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Foley sworn in to Salem City Council

Dr. Joseph Foley was officially sworn in as Salem's newest City Council member Monday evening before the council's Sept. 28 meeting. Foley took the oath of office administered by Circuit Court Judge Chris Clemens. Foley was unanimously appointed by City Council on Sept. 21 to fill the vacancy created by the death of Councilman John Saunders. The council considered 13 applicants before selecting Foley during a closed session. Foley will serve until a special election in November 2027, when voters will choose someone to complete the

remainder of Saunders' term, which expires Dec. 31, 2028. A Salem resident and chiropractor, Foley has operated his practice in the city since 1990. He attended East Carolina University and earned his Doctor of Chiropractic degree from Life Chiropractic College. Since 2017, he also has served as Roanoke College's team chiropractor for athletics. Foley said he was honored to be selected and has long been committed to serving the community. "I care deeply about Salem," Foley said. "Giving back and being engaged are very important to me. I am

humbled and honored to have been chosen for this position." The appointment marks Foley's first service on an official governing body, although he has held organizational leadership positions for more than 35 years. He also has introduced legislation at the Virginia General Assembly and worked with legislators, lobbyists and political action groups. Foley previously said he had regularly attended City Council and Planning Commission meetings and believed that experience gave him an understanding of the city's policies and processes. Mayor Renée Turk

said Foley's attendance at council meetings had given him familiarity with the city's governing process. "Honestly, I am not sure he has missed a single council meeting in the past five years," Turk said. Foley fills the seat previously held by Saunders, who died Aug. 22 at age 66. Saunders first served on City Council from 2018 through 2022 and began his most recent term Jan. 1, 2025. His term was scheduled to expire Dec. 31, 2028. Turk previously reflected on Saunders' service to Salem following Foley's appointment. "It was an honor



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Foley on Monday.

to serve with John Saunders, and we all greatly appreciate his service to the city," Turk said. "We remain saddened that we had to go through this process, but I know John would be as proud as we are that

this many citizens were willing to give of their time and talents to serve Salem. All of council is appreciative of those who applied."

-The Salem Times-Register

Salem leaders gather for inaugural State of the City event



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Salem Mayor Renee Turk, left, addresses attendees during Salem's inaugural State of the City networking breakfast Sept. 22 at the Salem Civic Center. The event, hosted with assistance from the Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce, brought together business and community leaders to hear directly from city leadership about Salem's progress, growth and future. In outlining the city's work ahead, Turk highlighted seven strategic priorities: public safety, strong infrastructure, excellent schools, economic opportunity, quality of life, regional partnerships and responsible, long-term planning. The breakfast also provided an opportunity for attendees to network and discuss Salem's future with fellow community and business leaders.



COURTESY PHOTO

Salem Garden Club members gather under the Osage Orange tree at Preston Place, Salem's oldest home, to commemorate the start of the Salem Garden Club's 100th year. The tree is the third largest Osage Orange in the state of Virginia.

Salem Garden Club begins celebration club's 100th year

Meg Hibbert
Contributing writer

Salem Garden Club members gathered at Salem's oldest surviving home to begin celebrations

of the club's 100th year. The Sept. 16th meeting was held at Preston Place built in 1821, on West Main Street. It was the home of the late Dr. Esther Brown, first woman doctor in Salem.

Preston Place Foundation President Dave Robbins told about the structure and history of the house. The garden club meeting

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COURTESY PHOTO

Hashmi toured the campus with President Frank Shushok.

Hashmi discusses literature, government during Roanoke College lecture

Virginia Lt. Gov. Ghazala Hashmi visited Roanoke College on Sept. 24 for a lecture examining the relationship between literature, government and institutional power. Hashmi presented the lecture as part of her "Literature and Government" series, which examines how literary works engage with systems of governance and political power. During the lecture, she explored themes of

poverty, institutions and resilience through Charles Dickens' "David Copperfield" and Barbara Kingsolver's "Demon Copperhead." Hashmi holds a doctorate in American literature and was an educator for 30 years. She said the lecture series allows her to build on her experience teaching American literature while examining the work she now does in Virginia state government. The lecture was held in Olin Theater,

where students, faculty, staff and community members gathered for the presentation and a question-and-answer session. The event was co-hosted by Roanoke College's Center for Civic and Religious Pluralism. Melanie Trexler, associate professor of religion and director of the center, moderated the lecture. Srikanth Mallavarapu, associate professor of

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Glenvar crowns Homecoming royalty



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

It was Homecoming at Glenvar High School last week and the Highlanders crowned their 2026 royalty at halftime of the football game with Martinsville. Left to right are Homecoming King Joe Vos, Queen Sawyer Wilson, Prince Mohamed Elneil and Princess Julia Carroll. To top the night off Glenvar beat the Bulldogs in the football game, 17-13, before a huge crowd at Highlander Stadium. See sports for more details on the football game.



Briefly: Salem News In Brief

The Losers Club: Held at the Salem Center but not just for seniors. All adults are welcome. Every Tuesday 5 – 6 p.m. No registration fee with \$3/ month dues. Contact: Charlene Lester 540-293-7753.

Salem Museum 28th Annual Ghost Walk — Oct. 1-3, 6-8 p.m., East Hill Cemetery, Salem. The Salem Museum’s 28th annual Ghost Walk returns Oct. 1-3, with tours departing from the museum every 15 minutes from 6 to 8 p.m. “Ghosts” will share stories about notable people and places from Salem’s more than 200-year history during family-friendly tours that are informative and fun, but not scary. Advance tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for students of any age and free for children 3 and younger. Advance registration is recommended. The tour covers just over a half-mile, so comfortable walking shoes and a

flashlight are recommended. In case of rain, the event will move indoors to the Salem Museum. Proceeds benefit the Salem Museum and its educational programs. Tickets are available at the Salem Museum or online.

“Salem, Virginia’s Cherokee Defense”: The Salem Museum will host Central Appalachian Cherokee Tribe CEO and Principal Chief Ren Herdman for “Salem, Virginia’s Cherokee Defense” at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10. Herdman will explore a little-known episode in the Colonial history of the Roanoke Valley involving then-Major Andrew Lewis, Cherokee Chief Ostenaco and the 130 Cherokee who camped along the Roanoke River in 1756 during the French and Indian War. The lecture is free and open to the public. The Salem Museum is located at 801 E. Main St. For more

information, call 540-389-6760 or visit SalemMuseum.org.

Star-B-Q: The 18th annual Star-B-Q will be held Wednesday, Oct. 21, at the Salem Farmers Market, 3 E. Main St., featuring Trey Pendley and live country music. Gates open at 5 p.m. Attendees can enjoy barbecue, beverages and music, and are encouraged to bring chairs. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 the day of the event; children 10 and younger are free. Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Salem. There will be no re-entry. The event is presented by Salem Parks & Recreation, Star Country, Renewal by Andersen and Holiday Inn Express Salem.

Public meetings:
The Salem City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 13.
The Salem City School Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Oct. 13.

The Salem City Planning Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 14.
The Salem City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 26.
The Salem City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 9.
The Salem City School Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Nov. 10.
The Salem City Planning Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 12.
The Salem City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 23.
The Salem City School Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Dec. 8.
The Salem City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 14.
The Salem City Planning Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 16.

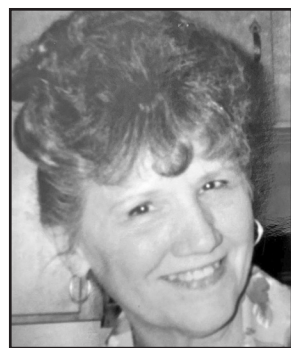
OBITUARY

Barnhart, Barbara Lois Taliaferro

One of the sweetest, kindest and gentlest souls the world has ever known passed from this life on September 16, 2026. Barbara Lois Taliaferro Barnhart was born January 21, 1934, to Robert and Lois (Howard) Taliaferro. She was the first of four children, followed by her sister Patricia Weaver of Stockbridge, Georgia; James Taliaferro (deceased); and Linda Boone of Christiansburg, Virginia.

Barbara graduated from Andrew Lewis High School in 1952 and lived most of her life in Salem. After working briefly for the FBI during the J. Edgar Hoover days, she returned to Salem and married the love of her life, Arthur D. Barnhart, who to this day maintains that he’s the luckiest man alive. Barbara and Arthur settled in Salem, Virginia, and gave birth to three children: Steven, Randall and Marianne, all of whom currently reside in Georgia.

Barbara worked for the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors for several years until she went to work for General Electric, where she worked until she retired. But it was her deep involvement in the community and her passionate faith that cemented her legacy in the hearts and minds of those close to her. During her life, Barbara was an active and faithful member of the Salem Church of Christ, serving as a co-teacher of the Ladies Sunday School class and member of the Ladies’ Seekers’ Circle, as well as organizing the church decorations alongside her aunt, Regina Stamper. A gifted musician and singer, Barbara donated her talents to the church as a member of the Adult



Choir, director of the Junior Choir, and service pianist for many years until she took over as organist.

Outside of church activities, Barbara was a den mother for her son’s cub scout pack and, along with her husband Arthur, was a familiar face at all their children’s sports activities and extracurriculars from little league all the way through high school. Both she and Arthur continued attending Andrew Lewis High School’s football games for many years after their children’s graduation, remaining staunch supporters of her alma mater.

According to her ten grandchildren, she was among the best of grandmothers! Known affectionately as “Granny,” all the children looked forward to spending time at her house. Throwing “dress up” tea parties, cooking favorite desserts with the grands, creating “art projects”, playing ball in the back yard, teaching piano tunes (or at least attempting to), helping Granddaddy to create their own “water slides” beside the house, playing silly games, taking “bus adventures” and just loving them “to within an inch of their lives,” she set a high standard for putting her love into action. For the birth of each grandchild, she and Arthur took 2 weeks of their time and vacation to come stay and help out

with the new addition to the family, tirelessly cleaning, cooking and finding fun things for the older grandkids to do. Barbara and Arthur made countless trips to GA to visit the children and grandchildren and vacationed with the families to places such as San Francisco, New York City, Fall Creek Falls, Tenn., Hunting Island S.C., Williamsburg, Va. and more.

Barbara is survived by her husband of 71 years, Arthur; three children and their spouses, Steve Barnhart and wife, Lisa of Atlanta, Ga., Randy Barnhart and wife, Wendy, of Carrollton, Ga., and Marianne Lecesne and husband John Duke of Atlanta, Ga. She leaves behind a legacy of love and fond memories for her 10 grandchildren (in order), Aaron Lecesne, Andrew (Ann) Barnhart, Jacob (Reilly) Lecesne, Allison (husband, James McKinnon) Barnhart, Hannah Lecesne, David Barnhart, Ben Barnhart, Rachel Lecesne, Mary Lecesne, Rebekah Lecesne and one great-granddaughter, Isabelle Barnhart. She also leaves behind a slew of well-loved cousins, cousins-in-law, nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her brother, James E. Taliaferro; brother-in-law, Kenneth Weaver; son-in-law, Darius Lecesne; and her niece, Jody Boone.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, October 2, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Salem Church of Christ, 401 W. Main Street, Salem. The family will welcome friends for a time of visitation one hour prior to the service, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Interment immediately following in Sherwood Memorial Park.

POLICE REPORT

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Arrest Report

Week of September 15, 2026 – September 21, 2026

9/15/2026	Michael D. Fisher	40	Conceal Merchandise
9/15/2026	Dalton J. Melton	34	DUI
9/15/2026	Jacob E. Bayne	42	Grand Larceny, Damage Property, Possession of Controlled Substance
9/16/2026	Joshua T. Delano	38	DUI
9/17/2026	Luis A. Jaime Blas	47	Public Intoxication
9/18/2026	Stephanie L. Walker	51	Domestic Assault & Battery
9/18/2026	Lisa A. Moyer	40	Possession of Controlled Substance
9/19/2026	Daniel M. Langston	65	Public Intoxication
9/20/2026	Wallace C. Campbell	18	Public Intoxication, Underage Possession of Alcohol
9/21/2026	Jessica N. Long	41	Public Intoxication

City of Salem Police Department



Weekly Crime Report (Felony Cases)

Week of September 15, 2026 – September 21, 2026

DATE REPORTED	LOCATION	OFFENSE REPORTED
9/15/2026	0 BLK Hurt Ln	Grand Larceny, Possession of Controlled Substance

Cline praises FCC decision on Verizon copper-based landline service

U.S. Rep. Ben Cline, R-Va., is praising the Federal Communications Commission’s decision not to grant Verizon’s initial application to discontinue copper-based landline service across much of Virginia.

The FCC announced Friday that it did not grant Verizon’s application to discontinue the service. Cline previously sent a letter to FCC Chairman Brendan Carr urging the agency to review the proposed changes.

“I applaud the FCC for their decision to pause any changes to Virginia’s copper-based landline service, following my letter to Chairman Carr,” Cline said.

Cline said Virginia’s 6th Congressional District includes mountainous and rural communities where reliable communication is important, particularly in areas with

limited cellular coverage.

“Ending copper-based landline service before dependable alternatives are widely available could leave families without a reliable way to contact emergency services or stay connected with loved ones, particularly in areas with limited cellular coverage and frequent weather-related outages,” Cline said.

Cline said he shares concerns raised by constituents about the potential effects of the proposed changes on public safety and basic connectivity.

“I will continue to monitor and work with the FCC to ensure that any future changes by Verizon do not leave families without reliable service,” Cline said.

-The Salem Times-Register

Hashmi

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literary studies, provided a response following Hashmi’s presentation and joined her for the question-and-answer session.

During her visit, Hashmi also met with student leaders, visited classes and toured the Roanoke College campus, including the new Shaun McConnon Discovery Center. A reception followed



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Hashmi speaking with students.

the lecture, giving her attendees an opportunity to meet Hashmi and take photographs with

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Wow, September really flew by, didn't it? Just the other day I got out of my car and took in a big breath of air. I could hardly contain my excitement. I could smell the promise of fall. That slight bit of crispness, the low to possibly no humidity in the air; I have to admit, I went straight home and started pulling out my fall decor for the house. Goodbye September. Hello October. Like it or not, October it seems, is the new unofficial beginning of the Holidays.

October is where the energy starts to shift more visibly. I try to get ready for the end of the year. I pack away light summer clothes and bring out jeans, sweaters, and cozy layers. I swap out bright summer accents for warm tones like burgundy, deep orange, and amber. I change my candles to warm, smoky, or spiced fragrances like cinnamon.

I clean out the pantry and stock up on staples for quick comfort meals. I decide where to put Christmas gifts as I buy them. I clean out the hall closet so I can find my cold weather gear as I need it. I find Betsy's fall harnesses and coats. And basically, get the house ready to spend more time indoors with a stockpile of puzzles and yarn.

I make the yard ready for winter and cold weather. I make sure I know where my snow shovel is and I cover the crawl space with the solid door. I put away the outdoor cushions and plan for any outside decorations before it gets too cold. I have the furnace serviced and make sure it is running properly.

I start my lists for the holidays. Christmas gifts I want to make or buy. Thanksgiving foods I want to make. Holiday movies or shows I want to watch. Did you know that this year, there are 34 new Hallmark Christmas movies? No wonder they start in October.

Even if you don't celebrate Halloween, October still has a way of feeling like the doorway into the final part of the year. The days feel different. The holidays start appearing on the horizon. And suddenly, November and December don't feel far away at all.

Crockpot Sweet Potato Soup
Ingredients

- 2 lbs Sweet Potatoes cut into rough 2" pieces
- 1/2 medium white onion chopped
- 6 cups vegetable broth (can also use chicken broth)
- 4 cloves garlic minced
- 2 tsp smoked paprika
- 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
- salt and pepper to taste

Instructions

Add sweet potato chunks, chopped onions, broth, garlic, smoked paprika, cinnamon, salt and pepper into a slow cooker. Cook on high for 4 hours or low for 6-8 hours. Once soup is cooked, blend until desired consistency. Serve hot. Optional: Top with cheese, bacon crumbles, parsley, crackers.



Shelly Koon
Contributing Writer

Mustardy Pork Tenderloin with Grapes and Red Onions

- Ingredients*
- 1½ pounds pork tenderloin
 - 1 teaspoon kosher salt
 - ½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 - 1½ tablespoons Dijon mustard
 - 2 tablespoons grapeseed oil
 - 2 cups (½ bunch) seedless red grapes
 - 1 red onion, thinly sliced
 - ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes

Instructions

Preheat the oven to 425°F. On a cutting board, pat the pork tenderloin dry with paper towels. Season with the salt and black pepper on all sides, then rub the tenderloin with the mustard. Heat the grapeseed oil in a cast iron or stainless-steel skillet over medium-high heat. Once the oil begins to shimmer, add the tenderloin and sear on all sides until browned, about 4 minutes per side. Add the grapes, onion and red pepper flakes, then transfer to the oven. Roast until the internal temperature of the tenderloin reaches 135°F, 15 to 18 minutes. Remove the tenderloin from the pan and transfer to a cutting board to rest for 10 minutes before slicing. Meanwhile, place the pan back in the oven to continue roasting until the grapes have cooked down and collapsed on themselves, 8 to 10 minutes. Slice the pork and serve topped with the onion and grapes. The pork can be stored in a sealed container in the refrigerator for up to 3 days.

Pumpkin Pecan Cobbler

- Ingredients*
- For the Cobbler
- 1 cup + 3 tablespoons all purpose flour
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 3/4 cup granulated sugar
 - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
 - 1/2 teaspoon cloves
 - 1/2 cup pumpkin puree
 - 1/4 cup milk
 - 1/4 cup melted butter or vegetable oil
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
- For the Topping
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
 - 1/2 cup brown sugar
 - 1/4 cup chopped pecans
 - 1 1/2 cups very hot water

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a medium sized bowl, stir together flour, baking powder, salt, sugar and spices. Set aside. In a smaller bowl, stir pumpkin, milk, melted butter and vanilla together to combine. Pour wet ingredients into dry ingredients and mix



to create a thick batter. Pour into a small 8-inch casserole dish with high sides. In a separate bowl, stir sugar, brown sugar and pecans together. Spread over the top of the batter evenly. Pour hot water over the entire thing (WITHOUT STIRRING A THING!) and bake for 40 minutes or once the middle is set. (Be sure to place on a baking sheet in case it bubbles over.) Cool 5-10 minutes before serving. Serve with more pecans and vanilla ice cream.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Andrew Lewis Middle School re-dedicates tree honoring former employees



Students, faculty, retirees and family members gather Wednesday at Andrew Lewis Middle School for the re-dedication of a dogwood tree honoring former employees Jimmiel Capps Johnston and Connie Thurston.

Students and faculty at Andrew Lewis Middle School gathered Wednesday with retirees and family members to re-dedicate a dogwood tree honoring two former school employees.

The tree honors Jimmiel Capps Johnston, who served as a media clerk, and Connie Thurston, who spent 31 years as a health and physical education teacher and mentor at the school.

Johnston was remembered for making students feel seen and valued during her time at Andrew Lewis.

Thurston supported generations of students and families as a teacher and mentor. She was also known for holding students accountable, including through visits to detention.

The dogwood and a new memorial sign



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A new memorial sign at Andrew Lewis Middle School honors former employees Jimmiel Capps Johnston and Connie Thurston, whose legacies continue to be remembered by the school community.

will remain alongside the Andrew Lewis track as a lasting tribute to Johnston and Thurston and their contributions to the school and Salem community.

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OPINION

Here’s to a sense-sational October!

More than any other time of year, October, a passageway to Autumn, feeds all our senses: cooler weather; colorful leaves, pumpkins, apples, clear blue skies; the aroma of dried leaves, chimney smoke, and pumpkin spice; the taste of apple cider, apple butter, and pumpkin spice, the rustle of dry leaves being driven by the wind and the crackle of campfires. Take the time to savor these experiences with your children.

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October Events for Kids

Friday, October 9, 3:30pm. Grades 1-5. Polka Dot Pumpkins. Learn about Japanese sculptor, Yayoi Kusama, and then use paper to create 3D pumpkins in her style. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, 28; 11am. Story Explorers: Create lifelong readers! Join us for stories, songs, and boisterous fun as we share our love of books with your child. Open to children ages 0-5 and their families. Register at salemva.libcal.com

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Benita VanCleave

Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 3:15pm to 4:15pm. Barks and Books: Read with a therapy dog. These mellow dogs love books and can’t wait to listen to you read. Open to grades 1-5; must be 6 years old to attend. Everyone who signs up gets at least 10 minutes to read with a dog. You can bring your own book or pick out one when you arrive. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Thursdays, October 8, 15, 22, 29: 10:15am. Book Babies: Special story time for infants and crawlers. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Thursdays, October 8, 15, 22, 29: 11am. Story Explorers: Open to children ages 0-5 and their families.

(Wednesday program repeated). Register at salemva.libcal.com

October Events for Adults

Thursday, October 8, 2pm. Afternoon Games for Adults—It’s Feud Time! Join us for a lively, survey-style game.

Monday, October 12, 10:30am. Friends of the Salem Library Meeting. Join us to discuss library advocacy and support initiatives, book sales, and more! All are welcome.

Wednesday, October 14, 2pm. Solo Aging Book Club. The Solo Aging Book Club is a reader-directed discussion group for solo agers* interested in exploring books about aging. Participants select a book of their choice and may share a few highlights or draw from provided reflection questions. This group offers a supportive environment for conversation, connection, and thoughtful engagement with the challenges and opportunities of aging. Register at salemva.libcal.com

Wednesday, October 14, 6:30pm. True Crime Book Club. A book club to discuss cold cases and old crimes. Join us to discuss the infamous serial killer Israel Keyes as we read "American Predator" by Maureen Callahan.

LOA offers free Medicare counseling during open enrollment

Medicare beneficiaries will have access to free, confidential and unbiased counseling through the Local Office on Aging during Medicare Open Enrollment, which runs Oct. 15 through Dec. 7.

The Local Office on Aging is encouraging beneficiaries to review their current health and prescription drug coverage to determine whether it continues to meet their needs. Plans, costs and coverage can change from year to year.

Through the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program, trained LOA counselors can help beneficiaries understand enrollment requirements, compare plans and costs, and review Medicare coverage options.

“Medicare can be complicated, and the number of choices can feel overwhelming,”

said Ron Boyd, Local Office on Aging president and CEO. “Our goal is to give individuals clear, unbiased information so they can make informed decisions about coverage based on their own healthcare needs and circumstances.”

LOA counselors do not sell insurance or represent insurance companies or medical providers. Their role is to provide objective information and assistance to help beneficiaries make their own coverage decisions.

During open enrollment, LOA will operate an off-site counseling center at Valley View Mall in Roanoke on the upper level outside the former Sears space. Counseling will be available Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. from Oct. 15 through Dec. 7.

Walk-ins are welcome, although appointments are recommended to minimize wait times. The counseling center will be closed Fridays, major holidays and the week of Thanksgiving.

To schedule an appointment, contact Delaine Caldwell at 540-345-0451, Option 4, or dcaldwell@loaa.org.

LOA also provides Medicare assistance to individuals approaching eligibility. VICAP counselors can help those nearing age 65 understand when and how to enroll and how their current insurance or employment circumstances may affect their options.

For most people becoming eligible for Medicare at age 65, the Initial Enrollment Period is a seven-month window that begins three months before the month they

turn 65, includes their birthday month and continues for three months afterward. Enrollment timing can affect when coverage begins.

Counselors can explain Medicare Parts A and B, Part D prescription drug coverage, Medicare Advantage plans and Medicare supplemental, or Medigap, coverage. They can also help individuals understand enrollment timelines and requirements.

Those seeking Medicare eligibility or enrollment assistance can call LOA at 540-345-0451 and ask to speak with a health insurance counselor.

For more information about LOA and its programs and services, visit www.loaa.org.

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Museum talk to explore Cherokee connection to Salem history

The Salem Museum will host Central Appalachian Cherokee Tribe CEO and Principal Chief Ren Herdman for a special lecture on Saturday, Oct. 10, at 2 p.m.

Herdman’s presentation, “Salem, Virginia’s Cherokee Defense,” will explore a little-known episode in the Colonial history of the Roanoke Valley involving then-Major Andrew Lewis, a local pioneer and militia leader, and Cherokee Chief Ostenaco, a warrior, orator and diplomat.

In 1756, as the French and Indian War continued, Ostenaco and Lewis worked together to prepare for battle against the Shawnee. Herdman will discuss Lewis and Ostenaco’s collaboration and the 130 Cherokee who camped along the Roanoke River. The encampment also drew the attention of George Washington.

The event is free and open to the public.

Herdman is the CEO and principal chief of the Central

Appalachian Cherokee Tribe and the first woman to hold the position. A Southwest Virginia native, she has spent years researching and documenting Native American sites in Central Appalachia and across the country.

Herdman is an educator and speaker on Native American issues, with programs that explore tribes of the Central Appalachian region and throughout the United States. She is of documented Native American descent through DNA and family history.

The Salem Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum is located in the historic 1845 Williams-Brown House at 801 E. Main St. in Salem. Admission and parking are free, and donations are accepted.

The entrance is located at the Oakley Field Complex sign across Main Street from the Berglund Ford service entrance.

For more information, call 540-



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Chief Ren Herdman of the Central Appalachian Cherokee Tribe.

389-6760 or visit SalemMuseum.org.

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5. Protection

8. Cloth worn over a shoulder

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14. Midway between northeast and east

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16. Platforms

18. Taxi

19. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls

20. A citizen of Yemen

21. Military mailbox

22. Nuclear near reach weapon

23. Clears

26. Broken

30. Actress Lathan

31. Avid fan

32. One and only

33. Proceeding

34. River in Portugal and Spain

39. Doctor of Education

42. Defeat handily

44. Less complicated

46. Handyman tools

47. Written works

49. Castle dweller's safety net

50. Honorable title (Turkish)

51. Greatest

56. Can do

57. A place to sleep on the road

58. Member of U.S. Navy

59. 24-hour units of time

60. Actor Horsley

61. In a way, sounds off

62. Formerly (archaic)

63. Eye infection

64. Plundered
- CLUES DOWN
1. William __, Buffalo Bill

2. Wings

3. Candle or lantern

4. Freedom from difficulty

5. A type of pie

6. Metrical foot

7. __ Kerr, actress

8. Nap

9. Popular singer Bocelli

10. Immune responses

11. "Mad Men" leading man

13. A citizen of Senegal

17. Philly basketball player

24. Not even

25. Measures wind speed

26. Insecticide

27. Jordan glided through it

28. Bird-like dinosaur genus

29. Expression of satisfaction

35. Big Blue

36. One point east (clockwise) of due north

37. Of she

38. Oral rehydration solution

40. Knocks off course

41. Popular cop show of yesteryear

42. Zhou dynasty state

43. Genus of gulls

44. Onion flatbreads

45. Declare as true

47. Of a lobe

48. Missouri county

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors hereby schedules a public hearing on Tuesday, October 13, 2026, at 7:15 p.m. or as soon thereafter at the Montgomery County Government Center, 2 nd Floor Board Room, 755 Roanoke Street, Christiansburg, Virginia, to hear citizen comments on the proposed ordinance entitled "Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Division 5, Section 2-107 of the Code of the County of Montgomery, Virginia Entitled Tax Exemption and Deferrals for Elderly and Disabled by Increasing the Net Combined Financial Worth and the Income Limits to be Eligible for Tax Relief". A copy of the full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the County Administrator and is available for public inspection or copying.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Angela M. Hill
County Administrator

ABC NOTICE

BUCKOS TRIPSTOP INC., trading as TRIPSTOP BUCKOS, 802 Roanoke Street Christiansburg, Montgomery County, VA 24073-3160

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

Tejendrakumar Patadia, President

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

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BUCKOS TRIPSTOP INC., trading as TRIPSTOP BUCKOS, 1700 West Main Street, Radford Va 24141.

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Convenience Grocery Store Wine and Beer Off Premise license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

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Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on the proposed modification of a permit that allows the land application of potable water treatment plant residuals in Pulaski County. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: September 23, 2026 – October 23, 2026. PERMIT NAME AND NUMBER: Virginia Pollution Abatement VPA02069 – Radford City Water Treatment Plant issued by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations. APPLICANT NAME AND ADDRESS: City of Radford, 20 Forest Avenue; Radford, VA 24141. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Radford has applied for the modification of a permit that would authorize land application of water treatment plant residuals as a fertilizer on a total of 220.61 acres of agricultural land in Pulaski County. Additional land

totaling 129.02 acres are proposed to be added to the permit, with some minor modification to existing fields. The permit will limit the application of nutrients and metals contained in these materials to amounts that protect water quality and human health. For site-specific information about these applications and additional information about the DEQ permitting program for industrial residuals visit the following website: <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/VPA/Notices> TENTATIVE AND FINAL PERMIT DECISION PROCEDURES: DEQ's tentative decision is to issue the permit. Based on comments received on the draft permit, DEQ may make a final decision on the permit, or hold a public hearing on the draft permit before making a final permit decision.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by hand-delivery, e-mail, or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the permit number, and name, postal mailing or email address of the commenter/requester. A request for a public hearing must also include 1) Name and permit number for which the hearing is requested. 2) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 3) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 4) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial disputed issues relevant to the permit. CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Brad Morrison, DEQ Central Office, 1111 E Main St, Richmond, VA 23219, Phone: (804) 659-1545; E-mail: bradley.s.morrison@deq.virginia.gov. The public may review the draft permit and associated documents at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF 1449 LAKERIDGE CIRCLE, TROUTVILLE, VA 24175.

In execution of a certain Deed of Trust dated January 4, 2006, in the original principal amount of \$175,000.00 recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court for Botetourt County, Virginia as Instrument No. 060000421. The undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction in the front of the Circuit Court building for Botetourt County, Main Street, Fincastle, VA 24090, or any such temporary alternative Circuit Court location designated by the Judges of the Circuit Court, on November 2, 2026, at 2:45 PM, the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address, and more particularly described as follows: ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH ALL THE APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING LYING AND BEING THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT, STATE OF VIRGINIA, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEING LOT 17, BLOCK 5, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OF RAINBOW FOREST, PROPERTY OF, BOTETOURT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, BOTETOURT COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MADE BY C.B. MALCOLM AND SON, S.C.E.'S, DATED AUGUST 15, 1960 OF RECORD IN TILE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOTETOURT COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 102. TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A

bidder's deposit of ten percent (10%) of the sale price or ten percent (10%) of the original principal balance of the subject Deed of Trust, whichever is lower, in the form of cash or certified funds payable to the Substitute Trustee must be present at the time of the sale. The balance of the purchase price will be due within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Purchaser's deposit may be forfeited to Trustee. Time is of the essence. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser may, if provided by the terms of the Trustee's Memorandum of Foreclosure Sale, be entitled to a \$50 cancellation fee from the Substitute Trustee, but shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. A form copy of the Trustee's memorandum of foreclosure sale and contract to purchase real property is available for viewing at www.alldridgepите.com. Additional terms, if any, to be announced at the sale and the Purchaser may be given the option to execute the contract of sale electronically. This is a communication from a debt collector and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. The sale is subject to seller confirmation. Substitute Trustee: Equity Trustees, LLC, 8100 Three Chopt Road, Suite 240, Richmond, VA 23229. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Virginia Pre-Sale Department of counsel for Equity Trustees, LLC at 301-961-6555, website: www.alldridgepите.com. VA-372477-1.

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Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,-317,20-104 Case No.CL26001794-00 MONTGOMERY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT, 55 EAST MAIN STREET, SUITE 1, CHRISTIANBURG, VA 24073 CARMEL JACINTA CULLOP v. AARON CHANCE LYALL

The object of this suit is to: ANNULMENT It is ORDERED that AARON CHANCE LYALL appear at the above-named court and protect his/her interests on or before NOVEMBER 20, 2026 @ 9:00 AM. Entered September 17, 2026 Honorable K. Mike Fleenor, Jr. Judge

Legals - City of Salem

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that the City of Salem Planning Commission.

At its regular meeting on October 14, 2026, at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall, 114 North Broad Street, in the City of Salem, Virginia, will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 15.2-2204 and 15.2-2285 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to consider approval of the following requests relative to the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA: Consider the request of Salem Body Shop, LLC, to amend Chapter 66, Signs, of the CODE OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA, by adding Section 66-106, Comprehensive Sign Plan, pertaining to the establishment of a permit process for comprehensive signage plans for eligible properties. Copies of the proposed plans, ordinances or amendments may be examined in the Office of Community Development, 21 South Bruffey Street, Salem, Virginia. At said hearing, parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard relative to the said requests. THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SALEM, VIRGINIA BY: Christopher J. Dorsey Executive Secretary

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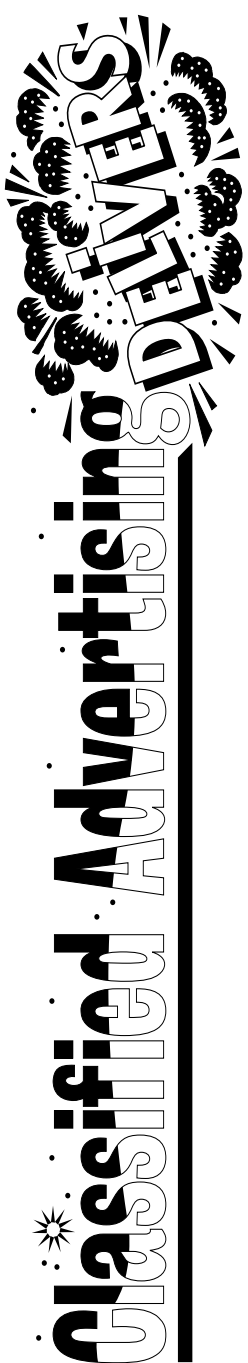
Commonwealth of Virginia VA Code§§ 1-211.1; 8.01-316,-317,20-104 Case No.CL26-485 VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF BOTETOURT In re: Surplus Funds Derived from the Foreclosure Sale of Property Located at 4427 Lee Highway, Troutville, Virginia 24175 PETER M. PEARL, BRYSON J. HUNTER and TIMOTHY J. LOVETT, Trustees *Petitioners*, v. UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JIMMY W. HUFFMAN and JIMMY WAYNE HUFFMAN, JR. *Respondents*.

The object of this suit is to Interplead surplus funds remaining following the foreclosure sale of certain real property commonly known as 4427 Lee Highway, Troutville, Virginia 24175. It appearing the Respondents' identity and present whereabouts are unknown, and that diligence has been used by or on behalf of the Petitioners without effect to ascertain the identity and location of any unknown heirs, it is ORDERED that any potential heirs appear on or before October 5, 2026, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the Botetourt County, Virginia and do what my be necessary to protect their interest in this suit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted at the front door of the Courthouse, on the Court Website, AND a copy mailed to each party at their addresses below. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order be published once per week for four successive weeks in the Fincastle Herald. The Clerk of this Court shall post this Order at the front door of the Courthouse and Shall mail a copy of this Order to the parties at their last known and provided addresses, if any, herein. Entered 8/27/26 Joel R. Branscom, Circuit Court Judge I ask for this: Timothy J. Lovett (VSB No. 97438) Spilman Thomas & Battle, PLLC P.O. Box 90 Roanoke, VA 24002-0090 540-512-1800 540-342-4480 (facsimile) tlovett@spilmanlaw.com

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made him a strictly varsity player. He has good size at 6'2", is mature for a freshman and is coming off a middle school season where he led Andrew Lewis to a 7-1-1 record. He has a strong arm, and in his varsity starts the past two weeks he's completed seven of 11 passes for 156 yards and four touchdowns. He hasn't looked at all overmatched on the varsity, in fact quite the opposite.

With Oliver firmly entrenched as the starter the question now asked is who the backup will be. Last year when Overstreet injured his shoulder Jaidyn Rudisell and Grayson MacBrien took turns behind center until Tanner returned from his injury. Both had played some quarterback in middle school but are now juniors and filling needs in other important positions.

"We're working on that," said Holter.

Salem comes into the Patrick Henry game



PHOTO BY JON FLEMING

Salem High's Gabe Johnson picks up some tough yards against Blacksburg.

off a 49-13 win over the Bruins in Blacksburg last week. As mentioned Oliver threw for two scores with Rudisell on the receiving end.

Jordan McCadden rushed for over 200 yards for the fifth straight game, rolling up 209 yards on 14 carries with two scores, one a 75 yarder. At the mid-way point of the regular season McCadden has rushed for 1,344 yards.

Gabe Johnson, who has

embraced the fullback position, ran for 53 yards and two TDs and Joe Henderson also ran for a score and 65 yards.

The Salem defense shut out Blacksburg after allowing 14 first half points. The Spartans have yet to record a shutout, but in four of the five games they have not been scored upon in the second half.

"Our defense keeps getting better," said Holter. "We've had some

mental errors that have been corrected at half-time, and one mental error is too many."

DaVon Jones led the defense with eight tackles, seven of which were solos. Jayden Wood and Henderson had six solos each while Jake James and Parker Woolwine had blocked kicks.

The Salem jayvees also won last week, defeating Blacksburg 30-21. The jayvees will host PH at Salem Stadium tonight.

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Burris led the Glenvar rushing attack with 90 yards on 14 carries. Mateo had 31 yards rushing for a two-headed total of 121 with Swanson in street clothes nursing a high ankle sprain. Clifford hopes to have Ranger back this week when Glenvar travels to undefeated Carroll County.

On defense Henderson had a big game with 11 tackles, including two for losses. Burris and Mateo had 10 tackles each and Jake Franklin and Ryan Harris had nine each.

Now 3-2 at the midway point of the regular season, Glenvar will head to Hillsville this week to take on Carroll County. The Cavaliers are a Class 3 school but a Three Rivers District rival. Once a traditionally weak team, they're 5-0 this year while outscoring five rivals by a combined 219 to 20. Their wins have come against Christiansburg(30-7), Grayson County(42-7), Galax(49-0), Fort Chiswell(60-0) and Patrick County(38-6) last week.

The Cavaliers were 9-3 last year and went two games deep in the playoffs. However, one of their losses was a 44-19 beat down to Glenvar at Highlander Stadium. Carroll County has never beaten the Highlanders in eight total meetings, all since 2017.

"They're a good team," said Clifford. "They're 5-0 and averaging 45 points a game. We're going to have to play well."

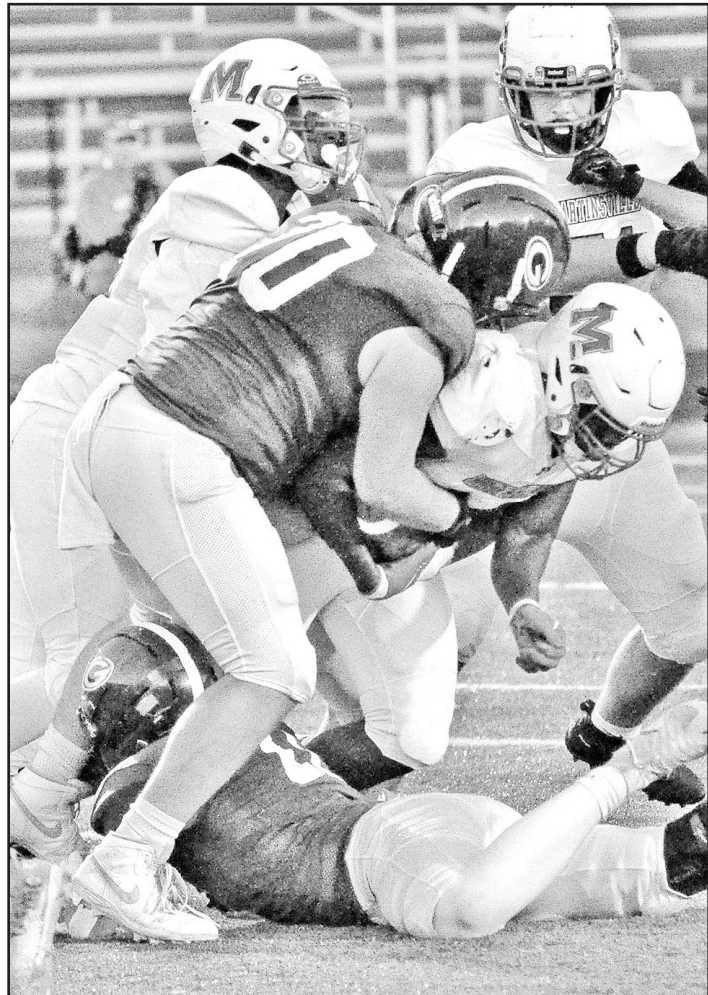


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Glenvar's Ryan Harris(#70) wraps up a Bulldog.

Wolverines hammer BFMS, remain undefeated

The Andrew Lewis Middle School football team remained undefeated with a convincing win over Ben Franklin Middle School last week. The Wolverines took a 46-6 win at Salem Stadium.

The defense was led by Trystan Gaines, Graham Pollard, Landynn Booth, Kaden Hughes, Mayson Henderson and Josh Elliott, who had an interception that he returned for a touchdown. C. J. Goens scooped up an Eagle fumble and ran it in for a score after

a big hit by Gaines jarred the ball loose.

Others who contributed to the outstanding defense were Liam Park, A. J. Parker, Cyrus Walia, Adrian Simmons, Eli King, Sam Gillespie, Cam Scharnus, Mark Salinas and Luca Smith. The Wolverines had 40 first half points with two of the touchdowns coming from the defense.

Leading the offense were running backs Henderson, Elliott, Junior Crawford, Pollard and

Brycen Wright who scored his first touchdown on a pass from quarterback Maclin Hale. Aaron Brower rushed for a touchdown and had an interception on defense. The offensive line of Jaxson Cooner, Hughes, Grayson, Lavinder, Cam Martin, and Alden Sowers dominated the line of scrimmage.

The Wolverines were scheduled to take their 7-0 record to Northside on Wednesday. Their final game is next Wednesday, October 7, at Pulaski.



In honor of the Major League Baseball playoffs, and out of necessity, we're going to have a playoff of our own for the football contest this week.

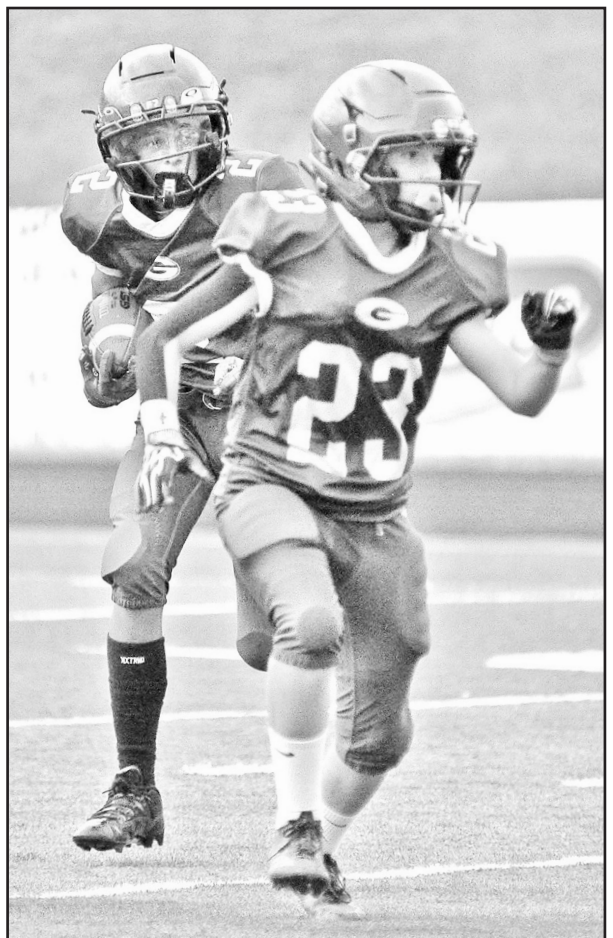
Last week's contest was a dead heat, a real Mexican standoff you might say. Randal Sowers and Danny Webb both missed three games to tie for the week. That sent it to the high point total, which was 56 by Auburn High over Eastern Montgomery, to break the tie. And, as luck would have it, both Randal and Danny had 56 for their high point total.

So, we have a playoff this week for the \$50 gift certificate from Mac & Bob's. For Randal and Danny only, put a big star on your entry blank this week so I know it's you. The one who does the best this week will get the \$50 gift certificate. AND, that doesn't disqualify you from also winning this week.

For last week's 19th Hole question I asked you to predict how many yards Jordan McCadden would rush for against Blacksburg last week. Jordan ran for 209 yards, as reported by Salem High statistician Dave Sampson, and believe or not Danny Webb was closest with a guess of 215. No one tied him for that, so he gets the free day of golf at the Salem Municipal Course on Academy Street.

For this week's 19th hole, give me your prediction on the big Salem-PH game at Merrill Gainer Field in Roanoke Friday. The closest to the actual score gets a free day of golf.

— Brian Hoffman



Glenvar Middle School's Jackson Perkins(#23) lead blocks for Kindrex Thompson.

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

Middle Highlanders shut out Shawsville

The Glenvar Middle School football team is 7-1 after shutting out Shawsville Middle on the road Monday, 28-0.

Glenvar jumped out to a 12-0 lead in the first half, highlighted by a rushing touchdown from Kayden Williams and a touchdown pass from Max Millette to Brady Caldwell. The Highlanders kept the momentum going with a 50-yard touchdown bomb from Millette to Christian Mullins to start the second quarter.

Williams added an impressive score with a 30-yard touchdown run, followed by a successful two-point conversion pass from Millette to Carter Montgomery for the final points.

"It was a great all-around win for the Highlanders," said coach Raysean Priest.

Glenvar was scheduled to play at Blacksburg on Wednesday, and the final game of the season is Thursday, October 8, at home against Hidden Valley.

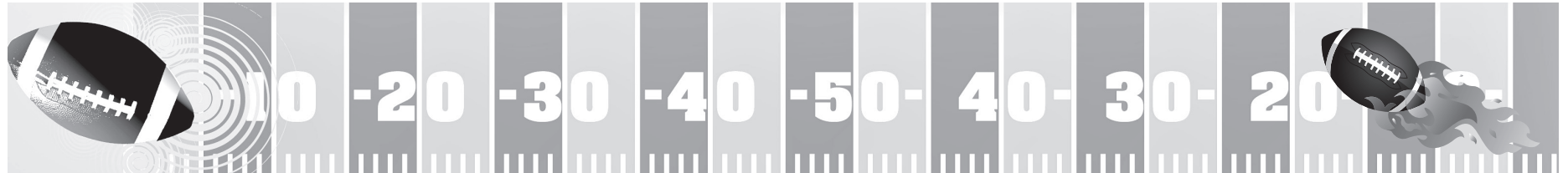


Scoop & Score

Left, Trystan Gaines of Andrew Lewis Middle School puts a big hit on the Ben Franklin quarterback to knock the ball loose. Right, C.J. Goens of the Wolverines scoops up the loose pig and takes it into the end zone for a Wolverine touchdown.

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PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN  
**Roanoke College quarterback Linwood Johnson completed 19 of 20 passes against Gallaudet and was named the ODAC Offensive Player of the Week.**

## Maroons shut out Gallaudet, sweep ODAC weekly awards

The Roanoke College football team swept the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) Football Players of the Week awards for the week of September 27. The Maroons rolled to a 52-0 non-conference win at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. Saturday to move to 3-0 on the year.

Offensive Player of the Week Linwood Johnson, a sophomore quarterback, had a game for the ages against the Bison. He only saw action in the first half, but connected on 19-of-20 passes for 275 yards and four touchdowns and ran in another score. Johnson's 95 percent completion percentage was third-best in ODAC history with at least 15 pass attempts.

Junior linebacker Ethan Mapstone earned the conference's Defensive Player of the Week honor. He made six tackles, including one for loss as the Roanoke defense recorded a shutout, holding the Bison to -5 rushing yards on 25 carries. For the season, Mapstone has a team-best 16 tackles, including 13 solos.

Junior kicker Ethan Cyr was named the ODAC Special Teams Player of the Week. He nailed a 46-yard field goal with 7:40 left, the longest made field goal in program history since the program was restarted in 2024. Cyr was also a perfect 7-for-7 on extra point attempts and had three touchbacks on his kickoffs.

The Maroons open ODAC play Saturday at Guilford College at 1 p.m.

## RC soccer at We&L

The Roanoke College men's soccer team will play a big Old Dominion Athletic Conference game in Lexington this Saturday when the Maroons take on Washington & Lee. Game time is 3:30 pm.

The Maroons come into the week at 2-5 and they had a home game with Randolph College on Wednesday that was too late for press deadlines.

Last Saturday on

Senior Night the Maroons lost to Bridgewater College in Salem, 3-0.

Bridgewater took the lead on a shot outside the 18-yard box by Anthony Medrano.Ten different Maroons took a shot in the game and Craig Huxtable, Grey Morris, Chase Rubincam, and Sean O'Laughlin all recorded two shots.

The Maroons had the advantage in both shots, 14-9, and corner kicks 6-4.

## MWU shuts out RC field hockey

The Roanoke College field hockey team was shut out for the fourth time this season, and the second game in a row, when the Maroons dropped a 6-0 decision to Mary Washington last Saturday at Salem's Kerr Stadium. The Eagles are the 22nd ranked team in the nation.

Corinne Orlando recorded the only shot for the Maroons. Roanoke's goalies combined for 12 saves as Chloe Miller made multiple big saves, finishing with nine overall. The Maroons were outshot 30-1 and lost the advantage in penalty corners 9-1.

The Maroons were scheduled to play at Barton College in Wilson, NC on Tuesday. This Saturday, October 3rd, they'll be in Virginia Beach to take on Batten University, formerly known as Virginia Wesleyan.

## Spartans qualify for Region 4D golf tournament

The Salem High golf team qualified for the Region 4D tournament with a second place finish in Tuesday's sub-region at the Hidden Valley Country Club.

"Pressure was on as only the top two teams and top four individuals not on those two teams advance to the Region final at Winchester Country Club next Tuesday," said Salem coach Blaine Hancock.

As it turned out four teams were within five shots based on average for the top spot, so it was going to be a tight match. Amherst senior Caitlyn Baxter set a women's course record from the tees they played. The William & Mary commit torched the course posting a 63 (-8).

Team score wise, it came down to the wire. Blacksburg finished one shot ahead of Salem, 289 to 290, to take home the top spot on the day. Those two just edged out EC Glass, who posted a 296, and Halifax at 301. Both Salem and Blacksburg advance next week to Winchester along with Baxter from Amherst, Owen Mason from Halifax, and two EC Glass players, Preston Laughon & Nikko Guanzon , who all posted rounds at even par or better.

"Watching scores all day, we knew it was going to be tight," said Hancock. "There are a lot of talented players in our area and many that can make an impact at the state level. We had to bring our A game to advance."

The Spartans did just that, led by Missouri commit senior Ashnoor Kaur who posted a 70 (-1) to set the tone. She was closely followed by junior Mike Bateman who posted a 71 and freshman Chloe Collins who came in at 72.



**Ashnoor Kaur shot a one-under par 70 at the sub-region tournament.**

PHOTO BY SCOTT GARDNER

"Our top three scorers came through big today," said Hancock. "When we needed them, they stepped up."

Also scoring for the Spartans were sophomore McKenzie Eversole and junior Croix Bowen who both posted a 77. Rounding out the lineup was sophomore JD Williamson with an 82.

"We've been working for this moment all season," said Hancock. "We hope to continue to build on our moment next week for the Region Championship in Winchester and keep this postseason run going."

## Three Highlanders headed to region golf

Radford, Floyd County and James River finished one-two-three in the Region 2C sub-region tournament at Great Oaks in Floyd County Monday, qualifying for a spot in next Monday's region tournament. The region tournament will be held at the Stoney Creek course in Wintergreen.

The top three teams from the sub-region advanced and it was a battle to the end. Radford won the sub-region with a team score of 321 followed by Floyd County at 322. River was next at 335 as all three teams that advance come from the Three Rivers District. Hunter Crist of Radford was the medalist with a 70.

Six individuals not on the top three teams also advanced and Glenvar had three of the six. The Highlanders qualifying for the region tournament are Mason Young with a 79, John Deel with an 85 and Easton Quesenberry with an 86. Also scoring for the Highlanders, but not advancing, was Jack Osburn at 94. Jackson Jones came in at 96 and Brendan Miller shot 98 as Glenvar totaled 344 as a team.

"Rough day on the links," said Glenvar coach Shawn Duff. "The golfers struggled early on the front nine of Great Oaks. They found

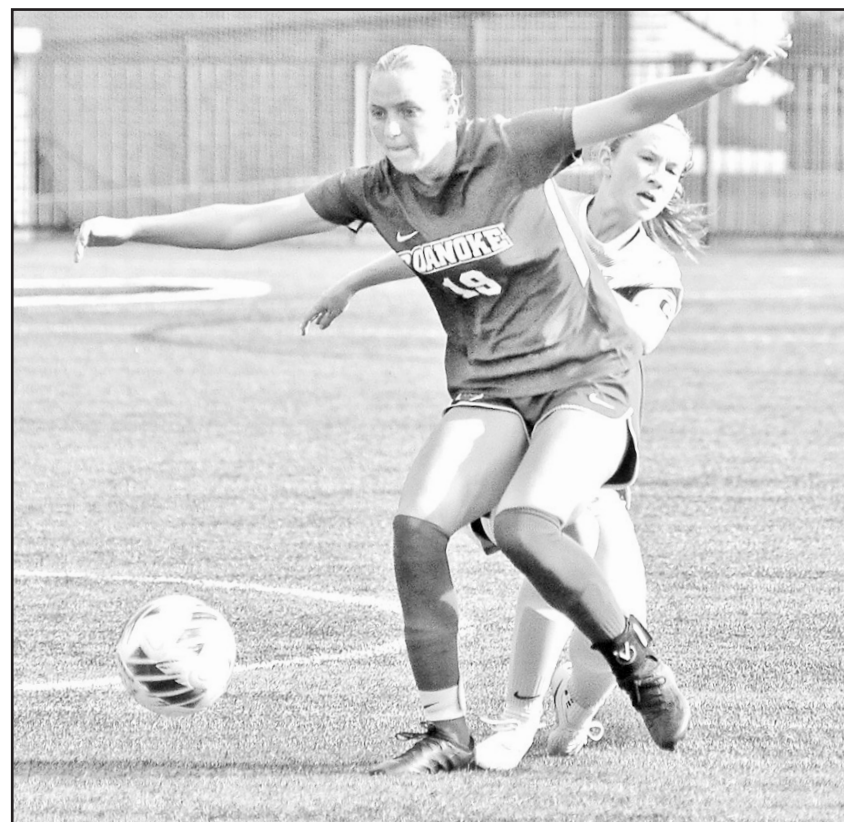


**Left to right, Glenvar's Easton Quesenberry, Mason Young and John Deel qualified for next week's Region 2C golf tournament.**

their footing on the back nine but sadly the damage was done early for our squad. I was proud of how we hung in there through a tough opening nine and showed grit and

determination on the back nine. "

The Class 2 state tournament will be October 12 at the Hobbs Hole course in Tappahannock, VA.



**Bree Fulkerson of the Roanoke College women's soccer team shields an opponent from the ball.**

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

## Maroon women top Sweet Briar

The Roanoke College women's soccer team improved to 4-2-3 on the season with a Family Weekend win over Sweet Briar last Saturday at Kerr Stadium in Salem. The program's nine seniors were honored in a pre-game ceremony.

Senior Rebecca Carr drilled the first goal home after 20 minutes of play.

\*Caroline Arndt took a pass from Carr to net the game's second goal seven minutes later. Sweet Briar's defense allowed just the two tallies despite getting outshot 28-2. RC held a 7-0 edge in corner kicks.

The Maroons were scheduled to play Guilford in Greensboro on Wednesday of this week but results were too late for publication. This Saturday Christopher Newport University is here for a 1 pm kickoff.



**SANDLOT**

**Salem 8U quarterback Carson Scharnus(left) hands off to Barrett Light in sandlot football action at Spartan Field Saturday. Sandlot playoffs begin on October 10.**

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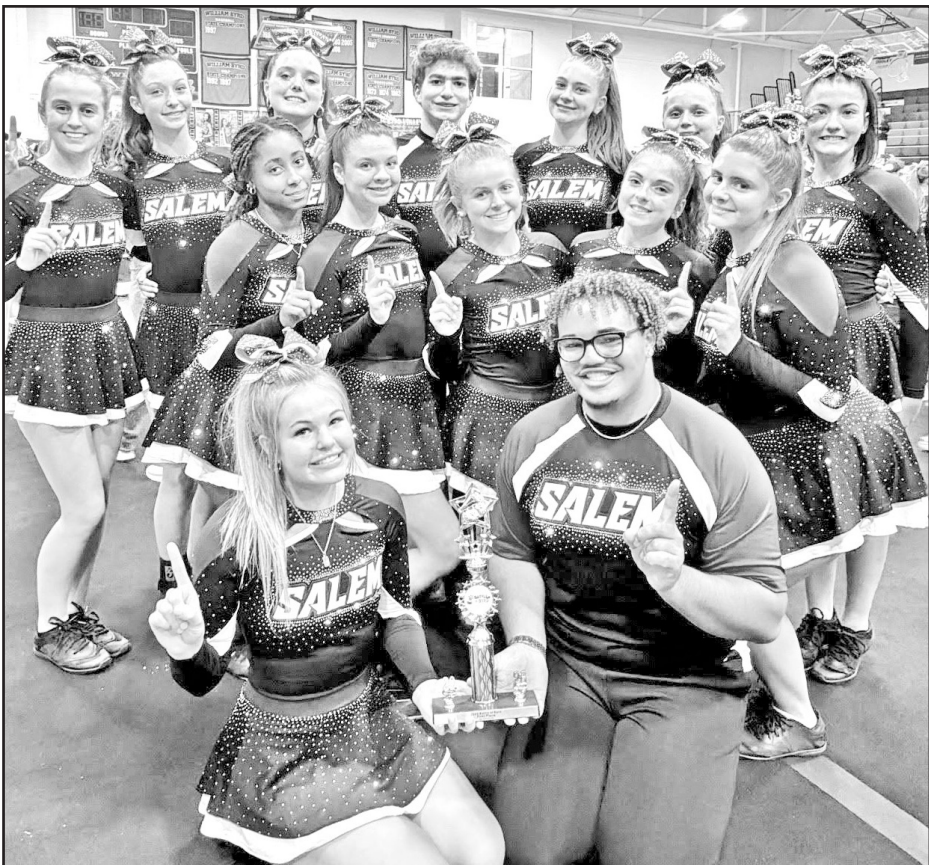
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***Spartans take 1st in "Battle at Byrd"***  
The Salem High competition cheerleaders finished first in their region at the "Battle at Byrd" in Vinton last Saturday. The Spartans are headed to Harrisonburg for a competition this Saturday.

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## G-Town Throwdown is Saturday at Glenvar

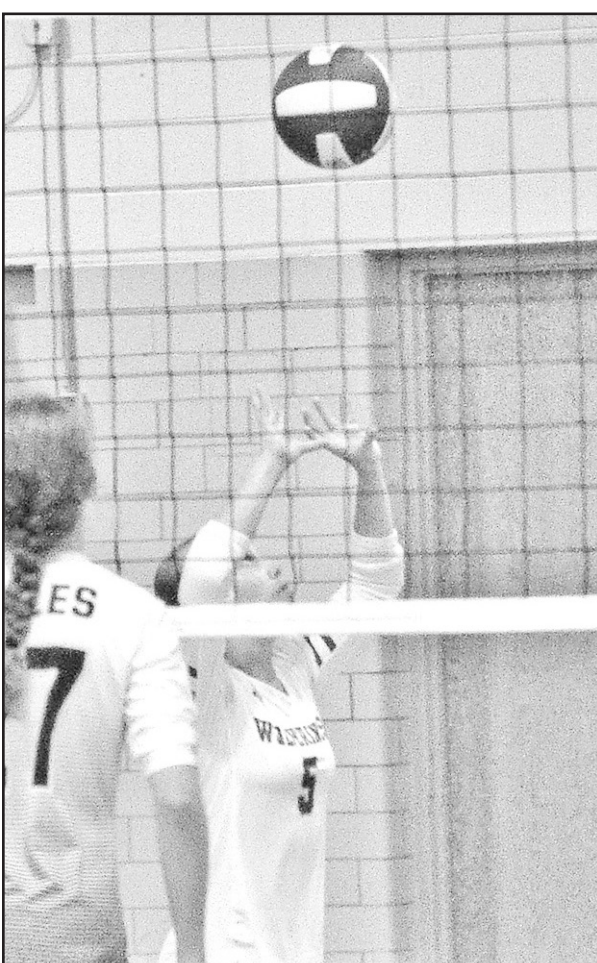
Glenvar High will host the "G-Town Throwdown" competitive cheer event this Saturday at Glenvar High School. Action begins at 9 am and runs until an awards ceremony at 1:40 pm.

Eleven high schools and 11 middle schools are scheduled to perform. Host Glenvar High will conclude the full day of events with a routine at 1:10

pm. Andrew Lewis Middle School is scheduled to perform at 9:50 am and Glenvar Middle School will take the floor at 10:40 am.

Other high schools who will compete include Patrick Henry, Cave Spring, Heritage, Lord Botetourt, Northside, Rustburg, Graham, Lee, Southern Gap and Tazewell.

## Wolverines end season with a win



**Emily Wise sets one up for Lewis.**

PHOTO BY B. HOFFMAN

The Andrew Lewis Middle School girls finished their season last week while Glenvar Middle still has a few games to play.

Last Monday, September 21, Lewis defeated Northside in two sets, 25-10 and 28-26. Then, a day later, they defeated Cave Spring in three. Lewis won the first set, 25-18, but lost the second by the same score. In the third set to 15 the Wolverines scored 12 of the last 14 points for a thrilling 15-13 final to end the season.

"One of the best seasons yet," said coach Kim Crist.

Glenvar defeated Shawsville in two sets last Wednesday and dropped a three-setter to Floyd at Glenvar Middle School Tuesday. The Highlanders were scheduled to host Central Academy next Monday, October 5th.

# Glenvar volleyball is 11-2

The Glenvar volleyball team is 11-2 after a three set win on Tuesday against Three Rivers District rival Floyd County. With the win Glenvar remains unbeaten against Three Rivers District schools with a trip to Martinsville tonight.

The Highlanders' two losses have been to Class 4 Blacksburg and Class 5 Patrick Henry, and on Monday Class 2 Glenvar avenged the loss to PH with a three set win on the GHS court, 25-20, 25-15 and 25-18. Zella Hayes had a dozen kills, Macy McMahon had 24 digs and Kherington Jewell had 16 assists.

Against Floyd the Highlanders won in three again, this time 25-14, 25-10 and 25-18. Emily Rohrback had 20 assists and three aces, Olivia Collins had eight kills and Grace Fiedler had seven.

Next week the Highlanders will host Carroll County on Tuesday followed by a trip to James River a week from tonight.



PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

**Rebecca Magruder serves one up for Glenvar.**

James River comes into County and one at the week with just two Glenvar on September losses, one to Franklin 15.



PHOTO BY SCOTT GARDNER

**Salem's Hailey Crotts reaches for a dig.**

## Spartans top Pulaski in five

The Salem High volleyball team is 6-7 after a marathon win on Tuesday night at home against Pulaski County. Salem downed the Cougars in five sets, 25-13, 19-25, 25-14, 18-25 and 15-10.

"It was like a tale of two cities," said Spartan coach Basil Conner. "It kept going back and forth."

The Gibson twins led the charge for Salem. Macy Gibson had nine kills and six aces and sister Kate had eight kills. Kourtney Goens was high with 18 kills.

The Spartans dropped a home game to Patrick Henry last Thursday. After winning the first set, 25-18, Salem dropped the next three by scores of 25-21, 25-20 and 25-23. Goens had 10 kills and two blocks for the Spartans and Hailey Crotts had five kills.

Salem was scheduled to host Roanoke Catholic on Wednesday of this week but results were too late for publication. The Spartans are at Cave Spring next Tuesday, October 6.

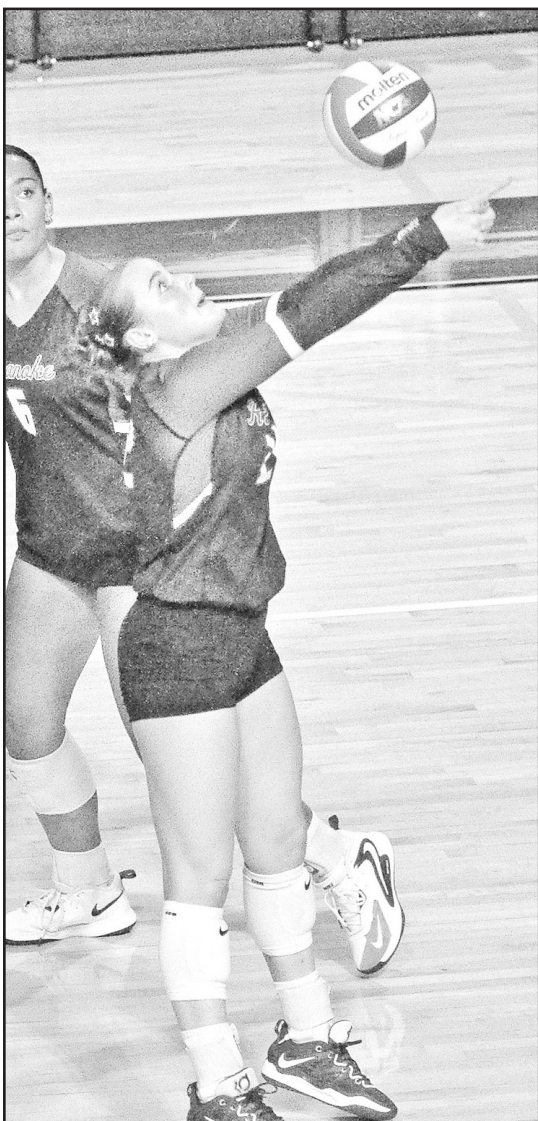
## Roanoke volleyball falls to Lyn.

The Roanoke College volleyball team had their four game win streak snapped with a three set loss to the University of Lynchburg last Friday. The Maroons lost in three sets at Turner Gym in Lynchburg, 25-17, 25-20 and 26-24.

The Hornets, who received votes in this week's national coaches' poll, were taken to the limit in the third set. The Maroons fought off two match points to extend the game, but Lynchburg ultimately prevailed 26-24.

Zarah Love had seven kills and no errors on the night for the Maroons. Emma Catoe, Kaci Morrison and Gracelynn Clark each posted four kills. Raygan Wade had 12 assists and Teagan Hubble contributed 16 digs.

The Maroons took a 9-4 record into Wednesday's home game with Averett University. On Friday they're at Hood College in Frederick, MD.



**Abby Bishop of Roanoke College hits a return over her head.**

PHOTO BY BRIAN HOFFMAN



**The Glenvar cross country team was fourth in the Alleghany Invitational. Left to right are Casey Weeks, Jackson Wimmer, Brendal Hudson, Zachary Davis, Colin Graffeo, Evan Harris, Asher Fought, and Jaxson Kuzmich is in the front.**

## GHS boys 4th, SHS 6th at Alleghany

The Glenvar boys were fourth and Salem was sixth at the Alleghany Invitational cross country meet at the Jackson River Sports Complex in Covington last Saturday. In the girls' division Salem was 17th and Glenvar was 27th.

There 40 schools and 288 runners in the boys' division. Broadway High was the team winner and the individual champion was Kebryl Chandler of Parry McCluer High School. He finished the 5,000 meter course in 15:04.4.

Salem's Austin Prosser finished 27th with a time of 16:39.73. Also scoring for the Spartans were John Stovall, Thomas Scharp, Isaac Snow and Camden Burns.

Glenvar trailed only meet champion Broadway (68), North Cross (126), and Christiansburg (144). The Highlanders' top runner was freshman Jaxson Kuzmich who came in at 31st with a time of 16:46.89. Glenvar maintained a tight 1-minute, 10-second gap between its first and fifth runners to secure their top-five teamfinish as Asher Faught was 35th, Evan Harris was 37th, Zachary Davis was 40th and Jackson Wimmer was 81st.

In the Varsity Girls race Salem placed 17th out of 28 teams. The Spartans were led by Olivia Huff in 27th place with a time of 21:12.6. The winner was Mariah Reed of Christiansburg who finished in 18:10.17. Also scoring for the Spartans were Audrey Harmon, Caroline Huff, Isabelle Henzey and Amelia O'Brien.

"The good weather along with the fast and flat course allowed many of the runners to finish their race with a season best time," said Salem coach Tom Roth.

Genna Shanks led the Glenvar girls with a time of 25:26.73, good for 154th place among 216 in the race. Also scoring for Glenvar were Kamryn Hill, Lesly Garcia, Yatzil Villalobos and Annaleigh Hall.

In the jayvee race the Glenvar boys were second and Salem was ninth. Cash Malcom was Glenvar's top runner and Elijay Nielson was first across the line for the Salem jayvees.

Glenvar is scheduled to go to Sugar Hollow Park for a meet hosted by John Battle High today, and Salem's team will be back in action this Saturday at Green Hill Park.

## Andrew Lewis winter sports tryouts

**Girls and Boys basketball tryouts for the Andrew Lewis Middle School teams will start Monday, October 12th, in the main gym at Andrew Lewis Middle School.**

**Wrestling tryouts start October 19th in the small gym. To participate you must sign up on the Andrew Lewis webpage and you must have a current physical on the Virginia High School League (VHSL) form on file in the main office at Andrew Lewis.**

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## Unbeaten Spartans have big test at PH Friday

### Senior qb Overstreet to have knee surgery

The undefeated Salem High football team will have another big test this week when they head to Merrill Gainer Field in Roanoke to take on Patrick Henry.

This is a River Ridge District game, but more importantly it's a big game for VHSL points and seeding in the post-season. Salem is undefeated with a big win over Dinwiddie and PH is a Class 5 school with a 4-1 record. Friday's winner will reap a bunch of points, and both could use them with weak district teams like Hidden Valley and Pulaski County on the schedule who will not bring a lot of points.

PH has won its last four games after opening the season with a 30-28 loss to Southern Alamance High of North Carolina. The Patriots have beaten three schools who Salem has also beaten, E.C. Glass(48-10), Franklin County(35-9) and William Fleming(42-7). Their other win was a 56-0 rout of hapless Hidden Valley last week.

"All the games are big, this is just the next one," said Salem coach Don Holter. "They(PH) execute well and have good kids in the skill positions. They like to get you in space."

One of their skill position players is senior Kyshead Arrington, who transferred from Salem in the off-season. Kyshead ran for almost 1,000 yards as a sophomore for the Spartans in 2024. Last year he played three games, went out with an illness and never returned. He surfaced at PH and has had a strong start to the season, adding another wrinkle to what promises to already be a very interesting game.

Salem will be without senior captain and quarterback Tanner Overstreet, and he's most likely lost for the season with a knee injury. Tanner was banged up in week three against Fleming and was originally expected to miss a couple games. However, an MRI indicated surgery would be needed and freshman Pearce Oliver is now fully in charge of the Salem offense. Holter feels Pearce is capable and ready.

"I have complete confidence in him," he said. "Pearce is humble and hungry, and he's very coachable. He's like a sponge."

While losing a talent like Overstreet would devastate most teams, Tanner is dedicated to helping the team however he can.

"Tanner has taken Pearce under his wing," said Holter. "They have a great relationship and it keeps getting better."



**Salem High freshman quarterback Pearce Oliver cuts loose with a pass in last Friday's win in Blacksburg. Looking on in the background, on crutches, is Salem senior captain and quarterback Tanner Overstreet(#2), who is sidelined with a knee injury.**

PHOTO BY JON FLEMING

"I really feel for Tanner," Holter continued. "I know his heart is broken but he's dedicated to supporting Pearce and coaching him up. Tanner is unselfish and he's what leadership is all about."

Oliver won the backup position this summer. He

wasn't even on the preseason roster and was expected to be the jayvee quarterback. However, as summer practice progressed it became apparent he was the second best quarterback in the program, so Holter

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## Highlanders come from behind to down Bulldogs

### Glenvar is at unbeaten Carroll County Friday



**Above, Glenvar's Grayson Harris holds the football over the goal line for a touchdown after catching a pass from Kiptyn Jones Friday night. Below, Bryan Mateo(#2) picks up yards.**

PHOTOS BY BRIAN HOFFMAN

The old saying goes if you want to win the football game you have to win the turnover battle. That's usually the case, but it wasn't at Highlander Stadium last Friday as Glenvar took a 17-13 win over Martinsville in their Three Rivers District opener.

Glenvar overcame four turnovers to win the game, including three in the first eight minutes of play. The Highlanders scored with just over six minutes remaining in the game to take the lead and held on for a Homecoming win in front of a big crowd on the home side.

"I'm super proud of our kids," said Glenvar coach Kevin Clifford. "They had a little adversity early in the game but they fought back and got the win. I owe a lot of credit to our staff, who has them ready to play every week. My staff is excellent and I'm very grateful for the job they do."

The game didn't start out good for Glenvar. After the Highlanders received the opening kickoff freshman Kiptyn Jones' sideline pass was picked off and returned 45 yards for a touchdown to put the Highlanders behind 7-0 just 48 seconds into the game.

The ensuing kickoff to Glenvar was fumbled and the Bulldogs recovered on the Highlanders' 36 yard line. The Glenvar defense stiffened at this point and Martinsville settled for a 31 yard field goal attempt that was blocked.

Glenvar's offense took over and this time they moved the ball behind the running of Garrison Burris and Bryan Mateo, who were filling in for the injured Ranger Swanson. The Highlanders moved all the way to the Bulldogs' three yard line where they fumbled it away again with four minutes still remaining in the first quarter.

Glenvar's defense held again and forced a punt. The next possession resulted in a 39 yard field goal by Tyler Shannon to cut the lead to 7-3. Then Glenvar went ahead for the first time with just 44 seconds remaining in the first half as Jones hit sophomore Grayson Harris down the right sideline for a 36 yard TD pass.

The only score of the third period came on a 23 yard run by Martinsville, and the Bulldogs inexplicably went for a two point extra. They had a man open in the end zone but the pass was overthrown and the Highlanders remained within three points of the Dogs at 13-10.

Jones orchestrated the winning drive in the fourth quarter. With a third and goal at the Martinsville five he rolled right, then threw back against the grain to an open Haden Henderson in the far left corner. That gave Glenvar a three point lead, and Shannon's extra point kick gave the Highlanders a more-than-a-field goal lead at 17-13 with 6:20 to go, and the defense did the rest.

Jones finished the night 15 for 24 passing for 175 yards and two scores. Grayson Harris had four catches for 66 yards, Ben Brown had four for 38 and Henderson had three catches for 42 yards.

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