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Jonathan Murrill to give talk at Salem Museum

Jonathan Murrill, a professional muralist and portrait artist, is changing the look of the Roanoke Valley in a big way. His numerous community murals celebrate both the natural beauty of this region and the strength of the human spirit.

On Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m. at the Salem Museum, Murrill will give a talk describing his life and work as an artist and an educator. His in-person talk is free and open to the public.

Murrill received his BA in art from Roanoke College in 2009 and his MFA in painting and drawing from Radford University in 2012. Since that time, he has contributed a diverse body of art in southwest Virginia and beyond through portraiture and mural pieces. He has exhibited in juried exhibitions, solo exhibits, and group shows across the United States and has been awarded multiple times for his artwork.

Murrill has also taught a variety of courses at a collegiate level including Watercolor I, II, and III, Drawing I and II, Design, Art History and



Murrill pictured while working on one of his murals.

Art Appreciation. His roots in education have led him to explore community engagement projects in his public work.

"I am passionate about bringing joy to people's lives through both my public art and my teaching," said Murrill. "I believe that the role of the artist is to be an advocate for those individuals or stories in society that need to be given a voice. I strive in my own work to spread



One of Murrill's murals.

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not only a positive message, but also shed light and attention in my portraits on those I find truly deserve to be recognized."

-The Salem Times-Register



PHOTO BY EDMEE CR HASLER

Pictured are Paul Boone, left, Maynard Palmer, Lee Palmer, Kenny Hamblin, and Charlie Hensley. The band played on April 1 at the Salem Senior Center.

Bluegrass shows play on First Mondays at the Salem Senior Center

Edmee CR Hasler
Contributing writer

For about 15 years, Dwayne Cole organized and hosted "Cole Bluegrass Shows" at the Salem Senior and Recreation Center. Cole passed away a few years ago. After he passed and COVID-19 hit, the shows stopped.

Organizer and host Gary John grew up in the area and has played bluegrass in various bands for 50 years. He is the band leader of "Mason Creek." John knows many people in the Bluegrass circle and after a while some were asking if the shows would ever return.

"Folks had approached me for a couple years asking if I'd heard anything about the 'Salem Parks

and Rec' bringing the shows back to Senior Center," he said.

John contacted Vickie Sword, program supervisor at the Senior Center, who agreed to bring them back. John said, "I'll do it, with a lot of help from my friends, I think we can do this," and the ball went rolling. "Really it took the

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City announces return of Ernest 'Pig' Robertson Fishing Rodeo

This will be 72nd event at Lake Spring Park

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The City of Salem Parks & Recreation Department announced this week that it will host the 72nd Ernest "Pig" Robertson Fishing Rodeo at Lake Spring Park this spring. The 2024 version once again will have Saturday fishing in various age groups. Participants must provide their own fishing equipment and adults cannot fish for the children at the Saturday events. Each child can catch up to six trout, and they must keep all the fish they reel in.

In addition, the always popular special needs and nursing home fishing days are back this year. The city thanked the "Children's Therapy Concepts" for sponsoring the Special Needs Day. Participants and organizations participating in either special needs or nursing home days must pre-register.

The days are:
Children Ages 3-8
Saturday, April 27 9 a.m. – Noon
Special Needs Children Monday, April 29 10 a.m. – Noon
Nursing Home Residents Wednesday, May 1 10 a.m. – Noon
Children Ages 9-12 Saturday, May 4 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

The Salem Kiwanis Club, Yokohama, and Re/Max Real Estate One are sponsoring this year's rodeo which is free for area children. Many businesses in the community also have donated prizes and money to the event in past years. The top angler will receive a trophy and prizes will be awarded to young boys and girls throughout each day. Lake Spring Park is located at the corner of W. Main Street and Green Street.

For additional information, please call the Salem Parks and Recreation Department at 540-375-3057.

Virginia Conference on Race returns to Roanoke College

April 4 keynote address is free, open to the public



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Assistant Professor Carrie Murawski pictured at the 2023 Virginia Conference on Race.

The Virginia Conference on Race will return to Roanoke College on April 4-5, kicking off with a keynote address from award-winning AI ethicist Renée Cummings.

Cummings is a professor with the University of Virginia's School of Data Science, where she was

named its first data activist in residence. Her research puts her at the intersection of technology, power and society. Emerging issues she examines include the ethical implications of data on society, long-term

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Officer M Neal helped Adalynn Newcomb string up her first fish last year.

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National Vietnam War Veterans Recognition: American Legion Post 3 at 710 Apperson Drive in Salem will hold a Vietnam veterans recognition on April 6.

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

Food Truck Thursday: Roanoke County Parks, Recreation and Tourism will have a "Food Truck Thursday" from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Green Hill Park on April 11.

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."

Blue Ridge Kite Festival: Roanoke County Parks, Recreation and Tourism will have the Blue Ridge Kite Festival from 10 a.m.- 3p.m. at Green Hill Park on April 20.

Shredding Event: In an effort to help local citizens protect themselves from identity theft, Vested Partners will host a free community shredding event on Saturday, April 27th from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at their office located at 300 E. 2nd Street in Salem. Hot dogs, chips and soda will be provided, and those who attend can enter a drawing to win a desktop paper shredder. No RSVP is required. This shredding event is for personal papers with a limit of three bags or boxes per person. Business shredding will not be allowed. Except for paper clips and staples, no metal, batteries, electronics or other non-paper material can be in boxes or bags brought for shredding.

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, May 6: 7 p.m. – Mike Conner and 8 p.m. – Rarely Available. It will take place at the Salem Parks and Recreation Senior Rec Center at 110 Union Street, Salem.

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."

Lebanese Festival: This year marks the 23rd Lebanese festival and will be held May 31 and June 1-2, 2024, at St. Elias Maronite Catholic Church, 4730 Cove Road, N.W., Roanoke, VA. The festival is open Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Sunday, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

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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 one-half 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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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, Oct. 7: 7-9 p.m. - Franklin Station. It will take place at the Salem Parks and Recreation Senior Rec Center at 110 Union Street, Salem.

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Public meetings: 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 7 p.m.

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 7 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, May 15 at 7 p.m.

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

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, June 10 at 6:30 p.m.

The School Board will meet on Tuesday, June 11 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, June 12 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, June 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 7 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, July 10 at 7 p.m.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

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Friday, May 27, 1938

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Heironimus Store Down Through The Years

New Store

1890 Store Church Avenue Store 1900 Store

The drawings show more picture the S. H. Heironimus store in its various stages of development from the small beginning in 1890 at the corner of Second Street to the present location at Campbell and First. These drawings graphically portray the vast improvement in the business, which has come to be recognized throughout the section as the outstanding business of Southwest Virginia.

S. H. HEIRONIMUS COMPANY ONE OF OUTSTANDING BUSINESS IDEAS

DETAIL NOTED WITH CARE IN MODERN STORE

PHOTOS FROM THE TIMES-REGISTER ARCHIVES

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

Great oaks from little acorns grow. The truth of this adage is proved by the growth of the S.H. Heironimus company which started in 1890 in the small two story building which is shown in the accompanying picture. That building which was located near the southeast corner of 206 Second St., S.W., was razed about four years ago and is now but a memory but it was the foundation of a great department store. Like many other successful mercantile firms the Heironimus company started out in a small way and built substantially year by year.

Just what kind of merchandise was displayed in the window at that time is not clear from the early photograph. A little imagination is needed to picture the merchandise of that time for that was an era when styles were far different from what they are today. Derby hats were popular and the gay young blades wore fancy vests. In those days a young man who had a flare for a flashy appearance selected a vest that fairly screamed with color. High, stiff collars were in style as were bright and shiny patent leather shoes. Women wore long dresses with plenty of ruffles and when such styles were discarded the amount of cloth in a

dress was shortened so much that the textile business suffered greatly. Wide hats adorned the heads of my lady and large feathers in them were not uncommon. Lest we forget it should be mentioned that bustles were used to make figures appear unduly plump.

Keep Ahead In Styles

These were the styles that the Heironimus company furnished to the grandfathers and grandmothers of the young people of today. In the years that followed this firm served the fathers and mothers of the present generation and today the present generation patronize the Heironimus store as an institution that has proved its worth. When styles changed this firm always kept in the lead with the newest lines of reliable merchandise. Their steady growth is the best testimonial of their ability to meet changing conditions.

It will be seen that the store which was used in 1900 was a bigger and better store than the one in which the firm started. Here the Heironimus company continued to do business for about fifteen years but in 1915 their business had outgrown these quarters and it was necessary to move the Church avenue building.

Today the Heironimus company occupies spacious and commodious

quarters at Campbell avenue and First street, S.W., and when this building was remodeled for a modern department store convenience for the customer was foremost in the minds of the owners.

The New Store

The interior of the new store that was almost rebuilt in 1935 presents a most attractive appearance. The lighting effects are one of the main features with approximately seventeen and one-half miles of copper wire used in the building. Much electric equipment is used throughout the building as the elevators are operated by electricity and even the awnings are raised and lowered electrically. The store is modern in every respect.

Such equipment and such furnishings as the customer sees in the present quarters marks a great contrast to the first store of the firm. This establishment was grown because of the fact that a firm foundation was laid. Looking ahead the founders realized that to be successful a firm had to realize that they were not in business for today or tomorrow but for the years to come.

This firm is still marching ahead under the able management of Robert L. Lynn, Jr., and there seems to be little doubt but that as much progress will be made in the future as has been made in the past.

- Prepared by Lingjie Gu

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



Shelly Koon

Contributing Writer

National Burrito Day

One of my favorite memories is lunch in junior high school. Kraemer Junior High in Placentia California was a large school that had only two grades, 7th & 8th. The school had an open plan and all the rooms opened to the outside. So naturally we often ate our lunch outside. We had a kitchen that served lunches in tin foil dishes that were reheated at our school. But the best lunch came from the vending machines on the quad. For 75 cents I would get a cup of cold red fruit punch and a hot burrito. To this day I have not found a burrito that tastes just like it. Once the government decided that school lunches needed to be healthier the vending machines disappeared.

Why am I writing about burritos? Well, the first Thursday in April is National Burrito day. Burritos are technically a type of taco but with two requirements: it has to be made with a flour tortilla and it must be folded with closed ends. Bare bones burritos are beans and cheese, while others have a multitude of ingredients like shredded meat, rice, refried beans, onions, and cheese. Wet burritos are those covered in sauce. Chimichangas are deep fried burritos. There are burritos for every meal including breakfast. Burritos are like a little casserole wrapped in a tortilla. This week's recipe is for a burrito casserole. I have included two recipes; one that is from scratch and one that uses shortcuts. Both are good it just depends on how much time you have to cook.

Smothered burritos

Ingredients:

- 1 lb ground beef
- 1 ½ tsp chilli powder
- 1 tsp cumin
- 1 tsp kosher salt
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- ½ tsp onion powder
- ½ tsp garlic powder
- 3 garlic cloves, peeled and minced



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- 1 small onion diced
- 1 TBLSP tomato paste
- 1/3 cup water
- 5-6 burrito sized tortillas
- 8.8 oz package prepared Mexican or Spanish rice warmed in the microwave per package instructions
- 16 oz can refried beans warmed in the microwave
- 10 oz can red enchilada sauce
- 8 oz shredded cheese

Instructions:

Preheat the oven to 400°F. In a large skillet cook the onions and garlic in the olive oil over medium heat for 5 minutes. Add the ground beef and brown while crumbling until it is cooked through. Add the salt, chili powder, cumin, garlic powder, onion powder, and oregano. Give it a good stir. Stir in the tomato paste to coat the beef and cook for 1 minute. Pour in the water and mix. Remove from the heat. Prepare a large casserole dish with 3 Tbsp. enchilada sauce; spread it across the bottom of the dish. Assemble burritos by

layering each tortilla with refried beans, ground beef, rice and cheese, then roll into a burrito. Lay seam side down in the prepared pan. Top with remaining enchilada sauce. Finish by sprinkling the remaining cheese over the burritos. Bake at 400° for 20 minutes.

Quick burrito casserole

Ingredients:

- 8 frozen burritos, unwrapped (pick the fillings you like)
- 2 10 oz cans red enchilada sauce
- 2 cups shredded Mexican cheese
- Sour cream and salsa

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 375°F. Arrange burritos in a 9x13" baking dish, 6 in a row, and 2 turned sideways to fill out the dish. Top with enchilada sauce. Place in preheated oven and bake for 30 minutes. Add cheese and continue baking until the cheese is melted (about 5 more minutes). Top with sour cream and salsa if desired.

Bluegrass from page 1



Maynard and Lee Palmer performed at the Salem Senior Center April 1.



PHOTOS BY EDMEE CR HASLER

Paul Boone, left, Maynard Palmer and Lee Palmer performed April 1 at the Senior Center First Mondays.

cooperation of the bands to get it going," John said. "Bluegrass is huge in this area," added Sword, "it's much bigger than people realize."

"With 'Mason Creek' furnishing most of the sound equipment, and bandmate, Tim Rhodes, helping out, we try to make it as easy as possible on the musicians," said John. "It's all volunteer. We have a donation bucket, cake raffle, and door prizes."

The monthly show happens the first Monday of the month, with a couple of dates varying for holidays. April's show featured longtime area performers, father and son, Maynard and Lee Palmer.

John also wants to expand the audience noting, "my goal has

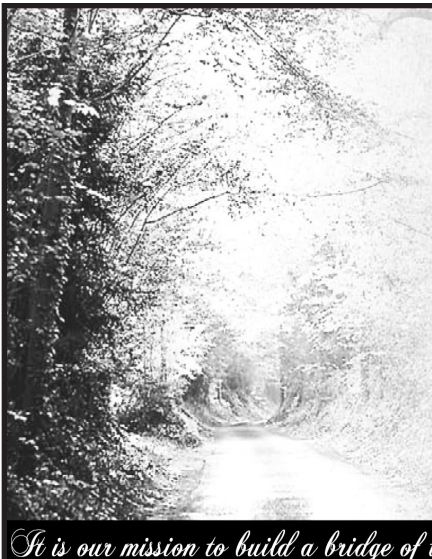
been to provide a venue for young bands. We've had the 'Brothers Young' in February and 'New Found Gap' from Asheville, North Carolina will be here in July 8. Really looking forward to that.

"This year's schedule filled up quickly," John said, then added, "Monday night is a tough night but we've got a great crowd here at the center, some of them are regulars and have probably been coming since Dwayne

ran it." Of the show John said, "This has always been a free admission, donations accepted and all ages encouraged to attend!" The donations help the musicians cover their expenses.

All shows are at the Salem Senior Center on the first Monday of the month. Here is the line up for the rest of the season: May 6 – Mike Conner June 3 – Southern Rail July 8 – Virginia Carolina Band

Aug. 5 – Maynard and Lee Palmer
Sept. 9 – The Guard
Oct. 7 – The Franklin Station Show
Nov. 4 – Luv Buzzards Show
Dec. 2 – Christmas Show



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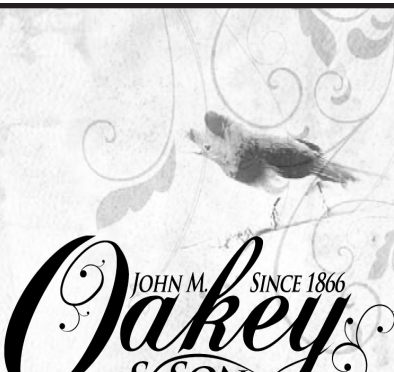
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OPINION

Celebrate National Library Week with us next week: April 8-12

It's the most wonderful time of the year - next week is National Library Week! This year Salem Public Library will host a different delicious food truck each day from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. starting Monday, April 8 through Friday, April 12. Each vendor is supporting the Friends of Salem Library! Come on out and support the Library and treat yourself at the same time!

- Monday, April 8: Delicia's Gourmet Ice
- Tuesday, April 9: Empanada Nirvana Roanoke
- Wednesday, April 10: Sycamore Snacks
- Thursday, April 11: Blue Cow Ice Cream Co.
- Friday, April 12: Las Tapatias Taco Truck and Catering

Upcoming programs for adults:

Tuesday, April 9, 6:30 p.m.: True Crime Book Club (A book club for amateur detectives and armchair sleuths who like to discuss cold cases and old crimes) Discuss the book, "The Third Rainbow Girl" by Emma Eisenberg.

Thursday, April 11 and April 25; 2-4 p.m.: Ages 18+ Puzzles & Games Afternoon: Come for a fun afternoon of board games, card games, and jigsaw

Library Corner

Empowering individuals to build a stronger community
Benita VanCleave

puzzles. No registration required- just drop in! Refreshments will be provided.

6 p.m.: Silent Book Club: Welcome to Introvert Happy Hour, hosted by the Salem Public Library and Silent Book Club Roanoke!! Meet up with likeminded book nerds to hang out in comfortable silence then maybe bond over mutual interests. No need to read the same book, feeling pressured by deadlines or other people's opinions. Just come out, bring your latest pull from your to be read pile and settle in. Silent Book Club Roanoke meets at various locations around Roanoke Valley; check out their Facebook page to

learn more!

Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m.: Nonfiction Book Club; Discuss the book "H is for Hawk" by Helen Macdonald.

Wednesday, April 17, 6:30 p.m.: Same Page Book Club: An LGBTQ+ book club for the community and allies.

Upcoming children's programs

Thursday, April 11, 18 and 25, 10:15 a.m. **Book Babies:** Special Storytime designed especially for infants and crawlers. Register at salemva.libcal.com 11 a.m. **Story Explorers:** Children aged 0-5.

Saturday, April 13, 11 a.m.: **Library Buffet Storytime:** We'll read a food themed book and make a recipe! Grades 1-3. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Tuesday, April 16, 3:30 p.m.: **Middle School Book Club:** "City Spies: Mission Manhattan." Grades 6-8. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Friday, April 19, 3:30 p.m.: Middle School Graphic Novel Book Club: "Lightfall" by Tim Probert. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Virginia Western students win poetry and visual arts contests; poet earns spot to compete for statewide title

ROANOKE – Virginia Western Community College announced the winners of its inaugural Virginia Community College System Poetry & Visual Arts Competition this week.

Participating students submitted original poetry and visual artworks during February and March interpreting the theme "I Belong." The program aimed to foster a sense of community and belonging at Virginia Western and across the Virginia Community College System. Twenty of the 23 colleges in the VCCS participated in this first year of the Poetry & Arts Competition, which was supported by the VCCS Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Culture.

Virginia Western Poet Laureate for 2024 – **Chanlee Luu**

Second place in poetry – **Jennifer Sheppard**

Third place in poetry – **Emma Turner**

Virginia Western Art Visionary for 2024 – **Samuel Evans**

Second place in art – **Amelia Smith**

Third place in art – **Austin Dovel**

Winners at Virginia Western received \$200 gift cards, with second place winning \$100 and third place winning \$50. Chanlee Luu also won a spot to compete for statewide honors. College poetry winners from across Virginia will participate at a live performance of their original theme-related poems at the Dickinson Fine and Performing Arts Center at Piedmont Virginia Community College in Charlottesville on April 6, and a chance to be named "Poet Laureate" of Virginia's Community Colleges. A panel of distinguished judges will determine the winner of the competition based on the individual's original poetry, a private interview and the Saturday performance.

"The work of our students is wonderful," said VCCS Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer Carla Kimbrough. "I'm so grateful to college coordinators who

organized the competitions at their colleges, and the judges at the college level who helped us find true gems of creativity in this inaugural event. We are so excited to showcase the message of belonging from our talented poets and visual artists from so many of our colleges at our April 6 event."

With the support of Virginia's Humanities, the winners from all 20 participating colleges will have their poetry and visual arts featured in a book to be published this summer. The Virginia Humanities grant also supported professional development for the college poet laureates and top visual artists.

Additionally, Virginia Western is hosting an open mic event for all of the college's student participants on April 16.

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Virginia Western student Chanlee Luu will compete for the statewide title of Poet Laureate of Virginia's Community Colleges on Saturday, April 6, in Charlottesville.

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CLUES ACROSS

- Colas
- Single-celled animals
- The rear car of a train
- Endangered
- It cools your home
- Helper
- "The First State"
- More aged
- Partner to cheese
- Type of wrap
- From a distance
- Satisfies
- "Dallas Buyers' Club" actor Jared
- God of battle (Scandinavian)
- Cooking utensil
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Able to perform
- Big man on campus
- Second epoch of the Tertiary period
- Porticos
- Alban and Peter are two
- Gets up
- Humble request for help
- One-thousandth of an inch (abbr.)
- Unhappy
- Hint or indication
- A way to plead
- Digits
- Broadway actress Daisy
- Jewish calendar month
- Author Gore
- Peacock network
- White poplar
- Promotional material
- A period of calm
- Take too much
- Emit energy
- Something you can take
- Mended with yarn
- Inconsistent

CLUES DOWN

- Calm down
- One quintillion bytes (abbr.)
- One who pretends
- Hang glide
- Distinctive practice
- Mariner
- Peaks
- Queens ballplayer
- Geological times
- Twofold
- Atomic #13
- Tranquillizing
- Metric weight unit
- Indicates
- Unwanted rodent
- Partly cooked with hot water
- One who can be recommended
- Resembles a bag or pouch
- Midway between south and southeast
- Sets up for a photo
- California white oak
- More (Spanish)
- After B
- Decorated tea urn
- Island
- Car mechanics group
- Wordplay joke
- Cut a rug
- Prickly plant
- Speech in praise of a deceased person
- European buzzard
- Influential linguist
- West African languages
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- Oblong pulp
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- Powerful lawyer
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Interstate 81

INTERSTATE 81 LANE WIDENING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT EXIT 137 TO EXIT 141 – The \$179 million design-build project to widen both directions of I-81 between mile markers 136.6 and 141.8 from two to three lanes is underway. Work is being performed along a five-mile section of both northbound and southbound Interstate 81 in Roanoke County and the city of Salem. Barrier wall is in place along the shoulders. Two lanes of I-81 traffic in each direction are expected to remain open during the project with periodic lane closures scheduled during nighttime hours or outside of peak travel times as needed. Drivers can expect the following lane closures and upcoming traffic impacts in this area on northbound and southbound I-81:

ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC IMPACTS:

WORK ZONE SPEED: Drivers should adhere to posted 60 mph speed limits in the work zone and allow space when following a vehicle. Narrow spacing in lanes due to barrier walls, lack of shoulders and lane shifts in various locations, are present.

TRAFFIC SHIFTS ON WILDWOOD ROAD: Expect a work zone with traffic shifts and narrow width on Wildwood Road after exiting I-81 southbound on exit 137 heading towards Salem. Southbound and northbound I-81 exit and entrance ramp narrows are possible at Route 311.

TRAFFIC SHIFT ON EXIT 140: Drivers may experience a periodic quick merge into traffic onto Thompson Memorial Drive from the southbound exit ramp of exit 140. Work zone located at bottom of the ramp for work on the I-81 bridge at the underpass.

RAMP CLOSURES: Ramp closures are possible during nighttime hours, 12 a.m., to 5 a.m. Drivers should watch for message boards dates and times the ramp will be closed.

LANE CLOSURES: Alternating left and right lane and shoulder closures during nighttime hours between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, are possible. Lane widths will be reduced to 11 feet. Nightly lane closures may be in place along the right lane with possible nightly ramp narrows as needed for guardrail and shoulder strengthening. The project also includes replacing six bridges, widening two bridges, installing approximately 2.6 miles of sound barrier walls along northbound I-81, improving the southbound exit 137 off-ramp intersection at Wildwood Road and adding interchange lighting at exits 137, 140 and 141. Expected completion in early 2026.

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

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I-81 NORTHBOUND AT EXIT 105 NEW RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Traffic on northbound I-81 has been switched onto the newly constructed bridge over the New River at the Montgomery/Pulaski County line. Lane and shoulder closures may be in place near exit 105. Lane closure may be in effect during the week from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Shoulder closures may be in effect at any time during the week. Slow rolls may be performed on I-81 in the north and southbound lanes from mile marker 98 to 109. Speed limit is reduced to 60 miles per hour in the work zone. Shoulder closures will remain in place though the duration of the project. Project completion is estimated for Summer 2024.

LANE CLOSURES: Nighttime alternating lane closures are possible on I-81 northbound between mile markers 104-106 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning.

ROUTE 605: Alternating lane closures and flagging operations may be present on Route 605, located under the New River Bridge, for paving operations and work overhead on the bridge.

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

I-81 BRIDGE DECK REPAIRS – Weather permitting, crews will repair bridge decks on Interstate 81. Between mile markers 170 to 89, right and left lane closures will be in place northbound and southbound during nighttime hours, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning. Drivers should watch for signs and expect possible delays.

Roanoke County SIDEWALK PROJECT ON SOUTHBOUND WILLIAMSON ROAD IN HOLLINS AREA - Work is underway on a project to construct new sidewalk along the section of southbound Route 11 (Williamson Road) between Plantation Road and Peters Creek Road. Drivers in the Hollins area can expect periodic right lane closures on southbound Williamson Road between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. As work progresses, occasional nighttime lane closures also will be scheduled. The sidewalk project is expected to be completed in summer 2024.

ROANOKE GAS UTILITY WORK - Roanoke Gas is renewing gas lines along Route 1306 (Bower Road) and Route 1371 (Hyde Park Drive). This utility work will be done under pavement and will require milling and pavement replacement in the affected lanes. Estimated completion is scheduled for the end of April 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/McAfeeShuttle.

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 driver 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 - 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 June 2024.

Craig County

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Montgomery County

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

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Conference

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impacts of AI and generative AI, and how to build ethically resilient, rights-based technology that is responsible, sustainable and justice-oriented for the benefit of all.

In addition to her role at UVA, Cummings is co-director of the AI Equity Lab at the Brookings Institute and an Inaugural Senior Fellow in AI, Data and Policy for a leading international think tank, All Tech Is Human.

Her keynote address is free and open to the public. It will begin at 6 p.m. April 4 in Roanoke College's Wortmann Ballroom.

The two-day Virginia Conference on Race will continue April 5 with a lineup of panels and student research presentations. The panels are a new addition to the format this year introduced to bring community leaders and faculty together to share ideas and insights.

The focus of the panels will be "Race & Health" and "Community Building." More information about the events and panelists is available here. These events are free and open to the public.

The Virginia Conference on Race is an annual gathering created in 2022 by Roanoke College Assistant Professor Carrie Murawski and the Center for Studying Structures of Race (CSSR), where she is a faculty affiliate.

The conference's goal is to amplify voices in race studies and engage our community in thoughtful conversations about race. This year's theme is "FOREWORD," a guidepost chosen to encourage people to reflect on the tension between the events of the past and the events yet to emerge in the future.

"I am excited to have more of a connection to the Roanoke Valley community this year," Murawski said. "These conversations on race and anti-racism activism are bigger than Roanoke College and higher education. Community leaders are going to be able to offer new perspectives and invite us to think deeper about how structural issues are rooted in the places we learn, work, and live."



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Last year, more than 30 student research presentations were given in the Colket Center during the conference.

Gov. Youngkin announces February jobs numbers

RICHMOND— Gov. Glenn Youngkin announced last week that according to BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics (“LAUS”, or “the household survey”), Virginia’s labor force participation rate, which measures the proportion of the civilian population age 16 and older that is employed or actively looking for work, remained unchanged at 66.6 percent in February.

“In February, we set a new record-high number of Virginians in the labor force, which is encouraging for local businesses trying to fill open jobs and grow in the Commonwealth,” said Youngkin. “This report reinforces the need for pro-growth policies that move Virginia forward for the Commonwealth’s economy to thrive.”

According to BLS LAUS, Virginia’s seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in February remained unchanged at 3.0 percent, 0.9 percentage points below the national rate. The labor force increased by 3,159 to 4,591,543; the number of

employed residents increased by 3,233 to 4,451,840, as the number of unemployed residents decreased by 74 to 139,703.

“Virginia’s unchanged unemployment rate is now nearly a full percentage point below the 3.9 percent national rate,” said Secretary of Labor Bryan Slater. “With the many job openings in the Commonwealth, we maintain our focus on training Virginians in high-demand occupations to continue to increase our labor force participation.”

“It’s encouraging to see historic levels of Virginians joining the labor force and more Virginians working in February,” said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Caren Merrick. “This shows that job seekers are taking advantage of career opportunities in the Commonwealth and supporting our economic development efforts.”

BLS publishes an additional employment figure from its Current Employment Statistics Survey (“CES” or

“establishment survey”). The CES survey uses payroll records of establishment employers and is designed to provide a count of jobs under which the employer pays unemployment insurance. The LAUS survey is based on household interviews conducted each month for the Bureau of Labor Statistics and provides comprehensive data on the labor force, including those who are employed and unemployed. Establishment survey data reflects changes for updated seasonal adjustment factors, and industry classification conversions (NAICS), as part of the annual benchmarking process.

The household survey only distinguishes between whether a person is employed or unemployed, whereas CES counts each employee that is on an employer’s payroll. CES excludes business owners, self-employed persons, unpaid volunteers and private household workers, and those on unpaid leave or not working because of a labor dispute.

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Roanoke College astronomy class prepares for eclipse

Americans from Texas to Maine are gearing up for a total solar eclipse on the afternoon of Monday, April 8 and while Roanoke College will not be in the path of totality, there will still be plenty of excitement as the moon eclipses the sun by roughly 86%.

Truong Le, a visiting assistant professor in the Math, Computer Science and Physics Department, along with some of the students in his INQ250 course, “Astronomy Controversies,” will host an eclipse-viewing event on the Back Quad beginning at 2 p.m. that day. Everyone in the Roanoke College community is invited to attend.

Le and his students will distribute eclipse-viewing glasses on a first-come, first-served basis. In case there are not enough pairs of glasses to go around,

Le encouraged folks to share with friends. He also asked that those who leave the event early consider leaving the glasses for other students to use. Le’s students also will monitor multiple telescopes with solar filters, inviting guests to safely take turns viewing the eclipses through those devices.

A total solar eclipse happens when the moon passes between the sun and the earth, briefly covering the sun’s outer atmosphere, the corona. On April 8, the moon’s shadow will sweep across the U.S. from Texas to Maine. The eclipse will begin at 2 p.m. and last until almost 4 p.m.

After April 8, the U.S. won’t see another coast-to-coast solar eclipse until 2045.

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SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT



Ceramic sculptures by beloved Salem artist Grace Smyth, Jr.

COURTESY PHOTO

April is Arts Month at the Salem Museum!

A highlight of the year for Salem artist Grace Smyth, Jr. (1907-1994), was working as a fire ranger in Virginia's forests, watching for wildfires. She enjoyed being close to nature and spent her life painting and sculpting the wildlife around her.

These sculptures are a sampling of her art that is a part of the Salem Museum's collections. With these figures she captured the image of the animals around her, making these beautiful ceramic sculptures.

You can see these sculptures on display this weekend as part of the Salem Museum's Hands-On History Saturday program. In April, the Hands-On History theme is "Salem Arts" featuring the works of Salem artists. On Saturdays, visitors can pull on a glove and touch a piece of history with their own hand.

To learn how ceramic and pottery art is made, visit the Salem Museum for Hands-On Arts Day. On April 13 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. a variety of artists will be on hand doing demonstrations and many will offer the opportunity for visitors to try their craft themselves.

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

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Yard Sales - Botetourt County

Moving Yard Sale,
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342 McIntosh Road,
Roanoke. Items: Kayak,
small refrigerator, couch,
garden tools, bakeware,
lamps, much more.

Legals - Botetourt County

BWW# VA-368482-1 TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 1811 TIMBER RIDGE, BUCHANAN, VA 24066.

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated December 7, 2017, in the original principal amount of \$140,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia as Instrument No. 170004806. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Botetourt County, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on May 6, 2024, at 10:30 AM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS TRACT NO. 7, CONTAINING 6.191 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF SUBDIVISION OF CEDAR ACRES, DATED FEBRUARY 7, 1973, OF RECORD IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN THE PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 62. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale.

The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.bwvsales.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee:

Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. For more information contact: BWWLaw Group, LLC, attorneys for Equity Trustees, LLC, 6003 Executive Blvd, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-961-6555, website: www.bwvsales.com. VA-368482-1.

ABC NOTICE

HEATHER BURNETTE trading as Mrs. B's Restaurant and Bar, 19857 Main Street, Buchanan, Botetourt County, VA. 24066.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a ON/OFF Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Heather Burnette owner

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC

Legals - Botetourt County

no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Case No. **CL24-69 VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT**

COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Complainant, v. WILLIAM H. SMITH, ET AL., Respondent(s)

The object of this suit is to: Enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Botetourt, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Botetourt, Virginia, described as follows: Tax Map No. 102/2/4 Account No. 11709

All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being the Blue Ridge Magisterial District, Botetourt County, Virginia, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: All that certain tract or parcel of land containing 6.9 acres, more or less, designated as Lot No. 4, as shown on plat entitled "Plat of the John A. Orange Tract", dated August 1941, made by S.S. Lynn, S.C.S., of record in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, in Plat Book 2, at Page 82. Together with a perpetual right of way and easement for the purpose of ingress and egress from the land herein described to the public road.

And being the same property conveyed to William H. Smith from Hubert J. Orange and Mary Frances Orange, his wife, by deed dated January 10, 1978, and recorded February 2, 1978, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Botetourt County, Virginia, in Deed Book 241 at Page 257.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 186, at Page 355 and Deed Book 242, at Page 30.

IT APPEARING that an affidavit has been made and filed stating that the 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:

William H. Smith, who is believed to be deceased and whose last address is unknown; Emily M. Smith, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before May 6, 2024 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Botetourt, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.

Entered on the 21st day of March, 2024
T. Moore
Clerk

I ask for this:

- Seth Konopasek, Esq. (VSB No. 97065)
- John A. Rife, Esq. (VSB No. 45805)
- Jeffery A. Scharf, Esq. (VSB No. 30591)
- Mark K. Ames, Esq. (VSB No. 27409)
- Andrew M. Neville, Esq. (VSB No. 86372)
- Paul L. LaBarr, Esq. (VSB No. 91609)
- Gregory L. Haynes, Esq. (VSB No. 37158)
- Garrett W. Patton, Esq. (VSB No. 98345)
- Taxing Authority Consulting Services, PC P.O. 31800 Henrico, Virginia 23294-1800
- Phone: (804)864-0080 TACS No.: 924110

Legals - City of Radford

TRUSTEE'S SALE PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN: West Ward of the City of Radford, Virginia Containing 0.2479 acres, more or less Commonly Known as: 1002 West Main Street, Radford, Virginia

IN EXECUTION OF A CERTAIN DEED OF TRUST OF RECORD IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RADFORD CITY, VIRGINIA, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 201100838, DATED AUGUST 29, 2011, WHEREAS, BY DEED OF BARGAIN AND SALE AND ASSUMPTION DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2016, RECORDED IN THE AFORESAID CLERK'S OFFICE AS INSTRUMENT NO: 201600804 THE DEED OF TRUST WAS ASSUMED BY MARK BROOKNER. DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN THE PAYMENT OF THE DEBT THEREIN SECURED AND BEING REQUIRED TO DO SO BY THE NOTEHOLDER, THE UNDERSIGNED SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, AFTER GIVING FOURTEEN (14) DAYS DUE NOTICE TO THE OWNERS OF THE REAL ESTATE OF THE DATE, TIME, PLACE AND TERMS OF SALE, WILL OFFER FOR SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION, IN FRONT OF THE RADFORD CITY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 619 SECOND STREET, RADFORD, VIRGINIA, ON THE 5th DAY OF APRIL, 2024, AT 10:00 A.M., THE REAL ESTATE WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON KNOWN AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

All that certain tracts or parcels of land, with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate, lying and being in the City of Radford, Virginia, and described as follows: BEING all of Lots 28 and 29, part of Lots 27, 30, 34, 35, Section 1, Plan C, Radford Land and 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, 35 Section 1, Plan C Radford Land and Improvement Co. West Ward City of Radford, Virginia for Ronald R. Sowers", dated August 23, 2011, Job No. 565811, by James Conrad Groseclose, II, Land Surveyor, Mathews and Henegar Inc., professional engineers and land surveyors, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof and reference is hereby made to said plat of survey for a more accurate description of the property herein conveyed: Tax Map Number: 13-(5)-SEC 1-27A-28-29-30A-34A+ Account Number: 020000684. Commonly Known As: 1002 West Main Street, Radford, Virginia

SALE WILL BE MADE SUBJECT TO ALL EXISTING EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AS THE SAME MAY LAWFULLY AFFECT THE REAL ESTATE. TERMS OF SALE: CASH, SETTLEMENT WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS OF SALE. A BIDDERS DEPOSIT OF TEN PERCENT (10%) MAY BE REQUIRED. PLACE OF SALE: FRONT OF RADFORD CITY COURTHOUSE, AT 619 SECOND STREET, RADFORD, VIRGINIA DATE OF SALE: APRIL 5, 2024 TIME OF SALE: 10:00 A.M.

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Pursuant to Section 58.1-3321 of the Code of Virginia, notice is hereby given that a public hearing is scheduled for 5:30 P.M. April 16, 2024 on the proposed Tax Rates for Calendar Year 2024. Interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing and present their views. The hearing will be held in the Council Chambers located at 10 Robertson Street. The City of Radford proposes to increase property tax levies.

- 1. Assessment Increase: Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real property by 31 percent.
- 2. Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment: The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$.64 per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate."

Legals - City of Radford

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Civil Case No. **CL24-7298 VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF RADFORD** THE CITY OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA, Plaintiff vs. the heirs and devisees of ORA FAYE CUNNINGHAM, deceased The heirs and devisees of ANNA MAYE D. BANNERMAN, deceased HARRY M. BANNERMAN, JR. DAVID HUGGINS Defendants

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to: ENFORCE THE LIEN OF THE Plaintiff for delinquent taxes against certain real estate described as follows: All that certain tract of land in the City of Radford, Virginia, being Lot No. 10, Block G, Baldwin Land Company, and designated as Tax Map Number 3-(7)-BLKG-10 Standing in the name of Ora Faye Cunningham, pursuant to Section 58.1-3965 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

And an affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used to ascertain the names and location of all of the heirs, devisees and successors in title of Ora Faye Cunningham, Phyllis Davis, and Anna Maye D. Bannerman; that there are or may be other persons having an interest in the real estate forming the subject matter of this suit whose names and last post office addresses are unknown, namely, the unknown heirs, devisees and successors in title of Ora Faye Cunningham, Phyllis Davis, and Anna Maye D. Bannerman; that Harry M. Bannerman, Jr. is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 2010 NW 106th Avenue, Pembroke Pines, FL, 33026; that David Huggins is a nonresident of the state of Virginia, whose last known post office address is 3 Center Street, Glen Cove, NY, 11542.

It is ORDERED that this order be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Radford News Journal and that the parties named herein appear on or before May 27, 2024, at 9:30 am in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court for the City of Radford, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interest in this suit.

Enter: this 25th day of March, 2024
Angel Turpin DC Clerk
I ask for this: James W. Elliott p.q. Attorney at Law P.O. Box 1410 Yorktown, VA 23692 (757) 898-7000

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Legals - City of Radford

3. Effective Rate Increase: The City of Radford proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$.69 per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed rate would be \$.05 per \$100, or 7.8% percent. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase." Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

4. Proposed Total Budget Increase: Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of the City of Radford will exceed last years by 10 percent.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for review in the City Manager's office, and on the City's website at www.radfordva.gov. BY THE ORDER OF RADFORD CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF RADFORD, VIRGINIA

TAX LEVIES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AND F.Y. 2024-2025 BUDGET

Pursuant to Section 58.1-3007 of the Code of Virginia, notice is hereby given that a public hearing is scheduled for 5:30 P.M. April 16, 2024 on the proposed Tax Rates for Calendar Year 2024. Interest parties are invited to attend the public hearing and present their views. The hearing will be held in the Council Chambers located at 10 Robertson Street.

FURTHER, notice is given that the Council's intention to increase in the following tax levies for Calendar year 2024:

- 1. Real Property tax levy at \$0.69 per one \$100.00 of assessed value, as advertised in a separate notice on April 3, 2024.
- 2. Machinery and tools tax levy remains at \$1.76 per \$100.00 of assessed value
- 3. Tangible personal property as listed and specified in Subsections 3 through 13 of Section 58.1-3503A, Code of Virginia, 1950 as amended, remains at \$2.44 per \$100.00 of assessed value.
- 4. Tangible personal property as listed and specified in Subsections 15 through 19 of Section 58.1-3503A, Code of Virginia 1950 As Amended, remains at \$1.76 per \$100.00 of assessed value.

Notice is also given that the City Council of Radford City scheduled a public hearing for 5:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter, April 16, 2024 on the Advertised Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget in the amount of \$79,043,310 The hearing will be held in the Council Chambers located at 10 Robertson Street.

The following is a synopsis of the 2024-2025 Budgets: CITY OF RADFORD Total for City GENERAL FUND \$35,411,361 STREETS MAINTENANCE FUND \$2,829,359 TRANSIT \$2,860,488 WATER/WASTEWATER FUND \$6,320,498 ELECTRIC FUND \$28,854,443 SOLID WASTE FUND \$1,688,841 *INTERNAL SERVICES \$1,078,320

*Not included in total above as this fund is allocated through all other funds.

Notice is also given that the City Council of Radford City will hear comments on the Radford City School Board Budget in the amount of \$46,803,799.

The Summary is as Follows: RADFORD CITY SCHOOL BOARD Total for Schools

Legals - City of Radford

OPERATING FUND \$38,098,270 SCHOOL NUTRITION FUND \$1,033,057 GRANTS FUND \$2,694,745 TEXTBOOKS FUND \$852,102 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND \$220,000 HEALTH INSURANCE FUND \$2,858,251 REGION 7 VIRTUAL ACADEMY FUND \$862,896

A copy of the document is available for review in the City Manager's office, the Radford Public Library, and on the City's website at www.radfordva.gov. BY THE ORDER OF RADFORD CITY COUNCIL

Legals - City of Salem

Notice

is hereby given to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission, at its regular meeting on April 10, 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 Philip M. and Rachel C. Knouff, property owners, for the amendment of a Home Occupation Permit to allow retail sales at the cut flower farm (garden) on the property located at 275 Ft Lewis Blvd (Tax Map # 130-2-22).
 - 2. Consider the request of PHC of Virginia, LLC/Acadia Healthcare, Mt Regis Center, property owner, for the amendment of the Use Not Provided For permit to allow additions to the outpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment center on the property located at 125 Knotbreak Road, (Tax Map # 148-1-5).
- Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia. At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests.

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

Order of Publication

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code §§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104 Case No. **CL24000383 ROANOKE COUNTY** Circuit Court, 305 EAST MAIN STREET, SALEM, VA 24153 in re LILLIAN MAY RICHARDSON The object of this suit is to: NAME CHANGE FOR MINOR. It is ORDERED that AMBER MARIE RICHARDSON AND WILLIAM JOSEPH RICHARDSON appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on MAY 9, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

MARCH 22, 2024 Jennifer J. West Deputy Clerk

Legals - Craig County

{TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 78 The Lane, New Castle, VA 24127

Tax Map No: 58-1-14 In execution of a Credit Line Deed of Trust dated January 26, 2012, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for Craig County, Virginia, as Instrument No. 120000054, the Substitute Trustee will offer the above-described property for sale to the highest bidder at public auction on the date and time referenced below.

Lot No. 14 of Aps Knob Subdivision as laid down in a plat prepared by Draper-Aden Associations, Inc. of

Legals - Craig County

Blacksburg, Virginia, said plat being of record in the Clerk's Office of Craig County, New Castle, Virginia, in Deed Book 43, page 45, reference is hereby made to the above mentioned plat for a more particular description

The hereinabove described property is subject to restrictions and reservation recorded in Deed Book 96, page 642 in the aforesaid Clerk's Office. Date of Sale: April 17, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Craig County Circuit Court, 182 Main Street, Suite 4, New Castle, VA 24127.

Terms: CASH: a deposit in the form of certified funds in the amount of \$10,000 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower. Settlement within thirty (30) days of date of sale. Time is of the essence.

- OPTIONS:
- 1. All costs of conveyance, examination of title, recording charges, etc. will be at cost of purchaser with the exception of the grantor's tax. Neither the Substitute Trustee nor any other party guarantees or covenants to deliver or in any way to obtain possession of the premises for any third party purchaser.
 - 2. The Substitute Trustee reserves the right to reject all bids, extend the time to receive bids or withdraw the property from sale at any time. In addition, should the Substitute Trustee be unable, for any reason, in its sole discretion, to convey title, the successful bidder's sole remedy in law or equity shall be the return of his deposit. Upon refund of the deposit, the sale shall be void and of no effect.

Additional terms may be announced at the time of the sale. The Substitute Trustee will convey the above-described property to the purchaser(s) by Special Warranty deed at settlement and makes no additional representations or warranties of any kind regarding the title to said property.

John K. Prillaman, Esq. Substitute Trustee For Information Contact: John K. Prillaman, Esq. OPN LAW 3140 Chaparral Drive Roanoke, Virginia 24018 (540) 725-8194

Legals - Town of Vinton

PUBLIC NOTICE The Planning Commission of Town of Vinton, Virginia, hereby gives notice of a work session to be held on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., or shortly thereafter.

The purpose of the work session is to discuss Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Improvement Projects (CIP). The work session will be held in the Council Chambers of the Vinton Municipal Building, 311 South Pollard Street, Vinton, Virginia. Further information concerning this notice may be obtained by calling (540) 983-0605.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO COMPLY WITH DISABILITIES ACT. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide assistance or special arrangements to qualified individuals with disabilities in order to participate in or attend the meetings. Please call (540) 983-0605 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting so that proper arrangements may be made.

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COUNTY OF
MONTGOMERY**

Parcel ID: 012435/Tax Map# 131-A-90
IN EXECUTION OF A DEED OF TRUST IN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$93,000.00, DATED THE 22nd DAY OF APRIL, 2021, RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2021-4295, DATED APRIL 22, 2021, DEFAULT HAVING OCCURRED IN THE PAYMENT OF THE NOTE SECURED THEREBY, AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE HOLDER OF THE NOTE, THE UNDERSIGNED SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, WILL OFFER FOR SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, LOCATED AT: 55 EAST MAIN STREET, CHRISTIANBURG, VIRGINIA 24073, ON 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 2024 AT 10:30 A.M., THE REAL ESTATE WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, LYING AND BEING SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, STATE OF VIRGINIA AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEING Tract No. 1, containing 1.0957 acre, as shown on plat entitled, "Carl N. McNeil and Jeanne H. Stosser 2.1373 acre (total) located on Rte. 615 Shawsville Mag. Dist. Montgomery County, Virginia" dated August 16, 1978, prepared by L.J. Quesenberry, land surveyor, designated Job No. 190, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Virginia, in Deed Book 404, Page 625. Tax Map# 131-A-90 / Parcel ID: 012435
Address: 4916 Pilot Road, Pilot, VA

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Daniel D. Hamrick, PC, Trustee

By: Daniel D. Hamrick, Agent
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
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TRUSTEE'S SALE
OF IMPROVED
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Pilot, VA 24134
COUNTY OF
MONTGOMERY**

Parcel ID: 012692/Tax Map# 131-A-26

IN EXECUTION OF A DEED OF TRUST IN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$39,920.00, DATED THE 25th DAY OF JUNE, 2021, RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2021-6796, DATED JUNE 25, 2021, DEFAULT HAVING OCCURRED IN THE PAYMENT OF THE NOTE SECURED THEREBY, AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE HOLDER OF THE NOTE, THE UNDERSIGNED SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, WILL OFFER FOR SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, LOCATED AT: 55 EAST MAIN STREET, CHRISTIANBURG, VIRGINIA 24073, ON 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 2024 AT 10:00 A.M., THE REAL ESTATE WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, LYING AND BEING SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, STATE OF VIRGINIA AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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Tax Map# 131-A-26 / Parcel ID: 012692
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THIS NOTICE IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

PLACE OF SALE: FRONT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT 55 EAST MAIN STREET, CHRISTIANBURG, VIRGINIA 24073 DATE OF SALE: APRIL 22, 2024 TIME OF SALE: 10:00 AM
Daniel D. Hamrick, PC
Substitute Trustee

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

**Order of
Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. **CL23001822-00** MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* BRENDA MARIE BRIDGES v. SCOTT THOMAS BRIDGES

The object of this suit is to: DIVORCE. It is ORDERED that SCOTT THOMAS BRIDGES appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before MAY 8TH, 2024.

Signed
March 5, 2024
Robert M.D. Turk, Judge

**Legals -
Montgomery
County****Order of
Publication**

Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316.20-104
Case No. **CL24000402-00** MONTGOMERY COUNTY Circuit Court, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANBURG, VA 24073 Commonwealth of Virginia, *in re* JOHANNA RENEE PHILLIPS v. MICHAEL DWAYNE PHILLIPS.

The object of this suit is to: DIVORCE. It is ORDERED that MICHAEL DWAYNE PHILLIPS appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before MAY 15, 2024.
MARCH 13, 2024
Robert M.D. Turk, Judge

**TOWN OF
BLACKSBURG -
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARINGS**

BLACKSBURG TOWN COUNCIL will hold public hearings on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Roger E. Hedgepeth Chambers of the Blacksburg Municipal Building, 300 South Main Street, Blacksburg, regarding the following items:

Ordinance 2048: An Ordinance Adopting the Budget for the Town of Blacksburg, Virginia for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2024 and Ending June 30, 2025; Adopting the Real Estate Tax Rate; and Appropriating Funds for the Fiscal Year. The proposed ordinance would approve the Town's 2024/2025 operating budget and maintain the existing tax rate. This is described in more detail in the stand-alone advertisement published in the Roanoke Times on March 24, 2024.

Ordinance 2049: An Ordinance Amending Blacksburg Town Code Sections 18-201, 18-400, 24-301, 24-306, 24-314, And 24-602 to Increase Fees for Water and Sewer Services and Meter Fees. The ordinance increase the amounts of the referenced fees; the increases are described in more detail in stand-alone advertisements published in the Roanoke Times on March 24, 2024 and March 31, 2024.

Ordinance 2050: An Ordinance to Amend the FY 2023/2024 Operating Budget to Appropriate \$2,500,000 of Bond Proceeds to the General Capital Improvement Fund. Ordinance 2050 will appropriate funding for the potential purchase of several parcels of land. The funding for this purchase will be included in the 2024 bond offering.

All persons affected by or interested in the proposed items above may appear and present their views. After each public hearing, Town Council will consider action on the item. Copies of materials related to the above items are on file and can be obtained in the Office of the Town Clerk, 300 South Main Street, Blacksburg, week days between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. For land use matters, copies of applications and all related items may also be found online at

www.blacksburg.gov/public hearings or reviewed in person at the Blacksburg Planning and Building Department, 400 South Main Street, Blacksburg, Virginia. Individuals with disabilities who require special assistance to attend and participate in this meeting should contact Lorraine Spaulding, Town Clerk at (540) 443-1025 or 443-1000 (voice or TDD).

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**Legals - City of
Radford****NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING-**

Pursuant to Section 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia 1950, as amended, the Radford City Council hereby gives notice of a joint public hearing with Planning Commission to be held on April 8, 2024 at 7:00 P.M., in the City Council Chambers, at 10 Robertson Street, Radford, VA, in order to hear citizen comments regarding City Council's intention to act on the following Special Use Permit request: A request by K&J Properties (applicant) on behalf of Islands on the New, LLC (owner) for a Special Use Permit to allow for a RV Resort. The use is defined as "Recreational Vehicle Park" in the Zoning Ordinance, which is allowed in the M-1 Zoning District and within the CD Zoning District only by an approved Special Use Permit. The property is located at 3080 Little River Dam Rd, further identified as Tax Parcel 24-1-8, with 36 acres, zoned CD Conservation and M-1 Light Industrial. The property is designated as Low-Density Residential in the Comprehensive Plan. Copies of the proposed plan, applications, ordinances may be examined at the Community Development Office, 10 Robertson Street, Radford, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

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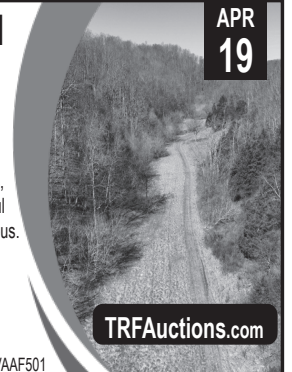
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Mary and Wayne Tincher went home from the recent Sox Fest with tickets and two bags full of goodies.

Baseball broadcast team

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Virginia Tech softball, where he calls games on behalf of the program on the Virginia Tech Sports Network from Learfield. He regularly hosts TSL Today, a daily podcast that covers all things Virginia Tech sports for Tech Sideline. He also writes feature stories and handles content for Virginia Tech Athletics and will occasionally fill in to co-host The Bear Tailgate Show, the local pre-game show for Tech football and men's basketball games.

Carter spent the past two summers broadcasting summer collegiate baseball in Eastern North Carolina, both for the Wilson Tobs in the Coastal Plain League in 2023 and for the Tarboro

River Bandits in the Premier Collegiate League in 2022.

Sports Media & Analytics students at Virginia Tech study sports journalism and work in the school's digital broadcast studio, newsroom and media lab. Students learn in real-world environments through extensive field work on campus and at stadiums and arenas throughout the ACC and the country.

"We are very excited to continue to the partnership with Virginia Tech School of Communication," said Red Sox general manager Allen Lawrence. "This collaboration is a great opportunity for students in the program and a perfect fit for providing on-air coverage for our fans."

RED SOX PROMOTIONS

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fireworks presented by GloFiber. Sundays will feature "Kids Run the Bases" after each game. Bark in the Park will return this season with 12 designated dates (4/7, 4/20, 5/2, 5/22, 6/4, 6/20, 6/29, 7/20, 7/23, 8/7, 8/22 and 9/7). Every weekend series will feature a player poster giveaway (excluding 4/5-4/7).

As 2024 unfolds, numerous theme nights and giveaways are guaranteed to keep fans entertained all season long. Promotional nights include:

- 4/5 | Opening Day
- 4/6 | Retro Jersey Night
- 4/17 | Education Day
- 4/18 | College Night
- 4/19 | School Spirit Night
- 4/20 | "Wait, Who Are These Guys?" Night
- 5/2 | Mardi Gras in May
- 5/3 | Teacher Appreciation Night
- 5/4 | Star Wars Night
- 5/5 | Cinco De Mayo
- 5/23 | Country Night
- 5/24 | Grateful Dead Night
- 5/25 | Arts in the Ballpark (Bobblehead Giveaway)

- 6/7 | PBS Kids Night presented by Dippin Dots
- 6/8 | Zooperstars!
- 6/18 | Camp Day presented by Metis Holdings
- 6/20 | Ladies Night
- 6/21 | African American Heritage Night
- 6/22 | Wrestling Night (Bobblehead Giveaway)
- 6/27 | Diversity Night
- 6/28 | Tyler's Amazing Balancing Act
- 6/29 | Friends Night (T-Shirt Giveaway)
- 7/19 | Faith & Family Night
- 7/20 | Scooby Doo Night (Youth T-Shirt Giveaway)
- 7/25 | Margaritaville Night
- 7/26 | Outdoors Night (Koozie Giveaway)
- 7/27 | Dinos at the Diamond
- 8/8 | Area 51 Night
- 8/9 | (T-Shirt Giveaway)
- 8/10 | Marvel's Defenders of the Diamond
- 8/11 | Mugsy's Birthday presented by Virginia 811
- 8/22 | Hockey Night
- 8/24 | Military Appreciation Night
- 9/2 | Labor Day
- 9/5 | College Night 2.0
- 9/6 | Fan Appreciation
- 9/7 | First Responder Appreciation

2024 SCHEDULE

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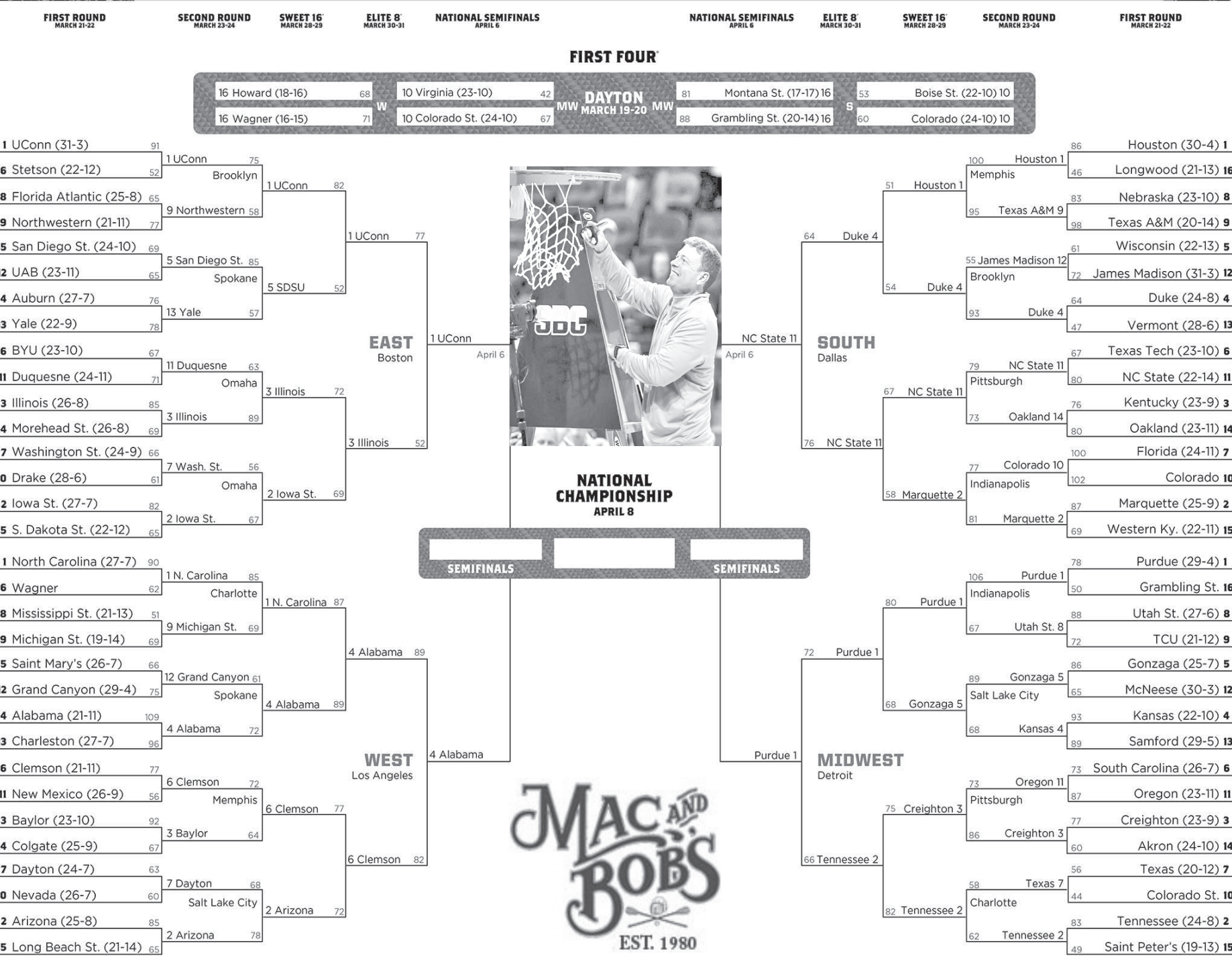
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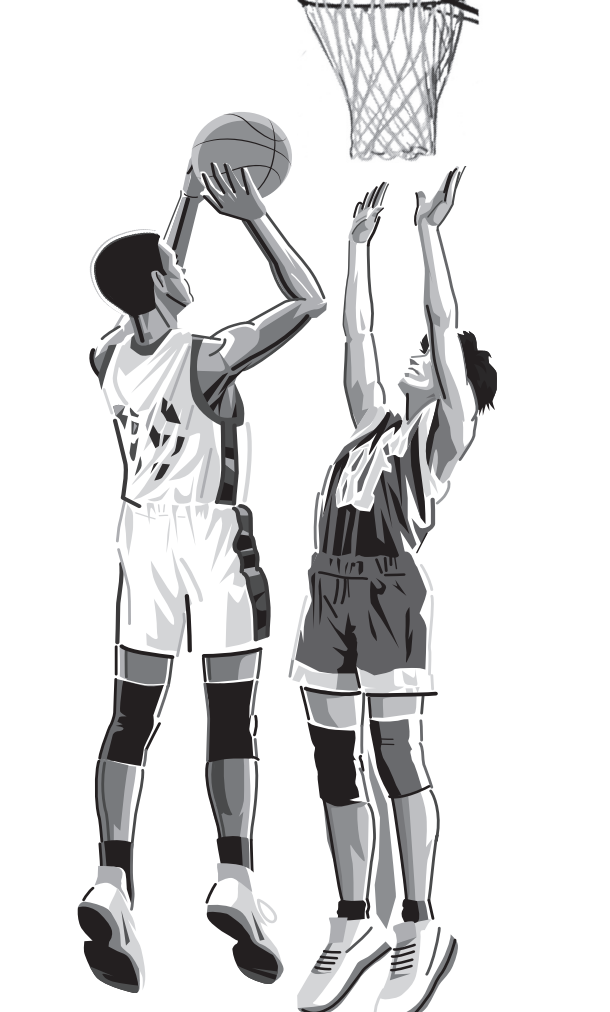
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RC softball sweeps EMU

The Roanoke College softball team showed no rust after 11 days off from varsity competition last Friday, sweeping an Old Dominion Athletic Conference doubleheader in Harrisonburg against Eastern Mennonite, 14-4 and 10-0.

After a scoreless first inning of the opener, the Maroon offense exploded for two runs each in the second and third, three in the fourth and seven in the fifth. Ally Brown was 2-for-2 with a home run, a walk and three RBIs, Kate Houle was 3-for-3 with two runs scored and a double and Morgan Clark and Molly Epperson were both 3-for-3. Maggie McCray struck out eight over four innings to earn the win in the circle.

Junior Lindsay Gedro fell just one out short of a no-hitter in the second game, allowing a two-out single in the bottom of the sixth. She walked just two with five strikeouts.

At the plate, Heather McQueeney went 3-for-3 in game two with three runs, three RBIs and a triple. Epperson concluded a perfect day at the plate, again going 3-for-3 and adding three RBIs as she raised her batting average nearly 100 points from .323 to .432. Houle blasted a two-run pinch hit home run.

With the sweep the Maroons improved to 9-5 overall and 2-0 in the ODAC. They were scheduled to host Ferrum on Tuesday but that was rained out and rescheduled for April 18. RC has had six games postponed in the span of nine days due to inclement weather.

Today the Maroons are in Newport News for a non-conference doubleheader against Christopher Newport. On Saturday they'll host Sweet Briar for two ODAC games at the Botetourt Sports Complex with the first game scheduled for 1 pm.



PHOTO BY JOHN WACHER

Nate Prince(left) and Corey Coogan sprint back to the dugout after Coogan's two-run homer brought Prince home in Saturday's win over Washington & Lee in the second game of an ODAC doubleheader at Salem Memorial Ballpark.

RC lacemen pound Shenandoah

The Roanoke College men's lacrosse team hit the net 29 times in a dominating win over Shenandoah in Winchester last Saturday.

The Maroons sprinted out to an 8-0 lead less than nine minutes into the contest. Wyatt Whitlow completed a hat trick during this span, while Luke Kammerman notched one goal and three assists during the early run. Roanoke would hold a 10-1 advantage by

the end of the opening quarter.

After Shenandoah scored the first goal of the second period, the Maroons reeled off five more unanswered tallies, pushing their lead to 15-2 on a goal from Quinn Evans with 6:11 left in the frame. RC would hold a 17-4 edge at the break.

Whitlow and Kammerman notched nine points each to lead the way. Salem High

product Whitlow tallied seven goals and a pair of assists, while Kammerman finished with four goals and five assists.

The Maroons improved to 8-2 with the win and they're unbeaten after three ODAC games. They were scheduled to host Bridgewater on Wednesday, followed by a trip to Hampden-Sydney for a 1 pm game Saturday.

Maroons are 8-2 in ODAC baseball

The Roanoke College baseball team is 8-2 in Old Dominion Athletic Conference games after splitting a doubleheader with Washington & Lee last Saturday. The Maroons dropped the first game, 14-6, but battled back to win the nightcap in 14 innings, 5-4.

In the first game the Generals plated eight runs in the first three innings to go ahead 8-0 before RC started to chip away. Hayden Giordano hit a solo homer to start the scoring in the fourth and Roanoke added runs later in the frame on a Cayden Freels double and a Dylan Bonzon bases loaded walk. Freels brought in two more in the sixth on a two-out single and Jonny Wall cut the lead to 8-6 with an RBI base hit in the sixth before W&L put the game out of reach with two in the seventh and four in the ninth.

In the second game the Maroons went up 1-0 in the second inning on a wild pitch but W&L countered with one run in the fourth on an infield single. Freels drilled a solo homer in the fifth to put RC ahead 2-1 but again the Generals tied it up with a run in top of the seventh.

A Corey Coogan two-run blast in the bottom of the seventh gave the Maroons a 4-2 lead, only to have W&L force extra innings with a run each in the eighth and ninth innings, both with two outs. Junior Tucker Schiavoni laced a two-out double to score the winning run in the bottom of the 14th inning of game two.

Sophomore Isaac Brooks earned the win for Roanoke, tossing four scoreless innings and allowing just one hit. Jackson Murphy got the start on the mound and gave up just six hits and two earned runs with no walks and six strikeouts. Wall, Kyle Moshier, Freels and Nate Prince each had two hits each.

The split left the Maroons at 13-12 overall with a non-conference game scheduled for Tuesday against Methodist University at Franklin County High School and an ODAC game with Ferrum on Wednesday in Salem.

15th ranked women top BC

The 15th-ranked Roanoke women's lacrosse team scored 10 first-quarter goals in a 16-7 conference road win over the Eagles at Bridgewater College.

The Maroons scored four of the game's first five goals, with Grace Koutouzis putting them ahead 4-1 with 9:52 to play in the first period. After the Eagles closed to 4-2 Roanoke reeled off the final six goals of the quarter, taking a 10-2 lead when Kate Loughran found the back of the cage in the closing seconds and the Maroons were never threatened again.

Koutouzis posted seven points, finishing with three goals and four assists, while Kate Loughran notched three goals and a pair of assists. All 12 of their combined points came in the first half. The Maroons outshot the Eagles 44-14 and forced 23 BC turnovers.

With the win the Maroons improved to 8-2 overall and 3-0 in ODAC play with the some tough coming up. They were scheduled to host Lynchburg Wednesday night followed by a trip to Lexington Saturday to meet Washington & Lee at 11 am.

Fowler lowers RC 100 record

Brady Fowler broke his own program mark in the 100m, and the Roanoke men's track & field team posted three event victories at the Hornet Open at the University of Lynchburg last weekend. The Maroon women claimed two first-place finishes and added a pair of runner-up performances in the Friday and Saturday meet.

Fowler reestablished the Roanoke record in the 100m dash, clocking in at 10.37 seconds to finish as the runner-up in the event. His time currently leads Division III. The junior won the 200m with a time of 20.95 seconds, which ranks second in the country for the outdoor season, also was part of the victorious 4x100 relay team, joining forces with Aidan Spradlin, Elijah Bolich and Bryson Hill to win the race in 41.45 seconds. That time ranks second in school history and third in the NCAA this spring.

Roanoke won the 4x400 relay as well with Hill, Bolich, Lorenz Camobreco and Cameron McDonald teaming up to win in 3:25.73, landing in third place in the ODAC standings.

In the hammer throw, Jim Sarsfield led all Division III competitors and placed seventh overall with a personal-best distance of 48.32m. That mark currently ranks second in the ODAC.

For the women, Kaitlyn Nguyen won the high jump after posting a mark of 1.60m. She currently sits in second place in the ODAC for the outdoor season.

The quartet of Mikayla Hefferon, Maryrose Molina-Shuman, Ophelia Ladner and Haylee Gamble won the 4x400 relay with a conference-leading mark of 3:59.46. Their time also ranks second in the South Region and 13th in the NCAA. The 4x100 relay team of Gamble, Lindsey Hobin, Nalonda Henderson and Eleanor Hinckley finished as the runner-up with a time of 47.70 seconds, which currently ranks fifth in

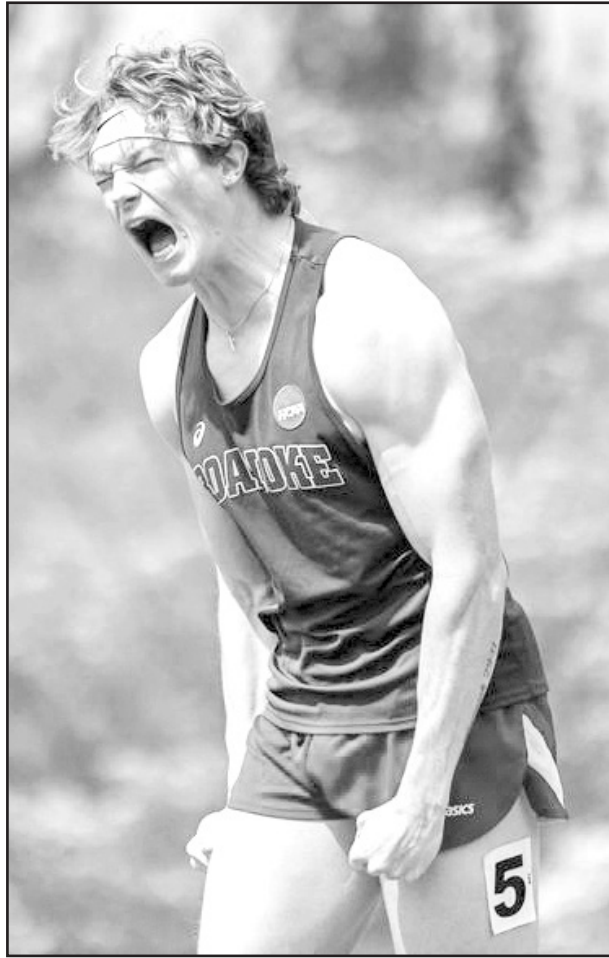


PHOTO BY RYAN HUNT

Brady Fowler of Roanoke College lets out a yell after breaking his own record in the 100 meters Saturday at the University of Lynchburg.

Division III for the current outdoor campaign. Ladner came in second in the 400m hurdles, clocking in at 1:07.21. That personal-record mark is also the fourth-fastest time in the ODAC this year.

This weekend the Maroons will head to High Point, NC for the VertKlasse Meet on April 5-6.

Salem, Glenvar HS sports return from break this week

High School sports for Salem and Glenvar High School teams return this week after taking off 10 days for spring break. Games returned on Tuesday of this week but results were too late for press deadlines and will be included in next week's edition.

High School sports today, Thursday, include Salem softball at William Fleming and Glenvar boys' soccer at home against Lord Botetourt. On Friday Salem will play Hidden Valley in six sports with softball, girls' soccer and girls' tennis at home and baseball boys' soccer and boys' tennis at Hidden Valley. Glenvar's softball and girls' tennis teams will be home against Northside Friday while the baseball and boys' tennis team play at Northside.

On Saturday the Salem track team will take the oval for the first time this spring with a meet at William Byrd. That will include 19 schools and take up most of the day.

SHS, ALMS Physicals

Andrew Lewis Middle School and Salem High will conduct a sports physical night on Wednesday, May 1st, in the sixth grade wing of Andrew Lewis Middle School.

Physical night is a quick, cost effective way to complete the required athletic physical needed for yearly participation in athletics. Andrew Lewis students will be seen

from 6-7 pm and Salem High students from 7-8 pm.

Participants are asked to park on College Avenue in front of Andrew Lewis or in the Central Office parking lot and enter the school through the car rider entrance. Cost is \$20.

For questions please contact Matt Coe at Andrew Lewis or Drev Barrett at Salem High.

13th annual City of Salem Benefit Golf Tournament scheduled for June 1st

The 13th annual City of Salem Benefit Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 1st, at the Salem Municipal Course on Academy Street. This year's tournament proceeds will go to Salem Police officer Brian Stump, who was diagnosed with throat cancer in December.

Stump has been with the Salem Police Department since December of 2000, serving the citizens of Salem in the Animal Control Division. He was appointed to the rank of Sergeant in February of 2019.

Cost of the tournament is \$40 per person or \$160 for a team of four. The 18 hole tournament (you go around twice) includes lunch at 11:30 am as well as prizes and refreshments. Tee times will be at 8:30 am and 1:30 pm.

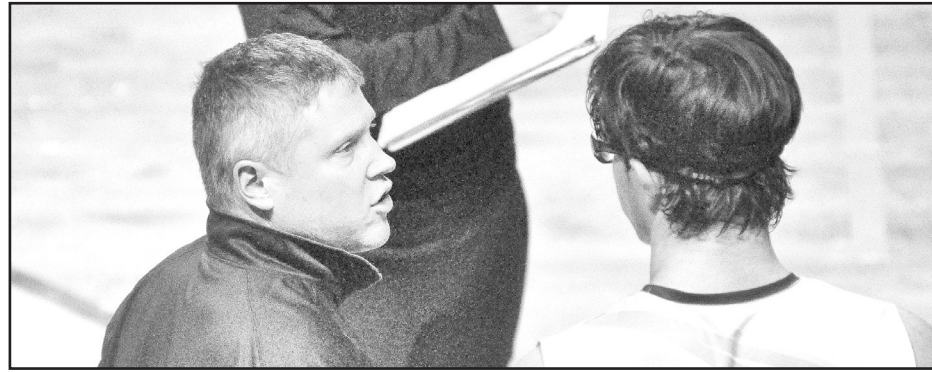
Entry deadline is May 25 and the registration fee must be sent with all entry forms, which are available at the course clubhouse. Make checks payable to Salem Parks & Recreation and send your entry form to Chuck Johnston at 601 Academy Street in Salem.

Businesses and individuals can also place signs at the tee boxes for \$100, and all proceeds go to Sgt. Stump. Interested persons are also urged to donate items for a raffle.

For more information or to sign up to play or be a sponsor call Chuck Johnston at 540-392-9445.

Mark Rohrback, left in photo talking to Jackson Rutkowski, led the Roanoke College men's volleyball team to a winning record in his first year as head coach.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



RC men have winning record in second season

The Roanoke College men's volleyball team finished their second season of competition with their first winning record as they swept Kean and Penn State-Schuylkill, both 3-0, in their final matches of the season in Union, NJ last Saturday.

With the two wins the Maroons finished 16-13 in Mark Rohrback's first season as head coach. Rohrback, who has led

Glenvar High School to three state girls' championships, took over a program that was 7-19 in the first year of varsity competition and improved the record by nine wins.

Last Saturday the Maroons had three players reach double figures in kills against Kean in the Continental Volleyball Conference match, Jackson Rutkowski with 13, Michael Cummins with 12 and

Pierce Faulcon with 10. Dominic Wheaton had five kills and four blocks and Davin Stevenson had 33 assists.

Against Penn State-Schuylkill Xzaiver Dixson slammed six kills and added three service aces. Gabe Fabbro contributed five kills and 12 assists and Connor Tyson had five kills. Benjamin MacLeod had six aces and eight digs in his last collegiate match.

Jordan recognized for 60 years on the "chain gang"



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Ron Jordan (center) was presented a Salem High football jersey recognizing his 60 years of service by Salem High coach Don Holter (left). Andrew Lewis Middle School coach Brian Hooker (right) had it framed for Ron.

Salem High School football coach Don Holter presented Salem's Ron Jordan with a number 60 Spartan football jersey at the recent Salem High School football banquet. The number refers to the number of years Ron has served on the sidelines as a member of the chain gang.

Ron started working the chains back in the '60s at Glenvar High School with buddies Ralph Malus and Tally Lawrence. When Salem High opened in 1977 the crew started working Salem High games and Ron has been on the chain gang ever since. He missed the 2023 season with some health concerns, and that gave Holter the idea to honor Ron with this special jersey.

"People like Ron Jordan make Salem a special place," said Holter. "He's Salem through and through."

Once Ron received the jersey Andrew Lewis Middle School coach Brian Hooker got the idea to have it framed. He had Salem's Mike Fisher frame the jersey, as Jordan holds a special spot in Hooker's football journey.

"Ron was my coach in 1969 on the 85 pound weight limit team," said Hooker. "We were the West Salem Tigers and practiced at West Salem Elementary and we went 8-0 on the season. I was nine years old and it was my first time playing football. Ron gave me a great experience, starting the process where I played quarterback. We ran the single wing and it was fun. Ron has gone from my coach to a friend, someone who always supported me. Likewise, a man who gave back to his community in so many ways."

Glenvar's Cline chosen for RV Wrestling Hall of Fame

Four new members will enter the Roanoke Valley Wrestling Hall of Fame when the group holds its annual banquet on April 22nd at the Holiday Inn Ballroom, including former Glenvar High coach Jason Cline. A social begins at 6 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm and inductions to follow.

This year's class includes Cline, Greg Henderson, David Labiosa and Bruce Palmer. Special awards from the recently concluded high school season will also be presented.

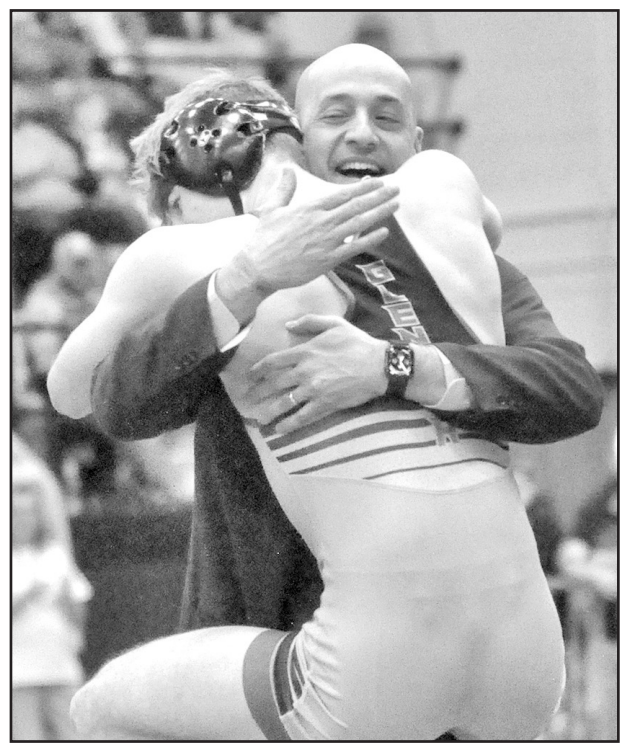
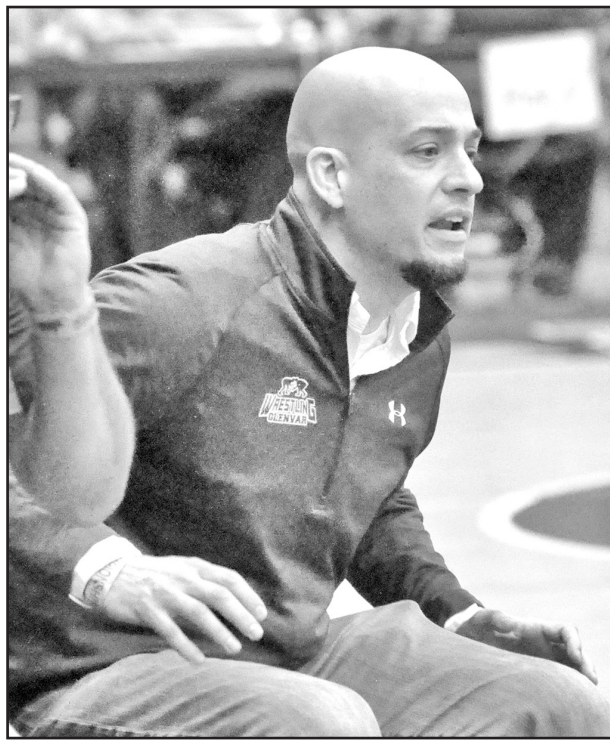
Cline wrestled at Grundy High School where he was a two-time VHSL state champion and a three time district and Region IV champ. He went on to coach at Glenvar Middle School, then Glenvar High School as well as coaching the Virginia Elite Youth. Jason's 2023 Glenvar team was the Class 2 state runnerup.

Henderson wrestled at William Byrd from 1985-87 and then coached at William Byrd Middle School. He has worked the Big Orange tournament for 36 years and is also a former Roanoke Valley Wrestling Official.

Labiosa also wrestled at Byrd when he won two Big Orange and two Group AA state championships. He was All-Metro Co-Wrestler of the Year in 1982 and a 1983 Scholastic High School All-American.

A third Byrd product in the Class of 24 is Bruce Palmer, who won two district, region and state championships with the Terriers. Bruce was undefeated his junior and senior years and was named the Roanoke Valley Heavyweight Wrestler of the Year.

The Roanoke Valley Wrestling Association will



PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Jason Cline (left) will be inducted into the Roanoke Valley Wrestling Hall of Fame on April 22nd. Among his proudest moments is when he was in son Jake's corner for his state championship win for Glenvar in 2023.

also give their annual awards for Coach of the Year, Wrestler of the Year, Sonny Boyd Assistant Coach of the Year and the Roy Stanley Outstanding Achievement Award. In addition scholarships will

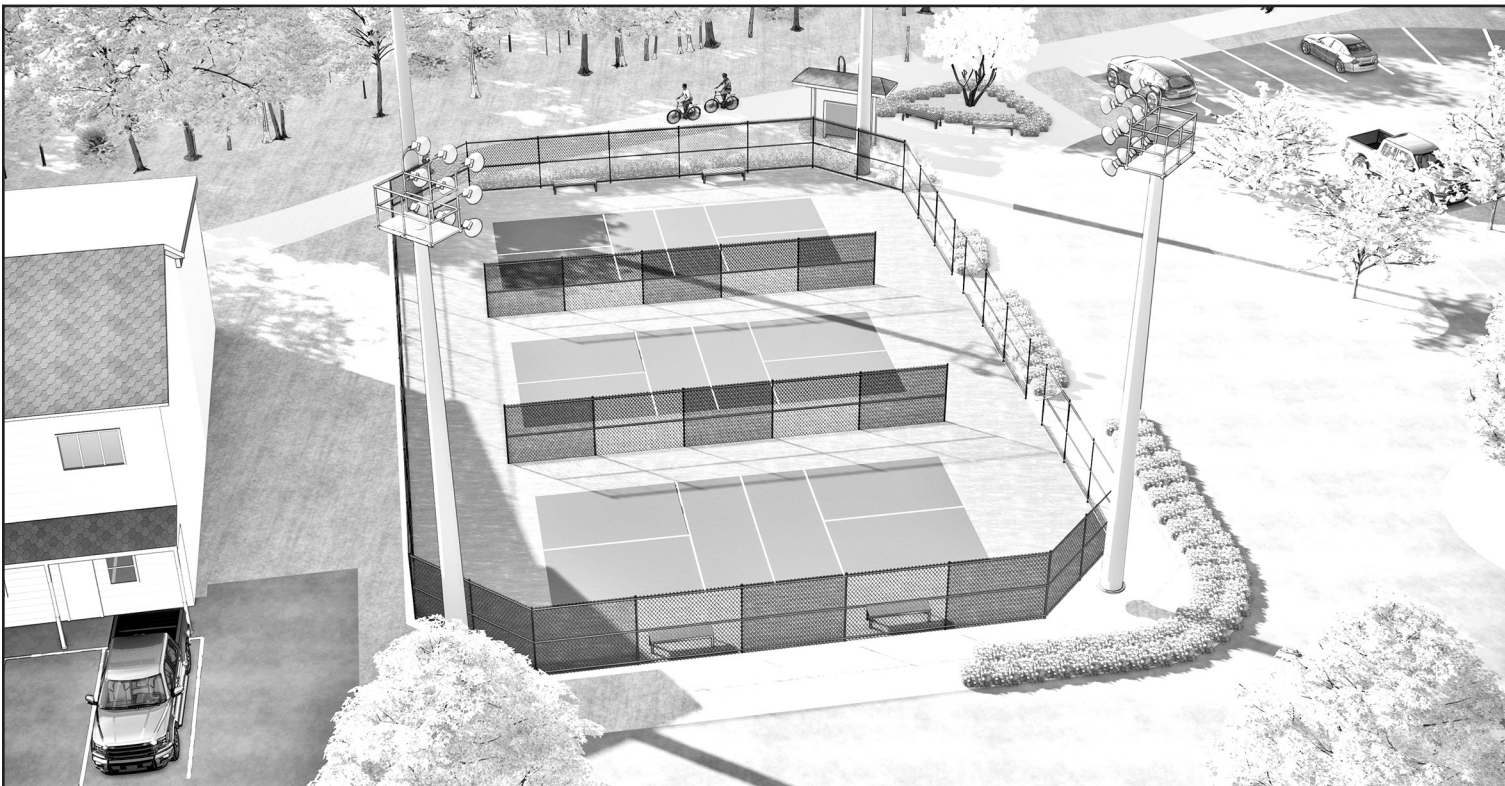
be announced in memory of Ken Shelton, Stan Parker, Larry France, George Miller, Rick Schilling and Kip Nininger as well as the Barbara and Pete Jones Memorial Scholarship.

Pickleball tournament coming to Salem



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Above, left to right, Jon Oney of Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge, Salem Mayor Renee Turk, Salem Director of Parks & Recreation Jone Shane and Jon Laaser of Performance Pickleball pose for a photo at the announcement of the USA Pickleball sanctioned tournament to be held in Salem in September. Below is an artist's rendering of three of the 13 Pickleball courts that are being constructed at the James I. Moyer Sports Complex in Salem.



The City of Salem will be hosting the first USA Pickleball sanctioned tournament in Virginia's Blue Ridge this September. "Picklebrawl in Virginia's Blue Ridge" will take place at the newly renovated Moyer Sports Complex from September 13-15, 2024 and is expected to bring up to 450 players from the Mid-Atlantic region.

"Performance Pickleball was honored to be chosen to organize the first large-scale pickleball tournament in the Roanoke Valley," said Performance Pickleball COO and tournament organizer Jon Laaser. "The tournament represents the desire of so many to collaborate and innovate as the Roanoke Valley becomes a vibrant hub for pickleballers throughout the region and beyond."

"Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the United States," said John Shaner, Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Salem. "This addition will complement and add to what we already host here at the Moyer Sports Complex in Virginia's Championship City."

"Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge is looking forward to welcoming players, officials and spectators to our region," said John Oney, Director of Salem and Sports at Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge. "Hosting a tournament of this scale gives us an opportunity to showcase our tourism partners from both Salem and the entire Virginia's Blue Ridge region."

"Picklebrawl in Virginia's Blue Ridge" will be the first tournament to take place across Moyer Sports Complex's 13 new pickleball courts, which are currently being constructed in Salem.

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Among the returnees from the 2023 season are, left to right, highly rated prospect Miguel Bleis, catcher Juan Montero and outfielder Jhostynxon Garcia. STR FILE PHOTOS

Red Sox open at home Friday against Carolina

The Salem Red Sox will open the 2024 Carolina League season at home Friday night as they host the Carolina Mudcats in a three game series. Friday's opener will start at 7:05 pm, followed by a 6:05 pm game Saturday and a Sunday afternoon 3:05 pm start, all at Salem Memorial Ballpark.

The parent Boston Red Sox announced Salem's opening night roster on Tuesday and it features an array of talent, with 16 pitchers, three catchers, seven infielders and four outfielders. Four of the organizations top 25 prospects will open the season in Salem.

Liam Carroll is back for his second year as manager of the Salem Sox. Last summer Carroll piloted the Sox to a 55-72 record in his first year with the Boston organization. A native of England, Carroll has experience working with Great Britain's national baseball teams, including a stint on Great Britain's coaching staff for the 2023 World Baseball Classic.

"The Salem Red Sox are excited to welcome back Liam Carroll to the Roanoke Valley ahead of an exciting 2024 season, said Salem General Manager Allen Lawrence. "Liam is both a great leader on-field and a tremendous ambassador for the Salem Red Sox."

Highlighting the Red Sox roster is Miguel Bleis, the number five prospect in the organization. Native to baseball hot-bed San Pedro de Macoris in the Dominican Republic, Bleis missed much of last season with an upper-body injury sustained 31 games into the 2023 campaign. The skilled outfielder is known for his power hitting and explosive baserunning.

Salem also welcomes the 2023 Red Sox second round draft pick and number 10 prospect, Nazzan Zanetello. And 18 year old infielder from Christian Brothers Academy in St. Louis, MO, Zanetello was once committed to play college ball at Arkansas before deciding to take his talents to the professional level.

Infielder Antonio Anderson is also on the opening day roster. A '23 third round pick, he's the 20th ranked prospect in the Boston organization, and catcher Johanfran Garcia from Venezuela is the 25th rated prospect.

Salem pitchers include Royman Blanco, Max Carlson, Luis Cohen, Nathanael Cruz, Noah Dean, Matt Duffy, Austin Ehrlicher, Zach Fogell, Francis Hernandez, JoJo Ingrassia, Jedixson Paez, Denis Reguillo, Elmer Rodriguez-Crus, Isaac Stebens, Blake Wehunt and CJ Weins. Catchers are Garcia, Juan Montero and Diego Vilorio.

In the infield Salem will have Anderson, Zanetello,

Marvin Alcantara, Albert Feliz, Andy Lugo, Angel Pierre and Stanley Tucker. Outfielders will be Bleis, Jhostynxon Garcia, Nelly Taylor, Jr. and Natanael Yuten.

After this weekend's opening series the Red Sox will head to Maryland for six games with the Delmarva Shorebirds, beginning Tuesday.



Lefty Noah Dean(left) and righthander Jedixson Paez(right) return to the Salem Red Sox pitching staff this season when the Sox open at home Friday night.



Giovanni Heater(left) and Carter Hill will be the "Voices of the Red Sox" for the 2024 season.

Sox team up with Tech to broadcast games

The Salem Red Sox baseball club is teaming up with the Virginia Tech School of Communication for the fourth consecutive year to broadcast all 2024 Red Sox home games. Giovanni Heater and Carter Hill will be the voices of the Salem Red Sox for opening day, set for this Friday at 7:05 pm. Games will be aired on streaming services and MiLB.com.

Heater is currently a junior at Virginia Tech, studying Sports, Media and Analytics. This will be his second year as a broadcaster for the Salem Red Sox.

Gio was born and raised in Syracuse, NY and placed as an STAA second team All-American last year. He has play-by-play experience on the ACC Network Extra, calling baseball, lacrosse, volleyball and soccer. He has also called baseball and softball on the Virginia Tech Sports Network from Learfield.

Giovanni serves as the Broadcaster

Coordinator of Play-by-Play Broadcasting for Virginia Tech's student sports organization, 3304 Sports, where he calls Hokie football and basketball. Heater also works for Tech Sideline, hosting "The Tech Sideline Podcast," "Triumph Spotlight," and other projects.

Hill is currently a junior at Virginia Tech in the Sports Media and Analytics (SMA) program. A lifelong sports fan, Carter grew up just down the road from the school campus, graduating from Blacksburg High School in 2021. He has been heavily involved in the SMA program since arriving his freshman year, broadcasting seven different sports and covering football and men's basketball for 3304 Sports, the student sports media program at Virginia Tech, where he currently serves as the co-editor-in-chief.

Carter also is a broadcast associate for

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2024 season has lots of promotions, giveaways

Salem Memorial Ballpark will once again be a fun place to be when the Carolina League baseball season opens Friday night. The Salem Red Sox will take on the Carolina Mudcats in Friday's opener at 7:05 pm followed by Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon games.

Tickets are now on sale and there are a variety of ticket options available for purchase, giving fans the opportunity to score great seats at affordable rates. Starting at just \$14, Salem Red Sox single-game tickets are now available online or by calling (540) 389-3333. Seniors (65 years or older), military, and children (12 years and under) will receive a \$2 discount. Season ticket packages are still available for purchase starting at just \$144.

As in the past, the Red Sox are ready to offer fans creative promotional nights including fireworks, exciting giveaways and much more as the team enters their 16th season as a Boston Red Sox affiliate. The Salem Red Sox game times are set

for 7:05 pm Tuesday-Friday (Tuesday, April 16th will be a 6:05 pm game), 6:05 pm on Saturdays, and 3:05 pm on Sundays (Sunday, September 8th will be a 1:05 pm game). The Red Sox will hold three day games at 11:05 am (April 17th, June 18th, and August 6th). The Salem Red Sox will hold one Monday game at 4:05 pm (September 2nd).

Thirsty Thursdays are back all season long and are sponsored by Bud Light and New Realm Brewing Company. Each Friday night contest includes post-game

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A young fan gets a hug from Red Sox mascot Mugsy at the recent "Sox Fest."