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Crawley to retire from police chief position

Salem police chief, Michael Crawley, announced his retirement from the force last week, effective June 1, Crawley has served Salem's citizens as a treasured member of the Police Department and the community for nearly 25 years.

"It has been an absolute honor to work alongside the many men and women who have served in the Salem Police Department," Crawley said. "While the world has changed drastically in the past few decades the commitment to serve and protect our Salem community has remained strong."

Crawley, 50, began working with

the Salem Police Department in December 1999 as a Patrol Officer and was voted Officer of The Year by his peers just three years into his Salem law enforcement career. After completing field service as a Patrol Officer, he was promoted to the rank of Senior Police Officer and transferred to the Detective Division in 2004 where he was assigned to the Special Investigation Unit.

"I truly need to thank the late Judge George Harris for seeing something in me many years ago and encouraging me to better myself through law enforcement,"

Crawley said. "His encouragement helped me land my first position in Salem at a time when it was very difficult to get a job with the department."

When Mike left his Sergeant's position in Vinton to take a patrol position in Salem, I thought he was crazy, but it turns out that he knew what he was doing," said Kevin Boggess, former Salem city manager and Vinton town manager. "He moved to a great community where he and his family have thrived, and he worked

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PHOTO BY EDMEE CR HASLER

The ribbon cutting was held on Feb. 29.

McAfee Knob Trailhead shuttle expands service

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Contributing writer

The city of Salem and Roanoke County came together on Feb. 29, for a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating expansion of the McAfee Knob Trailhead Shuttle service into Salem. Speakers at the event included Phil North and Martha Hooker from the Roanoke

County Board of Supervisors, Renee Turk from the Salem City Council, Dr. Ray Smoot from Virginia Commonwealth Transportation Board, Ed Clark from the Appalachian National Scenic Trail and Lisa Sink from Ride Source.

McAfee Knob overlook is one of the Appalachian Trail's most photographed spots, drawing

in approximately 50,000 hikers annually. "The National Park Service has for many years kept an eye on rising visitation rates, the impacts on the Appalachian Trail, as well as the constraints on parking capacity," remarked Phil North. "Hikers will now have additional parking options

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Salem High School Drama Department to stage 'Clue'

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The Salem High School Department is set to present its next spring play, "Clue." Based on the 1985 movie of the same name, this fun and exciting play is sure to entertain audiences of all ages, the department

"This play is narrated by Wadsworth (Cameron Wimbish), a butler who invites several high-class people to a mysterious mansion. However, things take a turn for the worse when Mr. Boddy (Noah Lovern) is murdered. Throughout the play, the audience will follow Wadsworth and the high-class guests to figure out who is behind the murders. This is an

exciting play that can entertain the whole family," the department

The Salem High Drama Department is presenting the play at four different times. The main cast will be performing at 7 p.m. on March 7, 8 and 9, and the understudy cast will do their performance at 2 p.m. on March 9. The play will be in the Salem High School auditorium, at 400 Spartan Drive. "The Salem Theater is very excited to present this play, so make sure to mark your calendars and see this amazing play," the department said. The department wants attendees to note that the play does feature some adult themes, loud noises and flashing

lights. Tickets, which are \$7, will be available for

Presidential primaries were held on Tuesday



The parking lot at the Salem Civic Center is pictured around 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday.

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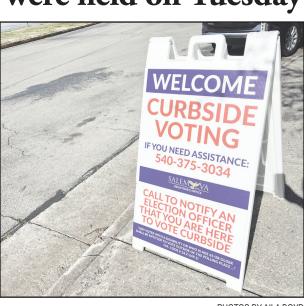
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Salem voters went to the polls on Tuesday, March 5 to cast their ballots for selecting delegates to the national convention for the Republican and Democratic parties for the office of president of the United States.

All precincts voted at the Salem Civic Center from 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Donald Trump and Joe Biden won their party's respective primaries in Virginia.

On the Democratic ticket, voters selected from Marianne Williamson, Joseph R. Biden, Jr. and Dean Benson Phillips. The Salem results were: Williamson (5.93%), Biden (90.58%) and Phillips (3.49%), according to unofficial results on the Virginia Department of Elections website on Wednesday morning. Voter turnout on the Democratic side in Salem was 5.09%.

On the Republican ticket, voters selected from Chris Christie, Ryan L. Binkley, Vivek Ramaswamy, Donald J. Trump, Ron D. DeSantis and Nikki R. Haley. The Salem results were: Christie (0.35%), Binkley (0.10%), Ramaswamy (0.20%), Trump (68.45%), DeSantis (1.31%) and Haley (29.58%), according to unofficial results on the Virginia Department of Elections



Signs in front of the Salem Civic Center direct voters on how to participate in curbside voting.

website on Wednesday morning. Voter turnout on the Republican side in Salem was 11.09%.

General election:

Early, no-excuse voting for the general election at the Salem Registrar's Office will take place from Sept. 20-

Oct. 14 will be the last day to update one's registration or to register to vote in the November election. Oct. 25 will be the last day to request an absentee

ballot application to vote by mail for the general election. The Salem Registrar's Office will open on Saturday, Oct. 26 for in-person voting from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. On Saturday, Nov. 2, the office will again open for in-person voting from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The deadline to vote early for

The general election will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 5 from 6 a.m.-7 p.m., with all precincts once again voting at the Salem Civic Center.

the general election will be 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 2.





The department's production of "Clue" runs through March 9.



Briefly: Salem News In Brief

Bonsai and Japanese Gardening Class taught by Jackie Fujikawa: Born and raised in Japan and came to the United States when in his youth. Being taught by his father and experienced in the Japanese culture and tradition, he has been involved in teaching and consulting the techniques of Japanese gardening and bonsai. Bonsai class will be with a focus on care and maintenance, learning all the basics of bonsai design. Select a tree, learn how to prune, transplant, landscape with rocks, and discover what the art of bonsai is all about as you create your very own bonsai to enjoy at home. Fujikawa is currently teaching Japanese at Roanoke College. The class will be Monday, March 4-April 8 from 6-7:15 p.m. at the Salem Senior Center. The cost is \$10 for the class instructor will give you a list of the things you will need to purchase and the cost for this could be anywhere from \$40 to \$100, depending on the size of pot, etc. that you purchase. All supplies can be purchased from Lowe's, Walmart, Amazon, etc. Sign up on Active Net or call 540-375-

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.

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-withbeth-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).

Sunday Service: Grace Fellowship Church at the corner of Franklin Roanoke and Elm in Roanoke is having a Sunday service with guest speaker Dr. Patricia Garitson at 11 a.m. The day before from 1-4 p.m., guest speakers Garitson and Linda Busuttil will also be at the church.

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.

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, April 1: 7-9 p.m. – Maynard & Lee Palmer.

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 multiinstrumentalist 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

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." First Mondays: The family-friendly events are

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Shane Gillis: Shane Gillis is coming to Salem this summer to headline the arena with his standup comedy on June 21. In 2021, Gillis released his debut comedy special "Shane Gillis: Live in Austin "on YouTube. It has been viewed over 14 million times. Gillis is onehalf of Patreon and Apple's top 10 podcasts Matt and Shane's Secret Podcast. Tickets start at \$42.50 and go up to \$92.50. Tickets can be purchased at the Salem Civic Center Box Office or online at www. ticketmaster.com.

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Public meetings: The Salem City Council will meet on Monday,

March 11 at 6:30 p.m.

The School Board will meet on Tuesday, March 12 The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on

Wednesday, March 13 at 7 p.m. The School Board will meet on Thursday, March 21 at 7 p.m. (special meeting)

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

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. The School Board will meet on Tuesday, April 9 at

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on

Wednesday, April 10 at 7 p.m. The Salem City Council will meet on Monday,

April 22 at 6:30 p.m. The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m.

The School Board will meet on Tuesday, May 14 at

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

8 at 6:30 p.m. The School Board will meet on Tuesday, July 9 at

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on

Wednesday, July 10 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, July 22 at 6:30 p.m.

<u>ALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT</u>

Story of Williams-Brown House told in documentary

"The Stories Within These Walls," the documentary about the Williams-Brown House that is the heart of the Salem Museum, will premiere on YouTube and Vimeo on Monday,

This film, researched and produced by Chloe Shelton, takes viewers from the home's construction (1845) to

today. Shelton and her team conducted extensive research, and searched West Hill Cemetery for the final resting places of the house's residents. To recreate the store (now our Biggs Gallery), they built a scale model to take viewers back in

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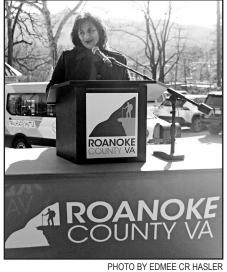
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and access to the shuttle right here at Longwood Park, as well as at the South Broad Street parking lot. Thanks to VDOT, other new shuttle stops include the Orange Market Park and Ride and Route 311 near the Dragon's Tooth Trailhead, which will be open in April," North added.

To make this project a reality, Roanoke County secured funding through a grant from the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) in 2022. In 2023, additional funding was obtained to extend shuttle services into Salem, with new stops at Longwood Park and 101 South Broad Street. "For many years we have faced the dilemma of limited parking capacity at the McAfee Knob trailhead parking lot. Working together allows localities to combine their ideas and resources to solve problems in a more thorough way," Martha Hooker said.

"This expansion is only made possible because of the collaboration with the City of Salem and the many partner organizations and government agencies dedicated to not only help hikers reach McAfee Knob, but also to improve their experience from first step to last," Hooker added. "The investment in transit helps offer a sense of excitement and

convenience for visitors, encouraging



Salem Mayor Turk speaking during the

event. them to return and promotes tourism

Salem hiker Brian Boggs, who rode one of the first small shuttles after the ribbon cutting, said "the bus is extremely comfortable and holds a maximum of nine hikers."

for our region," Hooker added.

The McAfee Knob Trailhead Shuttle resumed service on March 1, and will run through Dec. 1. Passengers can make reservations at www.McAfeeShuttle.com, with tickets priced at \$5.

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of February 20, 2024 - February 26, 2024

02/20/2024	Linda K. Massengill	61	False Name to Police, Vehicle Theft
02/21/2024	Christopher A. Lindamood	62	Public Intoxication
02/22/2024	James L. Garst	69	Attempt to Circumvent Ignition Interlock
02/22/2024	David W. Dudley	47	Contempt of Court
02/22/2024	Justin D. Hopson	36	Possess Firearm by Felon Possession of Ammunition by Felon
02/22/2024	Rafael Vazquez	52	DUI, Unreasonable Refusal
02/22/2024	Cassie L. Hoback	37	Public Intoxication
02/22/2024	Michael D. Napper	44	DUID, Unreasonable Refusal, Possession of a Controlled Substance
02/22/2024	Angela M. Cayse	22	Probation Violations, Contempt of Court
02/23/2024	Joshua N. Epperly	22	DUI
02/23/2024	Jorsendi Fleurinord	20	Sexual Assault
02/23/2024	Davion M. Watson	20	Domestic Assault
02/23/2024	Anthony D. Muse	37	Public Intoxication, Fail to Appear
02/24/2024	Tristin D. Bonds	20	Possess Stolen Property, Possess Vehicle w/ VIN Removed
02/24/2024	David A. Chavies	44	Unauthorized Use of Vehicle
02/24/2024	Tiffany L. Moses	36	Conditional Release Violation
02/25/2024	Norman L. Dalton	41	Domestic Assault
02/26/2024	Laura M. Brunk	43	Violation of Protective Order

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of February 20, 2024 - February 26, 2024

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
20-Feb-2024	1800 BLK W. Main Street	Embezzlement
20-Feb-2024	1800 BLK W. Main Street	Embezzlement
20-Feb-2024	200 BLK Craig Avenue	Sexual Assault
21-Feb-2024	800 BLK W. Main Street	Larceny
21-Feb-2024	100 BLK E. Clay Street	Hit and Run
21-Feb-2024	1500 BLK Electric Road	Burglary, Vehicle Theft, Larceny
22-Feb-2024	1700 BLK Salem Commons Ln	Possession of Controlled Substance
22-Feb-2024	800 BLK W. Main Street	Hit and Run
22-Feb-2024	2100 BLK Ellison Avenue	Possess Firearm by Felon
22-Feb-2024	900 BLK Camelot Drive	Burglary
24-Feb-2024	1900 BLK W. Main Street	Unauthorized Use of Vehicle
24-Feb-2024	100 BLK Kimball Avenue	Larceny
26-Feb-2024	1400 BLK Apperson Drive	Hit and Run

Recipe of the week



Shelly Koon

Contributing Writer

There is one day a year that I look forward to. I wake up before my alarm feeling well rested and ready to go. That is not happening this weekend. This weekend I will struggle to get up on time and be grumpy for at least two days. Daylight Saving Time begins every year on the second Sunday of March. At 2 am the time moves forward one hour. It happens at this time of day since most of us are at home sleeping, buses, and trains are not busy, and this causes the least amount of disruption. Time changes to save money on electricity started during World War I and in 1942 War Time (Daylight Saving Time) was in effect year-round until 1945 due to WWII. Until 2005 Daylight Saving Time was observed from the first Sunday in April to the last Sunday in October. In 2007, President George W. Bush ordered it extended for four weeks; set to run from

Coconut Chicken with Chickpea Salad

Ingredients:

For the chicken:

- 2 chicken breasts or 4-6 chicken
- ½ cup unsweetened coconut flakes
- 1-2 tsp sweet paprika
- Salt and pepper
- For the salad:
- 2 (15-oz.) can chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- 1 medium cucumber, chopped

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 350°F. Meanwhile, prepare coconut chicken by coating breasts in egg wash and then covering with a mixture of coconut flakes, sweet paprika, and salt and pepper. Place encrusted chicken on a sheet pan and bake in oven for 10-15 minutes or until starting to brown (165°F internal

While the chicken bakes, assemble the salad by tossing together chickpeas,

the second Sunday in March to the first Sunday of November.

Daylight saving time was originally started to use daylight more and save energy. Most people do not like Daylight Saving Time since it is hard to adjust to a new sleeping schedule. Most people are tired the days after a time change. In fact, the day after the time change is National Napping Day. Let's look on the bright side, Spring is practically here, and we get an extra hour of sunlight in the evenings. We have had enough of slow cooker comfort food and winter soups so here is a light, and simple recipe for spring. This dish is a "chickpea salad," but you can switch out chickpeas for your favorite canned beans: creamy cannellini beans, black beans, kidney beans are all great options. The leftovers pack well for a lunch option.

- 1 cup halved cherry tomatoes
- 1 bell pepper, chopped
- 1/2 red onion, thinly sliced
- 1/2 c. chopped kalamata olives 1/2 c. crumbled feta
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- For the lemon-parsley vinaigrette
- 1/2 c. extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 c. white wine vinegar
- 1 tbsp. lemon juice
- 1 tbsp. freshly chopped parsley
- 1/4 tsp. red pepper flakes
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

cucumber, bell pepper, red onion, olives, and feta. Season with salt and pepper. To make the vinaigrette, in a jar fitted with a lid, combine olive oil, vinegar, lemon juice, parsley and red pepper flakes. Close the jar and shake until emulsified, then season with salt and pepper. Dress salad with vinaigrette just before serving. Once the chicken has cooked, remove from oven, and let cool slightly before slicing and serving over top of the chickpea salad.





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transferred to General Investigator, and he rose to the rank of sergeant in that Division. He also served as the services division sergeant and patrol division sergeant before being appointed to the rank of major by Chief Tim Guthrie in 2014. In January of 2016, he became Salem's first Boggess named him Guthrie's successor.

'Throughout my life, there have been a number of people who have taken a chance on me and placed me in leadership roles," he said. "Tim Guthrie and Kevin Boggess gave me this opportunity and I have tried not to let them or Salem's citizens down during my tenure as chief."

Much of his time as Salem's top cop has been defined by several unique challenges that his predecessors never had Western to encounter. Policing during a pandemic, navigating a shrinking employment pool, and handling the backlash from national police events have all presented unique challenges.

"God placed me in this position at this time for a reason," Crawley said. 'There have been plenty of challenges along the way, but I believe we have met them head on and are truly better because of the adversity we had to overcome."

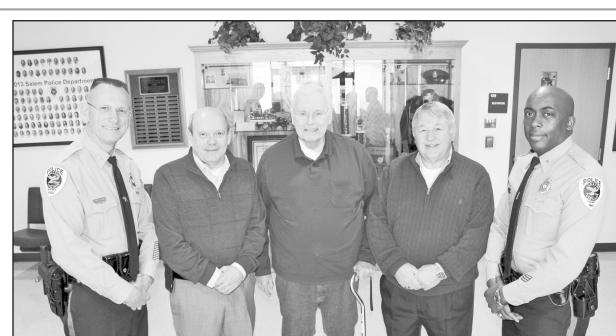
"The last decade Ferguson, since Missouri has been a very difficult stretch for police departments," "Chief Boggess. Crawley was fortunate to work in a very supportive

his way through the ranks community during this to lead a department that time, and Salem could he loves." asked for a In 2006, Crawley was better leader during these tumultuous times than Mike Crawley."

As a father of both graduates and current students in the Salem School Division. Crawley prioritized his department's presence inside each of Salem's six schools throughout his time as chief.

"While some localities Black police chief when were debating the merits of resource officers in the schools, we never wavered in Salem," he said. "In fact, we sacrificed other areas of policing when it was necessary to make sure our students and educators were safe. Citizens constantly thank me and our officers for having this type of positive relationship with the school division.

Crawley is a Roanoke and a 1991 native of Patrick graduate Henry High School. He attended Virginia Community and College earned bachelor's his degree in management and leadership from Bluefield College. In 2018, he graduated from the F.B.I. National Academy as part



Pictured are the past five Salem police chiefs: Tim Guthrie, from left, Jeff Dudley, Harry Haskins, Jimmy Bryant and Mike Crawley.

of its 271st class. He also is a member of Shiloh Baptist Church, and he resides in Salem with his wife and children.

"His ability to analyze public policy and societal changes in order create real results for our community been exceptional," has said Bowers, Salem Tom Commonwealth's Attorney. "I have learned so much from watching

working with and because understands the true value of cultivating and maintaining relationships in order to be an effective leader. He is both a team builder and bridge builder, and I wish him nothing but the best."

When Crawley took over as Chief, Salem was accredited by the professional state's standards commission.

Now, the department internationally accredited by CALEA - the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. It is considered the "gold standard" for public

"I am extremely proud that we have been able to achieve these high standards and at the same time increase the overall diversity of personnel

within the department on all levels," Crawley said. "The Salem community has always been extremely supportive of our officers and made them feel appreciated."

Salem City Manager Chris Dorsey plans to begin the process of hiring Salem's next police chief immediately.

-The Salem Times-Register



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Roanoke College's IPOR releases Super Tuesday poll

Virginians weighed in ahead of Super Tuesday; President Biden's ratings down, Donald Trump favored in the commonwealth's Republican primary, and the latest on November's general election. The Institute for Policy and Opinion Research

(IPOR) at Roanoke College has been asking Virginians about the Super Tuesday primary and looking ahead to the November general election. IPOR also asked about public attitudes related to state and national politics, as well as opinions on public figures and organizations.

IPOR interviewed 705 adult residents of Virginia between Feb. 11 and Feb. 19, 2024, in a survey of public attitudes related to state and national politics, opinions on public figures and organizations, and election thoughts for Super Tuesday and the November general election. The survey has a weighted margin of error of

2024 Republican Nomination and Potential General Election Matchup

As Super Tuesday approached and Virginians cast their ballots in the Republican primary on March 5, the Roanoke College Poll continued to measure Virginians' opinions about the current race for the Republican presidential nomination, including who they would most prefer to be the Republican candidate for president

Among self-reported Republicans, Donald Trump has a huge lead of 75% as their first choice to be the Republican nominee for president in November, followed by 15% for Nikki Haley and 8% for someone else. Support for both candidates has increased since November as other candidates have dropped out of the race; Trump is up 24% and Haley is up 5%. When asked about their second choice for the nominee, 6% chose Trump, 25% picked Haley and 56% would prefer someone else. We asked Virginians about their intention to vote

in the Republican primary on Super Tuesday (March 5, 2024) and 56% of Virginians indicated that they were very or somewhat likely to vote. Of those likely voters, Trump holds an 8-point lead over Haley (51% to 43%). Among likely voters on Tuesday, Democrats prefer Haley (87%) over Trump (10%), Republicans choose Trump (80%) over Haley (18%) and the closeness of the race comes from independents who prefer Haley (54%) over Trump (44%). Of the entire sample, 40% of Democrats, 84% of Republicans and 55% of independents self-identified into the "likely voter" category.

Roanoke College Poll

Looking ahead to the general election in November and likely matchups for the presidency, President Joe Biden maintains a four-point lead over Trump (47% to 43%). If Haley were to be the Republican nominee, she would have a nine-point lead over Biden (49% to 40%). Since we last asked in November, more Virginians

would consider voting for an independent candidate in November, up 5% to 50% compared to 45% of Virginians considering an independent candidate three months ago. When asked about the most important issue Virginians consider when voting, jobs and the economy (27%), immigration (17%), inflation (13%) and abortion (9%) were reported.

Approval, Favorability, and Directions of Virginia

Virginians' approval of Gov. Glenn Youngkin remains approximately the same as our polls from May 2023, with 53% of Virginians approving of the way Youngkin is handling his job as governor. In that same period, Biden's job approval has decreased among Virginians, down nine points from an approval rating of 42% in May to 33% in this poll. In November, Biden's approval was at 37%, and this poll marks the first time that more than 60% of Virginians disapprove of the way Biden is handling the presidency.

The percentage of Virginians who believe things are generally on the wrong track in Virginia and the nation remains stable from our last poll, with 42% reporting that things are on the wrong track in Virginia and 73% reporting that things are on the wrong track in the nation. As for the legislatures at the national and state levels, 16% of Virginians approve of the way Congress is handling its job (up two points since November, but within the margin of error) while 49% approve of the way the Virginia General Assembly is handling its job. The approval rating for the General Assembly increased four points since November and is within the error margin of its approval one year ago (48%). With the General Assembly considering bills that

would potentially authorize and allow retail sale o cannabis in Virginia next year, the poll partnered with Biology Professor DB Poli, coordinator of the new Cannabis Studies Program at Roanoke College, to ask Virginians about their level of support regarding the possible laws. We found that 63% of Virginians strongly or somewhat support laws that would help small businesses compete with pharmaceutical companies and existing medical cannabis dispensaries while only 15% somewhat or strongly oppose. A similar proportion (60%) strongly or somewhat support laws that would regulate education needs for dispensary workers in Virginia with only 12% indicating any level of opposition. Responses were largely non-partisan, with majority support among Democrats (68% and 62% for the two questions), Republicans (56% and 53%) and independents (70% and 55%).

We continue to ask Virginians about their favorability ratings for key political figures and found slight changes since the last Roanoke College Poll. Approximately 48% of Virginians report a favorable impression of Youngkin (down two points), while 41% report an unfavorable impression (up two points). At the national level, 35% of Virginians report a favorable impression of Biden, which is another four-point drop from our last poll in November. About a third (35%) of Virginians report a favorable view of Trump while 61% report an unfavorable view (up six points since November). For the first time, we asked Virginians about Nikki Haley, with 29% having a favorable view, 50% having an unfavorable view and 18% not knowing enough about her to indicate their favorability. We again asked Virginians about their impressions of the U.S. Supreme Court, with 40% reporting a favorable view and 49% an unfavorable view of the court; this is relatively unchanged since November.

There continues to be substantial partisan gaps in Virginians' attitudes, including 42- and 47-point gaps in Youngkin's approval and favorability ratings, 55and 60-point gaps in Biden's approval and favorability ratings, and a 78-point gap in Trump's favorability rating. Since November, Democrats' job approval and favorability of Biden both fell eight points. These gaps also appear in Virginians' attitudes about the direction of the nation (30-point gap) and favorability rating of the U.S. Supreme Court (32-point gap). However, we found no partisan gaps in the favorability rating for

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The March wind blows in new programs for all age groups

Library Corner

There is more "spring' in the step of the Youth Services department of the Salem Public Library. Additional staff added to the Youth Services team allows the library to add programming for more age groups: A foodthemed story time (Library Buffet) for Grades 1-3 will meet once a month on a Saturday; a Middle School Graphic Novel Book Club for grades 6-8, and a spring break Anime Hangout for Grades 6-12 on Friday, March 29 at 1 p.m. These addition to group for grades 3-5 and a Middle School Book Club for grades 6-8. In addition to all the new

Adult Book Clubs added to the schedule, the Art Series for ages 55+ continues with a Mandala Dot Painting workshop and later in the month, another "Giggles & Grins." Upcoming events for kids

Saturday, March 9, Library Buffet Storytime, Grades 1-3; 11

a.m.-12:45 p.m.: Eat your way through the library! Register at salemva.libcal.com Join us for a new, delicious Storytime! Each month we'll read

a food-themed book and then make its recipe together. This month we're reading Thundercake by Patricia Polacco and making our own thundercakes! Please be aware the following

ingredients will be used and consumed: sugar, butter, cocoa powder, milk, vanilla extract, sprinkles, strawberries, chocolate cupcakes (purchased at the Kroger bakery) Tuesday, March 12, 3:30 p.m.

Grades 6-8; Middle School Book

Club: Percy Jackson: The Chalice of the Gods; Register at salemva. libcal.com

Thursday, March 14, 4 p.m. Virtual Author Talk—Christopher Paolini: 20 Years of Dragon-Riding in YA Fantasy, All ages. Online event. Register at www. salemlibrary.info

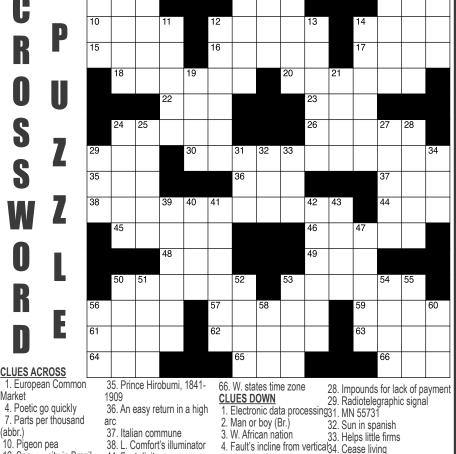
Friday, March 15, 3:30 p.m. Middle School Grades 6-8; Graphic Novel Book Club. Calling all graphic novel enthusiasts! Register at salemva.libcal.com

Upcoming events for adult Tuesday, March 12, 6:30 p.m.

True Crime Book Club: Trailed by Kathryn Mills.

Wednesday, March 13, 2 p.m.; Mandala Dot Painting: mandalas on river rocks with paint. Ages 55+. Register at www.salemva. libcal.com

Thursday, March 14, 6 p.m. Silent Book Club. Join us with your current read!



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14. Longest division of geological time Alto, California city 16. Small terrestrial viper 17. Coming after all others

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8. Beckham's spice girl 9. Explosive 11. 1936 Nobel winner Otto

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Interstate 81

INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING STRUCTION PROJECT EXIT 137 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT TO EXIT 141 - The \$179 million designbuild 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.

ROAD: Expect a work zone with traffic shifts

TRAFFIC SHIFTS ON WILDWOOD

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 NB & SB BRIDGE REHAB OVER ROUTE 100 AT EXIT 98 - Beginning late

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I-81 NÕRTHBOUND 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

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 REPAIRŠ – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Înterstate 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

SIDEWALKPROJECTONSOUTHBOUND 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 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Occasional

slow rolls during nighttime hours are possible to stop traffic for up to 15 minutes at a time for setting bridge beams. Alternate areas for parking and updates on the shuttle can be found on the shuttle website at www.roanokecountyva.gov/

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 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

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 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

Roanoke County, RVARC offering free septic system pump-outs

Roanoke County and the Roanoke Valley Alleghany Regional Commission (RVARC) have partnered using grant funds from the Virginia Environmental Endowment to provide a no-cost septic tank pump-out program for qualified Roanoke County residents.

This grant-funded program aims to reduce the environmental impact and property damage caused by failed septic systems.

Septic systems that have not been maintained are a possible source of nutrient and bacteria pollution that may lead to stream impairments throughout Roanoke County. Septic systems that fall into disrepair can back up into homes or overflow into yards, creating costly issues for homeowners. Households with an annual income at or

below 200% of the Federal Poverty Line are eligible to apply for this program. Residents are encouraged to attend an educational workshop, where they can apply for the free pump-out during the event. The next workshop is scheduled for Saturday, March 9, 2024, at the Vinton Library from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Maintaining septic systems benefits households, the local community, and the environment. Septic systems should be inspected every one to three years and pumped every three to five years, depending on use.

To learn more about the free septic pumpout program and how a septic system works, click https://www.roanokecountyva.gov/septic.

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RICHARDSON – WAYLAND NOW IN TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR; PIONEER IN DEVELOPMENT OF W.D.B.J.

Firm Recently Celebrates Anniversary – Electrical Jobs Through Out This Section Outstanding

From the 1938 centennial edition of The Times-Register

Richardson-Wayland Electrical Corp., now celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary, was incorporated in January 1913, a quarter of a century ago, beginning with a staff of only six employees including the boss. The original officers were J.M.

Richardson, president-general manager, and J.E. Wayland, vice-president. Later, Mr. A.D. Miller joined the organization in the capacity of secretarytreasurer, followed by O.F. Carmack as

The original store was located in the same block that the retail store and offices now occupy. The entire business then consisted principally of the wiring of houses and the sale and installation of lighting fixtures. Electrical contracting was paramount in the minds of these six men and naturally, they were on the lookout and ready to submit estimates on any jobs within their reach.

The company now has jobs under construction in five different states, and during the year of 1937 reached a peak employment of around three hundred people. Contract work has been performed in Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. The corporation has received requests for bids on projects in foreign countries.

Built Rural Lines

In recent years, the company has gone in extensively for the building of transmission and rural distribution lines. More than two hundred miles of rural lines have been constructed during the past two years for the Appalachian Electric Power Company. Approximately one hundred miles of 66,000-volt transmission and rural lines have been constructed for Virginia Public Service Company. At present, there is a large fleet of trucks, tractors, equipment and personnel which are engaged and are capable of doing any class of electrical power or communication lines.

In 1913, the total business of the corporation amounted to \$24,000.00. In 1937, the total gross business was over one-half million dollars. During its twenty-five years of corporate existence, Richardson-Wayland has paid out more than one and one quarter million dollars

Richardson-Wayland Electrical Corporation sold at retail, the first complete radio sets ever offered in Roanoke. The first parts for the fans who wished to build their own were also sold Realizing that all broadcasting

stations then in operation were too far removed to provide reliable service, it became necessary to establish a local station. Application was made to the Department of Commerce, and in 1924, a license was granted, and the call letters WDBJ assigned.

WDBJ STARTED

With a humble beginning of 20 watts, the station grew to 50 watts, then to 250 and finally to 500 watts. Much time and money were expended in its development and in the protection of the license from the encroachment of others. In the late twenties the station

attracted the attention of the Columbia Broadcasting System and became a member of that network bringing to Roanoke for the first time full day light service and many big time evening

In 1931, the WDBJ had grown to such proportions that it became evident that it required so much time on the part of the management that other business suffered in consequence. Therefore, it was decided to dispose of the radio station. Offers were received from several sources, but the purpose of out-of-town buyers was not to build up a station for Roanoke but rather to reduce it to a status of a local station to benefit more profitable stations in metropolitan

In May 1931, the sale of WDBJ to The Times-World Corporation was consummated. Owned by local publicspirited citizens, their aim was to build rather than to destroy. When one now hears the good programs and the technical excellence of the broadcasts from WDBJ, there can be no doubt as to whether or not the proper custodian of this great instrument of public service was chosen.

Richardson-Wayland designed, built and installed WLVA of Lynchburg. The company has served in an advisory capacity for other stations in RICHARDSON - WAYLAND NOW IN TWENTY - FIFTH YEAR; PIONEER IN DEVELOPMENT OF W. D. B. J

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In 1937 the Appalachian Electric Power Company awarded a contract to the Richardson-Wayland Elec. Corp. for the electrical work incident to the enlarging and modernization of their Logan Plant at Logan, West Virginia.

Early in 1933, the Richardson-Wayland Electrical Corporation started its Air Conditioning Department. After making thorough investigation of the products then available with the thought of quality and dependability as the main influence in making a choice, the General Electric line of Air Conditioning equipment seemed to best meet these requirements. Therefore, this company has since then exclusively merchandised General Electric Air Conditioning equipment.

-Prepared by Lisa King

Salem VA Health Care System to hold veteran town hall

The Salem VA Health Hospital leadership as well as representatives from Care System will hold a town hall for veterans Tuesday, March 26 beginning at 2 p.m. in the Bldg. 5 Auditorium.



the Veterans Benefits Administration will be on hand to provide information and answer questions.

Veterans who cannot attend the town hall are encouraged to submit questions by emailing: VHASAMPUBLICAFFAIRS@VA.GOV

Vietnam-era veterans who would not received a Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemorative pin and would like to have one presented during the town hall, should reach out at the email above to schedule a pin presentation during the event.

Veteran Town Hall meetings are conducted quarterly. Meetings this year will be held March 26 at 2 p.m.; Wednesday June 5, at 2 p.m.; and Tuesday September 24 at 2 p.m.

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Bonsai, Japanese gardening class to be offered

Jackie Fujikawa was born and raised in Japan and came to the United States when in his youth. Being taught by his father and experienced in the Japanese culture and tradition, he has been involved in teaching and consulting the techniques of Japanese gardening and bonsai. Bonsai class will be with a focus on care and maintenance, learning all the basics of bonsai design. Participants will select a tree, learn how to prune, transplant, landscape with rocks and discover what the art of bonsai is all about. Fujikawa is currently teaching Japanese at Roanoke College. The new class from Salem Parks and

Recreation will be Monday, March 4-April 8 from 6-7:15 p.m. at the Salem Senior Center. The cost is \$10 for the class instructor will give you a list of the things you will need to purchase and the cost for this could be anywhere from \$40 to \$100, depending on the size of pot,

etc. that you purchase. All supplies can be purchased from Lowe's, Walmart, Amazon, etc. Sign up on Active Net or call 540-375-3054

Description: Six-week class 1.5 hours Week 1 – Introduction and directional guidance Week 2 – Concept and technique

Week 3 – Japanese landscaping and

Week 4 – Preparation and vision

Week 5 - Practice and evaluation Week 6 – Practice and summary

Future Options for this class: Forming a bonsai club

show Trip to a Japanese garden in or out of state

Exhibiting the art of bonsai at a

Trip to Japan

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Dr. Margaret Gene

Senter, Margaret Gene

Senter (Peggy) passed away February 8, 2024. Fully appreciating an academic atmosphere, she graduated from VPI, attended Medical School received her master's degree in public health from Yale University, master's degree Psychology from University, Hollins and a doctorate in Epidemiology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Peggy's career spanned from teaching science at Cave Spring High School to teaching at ECPI. She retired after teaching for many years at Carilion Jefferson College of Health Always a Sciences. lover of flowers, plants, and trees, Peggy served as various officers in Salem Garden Club as well as the Bonsai Club. A lifelong Episcopalian, she was an active member of St. Paul's in Salem and a member of The Guild of Martha and Mary.



for making magnificent arrangements floral many Sunday mornings as well as large arrangements for wedding receptions and celebrations at St. Paul's. Her family envisions her now in heaven, skipping through fields of brightly colored wildflowers as far as the eye can see. Peggy was preceded in death by her parents, Margaret Lewis Stearnes and William Eugene Senter, Sr, M.D.; as well as many pets that she rescued, loved, tenderly cared for throughout her lifetime. She is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Eugene William (Bill) Senter,

Senter of Mesa, Ariz.; nephew and godson, Eugene (Gene) William Senter III (Rebecca), of Vinton, Va.; nephew, John Lewis Senter (Dawn); great niece and nephews, Greg, Lance, and Lillian Senter, all of Mesa, Ariz.; beloved and faithful cousins, Joe and Ellen Austin; and family of the heart, Louise Dillon, of Salem, Va. The family would like to thank the wonderful staff at Joseph C. Thomas Center taking such loving care of our Peggy. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 42 E. Main St, Salem, Va. 24153 or to a charity of your choice. A memorial service was held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 2, 2024, in the Columbarium at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salem, Va. condolences Online may be expressed to the family by visiting www. johnmoakey.com.

Jr. and Camille Sheahan

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Haley among parties (31%, 32% and 34%, respectively, among Democrats, Republicans and independents).

Analysis

"Ahead of Super Tuesday, it's not too surprising that former president Trump is likely to win the commonwealth's Republican primary," said David Taylor, director of IPOR and professor of mathematics at Roanoke College. "Among Virginians that self-reported a likelihood of voting on Tuesday, Trump holds an eight-point lead over former ambassador Nikki Haley, but based on what we've seen in the past, I would expect actual voter turnout to be lower than what our poll found. Trump has a 62-point lead among Republicans and Haley has a 10-point lead among independents, so while a Trump victory is the likely outcome, Haley will capture several of Virginia's 48 delegates up for grabs."

"Partisanship continues to shape Virginians' views on national politics and, to a lesser degree, state politics. Governor Youngkin's job approval among Republicans remains high, but his approval among Democrats has increased almost 10 points since November. We also found that both Democrats and Republicans agree that the commonwealth is generally heading in the right direction. Nationally, though, about 40% of Democrats and just about 10% of Republicans say the country is heading in the right direction." 'What's interesting to look at is a

snapshot four years ago relative to this month's poll. In 2020, about 40% of Virginians said that the country was heading in the right direction; now

that figure has dropped to nearly 25%. When asked about the direction of Virginia, results today roughly mirror those at the same time four years ago. When our poll in 2020 asked about former president Trump's job approval, he had a 36% approval rating compared to incumbent Biden's approval now of 33%. His current approval is the lowest IPOR has seen since Biden took office, when his approval was 47% among Virginians.'

"What's changed? Our state is generally considered either a swing state or one that leans a bit to the left. Biden's favorability rating of 35% now compared to 37% four years ago is relatively unchanged, but his unfavorability rating (61% now compared to 37% in 2020) has nearly doubled and nearly matches Trump's favorable/unfavorable ratings in 2020 and in this 2024 poll. Despite Virginia Republicans' strong desire for Trump to be the party's candidate in this November's general election, the Roanoke College Poll found that Trump leads Biden by four points in November's race but Haley would lead Biden by nine points if she

Methodology Interviewing for the Roanoke College Poll was conducted by The Institute for Policy and Opinion Research (IPOR) at Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia, between Feb. 11 and Feb. 19, 2024. A total of 703 completed interviews came from random telephone calls to 425 Virginians, and 278 responses were drawn from a proprietary online panel of Virginians. Interviews were conducted in English. Cellphones constituted 69% of the completed phone interviews.

were the nominee.'



Peggy was well known



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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 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. 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

Meeting Wednesday 7:00PM, www.templebaptch.com. **BAPTIST (SOUTHERN)** BETHEL BAPTIST - 1601 S. Colorado St., Salem,

Services 11:00AM & 6:00PM, Mid-week Prayer

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). 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 **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 RoadN.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. 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 **CATHOLIC**

OURLADYOFPERPETUALHELPCATHOLIC CHURCH - 314 Turner Rd, Salem VA. 540-387-0491. Mass Times: Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 10:30 am (nursery available). Visit our website: olphsalem.

org for our full schedule. **CHURCHES OF CHRIST/ CHRISTIANCHURCHES**

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

Salemor

- Thursdays 10:00 a.m. Visit our new web page: 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, 7:000 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 DISCIPLES OF CHRIST FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 712 Front Ave. Salem, Pastor Dan Netting (540) 389-6831.

www.firstchristiansalemva.com. Adult and Children

Sunday School - 9:30 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. 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, www.meetup.com/Roanoke-Spiritual-Experiences * Group* or call 540-353-5365 for other Eckankar programs and for more

can lead you to spiritual freedom.

information about how the teachings of Eckankar

Main Street, Salem, 389-9307. Sundays at 7:30am

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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN COLLEGE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

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

theBRIDGE SALEM CHURCH - 4335 West Main Street, Salem. 540-404-1414 | bridge.salem@icloud. com • www.salemva.church Saturday service, 6pm (Nursery & Kids Church available). Mail: PO Box 1954, Salem. Twitter/ Instagram: @thebridgesalem Joey Lyons, Senior Pastor | joey@salemva.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, $Salem\ \hbox{--}\ 540\hbox{--}384\hbox{--}1601\ \hbox{--}\ www.restorationsalem.org.}$ 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. SundaySchool 9:30 AM, Sunday Morning Worship Service11:00 AM, Wednesday Bible Study and PrayerMeeting 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. 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, or Facebook, or YouTube. During in-person worship, masking for health reasons is optional.

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

10am; Traditional Worship - 11:00am. www. fumcsalemva.org.

LOCUST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 3415 Locust Grove Lane, Salem, 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

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Vice President for Planning & Resource Development

Nonprofit seeks an

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Disseminates information to program components, CEO Board of Directors, and other management staff on issues affecting the work of agency.

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

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Training, education and experience: Any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from an accredited college or university with major work in

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Radford

NOTICE OF JOINT

PUBLIC HEARING

The Radford City Council

and Planning Commission

March 11, 2024 at 7:00pm

will hold a joint public

hearing on Monday,

SALEM TIMES REGISTER

News Messenger

RADFORD News Journal The settle semper that you had been the

Radford

PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN: West Ward of the City of Radford, Virginia

TRUSTEES SALE

acres, more or less Commonly Known as: 1002

FRONT OF THE

RADFORD CITY

THE 29 th DAY OF

DESCRIBED AS

FOLLOWS:

COURTHOUSE LOCATED

AT 619 SECOND STREET.

RADFORD, VIRGINIA, ON

MARCH, 2024, AT 10:00

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35, Section 1, Plan C,

Improvement Company

Lots, containing 0.2479

acres (10,800 sq. ft.), as

designated and described

on a plat of survey entitled,

Physical Survey Lots 28, 29

and Part of Lots 27, 30, 34,

and Improvement Co. West

Sowers", dated August 23,

2011. Job No. 565811, by

James Conrad Groseclose,

II, Land Surveyor, Mathews

professional engineers and

a copy of which is attached

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Tax Map Number: 13-(5)-

Commonly Known As: 1002

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OF RADFORD CITY

RADFORD, VIRGINIA

Daniel D. Hamrick, PC

By: Daniel D. Hamrick,

FOR INFORMATION

For Daniel D. Hamrick, PC

Daniel D. Hamrick, Agent

104 South Franklin Street

Christiansburg, VA 24073 (540) 382-0131

Daniel D. Hamrick, P.C.

Substitute Trustee

COURTHOUSE,

29, 2024

Agent

CONTACT:

REQUIRED

SEC 1-27A-28-29-30A-

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Ward City of Radford,

Virginia for Ronald R.

and Henegar Inc.,

land surveyors,

herein conveyed.

Account Number:

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Radford Land

Radford Land and

29, part of Lots 27, 30, 34,

A.M., THE REAL ESTATE

Containing 0.2479 in the City of Radford Council Chambers, 10 Robertson Street, Radford, VA 24141. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments West Main Street, Radford, concerning: Virginia Jones Builder, LLC seeking IN EXECUTION OF A approval of a rezoning for .43 acres 402 West Rock CERTAIN DEED OF Rd, Radford VA 24141 TRUST OF RECORD IN Portion of Tax Map # 12-(2)-THE CLERKS SEC 2-8 and all of Tax Map OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RADFORD # 12-(2)-SEC 2-9,10,11 & CITY, VIRGINIA, AS 12. The request is to rezone from (B-1) Limited **INSTRUMENT** Business to R-3, Single-NO. 201100838, DATED Family Residential District AUGUST 29, 2011 (R-3) to allow the property WHEREAS, BY DEED OF owner to redevelop existing BARGAIN AND SALE AND building into duplex and (1) ASSUMPTION DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2016, Single Family Resident. The general usage and RECORDED IN THE density range of the AFORESAID CLERK'S proposed amendment is OFFICE AS INSTRUMENT low-medium residential NO: 201600804 THE DEED development. The general OF TRUST WAS usage and density range of ASSUMED BY MARK the property as set forth in BROOKNER. DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE the City's comprehensive plan is commercial corridor IN THE PAYMENT OF THE Comments may be **DEBT THEREIN SECURED** presented at the meeting AND BEING REQUIRED and by phone or in writing TO DO SO BY THE prior to the meeting. NOTEHOLDER, THE Additional information on **UNDERSIGNED** this request may be SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE. obtained in the Community AFTER GIVING Development FOURTEEN (14) DAYS Department, 10 Robertson DUE NOTICE TO THE Street, Radford VA 24141, OWNERS OF THE 540.267.3188 or by email at REAL ESTATE OF THE DATE, TIME, PLACE AND Melissa.Skelton@radfordva gov TERMS OF SALE, WILL OFFER FOR SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION, IN

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING-**

The Radford City Council and Planning Commission will hold a joint public hearing to receive comments regarding a request from the Jones Builder, LLC, for a Special Use Permit to develop an existing building into a duplex, 402 West Rock Rd, Radford VA 24141, Tax Map #'s 12-(2)-SEC 2-10,11 & 12. The general usage and density range of the proposed amendment is low-medium residential development. The general usage and density range of the property as set forth in the City's comprehensive plan is commercial corridor The hearing will be held on Monday, March 11, 2024 beginning at 7:00 P.M. E.S.T, at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, VA. Interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing and present their views on the proposed Special Use Permit. Written comments may be sent to 10 Robertson Street, Radford 24141; please allow adequate mailing time: Melissa Skelton. Community Development Director.

Legals - City of Salem

Notice is hereby given

to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on March 13, 2024. at 7:00 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 E3MAG LLC, property owner, for rezoning the property located at 744 Electric Road (Tax Map # 155 - 2 - 2.2) from HBD Highway

Business District to HM Heavy Manufacturing District. 2. Consider the request of Pinkesh R. Patel and Sonal

P. Patel, property owners, for rezoning the property located at 1200 block Thompson Memorial Drive (Tax Map #

20 - 2 - 4) from RSF Residential Single-Family District to HBD Highway Business District.

Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia.

At said hearing, parties in

interest and citizens shall

Legals - City of Salem

have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY: Christopher J. Dorsey **Executive Secretary**

PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Salem

School Board will

hold a public hearing for comment on the FY 2024-2025 budget on Tuesday, March 12, 2024.

The hearing will begin at 7:00 PM at the School Administrative Office, 510 South College Avenue, Salem.

Any citizen of Salem who wishes to address the Board should contact Susan E. Young, Clerk of the Board, at 540-389-0130 by Monday, March 11, 2024 in order to be placed on the agenda. Individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to bring a copy of their remarks for the record

In accordance with Board Policy KD, Public Participation in Board Meetings, individuals who plan to address the Board are requested to: □ provide their name and

address, □ address their remarks to the Board.

□ be brief. □ provide a copy of their remarks for the record, and □ be prepared to answer

questions from the Board, □ In unusual cases or cases of emergency, the Board, by consensus, may allow an individual or organization to speak if not on the agenda.

Legals - Craig County

Order of **Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No.JJ002260-06-00 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

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 5th day of April, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. to do whatever is necessary to protect their interests.

grounds for causing service

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**

Trustee's Sale

1990 Reesedale Road, Elliston, Virginia 24087

(Parcel ID: 022175; Tax Map No.: 057-2 6) Default having been made

in the terms of a certain Deed of Trust dated December 29, 2015, in the original principal amount of \$106,837.00 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Montgomery, Virginia in Instrument No. 150009429, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will sell at public auction on March 22, 2024,

Legals -Montgomery County at 3:00 pm in front of the

building housing the

Montgomery County Circuit

Court, 55 E. Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, the property designated as Lot 6, as shown on plat entitled "survey for Richard L. and Leilani F. Kaulback" showing Subdivision of 45.86 acre tract, Mt. Tabor District, Montgomery County, Virginia, which plat is dated June 18, 1979 and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in plat book 9. page 197. Sale is subject to all prior liens, easements, restrictions, covenants, and conditions, if any, of record, or other matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the premises TERMS: CASH. A deposit of \$11,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required of the successful bidder at time of

sale. Prior to the sale, interested bidders will be required to register with and must present a bid deposit which may be held during the sale by the trustee. The bid deposit must be certified funds and/or cash, but no more than \$9,900.00 of cash will be accepted. The successful bidder's deposit will be retained at the sale and applied to the sale price. If held by the trustee, all other bid deposits will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders. Settlement is to be made within 15 calendar days. The successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining possession of the property, and for all costs and fees related to recording the Trustee's Deed, including the grantors tax. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Memorandum of Trustee's Sale, available for review on the Foreclosure Sales page of www.glasserlaw.com, outlining additional terms of sale and settlement. A Trustee's Deed will be

prepared by Trustee's attorney at high bidder's expense. This is a communication from a debt collector, Glasser and

Glasser, P.L.C. on behalf of Atlantic Trustee Services L.L.C., and/or M. Brennan Hutt d/b/a H&H Abstracting, and/or NFPDS-VA LLC, Substitute Trustees, Crown Center Building, Suite 600, 580 East Main Street

Norfolk, VA 23510, File No. 233457-01, Tel: (757) 321-6465, between 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon only.

Order of

Publication Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,20-104 Case No. CL23000237-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET SUITE 1 CHRISTIANSBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA, a political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Complainant, v. SHANE

The object of this suit is to: enforce the lien of the complainant, County of Montgomery, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Montgomery, Virginia, described as follows: Tax Map No. 497-A 202 Account No. 020009

Respondent(s).

All those two certain lots or parcels of land lying about one-fourth of a mile east of the passenger station at Cambria, Montgomery County, Virginia: Lot No.1: Being all that certain lot or parcel of land conveyed to the said J.W. Britt by M. A. Helm and others by deed dated November 1, 1913, and recorded in Montgomery County Clerk's Office in Deed Book 63, Page 586; being described as lot 66 X 135 feet, be the same more or less, and to which deed reference is hereby made

Lot No. 2: Being all that certain lot or parcel of land conveyed to the said J. W. Britt by M. A. Helm and wife by deed dated January 19. 1914, and recorded in Montgomery County Clerk's Office as Deed Book 63, Page 583 and is described as being 61 X 135 feet, be the same more or less, and to which deed reference is hereby made for a further description of the same, both of said lots adjoining each other, being on the south side of the road leading from the station via Happy Hollow, and on the

west side of the Happy

Hollow Road, and runs back

to the lot, now or formerly

for a further description of

the same.

Legals -Montgomery County owned by Charles Lynch.

and is bounded on the west

by the lot, now or formerly

owned by Mary Russel, together with the buildings improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereunto belonging And being the same real property conveyed to Alice May Vaughan Brammer, Fannie Vaughan Carr, Sam Will Vaughan, Jr. John Blair Vaughan, Colonel Jabe Taft Vaughan, and James Curtis

Douglas Vaughan from S.

W. Vaughan and Ada L.

Vaughan by deed dated and

recorded on February 5,

1943 in the Montgomery

County Clerk's Office as Deed Book 128, Page 389. And further being the same property conveyed to Shane Anthony Smith from John B. Vaughan, as sole heir of John Blair Vaughan. deceased, by Quitclaim Deed dated December 18, 2013 and recorded December 23, 2013 in the Montgomery County Clerk's Office as Instrument

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described

Number 13011845

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the

Respondents herein are as follows: David W. Smith, whose last known address is 5352 Graysontown Road Radford, Virginia 24141; Ling Zhong, whose last known address is 1005 Robin Rd., Blacksburg, Virginia 24060, S. W Vaughan aka Sam Willie Vaughan, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Ada L. Vaughan, who is believed to deceased and whose last known address is unknown: Alice May Vaughan, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Fannie Vaughan Carr, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Sam Will Vaughan, Jr., who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; John believed to be deceased

and whose last known address is unknown; Colonel Jabe Taft Vaughan, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; James Curtis Douglas Vaughan, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; James Henry Brammer aka James Randolph Robinson, who is believed to be deceased ANTHONY SMITH, ET AL., and whose last known

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address is unknown; Melva James Nizer McNeill, whose last known address is 630 Colhoun St. NE, Christiansburg, Virginia 24073: Ludell Albert Nizer. Jr., who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown;

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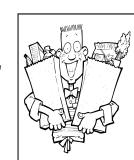
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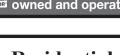
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Left, Parker Stallard and Roanoke College teammates watch his second inning home run leave the park in Saturday's game with Dickinson. Right, Parker is congratulated by RC coach Zach Ullrich as he rounds the bases.

Maroon baseball team opens ODAC play against EMU Saturday

The Roanoke College baseball team will be at home today for a 4 pm game against Centenary University of New Jersey. It will be the third game of a three game series with Cyclones at Salem Memorial Ballpark.

The Maroons are looking to make

up some ground after getting swept at home by Dickinson College over the weekend. Roanoke dropped a doubleheader at Salem Memorial on Saturday, 9-2 and 16-4, then lost a Sunday afternoon game, 8-5, to fall to 2-7 on the season.

Leadoff man Nate Prince and cleanup hitter Tucker Schiavoni had three hits each in Sunday's loss but the Maroons were outhit 14-9 for the

The Maroons will open their Old Dominion Athletic Conference schedule this weekend with a Saturday doubleheader against Eastern Mennonite University. The first game is scheduled for noon at Salem Memorial Ballpark with the second game to follow.

RC softball team will host Maryville Monday

The Roanoke College softball team is an even .500 after six games. After winning their first two games of the season the Maroons went 1-3 on a trip to Columbus, GA.

Roanoke opened the trip with a 5-4 loss to Wartburg, then shut out Piedmont 8-0 last Saturday evening as Baylee Compton pitched a no-hitter. Compton struck out eight and walked four to pick up her second win of the season. Leah Butts had a two-run homer for the Maroons.

On Sunday the Maroons dropped two, falling 3-2 to Transylvania and 10-1 to

The Maroons are back home Monday to host Maryville in a doubleheader at the Botetourt Sports Complex in Troutville. Games are scheduled for 2:30 and

Roanoke men will play at Lacrosse Hall of Fame The Roanoke College men's lacrosse Wyatt Whitlow led the Maroons

team went down to defeat for the first time when the Maroons dropped a 15-13 game to Dickinson College in Potomac, Maryland Sunday. The Maroons had won their first five games to open the season.

with four goals. Luke Kammerman notched three goals and one assist.

The Maroons are back in action Sunday when they take on Wesleyan College at the National Lacrosse Hall of Fame in Sparks, MD at noon.

RC's Koutouzis is ODAC women's lacrosse P-o-W

Grace Koutouzis of Roanoke College was named the Old Dominion Athletic Conference Women's Lacrosse Offensive Player of the Week for the week of Koutouzis, a junior from Marietta, GA, tied her career-high with seven points

as the 17th-ranked Maroons defeated 23rd ranked Denison, 14-7, in Salem last Saturday at RC's Kerr Stadium. Grace tallied three goals and four assists for

Maddy Bowman finished the day with five goals for Roanoke. Tracey Benzing contributed two goals and Roanoke also got a goal apiece from Kate Loughran, Maddie McDonald, Sydney Harrison and Zoe Blair. Zoe a freshman from Salem who scored her first collegiate goal.

Now 2-1, the Maroons are scheduled to play St. John Fisher in Clearwater, FL today, then return home to host Kenyon on Saturday at 1 pm and Messiah next Tuesday at 4 pm.

Royals down Maroon volleyball team

The Roanoke College men's volleyball team will be looking for a couple wins this week as they head down the stretch of their second season. The Maroons were scheduled to play at home on Wednesday against Southern Virginia before heading to Asheville,

NC on Friday to play Warren Wilson College.

The Maroons are 9-8 after dropping a three-set match to Eastern Mennonite in Salem last week. The Royals took a 25-19, 25-20,25-22 win at the Roanoke College Cregger Center.

Maroons qualify for NCAA Division III indoor track meet

The NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Track & Field and Cross Country Committee has announced the participants for the 2024 NCAA Division III Indoor Championships and Roanoke College will have two athletes participating.

Junior Brady Fowler has been selected to compete in both the 60m and the 200m and senior Kaitlyn Nguyen has qualified to compete in the high jump. The championships will take place this Friday and Saturday, March 8-9, at the Virginia Beach Sports Center.

game. Mason Roy pitched the first three innings and took the loss for Roanoke.

Middle School sports teams open spring season

The local middle school teams got a jump on their high school counterparts as they opened official games last Thursday, February 29. You might say they "leaped" ahead of the older kids with baseball, softball and soccer games. Both the Andrew Lewis and Glenvar

Middle baseball teams got off to a rough start. Lewis is 0-2 with a 15-1 loss to Ben Franklin in the opener and a 10-1 loss to Read Mountain on Monday. Ryker Rhem led the Wolverines with two singles, two stolen bases and a run scored against Read Mountain.

Glenvar is also 0-2 with an 8-2 loss to Northside last Thursday and a 24-0 shutout loss to Cave Spring Monday.

The Lewis softball team also started out 0-2. The Lewis girls lost to Ben Franklin Middle, 17-2, on Thursday and 5-1 to Read Mountain Monday. Jayden Robertson had two hits against Read Mountain and also struck out six Stars

Glenvar's softball team is also 0-2 with an 11-0 loss to Northside on opening day and a 3-2 loss to Cave Spring on Monday.

Kherington Jewell had a solid outing on the mound against Cave Spring and Paisely Hodge and McKenna Tice knocked in runs for the Highlanders.

In soccer the Lewis boys beat Ben Franklin in the opener, 5-1, then played Read Mountain to a scoreless tie in Salem Monday. Bob Palleria is the new coach Perry Manning who retired last

"We have great leaders in our captains, Brady Geary and Gavin Horner," said Palleria. "Goals have been scored by Croix Bowen, Brayden Bowen, Gavin Horner, and Adric Setchel, but it is still early, and we are looking to get scoring from a variety of other players as well."

Lin Daniel has been solid in goal for the Wolverines, as the defense has allowed just one goal in two games.

The Lewis girls opened with a 2-0 win at Ben Franklin Middle as Leela Hamden and Lacey Turpin scored for the Wolverines. The Lewis defense didn't allow a single shot.

On Monday the Wolverines beat Read Mountain, again by a 2-0 count. The back line of Julia Crumpacker, Izzy Henzy, Adrianna Herndon and Caroline



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Kherington Jewell pitches for Glenvar against Cave Spring.

Snyder allowed only one corner kick and one shot on goal to preserve the shutout. Arelis Salinas opened the score in the second half with a goal assisted by Tara Farrakhpoor. The second goal was from Ava Brewer assisted by Hamden.

The Glenvar boys are 2-0 after wins over Northside and Cave Spring. On Monday at Cave Spring they came from 2-0 down to win 3-2. Parker Doolan got Lewis coach, taking over for longtime the scoring started, followed by a header goal by Zane Smith. Kiptyn Jones put the finishing touch on the win off a free kick with less than a minute to go to give the

Highlanders the win. The Highlanders girls split their first two. They opened with a 6-0 win over Northside as Cam Stevens, Gabby Barba and Genna Shanks all scored goals. On Monday they lost a defensive battle to Cave Spring, 1-0.

Lewis is back in action tonight with the softball and girls' soccer teams hosting William Byrd and the baseball and boys soccer headed to Vinton. Next Monday the baseball and boys' soccer host Hidden Valley and the softball and girls' soccer go there.

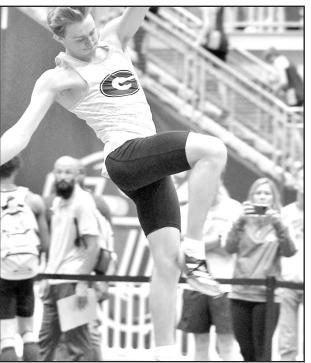
The Glenvar Middle teams don't play again until next Wednesday, March 13. The baseball and boys' soccer teams will host Ben Franklin Middle while the two girls' teams head to Rocky Mount.

LENVAR STATE TRACK

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won the 55 hurdles with a time of 8.04.

"As coaches, you're always trying to figure out where the team can be helped moving forward in the season," said coach Loder, his mom. "With Joey being



Colby Thompson set school records in the long jump Horrell, who placed fourth in the boys 1000 with a

a hurdler from outdoor, we asked him mid-January if he would run the 55H to possibly help score points overall for the team. Our thought process was to lay down a time and let's see where that could place you at states. Even if we could get one point, that would After his first meet in the 55 hurdles Loder quali-

fied for states and was ranked in the top eight going in. Once he competed in the Wednesday state preliminaries Joey was seeded fourth going into the finals on Thursday. "Come Thursday, he was ready," said mom. "All

he needed to do was run a clean race, and he did. After his first place finish it set the tone for the boys team" Leading up to the main running events Thompson

had already started setting the tone for the boys. Going into the Triple Jump Colby wasn't even seeded to gain points for the team, but he had other plans. Thompson placed fifth overall and set a new PR and school record with a jump of 43'0.5".

Colby didn't stop there. He came in fourth in the Long Jump, setting a new PR and school record with a jump of 20'11.75". He also placed second in the 500 meters, third in the 300 meters and was a part of

the boys' winning 4X400 team. "Colby is only a junior and it's going to be exciting to watch him in outdoor and his senior year," said

Loder. Two seniors had outstanding performances. Zach Curfiss finished third in the 500 and sixth in the 300 and was a part of the winning 4x400 team along with

with a time of 4:34.78.

"These two young men over their Indoor careers have set an outstanding tone in not only leadership for others to carry on, but what an athlete represents, said Loder.

Not to be overshadowed, the girls had a good meet as well. The 4x800 team of Val Loredo-Castillo, Emma Pope, Anna Hall and Rayya Bryson placed fourth. Lordedo-Castillo also placed seventh in the girls 1000, setting a new PR time of 3:15.71.

The highlight of the meet for the Glenvar girls was a first place finish in the 4X400 with Hall, Kailee McDonald, Bryson and Aiden Beverly. They won with a time of 4:21.12 and Poquoson was right behind them at 4:21.38.

"It was a tight race, and every emotion of nervousness and excitement was there the whole time while watching it," said Loder. "They got it done and afterwards our anchor, Aiden Beverly, said, 'I could feel her breathing on me and said to myself, nope that's not happening'."

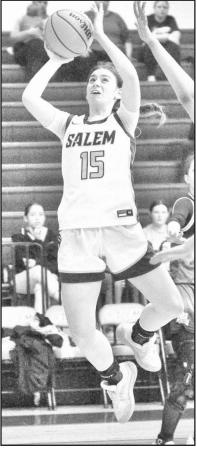
The girls finished with 17 points for 13th place. Bruton won the girls' title in another close one, edging Lee High of Jonesville, 54.25 to 52.

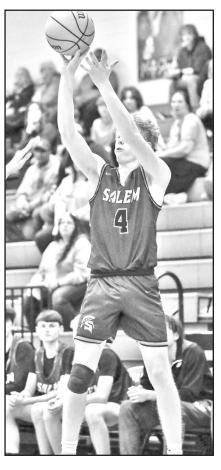
"Ending a season is always bittersweet, and this year was a year that we will always remember," said Loder. "These athletes showed up and put in the hard work that was needed day after day to have the success each of them displayed.

We took a total of 19 athletes to States. Not all placed top eight, but their time is coming and we're excited to see it all unfold. With Outdoor Season underway, we look forward to seeing what they all continue to do and achieve."

and triple jump at the state Class 2 indoor meet. PR time of 2:43.02. Charlie also set a PR in his 1600









Local hoopsters on All-District, All-Region basketball teams

All-District and All-Region basketball teams were recently announced and Salem and Glenvar teams were well-represented. Left, Salem's Gabby Crawley was named first team All-River Ridge District and first team All-Region 4-D. Second from left, Bailey Rider of the Spartans was a first team All-District selection and second team All-Region. Emme Custer of Salem was second team All-District and Honorable Mention All-Region. Second from right, Salem's Lucas Yerton is a first team All-River Ridge District and second team All-Region 4D selection. Cam Boles was second team All-District and Honorable Mention All-Region and Marvin Fields was second team All-RRD. Right, Brody Dawyot of Glenvar was named to the first team in both the Three Rivers District and Region 2C. Glenvar teammates Reed Hutchison and Aiden Hylton were both named to the All-Three Rivers second team.

Spring sports officially begin on Monday for VHSL schools

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, and a day later is the official opening of high school spring sports in Virginia. Teams in the Roanoke Valley have been practicing and scrimmaging for the past three weeks to get ready for what promises to be another exciting spring of high

On Monday Salem High has two openers. The Salem softball team is home against William Fleming at 5 pm for the debut of new head coach Jeremy Wells. The Spartans will be playing their home games at the Salem Civic Center once again as work on the James I. Moyer Complex is yet to be completed.

district and our players have to work hard and compete every day to be "Our pitching and overall defense will be strong, so we've got to

swing the bats well to be in ball games. We have two seniors and nine juniors, so we'll rely on their leadership throughout the season." The Salem High boys' lacrosse team also opens Monday. The

Spartans will host Virginia Episcopal at 6 pm at Spartan Field. "We're really excited about this year's team," said coach George Revercomb. "This it is the best since I've arrived at Salem three years ago. Very skilled, but most importantly they are developing a high level

"Our assistant coaches do an amazing job, Chad Custer, Joey Dishaw and Chad Fisher along with AJ Blankenship and David Turk with the jayvees. Our goal is to win the region championship first and then compete for the State Championship.'

Glenvar has five opening games on Monday; baseball, softball, both tennis teams and girls' soccer. The baseball and softball teams will host Craig County at 5 pm.

"We're looking forward to a great season," said Highlander baseball coach Jeremy Cromer. "The guys have been working really hard. Our ultimate goal is to get back to the state tournament, but we know that we will have to go through some really tough competition to get there and the guys are up for the challenge."

The girls are looking to improve on last year's softball season with a

young team.

"We only have one senior this year, Claire Spence, and it's her first time playing with the Lady Highlanders," said coach Lonnie Raines. "I believe she will have an impact on the team, both offensively and defensively. She may split time between playing catcher and third base.

Glenvar has most of the starters returning from last year, including

junior pitchers Abby Teubert and Hannah Street. "We will be a young team once again so it will be a learning year for

us," said Raines. The Glenvar tennis teams will open with William Fleming Monday.

The girls will be home and the boys will begin defense of their 2023

state championship in Roanoke.

"Four senior starters on last years undefeated team have graduated," said coach Bob Haynie. "Alec McIwain, our 2A state finalist in singles, is back along with varsity starters Logan Garner and Elliot McClintic. In addition to these three, we have a hard working group of guys that will fill in the gaps. While this is a young team, I feel very good about where the program is and we are excited about the season.

The girls have a new coach in Vicki Thompson.

"Returning from the 2022 state championship Team, and after a year long knee injury recovery, Natalie McMahan is at Number One," said Thompson. "Five returning players from 2023 will help to lead the team. We have six seniors on the team this year and hope to have a successful season and develop a strong team and players."

The Glenvar girls soccer team also opens Monday. The Highlanders

will host William Fleming at 6 pm.

"I'm really looking forward to another great season this year with a very talented group of girls," said coach Kyleigh Drew. "They have been working hard this off season, spending time in the weight room and getting some training and conditioning work in. We have 10 returning players and six freshmen and we all have goals we are looking to achieve this year and are working hard to be sure we get there."

Glenvar's boys will begin defense of their 2023 state soccer championship on Tuesday of next week. The Highlanders will open against Class 3 Lord Botetourt, a formidable opponent.

"We're led by captains Zach Curfiss, Jake Williams, and Kian Fisher," said coach Josh Jones. "Bryce King and Curfiss are our only two seniors this year and they're surrounded by 13 juniors, including returning starters Williams, Fisher, Alan Vu, Wesley Feliciano and Aidan Hylton. All-State players, Cooper Mullins and Tyler Curfiss return as well as sophomores. Junior Grayson Shepherd will tend the net after spending two years backing up First team All-State goalkeeper Marco Gustafson.

"We had a good week of tryouts and first week of practice. We will look to just improve each week and play the best that we can moving forward. I am looking forward to seeing what this group can accom-

plish." Both Salem soccer teams also open next Tuesday, March 12. The boys will host Rockbridge and the girls will go there. Justin Applegate is the new coach of the Salem girls' team and David Atkins returns to

"Our goals this season are to build a winning environment and to get the best out of all of our players," said Applegate. "Our sights are set at winning championships. We have a lot of individual talent on the roster, but our success depends on how well we come together as a unit. This year we're playing under the mantra 'Team First,' which means that we

play to support each other and above all else work for the team to be

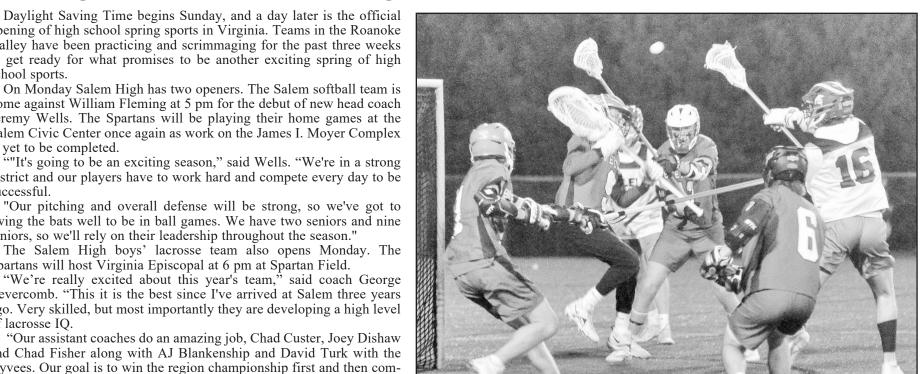


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Salem's Kaiden Garst (#16) scores in last week's boys' lacrosse scrimmage against the **Botetourt Club team.**

successful."

returning.

"The players and coaching staff are looking forward to the spring season and look to build on this past spring," said Atkins. "We return eight starters from last year's team and several other players with varsity playing experience. We will be a tough team in our District and Region and hope to compete for the district and region

titles this season." Next Wednesday, March 13, the Salem High baseball team opens with a 5:30 pm game against James River on Billy Sample

Field at Kiwanis Park. "I'm very excited about this season and my expectations are high," said coach Jimmy Winterer. "We're returning 13 players with varsity experience. Seniors Evan Fletcher and Wilson Rakes are looking to be a force on the mound, as well as lefty juniors Trace Monroe and Carter Black. We also expect to get innings out of two varsity newcomers, juniors Keegan Craighead and Mark Debord.

"Our goal is to continue to pitch well and play solid defense. Senior Marshall University commit Caleb Furmage will once again be our captain behind the plate and one of our big bats in the lineup. Seniors James Buckles, Ryan Coe, Owen Dewalt and Nate Wells can also bring some pop to the plate and are looking to help us on the corners of our infield and in the outfield.

"Offensively, we want to improve from last year. Junior Thomas Millard, who had a great year with the jayvees last year, is looking to help us do just that. Three sophomores, Mason Hale, Chase Rutledge, and Brayden White, will also be a vital part of our run production. These three have tremendous speed and are also returning with varsity game experience."

Glenvar's girls' soccer team is at

The boys also have a talented side Auburn next Wednesday and the softball team will host Carroll County. A week from today, on Thursday March 14, Salem's tennis teams will open against

> Glenvar. The girls are at home and the boys are at Glenvar. "We have six new players this year and two seniors," said Spartan girls coach Elisha Baba. "We're looking forward to

> another great spring season of good, fun, and competitive tennis." Steve Willinger returns to coach the

> Salem boys. "We have a roster of 21 players possessing a wide range of experience," he said. "The team is led by sophomore Drew Perez and senior Joren Poush, both acclaimed as All-Regional for 2023. Senior Cooper Davis and junior Logan Butcher are returning starters who were major contributors last year who continue

> to improve. "Several prospects have been preparing to step into key roles, so there is an excellent chance that the Spartans can challenge all the strong opponents they face. With incredible support from assistant coaches Jill Perez, Dallas Bradley, and Tommy McDonald, the boys will be well-prepared. Foremost, our goal is to improve, to play well-organized matches, and have a great

> team experience." Both Salem lacrosse teams also play next Thursday, both against Western Albemarle. The boys are at home and the girls are on the road with new coach Carly

Coyle. "I'm looking forward to leading this team for the 2024 season," said Coyle. "We've been putting in the work every day at practice and have seen growth each and every practice. We're ready to start seeing all the pieces fall right into place

RC tennis sweep Raiders

The Roanoke College tennis teams swept Mount Union in Hilton Head, South Carolina

on Tuesday. The men won 6-3 and women took an 8-1 win over the Purple Raiders. After losing two of three doubles the men won five of six singles. Singles winners for RC were Zach Kriebel, Federico Maccari, Julio Marques, Hardt Lesko and Lance Beheler.

The women won all three doubles with the teams of Bella Gustafson and Halle Fernstrum, Victoria Rios and Lia Streibich and Julia Bassett and Camryn Breedlove. Roanoke then won the first two singles to clinch the match, including a 6-1, 6-2 victory by Glenvar High graduate Gustafson at number three.

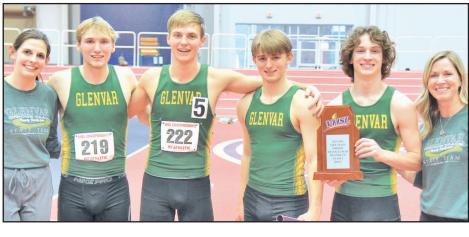
The women are now 2-2 and the men are 3-1 and both will take on Lebanon Valley at

Hilton Head today.

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The Glenvar boys and girls swept the 4x400 relays in last week's state track meet at Liberty University. Left photo is the boys' 4x400 state champion relay team. Left to right are Asst Coach Madison Bourne, Zach Curfiss, Charlie Horrell, Colby Thompson, Joey Loder and Head Coach Bekka Loder. In the right photo is the girls 4x400 state championship foursome. Left to right are Asst Coach Madison Bourne, Aiden Beverly, Kailee McDonald, Rayya Bryson, Anna Hall and Head Coach Bekka Loder.

Glenvar boys finish one point behind state champ in Class 2 track meet

The Glenvar High boys were runners-up and the girls took 13th place in the state Class 1&2 indoor track meet at Liberty University last Wednesday and Thursday. Bruton High of Williamsburg swept the boys' and girls' state team titles among 36 schools that scored in the meet in Lynchburg.

"We could write a book on this meet," said Glenvar coach Bekka Loder. "It was one of the best meets overall for our class. The track was hot and all the athletes were lying down fast times. There were twists and turns in almost every race. It was great for our athletes to see and learn not to take what's on paper for granted."

This year's Highlander team had 27 athletes and many new team members after graduating 11 seniors last year. The team had four seniors and three juniors with the remaining athletes being freshmen and sophomores.

"For a lot of these athletes, it was their first time stepping on the track or being new to the team," said Loder. "Once the season got underway we saw the great potential we had in all of them. Our seniors, Charlie Horrell, Zach Curfiss, Emma Pope and Joanna Killeen, set a great tone in leadership by helping and guiding them all along the way. These seniors helped set the tone for the success our athletes had at states.' The boys' team scored 57 total points, just one fewer than Bruton. The state

championship came down to the 4x400 and Glenvar had to win to have a chance. Colby Thompson, Charlie Horrell, Joey Loder and Zach Curfiss won the race in 3:30.95, four seconds better than second place Floyd and 4.06 better than third place Bruton, but that wasn't quite good enough to catch the Panthers in the team "We had to win, yet there were so many variables that could play out for an

overall team win, tie or not placing in the top two at all," said Loder. "We needed Bruton to finish fourth or lower for us to tie or win, but they had the same game plan as we did. They took third in the 4x400 and that gave them a final one point

An early highlight of the running events came when sophomore Joey Loder continued on page 10



Joey Loder(green singlet) is on his way to a state champinship in the 55 hurdles.

Salem's Persinger is Class 4 state runnerup in 55 meter dash

The Salem High boys' track team 26 and 27. finished 17th overall among 34 teams High School League Class 4 state track meet. Atlee High of Mechanicsville swept the boys' and girls' team championships in a meet held at Liberty University in Lynchburg on February

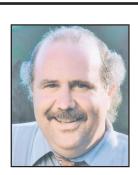
Salem junior Josiah Persinger was who scored in last week's Virginia the state runnerup in the 55 meter dash with a time of 6.44, two one-hundreths of a second behind winner Connor Salmin of Woodgrove. Persinger also teamed up with Carter Black, Rumiel Nugent and Khamari Garner to place

sixth in the 4x200 relay with a time of 1:32.05. Atlee's team won that relay in 1:29.84.

Mitch Taylor, Black, Nugent and Nazeser Miller placed third in the 4x400 relay. That Spartan foursome set a new Salem High record with a time of 3:28.47, less than a second behind

winning Atlee's time of 3:27.65. "This was the last meet for the high school indoor season but several team members have qualified for the indoor national meet in early March," said Salem coach Tom Roth.

The Salem outdoor team has its first meet on April 6 at William Byrd High.



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Pistol with a Ponytail

I never thought I'd see the day when women's bas-

ketball would sell out big arenas, but that day is here. Give much of the credit to Iowa University senior star Caitlin Clark, who has sold out venues everywhere she goes. She broke the NCAA women's alltime scoring record on a long three-point shot, then last Sunday she passed one of my all-time favorites as the all-time leading NCAA scorer, regardless of gender. That person she passed would be "Pistol" Pete Maravich.

It's not so much that Clark scores a lot, but "how" she plays the game that makes her stand out. She shoots three pointers with Stephen Curry accuracy and passes the ball like John Stockton with a pony tail. She's fun to watch.

I must admit, I don't watch a lot of women's basketball. I've never watched a WNBA game from start to finish. I go to most of the Roanoke College women's home games and I watch a whole lot of high school girls' games, but if there's a choice between the women and an NBA game or a good men's college game on TV I'll watch the men.

That might be changing. When Caitlin Clark finishes her career, however far the Hawkeyes go this year, I'm anxious to see how she does in the WNBA. I might just watch an entire game if she's in it.

And then you have Virginia Tech. I never thought I'd see the day when the Virginia Tech women were selling out Cassell Coliseum. . .getting bigger crowds than the men! I can remember 20 or so years ago when a woman I covered in high school was on the Tech team. I'd go to the game and people were showing up five minutes before tip-off and easing down to seats by the court. Those days are gone, at least for

Unfortunately the Hokies have hit a slide at the most inopportune time. Their star player, Elizabeth

Kitley, suffered a knee injury in a loss at UVA Sunday in front of the largest crowd ever to watch a women's basketball game in the state of Virginia. As I write this column her status going forward is unknown, but the old saying "adding insult to injury" was never more appropriate as the heavily favored Hokies lost the game to the underdog Wahoowomen. Stay tuned for updates.

Getting back to Caitlin Clark, I was fascinated that she was the one to outscore Pete Maravich after all these years. . .54 to be exact. As I mentioned I like watching Clark play. I LOVED watching Pete Maravich play. I was in high school when Maravich played for

LSU. One of my best friend's growing up, Gus, had an older brother who was a really good football player at our high school, Souderton High School in Pennsylvania. He got a scholarship to play football at LSU, so right then and there Gus became a big LSU fan and I joined the club. On a clear night we could get LSU basketball games on the radio and we'd sit on his front porch and listen to Pete Maravich light it up.

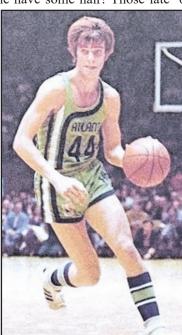
Thing is, if you just listened to Pete play you missed a whole lot. He was all entertainment. He had those floppy gray socks and he played like his hair was on fire, and boy did he have some hair! Those late '60s were the time

when long hair was the norm and Pete's mop top went every which direction as he dribbled down the floor. Everything

did was exciting. haven't seen anyone before or since handle the ball like he did. It was said he carried a ball where he went growing bouncing it in the aisle of the movie theatre and dribbling the way

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school. When he dribbled it was like the ball was part of him, and I know you can say that about a lot of players but it was never more obvious than it was

He could pass the ball like no one I've seen since. The closest I've seen was a couple times when Ricky Rubio would throw one of those full court bounce passes that found the mark, but Pete would do that with regularity. Our high school coaches frowned on behind-the-back passes, but Pete did it so well it was a weapon. And remember that fake behind-the-back that Rajon Rondo would do? Pete was a master of it.

And boy could he shoot. He would pull up from Damion Lillard land and swish 'em with regularity. Only thing is, he only got two points for that shot back in the day. You had to guard him out there, but he could also go by you and wiggle through traffic on his way to the hoop. If they had called fouls in the NBA back then as closely as they do now no one could have ever stopped him.

Going back to the long shots, you have to remember that Pete didn't play college ball with the three point shot. He also played just three years, because when he was at LSU freshmen weren't eligible. If he had played four years with the three point shot no one would touch his scoring records. That's not taking anything away from Caitlin Clark, it's just a fact. She broke the record fair and square with today's rules. One more thing about Pete. His last year at LSU

was my last year in high school. He was drafted by the Atlanta Hawks about the same time I decided to attend Roanoke College. I had just arrived in Salem, not knowing anyone in the entire state and not having a car, when I saw that the Hawks were going to play an NBA exhibition game at the Salem Civic

This was in October of 1970, and I didn't even know where the Salem Civic Center was. I got vague directions and walked to the game from Roanoke College to see Pete play live for the first, and as it turned out only, time in my life. It was exciting to see him play in those old lime green Hawks uniforms with the stripes running across the chest and down the side, floppy gray socks and all.

Unfortunately Pete died of a heart attack at just 40 years of age, playing pickup basketball, but he'll always be remembered as one of the most exciting players ever. And Caitlin Clark can truly be called the "Pistol Pete" of women's basketball and no one should question it.