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## Salem City School Board selects leadership, sets 2024-25 calendar

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Contributing writer

The Salem City School Board convened on July 9 to reorganize for the upcoming 2024-25 school year, resulting in new appointments and the establishment of key positions and committees.

Board leadership:

Nancy Bradley was elected as the board chair for the 2024-25 school year. The motion was proposed by Teresa Sizemore-Hernandez and seconded by Macel Janoschka. The final resolution was unanimously carried with votes from Bradley, Sizemore-Raines, Hernandez, Stacey Danstrom and Janoschka.

Andy Raines was elected as vice-chairman. The motion was also initiated by Sizemore-Hernandez and seconded by Danstrom, with unanimous support from the board members.

Committee and delegate appointments: The board voted on several key appointments, ensuring representation and leadership across various committees and associations:

Nancy Bradley was designated as the voting delegate to the Virginia School Boards Association and appointed as the representative to the Roanoke Valley Governor's School Board.

Andy Raines was named the alternate voting delegate to the

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**Bradley** 



**Raines** 

Roanoke College

names Ellison VP

for student success

higher

leader,

programs,

policies and a focus

on organizational and

professional excellence,

the college said in an announcement.

recently served as the

interim special assistant to the vice president for Student Success and

Enrollment at Trinity

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Ellison, who most

Jay Ellison will serve

as Roanoke College's

new vice president for

Student Success and the

Roanoke Experience.

Ellison brings with

him more than two decades of experience

fostering transformative

educational experiences

for students through

A seasoned

education





Despite oppressive heat, officials said the 2024 Salem Fair was a success over the course of its 12-day run.

## 2024 Salem Fair a success, according to officials

The 2024 Salem Fair closed out its 12-day run on Sunday night. Officials said the 36th edition of the fair was another success, although the often-oppressive heat certainly affected several outcomes.

"In 2023, we had to deal with the wildfire smoke from Canada and this year it was an extended streak of extremely hot days and said Carey nights," Harveycutter, Salem "We Fair manager. experienced several really incredible attendance days this year, but the heat certainly made it tough."

Harveycutter opening night revenues were up about 20% and the first weekend of the

fair saw considerable 2023, gains over with July 6 and 7 resulting in jam-packed midways. However, the Independence Day opening was delayed by a rare July rain shower and then thunderstorms forced the fair to close about three hours early on July 5.

"You cannot control the weather and when it's hot the crowds tend for our outstanding concessionaires," said. "In addition, our donations for our featured non-profits declined this year."

Canned food donations for the Salem-Roanoke County Food Pantry were down 1,000 pounds and sock donations for the Rescue Mission and Mrs. Dorsey's Community Clothes Closet were off by 500 pairs. Last year more than 2,500 pairs of socks were donated along with a record 4,723 pounds of food.

"We greatly appreciate all the folks who continue to support the Salem Fair, and despite the heat we saw plenty of smiling faces this year," Wendy to arrive later, which in Delano, Salem's director turn hurts food sales of civic facilities said. "Carev and I are very proud of the employees who worked through some incredibly adverse conditions to make sure everything was ready when the gates opened

each and every day, While the midway heat may have been extreme,

comfort of the Salem Civic Center arena proved to be just the ticket for many, officials said. The Blue-Ribbon exhibit section was back in the arena for the third straight year, and it once again saw increases in both exhibits and participants. Exhibitors entered 1,345 items in a variety of competitive categories ranging from painting to pickling.

For the second Salem traight vear Police leaders said they did not experience any major incidents on the fairgrounds.

The 2025 Salem Fair is set for July 2-13.

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## Roanoke College names Stewart VP for advancement



**Stewart** 

Roanoke College recently announced Nathan "Nate" Stewart '03 will be joining the institution as its vice president advancement. Roanoke College alumnus, Stewart brings with him a deep love for and understanding of Roanoke College and Southwest Virginia, the college said in a statement.

Stewart, who

COURTESY PHOTO currently serves associate vice president and chief operating officer for Development and Alumni Engagement at Centre College in Danville, Kentucky, was selected after a national search. He will be responsible for providing vision and strategic leadership for a comprehensive,

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data-driven, and agile

## New exhibit focused on Salem in the summertime opens



The Lake Spring resort and Lakeside Amusement Park offered cool spots to take a dip.

The Salem Museum announced its newest feature exhibit last week, which is all about Salem in the summertime. "When Salem

Sizzles: Tales of Summers Past" is now open in the museum's Main Gallery, through mid-September. Visitors will enjoy a fun look back in time to see how we kept

our cool in the days before air

conditioning, and the fun we had

once the weather turned warm, the museum said. "The Lake Spring resort and Lakeside Amusement Park offered cool spots to take a dip. There were graduations, June weddings, Fourth of July parades, scout camps, and lots and lots and lots of sports. And, oh - we had such trouble with the iceman," the museum said.

The museum offers free

admission and a cool place to spend a morning or an afternoon. The Salem Museum is open Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and is located at 801 East Main Street in Salem. "When Salem Sizzles" was designed by Alex Burke, the museum's former assistant director.

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## **Briefly: Salem News In Brief**

Veteran Town Hall: The Women's Health Clinic at the Salem VA Health Care System will hold a Women focused Veteran Town Hall Friday, July 19 11 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Bldg. 5 Auditorium. Hospital leadership as well as representatives from the Veterans Benefits Administration will be available to provide information and answer questions. There will be presentations and representatives from various clinical, mental health, and Veteran support resources on hand for any questions. Veterans who cannot attend the Town Hall are encouraged to submit questions by emailing: VHASAMPUBLICAFFAIRS@VA.GOV

TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly): All ages are invited to participate in the non-judgmental program at the Salem Senior Center on Tuesdays from 5-6 p.m. There is a registration fee and a \$3 per month fee. Call Charlene Lester at 540-293-7753 with questions.

Switchfoot leads trio of rockers: Switchfoot, Blue October and Matt Nathanson are excited to announce a triple headliner Summer Tour dubbed "Help from My Friends". The 30-city-run of dates will make a stop in Salem on Friday night, July 26. Featuring three of the most beloved and genuine artists of the new millennia, the performances will make for an enthralling evening with each performance complementing the other two. Each night a different artist will open and close the show and fill the middle spot. Ticket prices are: Floor \$49.50, \$39.50, \$49.50, & \$59.50 Tickets can be purchased at the Salem Civic Center Box Office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. and online at www.ticketmaster.com.

First Mondays: The family-friendly events are held by Gary John, who manages the "Mason Creek" bluegrass group, and Vicky Sword from the center. The bluegrass/acoustic shows are free, but a tip bucket will be passed around for donations to the musicians. Cake raffles and door prizes will be offered. The event is on Monday, Aug. 5: 7-9 p.m. - Maynard and Lee Palmer. It will take place at the Salem Parks and Recreation Senior Rec Center at 110 Union Street,

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From Texas" has been at it for well over a half century, delivering rock, blues and boogie on the road and in the studio to millions of devoted fans. ZZ TOP is synonymous with beards, hot rod cars, spinning guitars and that magic keychain, all of which transcend geography and language. The band will perform on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are: \$49.50, \$59.50, \$79.50, \$89.50, \$99.50 and \$139.50. Tickets can be purchased at the Salem Civic Center Box Office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and online at www.ticketmaster.com.

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Public meetings:

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



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#### **Decorative King from Lakeside Amusement Park**

Many people still fondly remember Lakeside Amusement Park, but not many know it actually dates back over 100 years. Opening in 1920, Lakeside was originally just a manmade "lake," a concrete swimming pool about the size of a football field. Not long after opening a dancing pavilion was added, and many more new attractions were to come. In 1923 the first roller coaster, The Thriller, was completed. More rides followed, including the carousel.

The original carousel from the 1920s used wooden horses, two of which are on display at the Salem Museum. It was decorated with metal faces, liked the king pictured. This particular

piece was made in 1919 and likely hand painted. It is one of two decorative faces that are part of the Salem Museum's

You can see this carousel head on display this weekend as part of the Salem Museum's Hands-On History

Saturday program. This month's Hands-On History theme is Lakeside Amusement Park, featuring items to let visitors reminisce about the beloved park. On Saturdays, visitors can pull on a glove and touch a piece of history with their own hand. Saturday 10-4 and located at 801 E.

## Salem Museum is open Tuesday-Main St. Don't Wait! MORTGAGE **Apply NOW BANK OF BOTETOURT** NMLS#476841 Download our new mobile app where you can complete an application, calculate payments, Welcome, 👋 upload files, and get answers fast! **Get Started** Loan Application **Upcoming Tasks** Scan this code with your smart phone to install the free app today!

## OLICE REPORT

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of July 02, 2024 - July 08, 2024

7/2/2024	Christian L. Eubank	43	Grand Larceny,
			Obtain Money by False Pretense
7/2/2024	Daniel C. Tucker	41	DUI
7/3/2024	Larry E. St. Clair	66	Petit Larceny
7/3/2024	Allen L. Walker	47	Possession of Controlled Substance, Paraphernalia
7/4/2024	Nicolas Castillo Hernandez	38	DUI
7/5/2024	John Lopez Jr.	39	Possession of Controlled Substance
7/5/2024	Jamie W. Mabry	53	Petit Larceny
7/6/2024	Jamie W. Mabry	53	Petit Larceny, Possession of Controlled Substance
7/6/2024	Jason B. Goodwin	48	Public Intoxication
7/7/2024	Jonathan M. Collins	29	Shooting Into Occupied Dwelling
7/7/2024	Bryce H. Edwards	25	DUI
7/8/2024	Leanne M. Spence	31	Petit Larceny, Possession of Controlled Substance

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of July 02, 2024 - July 08, 2024

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED		
2-JUL-2024	1200 BLK W Main St	Larceny From Coin Machine  Possession of Controlled Substance		
3-JUL-2024	1800 BLK W Main St			
5-JUL-2024	100 BLK Electric Rd	Possession of Controlled Substance		
6-JUL-2024	1900 BLK W Main ST	Possession of Controlled Substance		
8-JUL-2024	100 BLK Thompson Memorial Dr	Possession of Controlled Substance		

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fundraising and engagement strategy designed for 21st century donors and a rapidly changing higher-education environment.

"Nate's relational strategic, approach stood out during the selection process," said President selection process," said President Frank Shushok Jr. "He brings a proven track record of fundraising, team building and innovation, along with a keen awareness that small colleges must evolve rapidly. These talents and insights, combined with the fact that he is already a passionate Maroon, make him an ideal leader to help us chart the future of Roanoke College."

Stewart earned his Bachelor of Science degree in health and human performance from Roanoke College, where he was also a standout on the men's basketball team. He went on to earn a Master of Science degree in health and physical education from Marshall University while beginning his career in athletics as a graduate assistant for men's basketball.

After graduate school, Stewart continued coaching, serving alongside legendary Maroon Frankie Allen '71 as an assistant coach at Radford University, and at the University of Maryland Baltimore County. developed significant Stewart fundraising experience in subsequent

administrative roles as assistant

athletic director for advancement

and director of athletics and athletic

development at Eastern University

and director of athletics at Carthage

planning and relationship building has helped the college secure contributions for the largest capital project in college history and make significant gains in overall fundraising. Stewart said it has long been a dream fostered his personal and professional

College. At Centre College, Stewart's

acumen for advancement, strategic

of his to return to the college that potential and instilled in him a lifetime desire to serve others. Joining him in Salem will be his wife, Lauren, and their sons, Noah and Reid.

"I am truly humbled to have the opportunity to return to Roanoke College and work alongside the talented faculty, staff and students on a daily basis," Stewart said. "Thank you to Dr. Shushok, the search committee and the board of trustees for this incredible opportunity. Lauren, Noah, Reid and I cannot wait to join the college and Salem communities and establish relationships with alumni, parents, friends and supporters of Roanoke College. I am excited to advance the college's mission in partnership with Dr. Shushok, the board of trustees and my outstanding colleagues in the advancement and alumni office. This will be a team effort, and I look forward to rolling up my sleeves and beginning work in August."

Stewart will join the college's senior leadership team and report to Shushok with a tentative start date of Au. 5.

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## Shelly Koon

## Contributing Writer

Betsy, my shih tzu, has a bubble machine. She likes to chase bubbles and was going through solution fast. I found a recipe in my mom's recipe box for a bubble solution. So of course, I started thinking about bubbles and how they connect our world in ways large and small. From the bubbles of oxygen that fill our lungs to the bubble wrap that keeps our packages safe. Most people smile when they see bubbles. Humans like bubbles.

We put bubbles in our water to make it fizzy. The acidity in carbonated drinks lights up the pain receptors in nerve endings — in a way that pleases the tongue.

Popping bubble wrap is more than tactile. The repetitive motion and predictive sound create a rhythmic pattern that our brains find soothing and then release feel good chemicals like dopamine.

We create bubbles in our lives. Your bubble is the boundaries you create between yourself and the outside world. These consist of all boundaries, including but not limited to physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual boundaries.

The act of blowing bubbles forces people to stop what they are doing and focus on their breathing, which can help lower anxiety levels. While watching bubbles can also be calming.

Bubbles teach us science. They form due to a phenomenon called surface tension. When soapy water is trapped between layers of soap molecules, it creates a thin film. This film, when exposed to air, forms a bubble. The colors we see shimmering on a bubble's surface are due to light refracting and interfering with itself adding to a bubble's magic.

There aren't many things as versatile as bubbles. Without them, cakes wouldn't rise, hot tubs would be weird communal baths, and kids' party bags would be a lot emptier. Bubbles can really liven things up, and admit it, the best time you had was blowing bubbles with a straw in your chocolate milk.

One thing I always have in the pantry is a cake mix. Call it a hack, a shortcut, or a super simple "recipe," but combining a 12-ounce can of soda and a standard box of cake mix is like a magic trick. The cake mix contains all the dry ingredients of a scratch-made



cake, including a raising agent, like baking soda or cream of tartar. Adding a can of soda pop activates the mix's dry leavening elements so that the cake will rise. I don't always have eggs and oil to use for a cake, but I usually have a can of soda. The result is an extra moist and soft cake, with more flavor than usual thanks to your soda of choice. And it's every bit as bouncy and fluffy as any other cake with or without frosting.

#### Soda & cake recipe

- 1 box cake mix
- 1 12 oz can of soda
- Simply stir together the soda and cake mix and follow the mix's baking instructions for the size of the pan and cook time.
- Some of my favorite combinations: (And yes, diet soda works too)
- Coca Cola + Chocolate Cake Mix
- Sprite + Yellow Cake Mix
- Dr. Pepper + Red Velvet Cake Mix
- A&W Cream Soda + Vanilla Cake
- Barq's Root Beer + Spice Cake Mix Canada Dry Ginger Ale + Carrot
- Mountain Dew + Lemon Cake Mix
- Fanta Strawberry + Strawberry Cake • Sierra Mist + Butter Pecan Cake Mix
- Mr. Pibb + Devil's Food Cake Betsy's bubble solution recipe

(Nontoxic but not for human consumption.)

- 2 cups joy dishwashing liquid
- 6 cups water
- 3/4 cups white karo syrup

Combine, shake, et settle 4 hours before using. Store covered in refrigerator to extend suds shelf life, then allow to warm before using.

## Ellison from page 1

College, was selected staff; policy development from a pool of more than 150 candidates following a

national search. "At Roanoke College, we believe that every learner who works hard should have the opportunity to succeed - a value that has also driven Jay throughout his extensive career," said President Frank Shushok Jr. "Jay understands deeply how higher education transforms lives. His commitment to students and his talent for building strong partnerships and student-first organizations make him an ideal leader as we double down on our number one strategic goal: fostering student success and well-being."

Prior to his time at Trinity, Ellison served for nearly a decade as the dean of students at the University of Chicago and as both associate and assistant dean of Harvard College at Harvard University from 2005 to 2014. He has also served as a lecturer, teaching fellow and instructor at Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, Boston College and University of Chicago.

While at Chicago, Ellison established the for College Center Student Success, designed address the needs evolving student populations. with focus on those from lowincome backgrounds, first-generation students and those with complex statuses. immigration Other highlights from career include collaborating with academic affairs on student success projects

and initiatives; recruiting, retaining and developing

implementation; strategic resource allocation; and using AI to provide a more holistic support system for students. Ellison earned a

Doctor of Philosophy and a Master of Arts in Near Eastern Languages Civilizations from Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Bible and Biblical Languages from Southeastern University in Lakeland, Florida.

As the vice president for Student Success and the Roanoke Experience, he will be responsible for continuing to shape a student-ready, studentfirst culture at Roanoke and provide vision and strategic leadership for a comprehensive, integrated and inclusive student experience at the college. Building upon the foundational work already underway in the recently formed Division for Student Success, Ellison will partnerships foster

across campus to create environments support services that facilitate student success, relationships and wellbeing. He will work especially closely with faculty in designing the Roanoke experience and supporting the foundational role faculty play in students' lives, learning and success at the college.

"I am both honored

and excited to join the Roanoke College community, to engage with the passionate faculty, students and staff, to participate in diverse student activities, and contribute to a campus culture that values collaboration, innovation inclusivity," Ellison said. "I look forward to participating meaningfully in the student-ready, studentfirst Roanoke experience."

Ellison will join the college's senior leadership team on Aug. 5 and report to Shushok.

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regular meetings for the

upcoming school year, as

Aug. 13 at 7 p.m.

Sept. 10 at 7 p.m.

Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.

Dec. 10 at 7 p.m.

Jan. 14, 2025 at 7 p.m.

follows:

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Association and, alongside Danstrom, appointed to the School

Health Advisory Board. Sizemore-Teresa Hernandez and Macel Janoschka were appointed representatives the Special Education Advisory Committee.

Board members Bradley, Raines, Sizemore-Hernandez, Janoschka and Danstrom, along with Superintendent Dr. Curtis Hicks, Director of Administrative Services Dr. Forest Iones and Chief Finance Officer Mandy C. Hall, were appointed to serve on the Facilities Committee for the 2024-25 school year.

The motion for these appointments was made by Bradley, seconded by Raines, and carried unanimously.

Clerk appointments:

Susan E. Young was appointed as clerk of the board, with Kirstine M. Barber named as deputy clerk. The motion was proposed by Danstrom, seconded by Sizemore-Hernandez and approved unanimously.

Meeting schedule for Jan. 24, 2025, **2024-25:** The board also (work session) established its schedule of Feb. 11, 2025 at 7 p.m.

> March 11, 2025 at 7 March 20, 2025 at 7 p.m. (special meeting) April 8, 2025 at 7 p.m. May 13, 2025 at 7 p.m. June 10, 2025 at 7 p.m. July 8, 2025 at 7 p.m.

### All Positions Available, SALE REP, **ACCOUNTANT and MANY MORE**

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- Account Coordinator
- Finance Business Marketing
  - Admissions Representative
- Office Clerk Help Desk Assistant

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Last Saturday was a tragic day for our country with the attempted assassination of President Donald Trump. My prayers are with Trump, his family, the heroic individuals killed and wounded in the attack, and all those who were at the rally. In Washington, House Republicans passed legislation that protects the integrity of our elections by requiring proof of citizenship when registering to vote. House Republicans also voted on legislation to rein in the bureaucracy and protect consumer choice. I also offered an amendment in the House Appropriations Committee that would help reduce food allergies. I will remain committed to fighting for commonsense policies that best represent the people of Virginia's Sixth District.

Condemning the Assassination Attempt of President Donald Trump

The attempted assassination of President Trump is a stark reminder that violence in politics is never the answer. Our strength as a nation lies in our ability to transcend our political differences and work out disagreements for the benefit of our nation.

prioritize an must independent investigation to address the numerous questions that have arisen from this incident. Let us shift our focus toward strengthening our republic through meaningful dialogue and respect.

Protecting Election Integrity

The right to vote is a foundational principle of our Nation, and it must be safeguarded at all costs. Currently, federal law states that it is illegal for noncitizens or foreign nationals to vote in U.S. federal elections. However, we have seen recent incidents in several states where noncitizens are unlawfully registering to vote. This not only undermines the legal votes of American citizens, but it also opens the door to potential interference in our elections from

With the over 7.2 million illegal migrants who have entered our southern border as a direct result of Biden's failed border policies, we must ensure that only Americans are voting in our federal elections. That's why last week, House Republicans voted to safeguard our election system by passing the Safeguard American Voter Eligibility Act (SAFE) Act. This bill requires states to remove non-citizens from voter rolls and requires proof of citizenship when registering to vote. This legislation is critical to keeping foreign



## Ben Cline

Congressman

interference out of our elections, maintaining election integrity, and increasing American citizens' trust in our federal elections. While most Democrats voted against this bill, House Republicans remain committed to protecting the integrity of our elections and upholding the rights of American citizens.

Introducing the No Bias in the Baseline Act It is essential that we get our nation back on a sound, fiscal path. That's why last week I introduced the No Bias in the Baseline Act to revise the fiscal distortions embedded in the Congressional Budget Office's (CBO) baseline projections. This legislation will empower Congress with the tools needed to make informed financial decisions and eliminate the baseline bias in the budget process in favor of higher spending. If enacted, this bill would:

Restore Decision Making Back to Congress: Because these assumptions are baked into the baseline by law, CBO has to operate under the forgone conclusion that Congress will continue increasing discretionary spending to match Biden's inflationary agenda. That, along with the statutory presumptions that Congress will automatically continue any program over \$50 million, use debt to bail out insolvent trust funds, and renew excise taxes at their current clip. Senator Mike Braun (R-IN) has introduced the companion legislation in the Senate. The responsibility to make these financial decisions is ultimately that of Congress, and CBO should be giving Members resources that help them to make informed decisions rather than having their primary product assume they choose the most expensive option as a starting point.

Remove Spending Biases from the Baseline: Budget negotiations can be a game of ranges. What this bill would seek to accomplish is to restore the baseline to actually reflect current law in a way that means future negotiations won't begin at an already inflated starting point. Realistically Score Legislation: Since the

Current Law Baseline is used for scoring, it is important that there are no distortions that automatically price in expensive programs beyond their expiration date.

Fighting Against Biden's Green New Deal

President Biden's DOE is imposing excessive regulations on American families, prioritizing the Green New Deal over consumer needs. These burdensome rules increase costs and limit choices for hardworking Americans.

While the administration adds regulations appliances like dishwashers, washing machines, and refrigerators, House Republicans are fighting to preserve consumer choice. That's why last week, House Republicans passed the Refrigerator Freedom Act and Stop Unaffordable Dishwasher Standards Act which aim to empower consumers to select their preferred appliances. I will continue to champion the interests of American families, fight against overreaching regulations, and ensure that consumer choice and affordability remain at the forefront of energy policy decisions.

Advocating For Food Allergy Research

Food allergies affect millions of Americans everyday. Peanut allergies affect 1.5 million children in the United States, and the numbers have tripled over 20 years. Last week, I passed an amendment in the House Appropriations Committee that would require peanutcontaining foods to be included in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) packages. As WIC serves 53% of all infants born in the U.S., and NIH study findings show that feeding children peanut products regularly during infancy beginning at 4-6 months of age, through 5 years of age, the rate of peanut allergy among infants declined by over 80%, As an advocate for public health and child nutrition, and as a former Chairman of Congressional Food Allergy Research Caucus, I am confident that including peanut-containing foods in WIC packages for early introduction is a crucial step towards preventing food allergies. This evidence-based change is essential for saving lives and reducing healthcare costs. I was honored to champion this critical amendment.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Congressman. If my office can ever be of assistance, please contact my Washington office at (202) 225-5431.

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## Summer adventure continues at the Salem Public Library

Join us on the library lawn Saturday, July 20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. for Adventure Day! Take a turn on the climbing wall and the inflatable water slide and enjoy music and outdoor fun. Bring your friends and family and enjoy the adventure together. are welcome, no registration needed. Continuing summer

fun for kids and teens! Monday, July 22, 2

p.m.: Grades 9-Adult: Decoupage Napkin Seashell Trinket Dish. Come create a trinket dish hold tiny treasures. Register at salemva.libcal.

Tuesday, July 23, 1:30 p.m.: Grades 6-12: Blackout Poetry with Elizabeth Acevedo;

Join us for "writing" blackout poetry using old books and then learn about the power of poetry with a author talk with award winning YA author and poet Elizabeth Acevedo! Snacks will be provided! Register at salemva.libcal. Wednesday, July 24,

2 p.m., Grades 1-4. Make an Axolot! Learn about this cool, amazing creature while creating one of your own. Friday, July 26, 2pm,

Grades 6-12; Nailed it or Failed It? Harry Birthday Potter's **Celebration.** Decorate Harry Potter inspired treats and discover if you will nail or fail at dessert decorating.

Saturday,

SPL at the Salem Red **Sox**, Gates open at 5 p.m. Join us for "Dinos at the Diamond" at the We're giving ballpark! See **Library**, page 6

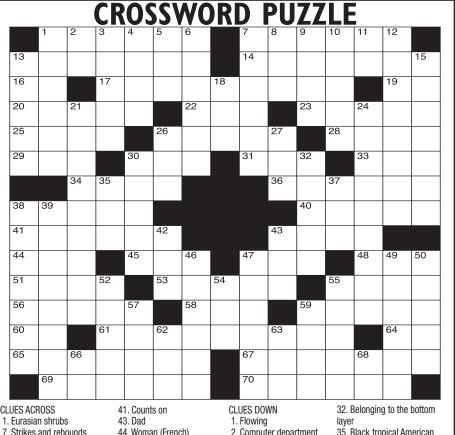
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## **Library Corner**

Empowering individuals to build a stronger community Benita VanCleave



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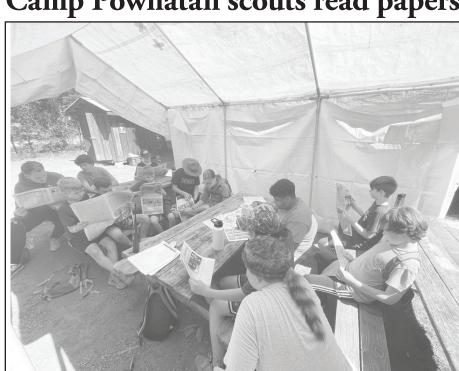
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Scouts working on their badges at Camp Powhatan recently reviewed copies of local newspapers. "They are essential for multiple of our badges and scouts really enjoyed reading them," Lucas Melson, Eagles Nest director, said of the newspapers. "These kids are mainly from Virginia and North Carolina, but we did have a troop from Florida and Texas."

## From the archives

## Camp Powhatan scouts read papers | Bobby Scruggs Charitable Foundation awards multiple \$1K scholarships

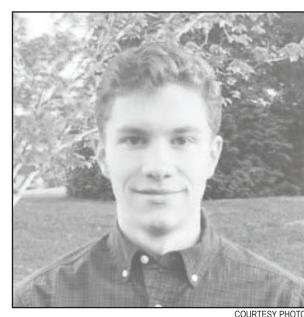
Officials with the Bobby Scruggs Charitable Foundation recently announced the winners of its scholarships for The \$1,000

scholarships, which memorialize long-time NASCAR official and Roanoke resident James R. (Bobby) Scruggs, are awarded to young men and women pursuing careers in motorsports, the automotive industry, business or medicine, as well as to interns working for Motor Racing Outreach and Wake Forest University Research Center. Scruggs lost his 13-year battle with cancer in 2005.

BSC Foundation scholarship winners for 2024 are:

Brayden Claud -

- Glenvar High School, attending Virginia majoring Tech, automotive engineering. Lily L. Hutchison -
- Craig County High School, attending Virginia Western Community College, nursing, studying and transferring to Radford University to complete the RN Program
- Seth H. Parsons -Craig County High School, attending Tech, studying engineering Megan P. Pomerleau –



Scruggs

attending Emory and Henry College, studying nursing

- Emaleigh G. Radford - Craig County High attending School, Virginia Tech, studying agriculture become agriculture teacher
- Eaton J. Sawyer Franklin County High School, attending Virginia Western Community College, studying mechatronics
- Randalyn Grace Taylor Craig County High School, attending Mary Baldwin University in the Virginia Women's Leadership Institute with VMI to become a physicians assistant in the Navy

Since its inception, the Glenvar High School, foundation has awarded

166 scholarships students at 26 high schools in Southwest Virginia. It also has supported 15 interns MRO Children's for Ministry.

"The legacy of Bobby Scruggs continues through these students as they receive assistance to go into the world and motorsports," said Dr. Jackie Scruggs Taylor, Scruggs' widow and BSC Foundation president. "We are so proud of their accomplishments wish them all the best in their future endeavors."

For additional information, bsmfoundation. visit org or contact Dr. Jackie Scruggs Taylor at 540-520-5555.

-The Salem Times-

## P.-T. A. LONG R'KE COUNTY CIVIC FORCE Histories Of Various Organizations In Roanoke County Show Valuable Work Accomplished In Past Decade

From the 1938 centennial edition of The Times-

Soon after the close of the century civic-minded patrons and the teachers of the public schools in Roanoke County organized the Community league, or Civic Club, which was designated by the name of the school. About fifteen years later these groups began to merge with or change into the present Parent-Teacher Association, an international organization concerned with health, home, learning, citizenship, character, vocation and leisure.

Then as not the chief work of this organization was to promote better understanding between home and school and to improve the standards of education in the respective schools. This work was to be accomplished through visits to home and school, through programs in which lectures by outstanding persons were heard and through round table discussions on subjects of interest to both parent and teachers and which would help interpret the purposes of the school to the parents.

In P. T. A. each member is a participating member and each member is an informed member. The minutes of the meetings preserved in various schools show that the attendance has always been greatly variable. There is frequent mention of some reward offered for successful effort in rooms for increased attendance of parents. In some schools in which the organization has petered out on account of lack of interest, it has been revived after a rest of a year or more.

Many difficult problems involving large sums of money raised by the local association have been settled by P. T. A. School sites have been secured, rooms have been built, and equipped and general improvements of first importance are some major achievements claimed by P. T. A. in Roanoke County schools.

Garden City Club

The Garden City P.T.A. was organized in 1919 with Charles Taylor president. The outstanding achievement here was raising \$1,500 towards building two new rooms to the school. G. D. Caldwell is the

present president.

On November 4, 1920 at the invitation of the Woman's Club, patrons and teachers of the High and Grammar Schools of Salem met in the parlor of Hotel Salem and organized a Parent Teacher Association with Mrs. W. R. Cross as president. Improving and equipping playgrounds, cafeteria, library, installing fire escapes, buying chairs for auditorium and feeding malnutrition children were some things undertaken before 1926. After that no meetings were held until 1928 when P.T.A. was again organized with Mrs. Victor Yonce, president.

From 1931 to 1933 this P.T. A. started and sponsored a library at the school. Since 1936 the outstanding work has been the free lunch project whereby indigent pupils have been furnished free lunches at the school. Committees have also undertaken school sanitation and library improvements. Mrs. Harry I. Johnson is

From 1910 until 1923 a community League functioned at Oakland school. In that year when the new school built through efforts of the league was opened, the community league was merged with P.T.A. Mrs. Harry Haffen was the first president of the new association and Mr. W. W. Wiginton is now

At Washington Heights in 1920 the community league was changed to Parent Teacher Association with Mrs. Malcolm H. Arnold president. Raising \$1,000

to enlarge the building, beautifying school grounds, having music taught in the schools, buying a piano, victrola, filing cabinets, radio and books and helping underprivileged children are the biggest achievements. Mrs. L. M. Walthall is the present president.

D. C Naff was the first president of Pleasant View community league organized in 1920. This league installed electric lights at a cost of \$100. The president today is Mrs. G. A. Branscom.

The Ogden P.T.A. was organized in 1921 with Mrs. J. M. Vogenthaler president. Improving the road to the school, buying state aid libraries, paying \$150.00, or half cost of drilling well, installing drinking fountains and basins and aiding in buying the lot for the new school building are projects undertaken by this association. H. A. Tayloe is now president.

The Vinton Civic Club was formed in 1915 with Dr. R. H. Garthright, president. An addition was made to the grammar school building. Mrs. Joe Pedigo is president of P.T.A.

Mrs. I. D. Chapman was president of the Fort Lewis community league organized in 1923. A piano was purchased, the stage was equipped and chairs were placed in the auditorium.

In 1933 the present P. T. A. was organized with E. B. Coxwell president. A cafeteria, new playground equipment and other improvements are achievements. Rec. Dean Calloway is president.

The South Salem P.T.A. was organized on May 15, 1924 with Mrs. H. T. Huff, president. The purchase of piano, auditorium chairs, stage equipment, building a road to the school and the school lunch project are the principal achievements of this P.T.A. Mrs. J. A. Boone is the president at present.

The Hollins community league was organized in 1916 with F. M. Stutsman president. Buying a piano state aid libraries, a ditto machine, equipping a cafeteria and general improvements about school and grounds are listed as P.T.A. projects completed. Lawrence Legg is now president of P. T. A.

The Oak Grove community league was organized in 1915 with either Mrs. Minott or Sam Chocklett president. \$300 was raised and applied on the building fund. In 1929 the league changed to P. T. A. with Mrs. Charles Nienke president. Since then the main objective is serving hot lunches. Mrs. Luther Martin is now president.

Tinker Creek

The Tinker Creek P.T.A. was organized in 1925 with Mrs. G. C. Atkins, principal of the school, president. This P.T.A. has purchased libraries, a piano and stage equipment.

The Riverdale Parent Teacher Association was organized in 1926. Mrs. Clingenpeel was the first president and W. R. Bailey is the present one.

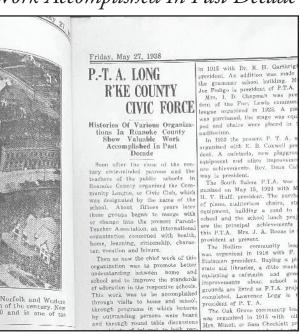
The organization has done much to enliven the social life of the community and has bought equipment for the school. The main objective at present is to landscape the grounds.

The P. T. A. has helped to provide library books, dental clinics, and to meet expenses of athletics. Bleachers are not being provided by P.T.A.

The South View community league ceased to function in 1929. Seven years later, 1936, the P.T.A. was organized with J. J. Ludwick president. Feeding Mrs. J. B. W. Burnett is now president.

35 indigents daily is its outstanding achievement. The Conehurst P.T.A. was organized on October

5, 1937. Mrs. P. W. Stoutamire is the president.



FROM THE TIMES-REGISTER ARCHIVES

Permanent landscaping of school grounds and buying

a set of books for the library have been undertaken. The outstanding work at Back Creek by P.T.A include buying books, paying for dental clinics, sponsoring athletics and improving school grounds.

At Brookhill the P.T.A. was organized in 1924 with Mr. W. M. Ewing as first president. W. B. Graves is head of the organization at the present time. Two acres of land were purchased by the association for a building site and were given to the county to construct a modern two room building. Ground improvement has been taken as a project by the P.T.A. recently.

- Prepared by Lingjie Gu



## **Fort Lewis** Christian

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DO YOU BELIEVE? is a powerful movie from the studio that brought you GOD'S NOT DEAD. It follows 12 people through their individual struggles with faith, trial, pain, and loss. It begins with one man on the street who asks a pastor whether he believes in Jesus Christ, and, if so, what's he going to do about it? This spurs the pastor to rethink what it means to carry the Cross of Christ. He starts a ripple effect leading 12 souls on a path that powerfully connects their lives together.

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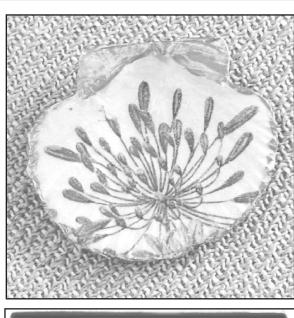
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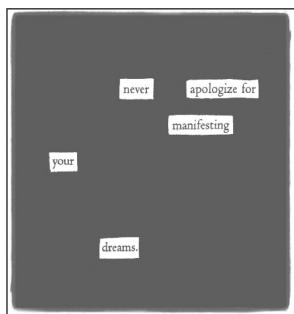
Upcoming events for

adults Thursday, July 25, 2 p.m.: Ages 18+; Giggles & Grins; Join us for an engaging and humorous experience filled with jokes, amusing tales, and a comedic play. Write down your favorite joke or a short funny story to use as your entry ticket. The funniest joke, as determined by popular vote, will win a prize. Snacks will be provided.

Fridays in July, 10 a.m.-noon: **What the** Tech Office Hours; Need computer, e-reader, iPad or smartphone help? No need to register, just stop by!







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## Virginia Western introduces Certified Medical Administrative Assistant training at the EnVision Center

ROANOKE – Virginia Western College recently announced a new opportunity for aspiring healthcare professionals in Roanoke with the launch of its Medical Administrative Assistant (CMAA) training program at the EnVision Center in Northwest Roanoke. The six-week course, starting on Sept. 9, will equip participants with the essential skills and certification necessary to pursue careers in medical office administration.

'The EnVision Center and the City of Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority are proud to partner with Virginia Western Community College bring invaluable educational opportunities to the residents we serve," said Lynelle Lewis with the City of Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority. "The upcoming CMAA class is a testament to our commitment to empowering our community through accessible, high-quality education. This course will equip residents with essential skills and credentials, opening doors to meaningful employment and career advancement, and ultimately enhancing the quality of life for our community members.

The course will be conducted on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., offering a comprehensive curriculum designed to prepare students for the Medical Administrative Assistant Certification through the National Healthcareer Association. Successful completion

of the certification exam opens doors to employment opportunities at local hospitals and private practices, with an annual median salary of \$35,403, according to Lightcast economic data for this area.

"We are excited to bring back this valuable training program to the community after more than five years," said Brittany Boltinghouse, workforce solutions coordinator for healthcare programs at Virginia Western Community College. "By preparing individuals for successful careers in front office healthcare administration, we aim to meet the workforce needs of our region while empowering our community members to achieve their professional goals. With only 12 spots available, we encourage interested individuals, especially residents of the Roanoke Redevelopment & Housing

Authority, to secure their place early." Enrollment is now open, and high demand is anticipated. Financial assistance options are available to make the training accessible to qualified Virginia residents, ensuring minimal out-of-pocket expenses for many residents. Registration will remain open until August 26, 2024, or until all spots are filled. Prospective students are encouraged to contact Lisa Russell at (540) 857-7306 for more information or visit the EnVision Center at 2607 Salem Turnpike in Northwest Roanoke.

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BOTETOURT COUNTY

Circuit Court, COURTHOUSE, P.O.BOX 219, FINCASTLE, VA

24090 Commonwealth of Virginia, in re CARMEN OLIVIA GRACE JARVIS v. BRIAN IONA, JR.

The object of this suit is to: DIVORCE. It is ORDERED that BRIAN IONA, JR. appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before JULY 31,2024.

JUNE 13, 2024 Joel R. Branscom, Judge Tommy L. Moore, Clerk

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## RC football adds to staff

The Roanoke College football team officially announced two new assistant coaches Friday, Tony Spradlin as the recruiting coordinator/ wide receiver coach, and Gerard Johnson as the special teams and cornerbacks coach.

Spradlin, from Salem, has been working with the team since the spring but his official tenure began in July. Tony is a Salem High School graduate where he was a two-time state champion, and earned all-state honors as a wide receiver and punt returner. Spradlin played football at Concord University and Christopher Newport University where he was an all-conference receiver. He earned his Bachelor's degree (History) from Concord University and his Master's degree

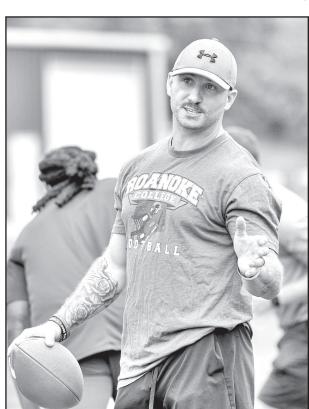
"I am excited to have Tony joining our staff as the wide receivers coach," said head coach Bryan Stinespring. "Tony is a Salem guy and a terrific coach. I interviewed him a couple years ago and was impressed by him as a person and coach. He has a great rapport with players and is quickly becoming a good recruiter."

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Prior to coming to Roanoke, Spradlin spent





The Roanoke College football staff hosted a free coaches clinic last Friday for the region's youth sports leagues. Above left, RC head coach Bryan Stinespring(with whistle) directs the instruction while offensive coordinator Mitch Ferrick looks on. Right, Salem's Tony Spradlin, RC's Recruiting Coodinator, goes over techniques of the passing game. "We had a great opportunity to meet with over 25 recreation league coaches," said Stinespring. "We showed individual position techniques and specific position drills. We wanted to share in coaching up the basics no what whatever the level of play. Our defensive stages did a great job of demonstrating tackling mechanics and techniques. The goal was to share position basic fundamentals that each position has. We hope we can continue to build on this event."

the last four years as the offensive coordinator at Glenvar High School as the passing game coordinator and co-special teams coordinator for two years prior to that, while also coaching multiple position groups in his tenure.

"My family and I could not be more excited to get going and be a part of something special here at Roanoke College," said Spradlin. "Coach Stinespring has done a tremendous job of putting together a staff that are not only extremely knowledgeable and accomplished football coaches, but are even better people, with whom I am very excited to work. As a Salem native, I know how important football is to this area, and our goal is to build this program the right way, and produce a product of which

Roanoke College, the Roanoke Valley, and beyond, can be proud both on and off the

Johnson previously served as the head coach and offensive coordinator for the Caroline High School Cavaliers for two seasons. During his tenure at Caroline High School, the Cavs scored more points in two years than they had in the previous five seasons prior to his arrival. He fostered an offense that featured six All-District and All-Region athletes. In his first season ever as a head coach, the school won its first playoff game since 1993. In 2021, he was voted as the Battlefield District Coach of the Year and the Free-Lance Star All-Area Coach of the Year.

"I talked to several coaches in the col-

lege and high school profession regarding Gerard," said Stinespring. "Each coach had great things to say about him. As a former head coach in the Richmond area, he brings a lot of ties in recruiting to Roanoke."

Before moving to Caroline in 2021, Coach Johnson served as an assistant coach at Owen J. Roberts High School in Pottstown, Pa. Prior to Roberts High School he was an assistant coach at L.C. Bird High School in Chesterfield, Va. for four years. In that span Johnson worked with the quarterbacks, running backs, defensive backs and served as the strength & conditioning coach.

Johnson is a 2013 graduate of Meadowbrook High School in Richmond Va. and attended Old Dominion University and Norfolk State University.

### It's beginning to look a lot like FOOTBALL!!

The 2024 football season is just around the corner and teams have been handing out equipment and making practice plans. Right, **Debbie Harlow sizes up Chandler** Blevins for a Salem Sandlot PeeWee jersey as Scott Hall of the Salem Department of Parks and **Recreation takes down information. Football evaluations for recreation** teams are scheduled for next week. **Andrew Lewis Middle School will** begin practicing on July 29 and Salem and Glenvar High Schools will open camp just two weeks from today on August 1.

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## **USA Softball** tournaments at Moyer

The first event at the newly renovated James I. Moyer Sports Complex is scheduled for this week when the USA Softball 14U & 18U tournaments will be played. Games are scheduled for 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm and 2:30 pm on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Saturday games are at 8 am, 10 am, noon and 2 pm with a possible "if game" at 4 pm depending on previous results.



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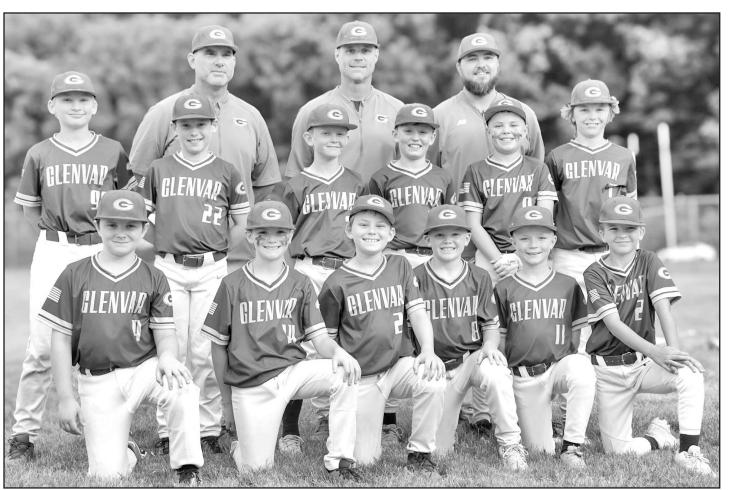


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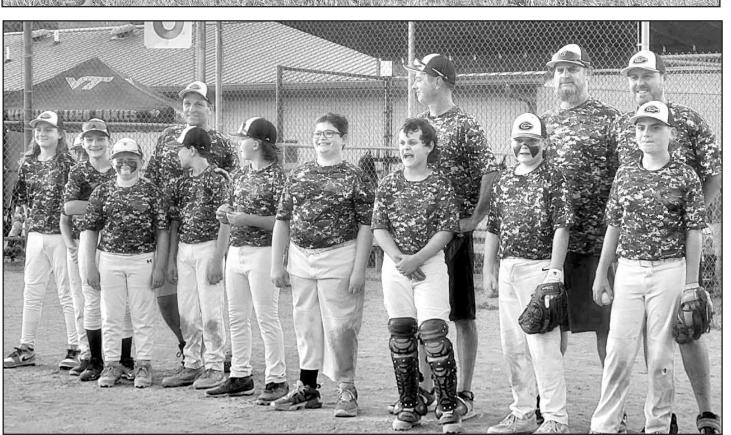
## RAYBA 10U Champions

The Glenvar 10U All-Stars won the RAYBA championship in June. Bottom row kneeling, left to right: Jackson Poff, Jase Ayers, Thomas Paarlberg, Luke Rohrback, Tate McGuire and Kayden Guthrie. Middle row standing, from left to right: Kirk Eskridge, Reid Staley, Tristan Weikle, Jackson Perkins, Ethan Palmer and Brady Caldwell. Back row standing: coaches, Jon Poff, Matt McGuire and Austin Caldwell.



## RAYBA 10U Runners-up

The Salem 10U All-Stars were runners-up in the recent RAYBA tournament. Lying down in front in Barrett Putnam. Kneeling, left to right; Benji Thompson, Luke Biggar, Eli Young, Graham Carroll, Jerry Thompson and Joey Thompson. Standing: Malachi Manns, Brayden Carlisle, Jaren Roberts, CJ Freeman, Meyo Cowling, Mikah Ringley, Jacob Warren and Frankie Funk. Coaches: Jud Cowling, Todd Warren, Brad Thompson and Chris Osborne. Tristan Gibson is not pictured.



## RAYBA 12U Champions

The Glenvar 12U All-Stars won the RAYBA championship. Front left to right: Gabe Maloney, Cameron Clark, Kellen Luck, Knox Kirk, Luke Tozier, Luke Collins, Jackson Richards, Grayson Cochran, Bralen Melton and Brady Higgins. Coaches standing behind are, left to right; Travis Tozier, Giles Cochran, Brad Melton and Ben Higgins. Wesley Huskey is not pictured.



THE SALEM SENIOR LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STARS won the District 12 baseball championship and advanced to the state tournament in Norfolk, where 8 teams took part in play. The Salem team won its first game Tuesday, but lost in the semi-finals, 4-0. They were coached by Don Dent and Dickie Hatcher. When they returned home last Thursday ney were given a warm welcome.

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Left, Royman Blanco of the Red Sox pitches in a recent game. Blanco picked up his fourth save last weekend. Right, Fraymi De Leon dives safely back to first base.

## **Red Sox return to open** nine game homestand

After an 18 day hiatus the Salem Red Sox will be back in town this weekend to host the Fredricksburg Nationals in a three game series. The Sox will be home for nine straight games through July 28.

Salem had a 12 game road trip while the Salem Fair was taking up the Salem Memorial Ballpark parking lot and the Sox went 7-5 during that time. They split a six game series in Lynchburg then took four of six from the Down East Wood Ducks in Kinston last week.

The Sox dropped the first game in Kinston, 8-6, but bounced back to win four of the next five. After a 5-3 win on Wednesday they were rained out Thursday, followed by a 3-0 shutout win on Friday as Matt Duffy and Danny Kirwin combined for the

On Saturday the two played a doubleheader to make up for the rainout and split, with Salem winning the first game, 5-4, and the Ducks taking the nightcap, 4-0. Then, on Sunday's get-away game, Salem took a 2-1 victory to win the series. Four Salem pitchers held the Ducks to six hits and no earned runs with Conor Steinbaugh picking up the win and Royman Blanco pitching a perfect ninth for his fourth save. Both Salem runs came on solo homers as Andy Lugo went deep in the third inning and Nelly Taylor hit what proved to be the winning homer in the top of the fourth.

With the series win Salem improved to 11-10 in the second half of the Carolina League season, tying Lynchburg for second place in the North Division. The Sox and Hillcats are five games behind division



These Glenvar Yankees recently served as the Field of Dreams team at the Salem Red Sox game, taking the field with the Sox prior to the game. Left to right are Yankee Bralen Melton, Sox first baseman Andy Lugo and starting pitcher Luis Cohen, Yankee Luke Tozier, Salem third baseman Freili Encarnacion and Glenvar's Luke Collins.

leading Fredricksburg, and the Red Sox are hoping to make up some ground with three home games against the Nationals this week. Game times are 7 pm Friday, 6 pm Saturday and 3 pm Sunday.

The Sox are off Monday, then they'll host the Carolina Mudcats for six games beginning Tuesday, July 23. The Mudcats are a farm team of the Milwaukee Brewers and they come into the week with a 9-11 second half record.

Upcoming promotions include Faith & Family Night this Friday and Saturday is Scooby Doo Night with a youth t-shirt giveaway.



Salem High's Trace Monroe played for the West All-Stars in the Commonwealth Games baseball tournament last weekend at Liberty University. Right, Trace pitches against the East All-Stars on Saturday. He was one of six Roanoke Valley boys on the team. Left to right in the group photo above are Lord Botetourt's Noah Donaho, Monroe, Tristan Lange of North Cross, Aries Oliver of Northside, Brogan Dent of William Byrd and Major Marshall of Blacksburg.

Monroe plays on Silver Medal C'Wealth team

Rising Salem High School senior Trace Monroe was a member of the West All-Star team that finished second in the Commonwealth Games Baseball Tournament last week. The North team won the Gold at Liberty University.

The West, coached by Rodney Spradlin, opened with an 8-4 win over the Central All-Stars, then dropped a 7-2 game to East after leading 2-1 into the sixth inning. The next game was against the North and the West took a 2-1 win on a walk-off single by Major Marshall of Blacksburg



in the bottom of the ninth inning. With West and North each having one loss they played again for the champion-

ship and North prevailed, 6-1. Monroe, who has committed to play for VMI in college, pitched five innings against the East and left with a 2-1 lead after having thrown 83 pitches. He allowed no earned runs while giving up six hits and he struck out seven and walked none. He also pinch hit in the Gold Medal game and singled.





RVAA City-County swim meet is this weekend at the Christiansburg Aquatic Center

The Roanoke Valley Aquatic Association "City County" meet will be held this Friday and Saturday at the Christiansburg Aquatic Center. On each day a morning session for 10-andunder swimmers will begin at 8:30 am with a 1:30 pm session for swimmers 11-and-over. The Stonegate Swim Team and **Hidden Valley Country Club will** be among the competitors at this weekend's meet. Far left, Caroline Quesenberry of Hidden Valley dives in at a recent meet and, left, Jordan Cotton of the Gators swims the breast stroke.

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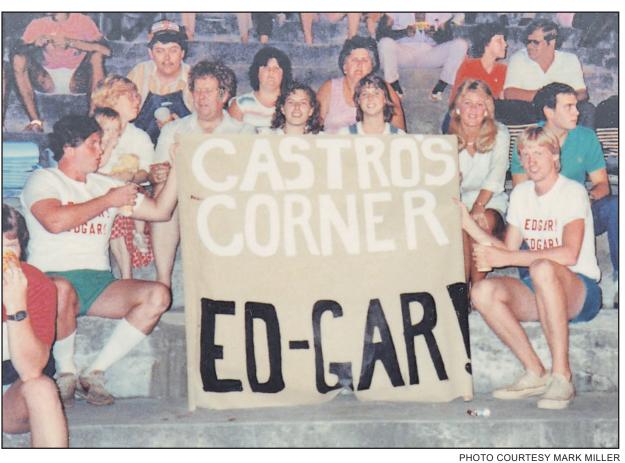
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Above left, Roanoke College students in "Castro's Corner" cheer for Edgar Castro of the 1984 Redbirds. RC Professor Mark Miller is pictured above the "C" in the sign. To his right are wife Linda and daughter Kirsten, who is now a teacher in North Carolina. Right, Castro is on first base after ripping a base hit to the delight of his fans.

## Brian Hoffman



Edgar Castro never made it to the big leagues, but for one season 40 years ago he was a big star on the local baseball diamond.

A lefthanded hitting firstbaseman, Castro played for the Salem Redbirds in the Carolina League. He hit .243 with three home runs for Salem in 1981, then spent the next two years struggling in the Florida State and California Leagues in the San Diego Padres system.

Edgar found himself back in Salem for the 1984 season, 40 years ago this summer, for possibly his last chance in professional ball. He got off to a tough start, batting under .200 for the first month of the season and drawing the ire of the Salem fans. Then, he turned his season around with the help of what would be known as "Castro's Corner."

How Castro's Corner came about started with Mark Miller, a history professor at Roanoke College. Mark put a bid on a house on High Street in Salem that had been donated to the college. His bid was accepted but the house needed lots of work, and Mark enlisted the help of a few Roanoke College students to renovate the house in the summer of '84.

Steve Olausen and Paul Anderson, who had both graduated that spring, and rising senior Tony Chrusniak were hired to work on the house while Mark, wife Linda and young daughter Kirsten remained in their home on Hemlock Street until the renovations were completed.

"The house was gutted," recalls Miller. "There was one live plug in the whole place and no running water. They made the best of it. They went to Bowman Hall(on the RC campus) to shower and lived in the house all summer long.

The house needed a total paint job and before starting the boys spray painted "Future Home of Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity" on the outside of the house as a joke. That got the attention of the neighbors on High Street, a very nice, quiet section of North Salem.

Which leads us to the ballpark.

"Mark and his family went on a trip and left us a pack of tickets to the baseball games so we'd have something to do at night," said Olausen, who is now president of a large company in Rhode Island involved in "Culture Resource Management." Originally from New Jersey, Steve is a Yankee fan and Anderson and Chrusniak are also baseball fans, and they enjoyed spending evenings at the Salem Redbirds games.

"We started going near the end of the first half of the season," recalls Olausen. "There weren't big crowds and we sat on the first base side with what they called 'Rowdy Ridge'. The atmosphere was kind of 'old south,' and we'd start cheering and getting the 75 people or so to start doing the wave. I remember we drank a lot of beer."

Edgar Castro was the Redbirds' regular firstbaseman and he was struggling, as was the team. Salem finished the first half 14 games under .500 at 28-42,

## Castro had the fans in his corner in 1984

in last place in the Carolina League's Northern Division. The college students started riding Castro pretty hard as he slumped at the plate, but then Salem general manager Bob Kitchen made them a proposition.

"Edgar was right in front of them and the college guys were getting on him," recalls Miller. "They would yell 'catch Redbird fever and die'. One night a staffer talked to the ringleaders and said, 'we're happy you're here, and maybe you can help us out.' He said they could come as their guest if they didn't rag on Edgar, and maybe even help him out."

And thus, "Castro's Corner" came to pass. The college kids made up signs to cheer for Edgar and he quickly became their favorite player.

"The team would give us left over food coupons and stuff if we'd cheer for Edgar," said Olausen. "He was struggling and we decided to see what we could do to help him. I remember the first time he came to bat and we started screaming his name he stepped out of the batters' box and looked up at us with a big smile. Then he got back in the box

and laced a double.' The second half of the season belonged to Castro. With Miller and his crew joining the college fans to form "Castro's Corner," Edgar went on a tear the second half. He raised his batting average from under .200 to a season ending .264, the highest average he had in any of his six minor league seasons. He hit 18 home runs in 121 games that season in Salem and drove in 61 runs, by far the best totals of his career.

Edgar went from an also-ran on a poor Redbirds' team to one of the most popular guys ever to play here. The team responded as well, posting a winning record of 36-32 in the second half of the season and finishing second to Lynchburg in the Northern

Division. Even the concession manager said Edgar's improved hitting brought fans to the park and his profits went up. He gave the college boys free food in appreciation.

During the last homestand of the season the fans showed their appreciation to Edgar with a special "Edgar Castro Night." He was driven into the ballpark in a convertible prior to the game and Steve gave a little speech about how loved he was in Salem. Edgar was touched as the founders of his "Corner" presented him with a plaque and a few

That proved to be the last highlight of Edgar's career. In 1985, with no one in his corner, Castro





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Above, left to right, are Paul Anderson(with wig), Tony **Chrusniak and Steve Olausen** who worked on Mark Miller's house in the summer of '84 and "founded" Castro's Corner, Left is a shirt Miller saved from that season and below, Castro is recognized on "Edgar Castro Day" at the end of the season. The photographer on the right is ST-R sports editor Brian



played 50 games in the Carolina League for the rival Hagerstown Suns, a Baltimore affiliate, then went to Double-A and played six games for the Charlotte Orioles. He was then traded to Texas and played 33 games for the Double-A Tulsa Drillers, where he hit .193 in 83 at bats.

By 1986 Castro was out of baseball. In his six year minor league career he hit .236 with 42 total home runs for seven different teams, with the 1984 Salem season far and away being the best.

"He was a good guy," said Olausen. "He was right there at first base and we talked to him a lot, and I'd like to think we had something to do with his success that season. I know we had a lot of fun.'

**Glenvar is 4th** in Class 2, **Spartans 14th** in Class 4 in **National Guard Cup standings** 

The Virginia High School League has announced the 2023-24 National Guard Cup winners, presented by the Virginia Army National Guard for year-long athletic and academic success.

Glenvar High finished fourth in Class 2 while Salem High tied for 14th in Class 4. Poquoson ended Glenvar's two-year run of Cup victories by scoring 522.5 points, including 192.5 in the spring. Bruton was second at 487.5 and Radford was third with 375. Glenvar, who

had won the Cup the past two years, finished with 335 points while Floyd County was fifth at 315, giving the Three Rivers District three of the top five teams. Glenvar had 92.5 in the fall, 120 in the winter and 122.5 points in the spring, paced by state championship teams in both girls' and boys' soccer.

In Class 4 Atlee High won the Cup with 587.5 points, followed by Blacksburg with 475. Salem High tied for 14th place with 150, including 90 points in the fall, 37.5 in the winter and

22.5 in the spring. Familiar faces returned to claim more trophies. Western

Albemarle, in Class 3, led the way, earning its ninth overall Cup and third in a row, while Auburn in Class 1 claimed its sixth consecutive Cup and seventh overall. Poquoson, in Class 2, earned its second Cup in four years, and Battlefield, in Class 6, earned its second Cup in three years. Claiming Cups for the first time were Atlee in Class 4 and Independence in Class 5.

First awarded in 1990, the Cup represents 35 seasons of excellence. Six Cups are awarded for academic activities and athletics in each of the VHSL's six enrollment classifications. The aca-

demic activities winners were announced on June 12.

A point system determines the winners based on overall performance in VHSL state championship competitions. In athletics, first place earns 50 points, second place earns 45 points, third place earns 40 points, fourth place earns 35 points, fifth place earns 30 points, sixth place earns 25 points, seventh place earns 20 points, and eighth place earns 15 points. Schools earning the League's Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity Award earn 50 points each.