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## Council honors Salem High School state championship students

**Meg Hibbert**  
Contributing writer

Salem City Council at the Aug. 12 meeting honored Salem High School athletes and scholars for winning state championships. Individual Wrestling Team Member Derek Bush was recognized for his state championship with a 37-2 record, including 21 pins. According to Coach Lawrence Van Liew, it was only the second wrestling state championship since Salem High School opened. Council awarded Bush and his coach each a championship ring and copy of the resolution passed by council.

The resolution noted Bush has a 3.9 grade point average out of a possible 4.0. Debate Team members and Coach Mark Ingerson were honored for the 2024 state championship and individual categories. Nine of the team members were present to get their rings and copies of the resolution. Council recognized sophomore Drew Perez for winning the Class IV Boys Tennis Singles State Championship. Perez's mother, Jill Perez, stood with her son. Coach Steve Willinger and Perez also received a ring and copy of the Council resolution. "We're so proud of all your

accomplishments," Mayor Renee Turk told the students and coaches. Councilmembers and audience members gave the students standing ovations. In other matters at Monday night's meeting, Council approved: • A special exception for Sherwood Memorial Park to allow expansion of the cemetery into adjacent property at 1221 Lynchburg Turnpike. Community Development Director Chuck Van Allman, there would be only internal access and no access from Lynchburg Turnpike.



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Members of the Salem High School Debate Team who won the Virginia High School League State Championship and their Coach Mark Ingerson received recognition from Salem City Council Monday night.

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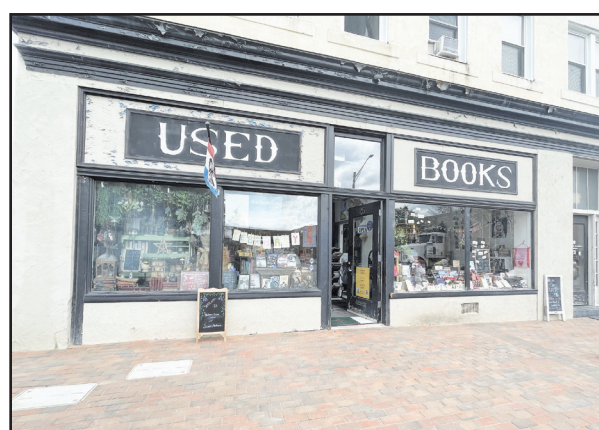
## 50th anniversary Salem Distance Run held



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

These runners posed for a group shot in front of the Salem Library prior to heading to the starting line for last Saturday morning's Salem Distance Run. Results and more photos from the 50th anniversary run can be found in this week's sports section.

## Two Salem businesses awarded \$10K grants



Wonderous Books & more

**Aila Boyd**  
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Two Salem businesses, Wonderous Books & more and The Knittin' Coop, were selected earlier this summer as the recipients of \$10,000 Backing Small Businesses grants from American Express and Main Street America. The Salem businesses were among a batch of 500 small businesses that were selected. Savannah Oaks is the owner of Wonderous Books & more. "We are so grateful to be chosen for this grant! We are so excited to be able to add more inventory, be able to put on and participate in upcoming events, and add a new sign to our building," Oaks said. "These updates will help us be able to continue to reach the community and make better relations with our customers." Robin Ferguson, owner of The Knittin' Coop, said, that the business has been a long-time dream of hers. "When I opened five years ago on Aug. 1, I never imagined



The Knittin' Coop

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that six months later, we would be thrown into the darkness of a pandemic. Because my business was so new I didn't qualify for any of the assistance offered. Winning this grant has allowed me to bring more new inventory to my customers that I have been waiting to purchase. In addition, I am adding a new sign so that my business is more visible. I'm happy to be Downtown Salem's Local Yarn Shop," he said. The program's 2024 grant recipients represent U.S. small businesses across all 50 states, plus D.C. and Puerto Rico. Later this year, grantees will have the opportunity to apply for an additional \$30,000 enhancement grant that will be awarded to 25 small businesses, according to a release. Since launching in 2021, Backing Small Businesses has provided over \$9 million in grants to 1,180 small business owners nationwide. American Express and Main Street America initially created the grant program to help economically vulnerable small business owners recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and grow

their businesses. "We are truly thrilled to provide additional support to our country's small business owners through the Backing Small Businesses grant program, along with our partners at American Express," said Main Street America President and CEO Erin Barnes. "These grants are no small thing – and will go far in helping our neighborhood and downtown entrepreneurs build capacity, continue to innovate and grow, and make meaningful contributions in their home communities." This program is part of American Express' "Backing Small" initiative to provide financial support and resources to small business owners experiencing economic hardships. Other Backing Small grant programs include Backing Historic Small Restaurants and Backing International Small Restaurants. Backing Small is an extension of American Express' longstanding commitment to support small independent businesses globally, including through its Shop Small movement and Small Business Saturday campaign, celebrating its 15th anniversary this year.



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Blake Shaner, left, and Certified Flight Instructor Addison Fowler pose by the Diamond Star at Star Flight Training at the Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport.

## Shaner completes first solo flight: A major milestone on the path to becoming a pilot

**Edmee CR Hasler**  
Contributing writer

Salem native Blake Shaner, a 19-year-old aspiring pilot, recently achieved a significant milestone in his aviation journey by completing his first solo flight. This accomplishment marks a pivotal moment in Shaner's path toward earning his private pilot's license, bringing him one step closer to his dream of becoming a commercial airline pilot.

Shaner's interest in aviation began at a young age, with his passion ignited by a childhood trip to Disney World where he found the airplane ride to be the highlight of his experience. Since then he has been actively involved in aviation through various organizations such as the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and the Civil Air Patrol, which

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## Fire causes \$275K in damages to Kerner Avenue structure

The Salem Fire & EMS Department responded to a structure fire at 833 Kerner Ave. on Aug. 8 at approximately 3 p.m., according to a city release. When firefighters arrived on Thursday afternoon, they found heavy smoke coming from the home. Crews made entry into

the house and discovered a fire in the basement that had extended to the first floor. There were two residents inside the home at the time of the fire and they were able to escape safely before firefighters

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# Briefly: Salem News In Brief

**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.

**Pickin' In The Park:** Bluegrass legend Junior Sisk is returning to Salem's annual Pickin' In The Park concert this summer. This marks the fourth straight year that Sisk and his group of amazing pickers and singers are headlining the Longwood Park Amphitheater show with their fast playing and uplifting harmonies. This year's free event takes place on Saturday, Aug. 17, and it also features local favorites Wound Tight and New Standard.

**Bluegrass Gospel:** A bluegrass gospel event featuring County Connection will be on Sunday, Aug. 18 at 4 p.m. at Calvary United Methodist Church at 845 Hemlock Rd. in Salem.

**General Andrew Lewis:** Colonial Hero at the Salem Museum: Step back in time with the Salem Museum to the Colonial era on Saturday, Sept. 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Enjoy a full day of living history. Historians in Colonial-era attire will bring the past

to life for kids and families alike. Salem's very own Revolutionary War hero General Andrew Lewis will present two talks on his extraordinary life and times at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. All events are free to the public. Colonial living historians from the Fincastle Company will demonstrate the professions, trades, and crafts essential to the era while telling stories about the brave men and women who built a life on Virginia's frontier with determination and heroic deeds.

**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, Sept. 9: 7-9 p.m. - The Guard. It will take place at the Salem Parks and Recreation Senior Rec Center at 110 Union Street, Salem.

**ZZ Top:** "That Little Ol' Band 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](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

**Warren Haynes Band:** The Warren Haynes Band, led by GRAMMY® Award-winning vocalist, songwriter, guitar legend, producer, and Gov't Mule front man Warren Haynes, has announced their Million Voices Whisper Tour. The new 16-date fall headlining tour launches Sept. 19 in Fort Lauderdale and stops in Salem Sept. 29, before wrapping Oct. 12 in Boston. The band will perform in Salem on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m. 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](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

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**Public meetings:** The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Aug. 26 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Sept. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Sept. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Council will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 7 p.m.

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

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

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.

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

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

The Salem City Council will meet on Monday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

The Salem City School Board will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 7 p.m.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m.

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arrived. Two dogs were rescued from the fire, administered oxygen by our personnel, and they survived. A pet ferret did not survive the fire.

The first units arrived at the one story-residence within five minutes of receiving the 911 call and they were able to bring the fire under control in 30 minutes.

Approximately 33 personnel from the Salem Fire & EMS Department (Truck 1, Engine 2, Engine 3, Rescue 801, Medic 802, Medic 803, Medic 804 Battalion 1 & Fire Medic 1) and the Roanoke City Fire & EMS Department (Engine 13, Ladder 5 &

Battalion 2) responded to the call. Personnel from both the Roanoke City Fire & EMS Department and Roanoke County Fire & Rescue assisted with handling additional calls while our personnel were working on the fire.

The Salem Fire Marshal's Office ruled the fire accidental with approximately \$275,000 in damages. Five residents were displaced by the fire and are being assisted by the American Red Cross, according to the city.

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# RECIPE OF THE WEEK

## Post trip meal

One of the things I enjoy during the summer is traveling. Trips to the beach are usually centered around where we are going to eat. When I'm on vacation, I love to try all kinds of foods! FOMO while traveling is a thing. Even though I (try to) eat everything in moderation, I still eat everything!

I am by nature a planner. I hate surprises. If I have a list to check off, I am happy. This means that on the weeks leading up to a trip, I will eat anything from the fridge in a binge of clean-out meals. This leaves a lonely jar of jam and mustard behind, no milk to spoil or vegetables to rot while I am gone.

Although a vacation usually leaves me feeling refreshed and recharged mentally, when it comes to my body, I sometimes feel I like I need a vacation from my vacation when it's all said and done. Welcome home! You have no food in the house and you must eat vegetables. That's where frozen vegetables that steam in their own package are a must. Steam some frozen broccoli, green beans, vegetable medley, carrots, peas, etc.

Once I'm back home, being intentional about what I eat helps me come down softly from the "treat yo self" high of a week away, and makes it easier to move forward with a renewed sense of energy and optimism. I've found that certain foods help me get my feet back on the ground after a vacation, and that cooking at home in the weeks after a trip helps ease the inevitable sting of blown travel budgets, too.

This week's recipe is for Fiesta Mac and Cheese. This casserole can be made and then frozen to eat later. It is baked from frozen so there is no thawing when you get home after a long day's driving. Just pop it in the oven and bake while you microwave a bag of veggies to go with it.

## Fiesta Mac and Cheese

### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 pounds elbow macaroni
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 red onions, halved and thinly sliced



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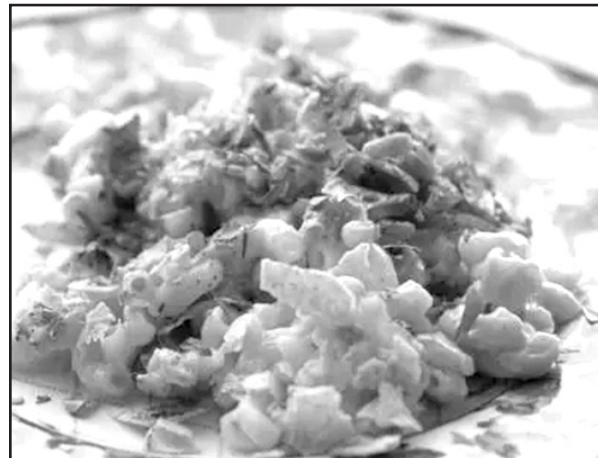
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- 2 ears corn, shucked and kernels removed (about 1 1/2 cups)
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- Two 4-ounce cans diced green chiles
- 6 tablespoons salted butter, plus more for the pan
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 3 cups whole milk
- 2/3 cup half-and-half
- 3 tablespoons adobo sauce from canned chipotles
- 1 cup cubed processed cheese, such as Velveeta
- 2 cups freshly grated Monterey Jack cheese
- 2 cups freshly grated pepper jack cheese
- One 10-ounce can diced tomatoes and chiles,
- undrained
- 1 cup tortilla chips, crushed
- Chili powder, for sprinkling
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro ( I leave off the cilantro)

### Directions:

Bring a pot of water to a boil. Cook the macaroni in the boiling water until just undercooked. Drain and set aside. Meanwhile, heat the olive oil in a large cast-iron skillet over medium-high heat. Add the red onion and corn and season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring, until the onion turns golden brown and the corn begins to blister, 4 to 5 minutes. Stir in the green chiles to combine. Set aside.

To make the sauce, melt the butter in a large pot over medium heat. Sprinkle in the flour, whisking to combine. Let the roux cook for a minute or so, whisking constantly. Pour in the milk, whisking constantly, followed by 2 teaspoons salt and 1



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teaspoon pepper. Cook the white sauce until thick and bubbly, 3 to 5 minutes. Add the half-and-half and adobo sauce. Add the processed cheese, 1 cup of the Monterey Jack and 1 cup of the pepper jack and continue to cook, stirring, until the cheese all melts. Add the cooked macaroni and stir to coat. Fold in the diced tomatoes and chiles.

Butter a 9-by-13-inch disposable foil pan. Layer with half of the macaroni mixture, then half the corn mixture. Repeat the layers, ending with the corn mixture. Sprinkle the remaining 1 cup Monterey Jack and 1 cup pepper jack over the top. Sprinkle the crushed tortilla chips all over the cheese, then sprinkle with chili powder.

To bake immediately, preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. Bake until bubbly and hot, 20 to 25 minutes. Sprinkle over the chopped cilantro and serve. To freeze the casserole for later, let cool completely, then cover with aluminum foil, fold over the edges to seal and freeze.

If cooking from frozen, preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. Cook, covered, for 50 minutes, then uncover and bake until light brown and bubbly, about another 20 minutes.

# Flight

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have provided him with numerous opportunities to explore and pursue his passion.

For his first solo flight, Shaner trained at Starflight Training at Roanoke Airport, where he logged 9.4 hours in a Diamond DA-40 aircraft. Despite having previously completed 15 hours of flight training in Danville, he had to undergo additional training to familiarize himself with the new aircraft and the different flying conditions at a towered airport like Roanoke. His solo flight involved taking off alone and completing three laps in the traffic pattern, a significant achievement for any student pilot.

"Soloing the airplane for the first time is like a first big milestone in training," Shaner explained. "It's an incredible feeling to be in control of the aircraft completely on your own."

Shaner's dedication to his training is evident in his detailed planning and his

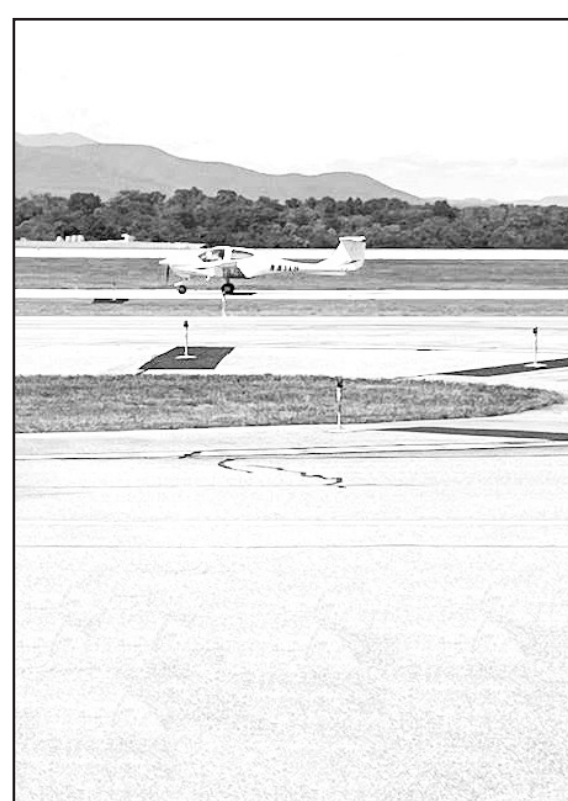
commitment to achieving his goals. He hopes to take his written exam soon, another crucial step toward obtaining his private pilot's license. He is also applying for a scholarship through the Civil Air Patrol, which he hopes will cover the remaining costs of his flight training.

The journey to becoming a pilot is not only demanding in terms of skill but also financially challenging. Shaner acknowledges the substantial costs involved in flight training, noting that he has already invested a significant amount of money into his training hours. However, his passion for aviation and his determination to succeed drive him forward.

Looking ahead, Shaner aims to accumulate the necessary flight hours to advance to higher levels of certification. He aspires to eventually fly for either NetJets, a private airline corporation, or American Airlines, with a long-term



Blake Shaner, right, is congratulated by Certified Flight Instructor Addison Fowler, after Shaner finished his first solo flight.



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The Diamond Star.

goal of becoming a commercial airline pilot.

Shaner's story is a testament to the dedication and perseverance

required to achieve one's dreams. As he continues his training, he remains focused on his ultimate goal of soaring through the

skies as a professional pilot, fully aware that this journey is just the beginning of a lifelong passion for aviation.

# Council

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Individual Wrestling Team Member Derek Bush who won the state championship and his coach Lawrence Van Liew received copies of the Council resolution and ring from Salem City Council at the Aug. 12 meeting.

Councilman Randy Foley abstained from the vote because he is on the memorial park's board, he said;

- Rezoning the Bojangles' property at 1590 W. Main St. from Light Manufacturing to Highway Business District. Van Allman said the change allows a second lane for the restaurant;
- A \$200,000 grant to purchase the Tuttle house next to the Salem Post Office, for a city pocket park on the green space. No decision has been made whether the house will be demolished, but City Manager Chris

Dorsey noted nothing can be built back because the area is in the flood plain. Council also

appropriated:

- A \$20,000 Virginia Tourism Grant to be used for various tourism events in the



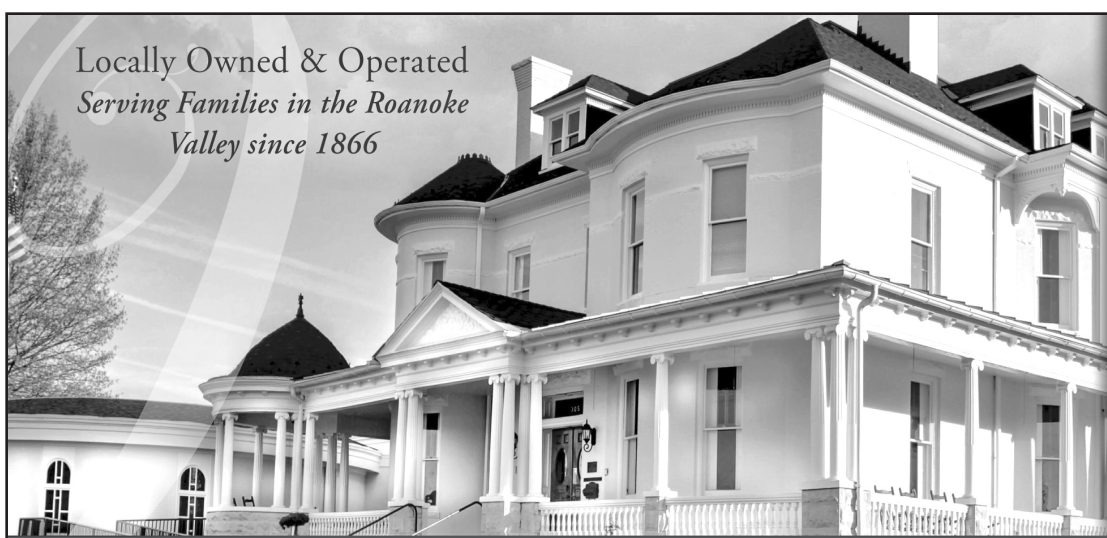
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Drew Perez was honored by Salem City Council for winning the Class 4 Boys Tennis Singles State Championship. With him is his mother, Jill Perez.

- And \$10,000 tourism grant to increase overnight visits and life on the Virginia

city;
The regular portion of the meeting ended at 7:22 when Council went into a closed session to

discuss a prospective business or industry or expansion of one. Councilmembers said no action was expected.



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# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Your readers may have seen Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu applauded with when he spoke to a joint session of Congress on July 24. He received 58 standing ovations. About 100 Democrats boycotted the event. While he spoke, Rep. Rashida Tlaib held a small sign saying "War Criminal". Our Sen. Kaine missed it, claiming a schedule conflict, but Sen. Warner and all three local Republican "Freedom Caucus" representatives were there, Cline, Griffith, and Good. Netanyahu's speech was full of lies, but what galled me the most was what he said about the thousands of peaceful protesters outside the Capitol, that they were funded by Iran and were "Iranian idiots". Imagine that, a foreign leader standing as a guest

of our country in "the People's House" and calling U.S. citizens "idiots" for exercising their Constitutional right to speak out! Watching that lying war criminal being applauded for that just turned my stomach. How do our cheering senators and representatives, many of them professed Christians, even sleep at night?

PM Netanyahu, fresh off being applauded in the U.S. Congress, must have felt a green light to engage in further murderous attacks to extend the war as now Israel has bombed Beirut, Lebanon and Tehran, Iran, assassinating a senior Hezbollah official and Ismail Haniyeh, Hamas' chief peace negotiator.

A genocide is occurring in Gaza, recognized by the International Court of Justice. I don't want my taxes supporting Israel's military in its ethnic cleansing

pogrom in Gaza. Further, in the West Bank and East Jerusalem, over 500 Palestinians have been killed.

Their homes and land are continually being stolen by Israeli settlers. I don't want my country to associate itself with Israel's apartheid regime.

I wrote to Rep. Cline about this and my letter was answered with a form letter expressing, essentially, his thoughts and prayers. Why was he applauding this war criminal? I had asked him if he was aware that many U.S. citizens who are Jewish are advocating for peace and against US military support for Israel's war. I pointed out that many Jewish people, in our country and across the world, are risking a lot to demonstrate against the ongoing despicable slaughter of Palestinian women and children and innocent others by Israel's US-funded

military.

I asked Rep. Cline to please listen to and offer respectful attention to these Jewish people who oppose Israel's war. I implored him to reach out to them and support them! And to publicly advocate for them, because what is happening in Gaza is disgraceful and immoral. I asked him to stand against Zionist racism and support both our Arab-American Muslim and Jewish neighbors. And I urge all my Salem friends and neighbors to ask Rep. Cline, our Senators, and President Biden to stop sending Israel US bombs. Demand a ceasefire and an end to Israel's six decade long occupation.

Sincerely yours,  
Michael Bentley, EdD  
Broad Street resident

## Virginia Western Educational Foundation names new board of directors



Penn



Lugar



Ramey



Millner

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ROANOKE — The Virginia Western Community College Educational Foundation recently announced four new at-large members to its board of directors:

John Lugar, President, Virginia Varsity Transfer Inc.  
Jamal Millner, President, M3: GRAFIX  
Angela Penn, CEO and President, Total Action for Progress (TAP)

Craig T. Ramey, Ph.D., Research Professor and Distinguished Research Scholar of Human Development, Fralin Biomedical Research Institute at VTC

The volunteer board of directors guides the educational foundation's mission as an independent nonprofit organization supporting student scholarships, faculty development and endowment initiatives at Virginia Western Community College. Board members are the driving force behind Virginia Western's Community College Access Program

(CCAP), a public-private partnership that provides up to two years of tuition to eligible students, and the Virginia Western Forward Fund unrestricted endowment, the college said.

As of 2024, the Educational Foundation is led by: Deborah L. Petrino, chair; Russell Ellett, vice chair; Tammy Moss Finley, secretary; Chris Carey, treasurer; William Farrell II, immediate past-chair; and College President Dr. Robert H. Sandel.

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## Roanoke College is named a 2024 Military Friendly School

Roanoke College has been named a Military Friendly® School through G.I. Jobs magazine and Vqitory publishing, according to a recent news release. Roanoke College has said it "is committed to being a place for veterans, their dependents, and future military leaders to find home for their education."

Institutions earning the Military Friendly® School designation were evaluated using both public data sources and survey responses.

Roanoke College is home to an active Student Veterans Group that fosters an environment of support and lasting friendships through regular meetings, group dinners, family barbecues and occasional trips. At the college's commencement ceremony, group membership is noted with a special stole and a group patch.

Roanoke's admissions and financial aid offices work closely with veterans to help coordinate GI Bill educational benefits and the

Yellow Ribbon Program. Roanoke College has said it is strengthening its commitment to veterans with a new staff position to assist veterans in their transition to college and to help support them throughout their educational experience.

Damon S. Daniels '24, a recent Roanoke graduate, was appointed as Roanoke's first military support and recruitment coordinator. Daniels is an Army veteran who served our country for almost 20 years in Afghanistan and Iraq. He recently graduated as a health and physical education major. While at Roanoke, he served as the president of the Student Veterans Group, which he helped to create and today serves as advisor of the group. The Student Veterans Group was recognized as an outstanding student organization in the 2024 Garren Diversity Awards. Daniels said he could not have graduated without the care and encouragement from Roanoke faculty and staff. He also

credits his success to his wife, who provided a much-needed boost for him to finish what he started.

"Damon Daniels is a veteran, a family man and the very first in his family to obtain a college degree. He is the epitome of tenacity and resilience," Roanoke College President Frank Shushok Jr. said. "I'm excited to see what our veterans can accomplish and pleased to have Damon on board to support our veterans from day one."

For more about Roanoke College and educational opportunities for veterans, visit roanoke.edu/veterans.

The 2024-25 Military Friendly® Schools list was published in the May issue of G.I. Jobs and is available at militaryfriendly.com.

For more information about Roanoke's student veteran programs, visit the Veterans page on the Roanoke website. https://www.roanoke.edu/admissions/veterans.

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- Steep cliffs (Hawaiian)
- Scots word for "home"
- Upper class young woman (abbr.)
- Monetary unit of Albania
- Raise
- Drain of resources
- Uncultured, clumsy persons
- Hikers use them
- Retrospective analysis (military)
- Tibetan form of chanting
- Influential European statesman
- Soluble ribonucleic acid
- Monetary unit of Romania
- Round green vegetable
- Well acquainted with
- Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- Basics
- "The Godfather" actress Keaton
- Snakelike fish
- Tall deciduous tree
- Russian river
- Long Balkans river
- Ancient Greek coin
- Senegal's capital
- Unwell
- Snout
- Low bank or reef of coral

**CLUES DOWN**

- Abstain from
- Vast desert in North Africa
- Cover the crown of a tooth
- A major division of geological time
- Urban center
- Crook
- Parts per billion (abbr.)
- Questions
- A pack of 52 playing cards
- Recording of sound
- Pithy saying
- Atomic #22
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Plant with ridged seedpods
- Innate
- Investigative body for Congress (abbr.)
- Soda receptacle
- Spanish stew: \_\_ podrida
- Viet Cong offensive
- Large body of water
- Beginning military rank
- Dissimilar
- Counteroffensive system (abbr.)
- Shows who you are
- Chinese dynasty
- Type of verse
- African nation
- Quite
- Former Bucks star Michael
- Showed again
- Body part
- Steal

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# SALEM MUSEUM SPOTLIGHT

This bell was used to signal class changes at the Carver School from 1940-1966.

In the words of Fran Ferguson, the Salem Museum's Outgoing Executive Director:

"My favorite artifact is this bell from the Carver School. Carver was an important educational and cultural anchor which served the region's African American residents during the time of segregation. I like to think of the principal ringing this bell to call his students to class, students who worked hard and were eager to learn. The children and youth who attended Carver grew up to be doctors, educators and leaders, locally and beyond, and overcame many challenges on the road to success."

Fran is retiring! The Board of the Salem Historical Society would like to express their deep gratitude and appreciation for Fran's exceptional service as executive director. When Fran joined the museum in 2017, she had a vision and a plan to take the Salem Museum into the 21st century. Now, the Salem Museum is an organization to be proud of, an essential community asset!



Carver School bell

COURTESY PHOTO

Please stop by the Museum on August 17, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. to say goodbye to Fran, and hello to Garrett and Hunter, the museum's new executive director and assistant director.

# Salem squirrel snacks on sunflower seeds



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

This squirrel not only found a swing to relax on in Salem last week but enjoyed some sunflower seeds to go with it.

# POLICE REPORT

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of July 30, 2024 – August 5, 2024

DATE	NAME	AGE	OFFENSE
7/30/2024	Marcella L. Hancock	52	Domestic Assault & Battery
7/30/2024	Loren B. Benson	35	Possession of Controlled Substance
7/30/2024	Brian E. Robinson	47	Possession of Controlled Substance, Public Intoxication
7/31/2024	Marlon R. Benitez Espinoza	39	Sexual Assault, Aggravated Burglary
7/31/2024	Anthony L. Williams	56	Public Intoxication
7/31/2024	Thurman E. Ayers	35	Damage Property
8/1/2024	Thomas W. Erlywine Jr.	31	Obstructing Justice
8/1/2024	Christopher W. Chambers IV	21	DUI
8/1/2024	Seth T. Koon	31	Violation of Probation
8/1/2024	Sarah L. Dooley	36	Conceal Merchandise
8/1/2024	Howard S. Lewis Jr.	63	Possession of Controlled Substance, Violation of Probation
8/1/2024	Amber N. Wright	26	Assault on Police Officer, Public Intoxication
8/2/2024	Howard S. Lewis Jr.	63	Identity Theft
8/2/2024	Robert M. Vandoren III	46	Domestic Assault & Battery
8/3/2024	William S. Parker	52	Criminal Trespass
8/3/2024	Jason H. Tincher Jr.	27	Public Intoxication, Refuse to Identify
8/3/2024	David A. Chauies	45	False Name or Address to Police, Identity Theft, Contempt of Court
8/3/2024	Mitchell F. Howell	33	DUI, Obstructing Justice
8/3/2024	Casey J. Hagerty Heilman	35	Public Intoxication, Urination in Public
8/3/2024	Sandra L. Zola	56	Criminal Trespass
8/4/2024	Carolyn J. Gearheart	67	DUI
8/4/2024	Philip H. Highlander Jr.	61	Public Intoxication
8/5/2024	Clinton D. Rollason	50	Violation of Protective
8/5/2024	Torriano M. Board	31	Domestic Assault & Battery, Damage Property

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of July 30, 2024 – August 5, 2024

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
1-AUG-2024	100 BLK Electric RD	Simple Assault on Police Officer
5-AUG-2024	800 BLK Stonegate DR	Damage Property

# Nominations open for 2024 Charles Brown Award

Nominations are now open for the annual Charles Brown Award, given to an outstanding Salem resident who has made a meaningful contribution to the quality of life in Salem.

To nominate someone for the award, fill out the online form at this address: [https://forms\\_beta.roanoke.edu/formfinder/form/charles-brown](https://forms_beta.roanoke.edu/formfinder/form/charles-brown). The deadline for nominations is Monday, Sept. 23.

The award was named in honor of Charles Brown, the first dean of Roanoke College and the former mayor of Salem. The award is presented each year to a dedicated Salem citizen who helps improve the quality of life in Salem. Nominees must be Salem residents.

The award will be given at the college's annual Salem Appreciation Breakfast, which will be held Wednesday, Oct. 16, at 8 a.m. in the Colket Center's Wortmann Ballroom.

Previous winners of the award include William Paxton Jr. (1997), Clarence

Caldwell Jr. (1998), James Taliaferro (1999), Ray Robinson (2000), Norwood "Woody" Middleton (2001), Warren Moorman (2002), Louise Braxton (2003), Roy Henrickson (2003), Esther Brown (2003), Gerald Pace (2004), Missouri "Mo" Nelson (2004), Brian Hoffman (2005), Richard "Dick" Fisher (2006), Walter Hunt (2007), N. Wayne Tripp (2008), Harry Haskins (2009) and Sonny Tarpley (2010).

More recent recipients include Herman Reavis (2011), Sally Southard (2012), Bob Rotanz (2013), Carey Harveycutter (2014), Joan Dorsey (2014), J. Burks Logan (2015), William "Bill" Sinkler (2015), John Hildebrand (2016), Diane Washenberger (2017), Eric "Ric" Atkins (2017), Forest Jones (2017), David Turk (2017), James Bryant (2018), Regine Archer (2019), Lisa Bain (2021), Laura Tucker (2022) and Tommy Barber (2023).

-The Salem Times-Register

# FROM THE ARCHIVES

# S. H. HEIRONIMUS COMPANY ONE OF OUTSTANDING BUSINESSES IN SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA

Forty-Eight Years Old - Uses Golden Rule As Motto - Several Head Firm

From the 1938 centennial edition of The Times-Register

When a store grows to the ripe age of forty-eight years as the S. H. Heironimus Co. establishment has done, there has to be a reason, when the fact is taken into consideration that the average store life is something like twelve years. First a store must have a purpose before it can hope to last and this pre-eminence was not gained by the Heironimus company through any merchandising legerdemain, by juggling of standards to meet a temporary market, or for extra gain or by trading up and down as opportunism offered. No, Heironimus created the store's present status by devoting itself to giving the most of standard merchandise for the consumer's dollar. This, together with fair trade practices, and by offering every possible convenience and service, has made the Heironimus store what it is today.

This S. H. Heironimus Co., started business in one small store room on Commerce Street in Roanoke in 1890 when it adopted its ideal - that of always attempting to conform to a standard of perfection. And for its creed it took that of the Golden Rule "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

### The Store Founders

This store was founded by Messers S. H. Heironimus and L. K. Brugh, who built up a good business from a modest beginning. Neither of these gentlemen have been with the firm for some years but the company has marched into to great heights in successful merchandising, so that at the present time they firm's name is familiar in every nook and corner of Southwest Virginia.

In 1905 Mr. Brugh severed his connection with the firm and the store was incorporated under the name of S. H. Heironimus & Co., the establishment taking its name from the president of the company and Mr. H. D. Heironimus was named secretary and

treasurer. S. H. Heironimus severed his connection with the firm in 1913 and has a result of the reorganization Mr. Lynn became president and Mr. C. B. Cole came into the firm as vice-president. Mr. L. D. Daniel, now deceased, who had come into the firm some years before, became secretary-treasurer.

With each succeeding year the store has grown large. Mr. Lynn, who was a native of Prince William County, became associated with the firm soon after the store was started.

### New Store Head

When Mr. Lynn died in 1936 his son, Rover L. Lynn, became president, and under his energetic management the store has continued to expand so that it is recognized as the outstanding mercantile establishment of Southwest Virginia. The present head of the firm graduated from the Jefferson high school and the Virginia Military Institute. Following this training he took a course in merchandising at Columbia university and he has studied all angles of the modern methods of conducting a department store. Mr. Lynn takes a keen interest in giving greater service to the customers of the store so that the business has continued to grow under his management.

### Other Firm Members

Henry D. Gray, who came with the store as a package boy in 1890, was made assistant accessory and hosiery buyer in 1893. He became a member of the firm in 1897 at which time he was made a director. When Mr. C. B. Cole left the firm in 1925, Mr. Gray was made secretary-treasurer, a title he holds today. He was born in Buchanan, Va.

Ralph K. Baker came with the firm August 10, 1908, taking a position in the piece goods department. In 1909 he was placed in charge of the white goods department and in 1921 he bought an interest in the firm. He was promoted to assistant buyer but when

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this country became involved in the World War he joined the Virginia Coast Artillery, a unit of the Rainbow division with whom he served for eighteen months in France. After the way her returned to Heironimus in his old capacity. At the death Mr. R. Lee Lynn he was made vice-president. Mr. Baker was born in Roanoke.

After becoming associated with the store as a clerk in 1901, Thomas J. Kind was made a member of the firm in 1913. For a number of years he served as credit manager and later he took charge of the interior decorating and furniture departments, the capacity in which he serves at present. he is a native of Henry County, Virginia.

- Prepared by Lingjie Gu

# OBITUARY

## Sample, Joseph Wayne

On August 4, 2024, Joseph Wayne Sample of Fincastle, Va. met his Creator. Joe, the eldest son of Granville Wayne and Dorothy Taliferro Sample, was born on February 22, 1937. He attended Andrew Lewis High School, Milligan College, and served in the United States Army.

In addition to his parents, parents-in-law and many beloved family members, Joe was preceded in death by his elder son Kevin J. Sample, eldest grandson Zachary R. Sample, brother-in-law B. Edwin Garst, brother-in-law James L. Evans, sister Pamela S. Melton and brother-in-law Allen W. Melton.

Joe is survived by his wife, Norma Faye Garst Sample; son Scott M. Sample (Laurie); daughter Sydni Sample Murphy (Darren); daughter-in-law Teresa P. Sample; grandsons Connor W. Sample, Benton W. Sample and Cullen M. Sample; sisters Ellen S. Evans and Judy S. Eynon (Lynn); and brother Thomas G. Sample.

Joe was a faithful, devoted husband for 63 years. He was a loving father who brought his children up in The Lord; teaching them love, honor, and respect. Joe was expressive of and thankful for God's beauty surrounding us. Joe was a long-time member of

the Salem Church of Christ where he taught Sunday School and then the Boretourt Church of Christ where he served as elder and Sunday School teacher instructing his students to "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Salem Church of Christ.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a future date.

Online condolences may be expressed to the Sample family by visiting [www.johnmoakey.com](http://www.johnmoakey.com).

# Teachers return ahead of Aug. 19 school start date



COURTESY PHOTO

**Salem's teachers and support staff members returned to work this week to make sure their respective classrooms are all set for the start of the 2024-25 school year. The employees shared stories and broke bread for lunch at Salem High School before gathering in the auditorium where they were briefed by Superintendent Curtis Hicks. Everything from updated policies to classroom success stories across the division were discussed and applauded. The Aug. 19 opening day marks the earliest start date in the 43-year history of the Salem City School Division. -The Salem Times-Register**

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

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COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, STATE OF GEORGIA

Melanie Ripley, Petitioner, v. Enrique Ripley, Jr., Respondent.

The petitioner having filed a Petition before this court for a hearing and it appearing to this Court that the whereabouts of said Respondent, ENRIQUE RIPLEY, JR., are presently unknown to the Petitioner and Petitioner having therefore requested an Order directing service to be made upon said party by publication of summons as by law provided and it further appearing that Respondent cannot be found with due diligence within the State of Georgia; IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that service of process be made upon ENRIQUE RIPLEY, JR. by publication as provided by law.

This 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2024.  
HONORABLE Judge Erica Tisinger  
Superior Court of Carroll County Coweta Judicial Circuit

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# LAX CAMP

These Salem girls participated in the Salem Department of Parks and Recreation lacrosse camp at Spartan Field last week. The camp was conducted by Salem High coaches and players.

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## Today's Andrew Lewis Middle School football game is postponed

Andrew Lewis Middle School's season opening football game, scheduled for today, has been postponed. The Wolverines were scheduled to open the season at Patrick Henry.

"They called Monday and said they've only had eight practices and didn't want to have a game," said Lewis coach Brian Hooker. "We're going to scrimmage them for about an hour and a half instead. Hopefully we can make it up. I told Mr. (principal Matt) Coe we'll play them any Monday regardless of who we have scheduled for that Thursday."

Lewis lost their annual jamboree last week when

William Byrd and the two Roanoke city schools, PH and William Fleming, all backed out. The Wolverines were going to go into the season without a scrimmage this week, but that changed as they'll have a scrimmage today before opening against William Fleming at Salem Stadium on August 22nd.

Glenvar Middle School was scheduled to open on Wednesday of this week at Northside but results were too late for publication. The MS Highlanders will host Floyd next Thursday, August 22nd. Josh Jones is the Highlanders head coach.

In volleyball Lewis was scheduled to open at

Blacksburg on Tuesday of this week under first year head coach Kim Crist. Lewis is at Pulaski County today and the Wolverines are scheduled to play in a middle school jamboree at William Byrd this Saturday before the home opener next Tuesday against Ben Franklin Middle School.

Glenvar's volleyball team is scheduled to open today at Central Academy in Botetourt County. The Highlanders' home opener is Monday, August 19, with Christiansburg. Stephanie Butler returns to coach the Highlanders.

# RED SOX

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rescheduled for a Saturday doubleheader, then Salem lost on Friday, 3-1.

On Saturday the Sox were shut out of the first game of their doubleheader, 5-0, but rallied to win the nightcap, 5-4 in a nail-biter. With the scored tied 1-1 the Sox scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth in a scheduled seven inning game. Stanley Tucker's bases clearing triple was the big hit in the inning.

Up 5-1, the Shorebirds rallied for three runs in the top of the seventh against Max Carlson before he could retire the side. Royman Blanco pitched the sixth and got the win after Luis Cohen started and pitched five shutout innings.

On Sunday the Sox clinched the series with a 2-1 win as Matt Duffy pitched five shutout innings, allowing just three hits and walking none while striking out seven. Luis Talavera pitched two scoreless innings before the Birds scored a run on a sacrifice fly in the eighth off Francis Hernandez to cut the lead in half. Nathanael Cruz then pitched a perfect ninth to pick up his fourth save.

Both Salem runs came in the fifth inning and were unearned. Franklin Arias drove in two runs with a single and the Sox pitchers made it hold up.

After this week's series in Fredricksburg the Sox will return home to host Lynchburg for six games next Tuesday.



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## Red Sox action

Above, Antonio Anderson of the Salem Red Sox takes the throw to nail a Delmarva runner sliding into third. Left, Marvin Alcantara (#6) of the Sox is safe at second as the Shorebirds' second baseman fails to handle the throw to the bag.



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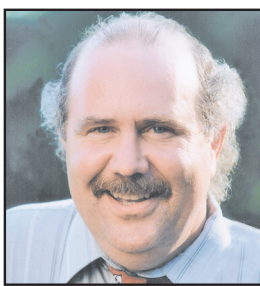
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## Brian Hoffman



### A story that needs to be told

Roanoke native Jae McCadden and Salem baseball legend Billy Sample have been working on a project they hope will make it to the silver screen and touch some lives, and baseball is a part of it.

McCadden began his professional career in sports working for the National Basketball Association and National Hockey League front offices in sales. He grew up around sports, as he's the son of long time Roanoke politician and social activist Delvis "Mac" McCadden. Mac was a professional baseball umpire, including a stint in the Carolina League, and Jae was a fixture around Salem Municipal Field, which is ironically enough now named for Sample.

Jae showed a knack for forming partnerships with companies to invest in major sports teams and in 2010 he turned his interest to financing independent films. Now living in New York City, he formed TubbyTownFilms in 2017 and has structured financing with major banks and film productions for independent films.

McCadden optioned the script, "Love for An Iron Horse" a couple of years ago. It was introduced to him by Ann Champion, a Glenvar graduate, about a decade ago.

"At that time I wasn't in a position to impact from behind the camera as I was just a film financier on smaller movies," said McCadden. "I always thought the story was relatable and could see the appeal from not only the commercial standpoint but also something that could resonate with everyone."

The story is not really about baseball, but dreams.

"No matter how much money you have or accolades you've collected over the years, we all still have them," said Jae. "A couple of years ago while walking around New York City I was on the phone with Ann, frustrated that a major film opportunity had fallen apart, and she encouraged me to pick up 'Iron Horse' again. I remember I was on the corner of 59th and Central Park. Anyway, I went home and read it again and found it to be a message that I needed at the time. I said to myself, maybe I should give Jim a buzz, and the rest is history."

"Jim" is Jim Meredith, a longtime educator in the Lynchburg School system and a Glenvar graduate as well. He wrote the script for "Love for an Iron Horse" over 30 years ago on a typewriter, and it's visually based on his memories of growing up on the Roanoke River in Salem.

"He would ride his bike to town from Antrim Street, down Mill Lane across the Low Water Bridge, across two sets of railroad tracks all the way to Academy Street where his paper route began," said McCadden. "In the screenplay, 12 year old African-American boy William lives on a river which separates the Black community from the White community. This was not the case in Salem, but William's bridge becomes the passageway to uncertainty and adventure."

The river separates two cultures that have more in common than they think. William's railroad is on the main line somewhere between New York City and St. Petersburg, Florida, where the New York Yankees have spring training.

"If you know that the great Yankees' player Lou Gehrig was known as the Iron Horse you'll likely start to imagine the story for yourself," said

McCadden. "William loves baseball but his only point of reference is what he has heard on his Aunt Rachel's radio and a few baseball cards. While on an errand to town for Aunt Rachel, William sees White Boys playing baseball and he's captivated. But, in a southern town in the 1930's, the two races did not mix."

In this story a white boy, named Charlie, befriends William but their growing friendship creates a series of racial incidents. The name of the project, still a working title, is a play off the great Lou Gehrig and the train that runs through this Virginia town.

"After executing a deal with Jim(Meredith), I assembled a team starting with Susan Michels of SWE Films," said McCadden. "She produced Spike Lee's 2020 film 'Son of the South.' She agreed that the message in this script was something the world needed at the time as well.

"We thought this story could use a little bit more of something, and what better time to add former Salem-Roanoke Baseball Hall of Famer Billy Sample? Even though he played just a little over a year with the New York Yankees, it made sense to bring him on."

Sample, who played in the big leagues nine years with the Rangers, Yankees and Braves, has dipped his toe into the film industry as well with his "Reunion 108" several years back. Billy read Meredith's script and was eager to get involved.

"Everyone knows Mac McCadden, but actually I had met Jae in New York City when he and my oldest son, Ian, were working on a project," said Sample. "Ian has produced some small works and even wrote a script with and involving Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. of the Fifth Dimension, which has yet to be green-lighted.

"After understanding the theme and reading the script, I think that this will be a feel good movie, but with some hard twists and turns. I felt a tug of sentiment knowing that screenwriter Jim Meredith, a white man, had to deal with racism from whites while going to Glenvar because he has the same name as renown civil rights leader James Meredith."

Sample opened up his Major League Baseball contacts to Jae to continue to make the movie a reality. Billy will also serve as a baseball consultant for the project.

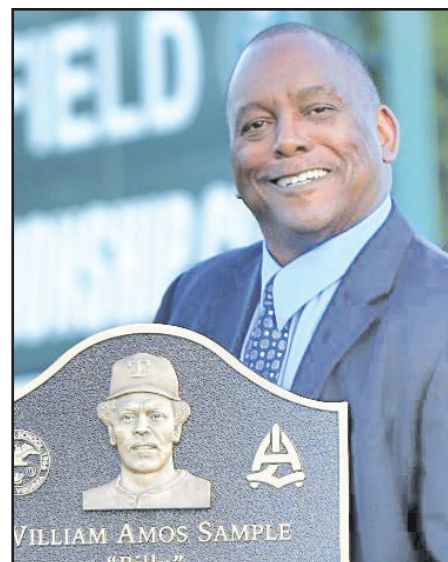
"I try to make sure that the movie is as accurate as possible to the time setting of the movie," said Sample. "The other producers are probably tired of me already, but I can't have a broadcaster from the late 1950s calling his name on the radio when it's in the late 1930s.

"I was an advisor for the Showtime movie, 'Joe Torre, Curveballs Along the Way' and I had to eat the editing mistakes. The producer, who wasn't allowed on set because he went over the budget with his actors hires, relied on me for evidently more than I could cover. At the premiere of the movie, I held my breath until the end, but just before I could exhale there was one horrible glitch because the director didn't shoot enough footage to cover the scene. This won't happen with this picture, as I'll be in close communication with the editors, if not there in person. I'll be on set otherwise."

Meredith suggested that McCadden reach out to Leigh Anna Fry, a Salem High School and



JAE McCADDEN



BILLY SAMPLE

University of Virginia graduate. She had been familiar with the script for many years through her mother, the late Freda (Crosswhite) Fry, who taught both Jim and Anna at Glenvar High School and knew Billy when he was at Andrew Lewis High in the early '70s.

"Leigh Anna is currently an actor residing in Los Angeles, and is no stranger to sports nostalgia films," said McCadden. "She appeared in the 2015 film 'Coach of the Year,' based on a true story about a Richmond swim team trying to win a state championship without a pool to practice in."

Sample saw a lot of himself in the script. Growing up in Salem when segregation was still an issue, Billy had to deal with racism as an everyday fact of life. His athletic prowess made him a popular figure, starring in baseball and playing receiver on some outstanding Andrew Lewis High School football teams, but that only went so far.

"This film reminds me a bit of meeting Ronnie Galliher, who only lived a couple of short blocks away in the segregated part of downtown Salem," said Sample. "We played against each other in football, he wearing the green and white of the American League team, and me wearing the Halloween black and orange colors of the Baby Eagles."

The "Baby Eagles" were named after the G.W. Carver High School Eagles. Carver was the school for black children in Roanoke County and located in Salem. It still stands and is now an integrated elementary school.

"Ronnie invited me to come out for his little league team," remembers Sample. "I wasn't getting much playing time with the neighborhood team, so I ended up playing for Dr. Pepper, coached by the tough taskmaster, Junior Epperly, where I derived some significant self-esteem from playing baseball."

McCadden is considering filming some of the scenes in the Roanoke Valley. It's still a work in progress, but he has high hopes it will become a reality in the near future.

"Since acquiring the script, the project has attracted interest from some big talent and a couple of Hollywood Studios," he said. "The team looks to begin principal of photography soon."

Sample feels it has a lot to offer. While the plight of minorities is improving, there's still a long way to go.

"It seems to me just when I think racism is waning, and believe me I don't look under rocks for it, something happens to slap me back to reality," he said. "I had a couple of incidents in the last few years that had me asking, 'really?' And the Utah women's basketball team's receiving racial taunts gave me another slap, unfortunately, in a perverse way.

"It makes this script still very relevant."

## Spartans are second at B'burg

The Salem High golfers finished second to state contender Blacksburg when the Bruins hosted a River Ridge District match Monday. Blacksburg had three golfers shoot under par at the Blacksburg Country Club while recording a team score of 284, a collective four-under par.

Salem was second with a team score of 314 in a close battle for runner-up honors. Both Christiansburg and Patrick Henry were one stroke behind the Spartans at 315. Pulaski County was fifth with a very respectable 320, followed by Hidden Valley at 322 and Cave Spring at 332.

"Blacksburg proved why they are the team to beat in the River Ridge District, winning by 30 shots after firing a 284," said Salem High coach Blaine Hancock. "The River Ridge is going to be tight this year, we had five teams within eight shots in the middle of the field. Our district is absolutely loaded with this match seeing seven kids score even par or better!"

The Spartans were led by senior Kathryn Ha, who shot a one-under 71 on the par 72 Blacksburg course. There was a three-way tie for medalist as Sam Dowdy of PH and



PHOTO BY SCOTT GARDNER

Salem's Aidan Andrews chips to the green.

Blacksburg's Grayden Laird and Cameron Sharp all shot 70. Jake Albert of the Bruins tied Ha for fourth at 71.

Next low for Salem was freshman Mike Bateman, who carded 80. Also scoring for the Spartans were Zach Bocock at 81 and Aidan Andrews with an 82.

"Mike got really hot in the middle of the round, having several birdies," said Hancock. "Zach and Aidan stayed solid all day."

Also playing for the Spartans were freshmen Croix Bowen and Will Creger who both shot a 92.

"I'm proud of our team today," said Hancock. "I think if you asked each one of our players, they

would tell you they left several shots out there where they could easily improve. I think this speaks volumes for the talent this young team has and what scores we will be capable of putting up this season. This is a great group of players and we continue to get a little better each day."

The Spartans were scheduled to play in the Woodford Invitational in Wytheville Tuesday. Salem jumped into that event after the Heritage Invitational was postponed by heavy rain last Thursday.

Next Monday, August 19, the Spartans will play in the Franklin County Invitational at the Waterfront CC.

## Glenvar is runner-up at Floyd

The Glenvar High golfers finished second to Floyd County when the Buffaloes won a Three Rivers District match on the their home course Monday. Floyd shot 303 to win the round at the Great Oaks Course in Floyd.

"We had our best outing as far as placement so far," said Glenvar coach Shawn Duff. "The course was in great shape and was very challenging."

Floyd was once again the easy winner, having the low score for the third time in three district matches so far. Peyton Mason and Jonathan Whitlow of Floyd tied for medalist honors with 74 each to lead the Buffaloes.

Glenvar shot 343 to finish second, 23 strokes ahead of Alleghany's 366. Rounding out the field were Radford and Carroll County at 373 each, Patrick County at 376 and James River at 379.

The Highlanders were led by Grayson Shepherd with a solid 80, followed by Tyler Smith who overcame a few tough holes for an 81. Riley Wolk shot an 88 and Adam Franklin carded a 94 to round out the scoring. Easton Quesenberry, playing in his first official varsity match, shot a 97 and Connor Magruder shot a 99.

Today the Highlanders are back in action with a match at the Botetourt

Golf & Swim Club, hosted by James River. The match will begin with a shotgun start at 1 pm.



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Tyler Smith of the Glenvar golf team tees off.

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## Gettin' the Green Light

The light is green as runners take off in last Saturday morning's Salem Distance Run. Close to 200 runners completed the 10k and 5k events through the streets of Salem. Results and more photos on page 10.

## High School football, volleyball teams have scrimmages

Fall sports are quickly approaching and Salem and Glenvar teams are practicing to get ready for Virginia High School League competition.

Salem and Glenvar football teams both have scrimmages this Friday. The Spartans will scrimmage Albemarle High School at 6 pm this Friday in Charlottesville. Next Friday, August 23rd, Salem will host Brookville in a Benefit Game and then open the season in Lynchburg against Liberty Christian Academy on August 30.

Glenvar is home this Friday to host William Byrd and Pulaski County in a scrimmage at 6 pm at Highlander Stadium. Glenvar will scrimmage Byrd first, followed by Byrd against Pulaski, then Glenvar will finish with a scrimmage against

Pulaski. The Highlanders have a scrimmage game with Blacksburg the following Friday, then open at Galax on August 30.

In volleyball the Spartans have a new coach as Doug Eller takes over for Beth Denton. Denton stepped down to spend more time with her family.

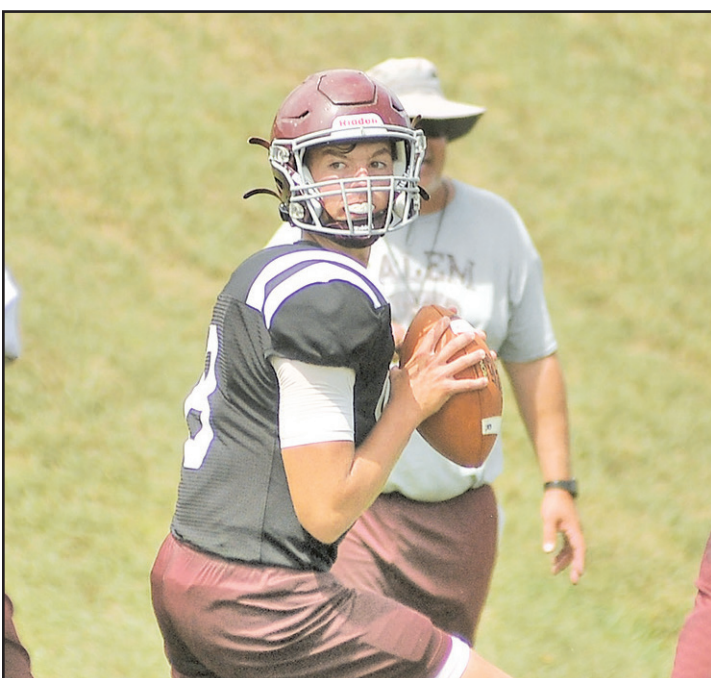
"I loved it so much but it is time to pour into my five kiddos," said Denton. "I've got a high schooler, three middle schoolers and an elementary schooler and it's their turn!"

Eller is a Glenvar resident with a strong volleyball background. He assisted James River coach Linsey Firebaugh, a former standout at Roanoke College, during her first year as River head coach last season.

The Spartans were scheduled to scrimmage Franklin County Wednesday of this week at home. They have another home scrimmage next Wednesday, August 21, against Jefferson Forest before opening the season Tuesday, August 27, at Roanoke Catholic.

Glenvar had a volleyball scrimmage at Eastern Montgomery on Wednesday of this week. The Highlanders will be at Liberty High in Bedford for a scrimmage a week from today, on August 22nd, then open at Northside on Tuesday, August 27.

Both cross country teams are also preparing for the season. Both are scheduled to open at the Smith River Sports Complex course in the "Bengal Clash" hosted by Bassett on Thursday, August 29.



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Above left, Salem quarterback Eli Taylor looks for a receiver in practice, and right fullback Dontay Davis(#34) finds a hole. Below left, Glenvar offensive line coach Jeff Johnson rides the blocking sled as Highlanders hit the pads, and below right Glenvar's Tre Dawyot reaches back to make a nice catch in a passing drill.



## Huge series for Red Sox in Fredricksburg

The Salem Red Sox will be in Fredricksburg this week with a chance to catch the Nationals in the second half standings of the Carolina League's North Division. Salem was just two games behind the Nationals before opening the series in Fredricksburg Tuesday.

The Nationals had a second half record of 26-16 following their six game series with the Carolina Mudcats last week. Salem took four of six games from Delmarva in last week's homestand to pull within striking distance of the Nationals. If the Sox can take four of six or better in Fredricksburg this

week they'll catch the Nats with 18 games to play, of which a dozen are at Salem Memorial Ballpark.

The North race is wide open, as Down East and the Carolina Mudcats both come into the week just a half game behind the Sox and two and a half behind Fredricksburg. Carolina is at Delmarva this week and Down East is at Lynchburg.

Salem and Delmarva, a Baltimore Orioles farm team, split the first four games last week with Salem winning the first two, 3-2 and 5-3. Thursday's game was rained out and

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