \$77 to sit in the back of the room and listen to Pete Rose talk about baseball. Maybe \$20, but not \$77. Does a meal come with it? I think not.

It will be interesting to see what kind of crowd he gets. For all I know they might pack the place, but I wouldn't bet on it.

### WILSON HEADED TO APPALACHIAN STATE

Salem's DaRon Wilson has committed to attend Appalachian State University to further his education and play on the Mountaineers' football team.

Wilson is a 2023 graduate of Salem High who played football and ran track for the Spartans. He

was the quarterback on the team that won the 2021 spring state championship after COVID delayed the 2020 fall season. Wilson took over at quarterback when Chauncey Logan, Jr. sprained his ankle after the third game that year and started the next 34 games for Salem, winning 29 over three seasons.

DaRon played for Fork Union Military Academy during the recently completed 2023 season, where he played cornerback. He'll play in the defensive secondary for the Mountaineers, taking advantage of his speed. DaRon ran on Salem's 4x100 meter relay team that won the state outdoor championship last spring in a school record time. He also placed fourth in the state Class 4 110 meter hurdles.

DaRon's father Tra also played quarterback for Salem and his older brother, Jeremiah, is a hurdler on the University of Virginia track team.

### STINESPRING WILL BE AT SPORTS CLUB MONDAY

Roanoke College football coach Bryan Stinespring will be the guest speaker at the Roanoke Valley Sports Club at the Salem Civic Center on Monday.

Stinespring was announced as head coach of the new RC program in November and he's been pounding the bushes for players in the months since. He's hired four assistant coaches and they plan to



BRYAN STINESPRING

be at the Sports Club meeting on Monday. The Maroons are scheduled to have a club/jayvee program this fall, then play a full Old Dominion Athletic Club schedule in 2025.

A reservation is needed per person and includes a catered dinner. Social time begins at 5:45 pm- 6:15 pm with dinner at 6:15 pm and program starting at 7 pm. Reservations are \$22.50 for members and \$28 for non-members. Due to meal guarantees required by the Salem Civic Center, all reservations must be made online or received by mail prior to 4 pm the Friday before the meeting. No walk-ups and no pay-at-the-door will be accepted.

## Glenvar wrestlers win Region 2C, send eight to state

The Salem Civic Center will be the site of the "Big Dance" for Class 1, 2 and 3 state wrestling tournaments once again this weekend. Glenvar will send eight wrestlers to the state Class 2 mats, including four region champs, after winning the Region 2C championship at James River last Saturday.

Glenvar's Craig Campbell (right in photo) spins out of trouble in his 215 pound match at the Region 2C tournament at James River High School last Saturday.



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The three state tournaments begin in Salem at 10 am Friday with first round bouts. At 1 pm Friday Class 1-3 quarterfinals will be held along with first round consolation matches for Class 3. Consolation matches for all three classes will be from 4:30 to 8 pm Friday night.

Semifinals for all three classes will begin at 9:30 am Saturday, followed by semi-final consolations at 11:30 am and consolation finals at 1 pm to determine places third through sixth in all three classes. Championship finals are scheduled to begin at 4:30 pm.

Glenvar will have four top seeds after a big day in the Region 2C tournament at James River. The Highlanders scored 212.5 points to win the region, out-pointing runner-up Chatham who had 194.5. Patrick County was third with 155, Radford had 150 and host James River had 115 among nine teams competing.

Glenvar had four champions, beginning with Alan Vu at 113. He had a 4:27 pin over Dallas Harrison of Chatham in the final to improve his record to 20-12. At 138 Jacob Campbell took a 5-0 decision over Jackson Gilbert of Radford to win the region. Jacob is now 22-14.

Ethan Flowers, a defending state champion, won the 175 pound bracket when Cole Martin of Radford could not continue after his semifinal match. Ethan had a 1:06 pin in the semifinal and he's a favorite to repeat as state champ with a 33-3 record.

At 190 Chase Miller also is a favorite to repeat as state champ. Chase is 29-0 after defeating Radford's Dawson Martin in the region final, 7-2.

Glenvar had two other wrestlers reach the region final and take seconds. At 106 Jacob Flowers lost to James River's Xaiden Wynn in the final as Wynn improved to 27-2. Jacob, a freshman, is 19-11.

At 132 John Vishneski took a second after scoring pins in his first two matches. John is 14-18.

Two other Highlanders advanced. Damien Weddle took third at 150 and he goes to the state with an 18-11 record and Craig Campbell was third at 215 to improve to 20-15. Josh Patsel and Chris Hernandez both scored important points for Glenvar with fourth place finishes.

"Our schedule is built to have our athletes peaking at the end of the season and it's showing now," said GHS coach Tim Miles. "There were a lot of guys that didn't place for us that scored crucial team points for us. Without them, we would not have won."

## Roanoke College wrestlers are ODAC champs

Last winter three schools claimed part of the ODAC regular season wrestling dual championship. Roanoke College was included in that tri-championship in 2023, but this year the Maroons made sure it was just one member that would claim league champion honors.

Roanoke completed an unbeaten conference dual meet season last Thursday, improving to 6-0 against conference foes with a 22-12 win over Averett University in Danville. Slotted

15th in the latest Division III dual rankings, published by the NWCA, Roanoke closes the regular schedule with a 13-3 overall mark in head-to-head showdowns and the ODAC dual championship.

Roanoke College junior Mac Cafurello earned the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) Lighter Wrestler of the Week for the week of February 12. Cafurello was a big part of the Maroons victory at Averett. Ranked No. 11 by the OpenMat.

com, Cafurello started the dual off with a 3-2 win in a tiebreaker at 125 pounds over sixth ranked Mason Barnett.

The Maroons will be presented with the ODAC trophy this Saturday at the ODAC Wrestling Championships, hosted by Averett University. All seven league programs will be in attendance as they compete in a bracket-style tournament to determine conference champions and All-ODAC honors at each of the standard 10 weight classes.



PHOTO COURTESY SALEM WRESTLING

Salem High wrestlers strike a pose in the new singlets they'll wear in the state Class 4 tournament this weekend in Virginia Beach. Left to right are Linkin Callahan, Derek Bush, Kolynn Eastman and Jackson Bryie

## Four Spartan wrestlers headed to state Class 4

Salem High will send four wrestlers to the Class 4 state tournament this weekend in Virginia Beach. The tournament will be held Friday and Saturday at the Virginia Beach Sports Center and also includes the Class 5 and 6 tournaments.

The Spartans will be represented by four boys who finished in the top four at the Region 4D tournament in Orange County on February 3. Linkin Callahan will go as the top seed from the

region at 215 pounds. It will be his third trip to the state and he goes with a 32-2 record.

Junior Jackson Bryie and freshman Derek Bush will be second seeds. Bryie is 25-6 at heavyweight and this is his third trip to the state. Bush is 33-2 at 113.

The fourth Spartan is Kolynn Eastman, a sophomore. He's 27-14 at 120 after taking fourth in the region. Salem also has two alternates, Tolin Saul at 165.

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## Spartans open region at Jefferson Forest

The Salem High basketball team will open the Region 4D tournament with a trip to Forest on Friday. The Spartans will play Jefferson Forest High School at 7 pm in the tournament opener.

This year an expanded Region 4D includes 16 teams, and the region was divided into North and

South sub-regions for the tournament. The top four teams in each sub-region qualified and Salem is the fourth seed in the South at 12-11 while the Cavaliers are top-seeded at 15-6. The other South game has Blacksburg playing E.C. Glass, and the winners will meet next Tuesday.

The region championship is next Thursday, February 22nd, with the South survivor meeting the North winner. The North teams included are top-seeded Charlottesville followed by Handley, Sherando and Orange County.

The Spartans played Jefferson Forest during the season and dropped a 69-61 decision in Forest on January 17. Salem led by a point at halftime of that game but the Cavaliers outscored the Spartans 23-18 in the third quarter and held off the Salemites to pick up the win. Salem shot 53 percent for the game to 43 percent for Forest but the Spartans lost the battle of the boards, 31-21. The Cavs had 13 offensive rebounds and had 11 more shots than Salem.

The Spartans will be off a full week prior to their region opener. Last Friday in Roanoke they dropped a 55-51 game to host Patrick Henry in the River Ridge District tournament semifinal. It was close all the way with PH leading 24-23 at the half and 45-43 after three quarters. The Spartans opened a six point lead at one point in the third quarter and the game was close until the end.

"We had a chance," said Salem coach Kevin Garst. "We had a few turnovers that really hurt us."

Salem had 16 turnovers to just seven for PH. The Spartans outrebounded the Patriots, 37-21, as Marvin Fields had a big night on the boards with 13 rebounds himself. Lucas Yerton led the scoring for Salem with a dozen points and Elijah Paddyfote came off the bench for 10.

The loss was the third of the season to PH, a strong Class 5 team. Salem, a Class 4 team, has also lost twice to defending Class 3 champ Northside and twice to Cave Spring, and Garst feels the strong schedule the Spartans have played will show up in the post-season. Salem won't have to worry about any of those three from this point on.

"We've played a really strong schedule, and we were right in most of the games we lost," said Garst. "I feel that's made us a better team and we can play with anyone in the region."



PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Left, Salem's Kam Brown(#5) goes high to contest a shot in last week's River Ridge District tournament game at Patrick Henry. Above, Josiah Moyer(#0) glides to the hoop for the Spartans.

## Salem girls are 21-3 after falling to Patriots again

The Salem High girls won't have to worry about Patrick Henry anymore. The 21-3 Spartans are undefeated in games they didn't play against PH and Tuesday's River River District tournament final was the last time they'll see the Patriots, at least for this

season.

Salem dropped a 43-29 decision to Patrick Henry in Roanoke in the district tournament championship. Bailey Rider led Salem with nine points and Emme Custer had seven.

"We did what we wanted to do defensively,

but couldn't get anything going offensively," said Salem coach Scott Jester. "Credit to PH, they're a very good defensive team."

Since PH is a Class 5 school and Salem is Class 4 they won't meet in the region or state. The Spartans will now turn their attention to fellow teams in Region 4D.

The region tournament opens Friday and Salem is the top seed. The Spartans will host River Ridge District rival Blacksburg, a team they've beaten twice this season by scores of 50-43 in Blacksburg and 69-51 in Salem. The winner of Friday's game will play the Jefferson Forest-E.C. Glass winner on Tuesday, and if Salem wins Friday the Spartans would be home again.

Region 4D is split into two four team sub regions, and the winners of each sub-region will meet for the region championship and both will qualify for the state tournament. The North sub-region consists of Charlottesville, Handley, Millbrook and Orange County.

Salem earned a spot in the River Ridge District tournament final with a 43-40 win over Pulaski at Salem High last Friday. Gabby Crawley led the Spartans with 17 points and hit the game winner with 22 seconds remaining. Custer, Charli Wynn and Liz Smith had six points each and Rider had six assists.

"Hard fought game with playoff intensity against a good team," said Jester. "We did a good job of limiting turnovers and made enough plays down the stretch to get the 'W'."



PHOTO BY JIM DEVINNEY

Glenvar's Reed Hutchison drives the baseline in last Friday's win over James River.

## Glenvar boys win last three to earn fifth seed in Region 2C

### Highland girls lose two more to finish winless season

The Glenvar boys needed at least two wins in their last three games to cement their spot in the Region 2C basketball playoffs. The Highlanders made a concrete case to get in by winning all three.

The Region 2C tournament begins next Tuesday, February 20, and the Highlanders look to be the fifth seed. That would send them to either Gretna or Radford for an opening round game when all the arithmetic is done.

The Highlanders will be heading into the region tournament on a roll. After losing at Alleghany on February 5 they needed to turn things around and they did just that, beginning with a 75-63 win over visiting William Byrd last Wednesday.

"We needed to stop the bleeding after losing five straight and another tough loss at Alleghany that Monday, so beating Byrd on our home floor was huge for us," said Glenvar coach Cliff Bordewisch.

Brody Dawyot torched the Class 3 Terriers with 34 points and 11 rebounds. Aidan Hylton also had a big game with 22 points and seven rebounds and Reed Hutchison scored 11.

On Friday Glenvar played host to James River and won 71-60 on "Senior

Night.

"We used different rotations than normal to get those guys some minutes and it worked well with a 15-6 opening quarter."

Senior forward Matthew Smith scored six of his eight points in the first quarter and Hutchison, also a senior, had 14 for the game, Adam Franklin had a dozen and Dawyot was high for Glenvar with 18.

On Monday the Highlanders were off to Stuart to wrap up the regular season with a Three Rivers District game against Patrick County and Glenvar made it three in a row with a 73-51 win. Hylton scored 20 points to lead the way and Hutchison added 18. They were the only double digit scorers as all 10 players scored.

Glenvar's girls wrapped up their season with two more losses last week. On Thursday they dropped a 53-9 decision to James River in Buchanan. Taniya Byrd had four points for the Highlanders, Atalee Strausbaugh drained a three and Kamirah Watts had a two-point bucket for the Highlanders.

On Saturday their season ended at 0-22 with a 46-13 loss to Alleghany at home. Glenvar failed to make the cut for the Region 2C playoffs.



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Charli Wynn shoots a corner three in last week's River Ridge District tournament win over Pulaski County.