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Alderson Mayor indicted on multiple charges

By Sarah Richardson

Alderson Mayor Travis Copenhaver was indicted on multiple charges by a Greenbrier County Grand Jury last week. The charges stem from an incident that occurred at an Alderson home in June 2021.

According to the criminal complaint, Copenhaver, Copenhaver's 12-year-old son, and Lloyd "Billy" Lightner entered the home of Charlie Baldwin in Alderson without his consent, tampered with belongings, urinated in a bed, and removed a rifle and compound bow from the premises. Baldwin's girlfriend arrived at the residence while they were still on the property and alleges

they harassed her and "boxed her in" with a vehicle.

Copenhaver and his brother-in-law Lightner were both indicted with two felonies, burglary and conspiracy to commit burglary, along with several misdemeanors: removal, injury to, or destruction of property; harassment; and unlawful restraint.

The indictment documents state that Copenhaver and Lightner "broke into and entered" a private residence in Alderson, and then "did unlawfully take and carry away a Remington .270 rifle and Black Bear compound bow." The document alleges that Copenhaver and Lightner also engaged with the residents "to cause the other per-

son to fear for his or her personal safety," and blocked in a vehicle when a resident tried to leave the property "under apprehension of an implied threat of violence."

During the preliminary hearing last October, Judge Tim Stover found probable cause for three felonies: child neglect, burglary, and conspiracy, and one count of misdemeanor assault.

After the incident, Copenhaver resigned as Alderson's municipal judge, but has continued to serve as mayor. In Dec. 2021, Alderson Town Council voted 4-1 to reject a request that Copenhaver step down as mayor.

Indictments returned by the Greenbrier Grand Jury in March

The following is a list of the indictments that were returned by the Greenbrier County Grand Jury on Mar. 22, 23, 24 and 25, 2022. Arraignments will be held as follows: Judge Dent, Apr. 6 - Incarcerated Defendants; Apr. 11 - All other Defendants; Judge Richardson, Apr. 5.

Cody Arbuckle, Lewisburg, DOB 2/28/1994, wanton endangerment involving a firearm, domestic battery, Lt. R.B. Baker, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Cody Arbuckle, Lewisburg, DOB 2/28/1994, fleeing from an officer while driving under the influence of a controlled substance, reckless fleeing from an officer, Sgt. B.W. Mitchell, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Heath Atkins, Dry Branch, DOB 12/29/1991, permitting unauthorized person to drive, gross child neglect resulting in substantial risk of serious bodily injury or death, driving while impaired with minor in vehicle, Lt. J.L. Meadows, Alderson Police Dept.

Michael Griffith, Jr., Alderson, DOB 7/13/1981, strangulation, Ptlm. S.M. Simmons, Lewisburg Police Dept.

Marlena Hedges, Saint Albans, DOB 2/23/1983, fraudulent schemes, TFC E.G. Beard, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Chastiti Henry-Beck, Charlotte, NC, DOB 8/15/1989, grand larceny, TFC J.L. Tincher, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Chastiti Henry-Beck, Charlotte, NC, DOB 8/15/1989, grand larceny, TFC J.L. Tincher, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Dalton Legg, Renick, DOB 4/8/2000, malicious assault (x3), TFC J.L. Tincher, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Lloyd Lightner, Jr., Alderson, DOB 4/23/1980, burglary, conspiracy to commit burglary; removal, injury or destruction of property, harassment, unlawful restraint, TFC E.G. Beard, WV State Police-Lewisburg

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Dr. Jim and Jan DeHaven did a total restoration, inside and out, on this house in downtown Lewisburg, including raising the house to replace rotten parts and rebuilding the foundation. Schleiff Construction Co. was the contractor.

Historic Preservation Tax Credit Workshop upcoming

Area residents can use tax funds to rehabilitate homes, buildings, and landmarks

On Apr. 13, Lewisburg's Historic Landmarks Commission and the West Virginia Office of Historic Preservation will present a workshop on how to apply for and how to use state and federal historic preservation tax credits. Credits may be used to help owners of homes, commercial buildings, and landmarks rehabilitate their properties. State experts on tax credits will explain how tax credits work, and owners of local properties who have used tax credits will be on hand to share their ex-

periences. State officials will also discuss preservation grant programs that are available to private property owners.

The free workshop will be held from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at the Paul R. Cooley Council Chambers in Lewisburg's City Hall at 942 Washington Street, West. Virtual attendance by Zoom will be offered. For more information and a link to Zoom, please contact Marsha Cunningham at 304-645-2080.

Nature's Way

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Greenbrier River Trail Bike Trek registration now open

Funds raised will benefit the American Lung Association in West Virginia

The Greenbrier River Trail Bike Trek, held by American Lung Association volunteers, is now accepting early registrants. Biking enthusiasts won't want to miss cycling along 66 exciting miles of the scenic Greenbrier River Trail in West Virginia on May 5-7.

The Greenbrier River Trail Bike Trek will kick off on Thursday evening, May 5, at the Greenbrier County Youth Camp in Anthony. On Friday, May 6, bikers will be shuttled over to the trail head at Cass and will spend the next two days peddling along the Greenbrier River Trail through Pocahontas and Greenbrier Counties, ending the Trek at the Greenbrier County Youth Camp in Anthony on Saturday, May 7.

Food, refreshments, accommodations, a gear truck, a SAG wagon, and entertainment are all included in the Greenbrier River Trail Bike Trek package. The trek is supported with volunteers, break sites, minor bike mechanics, guides, medical personnel, transportation and meals and lodging. Each participant will receive an official 2022 Greenbrier Trail Bike Trek T-shirt.

"The trek is designed for beginners as well as experienced mountain bikers," says Chuck Johnson, volunteer and event planner. "It is a great way for families to spend a weekend together, while helping us in our mission to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung

disease through education, advocacy and research."

"Bikers and volunteers can have fun while enjoying the scenic Greenbrier River trail and the camaraderie of fellow riders while making a difference for West Virginians with lung disease," said Sid Stephenson, event co-chair, said Companies, friends and families are encouraged to enter teams of four or more riders. Trophies are awarded to top individual and team fundraisers. Proceeds from the Trek will benefit the American Lung Association in West Virginia and support efforts to defeat lung disease in the Mountain State.

There is a \$50 non-refundable registration fee for the Greenbrier Trail Bike Trek and trekkers are required to raise a minimum of \$550 each in sponsorships. Riders are encouraged to compete against one another for the honor of being the highest fundraiser. In fact, those who raise more than \$1,000 become a member of the Winner's Circle and receive special prizes.

The event organizers would like to thank this year's sponsors: Pocahontas County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Frost Brown Todd, LLC, WVU School of Public Health, UCFW 75, and Goldberg, Persky & White. The trek registration deadline is April 24, 2022. For more information, and to register, visit Lung.org/trekwv.

Gov. Justice vetoes bill splitting DHHR, broadband bill

Gov. Jim Justice announced that he has vetoed several bills, including House Bill 4020, which would have split the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources into two different agencies.

"We all want to address and correct the very real issues within DHHR, but before we undertake such a drastic change to an enormous agency that affects the lives of our most vulnerable West Virginians, I believe we need to take a deeper look at every aspect of how this would work," Gov. Justice said. "The bill, as presented, does not provide adequate direction on the many questions that must be addressed in this massive endeavor, including important questions regarding how the federal funds will flow to ensure we don't jeopardize significant federal funding. Additionally, this bill would have split the DHHR by January of next year, but it wouldn't have made budgetary changes take effect until six months after that. It is unclear how the different effective dates could work in concert.

"I am committed to making the DHHR better, but we cannot afford to play politics when people's lives hang in the balance. We need to be certain before we act," Gov. Justice continued. "So I am vetoing

this bill. But I am also going to engage with national experts and industry leaders to coordinate and complete a top-to-bottom review of the DHHR, so that we may clearly identify its issues, bottlenecks, and inefficiencies. We will work to develop a plan to address and all problems, which may very well require a full reorganization of the agency. But we will do so in an effective and efficient way, so we can make sure there is no lapse in any vital support or services for the West Virginians who rely on the DHHR. I look forward to working with the Legislature and interested parties in developing and implementing that plan."

The Governor also vetoed House Bill 4001, which generally related to broadband.

"Although I fully support the intent of this legislation and have worked tremendously to expand broadband access across the State, this bill contains fatal flaws and provisions which are prohibited by federal law," Gov. Justice said in his veto letter. "For example, Enrolled Committee Substitute for House Bill 4001 establishes rate and billing regulations that are prohibited by the Federal Communications Act. If this

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Naziah Martin, Alderson, DOB 4/6/2022, burglary, battery, domestic battery, Deputy J.S. Deeds, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Elias Lively, Lewisburg, DOB 1/24/1994, sexual assault in the second degree, Sgt. J.D. Hughes, Lewisburg Police Dept.

Charles McKinney, White Sulphur Springs, DOB 6/1/1960, malicious assault, TFC J.L. Tincher, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Jalen Mitchem, Lewisburg, DOB 9/5/1996, disarm an officer, assault on a law enforcement officer, Deputy J.S. Deeds, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jerry Reed, Alderson, DOB 12/8/1976, arson third degree, retaliation against a State's Witness, Ptlm. D.A. Johnson, Alderson Police Dept.

Nathan Wilson, Alderson, DOB 11/9/1989, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - methamphetamine; possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - buprenorphine; conspiracy to deliver controlled substances; prohibited person in possession of a firearm, Lt. J.L. Meadows, Alderson Police Dept.

RaeAnn Wright, Alderson, DOB 9/23/1990, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - methamphetamine; possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - buprenorphine; conspiracy to deliver controlled substances, Lt. J.L. Meadows, Alderson Police Dept.

Marion Wolford, White Sulphur Springs, DOB 10/16/____, sexual abuse in the first degree; sexual abuse by a parent, guardian, custodian or person in position of trust, prohibited person in possession of a firearm, TFC E.G. Beard, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Amanda Burdette, Crawley, DOB 11/30/1984, grand larceny, conspiracy to commit grand larceny, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Tristen Carner, Rainelle, DOB 9/7/1998, grand larceny, conspiracy to commit grand larceny, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Justin Wright, Rainelle, DOB 5/8/1998, grand larceny, conspiracy to commit grand larceny, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Fredrick Nestor, Birch River DOB 4/24/2003, grand larceny, conspiracy to commit grand larceny, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Dustin Hall, Rainelle, DOB 2/28/1988, receiving stolen property more than \$1000, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Charles Adkins, Rainelle, DOB 9/22/1989, arson first degree, J.L. Lewis, WV State Fire Marshal

Cody Arbuckle, Lewisburg, DOB 2/28/1994, escape, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Levi Arnold, Rupert, DOB 7/22/1993, malicious assault on a law enforcement officer; attempt to disarm an officer; battery on a law enforcement officer; fleeing from an officer, Sgt. S.A. Murphy, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Bobby Bennett, III, Quinwood, DOB 10/1/1992, breaking and entering, petit larceny, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Wesley Bowles, Charmco, DOB 5/3/1984, burglary, strangulation, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Chester Brandon, III, Lewisburg, DOB 12/11/1979, malicious wounding (x2), Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Wesley Clark, Charmco, DOB 7/24/1986, failure to register as a sex offender or provide notice of registration changes, Cpl. J.W. Gilkeson, WV State Police - Rainelle

Jonathan Ferrell, Charmco, DOB 6/19/1980, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - methamphetamine; possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - marijuana, Cpl. J.W. Gilkeson, WV State Police - Rainelle

Johnnie Keener, Charleston, DOB 10/30/1985, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - methamphetamine; fleeing from an officer, Cpl. J.W. Gilkeson, WV State Police - Rainelle

Karl Legg, Smoot, DOB 9/5/1971, arson first degree, Cpl. J.W. Gilkeson, WV State Police - Rainelle

Whitney Martin, Rainelle, DOB 2/14/1989, forgery (x11), uttering (x11), Cpl. M.A. Agee, WV State Police - Rainelle

Charles Neil, Ronceverte, DOB 11/11/1980, breaking and entering, grand larceny, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Alan Schoolcraft-Williams, Rainelle, DOB 12/11/1957, embezzlement, Sgt. S.A. Murphy, WV State Police - Rainelle

Gary Toler, Oceana, DOB 9/16/1956, bank robbery, Cpl. J.W. Gilkeson, WV State Police - Rainelle

Colton Trout, Quinwood, DOB 4/28/1998, malicious assault, Cpl. J.W. Gilkeson, WV State Police - Rainelle

Robert Trout, Quinwood, DOB 1/27/1976, failure to register as a sex offender or provide notice of registration changes (x3), Sgt. S.A. Murphy, WV State Police - Rainelle

Rodriguez sworn into Sheriff's Office



Herman Rodriguez took his oath of office as the newest member of the Greenbrier County Sheriff's Department on Tuesday, Mar. 29. The oath was administered by Chief Circuit Judge Jennifer P. Dent.

"Herman has served as a Deputy Sheriff with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office for the past few years and he is certainly a welcome addition to our ranks. He is eager to begin his new career in Greenbrier County. Herman is going to be a tremendous asset to our department and the county. We look forward to his service with the Greenbrier County Sheriff's Office and his continued commitment to public service for the citizens of Greenbrier County."

Tyshawn Walker, Ronceverte, DOB 8/3/1997, kidnapping; domestic battery (x4); domestic assault; unlawful restraint (x2); harassment; computer invasion of privacy, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Bobby Bennett, III, Quinwood, DOB 10/1/1992, breaking and entering, grand larceny, Cpl. J.L. Pachis, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Duane Blagg, Rainelle, DOB 8/11/1979, grand larceny, conspiracy, Sgt. S.W. Hudnall, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jason Zickafoose, Rainelle, DOB 7/4/1990, grand larceny, conspiracy, Sgt. S.W. Hudnall, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jeffrey Callison, Renick, DOB 10/29/1981, attempt to commit burglary, prohibited person in possession of a firearm, Cpl. A.L. Workman, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Shannon Feury, White Sulphur Springs, DOB 9/28/1977, taking identity of another person, Sgt. S.W. Hudnall, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Darren Fisher, Charleston, DOB 9/29/1986, forgery (x3), uttering (x3), Cpl. A.L. Workman, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Terron Godfrey, White Sulphur Springs, DOB 6/13/1985, failure to register as a sex offender or provide notice of registration changes - second offense, Cpl. J.C. Mann, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Deborah Haynes, Ronceverte, DOB 8/7/1956, unlawful assault, Cpl. J.F. Kelley, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jonathan Hedrick, Alderson, DOB 7/30/1986, grand larceny, conspiracy to commit grand larceny, TFC D.P. Dillon, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Amanda Martin, Alderson, DOB 10/26/1982, grand larceny, conspiracy to commit grand larceny, TFC D.P. Dillon, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Larry Hughes, Kimball, DOB 6/10/1962, obtaining by false pretenses, Lt. K.L. Sawyers, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Brandon Johnson, Alderson, DOB 5/29/1981, grand larceny, TFC D.P. Dillon, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Jimmy Justice, Renick, DOB 7/1/1973, burglary, domestic assault, Cpl. A.L. Workman, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Tommy Keeney, Rainelle, DOB 7/13/1988, burglary, Cpl. J.F. Kelley, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jason Huber, Rainelle, DOB 10/17/1979, burglary, Cpl. J.F. Kelley, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

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DHHR Bill Veto

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law were to become effective, the bill would be subject to a federal court injunction, potentially delaying the deployment of vital broadband throughout this State.

"Additional concerns have been expressed by many broadband providers of all sizes that do business in the State, from the West Virginia Office of Broadband, from members of the Broadband Enhancement Council, and from local government officials, all of whom have significant experience in broadband expansion projects around the State."

The letter goes on to say, "I have directed the Department of Economic Development to work with Legislative leadership, the sponsors of this bill, and all interested and knowledgeable parties to revisit and perfect this important legislation. I will request the Legislature take up this important matter, with input from all interested parties, in the upcoming Special Session to make sure the deployment of broadband all over this State is as efficient and is as successful as possible."

NEW RESIDENTS WANTED BY:
Greenbrier Greeters

If you have recently moved to this area, please contact us for a free welcome visit. We would be glad to share gifts and information about the area, provided free by local businesses and professional services.

- Barnwood Living • Caring Acres Farm • Cartier Raine Spa • Bella The Corner Gourmet
- City National Bank • Cornerstone IGA-Philip Cutlip
- Creative Kitchens • Edith's Store • Fairlea Animal Hospital
- The Ferrell Eye Clinic, P.C. • First Baptist Church, Fairlea
- Grassroots Church • Greenbrier Bowling & Rec. Center • Greenbrier Recycling Center
- Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company • Greenbrier Chevrolet Buick
- Greenbrier Chiropractic Center-Dr. Timothy Pence • Greenbrier Medical Arts Pharmacy
- Greenbrier Valley Medical Center • Greenbrier Valley Theatre
- Greenbrier Valley Veterinary Hospital • The Heart Center-Thomas W. vonDohlen, M.D.
- Knight Henderson-American National Insurance
- Lawrence J. Ickes, CPA, A.C. • Lewisburg United Methodist Church
- Lewisburg Veterinary Hospital, Inc.-Dr. Mary Ann Mann
- Mary Kay Cosmetics-Erica Buzzard • Mountain Messenger
- Olive + Shea Natural Nail Studio • Post Net • Premier Bank • Robert C. Byrd Clinic
- Sandy Epling-State Farm Insurance • Seneca Trail Animal Hospital
- Shuck Memorial Baptist Church • S.J. Neathawk Lumber
- Spare Time Sports Bar & Grille • St. James Episcopal Church
- St. Thomas Episcopal Church, WSS • State Farm Insurance-Chris Hall
- Summit Community Bank

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PICK OF THE LITTER

RAIN

Rain is a female pit bull terrier mix and weighs 37 pounds. She must be the only animal in the home.



TYRA

Tyra is a female, one-year-old calico and weighs 5 pounds.



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.

DON'T SHOP • ADOPT!

Briefly

Williamsburg Community

Shooting Match

Our next match will be Saturday, Apr. 2, at the Williamsburg Community Building starting at 7 p.m. Food concession will open at 6 p.m. This is the last shooting match for the spring. The match will be eight rounds, 12-gauge guns only. Full choke, .660 inch minimum. Screw in chokes must be from a recognized supplier (patented) and extend no more than 3 inches beyond original barrel. Barrel length 34" maximum. First seven rounds are \$2 per shot, eighth round 50/50 is \$5 per shot. Shooters must compete in the first seven rounds in order to compete in the eighth round. 50/50 splatter match is \$1 per chance between rounds. Cash prizes will be awarded. You do not need to be a shooter to win! Come early! Come hungry! Delicious hot food and refreshments will be available starting at 6 p.m. Families welcome - you don't have to shoot to come get a meal. The match will be held at the Community Building on Sinking Creek Road next door to the fire department. Proceeds will benefit Williamsburg Community service projects. These events are sponsored by a joint effort of the Williamsburg Community Action and the Williamsburg Ruritans. For more information and directions visit www.williamsburgwv.com

American Heritage Music Hall, Inc.

located at 496 Island Park, Ronceverte, is open to the public, all welcome, handicap accessible. Listeners and tourists welcome. Admission \$7 Tuesday nights, \$10 Saturday - Audience provides food. Doors open at 7 p.m. Jam & Dance every Tuesday 7 to 10 p.m. Dance on Saturday, Apr. 23 features Ivan & The Outlaws, 7 to 10:30. The Spring Crafters & Vendors Show will be held Friday, Apr. 8 from 2 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Apr. 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Music Hall is available for weddings and parties. For more information call the Music Hall at 304-645-4667; Bill Evans at 304-392-6079; Grace Poe at 304-992-5852.

Arts and Recreation applications

available from County Commission

Applications will be available starting Mar. 1, for the Greenbrier Arts & Recreation Allocations. Applications may be picked up at the Greenbrier County Courthouse, downloaded at www.greenbriercounty.net or by calling the Greenbrier County Commission Office at 304-647-6689. Use of Arts & Recreation Funds must be in compliance with WV State Code 7-18-14. Funds may not be used for salaries/wages. Only public nonprofit organizations may apply. The applications are due back at closing (4 p.m.) on Wednesday, Apr. 27.

Local Veterans Ready to Help

If you or someone you know have loved ones serving on active duty and are concerned for their well being or that of their families, particularly those stationed overseas, please feel free to reach out to American Legion Post 100 in Union. We can assist with transportation from international airports for returning family members, lending household items, help with paperwork, or simply an empathetic ear from someone who has "been there, done that." Contact Scott Womack at womackse@gmail.com, Facebook Messenger, or cell phone 304-992-4405 or Harry Moloney at saddleback2@earthlink.net, cell phone 304-646-2102.

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Michael Kincaid, Williamsburg, DOB 12/23/1994, sexual abuse by a parent, guardian or custodian (x2), sexual abuse in third degree (x2), Deputy S.L. Morris, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Travis Kincaid, White Sulphur Springs, DOB 10/4/1991, breaking and entering (x2), grand larceny (x2), Cpl. J.C. Mann, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Christopher Norris, Fairlea, DOB 12/25/1989, grand larceny, Sgt. S.W. Hudnall, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jessica Phillips, Lewisburg, DOB 9/19/1992, DUI causing serious bodily injury, Cpl. R.R. Honaker, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

John Smith, Rainelle, DOB 4/8/1985, fraudulent use of an access device, Cpl. A.L. Workman, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jamie Spencer, Richwood, DOB 4/1/1966, malicious wounding, wanton endangerment involving a firearm, Cpl. A.L. Workman, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Roy Warning, Lewisburg, DOB 6/7/1993, intimidation of a State's Witness, Lt. C.B. Baker, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Kenneth Williams, Rainelle, DOB 12/3/1960, grand larceny, extortion, Cpt. K.L. Sawyers, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jeremiah Windon, Quinwood, DOB 3/6/1980, prohibited person in possession of a firearm, Cpl. J.C. Mann, WV State Police-Lewisburg

Donte Webster, Beckley, DOB 12/22/1999, robbery in first degree, conspiracy, Patrolman G.C. Ratliff, White Sulphur Springs Police Dept.

Jacquai Johnson, Beckley, DOB 7/17/2033, robbery in first degree, conspiracy, Patrolman G.C. Ratliff, White Sulphur Springs Police Dept.

Baxter Leech, White Sulphur Springs, DOB 4/6/1986, burglary, domestic battery (x2), Patrolman J.A. Hatfield, White Sulphur Springs Police Dept.

William Muth, White Sulphur Springs, DOB 12/20/1996, sexual assault in third degree, sexual abuse in the third degree, (x2), Patrolman J.L. Stevens, White Sulphur Springs Police Dept.

Justin Taylor, Rainelle, DOB 11/24/1981, reckless fleeing from an officer, prohibited person in possession of a firearm, Patrolman J.L. Stevens, White Sulphur Springs Police Dept.

Kenneth Baglin, Jr., Apple Grove, DOB 11/14/1979, grand larceny, TFC B.J. Borsman, WV State Police-Rainelle

Danny Hundley, Charmco, DOB 4/30/1962, breaking and entering (x2), petit larceny (x2), TFC B.J. Borsman, WV State Police-Rainelle See "Indictments" Page 4

Public Meetings

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.

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.

Ronceverte Public Library

Board of Trustees for the Ronceverte Public Library will meet Tuesday, Apr. 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the Hollowell Room of the library. The meeting is open to the public and an agenda is available.

Alderson Planning Commission

will meet Thursday, Apr. 7, at 3 p.m. in the Alderson Council Room (entrance on left side of building).

Agenda topics include:

- Tiny homes and their impact on property values
- Alderson residents are encouraged to attend this open meeting.

Lewisburg Planning Commission

will meet Thursday, Apr. 7 at 5:30 p.m. in a working session. Available via Zoom teleconference by calling 304-645-2080 by 3 p.m. On the agenda:

- Approval of Minutes - Mar. 3, 2022
- Comments from the public
- Review & discuss: current zoning map, draft zoning map and future land use map
- Review any updated: roadside vendors discussion
- Comments from commissioners

The next scheduled working session will be held Thursday, May 3 at 5:30 p.m. in the Paul R. Cooley Chambers.

Lewisburg Planning Commission

will meet Thursday, Apr. 7 by 7 p.m. in the Paul R. Cooley Council Chambers. Also available via teleconference. For information contact City Hall at 304-645-2080 by 4 p.m. Apr. 7. On the agenda:

- Approval of Minutes - Mar. 3, 2022
- Comments from the public
- **Public Hearing:** Pat McHale - site plan review Seneca Trail Animal Hospital, 3451 North Jefferson Street
- **Public Hearing:** The Briergarten, Suite 9 - Conditional Use Permit for outdoor dining patio area
- **Public Hearing:** Don Huber - The Gardens final plat approval Blackbird Village
- Comments from the Commission
- Comments from the Zoning Officer

The next scheduled meeting of the Lewisburg Planning Commission will be Thursday, May 5 at 7 p.m. with a deadline of Apr. 15.

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions

Leland T. Houston, Davenport, IA, 1) speeding, GP, fine \$22; 2) driving while license suspended or revoked, fine \$100

John Wesley Phillips, Asbury, 1) speeding, GP, fine \$28; 2) no proof of insurance, fine \$200

Eric J. Askren, Normal, IL, speeding, NCP, fine \$10

Darvin A Voss, Lexington, VA, failure to yield, GP, fine \$25

Larry C. Bennett, Rainelle, mandatory disposal requirement, GP, fine \$50

Amelia Dawn Loudermilk, Rupert, petit larceny, NCP, fine \$50, jail 60 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation

Raymond Dustin Clark III, Lewisburg, no MVI, GP, fine \$10

James Ray Black, White Sulphur Springs, speeding, NCP, fine \$10

Zachary Armstrong, Rainelle, petit larceny, NCP, jail 60 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation

Brandon Tucker, White Sulphur Springs, battery, NCP, fine \$100, jail 30 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation

Beneta Jo Fox, Rupert, petit larceny, NCP, jail 30 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation

Suits

In Re: The Marriage of: Thor Richmond and Bethany Denise Richmond

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Community Clothes Closet reopens in WSS

The Good Neighbors Community Clothes Closet in White Sulphur Springs is reopening on Saturday, Apr. 2, with an abundant inventory of spring and early summer clothing for men, women and children. All clothing is FREE, clean, and gently used and displayed in an organized setting.

The clothing closet will be open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and the first Monday of each month from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The free clothing bank is an outreach ministry operated by volunteers and sponsored by the Emmanuel United Methodist Church located at 136 Hanna Lane (one block from the Main Street/Dry Creek Road intersection in White Sulphur Springs). The entrance to the closet area is by outside steps only and is not handicap accessible. Safety and health precautions are in place with masks recommended, but not required. Patrons are requested not to bring their own shopping bags as take-home bags are provided. Items are not returnable.

The GNCCC is currently in need of children's clothing/shoes (boys and girls) from infant size through middle school age, and donations will be accepted by appointment only. Donations must be clean and gently used, preferably folded and in boxes or small trash bags. To schedule a convenient day and time to bring donations, please contact Donna at 304-536-3419 (or the church office at 304-536-1291 and leave a message).

EUMC respectfully requests that absolutely NO donations be dropped off and left unattended at any entrance of the church building or property as there is no guarantee bagged items will be accepted by the clothes closet.

For the Record

Deeds

Shannon E. Bowman and Kaitlyn S. Cunningham to Jered Hoke, 17,348 Sq. Ft., Irish Corner District
Melvin Harper Crookshanks to Lester W. Waid and Sheila O. Meadows Waid, 29.50 Acres, Williamsburg District

Mark F. Drennen and Shelby L. Zimmerman to Nicholas Furnas and Sarah Furnas, 3.86 Acres, Anthony Creek District

Almost Heaven Habitat for Humanity, Inc. to Kym Berry, Lot No. 9, Summer Elms, White Sulphur Municipality
Sheila Margaret Waid to Leonard R. Waid, Lot No. 52, Town of Marfrance, Meadow Bluff District

Shirley Neel to Greenbrier Repertory Theater Company, Lots Nos. 28 and 19, Block 1, Seneca Estates, Lewisburg Corporate District

John L. Wyatt to The Mountain Homestead Company Inc., 0.28 Acres, White Sulphur Municipality
Herman Lee Harless to Tommy Lee Burks, 50.8 Acres, Williamsburg District

Larry J. Chestnut to Bernard W. and Mary Marie Chestnut, Town of Neola, Anthony Creek District

Tammy Wagner Conner to Ruh Roh, LLC., Lot No 10, Lilly Park Addition, Town of Rainelle, Meadow Bluff Dist.

Robert Michael Christie and Jeanna H. Christie to Daventport Properties, LLC., 3.375 Acres, Fort Spring Dist.

Diane Coleman and William D. Goins and Christina N. Goins, 17.71 Acres, Blue Sulphur Springs District

Jerry D. Roberts to Daniel R. Mello, Sr., Lot No. 2, 8.95 Acres, Falling Springs District

Johnathan Mark Pierson and Kimberly Denise Pierson to Robert Hanna, III and Lauren A. Hanna, Lots No. 6,7, and 11, Bear's Den Subdivision, Irish Corner Dist.

GVAC announces group exercise classes

By Sarah Richardson

The newly-opened Greenbrier Valley Aquatic Center in Fairlea has announced an expanded schedule of group exercise classes after listening to feedback from the community. They will offer group water aerobics classes on Friday mornings at 9 a.m., and Pilates on Wednesday mornings at 8:30 a.m.

The first water aerobics class on the schedule will begin Friday, Apr. 8, at 9 a.m.

"Thanks to our wonderful instructor, Dana, we are able to offer this particular class at no charge for members and just \$5 for non-members," announced the GVAC. "You do not need to register, this is a drop-in class. We do recommend that you bring your own weights if you have them until we see how many sets we will need going forward. We think this is going to be a popular class!"

The Center plans to expand beyond these two classes, and is currently looking for more group fitness instructors. Those interested in teaching a class may reach out to Darcie or Delphine at 681-484-7037 or email info@gvaquaticcenter.com.



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OPINION

Nature's Way

By Karen Cohen

Master Gardener/Photojournalist/Artist

Dirty

Last year I visited a bunch of gardens created by various friends and family members. I found most of them very tidy and well kept. Most were weed free, blooming in flower and bursting with veggies. Each time I returned to my own garden I felt a bit deflated. Traveling and other hobbies do keep me busy and sometimes my garden gets neglected.

I rationalize that leaving some "wild" areas where weeds can create barriers to other more valuable plants and therefore it is a good practice. And I do have proof each year when I see flea beetles devouring a certain weed rather than invading my eggplant. Eggplant is especially susceptible to flea beetles. They chew on the leaves and nothing but a lacey skeleton is left which affects the plant's ability to grow and take in nourishment. This year we will put up light mesh netting over the eggplants to assure the plants reach a maximum growth away from predators. Once they set out flowers, the netting comes off to allow pollination from insects and bees. I will still keep a row of weeds lining the eggplants, too, as a second measure of prevention.

Snakes, toads, and other critters eat bugs all day long. Leaving some grassy areas around your garden gives habitat to these predators. My cats keep all those mentioned somewhat controlled and yes, they do eat them. Live and let live is my motto!

Certain "weeds" add beauty to any garden. I love the tall mullein plants that send out a 6 foot spike of tiny yellow flowers. These will drop seeds eventually which will sprout the following year, so I limit the mullein to just a few around my garden beds. I am drying the mullein leaves for tea this year and though it is not that tasty, it is purported to have some beneficial properties. Dandelions popping up here and there don't alarm me because I will use their tender leaves in my daily salads.

So as you can tell, I am not a "type A" personality, and random beauty is more my pleasure. I follow the Ruth Stout method of gardening which is for lazy folks like me. Ruth Stout believed that every time you disturb your garden soil, new weed seeds are exposed and germinate. Instead of digging, she just made small holes for her veggie transplants and plopped them in with a splash of water. She shaded her plants with mulch of shredded dead leaves or straw and that was all she did. Everything grew like crazy and she hardly spent much more time gardening, instead concentrating on picking the "fruits" of her labor. She wrote a book about it when she was still gardening this way well into her eighties!



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If we truly dig deep into our thoughts of why we create a garden, it becomes apparent that it is definitely not to produce food unless you grow it commercially. Radishes are cheap, potatoes by the 5 or 10 pound bag are inexpensive, and vegetables are abundant at the farmers' markets during the summer months. Speaking for myself, I know my reason to get my hands into the dark soil and under my nails is for one reason. To connect to the earth. That's my nature "fix" along with long walks in the woods, now called by others "forest bathing." Nature refreshes and relaxes humans. Go out and play in the dirt!

(Karen Cohen is a Master Gardener, organic grower, nature lover and avid explorer. Send your tips and comments to natureswaykaren@gmail.com. Happy Gardening!)

Commentary

County officials preparing for WV's May 10 Primary

By Mac Warner, WV Secretary of State

West Virginia's May 10th Primary Election is set to begin as county election officials prepare for the start of absentee voting tomorrow.

For more than a century, the vast majority of West Virginia voters have participated by voting in person on Election Day and, in recent years, during the 10-day early voting period. For those who cannot vote in person at all, they can apply for and submit an absentee-by-mail ballot.

Starting on Mar. 25, all 55 county clerks will start fulfilling accepted applications by mailing absentee ballots to eligible absentee voters. With ballots landing in mailboxes as soon as next week, I want to inform voters of what to expect when voting this spring.

Most notably, the 2020 Census population survey required the Legislature to redistrict the state's political boundaries. The Legislature completed the process in late fall of 2021, and the district boundaries for Congressional, House of Delegates, and State Senate all changed. In many counties, the county commissions redistricted county magisterial boundaries and precincts.

For voters, if the location of your in-person polling place changed as a result of redistricting, you will receive notice in the mail from your county clerk before the election. The notice will include the address of your new polling place. If you do not receive a letter or notice, you vote in the same location as in past elections.

I want to encourage West Virginians to check out the new interactive map to identify their new political boundaries. Powered by GIS mapping technology, voters simply enter their home address and can pinpoint their exact precinct and House, Senate, Congressional, and Magisterial Districts. Voters can access the online map by visiting GoVoteWV.com.

The several changes to political boundaries were caused primarily by West Virginia's changes in population. As a result, we lost one seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. The Legislature also had to balance population equality while creating 100 single-member House Districts, changing from the multi-member districts we've had for decades. While some counties were impacted by redistricting more than others, voters can expect the same processes as before. The main changes some voters can expect are different polling locations and political districts on the ballot.

Voters whose polling locations changed can expect their notice of the new polling place in the weeks leading up to election day. County clerks are checking and double-checking the accuracy of hundreds of thousands of records changed by redistricting. While some counties are already complete, others are working around the clock to complete the redistricting process and get notices in the mail.

If you will turn 18 by or before Nov. 8, 2022, you are eligible to register and vote in the May Primary. You can register online at GoVoteWV.com, or contact my office or your county clerk for a paper voter registration application. The deadline to register or update a voter registration is Apr. 19.

Also at GoVoteWV.com, you can access a calendar showing important election dates and deadlines. As always, you can call my office or your local county clerk for more information or assistance.

The May Primary also marks the first opportunity for voters to utilize our newest election security campaign known as the "See Something, Text Something!" initiative. Voters and election officials are the first line of defense against election fraud, and now you can report suspicious activity and apparent improprieties quickly and discretely without fear of retribution. Voters can simply text "WV" to 45995, click on the link in the response, and follow the simple instructions.

West Virginia's 2020 election turnout rate was the second-highest in state history. An independent study from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) placed voters' confidence in West Virginia's election results in the top-ten nationwide. Stay tuned for more information from my office as the election draws near to be informed with the latest news. And, importantly, support and be patient with your county clerks and their staff as they prepare for the Primary Election. Their jobs are significantly more difficult with completing redistricting on top of holding the best elections in the nation. As always, we will have another successful, fair, and secure election thanks in large part to the clerks' tireless efforts.

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Capito marks key infrastructure projects, talks broadband

U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) made multiple stops across the state this week to receive an update on broadband projects, as well as discuss and announce several infrastructure projects that she secured funding for through the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 appropriations omnibus package.

"West Virginians expect their representatives in Congress to advocate for and deliver resources back to our state," Senator Capito said. "This is especially true when it comes to infrastructure. Necessities like internet connectivity, safe drinking water, and reliable roads and bridges are critical to the livelihoods of residents across our state. It's why I fought to secure funding directed at the broadband needs of Lewisburg, the water system upgrades in Alderson, bridge rehabilitation in Ronceverte, and for a key waterline project in Kanawha County. Our

local leaders are making incredible strides to improve and expand their communities, and I'm proud to strongly support their efforts as their senator."

First, Senator Capito met in Lewisburg with local leaders from Greenbrier County to discuss projects aimed at increasing broadband connectivity for residents, including those in Quinwood, and Greenbrier County as a whole.

"The Greenbrier County Commissioners appreciate the opportunity to visit with Senator Capito today and share with her the broadband projects that the county is actively working on. We believe having support from Senator Capito on a national level to expand broadband connectivity throughout our communities is essential to making sure our projects are able to come to fruition," Greenbrier County Commissioner Tammy Tincher said.

Senator Capito then traveled to Alderson to announce three infrastructure projects she secured through the appropriations bill that will expand water service and renovate a bridge in the area.

"The Region 4 Planning and Development Council deeply appreciates Senator Capito's resourceful use of Congressionally Directed Spending to help provide badly needed infrastructure expansion and resilience for the wonderful residents in our region and across the state," Region 4 Director John Tuggle said.

Lastly, Senator Capito joined local leaders in Charleston, WV to announce the Leatherwood Waterline Extension Project she secured through the FY 2022 appropriations package.

In total, Senator Capito secured \$241,135,000 in direct spending measures across West Virginia through the FY 2022 appropriations omnibus package.

Indictments

Jacob Beavers, Leslie, DOB 7/19/1998, breaking and entering (x2), conspiracy, TFC B.J. Borsman, WV State Police-Rainelle

Justin Dickinson, Rainelle, DOB 10/8/1962, failure to register as a sex offender or provide notice of registration changes, TFC B.J. Borsman, WV State Police-Rainelle

Michael Adkins, Forest Park, GA, DOB 4/28/1992, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - fentanyl, transportation of controlled substance into state, Sgt. C.R. Smith, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Jessica Adkins, Atlanta, GA, DOB 8/20/1994, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - fentanyl, transportation of controlled substance into state

Chet Gunder, Rainelle, DOB 6/18/1975, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - heroin, possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance - methamphetamine (x2), Sgt. C.R. Smith, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Joshua McCormick, Lewisburg, DBO 4/7/1986, breaking and entering, grand larceny, Lt. R.B. Baker, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Joshua McCormick, Lewisburg, DBO 4/7/1986, breaking and entering, grand larceny, Lt. G.R. Workman, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Timothy Wickline, Lewisburg, DOB 8/5/1988, sexual abuse by a parent, guardian, custodian or person in position of trust to a child (x3); incest (x2); sexual assault in the third degree (x2), Cpl. M.T. Doss, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Curtis Casey, Ronceverte, DOB 7/3/1980, use or presentation of a firearm during commission of a felony, strangulation, unlawful assault, prohibited person in possession of a firearm, destruction of property, Chief J.W. Hopkins, Ronceverte Police Dept.

Arenda Dalton, Lewisburg, DOB 6/22/1983, intimidation of a State's Witness, Cpl. M.T. Doss, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Tyshawn Walker, Ronceverte, DOB 8/3/1997, kidnapping, domestic battery, Cpl. B.J. McCormick, Greenbrier Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Tyshawn Walker, Ronceverte, DOB 8/3/1997, domestic battery, Patrolman R. Rodriguez, Lewisburg Police Dept.

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Julia Cline Simmons Shafer



Lewisburg-Julia Cline Simmons Shafer, 68, passed away Monday, Mar. 28, 2022 at her home in Lewisburg, following a sudden illness.

Born Mar. 14, 1954 in Ronceverte, she was the daughter of Frances Tuckwiller Simmons of Alderson and the late Bill Twohig Simmons.

Mrs. Shafer was a retired middle school teacher having taught art for 15 years at various schools in Greenbrier County. She was a 1972 graduate of Greenbrier East High School in Fairlea and graduated from West Virginia University in Morgantown with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physical Education and a minor in Art. Mrs. Shafer was a member of the Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church in Alderson, where she served as membership secretary. She was an avid horsewoman and along with her husband Allen, showed quarter horses and participated in barrel racing competitions all over the Eastern United States. She was a member of the National Barrel Horse Association and the American Quarter Horse Association. Mrs. Shafer lived her days quietly and gracefully, loved to cook and share her food with others. She liked to tend to growing things; dahlias and tomatoes and cherished her two cats. She will always be remembered for being kind, compassionate, and generous. She was an inspiration to all who knew her.

Survivors include her loving husband of 41 years, Allen Brown Shafer of Lewisburg; her mother, Frances Tuckwiller Simmons of Alderson; two brothers, Dr. Michael Simmons and wife, Pamela of Phoenix, MD, and Tom Simmons and wife Belinda of Flat Top; sister, Margaret "Margy" Simmons of Alderson; sister-in-law, Brenda Barry and husband John of White Sulphur Springs; uncle, Sam Tuckwiller of Lewisburg; four nieces, Laura Starr and husband Connor of Charlotte, NC, Brittany Lane and husband Joshua of Princeton, Jessica Bulson and husband Taylor of Bluefield and Whitney Barry of Huntington; nephew, Benjamin Simmons of Flat Top; three great-nieces and one great-nephew.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Apr. 2, at 2 p.m. at the Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church in Alderson with the Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kanode and the Rev. Sam Groves officiating. Burial will follow in the Alderson Cemetery, Alderson. Friends may call Saturday, Apr. 2, from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church in Alderson.

Serving as pallbearers will be: Jack Tuckwiller, Byron Tuckwiller, Ben Tuckwiller, Slayter Tuckwiller, Taylor Bulson, and Joshua Lane.

For those wishing to show an expression of

sympathy, donations may be made in memory of Mrs. Shafer to the Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 477, Alderson, WV 24910 or the Greenbrier County Humane Society, P.O. Box 926, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Online condolences and memories may be shared with the Shafer family at www.lobbanfh.com.

Arrangements by Lobban Funeral Home, Alderson, WV.

Larry Dee Drennen

Fairlea-Larry Dee Drennen, 69, passed away Friday, Mar. 18, 2022 at Peyton Hospice House in Lewisburg.

He was born Sept. 27, 1953, at Rockford, Illinois, a son of the late Lee Andrew and Glenna K. Littlepaige Drennen.

Larry was a graduate of WVU; was a radio broadcaster for 34 years and was an employee of WalMart for 14 years. He was of the Methodist faith; loved all sports especially football and basketball. He was an avid collector of old baseball cards and loved watching western movies.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Earl Franklin Drennen and Ronald Lee Drennen.

He is survived by his loving wife, Miriam Velasco Drennen, whom he married in 2008; and a nephew, Frank Lee Drennen of Los Angeles, CA.

A celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Apr. 2, with Pastor Garrett Bostic officiating. A reception will follow the service at the funeral home.

Donations of sympathy may be made to Peyton Hospice House, 1265 Maplewood Avenue, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of arrangements.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Melvin Mitchell Sheppard



Lewisburg-Melvin Mitchell Sheppard, 78, passed away Sunday, Mar. 20, 2022 at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center.

He was born Oct. 5, 1943 in Lewisburg, the son of the late Ira E. and Mildred Morgan Sheppard.

Melvin was a retired heavy equipment mechanic. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

Other than his parents he was preceded in death by Steve Sheppard.

Surviving Melvin are his brother, Allen Sheppard (Charlotte); sisters, Barbara Crane (Earl) and Mary Lee Morgan (Andrew); sister-in-law, Syl-

ist Church in Alderson.

Serving as pallbearers will be: Jack Tuckwiller, Byron Tuckwiller, Ben Tuckwiller, Slayter Tuckwiller, Taylor Bulson, and Joshua Lane.

For those wishing to show an expression of

sympathy, donations may be made in memory of Mrs. Shafer to the Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 477, Alderson, WV 24910 or the Greenbrier County Humane Society, P.O. Box 926, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Mar. 29, at the McLean Church, Ronceverte, where Pastor Kenny Baker and Pastor John Groves officiated. Inurement will follow in the McLean Cemetery.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers make memorial contributions to the Greenbrier County Humane Society, 151 Holiday Lane, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of arrangements.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Natalie Anne Wade



Williamsburg-Natalie Anne Wade, 23, finished her hard fought battle with cancer on Wednesday, Mar. 23, 2022. Natalie passed in the comfort of her home surrounded by her family.

Natalie was born Aug. 24, 1998 to Amy Jarvis Wade (Jim) and Glen Oliver Wade (Estelle).

Natalie was preceded in death by her uncles, Steve Patterson and William Allen Jarvis, and also her paternal grandparents, Vada and Elton Wade.

In addition to her parents, Natalie is survived by her sisters, Catherine Wade Bowyer (Justice), Ashley Wade Hanna (Isaiah), Sarah Moore, and Taylor Skelley; her brother, Phillip Wade (Melanie); her maternal grandparents, Litz and Bill Jarvis; an aunt, Anne Jarvis Collins (Bill); her nieces and nephews, Mackenzie, Zachary, Paisley, and Ezekiel; and cousins, Carlos and Willie.

Natalie was a graduate of Greenbrier East High School and attended Concord University.

Natalie was a long-time camper and counselor at Camp Alleghany for Girls where she spent over 14 summers.

Natalie was a shining light to all that she met and her radiating spirit was felt by all.

Natalie has chosen to donate her body to science.

A Celebration of Natalie's life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Camp Alleghany for Girls through the Camp Alleghany Alumni Association

via Sheppard Loudermilk; and several nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Mar. 29, at the McLean Church, Ronceverte, where Pastor Kenny Baker and Pastor John Groves officiated. Inurement will follow in the McLean Cemetery.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers make memorial contributions to the Greenbrier County Humane Society, 151 Holiday Lane, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of arrangements.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Lantern Scholarship c/o Greenbrier County Community Foundation, P.O. Box 1682, Lewisburg WV 24901 or to Kanawha Hospice, 1265 Maplewood Avenue, Lewisburg WV 24901.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of arrangements.

Please send condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Stephen Kovalscik, Jr.



Grassy Meadows-Stephen Kovalscik, Jr., 83, formerly of Pittsburgh, PA, passed away Friday, Mar. 25, 2022, at his home in Grassy Meadows, following a long illness.

Born Aug. 22, 1938, in Pittsburgh, PA, he was the son of the late Stephen and Mary Stegena Kovalscik.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Nicholas Kovalscik; four sisters, Mary Olare, Olga Wolfe, Dorothy Mitchell, and Dolores Masters; and one granddaughter, Christy Kaczorowski.

Mr. Kovalscik was a retired truck driver having retired in 1988 after 31 years of service. Following his retirement, he graduated from the Western Pennsylvania School of Gunsmithing in Pittsburgh, PA, and was the owner and operator of S&S Gunsmithing in Bulger, PA, for 33 years. Mr. Kovalscik was a member of the McElhenney Community Church in Grassy Meadows, WV, the Carpatho-Rusyn Society, Pittsburgh, PA Chapter, Teamsters Local 249, Pittsburgh, PA, and the Smoot Ruritan Club, Smoot, WV. Mr. Kovalscik was an avid sportsman. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and he was an enthusiastic fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Survivors include his loving wife of 52 years, Sabra Lee Miller Kovalscik of Grassy Meadows; three sons, Stephen Kovalscik, III and wife Nora of Lehi, Utah, Michael Kovalscik of Bridgeville, PA, and Gary Kovalscik and wife Janis of Hensley, Arkansas; daughter, Debra Kovalscik and Darren of Washington, PA; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral services will be on Monday, Apr. 4, at 2 p.m. at the McElhenney Community Church in Grassy Meadows with

Pastor Bob Berchtold and Pastor John Leheny officiating. Burial will follow in the McElhenney Church Cemetery, Grassy Meadows.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

For those wishing to show an expression of sympathy, donations may be made in memory of Mr. Kovalscik to any Christian Ukrainian Relief Fund.

Online condolences and memories may be shared with the Kovalscik family at www.lobbanfh.com.

Arrangements by Lobban Funeral Home, Alderson, WV.

will follow in Rosewood Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Friday, Apr. 1, from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Donnie Peter Fick

Alderson-Donnie Peter "Happy" Fick, 81, passed peacefully in his home in Riverside Rest on Monday, Mar. 21, 2022, surrounded by family.

Happy was, first and foremost, a family man. His wife, Patricia Fick, was always by his side, as were his daughters, Alyson, Anna, Megan, and Kim. Happy loved to be with his girls and their families to enjoy playing with grandchildren, music, good food, and laughter.

Happy was a man of varied interests, always active and athletic. A life-long learner, no craft or art form was out of his capability to attempt and study. His family and friends treasure the many handmade gifts that they received, including pottery, stained glass, jewelry, clothing, and paintings. His most famous hobby was baking, and he loved to bake bread for any special occasion.

Traveling was one of his favorite activities, especially to the beach to swim in the ocean but, after so many decades living in the mountains of West Virginia, he was always glad to come home. A legacy of being a loving husband, good father, friend to many, and member of the community are lasting memories of this wonderful man.

In lieu of flowers, the family is suggesting a donation to the Alderson Public Library, 115 Walnut Avenue, Alderson, WV 24910 or the Monroe County Public Library, 303 S. Main Street, Union, WV 24983.

In keeping with his wishes, his body was cremated.

Lantz Funeral Home, Alderson was in charge of the arrangements.

Online condolences may be made at Lantzfuneralhome.com

Westminster, MD-**Texie Carol Gragg**, 73, passed away suddenly on Friday, Mar. 25, 2022 at her home.

Carol was the loving wife of James Lee Gragg, her husband of 55 years. Carol was born in Lewisburg, WV, on Feb. 25, 1949 to the late Nita Edna Hanna Legg and Leslie Grant Legg.

In addition to her husband, Carol is survived by her children, Michael Lee Gragg, Christy Lynn Gragg Dolin and Brent Alan Gragg. She will also be greatly missed by her 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and loving nieces and nephews.

Carol was one of seven siblings, Elizabeth Imogene Legg Johnson, William Hanna, Lester Garnet, James Madison, Branford Wayne, and Bobby Warren Legg.

Time spent with family and friends brought Carol more joy than anything. She looked forward to family vacation at the beach and loved spoiling her grandkids.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Apr. 2 at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg, with Pastor Michael Loudermilk officiating. Burial

will follow in Rosewood Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Friday, Apr. 1, from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Arrangements by Lobban Funeral Home, Alderson, WV.

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D.A.R.E. to Succeed award winners announced



D.A.R.E. winners: Deputy S.L. Morris (left), Addison Brant, Hydee Wykle, and Gregory Guet

D.A.R.E. to Succeed Award winners have been announced for the second nine-week grading period at Eastern Greenbrier Middle School. The winners are: Addison Brant, sixth grade; Hydee Wykle, seventh grade; and Gregory Guet, eighth grade.

The students were selected based on their academic performance and attendance during the first nine-week grading period. Each student received a certificate, a personalized locker sticker, and a coupon book from Dairy Queen in Fairlea, good for one mini-blizzard a week for nine weeks. Thanks to each student for their hard work!

EGMS partners with Seneca Mental Health



Monica Bowyer (left) (Seneca Mental Health), Deputy Morris, SGA President Kimberlie Butler, SGA Vice-President Skylar Shockley, 8th Grade Counselor Mrs. Morgan, Asst. Principal Mrs. Bennet

Deputy S.L. Morris, EGMS Prevention Resource Officer, recently partnered with Monica Bowyer of Seneca Mental Health to host an informational table during each grade-level lunch on Mar. 2. Mrs. Bowyer was available to share

information and speak to students about mental health issues, including depression and suicide prevention. The literature was provided by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), and Seneca Mental Health.

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A Look Back



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By William "Skip" Deegans
Shown in this 1947-1948 photo taken in Alderson is the Chesapeake & Ohio (C&O) Railroad's experimental M1 500 electric turbine locomotive. In 1945, railroads were switching fuel from coal to oil. Some 30% of the C&O's freight was coal, and their executives were reluctant to switch. Moreover, they predicted our oil reserves would be exhausted in 25-30 years. As an alternative, C&O

developed three electric locomotives. Coal, carried in a hopper in the front of the locomotive, was used to generate 4,000,000 watts of power to run electrical traction motors. These were the world's largest locomotives that generated 6,000 horsepower and weighed 1,360,000 lbs. Much like today's electric car manufacturers, C&O figured it would have lower maintenance costs because there would be fewer moving parts. Unfortunately, they were wrong as the locomotives broke down con-

tinually. The streamlined looking M1s were designed to pull luxurious stainless steel passenger cars to be used on the Cincinnati to Washington, DC route. The train was named The Chessie after C&O's kitten mascot. It included four dome cars, a theatre, and a warm water aquarium with tropical fish. C&O's venture was ill-fated. Passenger rail traffic fell dramatically in the post-war years, and the B&O Railroad presented stiff competition with their Cincinnati to Wash-

ington train. The C&O scrapped the three M1s in 1950, and the deluxe passenger cars were conveyed to other railroads. Some of the coaches were shipped to Argentina where they were used from 1951 until 2015. A few remnants of C&O's grand plan at modernizing its railroad may still be seen locally - the restored Amtrak station at Prince and the contemporary designed Fort Springs Tunnel.
Sources: Railway Magazine, Popular Mechanics, www.steamlocomotive.com, AmtrakGuy365.

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Thursday, April 7th, 1 pm to 6 pm
Friday, April 8th, 9 am to 6 pm
Saturday, April 9th, 9 am to 6 pm
Sunday, April 10th, 1 pm to 4 pm
Monday, April 11th, 1 pm to 6 pm

Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards seeks volunteers

Following on the enthusiastic response to its first season in 2021, the Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards is looking for volunteers to greet and assist visitors at the trailheads of Dolly Sods Wilderness in the Monongahela National Forest, WV. The "Trailhead Stewards" serve as resource for visitors, helping them have a safe and enjoyable wilderness experience while working to preserve Dolly Sods for future visitors. Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards is a partnership between the USDA Forest Service and the West Virginia Highlands Conservancy.

The Trailhead Stewards help people entering the backcountry understand the unique nature of the wilderness, what to expect and how to prepare for the experience of a primitive area. They explain the rules and regulations for the wilderness and the principles of Leave No Trace practices. Trailhead Stewards often assist new visitors in planning a route or location that provides a "Dolly Sods experience" and works for their level of preparedness and available time. Stewards are stationed at the busiest trailheads during the busiest times on weekends and holidays.

Being a Trailhead Steward requires no specific background, skills or expertise,

other than a desire to support Dolly Sods. New Stewards receive training from staff of Monongahela National Forest and West Virginia Highlands Conservancy and work with an experienced Trailhead Steward for practice. There is no minimum time commitment, and those who live far away or who can only occasionally volunteer their time are welcome. West Virginia Highlands Conservancy provides a convenient means for volunteers to schedule themselves online for trailheads and shifts that work for their schedules. Stewards can join a private Facebook page and occasional gatherings for Stewards to share experiences and learning are planned.

One of the first Congressionally designated wilderness areas in the eastern United States, Dolly Sods is a unique high elevation plateau containing habitat similar to areas of Canada. Its scenic qualities and rugged beauty have attracted a steadily increasing number of visitors since its designation in 1974, and like many natural areas has seen a large influx of visitors during the pandemic. As a result, there has been increasing impact on its natural qualities and wilderness character.

See "Dolly Sods" _____ Page 12

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Greenbrier County Schools (GCS) intends to apply for a Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Center After School program grant for secondary schools. Anyone interested in taking part in this grant application with GCS should contact Vicky Cline (vccline@k12.wv.us) or Emily McCourt (emccourt@k12.wv.us) or call (304) 647-6484 as soon as possible.



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The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. All bidders holding valid bidding proposals will be notified of such deferment, delay or postponement and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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Chief Engineer of Programs and Performance Management
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**SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES
GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

The above named county board of education, having ascertained that the amount to be raised by a levy of taxes for the purposes and within the limits prescribed by statute or authorized by voters, does hereby propose to adopt the following levy rates to be laid on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of each class of property:

Class	Column E Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Current Expense Levy	
		Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I			
Personal Property	\$ -	19.40	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-
Class II			
Real Estate	1,005,644,150	38.80	3,901,899
Personal Property	3,239,106	-	12,568
Total Class II	1,008,883,256	-	3,914,467
Class III			
Real Estate	420,546,050	77.60	3,263,437
Personal Property	250,138,964	-	1,941,078
Public Utilities	125,350,402	-	972,719
Total Class III	796,035,416	-	6,177,234
Class IV			
Real Estate	169,988,080	77.60	1,319,108
Personal Property	79,720,735	-	618,633
Public Utilities	32,132,651	-	249,349
Total Class IV	281,841,466	-	2,187,090
Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections			
	\$ 2,086,760,138		\$ 12,278,791
Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies			
		3.50%	(429,758)
Less Allowance for Tax Discounts			
		1.00%	(118,490)
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing- see worksheet (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)			
			(1,663,687)
Net Projected Tax Collections, before allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund			
			10,066,856
Less - Allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)			
		2.00%	(201,337)
Projected Net Taxes to be Collected			
			\$ 9,865,519

SIGNED THIS 8th DAY OF MARCH, 2022, BY
Jeffrey Bryant
COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

**SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES
GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

Class	Excess Levy		Permanent Improvement		Bond Levy	
	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I						
Personal Property	11.475	\$ -	-	\$ -	6.09	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-	-	-	-
Class II						
Real Estate	22.95	2,370,953	-	-	12.18	1,224,875
Personal Property	-	7,434	-	-	-	3,945
Total Class II	-	2,315,387	-	-	-	1,228,820
Class III						
Real Estate	45.90	1,930,306	-	-	24.36	1,024,450
Personal Property	-	1,148,138	-	-	-	609,339
Public Utilities	-	575,358	-	-	-	305,354
Total Class III	-	3,653,802	-	-	-	1,939,143
Class IV						
Real Estate	45.90	780,245	-	-	24.36	414,091
Personal Property	-	365,918	-	-	-	194,200
Public Utilities	-	147,489	-	-	-	78,275
Total Class IV	-	1,293,652	-	-	-	686,566
Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections						
	\$ 7,262,841		\$ -		\$ 3,854,529	
Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies						
		3.50%	(254,199)	3.50%	-	9.03%
Less Allowance for Tax Discounts						
		1.00%	(70,086)	1.00%	-	-
Projected Net Taxes to be Collected						
	\$ 6,938,556		\$ -		\$ 3,506,500	
Total Projected Net Taxes from Regular and Excess Levies						
	\$ 16,804,075					

**SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES
ALLOWANCE FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING
GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023**

Class	Column C Roll Back Value Form	Current Expense Levy	
		Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I			
Personal Property	\$ -	19.40	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-
Class II			
Real Estate	258,880,570	38.80	1,004,457
Personal Property	-	-	-
Total Class II	258,880,570	-	1,004,457
Class III			
Real Estate	80,087,450	77.60	621,479
Personal Property	-	-	-
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class III	80,087,450	-	621,479
Class IV			
Real Estate	14,775,120	77.60	114,655
Personal Property	109,832	-	852
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class IV	14,884,952	-	115,507
Total Value & Projected Revenue			
	\$ 353,852,972		\$ 1,741,443
Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies			
		3.50%	(60,951)
Less Allowance for Tax Discounts			
		1.00%	(16,805)
Allowance for Tax Increment Financing			
			1,663,687

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**WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division of Highways
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until May 10, 2022 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call	Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
004	2020001160	U399-RPM-22 00	HSIP-2022(001)D	PAVEMENT MARKING 2022 RPM DISTRICTS 1, 2, 6, 7, 9 & 10 Sidewalk COUNTY: Ohio, Wetzel, Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Barbour, Upshur, Lewis, Clay, Nicholas, Greenbrier, Cabell, Wayne, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo, Boone, Braxton, Gilmer, Fayette, Raleigh

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractors' licence is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code. All contractors submitting bids on project(s) must include one of the following forms properly executed with each proposal: Proposal Guaranty Bond, Cashier's Check, or Certified Check for \$500.00 or 5% of the total bid, whichever is greater. *These are projects on which any contractor with a Category "W" Prequalification Rating may be eligible to bid.

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The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division of Highways
Kenneth T. Given
for Gehan M. Elsayed, P.E., Ph.D.
Chief Engineer of Programs and Performance Management
Deputy State Highway Engineer

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**FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023
LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK), WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

REVENUE SOURCE		
Assigned Fund Balance		258
Unassigned Fund Balance		49,870
Property Taxes - Current Expense		20,698
Tax Penalties, Interest & Publication Fees		40
Gas & Oil Severance Tax		250
Excise Tax on Utilities		1,774
Business & Occupation Tax		216
Wine & Liquor Tax		119
Animal Control Tax		51
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)		2,145
Parks & Recreation		100
State Government Grants		400
Other Grants		1,200
Gaming Income		16,987
Video Lottery (LVL)		398
Miscellaneous Revenues		304
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)	\$	94,810

COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND		
Assigned Fund Balance		\$ 502
Coal Severance Tax		130
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND)	\$	632

ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES		
Mayor's Office		1,350
City Council		2,250
Recorder's Office		2,250
City Attorney		10,000
Regional Development Authority		150
City Hall		26,558
Other buildings		1,500
Fire Department		500
Dog Warden / Humane Society		500
Ambulance Authority		500
Streets and Highways		10,000
Snow Removal		10,000
Parks & Recreation		5,000
Fair Associations / Festivals		6,000
Civic Promotions		1,000
Beautification Programs		1,000
Capital Projects - Street and Transportation		16,552
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$	94,810

MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK), WEST VIRGINIA		
General Fund		Coal Severance Fund

MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK), WEST VIRGINIA		
Mayor's Office		-
City Council		-
Recorder's Office		-
City Attorney		-
Regional Development Authority		-
City Hall		-
Other buildings		-
Fire Department		-
Dog Warden / Humane Society		-
Ambulance Authority		-
Streets and Highways		-
Snow Removal		-
Parks & Recreation		-
Fair Associations / Festivals		-
Civic Promotions		-
Beautification Programs		-
Capital Projects - Street and Transportation		-
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$	632

**MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK), WEST VIRGINIA
Regular Current Expense Levy
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023**

CLASS	Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
CLASS I			
Personal Property	\$ 0	12.50	\$ 0
Public Utility	0	-	0
Total Class I	\$ 0	-	\$ 0
CLASS II			
Real Estate	\$ 2,465,680	25.00	\$ 6,164
Personal Property	6,606	-	17
Total Class II	\$ 2,472,286	-	\$ 6,181
CLASS IV			
Real Estate	\$ 825,000	50.00	\$ 4,125
Personal Property	637,720	-	3,189
Public Utility	1,838,099	-	9,190
Total Class IV	\$ 3,300,819	-	\$ 16,504

Total Value & Projected Revenue		
	\$ 5,773,105	\$ 22,685
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes		
		5.00%
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate)		
		2.00%
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)		
		-
Total Projected Property Tax Collection		
		\$ 21,120
Less Assessor Valuation Fund		
		2.00%
(Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)		
		\$ 20,698

**MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK), WEST VIRGINIA
Excess Levy / Levies
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023**

CLASS	Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
CLASS I			
Personal Property	\$ 0	0.00	\$ 0
Public Utility	0	-	0
Total Class I	\$ 0	-	\$ 0
CLASS II			
Real Estate	\$ 2,465,680	0.00	\$ 0
Personal Property	6,606	-	0
Total Class II	\$ 2,472,286	-	\$ 0
CLASS IV			
Real Estate	\$ 825,000	0.00	\$ 0
Personal Property	637,720	-	0
Public Utility	1,838,099	-	0
Total Class IV	\$ 3,300,819	-	\$ 0

Total Value & Projected Revenue		
	\$ 5,773,105	\$ 0
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes		
		5.00%
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate)		
		2.00%
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Budget Purposes		
		\$ 0

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF Greenbrier
MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK)

I, Melinda Workman, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 22nd day of March, 2022.

Melinda L. Workman
(Signature)
Town Recorder
(Official Title of Recording Officer)

Spring Crafter/Vendor Show set for April 8 and 9

A Spring Crafter and Vendor Show will be held at the American Heritage Music Hall in Ronceverte on the Island Park on Friday, Apr. 8, from 2 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Apr. 9, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Approximately 30 local vendors will be set up including Helen Dosier, Kay Shafer, Millie Arbaugh, Dinah Rhodes and Lionel

Brought, Tina Fox, Tammy Lyall, Linda Gabbert, Amy Thompson, Autumn Howard, Rebecca Simpson, Bonnie Mitchell, Jill McCully and Ashley Myatt, Amy Shelton, Beth Vuolo, Karen Campbell, the Ronceverte River Festival with Duck Tickets, Chris Altizer, Kelsey Peters, Katie Davis, Kimberlyn Baker, Katrina Pittman,

Melissa Crane, Carrie Huffman, and others.

This is a great opportunity to do some Easter shopping, or to shop for spring decorating. There will be door prize drawings throughout the day with 50/50 tickets. A large Easter Basket is to be raffled with the drawing on Saturday evening at 4 p.m. Tickets can be purchased \$1 a ticket or six tickets for \$5. The basket is valued at about \$75. On Saturday there will be filled Easter eggs for all the children, all have candy except for some that will have a special gift to go with it. So bring all the little ones out to enjoy the chance to win a special gift. Food concessions will be available. All set up fees from vendors, food sales, one half of the 50/50, and the basket raf-

fle goes to the music hall.

The music hall is a non-profit organization and needs support from the community. The music hall is open to the public of all ages, no smoking or alcoholic beverages are allowed. The Hall is open every Tuesday from 7 to 10 p.m. with local musicians for a jam session. There is a \$7 cover charge on Tuesdays. The fourth Saturday of every month a live band is on stage to provide dancing music or just to sit and listen to from 7 to 10:30 p.m. with a \$10 cover charge.

Tuesdays and Saturdays a covered dish meal is offered. Doors open at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Saturdays. We invite you to come out to enjoy the weekend and support the local crafters and vendors and the music hall.

Raffle quilt tickets now on sale



The Alderson Quilt Guild celebrated its 30th anniversary Monday, Mar. 28, with a luncheon held at the Alderson Presbyterian Church. The event was well attended with 20 members and two guests who enjoyed viewing pictures of previous quilts, blue ribbon winners as well as recently finished projects.

Tickets for the 2022 Raffle Quilt, Mountain Maze, are now on sale through members or the Lewisburg Visitors Center. The Guild's quilt show for National Quilt Month ends at the Visitors Center Wednesday, Mar. 30; however, the Raffle Quilt will be on display for ticket sales on First Friday, Apr. 1.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Hero-worship
 - 8 Not — (fair to middling)
 - 13 Gave a prize to
 - 20 Big name in cassette tapes, once
 - 21 Bad booze
 - 22 "Wouldn't It Be —" ("My Fair Lady" song)
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 26 Came after that
 - 27 Violin master Mischa
 - 28 Library no-no
 - 29 Aflame
 - 32 "Every day — new day"
 - 33 ETs' craft
 - 34 Brief tussle
 - 36 Riddle, part 2
 - 44 Not wholly amount
 - 45 "Cool" moola
 - 46 Bottom
 - 47 Pro-school gp.
 - 48 "Hi, Don Ho!"
 - 49 Tease in fun
 - 51 Store window info: Abbr.
 - 52 Smear all over
 - 55 Riddle, part 3
 - 57 — -bah (big wheel: Var.)
 - 58 Reach as far as
 - 59 "On the Beach" novelist
 - 60 Jimmy Dorsey hit
 - 62 More furtive
 - 63 "Uncle Moses" novelist
 - 66 Riddle, part 4
 - 69 Gen — (millennials)
 - 70 Rental for relocation
 - 72 Flip out
 - 73 Feudal toilers
 - 75 Novelty
 - 77 Miniver's title
 - 78 Riddle, part 5
 - 82 Moon of Neptune
 - 83 Be the victor
 - 84 Sci-fi sage
 - 85 Lasso part
 - 86 Suffix with east
 - 87 "Oh, really?"
 - 89 Country singer Tillis
 - 90 Charge to run a promo
 - 91 End of the riddle
 - 97 Firebug's crime
 - 98 Possible reply to "Are you sure?"
 - 99 "That's the guy!"
 - 100 Calendar spans: Abbr.
 - 101 Tehran native
 - 104 Candle parts
 - 106 Dominion
 - 109 Riddle's answer
 - 115 Barbuda's partner island
 - 116 — two (a few)
 - 117 Books filled with maps
 - 118 Most sharp
 - 119 Space of "3 Women"
 - 120 Pedicure target
- DOWN**
- 1 Pal, to Pierre
 - 2 Dict. lookup
 - 3 Thurman of "Kill Bill"
 - 4 Ear feature
 - 5 Make — for it (take off)
 - 6 Tautness
 - 7 Alibi, e.g.
 - 8 Like many horse hooves
 - 9 Reaction to a punch
 - 10 Optimistic
 - 11 Leopardlike animal
 - 12 — McAn (big name in footwear)
 - 13 Format of AP Radio Network
 - 14 "Alas!"
 - 15 Lemmon/Wilder comedy
 - 16 Take hold again, as a plant
 - 17 Three, in Munich
 - 18 Yale alumni
 - 19 Bit of force
 - 24 Try, as a case
 - 25 Turkish VIPs of old
 - 29 Wash gently against, as the shore
 - 30 Novelist Calvino
 - 31 Dice toss
 - 33 Infantry division
 - 35 1990s fitness fad
 - 37 Tom Cruise's role in "Mission: Impossible"
 - 38 Get — start (not begin on time)
 - 39 "Sure, put me down for it"
 - 40 Not in the country
 - 41 Neck and neck, scorewise
 - 42 Fix at the vet's
 - 43 Eva, Magda and Zsa Zsa
 - 49 Objects
 - 50 Middle name of Emerson
 - 51 Rhino's pair
 - 53 Canon camera series
 - 54 Under oath legally
 - 56 Roman 106
 - 57 Odists, e.g.
 - 58 Swiss canton or its capital
 - 60 Reject rudely
 - 61 Lay new turf on
 - 63 Her niece is Dorothy Gale
 - 64 Shepherd once of "The View"
 - 65 Sounding like a crow
 - 67 Bad blood
 - 68 Prefix with cuspid
 - 71 Zodiac feline
 - 74 Italian handbag brand
 - 76 Pouty states
 - 78 Shed feathers
 - 79 Composer Carmichael
 - 80 On the move
 - 81 Many minors
 - 83 Hot dog, informally
 - 84 Rural assent to a woman
 - 88 Feline in competitions
 - 89 Ailment with red spots
 - 90 Confess about
 - 92 Submit, as homework
 - 93 Emergency room sorting
 - 94 Waikiki wear
 - 95 "Alas!"
 - 96 Bites lightly
 - 101 "Out of Africa" writer Dinesen
 - 102 Bit of Viking writing
 - 103 Poker post
 - 105 Corp. money handlers
 - 106 "Climb — Mountain"
 - 107 Make mad
 - 108 Israeli statesman Abba
 - 110 Frat letters
 - 111 Calendar spans: Abbr.
 - 112 Onetime foe of the USSR
 - 113 Waikiki wear
 - 114 Immigrants' class, in brief

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HOCUS-FOCUS



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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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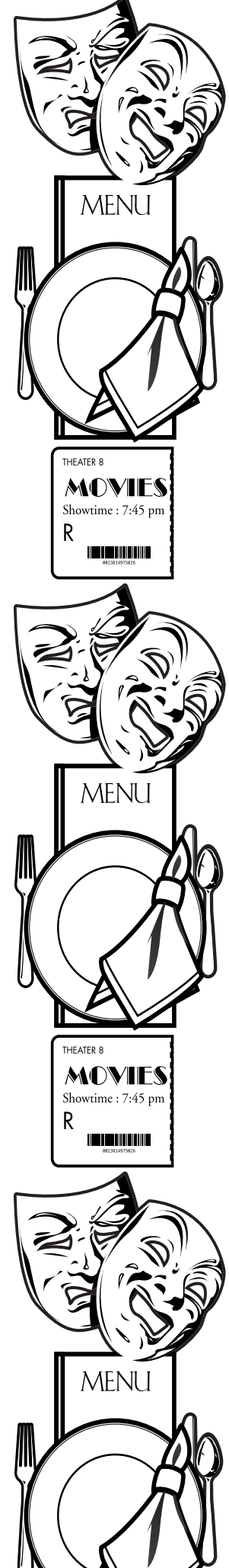
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Delight TASTER

"Well, our class had its first drop-out—the _____."

TODAY'S WORD



STEPPIN' OUT

State Fair to celebrate 'Almost Summer in Almost Heaven'



The State Fair of West Virginia is celebrating the soon-to-be warmer weather on Saturday, Apr. 23, with "Almost Summer in Almost Heaven," a new family-friendly celebration at the State Fairgrounds in Lewisburg.

Set for 1 to 8 p.m., "Almost Summer in Almost Heaven," will feature a car show, live music, fair food, shopping, activities for kids, cornhole, and disc golf tournaments. Tickets for this event will only be available for purchase the day of. Adults 11 and older will be \$5 to enter, and children 10 and under are free.

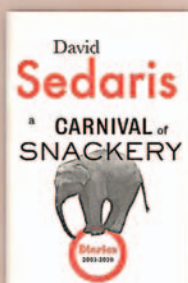
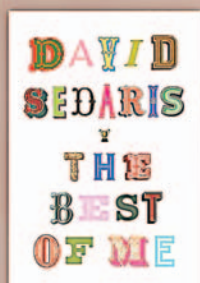
"The mission of this event is to bring families out to kick off summer and enjoy time together," Event Organizer Ellen Dillon stated. "We will have activities for all ages at this event and hope that folks can come out to enjoy."

Live entertainment throughout the day includes some hometown favorites; Seldom Free, Element of Us, The Half Bad Bluegrass Band, Cody Wickline, and Cody Clayton Eagle, who was recently seen on American Idol.

Registration is required for the tournaments and car show. Applications can be found on our website, www.statefairwv.com, or by calling the office at 304-645-1090.

For more information or to get registered, please visit the State Fair of West Virginia website and look for Almost Summer in Almost Heaven tab.

AN EVENING WITH DAVID SEDARIS



Bestselling author David Sedaris brings his humor to Lewisburg

David Sedaris, whose humorous essay collections have topped the New York Times Bestseller List for nearly 30 years, will appear at Carnegie Hall in Lewisburg on Wednesday, Apr. 6, at 7:30 p.m.

Sedaris, whose books have sold over 15 million copies, says he's made a career by being true to himself. His wry, satirical writing often concerns the eccentricities of his

family members, including his sister, the actress Amy Sedaris. He is a regular contributor to Public Radio's "This American Life," and his essays are published regularly in The New Yorker. Unlike most authors who tour, David's "readings" are best described as comic performances. He enjoys meeting and talking with fans, and his legendary book signings after shows have been

known to stretch into the wee hours.

David Sedaris' Carnegie Hall appearance, part of his spring book tour, is sponsored by the Lewisburg Literary Group, who present the annual Lewisburg Literary Festival in August. Tickets are available at www.lewisburgliteraryfestival.com or by calling the Carnegie Hall box office at 304-645-7917.

Trillium Performing Youth 25th Year Reunion Showcase

Come celebrate the 25th anniversary of Trillium Performing Youth at the Reunion Showcase Apr. 8 and 9 at the Historic Lewis Theatre. Established as The Performance Group in 1997 by Beth

White, TPY has provided free performances for public and private schools, residential homes for elderly, and regional festivals annually.

Present Artistic Director Carli Mare-See "Trillium" _ Page 12



Family Fun Paint Dates with Sandra Schmocker announced



Woolly Lambs Paint Class by Sandra Schmocker

Carnegie Hall's Spring Classes & Workshops features a Family Fun Series that offers fun-filled education and entertaining activities great for all ages. Artist Sandra Schmocker will teach students for two paint dates which are great for the whole family.

Bring the family and take a two-hour painting adventure with the Woolly Lambs Paint Class on Saturday, Apr. 9, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Students will learn to paint fat, happy sheep grazing on rolling hills with a beautiful blue-sky background. The finished product will be ideal for the Easter table. No stress for this "paint night" style class, just a lot of fun

On Saturday, May 7, from 12 noon to 2 p.m., Schmocker will host the Floral Owl Paint Class. This class, designed for beginners, will teach students step-by-step how to create

a one-of-a-kind floral owl scene that would make a perfect gift for Mother's Day, or a beautiful display piece. A great experience for the whole family to relax together and enjoy this fun, no-stress class.

A painter since childhood, Schmocker's work ranges from acrylics to watercolors and mixed media. She paints a variety of subject matter which varies from the realistic to surreal.

Registration for each class is \$40 (\$35 for members) and students 18 years old and younger receive an automatic scholarship and pay only \$20. Students must be 12 years old and class size is limited. To enroll or for a complete list of classes and workshops visit carnegiehallwv.org/classes-and-workshops or pick up a Classes & Workshops brochure at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg.

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Coldwell Banker Stuart and Watts Real Estate continues to grow

Tom Johnson, Broker & Owner of Coldwell Bank Stuart and Watts Real Estate, has announced that his professional realtor team is growing as they have gained a very experienced realtor with

nearly 25 years real estate listing-selling experience.

"We want to welcome Debbie Echols to our team. Debbie is from the Lewisburg area and is excited to hit the ground

running as a full-time realtor. She is a responsive, honest realtor with integrity and is retired from USDA-Farm Service Agency with over 41 years of service. She knows the area very well and is waiting to help you with any of your Greenbrier Valley Area and surrounding counties real estate needs," said Johnson.

Echols is a member of the Greenbrier Valley Board of Realtors and has a per-

sonal website with listings and her own APP for any mobile device. She can be reached at 304-646-1551 or debechols@frontier.com.

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Dear Recycle Lady,

Dear Recycle Lady,

I was given a box of delicious candy for my birthday and all the small pieces of candy were wrapped in aluminum foil. Are small pieces of foil recyclable? Do they cause problems for the equipment?

Candy Wrapper

Dear Candy Wrapper,

Good question. Locally we are not able to accept small pieces of aluminum foil, but cities with high-end recycling equipment may be able to do so. Small pieces of any recyclables tend to fall out during baling, potentially causing problems or even stopping the entire process. One solution would be to place the small pieces inside a larger piece so they were contained and would withstand processing.

Dear Recycle Lady,

A couple weeks ago you said that dog food bags stuffed with cardboard could not be recycled. However, when the bag is opened, one can see cardboard between the two outside layers. Why can't this bag be recycled with cardboard along with the cardboard inside?

Dog Lover & Recycler

Dear Dog Lover & Recycler,

Dog food bags do have cardboard fillers inside the two outside layers, but in order to recycle that cardboard, you would need to remove the outside layers first. Bags that contain food are made of plastic for strength and are waxed so that food doesn't leak out. In regard to the cardboard stuffed inside the dog food bag, it is recyclable, but it must be removed from the bag and put in the cardboard bin. When the entire bag full of cardboard is put in the bin, the bag and contents go in the trash. The Recycle Center doesn't have the staff to remove the cardboard, or any recyclables from a bag, nor can they recycle any bags. Please put all recyclables in the correct bins and take the single-use, plastic grocery bags to Kroger, Walmart or Lowes for recycling. Bags, such a dog food bags, go in the trash.

Dear Recycle Lady,

Why should we recycle? Recently, I read a news article stating that some



places are either discontinuing recycling or taking items put in recycle bins to the landfill.

Hope This is Not True

Dear Hope This is Not True,

Absolutely, this is not true. Recycling is on the increase and prices paid for recyclables are increasing. For example, in January 2021, the Recycle Center shipped out 78 tons of recyclables. In January 2022 they shipped out 111 tons of recyclables, which is nearly 50% more than last year!

Recycling protects our environment. It reduces waste and reuses valuable resources. It helps to provide a cleaner, greener tomorrow for ourselves and for future generations. For example, recycled aluminum saves 95% of the energy that would be required to make new aluminum from ore. Every day, new items are being created from recycled materials. Recycling five two-liter plastic bottles can produce enough fiberfill to make a small ski jacket, and recycling 36 bottles can fill a sleeping bag. More than 50% of the carpet fiber manufactured in the USA has two-liter bottle content. Recycling also conserves landfill space. As a state we dispose of nearly 2 million tons of municipal solid waste annually. This means that each of us generates an average of 4 pounds of waste per day. About 90% of this waste is buried in landfills across the state. Yet, nearly half of our household trash is recyclable. Greenbrier Solid Waste is now opening a new cell at the landfill that covers four acres and, when full, will be over 100 feet deep. That's a lot of trash!

"There is no such thing as 'away.' When we throw anything away, it must go somewhere."

Annie Leonard, The Story of Stuff

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 and Greenworks Recycling.

Dolly Sods

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Dolly Sods Wilderness Stewards was formed in 2021 to leverage volunteer action to assist the Monongahela National Forest with managing and protecting the wilderness character of Dolly Sods. By educating visitors about the values of wilderness and low impact practices the Stewards hope to preserve the wilderness for the enjoyment of future generations and avoid the need for restrictions on visitor access that have been implemented in other popular natural areas.

The Wilderness Stewards program also

needs volunteers for other activities, such as maintaining trailhead registration boxes; monitoring encounters and opportunities for solitude on backcountry trails; taking a detailed inventory of campsites; and maintaining trails under the direction of Forest Service staff. Teams will be forming for some of these projects in early summer.

The next training for Trailhead Stewards is tentatively planned for late May. For more information or to sign up, go to www.wvhighlands.org or <https://bit.ly/3pBjyV>.

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Trillium

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neck comments, "TPY is a unique program for teenagers that uses dance as a platform to build discipline, trust and expansive expression and offers opportunities to work with professional choreographers from around the country." Trillium Performing Arts provides support and scholarships for the program.

The Reunion Showcase will feature dances performed by current TPY members as well as four TPY alumni that have pursued dance as a profession. Alum Faith Levine joined the first TPY at age 15, and with support from Beth White became the youngest choreographer to adjudicate for the WV Dance Festival. She helped direct both TPY and the Alderson Dance Ensemble founded by Adrienne Biesemeyer. After earning her BFA from University of Utah she taught at Portland State University. She now teaches at her own Pilates Studio in Charlottesville and choreographs at colleges regionally. She will perform a new solo in the Reunion Showcase.

Laura Gorsuch also joined TPY at its inception in 1997. She went on to major in dance at Radford University and is now a counselor and dance teacher at St. Catherines in Richmond. In addition, Laura co-directs RADAR. The Company was recently honored as the 2021 Best Professional Dance Company by the Richmond Dance Awards. Known for creating full length, conceptually driven concerts, the company also provides quality training

to young dancers. RADAR will share 3 beautiful works from their repertoire.

Alum Ross Honaker began dancing with TPY in 2008 and earned his BFA at VCU. He then danced in NYC where he was privileged to perform with Doug Varone and Dancers at BAM, VIVO Ballet and Arch 8 in Amsterdam. This year he has enriched TPY as a teacher and choreographer and will perform a new solo in April. Ross is a licensed massage therapist and recently opened Valley Health Massage in Lewisburg.

Cyan Maroney danced with both TPY and Alderson Dance Ensemble before earning her dance degree at Connecticut College. She went on to perform professionally with WV Dance Company and Theater WV. Although Cyan is no longer with us we still treasure her and she will be remembered through a short film during the concert.

The Showcase will conclude with a dance by Shannon Hummel, director of CORA Dance. Former TPY members are invited to join on stage during the final dance.

Shows will be Friday, Apr. 8, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Apr. 9, at 1 p.m. For more information call 304-645-3003.

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