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From the Earley Family Porch to Their Fifth Store: Blue Collar Workwear Expands, Acquires Iconic Jack's Boot Shop



It all started on the side porch of the Earley family home in 1989. What was originally just a side project to sell outdoor apparel has now developed into a full-fledged business that now has its fifth home in Brookville. The company, Blue Collar Workwear, is now the new owner of Jack's Boot Shop in Brookville.

Brothers Brad and Dan Earley are at the helm of the company as their father's start-up business expands to its fifth location.

"Blue Collar Workwear was started by my father (Mike) out of our side porch about 30 years ago," Brad Earley told exploreJeffersonPA.com. "Back then, it was called Earley's Outerwear. Now, we have stores in Olean, Rochester, Jamestown, Ellicottville, and now this store in Brookville."

The Western New York-based company is expanding to its first location in Pennsylvania. Earley said the store's location and its culture influenced by the previous owner Steve Logue were the major reasons for Blue Collar Workwear's expansion to the Brookville area.

"When we came down here and saw the location and also the culture that Steve had developed we thought it was identical to the story from our business," Earley explained. "Steve (Logue) was looking for someone to take over the store that had that same type of story. We saw it as a perfect fit."

Jack's Boot Shop was founded by Steve's father, Jack Logue, of Sligo, in 1963; the business was originally a hardware store.

While the Earley family is taking over the business, they still want to honor the history of the store and offer the same products as Jack's Boot Shop.

"We don't want people to lose the feel of Jack's Boot Shop because

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Could You be the Next Brookville Laurel Festival Queen?

The Brookville Laurel Festival Board is excited to announce they are now accepting applications for the 2024 Brookville Laurel Festival Scholarship Pageant. With this pageant the Brookville Laurel Festival Board aims to provide the opportunity for young ladies to build leadership and public speaking skills, showcase their talents, and give them the opportunity to earn a scholarship towards their future goals.

A \$1,500 Scholarship is awarded to the Queen with additional scholarships available for 1st and 2nd Runners up. Contestants must be between
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2024 Brookville Laurel Festival

The Brookville Laurel Festival Board is hard at work planning another event filled festival for 2024! Our first activity of the year will be our annual Murder Myster Dinner Fundraiser taking place on May 11th at the Heritage House at 6pm.

C'mon down and join Brookville Laurel Festival and Pittsburgh's #1 interactive dinner theater company at the Horny Toad Saloon in the frontier town of Camel Rock. Catch an eyeful as a saloon girl, bandito, deputy, and singing cowboy try to figure out who gunned down the toughest and hairiest sheriff in the old West! With the show "Montana Marie Gets Gunned Down at Three." Tickets can be purchased in person at the Brookville Area Chamber of Commerce Office or via the Chamber's website.

The Brookville Laurel Festival will be held on June 8-15, 2024.

The 2023's festival brought a large crowd despite all the rain that we had most of the week. Another big thank you to our many generous sponsors that helped make it possible. Miller Fabrication Solutions helped in a big way! Art in the Park kicked off with bag pipes at noon and was a fun filled afternoon with bands, magic, dancing, music, and crafts! The car show was one of the biggest yet with over 100 entries. The rain did not stop the sound of children's laughter echoing down main street on Family Fun Night. Jefferson County Relay for Life hosted another moving event honoring those who have battled cancer while the history center highlighted our town in their annual historic tour. S&T Bank sponsored a dinner on Hometown Hero night for those who served while a local acapella group, Special K, filled the air with their melodious renditions of classic Americana tunes. The sidewalks of Main St were filled with shoppers and vendors while the smell of the Pinecreek Volunteer Fire Company's annual Chicken BBQ filled the air. Our 100-unit parade was supported in a big way by Brookville Equipment, with the favorite floats from Rhines Farms, Roseville Independent Chapel, and Berry Global. The festival ended with a bang with the fireworks display by our local talent at Boomville Fireworks, sponsored by FOE 983. Bringing back favorites for 2024 is in the works to continue showcasing local talent and trying new

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When the Blackbird Sings

by Jennifer Black

We are all judgmental. Yes, even you. I certainly am, many times I think it's human nature and yet while it is in our nature to be judgmental, I don't think it's ever useful to us. Do you look down on others, as if you are so much better? Do you realize this creates division between people? Think about it for a second, we see someone, and based on their looks or actions, we pass judgement on them. Normally not good judgment, either. Usually without even knowing the person. That's it, that's usually the extent of our interaction with that person. We don't make an effort to get to know the person, or understand them, or to see whether our judgment was right or not.

Consider what happens when we pass judgment on people we do know. Do you see something they do and get angry at it, or disappointed in the person, or think worse of them? Do you judge without understanding? Once again, that's the end of it, but why don't we try to find out more, and through communication begin to understand, and through understanding we could begin to build a bridge between the two of you.

Do you think you can build a bridge with every single person you meet? Probably not. That could take time and effort. Two things we're usually short on anyways. I have found that taking that extra time, even just once a day, I can make a difference.

Why not this month try not to pass judgement and instead build a bridge between yourself and others. If you find yourself being judgmental, stop yourself. This will take all of us a great effort to do. The first step is to think about your thoughts for a few days, try to notice when you're being judgmental. This can be difficult at first, but once you keep reminding yourself to do it, it will get easier each day. Once we are more aware can we stop ourselves from being judgmental? Take this to heart. So many of us judge without having a clue what that person is going through. We look on the outside, maybe their clothes, house, cars, jewelry, I could go on and on. This month stop and take the time and think of once simple scripture. Do not judge for you shall be judge, pretty simple right?

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Job Functions:

- Operate multi-size forklifts; utilize hand trucks, hoists or

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- Move materials/products between departments using forklift and/or flatbed and roll-off flatbed trucks.
- Maintain order of scrap yard.
- Load and unload materials.
- Dump garbage and scrap hoppers.
- Monitor level of scrap metal dumpsters and report to supervisor.

• Accept packing slips and metal certifications and distribute accordingly.

Requirements

- High School diploma or equivalent.
 - One year experience as forklift operator.
 - Good driving record and CDL B License.
 - Develop knowledge of all departments within manufacturing plant.
 - Must follow safety protocols and procedures with safety being top priority in all you do.
 - Must be able to follow instructions and work well independently.
- Apply online at www.brookvillecorp.com/careers

Field Service Technician - Mining

Job Functions:

- Must be available to travel up to 80% within PA, WV, KY
- Must reside in PA.
- Analyze work orders and plan daily travel schedule.
- Investigate customer issues and resolve problems.
- Diagnose error or technical problems and perform repairs.
- Maintain customer relationships and confidence.
- Perform life cycle management and preventative maintenance on equipment.
- Manage site installation.
- Provide emergency repair and service on location.
- Strong mechanical, electrical, pneumatic and hydraulic knowledge for onsite troubleshooting.
- Advise customers of manufacturer recommended service intervals.
- Provide training to customer personnel.
- Comply with all safety regulations.
- Prepare and submit Field Service Reports.
- Document services performed.
- Order and gather needed components.
- Track time and materials for services rendered.
- Utilize and maintain required PPE.
- Maintain work area in an organized and clean manner.
- Other functions as assigned.

Requirements

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Electrical Assembler
Job Functions:

- Complete electrical wiring of machines.
- Assemble control panels based on wiring schematics.
- Perform plumbing on air systems.
- Install brackets and conduit mounts.
- Assist with troubleshooting during final inspection.
- Assist employees with complete assembly of machines.
- Maintain work area in an

organized and clean manner.

- Utilize and maintain proper PPE.
- Other functions as assigned.

Requirements:

- High School Diploma
- Technical training preferred
- One year of related experience
- Capable of reading blueprints and schematics

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Mechanical Assembler Night Shift
Job Functions:

- Must be available to work Night Shift (Monday through Thursday, 4:30 pm to 3 am)
- 12% Shift Differential for Night Shift
- Blueprint reading knowledge as well as understanding work instructions.
- Mechanical duties may include installation of diesel and electrical drive components, plumbing air, hydraulic and fuel systems as well as engine, transmission, and axle assembly.
- Carpentry skills including installation of sub floors, flooring, interior panels, and trim, windows, windshields, and seating in vehicles.
- Must be able to maintain an organized and clean work area

and will be required to wear appropriate PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) specific to the different tasks being completed.

Requirements:

- High School diploma
- Technical training preferred
- One year of related experience in mechanical or carpentry
- Capable of reading blueprints

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Machinist - Night Shift
Requirements:

- Must be able to work night shift.
- Proficient in manual lathe, manual mill operation, and CNC equipment.
- Perform machine shop operations to support assembly floor.
- Strong blueprint reading skills.
- Must be able to utilize the proper tools to meet tolerance requirements.
- Properly and safely select, align, secure, and remove holding fixtures, cutting tools, attachments, accessories, and materials onto machines.
- Utilize and maintain PPE.
- Maintain work area in an organized and clean manner.
- Equipment to be used: Manual Lathe, Doosan CNC Mill, Mazak CNC Turning Center, Manual Summit Mill, Radial Arm Drill.
- Other functions as assigned.
- Must be able to perform all essential functions of the position with or without accommodation.

Summary:

- High School Diploma/GED
- Technical training in Machining preferred
- One year of related experience required
- Experience in MasterCam and/or GibbsCam

- Strong knowledge of blueprint reading, GD&T knowledge preferred
- Must be familiar with machine functions

This is a night shift position. Will work Monday-Thursday 10 hour shifts from 4:30 pm to 3 am. 12% shift differential for nights. Overtime may be required on occasion and shift may change during a holiday week.

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Technical Illustrator
Job Functions:

- Take information from text or data and create illustrations to communicate assembly information concisely and accurately.
- Layout and draw schematic, perspective, orthographic, or oblique-angle views to depict function, relationship, and assembly-sequence of parts and assemblies.
- Ability to understand the function of mechanical equipment and translate that information into operator and maintenance instructional documents.
- Content review for accuracy.
- Maintain revisions on previous publications.
- Assist engineering in composing project design documentation.
- Other functions as assigned.

Requirements:

- Associate Degree in Technical or Engineering field preferred.
- Minimum of 2 years of applicable experience.
- Knowledge of Microsoft Office Programs.
- Proficient with graphic illustration software such as Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Technical Publications, AutoCAD, and Solid Modeling software.
- Ability to understand 3D

modeling.

- Strong communication and organizational skills.
- Problem analysis and problem resolution skills.
- Strong attention to detail.

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Electrical Engineer
Essential Job Functions:

- Engineer and design new products from initial planning to production.
- Provide and perform engineering assistance for field service problems.
- Perform inspections on vehicle components and assemblies.
- Prepare preliminary and detailed design drawings.
- Participate in engineering projects and engineering meetings.
- Assist in the investigation and analysis of new material and engineering practices.
- Edit and construct technical data for operation, maintenance and parts manuals.
- Create and organize complete bill of material for purchasing department.
- Coordinate with Electrical Drafters to produce electrical schematics and wire diagrams.
- Write technical specifications for submission to customer.
- Travel up to 20% throughout US and Canada.
- Other functions as assigned.

Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering.
- 2 or more years of Electrical Engineering experience in a manufacturing environment preferred.
- Rail or transit industry experience strongly preferred.
- Knowledge of Auto CAD, Auto CAD Electrical and Solid Modeling Software.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- * Strong technical writing skills.

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Field Service Engineer
Job Functions:

- Provide and perform engineering assistance for field service activities.
- Investigate customer issues and resolve faults.
- Diagnose error or technical problems and perform repairs.

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Reminder Remember to file your DD-214 with the Jefferson County Register & Recorder office. Often family members who are applying for VA benefits in your absence, face delays in processing VA claims when they cannot locate a veteran's DD-214. County Register & Recorders office is located at 200 Main Street, 2nd Floor, 814.849.1610. You must bring the DD-214 in person to be filed.

Drivers Needed

Drivers are needed for the Jefferson County disabled veterans to take veterans to their doctor appointments. Call Veterans affairs office in Brookville at 814-849-3018.



Business & Professional SPOTLIGHT

Blue Collar

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we bring the same thing,” Earley said.

He explained that the business is just being rebranded as Blue Collar Workwear. The same products that Jack’s Boot Shop sold will continue to be sold at Blue Collar Workwear.

While the Earleys will keep the same products that Jack’s supplied, they have plans to

expand their camping selection and add women’s Carhartt products.

“The opportunity that we see is a huge camping area,” said Earley. “We have a lot of real estate over here that we can use, and we are excited to see what we can offer besides what’s already here.”

While the company is

rebranding the store’s aesthetics with new outdoor signs and doormats, they also need to hire employees, including a manager and an assistant manager.

Earley said they are looking for a manager that fits their culture, emphasizing that the customer comes first.

“It is important to continue the legacy of Jack’s Boot Shop. We owe a big thank you to Steve (Logue) for the seamless transition and for giving us this opportunity,” Earley noted.

Blue Collar Workwear’s Brookville is currently open to the public.

Their hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. from Tuesday to Friday; 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday; and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

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the ages of 16-20, single, never married, without children and remain so throughout their reign, as well as a legal resident of Pennsylvania.

The 2024 Scholarship Pageant is set to take place at 7 p.m. on June 1, 2024, in the Brookville Jr/Sr High School Auditorium.

Application forms must be submitted to Sandra Young at brookvillelaurelfestival+pageant@gmail.com or postmarked and mailed to Attn: Sandra Young – Brookville Laurel Festival, PO BOX 394, Brookville, PA, 15825 by no later than April 15, 2024.

For the application forms and more information, email brookvillelaurelfestival+pageant@gmail.com or visit www.brookvillelaurelfestival.com

Laurel Festival

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adventures.

We hope to bring another large crowd to enjoy our beautiful town! Planning a festival takes many hands and there are volunteer opportunities available if you would like to help with the festival! The festival would also not be possible without sponsors. If you would be interested in joining the board or seeing how you or your business could sponsor the festival, email us at brookvillelaurelfestival@gmail.com.

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- Track time and materials for services rendered.
- Keep up to date on administrative responsibilities

such as maintaining customer service logs and internal service records in a timely manner.

- Other functions as assigned.

Requirements:

- Minimum of Associate Degree in EE or EET with Bachelor's Degree in EE or EET preferred.
- Experience interfacing with both internal team members and external customers as part of a solution-based service process.
- Proven record of being reliable and accountable for all aspects of previous positions.
- Excellent analytical, interpersonal, and

communication skills with the ability to communicate complex technical issues in an easy-to-understand manner.

- Ability to adapt to changing circumstances.
- Ability to make solid decision utilizing critical thinking skills.
- Must have exceptional electrical and mechanical troubleshooting skills.
- Must be detail oriented.
- Proficient in blueprint and schematic analysis.
- Ability to travel up to 80% of the time throughout the US and Canada.

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Welder

Job Functions:

- Plans details of working procedure, tools and material requirements.
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- Assemble/repair equipment parts by cutting, burning, and welding various metals.
- Set up, assemble, and tack weld parts.
- Position dimensions from blueprints onto work pieces.
- Build up work or defective surfaces.

- Ensure that correct procedures are followed.
- Inspect welds to meet print and certification requirements.
- Partially assemble machines after welding. Operate grinders, welders and cutting torches.
- Keep equipment and work area clean and orderly.
- Other functions as assigned.

Requirements:

- High School diploma. Technical training in welding and fabrication preferred.
- One year of welding experience required.
- Ability to read blueprints. Ability to arc and mig weld steel and cut with torches.

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Mechanical Engineer

Job Functions:

- Participate in the design and engineering of products from concept to commissioning.
- Review and interpret technical specifications.
- Document component technical information and analysis/calculations.
- Develop design package and technical package information as required.
- Review technical drawings for completeness and accuracy.

- Knowledge and familiarity with company's drafting standards and practices.
 - Provide and perform engineering assistance for field service problems.
 - Work with technical writing to develop language for manuals/technical bulletins for critical systems.
 - Prepare preliminary and detailed design drawings.
 - Participate in engineering projects and engineering meetings.
 - Assist in the investigation and analysis of new material and engineering practices.
 - Work with other departments including production, design engineering, electrical engineering, and sales to complete tasks as assigned.
 - Edit and construct technical data for operation, maintenance, and parts manuals.
 - Create and organize complete bill of materials for purchasing.
 - Ability to travel when necessary (up to 20%).
 - Other functions as assigned.
- Requirements:*
- Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering
 - At least 5 years of
- see EMPLOYMENT on page 11*

Caregiver Support G R O U P

May 2, at 3:00pm

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4 Sylvania St, Brookville, PA 15825

Group Facilitator:

Kristine Santiso, LMSW, CCM, ACM-SW, NCG, CDP

Caregiving can be a very rewarding experience but also places added stress on a caregiver's life. If you are a caregiver, please plan to attend the Caregiver Support Group at the Heritage House. Here you will have the ability to discuss and be educated on concerns, stressors, and topics only caregivers will understand.

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In the Spotlight

Chad Compton started at Beverage-Air in June of 1994 and is currently the Team Leader for the Fabrication Welding Department in The pressroom.

Chad has been with Beverage-Air for almost 30 years and has been in the welding department his entire career. Chad runs 3 shifts in his department and does a very good job overcoming different challenges for each shift.

Chad credits Bill Wolfe for all of his success as the new Team Leader, Bill has taught Chad the ins and outs of the department and what it takes to be a good leader.

When Chad is not working he is hunting or out hitting some balls on the golf course.



Chad Compton



must be at least 11 years old to take the class. To sign up or for additional information, go to the PGC website, www.pgc.pa.gov, click on Education, then Hunter Education, and then click on the button "click here". Next click on in-Person Class to go to registration for a class. Adults are welcome, but not required to stay with the students in the class. **Lunch is provided.** Snacks and beverages are permitted.



Cable Restraint Class

The Pennsylvania Game Commission Hunter-Trapper Education program will be holding a Cable Restraint Class April 7, at the Sigel Sportsmen's Club, Sigel. The class will begin at 12:30 pm and end at 4:30 pm. All individuals wishing to participate in the special Cable Restraint season must pass the course, obtain the card, and possess the appropriate licenses, and a valid basic H-TE or Trapper Education card. Students must be at least 11 years old to take the class. To sign up or for additional information, go to the PGC website, www.pgc.pa.gov, click on Education, then Hunter Education, and then click on

Hunter-Trapper Education

The first 2024 PA Game Commission Hunter-Trapper Education Basic Class in northern Jefferson County will be on March 23. The location is the Heritage House, Brookville, 9 am – 4 pm. **By law, all first-time hunters and trappers, regardless of age, must successfully complete Hunter-Trapper Education training before they can buy a Pennsylvania hunting or trapping license.** Students

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Wild Laurel Cloggers Class

The Wild Laurel Cloggers' next beginner clogging class begins on Monday, April 15, with a free intro workshop, and we'd love for you to join us! Please feel free to forward this message to anyone you know who may be interested.

The workshop is a free one-hour introduction to the fundamentals of clogging, and it will be held at 5:45 p.m. at the Clarion Center for the Arts, which is at 15506 Route 322, Clarion, PA 16214. We'll be in the dance studio in the back left
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The Following is a Complete List of Hunter-Trapper Education Classes Held in Northern Jefferson County, District 1-33-1, During 2024

CABLE RESTRAINT CLASS

\$15 fee due at time of online registration

April 7, 12:30 PM-4:30 PM

SIGEL SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, RTE 949 NORTH OF SIGEL

Sponsored by Sigel Sportsmen's Club

BASIC H-TE CLASS

April 20, 9 am – 4 pm

SIGEL SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, RTE 949 NORTH OF SIGEL

Sponsored by Sigel Sportsmen's Club

June 15, 9 am – 4 pm

HERITAGE HOUSE, 4 SYLVANIA STREET IN BROOKVILLE

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Individual Bird Dog Training Clinic to be Offered by the Ruffed Grouse Society

The Ruffed Grouse Society (RGS) Upland Bird Hunt Chapter is proud to announce they will offer an individual, one-on-one, bird dog training clinic on Saturday, May 18, at the Rolfe Beagle Club in Johnsonburg, Pa. This training clinic is for new bird dog handlers or experienced bird dog handlers that want additional help with training their dog. This training is an extension of the Upland Bird Hunt Chapter's popular Future Hunter and Handlers' Clinic. "We call this the Train the Trainer Clinic," said Tom McPherson.

Only eight (8) dogs will be accepted into the clinic. All dogs must be of a pointing breed. You must register your dog in advance so the proper training materials will be available at the Rolfe Beagle Club.

Registered dogs must be 8 months old as of mid-May, 2024. Registration will be



Handler and trainer with dog.

accepted via mail at the Rolfe Beagle Club, 1016 Long Level Road, Johnsonburg, Pa., 15845. Registration must include your name, address, email, breed of dog and dog's name, and any training needs you may want to work on. Questions may be

addressed to Tommy Launer at tslauner@gmail.com. You can sign up for the 7:00 a.m. or the 10:00 a.m. start time.

The format for the training includes an initial evaluation by the trainer of your dog on live birds, and then training will be geared to what is perceived to be your dog's needs, or a special request by the handler. If you desire to shoot birds over your dog for retrieve training, you must provide your own gun and shells limited to #7 or smaller shot.

The Rolfe Beagle Club has the following training tools: bird bands, whoa table, pigeons, quail, frozen rabbits for furred game drags, bumpers, two wetlands for water retrieves, duck socks, foot release launchers, electronic launchers, and bird tape. Waterfowl can be requested for an additional fee.

Lunch will be provided by the Rolfe Beagle Club.

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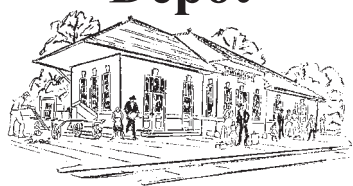
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April Lunch Menu

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BBQ pulled pork sandwich, sandwich roll, coleslaw, ranch potatoes, cookie

April 2
Baked beef ravioli with shredded cheese, tossed salad with tomato, garlic breadstick, seasonal fresh fruit

April 3
Open faced turkey sandwich with gravy and white bread, whipped potatoes with chives, sweet corn, cookie

April 4
Cheeseburger with lettuce, tomato and hamburger roll, creamy potato soup with crackers, seasonal fresh fruit

April 5
Chicken, spinach and cranberry salad with dressing, mixed greens and spinach, beets, breadstick, cake

April 8
Orange glazed pork loin, buttered pasta, California blend, wheat bread, peach crisp

April 9
Balsamic glazed chicken

with tomatoes and mozzarella cheese, seasoned rice, oriental blend vegetables, wheat bread, seasonal fresh fruit

April 10
Sliced ham with pineapple sauce, whipped sweet potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, cookie

April 11 – Volunteer Luncheon
Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll, coleslaw, jello poke cake

April 12
Tuna salad sandwich with lettuce and tomato, white bread, bean soup, tomato and cucumber salad, seasonal fresh fruit

April 15
Parmesan chicken over lemon asparagus pasta, tossed salad with tomato, breadstick apple crisp

April 16
Sweet & sour pork, rice, broccoli and cauliflower blend, wheat bread, seasonal fresh fruit

April 17
Stuffed pepper with sauce, garlic whipped potatoes, carrots, white bread, pudding

April 18
Turkey chef salad (turkey, cheddar, mixed greens, tomato), vegetable soup, dinner roll, gelatin

April 19
Sloppy joe, hamburger bun, tator tots, green beans, seasonal fresh fruit

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April 22
Swiss steak with onion gravy, whipped potatoes, carrots, wheat bread, blushed pears

April 23
Creamy vegetable lasagna, shredded mozzarella, tossed salad, garlic breadstick, peaches with cottage cheese

April 24
Creamy garlic chicken breast, buttered noodles, roasted Brussel sprouts, wheat bread, mandarin oranges

April 25
Baked lemon pepper fish, rice pilaf, California blend vegetables, dinner roll, seasonal fresh fruit

April 26
Baked meatloaf with gravy, baked potato, peas, white bread, gelatin

April 29

Creamy parmesan pork chop, diced redskin potatoes, carrots, wheat bread, blushed pears

April 30
Pasta and meatballs, pasta with marinara, tossed salad with tomato, garlic breadstick, mixed fruit salad
**menu subject to change*

Soup Sale

This is a fundraiser which benefits Jefferson County Senior Centers. Call your closest center to or some delicious Italian Wedding soup made by Shannon's Catering before April 12. The cost is \$9 per quart and is due at time of ordering. (no refunds)

Pickup is April 24, 9am-11am at the center where you placed your order.

Caregiver Support Group

The Caregiver Support Group will be held May 2 at 3:00 p.m. at the Heritage House Senior Center, 4 Sylvania Street, Brookville. The group facilitator is Kristien Santiso.

Caregiving can be a very rewarding experience but also places added stress on a caregiver's life. If you are a caregiver, please plan to attend the Caregiver Support Group at the Heritage House. Here you will have the ability to discuss and be educated on concerns, stressors, and topics only caregivers will understand.

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up. Meetings will take place the first Thursday of every month at 3:00 p.m. To RSVP or to ask questions, please call Jefferson County Area Agency on Aging at 814-849-3096.

Cloggers

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corner of the building. No dance experience is necessary, all ages are invited to participate, and no registration is required. This event is open to the public.

The workshop also serves as the first night of our 10-week beginner class, which will run from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. on Monday nights from April 15 to June 24, skipping May 27 for Memorial Day. The free workshop is the first class, and you're welcome to attend this first-night intro and decide afterward if you'd like to keep dancing with us. The fee for the 10-week class is \$75/dancer, but again, the first class is free to attend and there's no obligation to return if you just want to try it out or decide clogging isn't for you.

For more information on the workshop and class, visit our Facebook event page.



From the Jefferson County DA

Jefferson County District Attorney Jeff Burkett announces that, as the result of extensive investigations undertaken by the Jefferson County Drug Task Force, the following individuals were charged with Delivery of Controlled Substances (substance noted below), a Felony under Pennsylvania's Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act:

Sven BARNES of Reynoldsville (psilocybin mushrooms)

Brian HIRCHERT of Brockway (methamphetamines)

Joseph LESTER of Reynoldsville (methamphetamines)

Dennis Coombs of Punxsutawney (methamphetamines)

Drew MAINES of Punxsutawney (criminal conspiracy- delivery of methamphetamines)

Allen MARSHALL of Reynoldsville (methamphetamines)

Lance MARTIN of Summerville (suboxone/ methamphetamines)

Jeremy NEWCOME of Punxsutawney (methamphetamines)

April SIPLE of Reynoldsville (methamphetamines)

Reese BARNES of Punxsutawney (methamphetamines)

Jason SOLIDAY of Punxsutawney (methamphetamines)

Grayce SUTTER of Punxsutawney (methamphetamines)

Linda KEPHART-MILLER of Falls Creek (fentanyl)

Burkett noted that all of the

above individuals have been arrested for these charges except for Sven BARNES and Allen MARSHALL. Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Sven BARNES and Allen MARSHALL, please contact the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office at (814) 849-1628.

Burkett noted the assistance of the Pennsylvania State Police, Punxsutawney Borough Police Department, Reynoldsville Police Department, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and Jefferson County Adult Probation. "I want to thank all of these agencies for the substantial help they gave us in executing the roundup of the above individuals. This was truly a team effort and it is always gratifying to me when our local law enforcement all come together in such a worthy cause as

this... taking poison and dealers off of our streets. I also want to laud the dedicated Task Force members whose investigations brought this day to fruition."

Jefferson County's Drug Task Force is overseen by District Attorney Burkett and is headed

and ran by his county detective, a veteran vice officer. The Task Force membership is comprised of Jefferson County municipal police officers who do this work in addition to their regular duties.

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From the Inside

by PA State Senator
Cris Dush



Dush Legislation Would Make Gym Class Optional for PA Student Athletes

Sponsored by Sen. Cris Dush (R-25), legislation to allow Pennsylvania student athletes to fulfill physical education (PE) requirements through participation in interscholastic sports (Senate Bill 454), was advanced by the Senate Education Committee on Tuesday.

"This important legislation would clearly give school districts the flexibility to substitute participation in student athletics for physical education," said Dush. "As a state representative, I was originally inspired to sponsor this bill by a student athlete, Levi Roseman, who was enrolled at Brookville High School. Levi participated in cross-country, indoor track, outdoor track, and golf. He graduated as a salutatorian but could not complete as many advanced placement courses as he would have liked because of the PE requirement."

Roseman is now a graduate of Dartmouth College, an Ivy League school in New Hampshire, where he was also a multi-sport student athlete.

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students who participate in varsity sports may be required to take physical education classes. These students are involved in strenuous activities that meet the intent of keeping students fit and active, as well as developing a sense of sportsmanship and camaraderie, which required PE courses are meant to foster.

Senate Bill 454 would enable school board directors to permit students to satisfy PE requirements through their participation in an interscholastic sport. Students would be able to use this extra academic time for either a study hall, to access the campus broadband and library facilities for their homework, or to take additional classwork which would benefit them in preparation for college.

"Since students who are involved in varsity sports are significantly more likely to be higher academic achievers, they are more likely to be involved in advanced placement courses which require significantly more study time," said Dush. "I have repeatedly spoken to school administrators across Senate District 25 who are supportive of Senate Bill 454, because it encourages both athletic and academic growth. This legislation is specifically intended to give commonwealth school administrators greater flexibility and more options so they can better accommodate outstanding student athletes like Levi."

Senate Bill 454 now advances to the full PA Senate for consideration.

Dush, Benninghoff Confirm \$1 Million in Funding for Centre County Infrastructure Projects

Sen. Cris Dush (R-25) and Rep. Kerry Benninghoff (R-66) announced that more than \$1 million in state funding has been awarded for three Centre County infrastructure improvement

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So, get ready to explore, become inspired, and connect with others this National Library Week. Mengle Memorial Library is here for you, all the way to the finish line.

1-2-3 GROW WITH ME

In May 2024, Mengle Memorial Library will partner with Parents as Teachers to provide a wonderful program for parents and preschoolers called "1-2-3 Grow with Me." Sessions will be every Wednesday in May from 11 am to 12 pm. "1-2-3 Grow with Me" is a program for children from birth to five years of age along with their families. Child Development professionals will be on hand to answer questions on the following topics: Early Literacy, Child Development, Nutrition, Speech and Hearing, as well as Music. These sessions will have play time with our collection of

fun, developmentally appropriate toys. For these weeks in May, prior to the "1-2-3 Grow with Me" programs we will hold at 10:45 am a storytime so the young ones can hear a story and have a take away activity. So come early and join the fun! Please call the Mengle Memorial Library at 814-265-8245 to register.

READER'S GROUP

The next meeting of the Mengle Memorial Library Reader's Group in Brockway is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 1:15 pm. This monthly discussion group highlights the fiction and non-fiction titles read recently by participants. The group welcomes new members and is open to everyone. Call the library for more details at 814-265-8245.

BOOK GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS

On Wednesday, April 17, 2024 from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm, the Young Adult Book Group will meet. We plan to share our thoughts on "The False Prince" by Jennifer A. Neilsen. What fun we will have sharing about the characters, the events of the story, and why we think some of the things happened as they did. There will be a BLOOKET computer game planned to have fun while exploring facts from the book. Please call the library to get your copy to read. We'd love to have you! The more the merrier!

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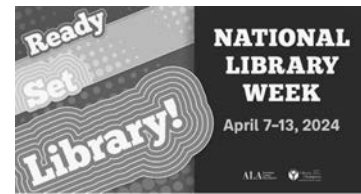
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Celebrate National Library Week April 7-13, 2024



The Jefferson County Library System encourages all community members to visit their local library during National Library Week, April 7-13, to explore all our libraries have to offer. The six library locations in Jefferson County are Mengle Memorial Library (Brockway), Rebecca M. Arthurs Memorial Library (Brookville), Punxsutawney Memorial Library, Reynoldsville Public Library, Summerville Public Library, and Sykesville Public Library.

"Ready Set Library" is the National Library Week theme for this year. The six libraries will offer free books to kids during



Jefferson County Commissioners (seated left to right) Jeff Pisarcik, Scott North and Mark Humes; (standing) Darlene Marshall, Jefferson County Library System Administrator and Mengle Memorial Library Director; Nicole Badger, Sykesville Public Library Director; Jen Coleman, Summerville Public Library Branch Manager; Karl Rebon, Reynoldsville Public Library Director; and Janine Strohm, Rebecca M. Arthurs Memorial Library Director.

this week. We look forward to seeing your family visit a library in the Jefferson County Library System to receive a free book for your child.

Libraries in Jefferson County will be featuring special reading events on Friday for "Drop Everything and Read (D.E.A.R)." This national celebration on April 12, 2024 is designed to remind families to make reading a priority activity in their lives.

The Jefferson County Commissioners have proclaimed National Library Week. All community members are encouraged to visit their local library in person or online to explore and access services and programs. The six libraries in Jefferson County offer a wide

array of resources that are available in person or from the comfort of home.

Libraries offer a wealth of stories from picture books and large print to audiobooks and ebooks. There's so much more to the story of libraries than most people know as libraries are a place for community. Libraries are welcoming spaces that bring communities together for entertainment, education, and connection through book clubs, storytimes, and a wide array of programs and resources. Our libraries play a critical role in the economic vitality of our

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First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries of all types across the country each April. For more information on your local library, visit our Jefferson County Library System website at www.JeffCoLibraries.org

Dush

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projects.

"My team and I are constantly working to secure highly competitive financial assistance for the benefit of our local townships, boroughs and municipalities," said Dush. "It is always rewarding to see state funding return to the 25th Senate District to help offset or eliminate taxpayer costs for essential infrastructure enhancements."

"I was more than happy to advocate on behalf of leadership in Gregg Township when they approached me personally about funding for the Bitner Hollow Road-Middle Road project," said Benninghoff, who serves as Republican chairman of the House Transportation Committee.

"These are the type of investments our constituents expect us to make in order to maintain local infrastructure, and I applaud the township supervisors for taking the initiative."

Specific projects and funding amounts are as follows:

- \$500,000 was awarded to College Township for the construction of a shared use pathway along East College Avenue from Puddinton Road to Hastings Road.

- \$400,000 was awarded to Gregg Township for Bitner Hollow Road and Middle Road Phase II improvements.

- \$118,688 was awarded to Snow Shoe Township for Kato Road Phase II improvements.

The grants were awarded through the Multimodal Transportation Fund administered

by the Commonwealth Financing Authority. The fund was created to encourage economic development and ensure that a safe and reliable system of transportation is available to the residents of the commonwealth.

Dush, Smith Confirm \$721,000 Awarded for Jefferson County Infrastructure Improvements

Sen. Cris Dush (R-25) and Rep. Brian Smith (R-66) announced today that \$721,138 has been awarded for three Jefferson County infrastructure improvement projects.

"Strategically bundling infrastructure upgrades, drainage improvements, utility work and other quality of life enhancements whenever possible are proven methods to reducing overall construction costs, increasing public safety and minimizing disruptions for Jefferson County residents and job creators," Dush said. "We all share the benefits of an adequately funded and properly maintained local transportation infrastructure."

"As a former truck driver and trucking business owner, I can't stress enough how important it is to stay on top of our road maintenance," Smith said. "Our goods can only get where they need to go if there's a stretch of asphalt to get them there. This funding will help offset the high costs of these important projects to our local municipalities."

Specific projects and funding amounts are as follows:

- \$350,000 was awarded to the Falls Creek Borough Main Street Revitalization Project for sidewalk replacement, streetscape improvements and to address additional pedestrian safety concerns.

- \$259,138 was awarded to the Jefferson County Service Center Road Improvement Project, which includes paving and reconstruction. Service Center Road is a vital connection between several Jefferson County facilities, including the county jail and county communications office, six private sector businesses

employing 420 workers, and major transportation routes.

- \$112,000 was awarded to Sykesville Borough for the resurfacing of Kauffman Street and Sykes Alley.

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Dush, Armanini Confirm \$625,000 Awarded for City of St. Marys 120 Connector Project

Sen. Cris Dush (R-25) and Rep. Mike Armanini (R-75) announced today that \$625,000 in state funding has been awarded to the City of St. Marys, Elk County for the construction of the new 120 Connector Project.

Upon completion, the 120 Connector will allow tractor trailer traffic to access State Route 120 without going through "The Diamond," which forms in the modern-day center of downtown St. Marys.

"I am fully supportive of this major connector project because it holds the potential to permanently divert 70% percent of truck traffic away from The Diamond," said Dush. "Much more than roadway reconstruction to alleviate more than 40 years of traffic congestion, the 120 Connector project will also result in a safer downtown and greater possibilities for economic development and job creation throughout Elk County and surrounding areas."

"Tax dollars are to be invested and not wasted...that's the mark of good stewardship," Armanini added. "People can see their money at work when they drive downtown to shop, dine or go to work...that's the definition of a true investment."

The \$625,000 grant was awarded through the Multimodal Transportation Fund administered by the Commonwealth Financing Authority. The fund was created to encourage economic development and ensure that a safe and reliable system of transportation is available to the residents of the commonwealth.



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Topics of discussion will include:

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Financial and other support for this project is provided by the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts, Inc. through a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act, administered by the U.S Environmental Protection Agency.

Records. I might mention here that her office donated their prior microfilm/microfiche reader to us in 2021, when they were able to procure an upgraded system. The older one works just fine for our purposes!

Other Archival Work

Our other PennWest Clarion intern this semester is Faith Pahoundis is assisting with miscellaneous archival work, from helping with scanning photographs to rehousing artwork into appropriate archival packaging, assisting our Archives Pathstones Crew with



Faith Pahoundis

many tasks. Faith is interested in becoming an Archivist, so she will also be learning our museum database used to accession (categorize and record) artifacts into our Archives.

Interns Working on Jefferson County History Videos

Community Digital History Storytelling Class is a Heinz History Center (Pittsburgh) project originated at the prior California University of PA and now expanded to the three Penn Western Universities of Clarion, Edinboro, and California, PA. Many small museums in Western PA, including JCHC, are assisting students with their class projects.

Hannah has completed a

video entitled “*The Legacy of a Brookville Renaissance Man,*” on Jefferson County Gunsmiths’ Longrifles & Violins, featuring Anthony Bonnett, a well-known artisan. Bonnet (1835-1907) did a bit of everything, making violins, mandolins and guitars, doing bicycle repairs, blacksmithing, gunsmithing, teaching art and calligraphy and writing poetry. Hannah completed the video Fall Semester 2023.

Zachary Van Cise did his video, entitled “*Why Are There No Dinosaurs in Western Pennsylvania*” on our JCHC Paleontology Exhibit, which was also completed Fall Semester 2023. He covers why we don’t find fossil dinosaur bones in PA, and then all the fossilized critters and plants we DO find in PA.

You can find these videos on our JCHS You Tube Channel, <https://www.youtube.com/@JeffersonCountyHistoryCenter>, and both were also posted on our facebook page, facebook/jchconline on January 20th – 22nd of this year.

Three more students have signed up to create videos of Jefferson County history. All are in progress to be completed Winter-Spring Semester 2024. Watch for them on our You Tube Channel ! The students are:

Lydia Dickson & Maddy Weyandt will produce a video on Kate Scott, Jefferson County historian, newspaper writer and editor under her father, and Civil War nurse. She helped establish the Women’s Relief Corps and the

Memorial Home in Brookville to care for Civil War Veterans and orphans, among others. She was active in the Grande Army of the Republic and the National Association of Army Nurses.

James Miller chose pre-historic Native American petroglyphs and mythology for his production, based on Ken Burkett’s petroglyph research along the Allegheny River at Parker’s Landing.

JayLynn Nugent will produce a video on the Pittsburg & Shawmut Railroad (P&SRR) in Brookville and Jefferson County, using our current exhibit and histories in our Research Library.

PA Humanities New “Wingspan” Grant Update



The work these students are doing parallels with our own upcoming Community Storytelling: Video-Interviews of various residents county-wide that will also incorporate associated old photographs & artifacts that we have in our Archives. This project is funded by a new 2-year grant called



JCHC Spotlight on Our Interns

Winter –Spring Interns working on our PA Historic Museum Commission (PHMC) Archives Grant

Two of our PennWest Clarion interns - Hannah Zacherl & Damon Navaroli are working in our new Parker Archives on the County Records we inherited from the Courthouse, fulfilling the requirements of our PHMC Archives Grant for 2023-2025. The project is to inventory and re-house into archival boxes and poly sleeves the volumes of county records and creating a “Finding Aid” database.



Hannah Zacherl

enabling the searches of visiting researchers. They also just completed the enormous task of creating a new database for



Damon Navaroli

the County Tax Records Books. Then they will re-invent a variety of County Record Books – from massive Land Sales Volumes to Treasurer’s Volumes, and everything in between.

Finally, when we receive the Naturalization Records from the Prothonotary’s Office, they will rehouse these records and create another database Finding Aid. They will also work at the Prothonotary’s office copying index cards of applicants’ names and the Naturalization Record Volumes they can be found in.

The Prothonotary’s office, under the direction of Tonya Geist, are helping to rehouse these volumes, including all pages, some of which are greatly over-used and damaged, in archival poly sleeves and then into bound notebooks. Her office is also making us a duplicate copy of the digitized microfilm/microfiche of the Naturalization Records so we may better assist requests for Naturalization

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“Wingspan” from PA Humanities and is a restricted grant to be used for this project only. We have purchased the equipment needed and will start filming in the next week or two. Our very first video will feature Bill McCracken with the story of the Twyford Motor Car Company and building the replica Twyford 4WD.

Funding for Wingspan is made possible with the generous support from Spring Point Partners, and additional funding from PA Humanities, individual donors and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

National Park Trust & USDA Forest Service – “Every Kid



Outdoors” Grant.

This grant, awarded March 7th, funds Elementary Environmental & Cultural Heritage Education for 4th Graders at our JCHS Park in May - Our 4th Year!!!! The first 3 years, we hosted Brookville’s Hickory Grove 4th Grade classes. This year we expanded our reach to other schools and we will

be hosting Clarion-Limestone School District 4th Grade. Many of the students living along the border of Clarion & Jefferson counties attend this school.

This grant funds bussing of the students from their school to the park, students’ and teachers’ lunches, and teaching materials (Jr. Ranger and Pollinator booklets). JCHC will cover Presenters’ lunches. Please see associated press release from National Park Service and USDA Forest Service in this issue for more information.

Presenters are professionals in their field of expertise, ranging from Pollinator -Pond habitat, Lumbering/Forestry/Conservation Practices (also including any Birds & Mammals of the Park observed that day), Native American Rockshelter/Archaeology, and a Tour of the Rocks: The story of the engraved boulders and the engraver, Douglas Stahlman. The latter program is part of the cultural history of the Park. There is also a fun activity for the kids where they all receive a “Trail Name,” based on the names of Forest Animals, and associated stickers they can either wear or post in

their Booklets. It will be a fun filed trip day for the students, and also a day focused on nature, cultural heritage and stewardship.

This project was made possible by USDA Forest Service and National Park Trust’s Every Kid Outdoors Small Grants Program.



National Park Trust & USDA Forest Service Announce Jefferson County Historical Society as a 2024 Every Kid Outdoors Small Grant Awardee

41 Grants Awarded Will Get More Than 31,000 Kids Outside

National Park Trust is pleased

to announce the 2024 grantees of the Every Kid Outdoors Small Grants Program, developed in partnership with the USDA Forest Service. This Program supports schools and mom-profit organizations focused on connecting elementary school-aged youth to public parks, lands, and waters.

Since 2009, National Park Trust has been a leader in youth outdoor programming and has been actively addressing the lack of transportation to outdoor spaces – one of the most significant barriers to kids getting outside and experiencing nature. This grant supports the Every Kid Outdoors Program, a federal youth initiative designed to provide every 4th grader the opportunity to visit public lands and waters for free with their families. Taking advantage of the great outdoors as an excellent classroom, the Park Trust and USDA Forest Service provide experiences that will help kids establish lifelong connections with nature and become the next generation of park stewards.

Jefferson County Historical Society has received an award to support our work to engage

elementary students at the JCHS Heritage Park, locally known as “Scripture Rocks” Park. History Center Staff and Board Members, as well as professional educators in their field of expertise, will present environmental and cultural heritage programming this year to Clarion – Limestone 4th grade classes. This outdoor educational experience includes Pollinator-Pond Habitat, Lumbering/Forestry, Birds & Mammals of the Park, Native American Rockshelter, a Tour of the Engraved Boulders and story of the Engraver, Douglas Stahlman. The focus throughout the day will be on stewardship and conservation.

“We are happy to receive this important mini-grant to introduce students at a vulnerable learning age to nature and the cultural heritage of our local park. This grant provides for school bus transportation, students’ and teachers’ lunches, and booklets designed by staff and interns that are used as teaching materials. Our goal is to get students interested in their environment, learn the past history (lumbering, quarrying, coal mine exploration)

see HISTORY on page 16



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of the park and appreciate today's conservation measures within the park and the county. This is the fourth year presenting this program - the first three years we hosted Brookville's Hickory Grove 4th grade. We are pleased to host Clarion-Limestone 4th Grade this year," said Operations Director, Kat Lyons.

This program was open to 201(c)3 non-profit organizations and schools seeking resources to connect their community's elementary school-aged kids with local parks, public lands, and waters. For 2024, the Park Trust and USDA Forest Service awarded 41 grants to qualified applicants - totaling almost \$155,000. To see the full list of 2024 grantees, please visit <https://parktrust.org/2024-every-kid-outdoors-grantees/>.

This project was made possible by USDA Forest Service and National Park Trust's Every Kid Outdoors Small Grants Program.

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ABOUT JCHS

JCHS operates the Jefferson County History Center and the JCHS Heritage Park. We invite other schools and organizations, both within Jefferson county and

outside of the county, to visit the park and take advantage of the educational opportunities we have to offer. Contact Kat Lyons at klyons-jchc@windstream.net or Ken Burkett, kburkett-jchc@windstream.net to arrange a special tour or program, or call us at 814-849-0077.

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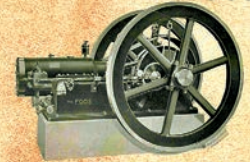
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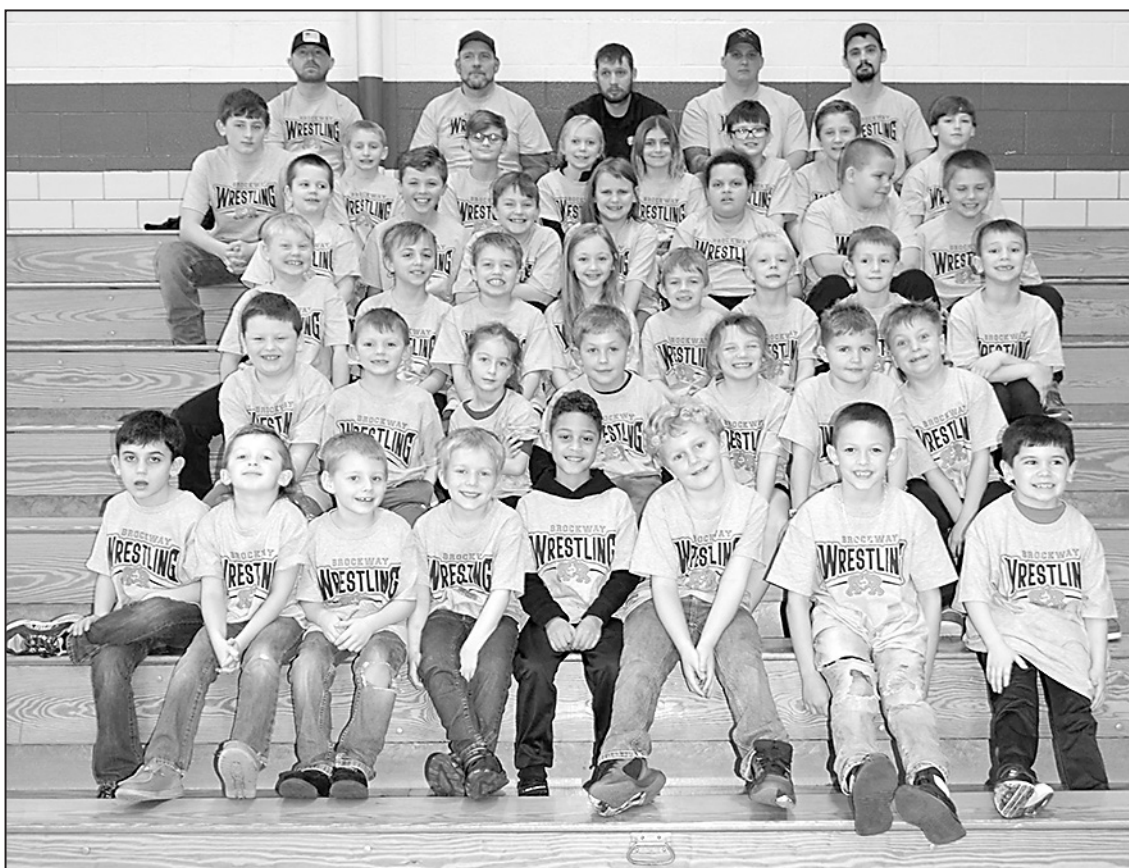


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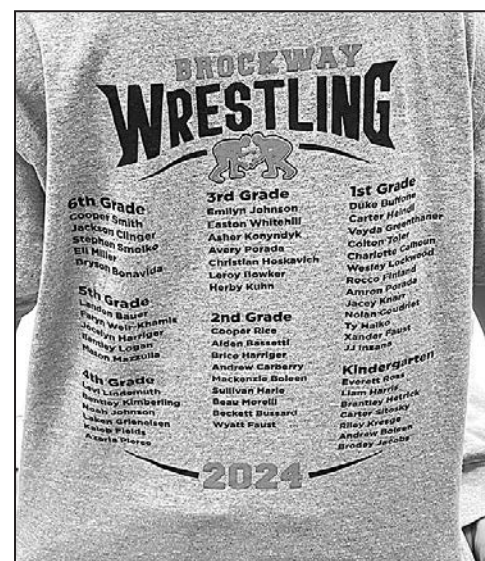
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87 Luca Morelli (DuBois) won by forfeit	6	0
94 Brycen Buzard (DuBois) won by forfeit	6	0
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108 Jordan Bowser (DuBois) won by forfeit	6	0
115 Brogan Hoare (DuBois) over Michael Bickar (Brockway) (Fall 2:03)	6	0
122 Tatum Weir (Brockway Area) over Alayna DuFour (DuBois)(Dec 2-1)	0	3
130 Easton Harris (DuBois) over Channing Kline (Brockway) (Fall 2:34)	6	0
138 Skyler Mosier (Brockway) over Brady Glass (DuBois) (Dec 3-1)	0	3
145 Dalton Reasinger (DuBois) over Colton Campbell (Brockway A) (Fall 0:17)	6	0
155 Logan Rakvin (Brockway) over Keegan Gregory (DuBois) (Fall 3:53)	0	6
170 Seth Wilmoth (DuBois) over Elysbeth Myers (Brockway) (Fall 4:01)	6	0
190 Double Forfeit	0	0
210 Double Forfeit	0	0
250 Nathaniel Clark (DuBois) won by forfeit	6	0
115 Extra: Reese Glass (DuBois) over Alyssa Snyder (Brockway) (Fall 0:35)	0	0
Team Score:	54	12



Skyler Mosier working for an escape.



(left) Logan Rakvin (left) going for a takedown.



Channing Cline riding on top.

Jr High Wrestlers vs DuBois



Logan Rakvin getting the pin.

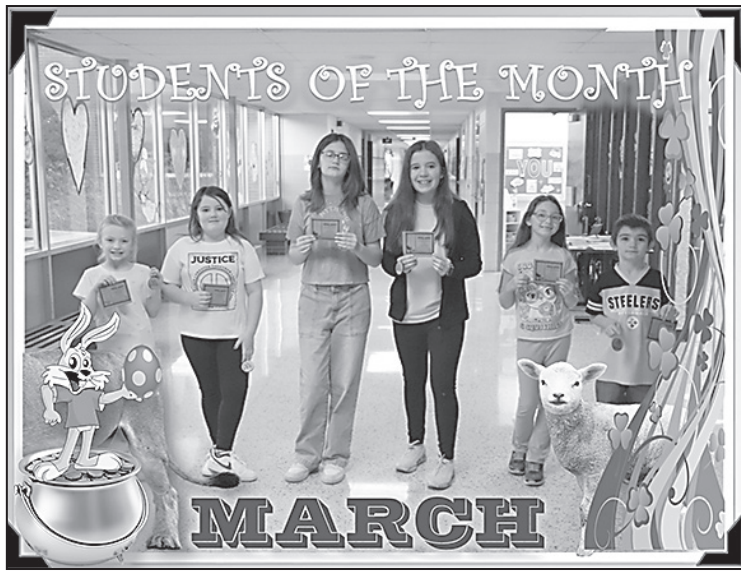
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Tatum Weir fighting for a takedown.



Brockway Elementary March Students of the Month. (l-r) Marijane Ritzie, Aria Kline, Tatum Cubbons, Isabella Toney, Violet Brugmann, and Ryett Waugh. Missing from the photo is Max Proper.

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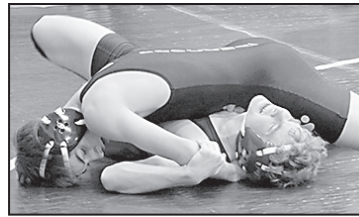
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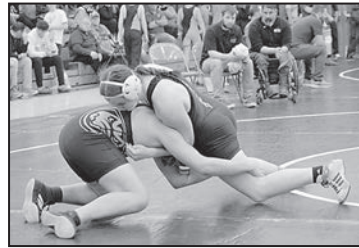
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130 Owen Stager (Ridgway Area) over Channing Kline (Brockway Area) (Fall 2:03)	6	0
138 Skyler Mosier (Brockway Area) over Marcus Aiello (Ridgway Area) (Fall 3:48)	0	6
145 Jace Cenni (Ridgway Area) over Colton Campbell (Brockway Area) (Fall 1:55)	6	0
155 Logan Rakvin (Brockway Area) over Unknown (For.)	0	6
170 Double Forfeit	0	0
190 Guido Mattivi (Ridgway Area) over Elysabeth Myers (Brockway Area) (Fall 2:28)	6	0
210 Double Forfeit	0	0
250 Double Forfeit	0	0
Team Score:	30	18

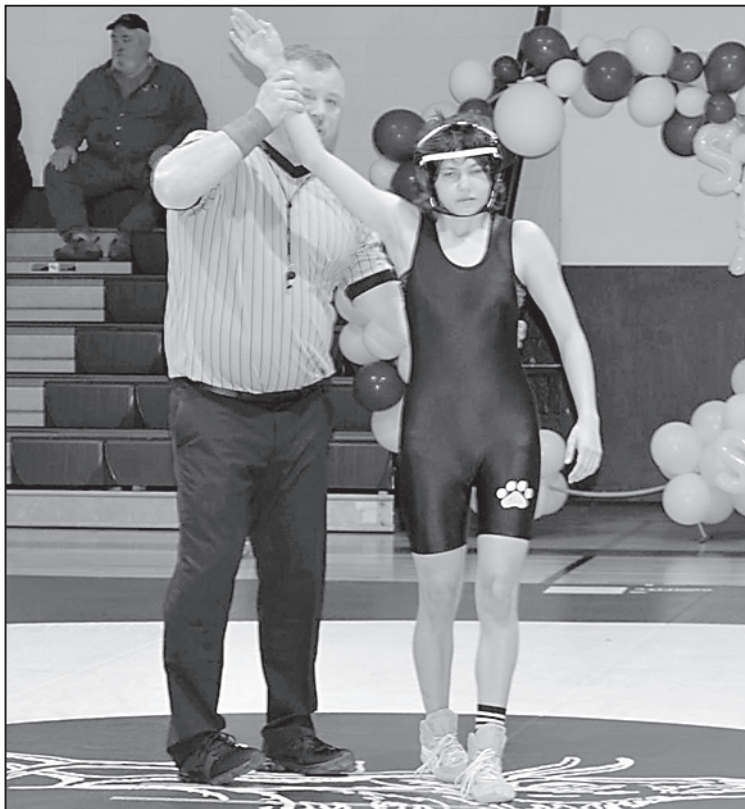
Weight	Stats
115 Champ. Round 1 - Poston Wolfel (Coudersport) over Michael Bickar (Brockway) (Fall 1:01)	No
115 Cons. Round 2 - Kahle Larson (Brookville) over Michael Bickar (Brockway) (Fall 0:20)	Yes
122 Champ. Round 1 - Tate Allison (Clarion) over Tatum Weir (Brockway Area) (Dec 5-2)	No
122 Cons. Round 2 - Timothy Grovanz (Cameron Co) over Tatum Weir (Brockway) (Fall 1:35)	No
130 Quarterfinals - Ayden Bachman (Port Allegany) over Channing Kline (Brockway) (Dec 2-0)	No
130 Cons. Round 3 - Channing Kline (Brockway) over Nathan Kramer (Brookville) (Fall 2:52)	Yes
130 Cons. Semis - Channing Kline (Brockway) over Owen Lykens (Clearfield) (M. For.)	No
130 3rd Place Match - Aaden Hibbard (Cranberry) over Channing Kline (Brockway) (Fall 0:20)	No
138 Quarterfinals - Skyler Mosier (Brockway) over Ryder Wagner (Sheffield) (MD 13-1)	No
138 Semifinals - Xander Piercy (Cranberry) over Skyler Mosier (Brockway) (MD 9-1)	No
138 Cons. Semis - Skyler Mosier (Brockway) over Weston McKinney (Brookville) (Dec 1-0)	Yes
138 3rd Place Match - Colton Queen (Curwensville) over Skyler Mosier (Brockway) (Fall 2:30)	No
145 Champ. Round 1 - Jace Cenni (Ridgway) over Colton Campbell (Brockway) (Fall 0:59)	No
145 Cons. Round 2 - Brady Eberts (Brookville) over Colton Campbell (Brockway) (Fall 0:08)	Yes
170 Quarterfinals - Elysabeth Myers (Brockway) over Liam Keth (Brookville) (Fall 3:00)	Yes
170 Semifinals - Elysabeth Myers (Brockway) over Zackary Vanocker (Port Allegany) (Fall 3:23)	No
170 1st Place Match - Xavier Stockman (Johnsonburg) over Elysabeth Myers (Brockway) (Fall 0:59)	No



Channing Kline pinning opponent.



Elysabeth Myers getting a takedown.



Alyssa Snyder getting hand raised.



Podium Elysabeth Myers 2nd



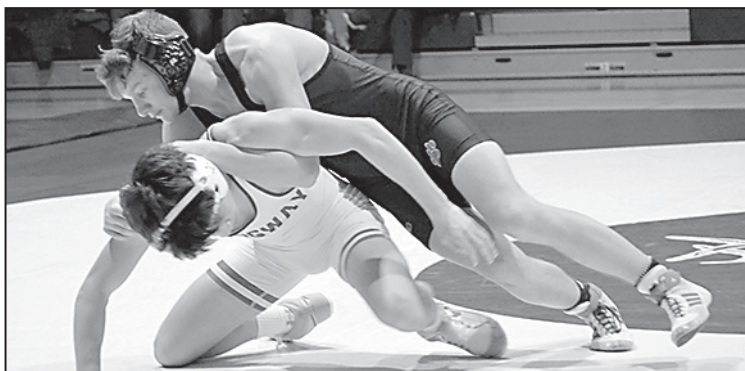
Podium Skyler Mosier 4th



Podium Channing Kline 4th.



Skyler Mosier holding opponent down.



Skyer Mosier (top) wrestling Ridgway's Marcus Aiello.



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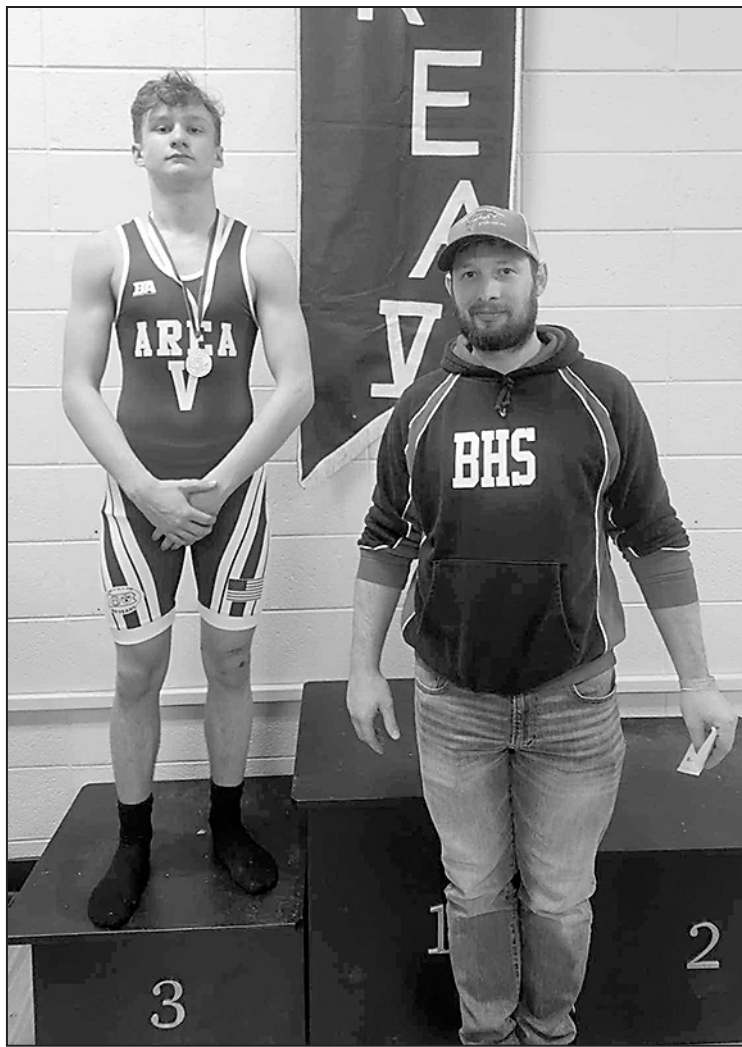


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Jr High Area V



Elysabeth Meyers was crowned champion at Jr High Area V



Skylar Mosier finished 3rd at Junior High Area V.

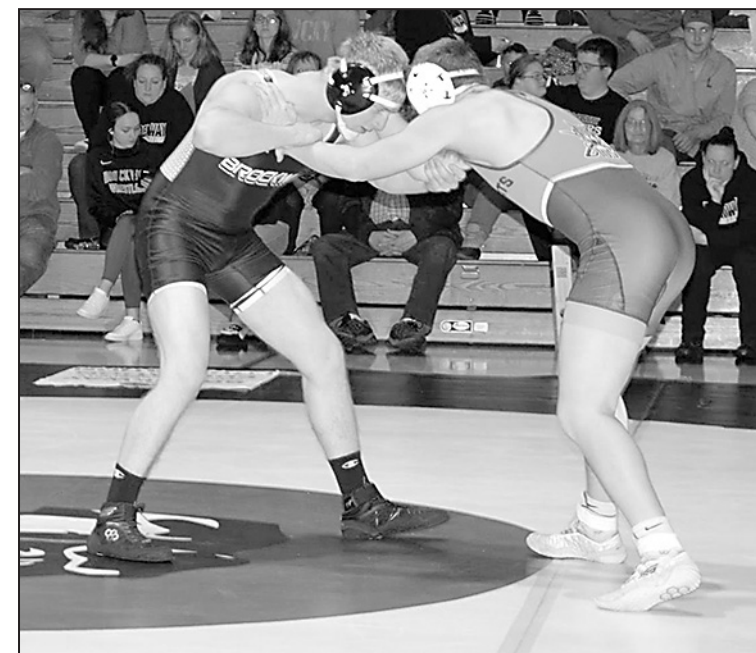
Meyers Earns Junior High State Championship



Elysabeth Meyers (3rd from left) was crowned Junior High State Champion.

Varisty Wrestlers vs Central Clarion

Weight		B	C
107	Double Forfeit	0	0
114	Kaden Ferguson (Central Clarion) wins by forfeit	0	6
121	Wyatt Aaron (Central Clarion) wins by forfeit	0	6
127	Weston Pisarchick (Brockway Area Hs) over Grayson Aaron (Central Clarion) (Fall 1:33)	6	0
133	Logan Powell (Central Clarion) over Colton Ross (Brockway Area Hs) (Dec 4-1)	0	3
139	Parker Pisarchick (Brockway Area Hs) over Seth Weckerly (Central Clarion) (Fall 1:27)	6	0
145	Brendon Wright (Central Clarion) over Matthew Brubaker (Brockway Area Hs) (Fall 3:37)	0	6
152	Dylan Bash (Brockway Area Hs) over Caleb Hunter (Central Clarion) (Fall 0:55)	6	0
160	Blake Pisarcik (Brockway Area Hs) over Jacob Henry (Central Clarion) (Fall 1:59)	6	0
172	Mason Gourley (Central Clarion) over Jendy Cuello (Brockway Area Hs) (Fall 1:20)	0	6
189	Jack Smith (Brockway Area Hs) over Ethan Rex (Central Clarion) (Fall 1:43)	6	0
215	Matt Alston (Central Clarion) over Madox Decker (Brockway Area Hs) (Fall 2:38)	0	6
285	Josh Beal (Central Clarion) over Johnathon Winnings (Brockway Area Hs) (Fall 3:29)	0	6
Team Score:		30	39



Jack Smith (left) in match against Ethan Rex of Central Clarion. Smith wins the match with a fall in 1:43.



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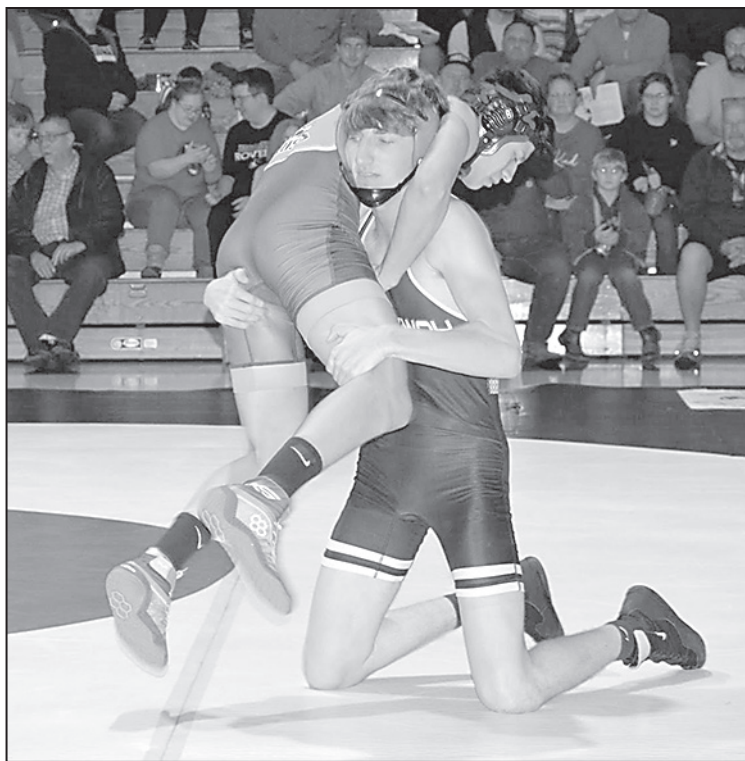


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Dylan Bash lifting Central Clarion's Caleb Hunter before quickly pinning Hunter in :55.



Blake Pisarcik pinning Jacob Henry of Central Clarion.

Varisty Rovers vs DuBois

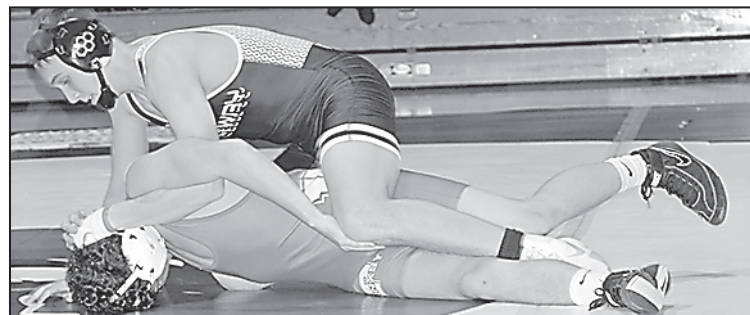
Weight	D	B
145 Carter Vos (DuBois) over Matthew Brubaker (Brockway) (Fall 1:32)	6	0
152 Dylan Bash (Brockway) over Alex George (DuBois) (MD 11-2)	0	4
16 Blake Pisarcik (Brockway) over Evan Dixon (DuBois) (TF 17-0 2:49)	0	5
172 Carter Wilson (DuBois) over Derick Pinge (Brockway Area Hs) (Fall 0:19)	6	0
189 Jack Smith (Brockway) over Jason Gardner (DuBois) (Fall 0:24)	0	6
215 Madox Decker (Brockway) wins by forfeit	0	6
285 Zach Gallagher (DuBois) over Johnathon Winnings (Brockway) (Fall 5:51)	6	0
107 Gage Park (Brockway) wins by forfeit	0	6
114 Antonio Giambanco (DuBois) wins by forfeit	6	0
121 Aaron Chewing (DuBois) wins by forfeit	6	0
127 Weston Pisarchick (Brockway) over Jeffery Morris ((DuBois) (Fall 1:40)	0	6
133 Samson Deeb (DuBois) over Colton Ross (Brockway) (MD 16-6)	4	0
139 Davey Aughenbaugh (DuBois) over Parker Pisarchick (Brockway) (Dec 3-1)	3	0
Team Score:	37	33

Varisty Wrestlers vs Punxsy

Weight	B	P
107 Double Forfeit	0	0
114 Double Forfeit	0	0
121 Hunter Dobson (Punxsutawney) won by forfeit	0	6
127 Weston Pisarchick (Brockway) over Nick Motter (Punxsutawney) (Fall 1:41)	6	0
133 Jordan Rutan (Punxsutawney) over Colton Ross (Brockway) (Dec 6-5)	0	3
139 Parker Pisarchick (Brockway) over Dylan Rebovich (Punxsutawney (Fall 0:50)	6	0
145 David Kunselman (Punxsutawney) over Matthew Brubaker (Brockway) (Dec 8-4)	0	3
152 Dylan Bash (Brockway Area Hs) over Logan Moore (Punxsutawney Area Hs) (Fall 4:15)	6	0
160 John Elick (Punxsutawney) over Blake Pisarcik (Brockway) (Fall 1:21)	0	6
172 Jack Smith (Brockway) won by forfeit	6	0
189 Landon Martz (Punxsutawney) over Madox Decker (Brockway) (Fall 3:50)	0	6
215 Austin Fischer (Punxsutawney) over Ashden Barefield (Brockway) (Fall 0:41)	0	6
285 Johnathon Winnings (Brockway) over Breydon Trithart (Punxsutawney) (Dec 5-2)	3	0
Team Score:	27	30



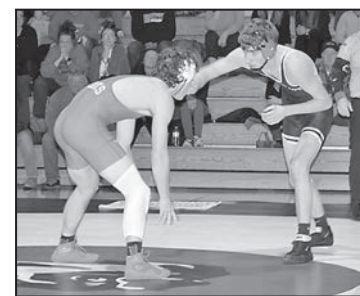
Weston Pisarchick (top) working toward his 1:41 fall over the Chucks' Nick Motter.



Parker Pisarchick putting in a half on Punxsutawney's Dylan Rebovic.



Jonathan Winnings riding on top of Breydon Trithart of Punxsutawney. Winnings earns the 5-2 Dec.



Dylan Bash facing Logan Moore of Punxsutawney. Bash gets the Fall 4:15.

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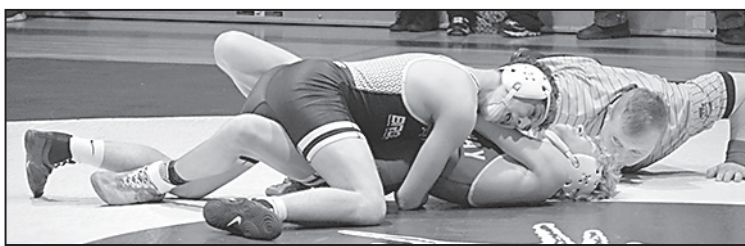
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Senior wrestlers and cheerleaders with parents (l-r): Dylan Bash, Matthew Brubaker, Jendy Cuello, Weston Pisarchick, Jack Smith, Karissa Fremer, and Kylie Ryckman.



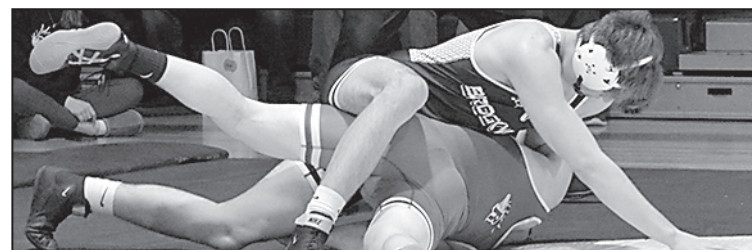
Weston Pisarchick pinning Ridgway's Eli Potts.

Rovers vs Elkers

Weight	R	B
215 Rocco Delhunty (Ridgway Area Hs) over Ashden Barefield (Brockway Area Hs) (Fall 0:42)	6	0
285 Johnathon Winnings (Brockway Area Hs) wins by forfeit	0	6
107 Gage Park (Brockway Area Hs) wins by forfeit	0	6
114 Nathan Stager (Ridgway Area Hs) wins by forfeit	6	0
121 Blaze Knepp (Ridgway Area Hs) wins by forfeit	6	0
127 Weston Pisarchick (Brockway Area Hs) over Eli Potts (Ridgway Area Hs) (Fall 1:52)	0	6
133 Colton Ross (Brockway Area Hs) over Theo Coder (Ridgway Area Hs) (Fall 3:27)	0	6
139 Parker Pisarchick (Brockway Area Hs) over Austin Young (Ridgway Area Hs) (Fall 0:52)	0	6
145 Kaiden Garris (Ridgway Area Hs) over Cash Butters (Brockway Area Hs) (Fall 2:40)	6	0
152 Dylan Bash (Brockway Area Hs) over Gavin Kilpeck (Ridgway Area Hs) (Fall 1:06)	0	6
160 Blake Pisarcik (Brockway Area Hs) over Lydia Polaski (Ridgway Area Hs) (Fall 0:44)	0	6
172 Benji Truchan (Ridgway Area Hs) over Jack Smith (Brockway Area Hs) (Dec 6-3)	3	0
189 Madox Decker (Brockway Area Hs) over Allen Brigger (Ridgway Area Hs) (Fall 1:50)	0	6
Team Score:	27	48



Colton Ross pinning Ridgway's Theo Coder with black knee brace.



Madox Decker pinning Allen Brigger in 1:50.



Parker Pisarchick pinning Elker Austin Young.

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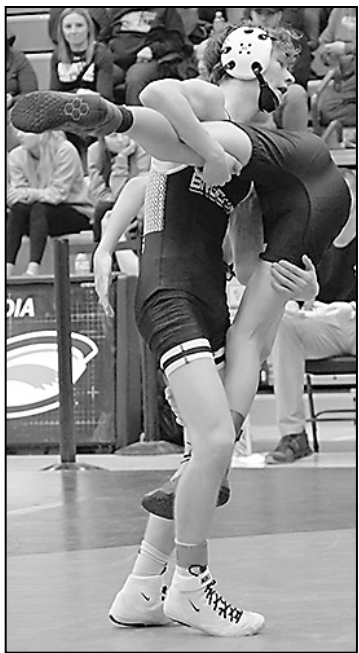
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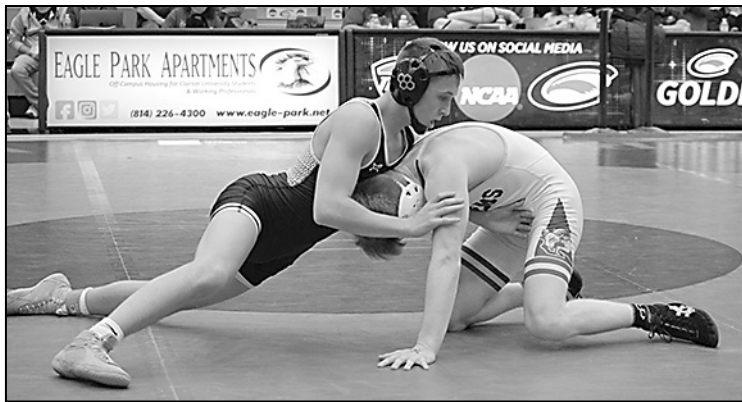
Gage Park finish 4th at the District IX AA Tournament to advance to Regionals.



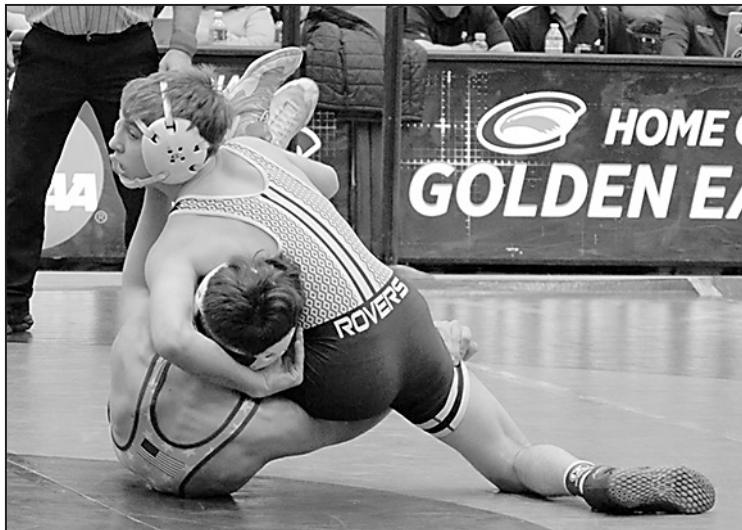
Johnathan Winnings finished 4th at the District IX AA Tournament to advance to Regionals.



Dylan Bash finish 4th at the District IX AA Tournament to advance to Regionals



Parker Pisarchick was crowned champion at the District IX AA Tournament to advance to Regionals.



Weston Pisarchick was crowned a champion at the District IX AA Tournament to advance to Regionals.



Colton Ross finished 3rd at the District IX AA Tournament to advance to Regionals.

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Parker Pisarchick finished 4th at the AA NW Regional tournament which advanced him to states.



Weston Pisarchick finished second at the AA NW Regional tournament which advanced him to states.

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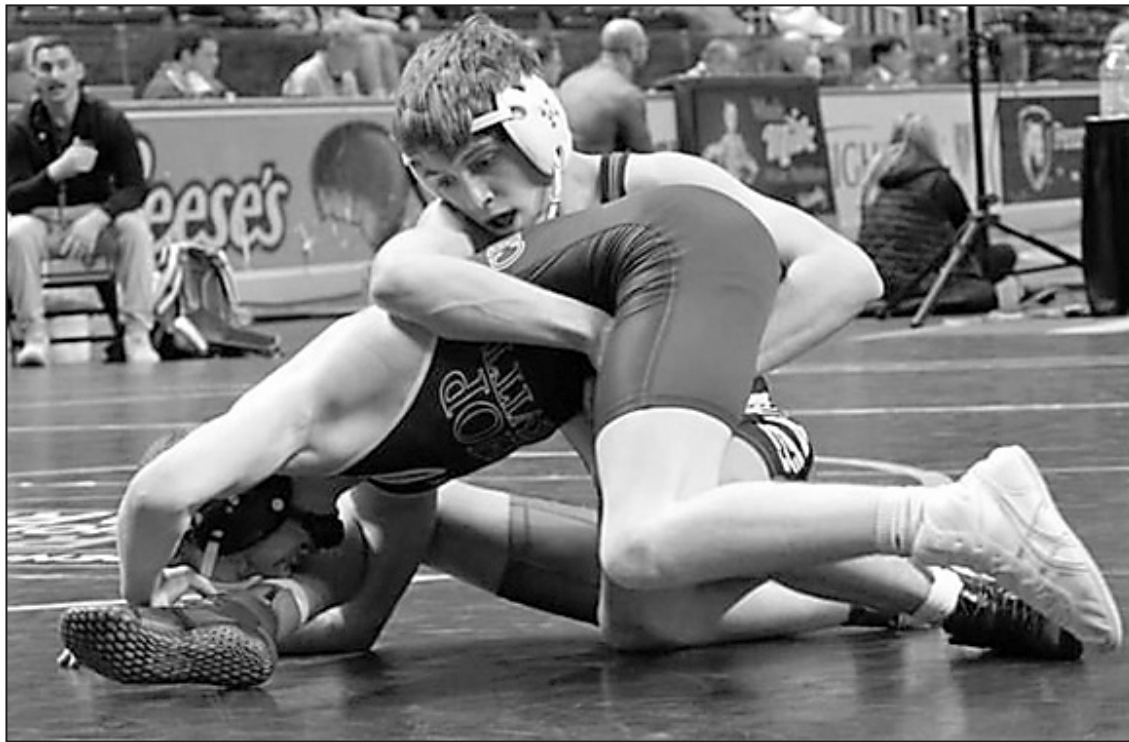
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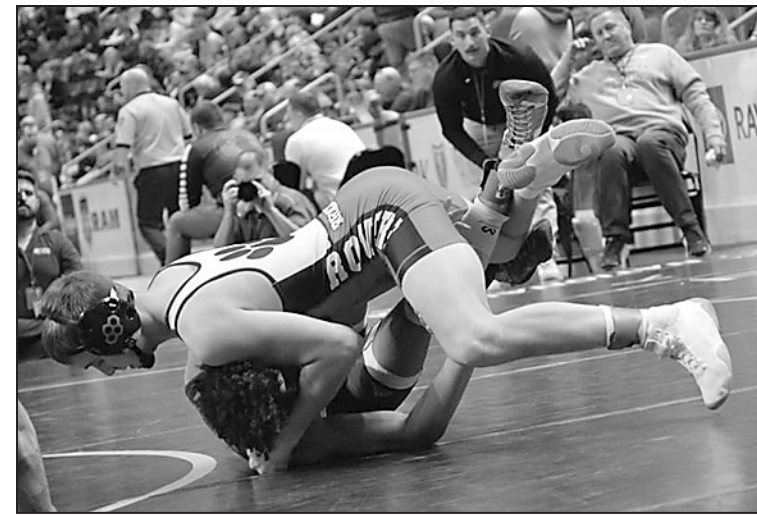
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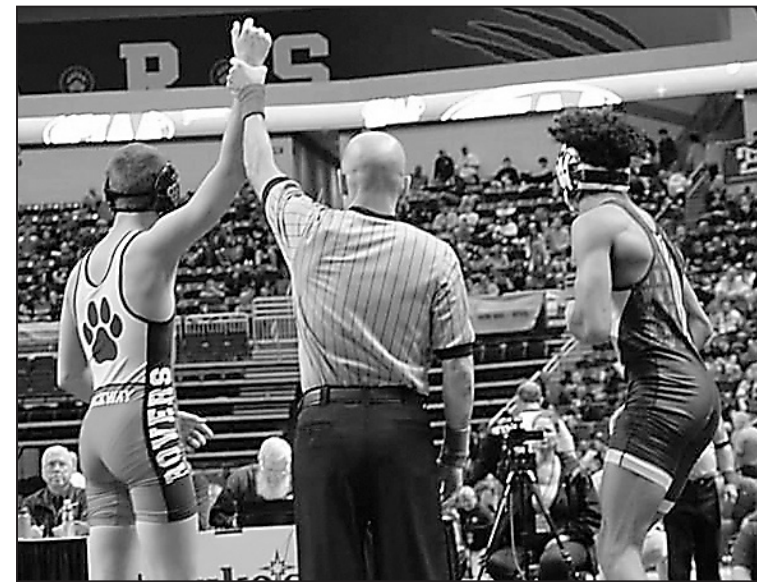
Weston Piscarchick Finished 6th at States



Weston Piscarchick finished 6th at the PIAA State Championships.



Parker Piscarchick earned his 100th win with his first match at the PIAA State Championships! Congratulations, Parker!



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Retirement Seen Through Your Eyes

How do you picture your future?



Robert Javens

Some see retirement as a time to start a new career. Others see it as a time to travel. Still others plan to spend more time with family and friends. With that in mind, here are some things to consider.

What do you absolutely need to accomplish?

If you could only get four or five things done in retirement, what would they be? Answering this question might lead you to compile a "short list" of life goals, and while they may have nothing to do with money, the financial decisions you make may be integral to pursuing them.

What would revitalize you?

Some people retire with no particular goals at all. After weeks or months of respite, ambition may return. They start to think about what pursuits or adventures they could embark on to make these years special. Others have known for decades what dreams they will follow ... and yet, when the time to follow them arrives, those dreams may unfold differently than anticipated and may even be supplanted by new ones.

In retirement, time is really your most valuable asset. With more free time and opportunity for reflection, you might find your old dreams giving way to new ones.

Who should you share your time with?

Here is another profound choice you get to make in retirement. The quick answer to this question for many retirees would be "family." Today, we have nuclear families, blended families, extended

families; some people think of their friends or their employees as family.

How much do you anticipate spending?

We can't control all retirement expenses, but we can manage some of them. The thought of downsizing your home may have crossed your mind. One benefit of downsizing is that it can potentially lead to no mortgage or a more manageable mortgage payment.

Could you leave a legacy?

Many of us would like to give our kids or grandkids a good start in life, but leaving an inheritance can be trickier than many realize. Tax laws are constantly changing, and the strategies that worked years ago may have more limited benefits today.

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How are you preparing for retirement?

This is the most important question of all. If you feel you need to prepare more for the future or reexamine your existing strategy in light of recent changes in your life, conferring with a financial professional experienced in retirement approaches may offer some guidance.

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It's People that Make the Difference!

by Carole A. Briggs

Hope Darr, last month's featured person, was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.), a national organization founded in 1890 by three women, who wanted to find a way to express their patriotic feelings. Membership was open to women whose ancestors had served in the Revolutionary War.



Laura Cook became a D.A.R. member in 1896 when she lived in Pittsburgh and was the founding regent (president) of the chapter that began in Brookville in 1899. She attended Pittsburgh Female College (my alma mater now Chatham University) and the Northwest Conservatory of Music. She served as regent until 1914. The wife of timber

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JEFF TECH

March Student of the Month



The Jeff Tech student of the month for March is Bryson Tucker. He is a senior in the Welding/Metal Fabrication Program. Bryson's sending school district is the St. Marys Area School District. Bryson is the Jeff Tech senior class vice-president. He is also a member of the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) and CTSO (Career Technical Student Organization). He has represented Jeff Tech at the SkillsUSA team competition for welding/metal fabrication and placed third. Bryson is employed at Gasbarre

Products in St. Marys through the Jeff Tech Co-Op program. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, shooting trap, working on things and riding dirt bikes. His future plans are to attend Penn State for Mechanical Engineering.



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DuBois Mall



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Mystery

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Family First

by Lynn Groce

As I sit here and listen to the rain outside, I am enjoying the sound of a quiet house. It is a rare occurrence in a house full of people, and the only sounds I



hear are the heater in the next room and the cars driving by on the road. I'm also hearing the sound of my keyboard as I type.

Usually, I'm always on the go with my mind going a million miles a minute, always thinking about what's going to happen two or three months into the future. But right now, I'm debating whether I'm hungry enough to see *FAMILY FIRST* on page 31

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Get ready for a double dose of nostalgia and blockbuster action under the stars! The beloved Moonlite Drive-In Theatre kicks off its 2024 season on Friday, March 29th, with both screens showing the best in new movies.

On Screen #1: Buckle up for a spooky adventure with the entire family! “Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire” promises chills and laughs for all ages.

On Screen #2: Witness the clash of titans on the big screen! “Godzilla vs. King Kong: Rise Together or Fall Alone” will leave you breathless.

Box Office opens at 7:00 p.m., with the first movie starting at dusk, (Approximately 7:40 p.m.). Admission remains extra affordable at \$20.00 per vehicle, including up to six passengers. Each additional guest is just \$10.00.

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Don’t miss out on the 2024 season premiere! Mark your calendars for Friday, March 29th at the Moonlite Drive-In Theatre.

Come out and enjoy “Watching the Stars, while sitting Under the Stars” at the Moonlite.

For more information, please visit the Moonlite Drive-In website:

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People

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entrepreneur Anthony Wayne Cook, the Cooks also had a home in Forest County, and in 1907, moved into a home in Brookville near the corner of Jefferson and Pickering Streets. They were parents of a son and an infant daughter, who died in 1904.

In February 1900, she hosted a dinner for D.A.R. members and guests at the American Hotel. In June, the women sponsored a Flag Day celebration, and more than one hundred people attended the event at the Main Street home of Jane Henderson. The newspaper report was especially interesting to me because Azuba Tuttle Keith read “a paper on the personal reminiscences of Veterans of the Revolution.” Azuba was my husband’s great-great-grandmother and her picture hangs in my hallway next to her husband Albert.

The chapter grew with “wonderful rapidity.” At meetings, members read papers related to the American Revolution and voted to offer a prize of a five-dollar gold

state D.A.R. in 1916, then an organization with 80 chapters in Pennsylvania. As state regent during World War I, she was responsible for the D.A.R. purchasing field hospitals and trailer kitchens.

When Laura became national president-general in 1923, front page headlines of *The Washington Star* claimed, “Factional Rows Bitter as D.A.R. Delegates Elect.” The controversy stemmed from a private letter accusing her son of being a draft dodger. The local newspaper eventually reported that she had “successfully bucked the machine, hammered the gang, licked the bosses, and blew up the steam roller.” In Brookville, the Browns hosted a grand reception for her that was attended by more than 200 people at “Old Orchard,” (now the home of Arthur and Catherine McKinley).

Recognized for her “efficiency and gracious personality,” as president-general between 1923 and 1926, the idea to construct a building devoted to the D.A.R. emerged, and Laura became involved with the building of Constitution Hall in Washington, D. C., a structure completed in 1929 and costing more than a million dollars. Speaking upon its completion,

President Coolidge appointed her to the Bicentennial Commission to commemorate the 200th anniversary of U.S. President George Washington’s birth, an appointment reconfirmed by President Hoover. (In 1932, she was one of 69 women actively supporting Hoover’s reelection.)

Groundbreaking for the \$2M D.A.R. Constitution Hall took place in June 1928. Laura was present when President Hoover’s wife spoke at the formal dedication the next year.

Speaking shortly after the formal dedication of the Hall,



In the spring of 1939, Brookville’s D.A.R. chapter recognized an oak tree on property at 144 Jefferson Street. The tree had been planted 75 years prior from an acorn sent from England to the parents of Evan Rice Craig. Mrs. Anthony Wayne (Laura) Cook is seated in the middle of the front row.

Mrs. Cook said, “There is criticism of our American social life today in which the instances of looseness, irresponsibility, and reckless display of selfish pleasure-seeking are constantly brought to the surface, but we are a God-fearing, home-loving citizenry. The exceptions to this are so exceedingly small in number that they only appear great in being conspicuous.”

piece to the best essay on the Revolution written by a local high school junior. Who wrote the best essay? In 1905, the son of Rev. Britt, a minister in Corsica, won the gold piece with an essay about Virginia’s role in the Revolution. He was thirteen! Students in later years wrote about the “Advantages of American Citizenship” (1908) and “Schools and Colleges of Colonial Times” (1912). The annual essay contests in the schools of the county lasted for many years.

Laura Cook moved through the offices of the local D.A.R. and was elected regent of the

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She was a strong supporter of Prohibition, making national headlines in 1930, "I shall still have faith...to prophecy that the Eighteenth amendment will not only never be repealed, but that in each succeeding year of our democracy that it will be more and more successfully upheld."

She was the first woman to receive an honorary Doctor of Law degree from George Washington University in 1926, served on the Valley Forge Park Commission, and was a board member of the Thomas Jefferson Foundation.

When she died in 1946 at the age of 79, Laura Haines Cook was the honorary president-general of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Her portrait hangs in Constitution Hall and the *Jeffersonian Democrat* referred to her as a "great lady."

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How Do I Know if I have a Concussion?

Concussion is a term for a head injury that temporarily interferes with the way your brain works. It can affect attention, memory, judgment, reflexes, balance, coordination and sleep patterns.

Concussions are commonly caused by an impact to the head or body. Falls are their most frequent cause. They can also result from car accidents and other hits to the head. In addition, concussions are common among athletes who play a contact sport, such as football or hockey.

Not everyone who experiences a blow to the body or head has a concussion. However, if you sustain any impact to the head, it is important to seek a concussion assessment and, if needed, treatment to avoid long-term brain damage.

What are the symptoms of a mild concussion?

Mild concussions can be hard to spot, but they can still have a major impact. Symptoms may appear immediately, or they might appear days, weeks and even months after the injury. Make an appointment with your primary care provider for concussion treatment if you experience the following symptoms after a head injury.

- Physical symptoms: Headache, blurry vision, nausea or vomiting, dizziness, sensitivity to light or sound, problems with balance and/or fatigue
- Cognitive symptoms: Difficulty thinking, concentrating and/or remembering new information
- Emotional symptoms: Feeling irritable, sad, or anxious and/or experiencing mood swings
- Sleep symptoms: Difficulty falling asleep and/or sleeping more or less than usual

What are the symptoms of a serious concussion?

More serious concussions may require emergency treatment. Signs see *CONCUSSION* on page 30

Planning for 2nd Annual "Kick The Stigma" Wellness Festival Begins

Local providers and businesses are thrilled to announce plans for the 2nd Annual Day of Wellness this summer! This year's festivities will take place at the DuBois City Park. On Saturday, July 27th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the "Kick The Stigma" Day of Wellness Festival will take place.

The highlight of the Day's Activities will be the "Kick The Stigma" Kickball Tournament. There will also be other activities like food trucks, musicians, speakers, goat yoga, art contest, animal stage show, a rock wall, petting zoo, and so much more.

"Through this event, we aim to offer valuable insights into new and impactful ways to raise awareness and effectively care for each other's mental health." shared event organizer, Aaron Beatty. "We also hope to have a little fun while we are there!"

The committee is in need of volunteers and committee members to make this a successful event. They are also asking that your business please consider sponsorship. Details can be found on their website: www.kickthestigma.info

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For Sports Fans!

by Carole A. Briggs



Sports have been around for a long time. Images of wrestlers appear in cave drawings. Egyptian Rock Art depicts swimming and wrestling as early as 10,000 B.C.E. Romans watched their gladiators, professional combatants, for years.

Sports have been around for a long time in Brookville, too. Among the first sports described is foot racing or running. An article in an 1894 edition of the *Jeffersonian Democrat* stated, "Running, leaping, and wrestling were the leading athletic sports engaged in by the young men of Brookville..."

The article then described a race by Moses Knapp (1814-1880), son of county pioneer Moses Knapp. Young Moses wagered he could run a mile in less than five minutes. He ran and won the five-dollar wager!

Running is a sport that requires no equipment, important in a time when resources were limited. After the Civil War, foot races or running were popular events on the Fourth of July and during the county fair, usually with a monetary reward, but at least once, with an award of cigars!

In the twentieth century, athletics became a larger part of school curricula, with both team and individual sports being promoted. The local YMCA was involved with athletics as well.

In early May 1919, eighteen-year-old Charles "Chuck" Taylor exhibited diving at the local YMCA, then later in the month, was the "individual star" of the second annual swim gala at the YMCA for fancy diving, plunge for distance, and 50-yard breaststroke. That same month he represented Brookville High School at the Fourteenth Annual Interscholastic Track and Field event in Pittsburgh, where he was entered in six events: 100-yard dash, 200-yard dash, running high, running broad, pole vault, and discus throw. (He set swim records while at Brookville, played baseball and basketball, and played golf at Pinecrest.) That fall, he placed first in eight events in the high school's inter-class field meet.

He attended Culver Academy in the summers, earning three all-around athletic championships before enrolling in Mercersburg Academy in 1920.

The next February, when the Mercersburg team traveled to Madison Square Garden in New York City, Chuck was part of the four-man relay team. He ran the second lap, increasing the lead to ten feet. They broke the earlier world record at 3:35. In May, the team won the interscholastic track and field event in Philadelphia. Chuck participated and placed in four events, broad jump (first), pole vault (tied for first), high jump (tied for first), and 100-yard dash (third).

That summer he participated in an international event in England, breaking records once again. "Taylor's record jump was 22 feet 4 inches, and was performed from a soft take-off, which makes the record even more remarkable."

Coach Miller, of the University of Pittsburgh, and Jimmy DeHart, coach at the University of Georgia, made no reservation in their opinions that he is "the greatest track and field man in American prep schools today."

After graduating from Princeton University in 1926, he worked for the Bigelow Sanford Rug Company in Amsterdam, New York, and Europe. He was an employee of Columbia Gas and Electric Company in Pittsburgh, before joining the Walter J. Sandt company (Pennzoil) in 1934.

Airmail flights in the United States began in 1918. In 1938, along with two other pilots, Raymond Humphrey and Mort Stahlman, Taylor participated in the first airmail flight from Henderson Field in Brookville as part of National Airmail Week and also commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the death of Brookville's pioneer flyer, Lewis Earle Sandt. During



Charles "Chuck" Taylor participated in the broad jump at Stamford Bridge, London, in 1921. He won and broke a record! (Courtesy David L. Taylor)

his lifetime, Charles Taylor was involved with many Brookville organizations. He was 87 when he died in 1988.

Track and field events in American high schools evolved around the turn of the century. Locally, there were occasional track and field events during the summer, but nothing official in the county's schools. An Indiana track team performed in 1915, possibly as an attempt to raise some interest in Brookville, and in 1921, track and field events were part of the Brookville Fair. Chuck Taylor, experienced with track and field at Culver, was both an official and a performer

at the fair, exhibiting his prowess with the running broad jump. There was interest, and by 1921, Brookville High School had a track team and the local newspaper claimed, "Brookville

High School will take part in more track and field events this year than any other time in the history of the institution, four meets...."

Six years later, BHS participated in both an inter-class event and an inter-school track and field event with participants from Beechwoods Vocational Big Run, Brookway, Brookville, Falls Creek, Punxsutawney, Richardsville, and Union Vocational.

Track and field have continued to be important sports for high school students in the county. This time of the year, don't be surprised to run into one or two as they practice running on our sidewalks!

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Concussion

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of a severe head injury could include the following.

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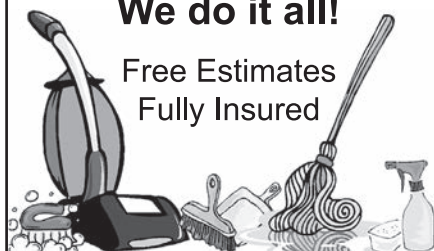
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Family First

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get up and get something to eat.

It's a Saturday afternoon, and life is just existing for the moment. We have things to do and places to go, but they can wait for a few hours. While I'm sitting here, I'm wondering why I don't take moments like this more often. I always feel like I have to be doing something, so that someday I can have more days like this. However, events sometimes take place that make me think about why I'm not resting more.

Maybe it's because I was taught to always be on the go and that a day wasted is a wasted day. Or am I worried that I'll never get everything done that I want to before I die? My "to-do" list seems to tell me that. As we chat, I'm wondering what would happen if I broke that cycle. Would something terrible happen? Things might not get done today, and if they didn't, would the world end tomorrow? I seem to think quite a bit of myself, don't I?

But if you're smiling, then I'm not alone. No matter how much I reason with you and myself about this subject, we'll continue to race around and stay busy, then talk about how busy we are. Maybe that's it. Maybe we want to feel important by saying we have so much to do. I don't know about you, but I can tell you how busy I am when I read a book or sit and crochet.

Looking back at my parents, they never took a vacation. They worked from sunup to sundown, and then life happened. Dad got hurt, and Mom took care of him. After he passed, she missed him and still never did anything they planned to do when they were younger. How sad it would be for me to repeat that. I shouldn't only do what I've desired to do in this lifetime but also fit in some of their dreams as well. What a glorious idea, taking them on my adventures with me.

Getting back to the day at hand, if I hadn't slowed down and thought about this as I write to you, it might not have happened at all. Sometimes you need to have silence to think, plan, and know that there is busy, and then there is life.

Peace until next month.

Lynn

looking at a smartphone screen, working or playing on a computer and watching television.

The Penn Highlands Concussion Clinics are centers dedicated to the diagnosis and treatment of concussions. They treat patients of all types and ages, including small children, student athletes, adults and the elderly. Penn Highlands Concussion Clinics have an orthopedic/sports medicine physician and a neuropsychologist on staff. They work closely with Penn Highlands physical therapists to provide comprehensive concussion treatment, including concussion evaluation, testing, setting up a concussion treatment plan and managing concussion recovery. For more information, visit www.phhealthcare.org/concussion.

Your physician will also perform a neurological exam. This could include checking your hearing, vision, reflexes, balance, strength, memory and concentration. If you have symptoms of a severe concussion, your doctor will likely order an imaging test to check for swelling or bleeding in the brain.

How is a concussion treated?

"Physical rest is essential to concussion recovery," said Dr. Pacelli. "Sports, exercise and other activities that put you at risk for another head injury must be avoided."

Your doctor will also prescribe some degree of mental rest. Depending on your symptoms, this could range from having a reduced work or school schedule to avoiding anything that requires thinking. That includes reading,

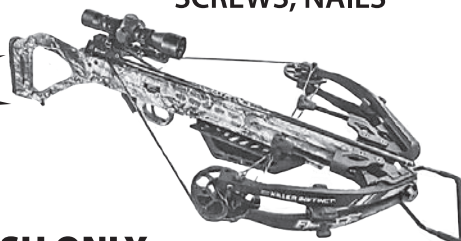
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"To diagnose a concussion, we start by asking you or a witness about the injury," said James Pacelli, MD, a neurologist with Penn Highlands Neurology. "We want to know how it happened, where the head was struck and if there were any immediate symptoms, such as loss of consciousness. It is important to note, however, that loss of consciousness does not occur with all concussions."

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