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State Fair setup nears completion

The midway is once again buzzing with activity as preparations are in full swing for the 2021 State Fair of West Virginia. This year will be the 96th annual State Fair, and it's packed to the gills with things to do and sights to see, as well as rides to ride, food to eat, and shows to watch.

This year, opening day will be Thursday, Aug. 12, and the last day will be Saturday, Aug. 21. Check inside this edition for Mountain Media's Fair Guide to see schedules, show information, FAQs, and more! (Photo by Sarah Richardson)

Back-to-School guidance leaves mask requirements up to each county

By Sarah Richardson
The West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) and the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) released the back-to-school guidance for the 2021-22 school year during a press event on Wednesday. According to a release, "The information is designed to provide county school systems with strategies to facilitate the safe return to school and the continued operation of schools without interruption."
"We know more about COVID-19 than we did a year ago, and we continue to learn more each day. Last year, schools were the safest places for children to be outside of their homes, and when mitigations and protocols were followed, our educational facilities did not contribute significantly to the spread of the disease," says a statement by Clayton Burch. "Additionally, monitoring absences and outbreaks, and conducting contact tracing prevents further spread of the virus. The most effective means of protecting our staff and students are the vaccines that are readily available. This document aims to provide school recovery guidance based on the data and lessons learned. We have provided counties with this guidance so they may work with their local health departments and develop plans that best meet the needs of their communities. Paramount to

Nature's Way
By Karen Cohen
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Healing Appalachia returns this September

By Sarah Richardson
Hope in the Hills has announced that the Healing Appalachia concert weekend is returning to the West Virginia State Fairgrounds for 2021. A West Virginia-based organization, Hope in the Hills is a nonprofit "dedicated to hosting music and awareness events to encourage recovery, raise hope, and funds to fight the opioid epidemic in Appalachia." This will be the third concert weekend of its kind with the musical artists donating their time and efforts in order to raise awareness and funds to support a prosperous



Appalachia-free from addiction. Running from Friday, Sept. 24, and Saturday, Sept. 25, the Friday lineup has already been announced. Gracing the stage will be Tyler Childers, Arlo McKinley, and TK and The Holy
Know-Nothings, with the Saturday lineup to be announced. Tyler Childers, a native of Lawrence, KY, says the opioid epidemic is a problem that hits close to home. His partnership with Hope in the Hills led
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Greenbrier County takes development plans a step further

By Angela McGill
On Wednesday, July 28, Paula Brown with the Greenbrier County Emergency Management Agency came before the Greenbrier County Commission with concerns about a lack of assistance in elevating a White Sulphur Springs home out of the floodplain. There

was a bid placed by Melton Construction for \$197,000 to complete the project. Brown expressed she has reached out to several contractors and advertised the project twice, but received no response. Greenbrier commission assistant Kelly Banton added, "I have heard the same story - people are having a difficult time finding contractors to build projects." The Commissioners will review Melton's bid package, and discuss whether to proceed.
The commission also discussed how Quinwood is moving forward with broadband expansion. Plans are underway thanks to consultants Thomson and Litton, who discussed the completed fieldwork and said they have collected the pole data they need to press on. A pole attachment agreement needs to be executed before they can conduct their macro engineering review.
"We appreciate you guys coming today; it'll be nice to get this project up and going. We've been working on it for quite some time," said Commission President Lowell Rose. "Quinwood, and that large area of the county out there, needs the broadband expansion." Information acquired will be used to update and establish their findings, which will be presented to the DOH and have the expectancy of a bid near Oct. 1.
New projects are starting to come to a head for the Meadow River Trail, and quickly became the main focal point of the meeting. Matt Ford, Meadow River Rail Trail coordinator, optimistically reported to the commissioners, "We are making progress on the FEMA repairs. The plans you have in front of you are about 90 percent complete. We met and went on the sites to make sure quantities were in

order. I have a copy of the timeline that was included in the FEMA extension request that was submitted by Bill Hines to West Virginia Home Land Security. It is going through the process of getting approved, as you can see in that timeline, the projected completion date is May 22, 2023 for the FEMA repairs."
Kelly Estep with Chapman Technical Group explained that advertising for the trail project will be open for three weeks with an opening bid scheduled on Sept. 14. The project already received a \$1.8 million grant, of which \$191,314 was allotted for construction on the 6.4 mile stretch of trail. Ford explained, "That's the trail that could run into Rainelle, they could benefit from that."
Ford noted, "I feel better about this than I have the entire time I've been involved in it, we got a plan, we're getting ready to put gravel on the ground. It's good stuff."
Commissioner Lowell Rose said, "We appreciate all your work; it will be nice to get this project completed."
Tinchter thanked all of the consultants in the meeting, saying she appreciates their work and dedication to the community.
In other news:
• Two new dispatchers were hired for the Greenbrier County 911 center.
• A 2-1 vote for \$40,059.70 in Arts and Recreation expenses was approved, with Commissioner Tinchter voting nay. These funds included \$12,800 for the Greenbrier Valley Aquatic Center, \$259.70 for regional libraries, \$20,000 for Meadow River Trail Team Leader, and \$7,000 for Greenbrier County Sportsplex inspections.


Annual Parade of Lights upcoming

The annual Parade of Lights is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 11, at 5:30 p.m. at the midway of the West Virginia State Fairgrounds in Fairlea. Sponsored by the Greenbrier County Fire and Emergency Responder's Association, the event was created to honor those who lost their lives in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in 2001.
Emergency response teams from multiple counties gather in a show of solidarity with emergency vehicles and equipment, a landing of the HealthNet helicopter, a K-9 demonstration, a fingerprinting trailer courtesy of the Greenbrier County Sheriff's Department, and the parade beginning at dusk as well as a candlelight vigil.
The parade will leave the fairgrounds on Route 219 passing McDonalds, will go through Fairlea to Lowe's in Lewisburg, circle back through Fairlea, and end at the fairgrounds.

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WV parks expect upgrades soon from Great American Outdoors Act

By Nadia Ramlagan for WVNS

West Virginia’s national parks and historic sites will soon get a much-needed makeover as workers replace bridges, fix roads and update outdated facilities, all the result of funding approved one year ago by Congress, in the Great American Outdoors Act.

The National Park Service said the first round of more than \$6 billion over the next five years should be available in October for priority repairs.

Marsha Wassel, a former park ranger at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, said its Civil War-era buildings are crumbling, and the staff eagerly awaits the chance to jumpstart repair projects.

“It’s going to not show up at some of the smaller parks, like Harpers Ferry, immediately,” Wassel noted. “Because right now, they’re dealing with really large parks that have really large deferred maintenance, and they have a lot of visitation, too.”

To mark the one-year anniversary of the law, today all National Park Service sites that typically charge an entrance fee are offering free admission.

Wassel pointed out as more travelers and local residents explore outdoor recreation during the pandemic, it’s important to keep sites safe and accessible. Last year, in West Virginia alone, more than one million park visitors spent more than \$65 million while visiting National Park Service lands in The Mountain State.

“Tourism in West Virginia is a growing industry,” Wassel observed. “So it’s important that repair projects like this for Harpers Ferry park and other parks, are addressed with the funding.”

Wassel added a long list of maintenance issues have steadily worsened throughout the decades.

“Deferred road repairs, water system repairs, trail needs, and also, historic building and structural repairs, infrastructure,” Wassel outlined.

The Appalachian Scenic Trail, Bluestone National River, and Gauley River National Recreation Area are all National Park sites in the state facing large maintenance backlogs, with costs running into the tens of millions of dollars.

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PICK OF THE LITTER

AMARETTA

Amaretta is a Pit Bull Terrier mix and weighs 35 pounds. She is only 8 months old.

PATCH

Patch is a Pit Bull Terrier/Heeler mix and weighs 46 pounds. He is approximately 4 years old. Volunteers say he is a shy but sweet boy.



These and other animals are available at the Greenbrier Humane Society, located at 151 Holiday Lane off of Rt. 60 West in Lewisburg. They are closed Sunday and Monday, and are open from 11 a.m. through 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Their cat adoption fee is \$65 and covers spay/neuter surgery, first kitty vaccinations, rabies vaccine, de-worming, toe nail trim and flea treatment.

Their dog adoption fee is \$85 and covers spay/neuter surgery, first dog vaccinations, rabies vaccine, de-worming, toe nail trim, flea bath and flea treatment.

They also offer donation-based spay/neuter vouchers, and clinics are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. They use a lot of vets in the area but the clinics fill up fast! Fill out an application to help prevent animal overpopulation! Call 304-645-4775 for more information.

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WV’s quick thinking on telehealth saved lives during the pandemic - and the best is yet to come

By Jason Huffman and Gaylene Miller

The COVID-19 pandemic presented an immense challenge for West Virginia. Of the state’s 55 counties, 54 are classified as, at least in part, health care shortage areas.

Lawmakers were tasked with figuring out how to deliver health care to nearly 1.8 million West Virginians separated by long distances and difficult terrain.

But officials had to contend with another obstacle: Our outdated health care regulations - among them, tight restrictions on the delivery of telehealth.

Telehealth allows patients to see their doctors and other providers remotely using a computer, tablet, or smartphone. It’s difficult to overstate the difference this

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to over \$20,000 being donated to a variety of local programs working to fight addiction after the first Healing Appalachia weekend in 2018.

So far this year, Hope in the Hills reports that they have been able to pour more than \$50,000 into recovery efforts, with more funds on the way.

“Drug overdose is the leading cause of death for people under the age of fifty in the United States,” states Healing Appalachia’s website. “The Appalachian region has been dramatically impacted by the opioid and heroin epidemic. West Virginia in particular, the only state entirely within the Appalachian region, gained national and international notoriety after 26 people overdosed near a housing development in Huntington on Aug. 15, 2016. West Virginia has the highest rate of fatal overdose in the nation. Tragically, rates of death due to overdose have exponentially increased across the country from 2015 to 2016. In 2016, 52 out of 100,000 West Virginia residents fell victim to an accidental overdose. Preliminary data for 2017 shows no improvement according to public health officials despite efforts to make life-saving drugs like Naloxone or Narcan more easily accessible.”

Tickets are now available for purchase through etix.com with a single-day Friday option and a two-day weekend pass option. After Friday, Aug. 6, a Saturday-only option will be available. Children age 12 and under are admitted for free.

Friday single day tickets are available here: shorturl.at/dnuIQ

Two-day passes are available here: shorturl.at/lyKZ4

“Come and have a great time and help us heal Appalachia and create a vibrant community of healing and allyship to fuel recovery.”

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these efforts is the importance of communicating these plans to your staff, students, and families. We must continue to work together to support a compassionate environment that fosters learning, recovery, and growth for our school community.”

The guidance document contains socioeconomic profiles, emotional wellness data, and mitigations for COVID control within the school system and their accompanying extracurricular activities.

“Any mask requirements are at the discretion of county boards of education working in collaboration with their local health departments,” reads the document, which also recommends extra cleaning and disinfecting, social distancing, contact tracing, hand hygiene, and evaluating large gatherings outside of the classroom.

It also recommends that “county school systems should monitor areas of higher transmission rates. At the discretion of individual counties, additional CDC-recommended protocols may be implemented.”

The WVDE also released the following quar-

antine guidance information:

Option 1:

Quarantine period can end after Day 10 without testing and if no symptoms have been identified during daily self-monitoring.

• Day 0-10: quarantine for close contacts can end if no symptoms develop during daily self-monitoring without testing. (Duration of quarantine applies from the last

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technology has made in the lives of West Virginia patients during the pandemic.

Elected officials understood this when, early last year Governor Jim Justice suspended regulations that prevented medical professionals in other states from delivering telehealth to West Virginians.

That allowed the country’s health care providers to remotely diagnose, treat, and monitor patients here in West Virginia, something particularly beneficial for those living in rural areas and with limited ability to travel.

What’s more, telehealth allowed doctors and other providers to diagnose patients with COVID-19 remotely, encouraging those with severe cases to seek in-person care, while allowing those with low-risk cases to recover at home. States that followed the same strategy were able to save countless hospital beds for those in need.

The plan was such a success that, in April, lawmakers passed a bill, HB 2024, that codified the governor’s telehealth reform into law. Our organizations, Americans for Prosperity and AARP, leveraged our unique partnership to work alongside principled lawmakers to support the passage of this bill at every step along the way.

The benefits of removing barriers between patients and doctors are well-documented, so lawmakers weren’t flying blind.

Telehealth has been shown to reduce the health care costs of both patients and providers. One study found that, for claims of acute, non-urgent care, telehealth saved an average of 6 percent in costs by providing more targeted care to patients who would have otherwise gone to the emergency room.

Telehealth also helps reduce travel time for patients when seeking care. UC Davis Health’s study found that, between 1996 and 2013, remote care saved their patients nine years of travel time, five million miles, and \$3 million in costs.

Rural patients benefitted from this service, in particular. And for patients without high-speed internet, West Virginia’s bill allows patients to use “audio-only” telehealth services over the phone.

Those who use telehealth tend to like the service. A survey of 2,000 U.S. adults found last May that 42 percent had used the remote service since the pandemic began. Sixty-five percent said they appreciated the convenience of speaking to their doctors remotely, rather than in-person. Sixty-three percent said they liked not having to worry about being exposed to other sick patients.

These data, and West Virginia’s own experience with telehealth during the pandemic, have proven that these policy changes work, and that our lawmakers have an important role to play in furthering that success.

West Virginia still has laws on the books that stand in the way of providers and the patients they serve, of course. Americans for Prosperity and AARP will continue working together, and with lawmakers, to ensure that more West Virginians are able to receive the care they need, when they need it, at a price they can afford. Together, our organizations and activists from across the state are uniting to drive innovations that will benefit every Mountaineer.

The COVID-19 pandemic has revealed many of the weaknesses of our health care system. We applied those lessons to great effect. Imagine what else our elected officials can accomplish simply by removing additional barriers to quality health care.

(Jason Huffman is state director of Americans for Prosperity-West Virginia. Gaylene Miller is state director of AARP West Virginia.)

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Car Show to support Adopt A Cop
Greenbrier County Adopt A Cop and Shade Tree Car Club will host a Car Show Fundraiser on Aug. 7 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Ronceverte Island Park. It is FREE to the public and a \$15 registration fee for all cars, trucks, and motorcycles. There will be a dunking booth, food vendor, T-shirts, and much more. Please come out and support our local law enforcement officers. For more information, be sure to follow our Facebook Page at Greenbrier County Adopt A Cop.

West Virginians for Life/Greenbrier County Chapter
will meet Thursday, Aug. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Emmanuel Community Church, Caldwell.

Raise the Roof Youth Rally
There is a Raise the Roof Youth Rally scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 28 at 2 p.m. at the Greenbrier Sports Complex in White Sulphur Springs. All middle and high school students are welcome. Preregister for this free event online at the Raise the Roof Rally Facebook page or at <https://sites.google.com/view/raise-the-roof/home>. Speakers will be Emily Galford and Remington Propps. There will be worship bands, food and activities.

Addiction Screenings available
If you or a loved one is struggling with substance abuse, take the first step towards overcoming addiction. Call 1-800-431-1754 for free addiction screenings or referrals. For more information visit <https://www.narcononnewliferetreat.org/blog/strange-side-effects-of-covid-19.html>

Motorcycle accident results in single death

On Thursday, July 29, at approximately 8:15 a.m., members of the Greenbrier County Sheriff’s Office responded to a motorcycle accident on I-64 near the 176 mile marker. The motorcycle was occupied by one individual and was eastbound on I-64 when the rider struck an object in the travel lane, resulting in a loss of control of the motorcycle. The motorcycle subsequently came to rest on the berm of the highway and the driver, identified as Joseph P. Russella, 55, of Burlington, NJ, succumbed to his injuries at the scene.

Members of the White Sulphur Springs Police Department, Ambulance Service, and Fire Department provided on scene assistance. Sergeant B. W. Mitchell, Jr. of the Greenbrier County Sheriff’s Office is the investigating officer.

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date of exposure)

- If an individual develops symptoms within the quarantine period, immediately isolate and contact the local health department to report change in clinical status.

Option 2:
Quarantine period can end after Day 7 if someone tests negative (PCR or antigen test) and if no symptoms have been identified during daily self-monitoring. Post-quarantine transmission risk: 5%-12

- Day 0-7: quarantine for close contact can end if COVID-19 test is negative and if no symptoms develop during daily self-monitoring. (Duration of quarantine applies from the last date of exposure)
- Specimen may be collected and tested within 48 hours before the time of planned quarantine discontinuation.
- Self-monitoring and mask wearing should be continuous.
- If an individual develops symptoms within the quarantine period, immediately isolate and contact public health to report change in clinical status.

In another effort to help prevent COVID spread, schools and counties are required to educate staff, students, and their families about the signs and symptoms of COVID-19, flu, and other communicable diseases, and establish a dedicated space for symptomatic individuals that will not be used for other purposes in order to immediately isolate symptomatic students.

To promote vaccinations, the Department of Education has launched its #IGotVaxxedWV campaign to encourage students 12 and older to get their COVID-19 vaccine.

“The WVDE in collaboration with the Governor’s Office and the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) has launched the #IGotVaxxedWV Competition to reward schools that have supported vaccinations among students and staff,” reads the guidance document. “The competition will run through the first week of October 2021 and will now award \$50,000 to four elementary schools, four middle schools and four high schools with the highest percentage of eligible staff and students vaccinated. The competition includes both public and private schools. Funds can be used for student-based activities and events that may have been missed or scaled back over the past two years. Once submissions are complete, data will be verified by DHHR’s Division of Immunization Services.

Public Meetings

Gbr. Co. Farmland Protection Board
meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at 804 Industrial Drive, Suite 5, in Maxwelton. The public is invited to attend. Call 304-520-3221 for more information.

Rainelle Town Council
meetings are held every second and fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Rainelle City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Historic Landmarks Commission
will meet Monday, Aug. 9, at 5 p.m. at Lewisburg City Hall, 942 Washington Street West. Also available via teleconference. For information on how to participate on Zoom contact City Hall at 304-645-2080 by 4 p.m. on Aug. 9. On the agenda:

- Approval of Minutes - July 12, 2021
- Comments from the public (5 minute limit)
- Peoples Bank, 108 Washington Street - sign application
- Paul Detch, 895 Court Street - rebuild front porch and steps
- Jane Olson, 205 Lee Street - 4' high pine fence to enclose back yard
- David Craddock, 1635 Washington Street East - install a 12' x 10' wooden shed on existing pad, Navaho White in color with White-White trim and Charcoal metal roof
- Paul Skorich, 1423 Washington Street East - replace rotten fascia boards, paint exterior, add double columns on pedestals with railing and balusters to the porch. Add wooden shutters (color to be determined) repair front door. The fallen exterior in the back will be replaced with an open air patio supported by double columns and pedestals similar to the front.
- Court and Stratton LLC Unit 5 - proposed facade renovations. Remove and replace existing storefront, relocate existing door, paint Washington Blue, new concrete storefront exposed foundation system. All wood will be Sapele with clear polyurethane finish (design is in packet).
- Comments from the Commissioners
- Comments from the Planning and Zoning Officer

The next scheduled meeting for the Lewisburg Historic Landmarks Commission will be held Monday, Sept. 20 at 5 p.m. with a deadline of Friday Aug. 27.

Renick Town Council
will meet Monday, Aug. 12, at 7 p.m. at Renick Town Hall. Agenda Items Include:

- Community comments
- Approval of Minutes
- Financial Reports
- Committee Reports
- Other Business

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions	
Brian K. Hall, Sutton, expired motor vehicle inspection, fine \$10	
Melissa Snead, Quinwood, no operators, GP, fine \$24	
Melissa Snead, Quinwood, no seatbelt, GP, fine \$25	
Shannon M. Burnette, Bedford, VA, speeding, NCP, fine \$2	
Jason Michael White, Union, non-aggravated DUI, NCP, fine \$100	
Thaddeus B. Wingler, White Sulphur Springs, reckless driving, NCP, fine \$25, jail 5 days - suspended and placed on 9 months unsupervised probation	
Alice Faye Bocook, Selma, VA, selling alcohol to minor, NCP, fine \$25	
Matthew Gene Vance, White Sulphur Springs, possessing controlled substance w/o valid prescription, NCP, fine \$50	
Jeffrey Moore Jr., White Sulphur Springs, littering, GP, fine \$100	
Joseph Alexander Wirts, Charleston, beer sales under 21, GP, fine \$25	
Brian D. Kirby, Ona, no seatbelt, NCP, fine \$25	
Jaylin J. Marshall, Ronceverte, battery, NCP, fine \$50, jail 10 days - suspended and placed on 9 months unsupervised probation	
Russell Sherman Forbes Jr., Vienna, VA, speeding, fine \$10	
Peggy Sue Goins, Rainelle, 1) no driver's license, fine \$25; 2) no insurance, fine \$200	
Jiancheng Du, Virginia Beach, VA, driving too fast for road conditions, NCP, fine \$22	
Patrick H. Warden III, Winston Salem, NC, no proof or expired registration, NCP, fine \$50	
Patrick J. Eichholz, Lexington, VA, speeding in a work zone, fine \$25	

For contest information, visit wvde.us/igotvaxxed.”

The WVDE recognizes that the response to the COVID-19 pandemic is fluid, and guidance will continuously be revisited to ensure it aligns with Governor Justice’s and public health officials’ best practices. At utmost importance for all considerations of the return to schools is the safety of West Virginia’s students, teachers and the extended education community.

To view the West Virginia School Recovery and Guidance Document and additional information, visit wvde.us/covid19/.

For updates on the coronavirus in West Virginia, visit coronavirus.wv.gov.

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Booster Battlefield Assessment launched for seniors

During Monday’s briefing, Governor Jim Justice reminded West Virginians that the State has launched its Booster Battlefield Assessment.

The voluntary program is an opportunity for West Virginia’s long-term care facility residents and other West Virginians ages 60 and above who were vaccinated more than six months ago to volunteer to have their blood drawn and have their antibody levels measured.

“This is the first statewide program in the country to test and measure antibody levels,” Gov. Justice said. “West Virginia continues to lead the way.”

Joint Interagency Task Force (JIATF) Director Jim Hoyer said Monday that any West Virginians who are interested in participating in the Booster Battlefield Assessment should call the West Virginia COVID-19 Vaccine Info Line at 1-833-734-0965. The info line is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Gov. Justice added that WVU and Marshall University will lead the study, with assistance from the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, and working closely with the West Virginia Health Care Association.

“We are also in the process of connecting with the FDA, CDC, and the vaccine manufacturers to make sure we are providing this real-world data in a way that assists in determining if a third dose of vaccine is best for our citizens over 60 who have had their first vaccine over six months ago,” Gov. Justice said.

With the latest wave of COVID-19 cases continuing to accelerate, the Governor and State medical experts continued to plead with West Virginians to get vaccinated Monday.

“We’re just weeks away from WVU and Marshall football games, fairs and festivals, the State Fair of West Virginia – people are going to be piled up on top of people and this Delta variant is here,” Gov. Justice said. “How are you going to feel if you’re walking through those crowds without being vaccinated?”

The total number of active COVID-19 cases in West Virginia has now reached 2,480; up 570 cases since the Governor’s previous briefing on Thursday last week and nearly three times higher than the number of active cases just over three weeks ago.

The number of hospitalizations (152) and ICU patients (67) are also both up from Thursday last week.

Meanwhile, the County Alert System map shows that 37 of the state’s 55 counties are now above the Green category, with five counties in the Orange category and two counties (Marshall and Wetzel) in the Red category.

Yard Sale Reminder

The City of Lewisburg would like to remind city residents that the following rules govern yard sales or garage sales within the city. Each sale is restricted to be no more than 48 hours on the same lot and may be held no more than four times per year. A temporary ground sign advertising the sale is permitted on the lot where the sale is being held and can be displayed up to three days before sale event. If you have any questions please call Marsha Cunningham at 304-645-2080.

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OPINION

Nature’s Way

By Karen Cohen

Master Gardener/Photojournalist/Artist

Oh Deer!

Sometimes we learn the hard way. Sometimes we can learn from other’s mistakes. Sometimes alternatives are our only choice. Sometimes we don’t always get what we want.

I long to grow massive beds of flowers: tulips in the spring, roses in the summer, sunflowers that last into the fall, and pansies in early winter. But I can’t. Not in deer country.

Lessons learned:

Tulips have been planted in gardens as early as the 10th century in Persia and were prized bulbs, sometimes even stolen n ancient kingdoms. Tulips have a gorgeous bloom but also a sweet flavored bulb that deer love. Squirrels will often rip off the blooms leaving just a naked stalk behind. Skip that one and substitute daffodils. Every fall, I plant a bag of 25-50 daffodils of various kinds all around our house and fields. In the spring, we are treated to dots of yellows/oranges/white all over our property.

Knock out roses are easy to grow and have successions of blooms but are not suited for deer country. You would assume that those thorny stems would deter free lunches from herbivores. Deer have only bottom teeth which rip plants from the ground and molars in the back of their mouth to grind things up. The top of their mouths has a hard-boney pad which provides protection from sharp and rough objects. Deer can nimbly eat around hard thorns to pick out berries on a blackberry bush and also nibble on softer stems with thorns from rose bushes. Alas, roses are OUT. I tried.

I switched over to growing lavender. Delicate purple flowers adorn the tips of this herb and it smells so good. So far nothing has touched it. I also planted a Rose of Sharon bush and had to put protective fencing around it until it grew over 4 ft with strong limbs. Now it is in full bloom and the hummingbirds visit daily!

Sunflowers were previously ignored in my garden but this year, each and every one appears in the mornings headless. The chewed stalk then branches out to two stalks with a bud on each end. Of course, that just doubles the goodies for whatever has been munching on these. Often young deer will sample things that their predecessors haven’t bothered with. Marigolds give the same bright burst of yellows, oranges and reds and nothing eats those. If you want something with height and color, opt for cosmos and zinnias; both are considered deer resistant.



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Instead of annual pansies, choose perennial, winter blooming hellebores. They are carefree and produce flowers of every color. The blooms can be toxic to dogs, cats, and horses, but the nasty taste often prevents them from eating too much of it. Check the species for any toxic warnings. This year, I am adding hellebores to my nearby forest edges because they love shade and will grow under trees and deciduous shrubs.

Here’s some more suggestions for growing flowers in deer country: Foxglove, rosemary, mints of all kinds, coneflowers, Russian sage, and bleeding heart.

Take note: deer resistant is NOT the same as deer proof.

(Karen Cohen is a Master Gardener/Organic Grower/PhotoJournalist Contact email: natureswaykaren@gmail.com.)

Commentary

How to avoid a rip-off when renovating

By Patrick Morrisey

Attorney General of West Virginia

Summer provides West Virginians with a great opportunity to complete home improvement projects, but before you can enjoy your renovated space, it’s important to carefully choose the right person or company to avoid getting ripped off.

Most contractors follow the law and deliver on promised work to consumers.

However, bad actors do exist, as everyone doesn’t always play by the rules.

For example, a concrete contractor based in Clarksburg allegedly misled consumers regarding the existence of a warranty to cover the product he sold. Our office secured restitution for the affected consumers and won a court order that permanently blocks the owner or his business from engaging in future contracting work in West Virginia.

Elsewhere, a home improvement contractor accused of violating consumer protection laws in Putnam, Kanawha, Lincoln, Mason and other counties sits behind bars on criminal charges related to our office’s investigation and referrals to local prosecutors. In one instance, his shoddy work left a Hurricane home in worse shape than when the project began, forcing the victim to pay tens of thousands of dollars to correct the issues.

Our office also recently won a lawsuit to shut down a Northern Panhandle plumber who accepted thousands of dollars for deficient and unfinished work.

So, what can you do to keep this from happening to you?

First and foremost, know the law.

Once you select a business or individual, make sure you get everything in writing, including estimated costs and completion date for the work.

The contractor is required by state and federal law to provide notice of the consumer’s right to cancel the contract. This may occur without legal or financial penalty

within three business days of the agreement.

As of June 15, a change in state law allows residential projects worth up to \$5,000 to be completed without a license. The previous benchmark was \$2,500.

This means it is even more important to know who you’re dealing with before hiring someone.

Seek recommendations from those you trust and be careful with what you read.

Online reviews can be helpful, although, beware that some websites receive payment for posting information and may lack important details about a contractor’s status or reputability. Some unscrupulous contractors may even post false reviews from nonexistent consumers.

Ask the contractor for local references, after which contact the consumer and visit the site to inspect the contractor’s work.

It is also important to confirm that the contractor is licensed. You can independently check the contractor’s status online through the Division of Labor at https://labor.wv.gov/Licensing/Contractor_License/Pages/contractor-search.aspx.

Keeping a level head is also key to protecting yourself.

Some contractors may claim your house needs work immediately to avoid a major safety issue. Get a second opinion. This may be a scare tactic meant to pressure you into making a quick decision.

Finally, if you believe you’ve been deceived by a home improvement contractor, reach out to our office. Our Consumer Protection Division takes on consumer complaints related to home improvement contractors. Call our hotline at 1-800-368-8808, fill out a consumer complaint online at www.wvago.gov or consult with one of our field representatives at events throughout the state.

Learn your rights as a consumer, do your research and contact our office if something seems amiss. Together we can make wise purchases, weed out bad actors and in doing so help West Virginia reach her full potential.

Eleven Stonerise Centers receive top rating from Centers for Medicare & Medicaide Services

Stonerise, one of West Virginia’s leading providers of transitional and skilled nursing care, this week announced that 11 care centers received an overall rating of four or five stars from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Nursing Home Compare program in the most recent ratings released July 2021.

“I am extremely proud of our teams for achieving top ratings,” said Stonerise Chief Executive Officer Larry Pack. “This is further confirmation of what we already know - our clinicians and team members have created a safe environment for our patients and deliver quality care every day.”

CMS created the Five-Star Quality Rating System to help consumers, their families, and caregivers compare nursing homes more easily. Centers receive a rating between 1 and 5 stars quarterly for their state survey results, quality measures and staffing levels.

The following Stonerise centers received a Five-Star

Rating:

- Stonerise Lewisburg
- Stonerise Martinsburg
- Stonerise Rainelle

The following Stonerise centers received a Four-Star

Rating:

- Stonerise Belmont
- Stonerise Bridgeport
- Stonerise Kingwood
- Stonerise Lindside
- Stonerise Morgantown
- Stonerise Parkersburg
- Stonerise Princeton
- Stonerise Wellsburg

The Stonerise Network continues to outperform competitors in the Quality Measures and Staffing categories.

For more information about Stonerise, visit Stonerise.com.

Commentary West Virginia must support the State Fair

Kent A. Leonhardt

West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture

Last June, West Virginia and the nation were facing a growing pandemic which threatened to bring our daily lives to a screeching halt. In light of public safety, many event organizers decided to cancel their gatherings including the hundreds of fairs and festivals hosted around the state. Despite getting approval from the Governor the State Fair and its board followed suit, canceling the annual event for the first time since World War II. Thankfully, a lot has changed in the last year with the introduction of vaccines and a better understanding of the virus. This has helped keep COVID cases down allowing governments to reopen states and bring our economies back. It also means we can once again enjoy the fairs and festivals that preserve our heritage and bring communities together.

For our state’s farmers this means we can once again celebrate a year’s worth of hard labor and an opportunity to reach new markets. These small agribusinesses rely on fairs and festivals to turn a profit or help their businesses grow. Without these events, our farmers had to be innovative to connect with existing and new customers. Those producers were able to survive the last year and, with the return of these events, can benefit from increased demand and awareness. With an emphasis on local foods, these fairs and festivals are and will continue to be economic drivers for many small communities. That is no different for the State Fair which returns in just a few weeks.

Fairs and festivals also serve as educational opportunities for our young people and as ambassadors to would-be travelers. Many FFA and 4-H students show off their agriculture projects and compete for top prizes. A lot of the dollars earned at these events will be put towards a college savings account. At the same time, those students not involved in agriculture can better understand where our food comes from and how local agriculture impacts their lives. For those non-residents of the Mountain State, these events are an opportunity to see the area and everything it has to offer. They can experience a true sense of Appalachia by pushing past stereotypes and really get to know the great people of the Mountain State.

Most importantly, these events bring our communities together. For many of us, the State Fair serves as a time to relax, enjoy entertainment, learn new ideas and just get to know each other again. It’s an opportunity to reconnect with our fellow citizens and explore new ideas about the world. If there is anything we need coming out of this pandemic, it’s an opportunity to strengthen bonds with our neighbors and friends. Let’s focus on what we have in common as we enjoy the different livestock, rabbits, baby ducks and chickens. Let’s bond over the fun fair rides and the great carnival food. Let’s gift someone a trinket to look back on the fond memories we form.

The State Fair of West Virginia will reopen on Aug. 12 for ten days. As we try to return to a normalcy, it is important that we continue to carry on the traditions of the state. That includes attending the State Fair, as well as the other regional fairs. If you are a regular State Fair attendee, this year’s fair will serve as a reminder of what we have missed. If you have been absent from previous fairs, take time out of your busy schedules, put aside the distractions, pack up the family and head to Lewisburg. Traverse the livestock barns, take part in a honeybee or maple syrup demonstration and support a local farmer by visiting the WVDA Country Store. The Fair board and staff and WVDA employees have been working hard to make it a memorable event. You won’t be disappointed!

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Church Bulletin

Historic Williamsburg Church site of special service August 7

The oldest Catholic Church building in Greenbrier County, Church of Mary Immaculate near Williamsburg, will be the site of First Saturday devotions and daily Mass on Saturday, Aug. 7, at 10:30 a.m. Built in 1901, the church was constructed by the Irish and German settlers in northern Greenbrier County. The building is the third building constructed by the community, the first two having burnt as a result of sparks from steam driven farm machinery passing by. A covered dish luncheon will be held on the grounds following the services. Father James Conyers, pastor of St. Charles Borromeo parish in White Sulphur Springs and St. Catherine of Siena in Ronceverte, will officiate at the Mass. For additional information, contact the office of the Catholic Churches of the Greenbrier Valley 304-536-1813.

Reunions

Hedrick-Shepherd

The 54th Hedrick-Shepherd reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 7, at Mount Vernon United Methodist Church near Fort Spring. The meal will be at 12 noon, with the meat and eating utensils provided. Please bring a covered dish and/or beverage. Hope you can join us!

Hodges / O'Brien

The descendants of James H. Hodges and Jeremiah O'Brien have scheduled a reunion for Sunday, Aug. 22, at Ronceverte Island Park, Picnic Shelter #1. We will gather at noon with dinner set for 1 p.m. Bring pictures, family tree information, past reunion information, and other memorabilia to share. Also bring addresses for family members that have moved of who you want to add to our mailing list. The descendants are dying and we, the reunion committee, need you and your families to continue the rich tradition. Please bring anyone and come enjoy the fine food and good fellowship. Come and catch up on the family news and reminisce about the good old days/times. Please share this announcement with family members and relatives who may not be on our current mailing list. If your address has changed, we need your new address for our mailing list. Please call Nancy Hodges at 304-647-3451 for changes in your address. Hope to see you there! Our rain location is First Church of God of Ronceverte Fellowship Hall, Ronceverte and North Avenue, Ronceverte.

Scott, Judy, Baldwin

The Scott, Judy, Baldwin Reunion will be held Sunday, Aug. 15, at the Williamsburg Community Building. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Dinner will be served at approximately 12:30 p.m. All family and friends are invited to bring a covered dish and join us. Plates, napkins, utensils will be provided.

CLUB

Maxwelton Ruritans award scholarship



Maxwelton Ruritan Club President Gary Wallace and Blaine Yates

The Maxwelton Ruritan Club presented Blaine Yates of Frankford the Build Your Dollar Scholarship at their July meeting. Blaine plans to attend Ohio University and obtain a degree in Graphic Design. While attending Greenbrier East High School, Blaine was involved with Greenbrier Valley Theatre, student government and was chosen for All State Chamber Choir in 2021. The Maxwelton Ruritan club was pleased to give this scholarship to Blaine wish him success in his future endeavors.

Motorcycle Instruction Permit testing now available online

Commissioner Everett Frazier of the West Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles is pleased to announce that motorcycle instruction permit testing is now available online at dmv.wv.gov. DMV's online testing is available through West Virginia's KnowTo Drive online platform, which officially launched in February of 2021. Online testing became necessary due to the COVID-19 pandemic and gives West Virginians the ability to register and complete learner's permit testing requirements before visiting a DMV office for credential issuance. Once a test-taker com-

pletes the exam with a passing score, a certificate of completion with a secure barcode is issued. Before the applicant is officially ready and legal to drive, they must bring that certificate with barcode to a regional office for testing validation, along with any necessary paperwork, to receive their credential. When asked about the addition of the motorcycle instruction permit testing to the KnowTo Drive online platform, Commissioner Frazier said, "The current KnowTo Drive online testing platform is meeting and exceeding our expectations. So, it was a logical addition to allow those needing a motorcycle learner's permit to use the same platform. We are excited about our ability to

expand our best-in-class services outside of the traditional DMV office setting." Using KnowTo Drive Online, applicants can self-register and pay for the exam through the West Virginia DMV portal. If the applicant is under the age of 18, parents or guardians can enter their information as the examination proxy. Any under-18 applicant must have a GDL II license to have a motorcycle endorsement added to their license. Once registered, the examination can be taken immediately or later, via an emailed link. During

the exam, the test-taker is subject to an initial photo capture, stored for ID verification by the DMV upon passing the exam. Multiple photos are also taken randomly throughout the test, to ensure the person starting the exam is the one that completes the exam. Again, once an applicant receives a passing score, they must bring the certificate with barcode to a regional office to have their picture taken and create the credential before they are legal to drive. For more information, please visit the DMV website.

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Elected officials are looking to make big changes

The West Virginia Legislature is considering taking Greenbrier County legal ads and public notices out of the Mountain Messenger and onto a state government-controlled website in Charleston.

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- Purchase items and drop them off at West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine or Factory Connection.
- Shop and drop items at Kroger in Rainelle and at Love Child in Lewisburg.
- Give monetary donations through www.cisgc.org/donate or by sending a check to CISGC 1033 Court Street North, Lewisburg, WV 24901.
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Dear Recycle Lady,



Dear Recycle Lady,
What kind of plastic bags recycle? Must paper labels be removed?

New to Plastic Bag Recycling

Dear New to Plastic Bag Recycling,
Low Density Polyethylene Plastic (LDPE), better known as #4 plastic, can be recycled. LDPE plastic is transparent and is used for items such as shrink wrap, frozen food bags, shopping bags, produce bags, dry cleaning bags, and Ziplock bags. Some recyclable plastic bags have a #4 inside the recycle symbol stamped on them but none of the above do. According to <http://www.ecolife.com/recycling/plastic>, IDPE plastics are recycled into plastic lumber, shipping envelopes, paneling, and furniture, among other items. Before putting your plastic bags in the recycling bin be sure the bag is empty of labels or sales receipts, is clean and dry. Cut off any labels stuck on the plastic. Both Kroger and Walmart accept #4 plastic bags. Do not take these bags to the Recycling Center as they will contaminate an entire load of the other kinds of plastic.

Dear Recycle Lady,

I seem to be getting more and more junk mail these days? Can all of it be recycled with office paper?

Hates Junk Mail

Dear Hates Junk Mail,

Junk mail does seem to be on the increase and most of it goes to the landfill. However, junk mail can be recycled, and it is a source of revenue for the Recycling

Center. If they are not made of colored paper, junk mail envelopes and their content can be recycled with office paper. Take all slicks and colored paper return envelopes out of the outer envelopes and place them in the magazine recycle bin. Address labels, plastic membership cards, and dark colored paper must be removed before the remaining contents of the envelope can be recycled with office paper. The quickest way to remove these items is to slit the top of the envelope open, thumb through the contents and pull out them out. (I highly recommend purchasing a letter opener, if you don't have one.) Practice makes perfect and you will soon be able to identify and remove these items quickly.

Dear Recycle Lady,

The last time I was at the Recycle Center I noticed a chute made from a large pipe for recycling toothbrushes. What kind of toothbrushes can be recycled?

Surprised

Dear Surprised,

Any kind of non-battery-operated toothbrush can be recycled. Colgate Oral B has partnered with TerraCycle to recycle "all brands of used toothpaste tubes and caps, toothbrushes, toothpaste cartons, toothbrush outer packaging, and floss containers." According to their information, you don't need to clean the items, but you should remove as much of the product as possible, for example, remaining toothpaste. Be sure your items are dry. When the Recycling Center has collected a good-size number of oral use items, TerraCycle sends the center a prepaid shipping label. Upon receipt of the items, TerraCycle cleans and melts them into a hard plastic that is used to make new products.

Have questions about recycling, or interesting information about recycling? Send questions or requests to recyclelady@greenbrier-swa.com. Dear Recycle Lady is sponsored jointly by the Greenbrier Recycling Center at recycle@greenbrier-swa.com and Greenworks Recycling at info@greenworksrecycling.com.

Holliday Family Reunion



The Clyde Holliday Jr. Children

The Holliday Family held its family reunion Saturday, July 24th, 2021 at the Quality Inn Banquet Center in Lewisburg, West Virginia.

Sixty six family and friends joined in the festivities. There were attendees from 9 different states, with the longest distance travelled being several from the Phoenix Az. area.

There were 5 generations represented, with the youngest attendee being 4 years old and the oldest, a soon to be 95 year old



The 1st cousins from William Clyde Sr.'s children

WWII/Korean War veteran.

Picture and memory tables were enjoyed by all, with stories told by many. Some interesting antidotes' were revealed by some. A 300+ picture slide show was made by Brad Holliday. There were some amazing pictures, all recalling fond memories among the viewers.

The staff at the Quality Inn, from Melissa Furlong the General Manager, Chef Abel, and the entire staff, all did a great job making us feel welcome and well attended to the entire time.



Obituaries

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moved to California and Charleston, WV, and during that time acquired a passion for cooking. He later reconnected with his high school friend Traci Riley, and they married in 2016. Nate loved going for long car rides and spontaneous vacations. He will be remembered for his love of making people laugh, but most of all, for his love of family and friends.

In addition to his par-

ents, surviving to cherish his memory are his beloved wife, Traci Riley, of Alderson; his son, Jonathan Bradley, of Wolfcreek; his daughters, MacKenzie Taylor and husband Cory of Lewisburg, Mary Tincer and Jessica Tincer, both of Organ Cave, and Halee Corral and husband Jacob of Oceanside, CA; his sister, Cathryn McIntire of Alderson; his nephew, Bryan Hanna and fiancé Brooke

Blevins of Alderson; his grandchildren, Andrew Taylor, who he called his little buddy and Mahayla Taylor who was his baby girl; his great-nieces, Oliva Julian, Sophia, Emery, and Rhettly Hanna; and many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, as well as dear friends and his fur babies, Will and Grace.

Nathan was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Milburn and Clara Phillips; his paternal grandparents, Nathan and Ester Falls, and Elmer Falls; and his adopted paternal grandparents, Ott and Mamie Bradley; his brother-in-law, Rick McIntire; and his special niece, Brittany "Bubbles" Hanna whom he thought the world of.

Nathan will be greatly missed my everyone that had the privilege of knowing him.

In lieu of Flowers, the family ask contributions to be made to the Lobban Funeral Home, PO Box 100, Alderson, WV 24910 to offset the funeral expenses.

Family and friends are welcome to call at Lobban Funeral Home, 205 South Monroe Street, Alderson, WV, on Saturday, Aug. 7, from 1 to 3 p.m., with a memorial service being held at the funeral home at 3 p.m. with Pastor Randy Burdette officiating.

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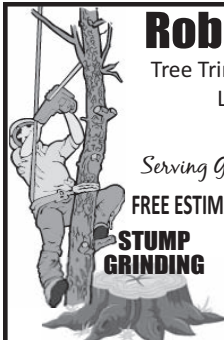
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Safety precautions, wellness advice mark start of medical students' academic year

For aspiring physicians, the start of the first year of medical school can be exciting and nerve-wracking, with lifestyle changes, a rigorous academic schedule and, for many, geographic relocation taking place all at once.

Administrators at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WV-SOM) can't remove those challenges, but they can equip students with the tools to cope with them. The school's orientation week, which this year took place July 26-29, aimed to ease the transition from undergraduate school to medical school for first-year students, and prepared returning students for some of the demands they'll face during their second year.

Prior to orientation week, students in WVSOM's Class of 2025 arrived on campus to have their photographs taken, receive their laptop computers and personal protective equipment and be fitted for the coats they'll receive at the upcoming Convocation and White Coat Ceremony, which marks the first step in their medical school journey.

One focus of orientation was the school's continued precautions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Linda Boyd, D.O., who joined WVSOM as vice president for academic affairs and dean weeks before orientation, said that although this year's procedures represent a return to relative normalcy after the socially distanced 2020-21 academic year, the

school is still making accommodations to keep students and employees safe.

"I'd like to say that COVID-19 is over, but it's not," Boyd told students. "Our students, staff and faculty are over 95 percent vaccinated. That creates an environment that allows us to be in a room together and an environment where you can get through school and not worry about getting sick. But having the vaccine doesn't fully protect you, so I want you to be safe."

To that end, WVSOM is placing students in alternating seats while attending in-person lectures, and grouping students into "pods" of four during labs to facilitate contact tracing in case of an outbreak, Boyd said. Additionally, all students and faculty are required to wear KN95 masks during labs and team-based learning sessions, and students are encouraged to remain masked in lectures. Boyd said WVSOM's COVID-19 guidelines are similar to those being used by other higher education institutions for the opening of the academic year.

New students learned about WVSOM's Academic Support and Intervention Resources (ASPIRE) department, which helps them adopt effective learning techniques and provides counseling to those who experience mental health issues such as anxiety, depression or sleep difficulties. Members of the ASPIRE staff spoke about the importance of maintaining wellness, managing stress and avoiding burnout; discussed suicide awareness and prevention; and hosted a scavenger hunt that had students roaming

campus to promote exercise, outdoor activity, teamwork and creativity.

Other activities included WVSOM's annual Resource Fair showcasing various services and retail establishments in and near Lewisburg, and a presentation by Lewisburg Police Chief Chris Teubert, who welcomed students to the city. Orientation week also included a number of opportunities for students to socialize, such as a "mix-and-mingle" icebreaker event, a mentor-mentee cookout in which first-year and second-year students met one another, and the annual President's Reception, where students, faculty and staff came together to celebrate the start of the academic year.

At the start of orientation, James W. Nemitz, Ph.D., WVSOM's president, told the incoming class that their medical education is designed to help prepare them for a career in any field of medicine. He encouraged students to remain hopeful through the obstacles they may face during their studies.

"You're all trained to start off as generalists, and then you specialize during residency. Our goal is to give you a strong foundation so that you can go into any residency that you want. Before long, you'll be making a difference in

the lives of patients, and that's the reason you're here: to learn to take care of others," Nemitz said. "I know a lot of you are nervous, but realize that you earned your seat. You deserve to be here."

Boyd explained that one of the keys to success in medical school is consistent progress.

"Medical school is a marathon," she said. "You have to pace yourself. The goal is to get to the finish line, and if you work slow and steady, you'll achieve the goal of practicing medicine."

WVSOM's Class of 2025 consists of 215 students.

New River CTC celebrates 2021 nursing graduates

New River Community and Technical College recognized 2021 practical nursing graduates on July 29, during a ceremony at the Nicholas County Campus in Summersville.

Students graduating with a Certificate of Applied Science in Practical Nursing for 2021 are: Zach Barker, Beaver; Tiffany Black, Mount Hope; Rebecca Bockarie, Beckley; Emily Bostic, Clintonville; Maggie Bostic, Sinks Grove; Joni Casteel, Cowen; Mackenzie Chambers, Nettie; Jason Dodd, Caldwell; Katrina Dorrill, Summersville; Jewel Gentry, Beaver; Bridgette Gray, Beckley; James Hoffer, Rainelle; Mallory Kelly, Craigsville; Samantha McBryde, Jaeger; Hollie McCoy, Pineville; Tamara Moore, Beckley; Brittany Murphy, Glen Daniel; Maggie Page, Lindsie; Thomas Pudder, Beckley; and Tammy White, Camden on Gauley.

During the ceremony, the class was recognized for their work ad-

ministering over 1,000 COVID-19 vaccines. Samantha McBryde was named practical nursing academic student of the year for the highest grade point average (GPA) in the 2021 practical nursing class, and Jewel Gentry was recognized for the second highest GPA in the class. Clinical students of the year were recognized by campus - Emily Bostic, Greenbrier Valley Campus; Mallory Kelly, Nicholas County Campus; and Bridgette Gray, Raleigh County Campus.

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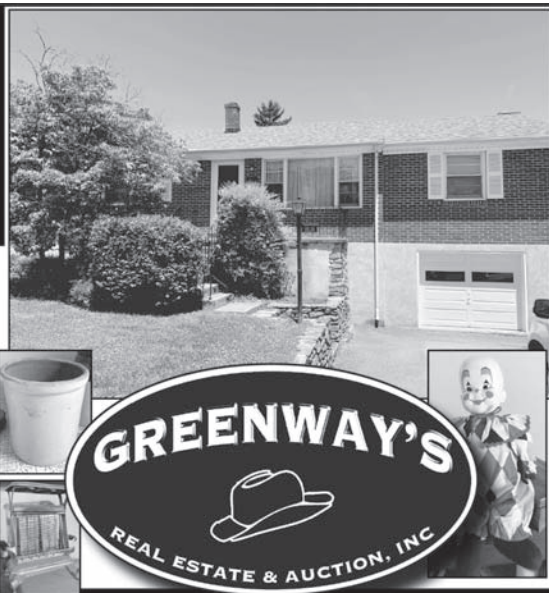
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A Look Back



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By William "Skip" Deegans

Older fairgoers who traveled along Rt. 60 from the west may remember the Burma-Shave signs beside the road. They were near Milligan Creek (almost across from the Mail Pouch barn sign). Burma-Vita, a liniment, was developed in Minneapolis by Robert Odell in the early 1900s. The product was named after the country Burma (now Myanmar) because three ingredients came from there.

The product was not selling well, and Odell's son Clinton, came up with the idea in 1925 of developing a brushless shaving cream that was named Burma-

Shave. It wasn't selling very well either, and Clinton's son, Allan, talked his father into giving him \$200 to create road signs promoting Burma-Shave. He painted six boards and placed them 100 feet apart along the side of the road. This was in the early days of automobile travel so cars did not travel very fast allowing the motorist and his passengers to read the signs.

The promotion worked, and by 1930 Burma-Shave was the second highest selling brushless shaving cream on the market. There were some 6,000 signs in 48 states. In 1930, the company started a contest for ideas for jingles.

Some years the contest garnered 50,000 entries, and winners received \$100. Some of the signs, such as the one shown in this week's photo, were public service announcements. Many, however, were humorous. A favorite:

BEN MET ANNA
MADE A HIT
NEGLECTED BEARD
BEN-ANNA SPLIT
BURMA-SHAVE

In 1963, Burma-Shave was sold to Philip Morris, and the signs were removed. Shortly afterwards, Burma-Shave ceased production.

Sources: Minnesota Historical Society, Chicago Tribune, NPR.

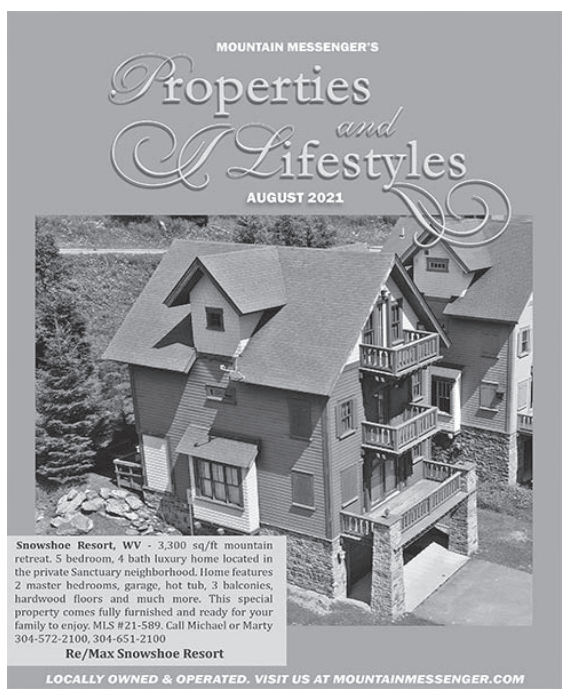
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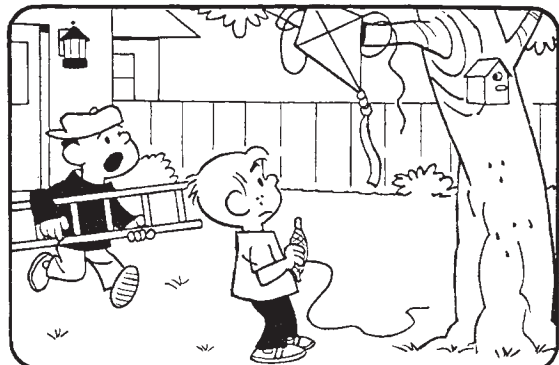
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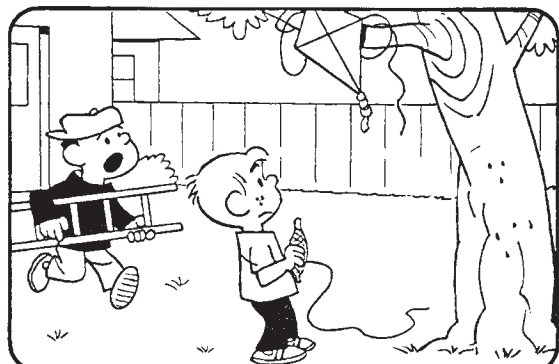
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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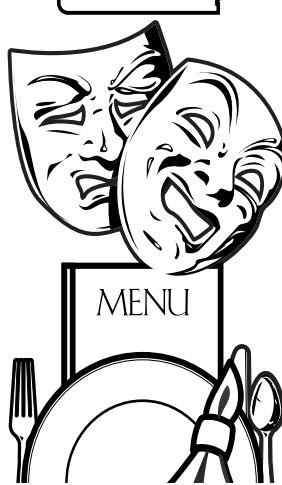
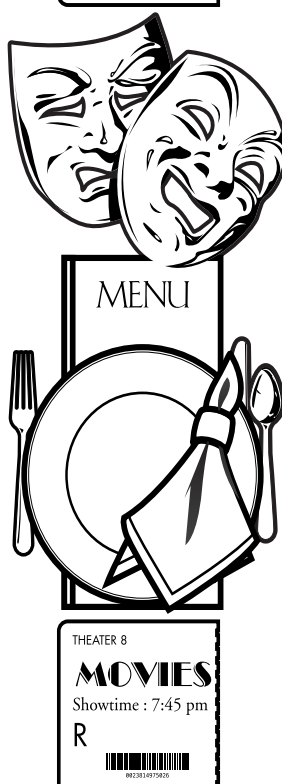
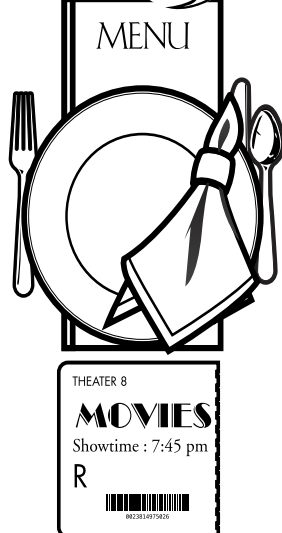
PUZZLE ANSWERS PAGE 5

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THE MOUNTAIN MESSENGER

Super Crossword

HIDDEN STAIRS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Hindu monks
7 Gorilla or gibbon
10 Baby doll call
14 Ignominy
19 Wound antiseptic
20 Nothing
21 Chilled
22 Tabloid VIP
23 Long poems in which animals speak and act like humans
25 Figure skater's jump
26 Drizzles, e.g.
27 Beethoven specialty
28 Much-shared GIF, maybe
29 Murrur continuously
30 Bodega, e.g.
33 Detecting of sweetness, flavor, etc.
36 Spiny-crested lizard
39 Place atop
40 Not busy
41 Installments of TV series that were not preserved
44 Biology and ecology, e.g.
- 48 It may be loose-leaf
49 Clan carvings
51 "— found it!"
52 Pub. houses hire them
53 One of the Judds
57 Cannes' Palme —
58 Actress Lena
59 Iris' place in the eye
62 Hindu social classes as they relate to government affairs
66 Cherishes
69 Taverns
70 Lord's home
71 1 Peter and
73 Armory stuff
74 Sister of Luke, in sci-fi
75 Seville cheer
76 Masterful
78 Fan noise
81 In time past
82 Dry gully
85 Road part for cyclists
89 "Huzzah!"
91 Crusty, cheesy brand in the frozen food aisle
- 95 Salinger's "love and squalor" girl
96 Philosopher with a logical "razor"
97 Surrendered
98 It may result in landfills
104 Get a look at
105 ET and such
106 Dried out
107 Sea demigod
110 Future pupa
111 Pre-'91 world power
112 Enter ... or what each of seven long answers in this puzzle has
116 Prepare to pray, say
117 Go higher
118 Old Olds
119 Conductor of impulses
120 Composer Camille
121 Saint —
122 Direct
122 Age-verifying docs.
123 Trees that tremble
- 3 Org. for a periodontist
4 Say wrongly
5 Gung-ho on
6 In view
7 Ekberg of Hollywood
8 Blue Period artist Pablo
9 Overhead rails
10 Highway distance marker
11 Keen insight
12 Rhythm
13 Lumber tool
14 High ethical standards
15 Encourage
16 Court excuse
17 — Park (Edison's lab site)
18 Jed Clampett player Buddy
24 Singer Benatar
28 Parcel (out)
29 Make obscure
30 Pooh creator
31 Put up — fight
32 Undergoes oxidation
34 TV's Turner
35 Orator of old Rome
- 37 Neighbor of Colo.
38 GI address
42 Scottish isle
43 Pop music of Jamaica
44 Quits
45 Eyelashes, anatomically
46 Give the boot
47 Awareness
50 Danish port
54 Irish playwright Sean
55 Ale grain
56 Capri, e.g., to a Capriote
58 Filmmaker Preminger
59 Stellar bear
60 Dog healer
61 Ending for journal
63 Three — sloth
64 NASA moon lander
65 Ending for journal
66 Insurer with a duck mascot
67 San — Bay
68 Stellar hunter
69 Grain stores
72 Redcap, e.g.
73 On the job
77 "POV" airer
78 Fogs
- 79 Open, as some jackets
80 John Irving's "A Prayer for Owen —"
82 Armories
83 Freeway exit inclines
84 Came to pass
86 Tavern cask
87 Green gp.
88 Adds pep to
90 Take revenge
92 "Behold!" to Brutus
93 Brutus' lang.
94 Sent forth
96 Ukraine city
98 Goes on foot
99 "George & —" (1990s talk show)
100 "Yes, —!" ("For sure!")
101 Actor Davis in many Spike Lee films
102 Creme-filled cookies
103 Puppy bite
108 Funny Fey
109 Wallet singles
111 Internet ID
112 — Lankan
113 Fury
114 Comedian Rickles
115 USNA grad.



STEPPIN' OUT



Fantasy Flashback

Fantasy Flashback – Fantasy in Fiction (1991). Tickets are now on sale for Carnegie Hall's Fantasy in Black and White which will take place Friday, Sept. 3, at 6:30 p.m. on the Colonial Hall Terrace at The Greenbrier. For tickets or more information, please visit www.carnegiehallwv.org, call 304-645-7917, or visit Carnegie Hall at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg. Ticket sales end Aug. 27. 2021 Fantasy in Black & White is sponsored by Greenbrier Physicians and The Schoolhouse Hotel.

GEHS Band performance this Friday

The first public performance by the Spartan Marching Band of Greenbrier East High School will be held Friday, Aug. 6, at 6 p.m. outdoors at the Greenbrier County Youth Camp at Anthony.

The band students will have been working five-times-a-day at practices during the week-long 43rd annual GEHS Band Camp, in addition to tradi-

tional camp activities.

Under the direction of James Alder, instructor of instrumental music at GEHS, the band's field concert will be one of two appearances scheduled appearances in the Northern Greenbrier area scheduled this fall.

The public is invited and there is no admission charge. Patrons are urged to bring their own chairs.

Williamsburg Community Fair a success

The 72nd Annual Williamsburg Fair was celebrated with food, fun, and friends. Special thanks to all those who entered floats, and others who made our parade a huge success. There were 47 participants in 10 categories.

The Williamsburg Ruritan, celebrating their 75th year in Williamsburg, won first place for their float. Other winners were Miller's Nightmare Haunted House, the Smoot VFD, Cochran Family Farm, Mabel Bostic, Keith Miller, Brigitte Altizer, Adam and Hesston Haynes,

Gregory Hurd, and Tracy Brownell. The Community of Williamsburg wishes to thank all those who worked diligently to make the Williamsburg Community Fair a huge success and to all those who came from far and wide to enjoy our fair. A particular thanks to those who donated door prizes to the fair: Tractor Supply, TNT Auto, Dutch Haus, Bob Evans, The Big Wheel Restaurant, Beauty Transitions, Sammie Gee, Country Roads Realty, Williamsburg Thrift Shop, Martin & Jones, Deb Zahorenko, Out Be-



The Williamsburg Ruritan float with Ray Hopkins and Ray Phillips

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ment STIHL Dealer, The Meeting Place, Bones and Cones, Greenbrier Veterinary Hospital, Frankford Veterinary Hospital, Mary McMillion, Jo Long, Blue Ridge Farms and a special

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Andrew Adkins

Carnegie Hall's Ivy Terrace Concert Series continues with Andrew Adkins and Friends

Appalachian singer-songwriter Andrew Adkins and a few of his friends will take the terrace for Carnegie Hall's upcoming Ivy Terrace Concert on Thursday, Aug. 12, at 7 p.m. The concert will take place outside on Carnegie Hall's Ivy Terrace as attendees watch from the expansive lawn in front of New River Community and Technical College. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket and pack a picnic to enjoy live music. All Ivy Terrace concerts are free, open to the public, and alcohol free.

After seven years of fronting the popular Appalachian Stompgrass band The Wild Rumpus at countless festivals, concerts and clubs including Merlefest, Bristol Rhythm and Roots, and the AMA (American Music Association) as well as writing nearly all of the songs for their three studio albums, Andrew has now firmly established his own voice with the release of his 4th solo album, "Who I Am" on Mountain Soul Records.

Produced by Mountain Stage musical director Ron Sowell, re-

corded by virtuoso guitarist and engineer Bud Carroll, and featuring an all-star line up on West Virginia musicians, the album showcases Adkins' wry insightful songwriting and his soulful authentic voice.

Andrew is not only a talented singer songwriter, he is held in high regard as performer by his peers. Often accompanied by his close friend, bass player and longtime collaborator Clint Lewis, his performances leave a lasting impression. Here's what Amanda Platt of the Honey Cutters had to

say. "His onstage presence is the perfect mix of humor and humility, putting his audience at ease and drawing them into a songscape that originates in the Mountains of West Virginia and stretches to include the emotions and experiences that people of every corner of the country can relate to."

And this from fellow West Virginian Tim O'Brien - "Andrew brings a likeable everyman to his live performances...his music and the stories he tells us are honest and real. Andrew reminds us that we're all in this together."

The remaining Ivy Terrace schedule is Steel Pterodactyl (original eclectic/dance) on Aug. 26, Seldom Free (original groove/rock) on Sept. 9, Jack Grace Band (original alt-country) on Sept. 23, and Chance McCoy (indie folk) on Oct. 7.

So mark your calendars and get excited about this summer in Lewisburg. The 2021 Carnegie Hall Ivy Terrace Concert Series is a "must do" for visitors and locals alike and is sponsored by City National Bank. For more information, please visit www.carnegiehallwv.org or call 304-645-7917.

GVT's August production will make you want to shout!

Greenbrier Valley Theatre channels feel-good nostalgia with its upcoming production

Miss Daisy and Hoke will have driven off by the time that Greenbrier Valley Theatre (GVT) opens its second production of the 2021 season. Five women will now take the stage and transport the theatre back to the 1960s with their performance in SHOUT! The Mod Musical. SHOUT! opened off-Broadway in 2004, nearly 30 - 40 years after most of the hit songs that are featured in the musical were released.

"There's a lot of nostalgia, but there's also a lot of entertainment," said Matthew Scott Campbell, the Producing Artistic Director of the theatre. Featuring songs such as "Downtown," "These Boots Are Made for Walking," "Goin' Back," and of course "Shout!," this show will have audience members grooving in their seats and feeling the urge to sing along.

Director Stephanie Harter Campbell loves jukebox musicals and is excited to create a "rock concert" feeling as well as to having an all-female cast featured on-stage. The production was cast from all around the country and will feature a mix of talent who has performed at GVT in the past, alongside others who will be making their debut.

Patrick Summers, Lex-

ington VA native, will head the music direction. Summers will be working with a mix of musicians that will feature some recognizable GVT talent, as well as first time musicians to the theatre.

One of the goals of the organization as they reopened their doors after a prolonged closure was to be both comfortable and safe, but also to produce work that was comforting to audience members. "SHOUT! has a lot of music that is popular throughout the ages," said Harter Campbell. "It's an evening of fun, and great music."

The production team has been hard at work creating an authentic 1960's - 1970's atmosphere for the show. From vintage costumes - each revolving around a specific color, to the lighting, and the set design. Inspiration has been drawn from famous wardrobe designers, vintage photographs, and other iconic moments to help fully immerse everyone into the times.

Combine the voices, tunes, costumes, lights and SHOUT! will be sure to take you back to the "Swinging Sixties." Still, songs featured in the show have lived on well into today's pop culture and will

be prevalent to audience members who used to put a dime in the jukebox, as well as those who scroll through their digital music.

As the theatre continues

to re-open, guidelines will continue to change as well. The theatre will make sure to make them readily available to audience members as soon as they are set.

SHOUT! opens Aug. 20 and runs through Sept. 4. Tickets are \$30 for general seating, \$27 for senior citizens age 60 and above, and \$20 for students. SHOUT!

does contain some mature themes. Tickets are available online at the theatre's website: www.gvtheatre.org or by calling the box office at 304-645-3838.

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