## Local dancer pursues her dreams in California

Kayla Hutchens may have Lewisburg small-town roots, but she's making it in the big leagues on the west coast

By Sarah Richardson

Kayla Hutchens has known that dancing was her passion nearly her entire life. Born and raised in the Mountain State, she started dance classes when she was attending Eastern Greenbrier Middle School as a child. Little did she know that choice would snowball into a full-blown career that would eventually take her across the country.

"My whole life I've loved dancing and singing around the house," said Hutchens. "I started dancing in sixth grade and I had a choir teacher named Shelly Neal, she's the choir teacher at the middle school, and we would do little dances in her class. One day she came up to me and told me I should join her dance studio. I went home and said, 'Mom, I want to be a dancer and join the dance studio.' My mom let me join and the rest is history, I've been dancing ever since then."

She credits Mrs. Neal for getting her started, saying, "It's always been a super special part of me, and I'm super glad that I had Shelly to direct me into dancing."

After participating in numerous dance competitions and performances over the years, including big-stage shows at DisneyLand, Disney World, and Hawaii, Hutchens continued to work diligently to perfect her craft. She learned a variety of dance styles including contemporary, jazz, and funk, but ultimately found her true passion to be in hip hop.

After graduating from Greenbrier East High School in 2016, she quickly made the jump to Los Angeles, California, where she attended several classes at the AMDA (American Music Dramatic Academy) and had more opportunities for professional dance work.

"I love Lewisburg, its super special how close everybody is there," she said. "But coming from there to L.A., especially Hollywood, it was a culture shock. There is so much going on out here and it's so fast-paced."

She credits having lots of support from people back home for keeping her going through the transition.

"They say out here if you can handle L.A. for a year



Kayla Hutchens (left) behind the scenes of the hit music video "Me or Sum" by Nardo Wick featuring Future and Lil Baby.

then you can make it. This place will eat you up and spit you out if you let it. What has helped me is the support from back home, and keeping a good head on my shoulders and good people around me. That's definitely what has grounded me and kept be sane out here. It can make you crazy out here sometimes for sure."

This October will mark six years that Kayla has been living out west, and over the years she has participated in several large projects, including Coachella.

"I never signed with an agency; I kinda just wanted to do everything on my own. One of my teachers at AMDA, Fresh Redding, is very well known out here for dancing and choreographing, and he actually booked me my first job in 2019. It was my first big job, I had done other small things,

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Hutchens moved from Lewisburg to Los Angeles to pursue her dancing and modeling career in 2016 and has landed spots in several internationally-known projects, including Coachella.

## Lewisburg Home and Garden Tour announces stops

The Lewisburg Home and Garden Tour is back in 2022! This year on Saturday, June 11, the Tour will feature 12 stops across Lewisburg and White Sulphur Springs to welcome the event back to the Greenbrier Valley. After two years away, the garden clubs of the Greenbrier Valley look forward to hosting the tour once again and welcoming area residents.

Tickets are \$25 and will be available in advance from the Greenbrier County Convention and Visitor's Bureau, the North House Museum, The General Lewis Inn, White Sulphur Springs City Hall, and from garden club members. The tour will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and tickets will be available dayof at each of the featured homes. Following the tour, from 1 to 4 p.m., complimentary tea and cookies will be available at The General Lewis Inn in Lewisburg.

All proceeds from the tour will benefit civic projects by the Bluebell Garden Club, Greenbrier Gardeners, Lewisburg House & Garden Club, Old White Garden Club, and Savannah Garden Club.

This year, the tour features: 1. The Craddock-Johnson House - Built in the late 1860s, this two-story clapboard, reverse L-

shaped home is on the National Historic Register. The home has been beautifully designed by Michelline and David Johnson with the assistance of Suzanne Perilli Interiors. The changes reflect a modern way of living while maintaining features such as the floors and

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woodwork. Michelline and David say that, if they had to choose, the music room is their favorite, and the best renovations are the downstairs bathroom and the flying concrete sink.

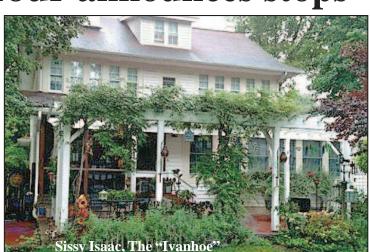
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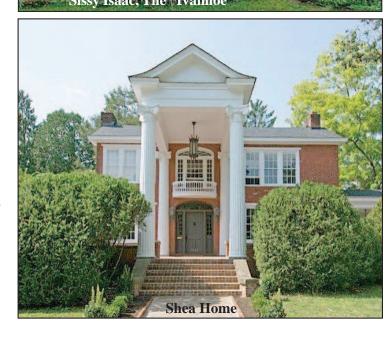
3. Walls Fine Art Gallery and Dwarf Apple Quarter - Walls Fine Art founders, Nancy Marshall and David Leadman, moved their business and home in 2016 into the current Main Street East building. Now, the building is transformed into a bohemian combination of business, fine arts, residence, and garden. The "Food and Forest" city garden features dwarf (and not-so-dwarf) fruit trees, hardy kiwi, berries, asparagus, and herbs. Plants are selected and included to highlight one or more of the following: shade, pollination, medicine, nitrogen repair, and of course, beauty.

4. St. Thomas Episcopal Church

5. Sissy Isaac, The "Ivanhoe" - This 1913 Sears Mail-Order House was delivered to Ronceverte by rail, brought to Lewisburg by horse and wagon, and was listed as "Modern Home No. 200," also known as The

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### Brad Paisley special guest at GameChanger Greenbrier Event June 1 Country Music superstar will speak at Golf Classic dinner

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Global country music superstar and West Virginia native Brad Paislev will be the keynote speaker at the second annual GameChanger Golf Classic Dinner Wednesday, June 1, at the world-famous Greenbrier Resort in White Sulphur Springs.

The MVB Bank - GameChanger Golf Classic and dinner along with a companion "Power of Prevention Luncheon" is a two-day affair to raise needed funding to implement a cutting-edge opioid and substance misuse prevention education program in West Virginia schools beginning this fall. The program was developed through an agreement with Hazelden-Betty Ford Foundation and in consultation with "Help and Hope WV" and the state's six prevention

lead organizations. Sponsored by MVB Bank, the two-day event begins with a reception at 6 p.m. on June 1 with the dinner highlighted by Paisley's appearance scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. The 18-hole Golf Scramble featuring celebrity captains from the business and sports world begins with a shotgun start on the Greenbrier's picturesque Old White course at 9 a.m. A golfer's breakfast precedes the event at 7:30 a.m. with the "Power of Prevention Luncheon" starting at 11 a.m.

Paisley, a native of Glen Dale in Marshall County, has earned his place in country music history as one of the genre's most talented and decorated male solo art-

ists. Over the past 22 years, his songwriting and unmatched showmanship have



Country music superstar Brad Paisley will speak at The Greenbrier this summer as part of the MVB Bank GameChanger Golf Classic.

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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.

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### **Local Candidate Primary Debate Forum scheduled released**

By Adam Pack

The times and dates for various primary election debate forums were released recently. Candidates running for School Board are scheduled to debate on Apr. 13 at the Underwood Building. This forum is pending candidate participation and does not yet have a set time.

Candidates for Board of Education include Hazel Flanagan Reed, Davina Ruth

Agee, Paula Sanford-Dunford, Derek S. McDaniel, Kay Smith, and Preston Zopp.

The forum for candidates running for the West Virginia House of Delegates and the West Virginia Senate will be on Apr. 19, at 7 p.m. at the Greenbrier Valley Theater.

Republican candidates for House District 46 include incumbent Mike Honaker, Karen McCoy, and Marc Alan Robinson. Democrats seeking their party's nomination are Joe Holt and Paul Detch. The Republican candidate for House District 47 is (incumbent) Todd Longanacre. He is challenged by Democrat Heather Hill. Both candidates have no primary challengers.

For the 10th Senatorial District, Republican candidates are Vince Deeds, Mike Steadham, and Thomas Perkins. They are challenging Democratic incumbent Stephen Baldwin, who has no primary challengers.

For those seeking positions in county office/circuit clerk, their forum will be Apr. 26, and 7 p.m. at the Underwood Building on the State Fairgrounds.

Those seeking the position of County Commissioner are Blaine Phillips (R) and DeEtta King Hunter (D). The candidates for County Clerk are Robin Yates Loudermilk (R) and Kayla M. McCoy (D). The candidates for Circuit Clerk are Louvonne L. Arbuckle (D)

and Jamie L. Baker (R).

Members of the public are encouraged to attend and submit questions for the candidates. Questions can be submitted at the forum itself, however, questions submitted to the Chamber of Commerce will be given priority. Questions can be submitted to director@greenbrierwvchamber.org

## Lewisburg Begonia Sale underway The annual Lewisburg in Bloom Red Dragonwing Begonia Fundraiser is under-

The annual Lewisburg in Bloom Red Dragonwing Begonia Fundraiser is underway! Grow your very own official Lewisburg Begonias as seen in the beautiful hang-

ing baskets in downtown Lewisburg. Each 5.5 inch pot of Begonias is \$6.50.

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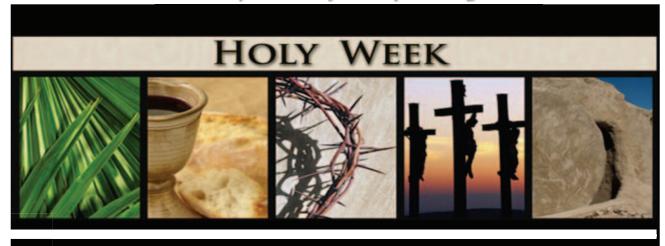
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### Arts and Recreation applications available from County Commission

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.

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### **Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions**

Logan A. Taylor, Lewisburg, 1) unsafe and improperly equipped vehicles, NCP, fine \$10; 2) no or expired MVI, fine \$10; 3) possession of controlled substance without valid prescription, fine \$100

Amanda Mae Hoke, Lindside, distracted driving - cell phone, GP, fine \$100

Tasha Lynn Anderson, Caldwell, speeding, GP, fine

Shawn Anthony Gill, Lewisburg, possession of a catalytic converter without authorization, NCP, fine \$100, jail 30 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation

Jeffrey E. Fleshman, Rupert, 1) no person may drive any motor vehicle on a street without a valid drivers license, fine \$25; 2) no vehicle insurance, fine \$200; 3) operation without cert. inspection or failure to produce certificate, fine \$10, NCP

Lucien Gonzales, Cincinnati, OH, speeding, NCP,

Kayla Hutchens

#### 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.

Greenbrier Co. Board of Education will meet in a special meeting Monday, Apr. 11 at 11

a.m. in the Kyle & Ann Fort Building (NRCTC), 653 Church Street, Lewisburg. On the agenda:

- Executive Session Student hearing per WV Code 18-5-1A
- Executive Session Out

### Historic Landmarks Commission

will meet Monday, Apr. 11, at 5 p.m. in the Paul R. Cooley Council Chambers, 942 Washington Street. Also available via teleconference. For more information please call City Hall at 304-645-2080 no later than Apr. 11 by 3 p.m. On the agenda:

- Approval of Minutes Mar. 3, 2022
- · Comments from the public
- Jeanette Chambers, 152 Harris Street install black steel fence
- Bruce & Cyndee Stapp, 297 Church Street repair and extend existing deck and relocate air condition unit

Elizabeth Destiny, 323 Lafayette Street - remove

- front porch steps and replace with concrete and stone, changing the steps from side to front, adding sidewalk and building 12'x23.6' deck in the back Paul Lindquist, 1030 Jefferson Street - replace
- screens on cistern house with glass on all four sides, add screen on the door, repair damaged wood and paint with Classic White, possibly adding a vent on the East side Robert Frank, 150 Bell Dr. - replace and modify
- Colin Rose, 951 Washington Street remove all second floor windows and replace with Pella **Architect Series** Traditional wood and aluminum clad windows

Colin Rose, 692 Jefferson Street - remove and

- replace damaged patio
- Comments from the Commissioners
- Comments from the Zoning Officer

The next scheduled meeting of the Lewisburg Historic Landmarks Commission will be Monday, May 9 at 5 p.m. with a deadline of Apr. 22.

#### Lewisburg Building Commission will meet in special session Tuesday, Apr. 12, at

5:30 p.m. in City Hall. On the agenda:

- Old Business
- New Business
  - Approve Minutes from prior meeting(s)

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but this was Coachella with Kanye West for his Sunday Service," she explained.

"It was the first religious performance to be done at Coachella, so it was cool to be part of that, and it was on Easter Sunday. That was my first big dance gig. Not only was it my first time there, but it was really cool because one of the choreographers that helped create Kanye's set was Fatima Robinson, and she is an icon in the dance community. It was a full circle moment for me because I really love Aaliyah, the late R&B singer, and Fatima actually choreographed all of her videos. It was crazy to be able to work with her. When I first found out I was going to be working with Fatima I was like, 'No way!' She also choreographed Michael Jackson's Remember the Time when she was 18 or 19. She's legendary."

However, after spending hours learning choreography for the show, there was a last minute change in plans.

"Kanye sometimes doesn't know what he wants exactly, so we learned all of this choreography, but the day of the show he decided that he didn't want any of it, he just wanted us to have fun," she said. "It was so pure and inspiring to just be there and be able to 'do you.' It sounds corny, but he wanted us to just feel the music and the people around us, and it was just a beautiful thing."

Later on Hutchens began modeling in addition to dancing, and has been in several music videos including the video for "Light It Up" by Chris Brown, Marshmello, and Tyga, and "Me or Sum" by Nardo Wick, Future, and Lil Baby.

The "Light It Up" video dropped two years ago and has amassed over 35 million views, and "Me or Sum" has racked up over 15 million views in just two months and is currently the 20th top music video on YouTube.

She just filmed a music video last week with the artist Blxst, and another video earlier this year that is still under wraps until closer to the release date.

"Most of the videos I'm doing now are more modeling," she explained, "Dancing has sort of slowed down in music videos. Back in the 90s and 2000s they used to have dance breaks and all that type of stuff in music videos, but now that's changing. I do hope it comes back to where dance is popular in videos."

Looking back on the last several years, she said it's been a great learning experience and a chance to grow

both professionally and personally.

"Overall, I've loved L.A. It's made me grow in ways that I wouldn't grow anywhere else because it's so fastpaced, it keeps you on your toes at all times, and you never know what's going to happen out here. It's also cool because you can just be walking down the street and see your favorite star."

Some advice Hutchens would recommend for up-andcoming dancers is to "Keep people around you that keep you grounded. It's good to keep people around you that are proud of you, but want to know what else you can do. And as a dancer, you have to love what you do to do it. It's not the easiest, you're going to hear a lot of no's, but all it takes is that one yes to change your life. You just have to go out of your comfort zone and throw yourself in the deep end, but it's also a beautiful thing because you grow a lot along with that."

Hutchens said she is grateful for the encouragement she gets from everyone in West Virginia that has followed her journey since the very beginning, including unwavering support from her grandparents Freda and Danny Hutchens.

"I would not have been able to do this without my grandparents," said Kayla. "I do just want to thank everyone for their support, and thank them for sharing my stuff and wanting to be a part of my journey. Some people just come around after you make it big, but it's the journey that is the special part and beautiful part because it's such a huge process. I want to thank everyone for sticking with me, it's really appreciated."

### For the Record

### **Deeds**

Leo K. McMillion, Jr. to Matthew S. McMillion, Lot No. 1, Section 8, Graham Addition, Lewisburg Corporate Dist. Bradford D. Jackson and Lisa K. Jackson to Arlene F. Jackson, 0.58 Acres, Frankford District

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William R. Allen to Courtney Breanna Frame and William Paul Frame, 16,008 Sq. Ft., Town of Rainelle Seldon M. Fuller to Brandon S. Roberts and Mallory Roberts, 1.27 Acres, Frankford District

Griffin J. King to Erik Stapleton and Angela Frisby, Lot

No. 2, Stone-Glen Subdivision, Lewisburg District

Public Meetings

- Conduct public hearing on proposed Ordinance approving and authorizing the design, acquisition, construction & equipping of a Public Works Building
- To consider on 3rd reading and act upon proposed Ordinance
- To consider and act upon any measures related to the foregoing

### Lewisburg City Council

will meet in special session Tuesday, Apr. 12, at 7 p.m. in City Hall. On the agenda:

- To conduct public hearing on proposed Ordinance authorizing and approving the conveyance of real property, fixtures and personal property and appurtenances to the City of Lewisburg Building Commission
- To consider on 2nd reading and act upon proposed Ordinance
- To consider on 1st reading and act upon proposed Ordinance authorizing the acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to existing Public Waterworks facilities
- To consider on 1st reading and act upon proposed Ordinance authorizing the refunding of the Water Revenue Bonds and the financing of the cost
- To consider on 1st reading and act upon proposed Ordinance authorizing the Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project
- To consider and act upon any measures related to the foregoing

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# **OPINION**

### Nature's Way

By Karen Cohen Master Gardener/Photojournalist/Artist **Listen to the Music** 

Many people suffer from seasonal disorders which cause them to be depressed in the winter. Some say it is due to the lack of sunshine. My remedy: not a lamp or a vacation, I get outside and WALK. Unfortunately some residential or country areas do not accommodate walking or jogging or biking for that matter. So we sit inside all winter long eating, watching TV sitting around and maybe getting depressed. Hmmm... also the perfect recipe for gaining weight and losing muscle.

Right now, make a plan to get outside in the fresh air no matter what the temperature is and get some exercise. Exercise has been proven to help dispel mild depression. Move it or lose it. This is the time to visit your yard, plant something in the ground and watch it grow. Trees, bushes, flowers, herbs or veggies, you have a plethora

Fresh air is stimulating and sunshine just makes you feel good. Sunshine also enables Vitamin D to go to work in our bodies. With so much time now spent indoors most people lack sufficient amounts of Vitamin D. Osteoporosis, the thin bone disease that affects both men and women, is on the rise. Exercise strengthens your heart and lungs along with all muscles that support your bones and make movement easier. Win-win

Interesting studies show that in the early morning when the birds are chattering and the crickets are stridulating, the sound frequencies stimulate plant growth. Research shows that plants' stomata open and close to take in nutrients such as water, air, and expel toxic substances. Did you know that plants have mouth-like pores on the underside of their leaves that widen? Plant bioacoustics is a nascent scientific field studying how sound, even music, can increase the oxygen intake of plants and lead to stronger growth. Is it possible to assume that the song of birds can do the same for humans?

The lack of eating green vegetables such as kale and spinach can lead to Vitamin B deficiencies. Mild depression can often be alleviated with Vitamin B supplements. We need to get back to eating healthy salad and greens rather than empty sugary or salty foods that pack calories and only add unwanted pounds.

It takes work and planning to keep your garden, your body and your mind healthy. It's all a matter of what you

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want to do with your time and your energy. If you can't get out and walk, turn on the radio, play light classical, country, even mellow rock and roll that lifts your spirits and can push away the gloom of a dreary day. When was the last time you danced as if no one was watching? You and your plants and yes, even your dog, will all feel happier moving and grooving.

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

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### Commentary

### Warner applauds Legislature and Governor for keeping future voting machines disconnected from Internet

Last week, Governor Jim Justice signed into law HB 4438 expanding the state's prohibition against voting machines connecting to the internet. Secretary of State Mac Warner, who initially requested the legislation, thanked the Senate, House of Delegates, and Governor for their unanimous approval of the proposal in a bipartisan fashion.

According to Warner, all current voting machines used in the state's 55 counties do not connect to the internet. Warner said he requested the legislation to update a law that did not take into consideration new types of machines and technology.

In West Virginia, voting machine manufacturers must be certified by both the federal U.S. Election Assistance Commission and the WV State Election Commission (SEC). The federal and state certification processes are substantial and rigorous, requiring all voting machines and upgrades to be vetted by multiple independent and bipartisan technology experts including a federally certified Voting System Testing Laboratory and West Virginia computer experts of different political parties appointed by the SEC. State certification is prohibited if any system is not first certified by the federal U.S. Election Assistance Commission, and counties are permitted to purchase only those machines approved by the SEC.

"This legislation increases security for West Virginia elections by ensuring that no voting machine in any county will ever be permitted to connect to the internet," Warner said. "This is yet another layer of security that builds voter confidence in the integrity and outcomes of our elections."

With the 2022 Primary Election right around the corner, citizens are reminded that all counties will publicly test their voting machines for logic and accuracy before the election. The public tests typically take place in the county courthouse or annex, but interested citizens are encouraged to contact their local county clerk to confirm the date, time and location.

For more information about the upcoming May 10 Primary Election, visit the WV Secretary of State's website at GoVoteWV.com

### **Brad Paisley**

won him numerous awards, including three GRAM-MYs, two American Music Awards, 15 Academy of Country Music Awards and 14 Country Music Association Awards including a highly coveted Entertainer of the Year honor and recognition as the most successful CMA Award host alongside Carrie Underwood for 11 consecutive years.

With the opioid and substance misuse problem continuing to grow in West Virginia and throughout the nation, Paisley says "this is a deadly problem, and I am honored to highlight the tremendous work of GameChanger." In addition to Paisley's keynote remarks, West Vir-

ginia Governor Jim Justice, who serves as Head Coach of GameChanger and under whose leadership the initiative has grown exponentially, will also deliver remarks as will West Virginia's United States Senators Joe Manchin and Shelley Moore Capito, who both endorse GameChanger.

"When I was governor, I was fortunate to get to know Brad and it's no surprise to me he's willing to give back to our great state of West Virginia by working with GameChanger," Manchin says. "Prevention and education are key to addressing the drug epidemic facing our nation, and GameChanger's collaboration with the Hazelden-Betty Ford Foundation and their recent collaboration with the DEA offers the kind of cutting-edge approach that gives West Virginia the best opportunity to succeed. West Virginia's youth will benefit from this evidenced-based approach and I'm proud to support GameChanger's incredible work in the Mountain Capito, who ironically is from Paisley's hometown

of Glen Dale in Marshall County, says she is looking forward to participating in such a worthwhile event and took time to laud Justice's leadership in such an important initiative as GameChanger.

"The Opioid and Substance Misuse epidemic is hurting West Virginia families and communities as well as families and communities across the nation and I am so pleased to see such a cutting-edge program as GameChanger meeting this issue head on," she says. "I also applaud Governor Justice for his vision in heading up such an effort. I am impressed with the partnerships formed with the Hazelden-Betty Ford Foundation and the DEA and I look forward to providing any help to

Joe Boczek, who founded GameChanger along with WVSSAC Executive Director Bernie Dolan and MVB Financial Corporation President Don Robinson and serves as its Executive Director, says, "Brad and his team went to unbelievable lengths schedule-wise to make his appearance possible. This is one of the top entertainers in our history and what he did to make this work shows the kind of man he is and the kind of West

GameChanger is a cooperative effort between the Governor's Office, the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission (WVSSAC), the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, the West Virginia Department of Education, the West Virginia Office of Drug Control Policy, the West Virginia Drug Intervention Institute, "Help and Hope WV" and the state's six prevention lead organizations.

### **About GameChanger**

A student-powered prevention movement, Game-Changer connects West Virginia students and the educators who care about them with the Hazelden-Betty Ford Foundation to build school environments which prevent student opioid and other drug use before it starts. GameChanger achieves this objective by working directly with schools to implement, monitor and

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sustain the Hazelden-Betty Foundation's student-peer leadership programs, found by research to help children make healthy choices about alcohol, opioids, and all other drugs. As a youth-led prevention, positive development, and community enhancement initiative, GameChanger programming is designed to educate, support, and empower young West Virginians to live healthy, drug free lifestyles while preparing to be our leaders of tomorrow.

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### **Home Tour**

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Ivanhoe. For \$1,528, Sears guaranteed enough materials to fully construct the house, excluding labor. Total expenses for the house were around \$3,000. The property was originally part of 221 East Washington Street in Lewisburg, which was divided into two half-acre lots. In 1913, the house was built by Mr. Claude Feamster, whose ancestor, Lieutenant Thomas Lewis Feamster served as Commander of Company A of the Fourteenth Virginia Cavalry under General J.E.B. Stuart. This Arts and Crafts style emphasized craftsmanship, with simple shapes and exposed joinery. The original floor plan was eight rooms: four bedrooms, dining room, front parlor, one bath, and kitchen. Most of the trim, doors, and hardware are original, while plumbing, electrical wiring, and other mechanicals have been modernized over time.

6. Edith McKinley 7. Venable-Matthew-Moore Home - Named after its previous owners, the Venable-Matthew-Moore home was built in 1850 and expanded in the 1890s. Located in the Lewisburg Historic District, this 17-room, twostory home is a blend of Neoclassical and Victorian era architecture. Construction is largely wood frame. Featuring hardwood floors, its most distinctive features are its 16 Queen Anne windows and its high ceilings and large, bright rooms. The parlor and ballroom, with their airy spaces, and the dining room with its beautiful builtin leaded glass cabinetry are wonderfully suspended in time and so lovely that it's hard to choose a "best" feature. Renovation has only just begun, and is intended to keep and restore the house, including as much of its original hardware as possible, and bring it back to life again.

**8. Shea Home** - Known in the past as the "Homer A. Holt Place," this stately home is now the summer residence of Patrick and Cynthia Shea. Built in the 1830s and enlarged in 1937, the property passed through several families before Mr. Holt came to own it. Originally, the property was a small farm, but over the years has come to stand as a lovely reminder of the ingenuity of past generations. Lovingly taken care of, the Sheas purchased it in 2016 and have made some additions to enhance the character of one of Lewisburg's legacy

9. Barn/House on Fairview Road 10. Gardens on Stonehouse Road

11. Nell's Cottage

12. Gumm Store

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# Club & Church

# Monroe Trail Day announced

Have you taken a hike before? Maybe to Hanging Rock? Sitting atop Peters Mountain on the Eastern Continental Divide is a retired fire watch tower that is now an iconic spot for viewing migratory raptors and views in all directions. While leaf peeping and bird watching are popular at this site in the fall, the Allegheny Trail and Hanging Rock Raptor Observatory can be enjoyed year-round. Make May 1 your chance to see spring from 3,800 feet.

Monroe Trail Day officially kicks off May 1 with an organized hike

launching from the Hanging Rock parking lot at 11 a.m. There will be two hike options, one is a two-hour hike starting and ending at the parking area. This will be the perfect wildflower walk and birding outing. The other is an approximately four-hour hike following the Allegheny Trail to the Salt Sulphur Turnpike with a shuttle return upon the conclusion. Both hike options will pass Hanging Rock and will have guides experienced to share their knowledge about flora and fauna. Pack a lunch or pick up some snacks on

site from event sponsors Friends of Monroe and the Gap Mills Ruritan Club.

Here is the perfect chance to experience a group hike, experience 360-degree mountain top views, and see what lies beyond Hanging Rock. For more information contact Allison at 304-772-3003.

To get there: From Gap Mills: From WV Route 3, take Zenith Road for 3.5 miles. Turn Left onto Limestone Hill Road and travel 1.7 miles to the Allegheny Trail parking lot on your right.

# **Annual Adopt-A-Highway Spring Cleanup set for April 23**

Volunteers can register to pick up trash along almost any state-maintained road. Registration deadline is April 15.

The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) is now accepting registrations for the Adopt-A-Highway Spring Statewide Cleanup set for Saturday, Apr. 23.

Co-sponsored by the WVDEP and the state Division of Highways, the Adopt-A-Highway program is administered by the WVDEP's Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan (REAP) and improves the quality of the state's environment by encouraging public involvement in the elimination of highway litter.

Since the program's inception in 1988, state citizens have cleaned up close to 70,000 miles of state highways and roads during annual spring

and fall Adopt-A-Highway events.

Individuals, families, churches, businesses, schools, civic organizations, government agencies and communities can register to pick up trash on almost any state-maintained road, back road or main route. Private roads and interstate highways cannot be adopted.

The Adopt-A-Highway program provides garbage bags, work gloves and safety vests to volunteers, and takes care of disposing of collected trash. Volunteers must be at least 12 years old to participate. One-time cleanups are encouraged but must be registered.

Groups must register in advance by Apr. 15 and inform their county DOH garage if they need supplies. Due to COVID-19, each group must designate a person to do a curbside pickup of the supplies at their garage.

To register, call 1-800-322-5530

or send an email to dep.aah@ wv.gov. If you reach the REAP voicemail, please leave your name, phone number, group name, date of cleanup, number of participants, and the county where your adopted road is located.

The 2021 Adopt-A-Highway spring clean up saw over 3,500 volunteers from over 400 groups and removed 240,000 pounds of litter from over 1,000 miles of roadway.

REAP, whose motto is 'Keeping WV Clean and Green,' was created in 2005 and strives to clean up West Virginia and rid the state of litter. The program empowers citizens to take ownership of their communities by providing technical, financial, and resource assistance in cleanup and recycling efforts. More information is available on the REAP webpage: https://dep.wv.gov/environmental-advocate/reap/Pages/default.aspx.

## A Look Back



Courtesy of West Virginia University Regional History Center.

### By William "Skip" Deegans

Shown in this 1968 photo is one of the Civil War saltpeter (saltpetre) hoppers in Greenbrier County's Organ Cave. The dirt in the cave is high in nitrite as a result of bat guano and perco-

lating groundwater. The hoppers are used to leach the nitrite producing saltpeter that in turn is treated with potassium salts from wood ashes to produce gun power. This method of making gun power was not new. In the 7th century, the Chinese used it to

make fireworks. Mining saltpeter was not pleasant work. In some of the larger caves, like Mammoth Cave in Kentucky, slaves were used as miners.

There is some indication that Thomas Jefferson may have used Organ Cave in the late 1700s to produce saltpeter. Also, the cave may have supplied the United States Army with saltpeter during the War of 1812. During the Civil War, Organ Cave was an important source of saltpeter for the Confederacy. The privately-owned cave is a National Natural Landmark and opened to the public for tours.

Men who served in the military or went to boarding schools may recall rumors that saltpeter was added to their meals to dampen carnal urges. These were myths that were perpetuated for many years. Nitrites, however, are used in food as a preservative though less so now since they are linked to cancer.

Sources: National Park Service, Virginia Minerals, Caves and Karst of the Greenbrier Valley by William B. White, The Settlement Of The Greater Greenbrier Valley, West Virginia by Fred Ziegler, McGill University Office of Science and Society.

### — Church Bulletin

# Tilapia Dinners offer plastic recycling in conjunction with Recycle Lady

Through the suggestion and equipment provided by the "Recycle Lady," the Greenbrier Valley Council 8689 Knights of Columbus will be offering recycling of the plastic water bottles served with each "tilapia walk-in to-go" dinners on Apr. 8, 22, and 29 in Butler Hall of St. Thomas Episcopal Church on West Main Street in White Sulphur Springs.

The newspaper column "Dear Recycle Lady" appears in the *Mountain Messenger* and *West Virginia Daily News* on a weekly schedule.

"Much of the ingredients for the fried tilapia, the scalloped potatoes or macaroni and cheese, the desserts, and the hard rolls arrive in cardboard boxes which the volunteers culinary staff sees that a member of the Knights take to recycling center in Ronceverte," said Perk Berry Jr., grand knight of the Council.

"This is just one more way we can serve the public through our fund raising dinners," he added, noting the Knights provide free dinners delivered to Catholic and Episcopalian shut-ins in White Sulphur Springs and extra food goes to the Family Refuge Center.

The tilapia dinners are served 4:30 to 7 p.m. and can be "take-outs" by stopping in front of Butler Hall or walk-ins who have the option of sitting at the few tables available and dining with friends, but with no table service. Dinners are served for \$13 or 2/\$25 and include tilapia, scalloped potatoes or macaroni and cheese (depending on availability from wholesalers), coleslaw, sauces, hard roll, bottled water, and dessert, along with utensils. For further information call the office of the Catholic Churches of the Greenbrier Valley 304-536-1813 or the Knights of Columbus 304-645-1373.

### Easter Cantata set for April 11

The Ronceverte Baptist Church Choir will present an Easter cantata on Monday, Apr. 11, at 7 p.m. This will be the first service in the Holy Week services sponsored by the Ronceverte Ministerial Association Apr. 11 through Apr. 15. The cantata entitled Love Took His Breath Away will be presented again on Easter Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

This beautiful, moving cantata is directed by Sally Parker and narrated by Michelle Jones. The choir members are Ben Anderson, Susie Anderson, Sarah Baker, Jeanne Bostic, Janice Deem, Don Holliday, Richard Holliday, Michelle Jones, Tom Moretz, Susan Morgan, Doris Natzke, Dreama West, Karen West, and Angel Williams.

Located at the corner of Main Street and Locust Street, the Ronceverte Baptist Church pastor Roger McDaniel and congregation invite everyone to attend this celebration in song of our Savior's Resurrection either at the beginning of Holy Week or on Easter Sunday morning.

### The House of Prayer Church

is hosting a Community Easter Egg Hunt and games on Saturday, Apr. 16, at Brad Paisley Park in White Sulphur Springs from 1 to 3 p.m. The Easter Bunny will be attending! All are welcome.

### Henning Church of God

to Host Egg Hunt and Sunrise Service. Henning Church of God is excited about celebrating Easter this year. We would love to have you celebrate Easter with us. We will have an Easter egg hunt from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Apr. 16. On Easter Sunday, Apr. 17, at 6:45 a.m., we will have a sunrise service followed by breakfast. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m. followed by Easter service at 11 a.m. with special singing and Easter sermon. The church is located in Frankford on Vago Road. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information, please call 304-497-2602.

### Pence Spring Revival Services

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will be held May 1 through May 4 every evening at 7 p.m. at the Pence Springs Community Church. The speaker will be Pastor Robbie Merritt. Pastor Roger Persinger and the congregation invite everyone to attend.

### Richlands Ruritans hold business meeting

The Richlands Ruritans met at 7 p.m., March 9, at the Calvary Methodist Church in Richlands. This was a business meeting and was highlighted by the plans for a fund-raising raffle.

The club voted to contribute \$100 to the Greenbrier Sheriff's Department for their tracking bracelet program. This program provides tracking bracelets for those senior citizens who are in danger of becoming disoriented and wandering away from home.

Plans were formulated to set up a raffle to raise

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money for funding community activities.

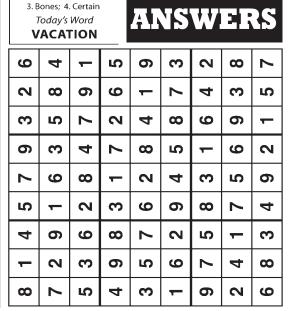
Brent Thompson will speak, at the April meeting, on the election pro-

The Richlands Ruritans club meets on the second Wednesday of each month for a dinner meeting at the Calvary Methodist Church on Midland Trail East in Richlands. The Ruritan Civic organization is a national network of clubs working together for a stronger America. The Ruritans' focus is to support community services in small towns and rural communities across

America. The Ruritans were founded in 1928 in Holland, VA, and celebrated their 93rd year last May. The Richlands Ruri-

tans Club provides scholarships to local college students and 4-H campers and maintains Tuckwiller Park.

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### Linda Lou Loudermilk

Fairlea-Linda Lou Loudermilk, 70, passed away on Wednesday, Apr. 6, 2022 at Peyton Hospice

She was born July 15, 1951 in Clintonville, the daughter of the late Gerald A. and Alma Fisher Loudermilk, Sr.

Other than her parents Linda was preceded in death by her brother, Stevie Dale Loudermilk.

Surviving are her sister, Brenda Sue Loudermilk of Clintonville; and brother, Gerald Loudermilk, Jr. of Clintonville.

Linda was loved by her caregiver of 20 years, Louise Boggs; foster sisters, Martha Cooper and Mary Galford; Louise's daughters, Jeannie Halloran and Shirley Webb and Louise's brothers, Cecil and Gerald Fox.

Funeral services for

Linda will be Tuesday, Apr. 12, at 1 p.m. at the Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg with Pastor Keith Fox officiating. Interment will follow in Wallace Memorial Cemetery, Clintonville.

Family and friends may call from 12 noon until time of services on Tuesday at the funeral home. Wallace & Wallace Fu-

neral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of arrangements.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

### **Brenda Elaine Bostic**



Ronceverte-Brenda Elaine Bostic, 59, passed away Sunday, Apr. 3, 2022, at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center.

Born Sept. 22, 1962, in Hillsboro, she was the daughter of the late Andrew Mason and Dollie Marie Cochran Eagle.

Survivors include her husband of 20 years, Don Bostic; three children, Anthony Garrison (Krystel Wood) of Harts Run, Melissa O'Brien of Fairlea, and Valerie Kerns (Ricky Reed) of Ronceverte; stepchildren, Billy Cornell (Misty), Roman Bostic (Heather) all of Frankford, Robin Bostic (Michelle) of Meadow Bridge, Ben Bostic of Fort Spring, and Eisha Dillon (Michael) of Lewisburg; brothers, Andrew Eagle, Jr. and James Eagle (Laura) all of Williamsburg; sisters, Erma Baldwin of White Sulphur Springs, Donna Eagle, and Drema Harless (Herbie) all of Frankford; four grandchildren, 17 step-grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, several nieces, nephews; and she was a mother to many.

Funeral service will be at 12 noon, Saturday, Apr. 9, at the Morgan Funeral

Home Chapel, Lewisburg, with Rev. Danny Bostic officiating. Burial will follow in the Hylton Cemetery, Glace, WV.

Visitation will be Saturday one hour prior to the service at the funeral

Online guestbook may be signed at www.morganfh.net

### Charlotte Ann Greene



Loris, **SC**-Charlotte Ann Greene (née Clowser), passed away Saturday, Apr. 2, 2022, at the age of 86. Charlotte was born on

Mar. 5, 1936, in Hugart, WV. She was the daughter of the late William and Lena Clowser. In addition to her par-

ents, she is preceded in death by sisters, Nellie Loudermilk, Mary Willing, Freda Tuckwiller and brother, Williard Clowser.

Survivors include beloved husband of 67 years, Herbert Greene: sons, Dennis and Jerry Greene; daughter, Teresa Bredeson; grandchildren, Scott, Kerri and Kimberly Bredeson, and Justin great-grand-Greene; children, Hailey, Sophia and Jacob Bredeson; and brother, Alfred Clowser.

She loved baking, doing crafts, playing card games, bowling, singing, and scrapbooking. Above all these, she loved spending time with family and friends.

Viewing will be held Friday, Apr. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg. Service will be at 12 noon on Saturday, Apr. 9, at Wallace & Wallace Chapel in Lewisburg with Pastor Ron Miller officiating. Burial will be in Wallace Memorial Cemetery in Clintonville.

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

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### **Curtis Oliver Byers,** Sr.



**Auto-**Curtis Oliver Byers, Sr., 73, retired truck driver, farmer, logger, loving husband, father, brother, grandpa, and best friend, passed away Monday, Apr. 4, 2022, at his home.

Born Aug. 7, 1948, in Auto, he was the son of the late Wiley Edgar and Elsie Louise Harford Byers.

Curtis was a U.S. Army Veteran who had served two tours in Vietnam with the 101st Airborn.

In addition to his par-

ents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Barbara Ann, and Cheryl Louise Byers. Survivors include

his loving wife of forty-nine and a half years, Sharon L. Byers; sons, Curtis Byers, Jr. (Joyce) and Joseph Byers (Sarah) all of Lewisburg; daughter, Cathy Byers of Auto; grandchildren, Austyn, Nathaniel, Wiley, Meghan, Hattie, Henry, and Brystal Byers; brothers, Eddie Byers (Bobbie) of Asbury, and Avery Byers (Lynda) of Lewisburg; and several nieces, nephews, and many acquaintances. A memorial service will

be held at 6 p.m., Monday, Apr. 11, at the Morgan Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Stewart Farley and Pastor Ralph Hubbard officiating. Visitation will be on Monday one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Online guestbook may be signed at www.morganfh.net

### Joanne Marie Livesay

Lewisburg-Joanne Marie (Daily) Livesay, 79, passed away Monday morning, Apr. 4, 2022 at Greenbrier Health Care Center in Fairlea.

She was born Feb. 10, 1943 in Hines, the daughter of the late Paul C. and Lola (Johnson) Daily, Sr. Joanne was a member

of the Greenbrier Valley Church of the Nazarene. She was dedicated to the teaching and instruction of young children and youth. Joanne held a Bachelor of Science degree in Education with teaching majors in English and Social Studies from Bob Jones University. She also had a Masters of Arts degree in Education specialization in Reading instruction from Appalachian State University. Additionally, she completed post Masters degree graduate work at Marshall Graduate College of Marshall University, Radford University and West Virginia College of Graduate Studies, completing additional certifications in Principalship, Supervision of Instruction and other administrative categories. Joanne loved religious music and the scriptures. She had a heart of genuine respect and love of humanity.

Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by brothers, Paul C. Daily, Jr., Rev. Robert Daily and Rick Daily.

Joanne leaves her husband, Dr. Dwight Livesay; son, Michael P. Livesay and wife Kelli Anne of Denver, CO; granddaughter, Eliza Romero-Cahonne; brothers, Rev. James Daily of Mobile, AL and Michael Daily of Williamsburg, WV; and nine nephews and eight nieces.

Funeral services for Joanne are scheduled for Monday, Apr. 11, at 2 p.m. at The First Baptist Church of Fairlea with Pastor Ron Miller officiat-

ing. Interment will follow in the Wallace Memorial Cemetery at Clintonville,

The family will receive their friends from 1 p.m. until time of services at the church on Monday.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Anne Edwards Scholarship, 9146 Seneca Trail South, Ronceverte, WV 24970. Wallace & Wallace Fu-

neral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of arrangements. send online Please

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### George Wikle



White Sulphur Springs-George "Mike" Wikle, 89, was called home to Heaven shortly before midnight on Mar. 30, 2022 at Peyton Hospice House in Fairlea, WV.

He was born Apr. 22, 1932 at Sweet Springs, WV, to the late Carl John and Belva Kincaid Wikle.

Mike was employed at The Greenbrier Hotel for many years retiring in 1995 as Chief of Fire and Security. He attended Caldwell Pentecostal Holiness Church and was a U.S. Navy veteran during the Korean War.

In addition to his father and mother he was preceded in death by his sister,, Dorothy Wikle Pringle; and brothers, Luther Eugene, Carl O. "Pickle," Harold and infant brother, Charlie.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife and best friend of 65 years, Beatrice Bostic Wikle; daughters, Pamela Sarver (Pete) of White Sulphur Springs and Debra Heath (Craig) of Logan, OH; grandchildren, Alyssa Masters (Jared), Taylor Heath, Joshua Heath; and one great-grandchild, Sophia Jo Masters who was PawPaw's little peach.

Mike's request was to have no funeral service. The family will have a celebration of life at a later date.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in White Sulphur Springs is in charge of arrangements. online

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### **Stella Brant Simms**



Lewisburg-Stella Brant Simms, 84, passed away Wednesday, Mar. 30, 2022, at the Peyton Hospice House, Lewisburg, WV.

Born June 13, 1937, in Lewisburg, she was the daughter of the late Dorsey Eldon and Mary Eva Bowyer Brant. Stella was a mother and

homemaker who loved sewing, quilting, growing flowers, painting, and bowling. She worked at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center in medical records and was the Director of Volunteers for several years. Survivors include three

daughters, Tia Dawn Simms (Barbara Mc-Donald) of Worden, IL, Marla Michelle Simms (Creig Kostoff) of Bothell, WA, and Lara Larissa Montgomery (Douglas) of Murfreesboro, TN; sisters, Dorothy Williams (Claude) of Lewisburg and Grace Brant of Lewisburg; grandchildren, Sean Montgomery, Erin Montgomery and step-grandson, Preston Kostoff; and several nieces, and neph-Funeral service was

held on Saturday, Apr. 2, at the Morgan Funeral Home Chapel, 252 Montvue Drive, Lewisburg, where Pastor Andy Howdock officiated. Burial followed in Rosewood Cemetery, Lewisburg.

Visitation was before the service, Saturday, at the funeral home.

Online guestbook may be signed at www.morganfh.net

### Jack Swartout



Jack Swartout's luck ran out on Friday, Apr. 1, 2022. He passed away at CAMC after complications from surgery. Sadly, no fooling! Born Mar. 18, 1946 in

Mount Vernon, Washington, he is the son of James & Rhoda Swartout and is the brother of Bob Swartout, all preceding him in death. Survivors include his

wife of nearly 24 years, Paula Greer; two sons, Jim and Jeremy of California; daughter-in-law, Lesley; and grandchildren, Justin and Kaitlyn.

Husband, father, grandfather, proud Marine, Vietnam Veteran, scotch drinker, smoker, toker, animal lover, and friend to many. He will be missed.

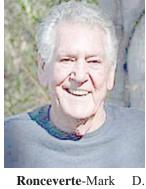
In lieu of everything else, tip your waiter well.

We will celebrate Jack's life at a later date.

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

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

### Mark D. Morgan



Morgan, 82, went to his heavenly home Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022 following a short illness. He was born Jan. 26,

1940 to the late Millard Ote and Macie Glenna Morgan of Ronceverte. Mark loved nature and

photography and was an avid hunter and collector of Indian artifacts. He also enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing and the outdoors. Mark was also an avid Greenbrier East Spartan fan. Proceeding him in

death was the love of his life, his wife, Betty Mohler Morgan; sisters: Jeanne Nickell (Jimmy), and Glenna Matthews (Frank); brothers, Eddie (Boot), Clarence, and William. Those left to cherish his

memory are his children, Mark Morgan (Gina) of Sinks Grove, David Morgan of Lewisburg and Vicky Anderson (Charles) of Sinks Grove; brother, Bobby Morgan (Susie) of Ronceverte; sister, Relda Surgeon of Seville, OH; sisters-in-law, Dreama Morgan, Bonnie Morgan, Angie Morgan, Sharon Mohler and Rita Mohler; grandchildren, Josh Morgan, Jesse Weber, Katrina Crouch, Dustin Crouch, Joey Morgan, Luke Morgan, Maggie Palmer, Jessica Holliday, and Charlie Anderson; great-grandchildren, Taylee Morgan, Zane Crouch, Ellie Palmer, Abby Morgan, Walker Morgan, Haydn Holliday, Ashton Goulart, Keaton Holliday, Breianna Cook, Brandon Cook, Braxton Anderson and Brody Anderson; and many nieces

and nephews. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, Apr. 10, at the Fort Spring Missionary Baptist Church. Visitation will be on Sunday one hour prior to the service at the

Mark donated his body to the Human Gift Registry of WVSOM, hoping someone could find a cure for Rheumatoid Arthritis.

church.

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# JMHS James Monroe Day April 14

James Monroe High School's Student Government Association will host its third annual James Monroe Day on Apr. 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Highlights of last year's event were a display of the Monroe County Courthouse Bell, cast in 1818 when James Monroe was President of the United States; a display from Sprouting Farms with equipment, products, and ideas for local food production and marketing; a display from the Monroe County Historical Society with maps and publications regarding our community's rich and varied history; and recruiters from the West Virginia National Guard and U.S. Air Force. Officials from the Office of the County Clerk were present to register eligible voters. Making special guest appearances were Senator Jennings Randolph, father of the 26th Amendment that lowered to voting age to 18, and none other than President James Monroe himself on his trusty

The JMHS Student Government hopes to reprise these and other interested civic organizations this year at James Monroe Day. If your group would like to participate, please contact the SGA advisor, Dr. Scott Womack, via email at swomack@k12. wv.us, phone at (304)-753-5182, or on Facebook messenger.

## **NRCTC** esthetics students offer free services by appointment

New River Community and Technical College esthetics students are offering free facials by appointment at the college's Cosmetology Salon in Lewisburg on Wednesdays and Thursdays now through May 5. Free services available include microdermabrasion, chemical, galvanic and high frequency facials.

"Giving free facials to community members expands access to salon services and helps our students gain more hands-on experience in their field," explained Assistant Professor of Cosmetology Lisa Carter.

New River CTC offers barbering, cosmetology, esthetics, massage therapy and nail technician programs at the Greenbrier Valley Campus. Students in these programs provide

salon services at discounted rates Monday through Thursday. Cosmetology and barbering students provide free haircuts for Veterans Monday through Thursday and free haircuts for men on Mondays.

For a full list of services available through New River CTC's Cosmetology Salon, visit https://www. newriver.edu/cosmetology-salon/. To schedule an appointment at the New River CTC salon, call 304-793-3009.

New classes in barbering, cosmetology, esthetics and nail technician will begin in May, and students can apply now.

For more information on academic programs at New River CTC, visit www.newriver.edu, email admissions@newriver. edu or call 1-866-349-3739.

### Flag Etiquette: Time and Occasions for Display

The following is the second in a series of articles sponsored by American Legion Post 100 in Union on the proper etiquette towards the U.S. Flag. The information comes from U.S. Code Title 4, also known as "The Flag Code." This week's installment describes the appropriate times and occasions for display of the U.S. Flag.

- It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flag staffs in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of
- · The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremonious-
- · The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.
- · The flag should be displayed on all days, especially on New

Year's Day, Jan. 1; Inauguration Day, Jan. 20; Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, the third Monday in January; Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12; Washington's Birthday, third Monday in February; National Vietnam War Veterans Day, Mar. 29, Easter Sunday (variable); Mother's Day, second Sunday in May; Armed Forces Day, third Saturday in May; Memorial Day (half-staff until noon), the last Monday in May; Flag Day, June 14; Father's Day, third Sunday in June; Independence Day, July 4; National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, July 27; Labor Day, first Monday in September; Constitution Day, Sept. 17; Columbus Day, second Monday in October; Navy Day, Oct. 27; Veterans Day, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Day, fourth Thursday in November; Christmas Day, Dec. 25; and such other days as may be proclaimed by the President of the United States; the birthdays of States (date of admission); and on State holidays.

• The flag should be displayed

daily on or near the main administration building of every public institution.

- The flag should be displayed in or near every polling place on election days.
- The flag should be displayed during school days in or near every schoolhouse.

Post 100 and the local JROTC Maverick Battalion are collecting unserviceable U.S. Flags for a respectful retirement ceremony scheduled for 17 May 2022. Citizens wishing to turn in their unserviceable U.S. Flags may mail or bring them to James Monroe High School, c/o JROTC, at 142 James Monroe Drive, Lindside, WV 24951. Post 100 is working towards placing a drop box in Union in the near future. Contact Scott Womack via email at swomack@k12.wv.us or via Facebook Messenger, or call Todd Longanacre or Mike Wiley at the JROTC office at 304-753-6906 to arrange a drop-off of your unserviceable U.S. Flag.

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**PUBLIC HEARING** Public Notice is hereby given that the Greenbrier County Board of Zoning Appeals will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Floor Courtroom of the Greenbrier

PUBLIC HEARING 1: The Board will consider the request and application of Susan J. Graham for a Special Exception from the Green-

brier County Zoning Ordinance. The appellant requests permission to re-establish a commercial, agricultural equine business at 3476 Fair-

view Road, Lewisburg. The subject property is zoned Residential, lo-

cated in the Lewisburg District, described in Deed Book 560 on Page

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ted by the Appellant. Accuracy of submitted information is the respon-

sibility of the Appellant. The Board of Zoning Appeals is not responsible for errors and omissions in this legal advertisement as a result of

erroneous or inaccurate information submitted by the Appellant. The petition is available for public review at the Board of Zoning Appeals

office in the Courthouse. Anyone wishing to comment on this appeal is urged to attend the meeting or send written comments to the Board of Zoning Appeals, 912 Court Street N, Lewisburg, West Virginia 24901.

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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
Unassigned Fund Balan
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Assigned Fund Datanee	236
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	

REVENUE SOURCE			
Assigned Fund Balance		\$	502
Coal Severance Tax			130
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERA)	NCE FUND)	\$	632
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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		632
Capital Projects - Street and Transportation	16,552		
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#### MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK), WEST VIRGINIA Regular Current Expense Levy

#### FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023 Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value

		ssed Value ax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100		Taxes Levied
CLASS I					
Personal Property	\$	0	12.50	\$	0
Public Utility	Ψ.	0	12.50	Ψ	0
Total Class I	\$	0		\$	0
CLASS II	Ψ			Ψ	
Real Estate	\$	2,465,680	25.00	\$	6,164
Personal Property	Ψ.	6,606	25.00	Ψ	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
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#### MUNICIPALITY OF FALLING SPRINGS (RENICK), WEST VIRGINIA Excess Levy / Levies

### FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

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Personal Property	\$	0	0.00	\$ 0
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Personal Property		6,606		0
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Personal Property		637,720		0
Public Utility		1,838,099		0
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Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes

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)

### Dear Recycle Lady,

#### Dear Readers,

Big news and big kudos to our recyclers! The newest recycling project at the Recycling Center has been very successful. Last week we mailed a 27 pound box of toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes, floss containers, and various oral products to TerraCycle! And, they paid the postage. If you haven't found the recycling bin for these oral care products, it is a metal tube on the left side of the Aluminum foil and pan bin. TerraCycle partners with Colgate for the recycling of all brands of used or empty oral care products and packaging.

### Dear Recycle Lady,

What are Fair Trade products? Curious

### Dear Curious,

To be certified as a Fair Trade USA product a company must make products to the highest standards, provide sustainable livelihoods and safe working conditions for workers and farmers, and take care of people taking care of animals. The first Fair Trade USA dairy company in the US was Chobani. The Fairtrade America label was created in 2019 and has seen a 46% increase in Fairtrade awareness in the US. According to www. fairtradeamerica.org, nearly 2 million farmers and workers, in 100+ countries, make 30,000+ products that carry the Fairtrade mark.

#### Dear Recycle Lady,

Please tell me there is progress being made in the big business world so that in the future these products will be properly marked with the standardized recycling information so us consumers won't have to question each and every item!

Impatient Recycler

**Dear Impatient Recycler,** 

Yes, there is hope that products will be

clearly marked for recycling. How2Recycle is part of GreenBlue, an independent 501(c)(3) environmental nonprofit. Its mission is "to get more materials in the recycling bins by taking the guesswork out of recycling." Their goal is to "reduce confusion by creating a clear, well-understood and nationally harmonized label that enables companies to convey to consumers how to recycle a package." For readers interested in improving the labeling of recyclables, go to their website, https://how2recycle.info/

Not so good news: According to www. theguardian.com/environment/2022/ mar/24/, "scientists discovered microplastic pollution in human blood for the first time. Tiny particles of microplastics were detected in nearly 80% of test subjects. The discovery has proven that plastic particles can travel around our bodies and may lodge in our organs. While we don't yet know the impact of this issue on human health, researchers are certainly concerned."

survey, and participate in their questionnaire. They request help in making the

How2Recycle label "the best it can be."

Earth Day is coming up on Thursday, Apr. 22. How will you participate in Earth Day? Please send me your ideas, so I can make them available to other readers. All ideas greatly appreciated.

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.

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## Walker Hayes, Chris Tomlin added to State Fair lineup

Country music star Walker Hayes and Christian singer Chris Tomlin have been added to the 2022 State Fair of West Virginia Concert Series. Chris Tomlin will take the stage on Wednesday, Aug. 17, while Walker Hayes with Special Guest Tigirlily will close out the Fair on Saturday, Aug. 20.

Tickets for both shows will go on sale Friday, Apr. 8, at 10 a.m., and will only be available via ETIX https://statefairofwv. com/events/ or by calling 1-800-514-ETIX (3849) Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. or Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets will not be sold at the State Fair Box Office until later in the spring.

"We are getting closer to finalizing our 2022 concert series, and we could not be more exited with the additions of Walker Hayes and Chris Tomlin," State Fair CEO Kelly Collins stated. "Chris Tomlin is always a crowd favorite, and we can't wait to show Walker Hayes just how awesome our state is."

### Walker Hayes

Monument Records recording artist, Walker Hayes, is a singer/songwriter originally from Mobile, Alabama.

His recent EP Country Stuff includes the RIAA certified Platinum smash hit "Fancy Like," which has topped every country streaming and sales chart since its release and has spent 8 weeks and counting at the number one spot on Billboard's Hot Country Songs. Called "the song of the summer" by the TODAY Show, the track is now in the top

10 on Billboard's Hot 100 Songs. Propelled by the TikTok dance Hayes made to the song with his teenage daughter, "Fancy Like" has been used over half a million times on the app, with that original, homemade video, racking up over 30 million views and being used in a national Applebee's campaign.

Continuing to break boundaries, a new version of "Fancy Like" that features GRAMMY-Award nominated, pop superstar Kesha, is out now.

Hayes' debut album co-produced boom.. multi-GRAMMY Award winning producer and songwriter Shane McAnally, led Billboard to praise his "personal, soul-bearing storylines; rolling rhymes; and Macklemore-like cadence," and the Washington Post to write that "Hayes has broken into the mainstream by sounding different."

The proud father of six has performed his music, including "Fancy Like" and the Double-Platinum RIAA certified hit "You Broke Up With Me," to national audiences on Good Morning America, Late Night with Seth Meyers, and The TODAY Show. Hayes has headlined multiple tours on his own, as well as joined the likes of Kelsea Ballerini, Dan + Shay, Thomas Rhett, and Old Dominion on tour.

#### **Chris Tomlin**

It is estimated that 20-30 million people across the world sing one of Chris' songs every week in church services in nearly every language. TIME magazine heralded him as

the "most often sung artist in the world" as his music has inspired and uplifted an entire generation of believers. Along the way, Chris has scored 17 #1 one singles at radio, placed 29 top ten hits (more than any other Christian artist), sold more than nine million albums with 4.5 Billion career global streams, earned a Grammy, three Billboard Music Awards, 27 Dove Awards, became a two-time BMI Songwriter of the Year honoree and an ASCAP Songwriter of the Year.

In 2016, he was named one of only four artists ever to receive the Sound Exchange Digital Radio Award for over 1 Billion digital radio alongside Justin Timberlake, Pitbull and Garth Brooks. Chris is also the first Christian artist to reach the Billion streams threshold on Pandora and was presented with their BILLIONAIRE award.

As one of the most successful Christian touring artists today, Chris Tomlin has sold-out venues everywhere including New York City's Madison Square Garden, Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles, Nashville's Bridgestone Arena, Red Rocks in Denver and more. For more information visit www.christomlin.com.

### Calendar of Events Carnegie

• February-May: Spring Classes & Workshops - Carnegie Hall offers learning opportunities continuing through May. Classes and workshops include pottery, painting, cooking, music, weaving, writing, quilting, and more. Carnegie also offers classes for homeschooled students.

• Wednesday, Apr. 13: Catapult Special performance by magic shadows dance company Catapult on Wednesday, Apr. 13, at 7 p.m. An America's Got Talent finalist from Season 8, Catapult features incredible dancers who work behind a screen to create magical shadow silhouettes. Tickets are \$20/adults and \$10/students.

• Thursday, Apr. 21: Vince Lewis Sextet - Carnegie Hall's Second

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Stage Series presents jazz group The Vince Lewis Sextet on Thursday, Apr. 21, at 6:30 p.m. Vince Lewis is a veteran jazz performer, composer and recording artist. He has been a headliner on Jazz Festivals with Dave Brubeck, B.B King, Ellis Marsalis, Lou Rawls, Mundell Lowe, John Pizzarelli, and Melissa Manchester. Free admission.

**Rotating Galleries:** 

Old Stone Room Gallery - Misty Walkup Art Exhibit. Carnegie Hall Galleries are open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission and open to the public. Runs through June 24.

Museum Gallery - Nima Shahab Shahmir Art Exhibit. Carnegie Hall Galleries are open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission and open to the public. Runs through June 24.

Lobby Gallery - Eddie "Spaghetti" Maier Art Exhibit. Carnegie Hall Galleries are open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission and open to the public. Runs through June 24.

**Permanent Exhibit:** 

Arts from The Ashes: The History Of Carnegie Hall - The exhibit features memorabilia, photographs, artifacts and more of Carnegie Hall since its construction in 1901. Located on the second floor. Free admission.

For more information visit carnegiehallwv.org, call 304-645-7917, or stop by 611 Church Street, Lewis-

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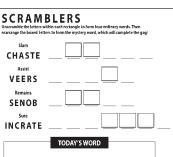
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by Linda Thistle

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**PUZZLE ANSWERS PAGE 5** 

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# Steppin' Out

## Zach Bryan to perform at 2022 State Fair of WV

Fair of West Virginia Concert Series. The show is set for Thursday, Aug. 18, at 8 p.m. with tickets on sale as of Friday, Apr. 1. "Zach Bryan has one of the most au-

Officials have announced Zach Bry-

an as the next addition to the 2022 State

thentic voices and is one of the fastest-rising new artists there is," State Fair CEO Kelly Collins stated. "I promise, you're not going to want to miss this one."

Tickets will only be available via ETIX at https://statefairofwv.com/events/ or by calling 1-800-514-ETIX (3849) Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. or Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets will not be sold at the State Fair Box Office until later in the spring.

Zach Bryan is a singer/songwriter from Oologah, Oklahoma, proud of his smalltown roots and whose music is fueled by a desire to stay true to himself. The 25-year-old served seven years in the Navy before being honorably discharged. His success is found in his raspy voice, a mix of classic folk melody and outlaw country with a raw edge that cuts to the

His breakthrough moment makes all that clear as day. In the video for "Heading South," shot by phone outside of his Navy barracks in humid 95-degree heat, Zach's passion echoes off the strings of his trusted Guild. Drenched in sweat and belting words that he had written minutes earlier, the moment is authentic, brutal, and real. Millions of fans have now seen that video without any sort of industry assist, and millions more have connected to the tender, sincere songs found on Zach's 2019 debut album "DeAnn." A man of simple words, Zach's ability to create depth in his work is rivaled by few artists. He believes that who you are only extends to the person you are today, an ideology reflected in everything he cre-

The 10-day State Fair of West Virginia is celebrating 97 years of "Mountain Grown Fun," on Aug. 11-22. The State Fair of West Virginia, with a \$13.8 million economic impact on the state of West Virginia, is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation committed to the traditions of agriculture, family entertainment, and education. For more information, please visit www.statefairofwv.com, or follow fair events on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and Twitter. Join the conversation by using #sfwv2022!

# **Second Stage Series** welcomes Vince **Lewis Sextet**



Vince Lewis

Carnegie Hall continues its Second Stage Series with jazz group Vince Lewis Sextet on Thursday, Apr. 21, at 6:30 p.m. The Second Stage Series of programming utilizes smaller, more intimate venues in the Hall for a "jazz club" or "speakeasy" feel, where patrons can enjoy beverages and light snacks during the performance. The Vince Lewis Sextet will perform in the Old Stone Room located on the ground floor.

Vince Lewis is a veteran jazz performer, composer, and recording artist. He has been a headliner on Jazz Festivals with Dave Brubeck, B.B King, Ellis Marsalis, Lou Rawls, Mundell Lowe, John Pizzarelli, and Melissa Manchester. Lewis has been a featured performer in concert at The Kennedy Center in Washington, DC, as well as two performances at the Smithsonian Institute Jazz Bar. He also has served as Staff Guitarist at the Ritz-Carlton Resort Palm Beach, FL, and at The Greenbrier Resort.

Jim Carlton, in Conversations with Great Jazz and Studio Guitarists says, "His playing is indicative of the rarified air of true mastery. He routinely creates engaging and excellent music." Lewis was the cover picture and feature interview in the February 2014 issue of Just Jazz Guitar Magazine and has been noted as one of the leading active Jazz Artists in the Jazz Guitar category each year since 2002 by Jazz Improv Magazine. He is also currently in the "In The Wings" cat-

egory and has been notified of his future

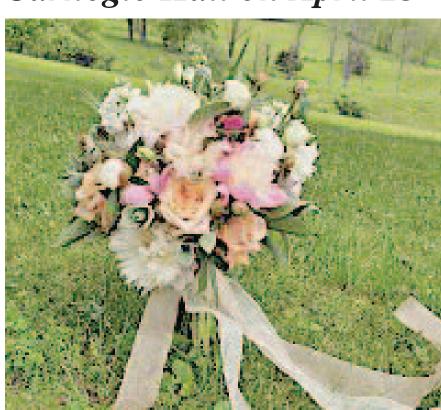
induction into the West Virginia Music

Hall of Fame. Lewis is included in the 2014 Scott Yanow book "The Great Jazz Guitarists...The Ultimate Guide." He has recorded 20 CDs as a leader and sideman, and each has received excellent critical acclaim in virtually every major Jazz publication. In addition, he is a Heritage Guitar Inc, Benedetto Guitar, Eastman Guitar, Breedlove Guitar, SIT Strings and Redstone Audio performing Artist, and has a Vince Lewis signature archtop guitar available built by Richard Ralston, a noted New Zealand luthier. Lewis also developed and directed the Classical and Jazz Guitar programs at University of Charleston, Marshall University, Palm Beach University, Liberty University and Bluefield College. He has taught at the post-secondary level for 48 years, conducted Jazz Guitar workshops, and created courses in improvisation and other jazz related subjects at the University level. His chord melody arrangements for solo guitar appeared regularly in Just Jazz Guitar Magazine. Lewis currently serves as Adjunct Professor of Music and Guitar at Bluefield College in Bluefield, VA, and is a regular educational contributor to Jazz Guitar Today online magazine.

Admission is free thanks to the Music Performance Trust Fund (MPTF) with assistance from the West Virginia Jazz Orchestra (WVJO) and the American Federation of Musician, Local 674 (AFM

Local 674).

Learn to arrange flowers at Carnegie Hall on April 23



Flower arrangement by Alaina Hower

Carnegie Hall's Spring Classes & Workshops Series continues Saturday, Apr. 23, from 1 to 4 p.m., with Alaina Hower teaching Growing and Arranging Flowers for Your Home. Carnegie's Classes & Workshops Series offers fun-filled education and entertaining activities great for all ages and this class is sure to stimulate participant's creativity.

Growing and Arranging Flowers for Your Home teaches students the art of creating flower arrangements using beautiful, locally sourced blooms and greenery. Students will create an eye-catching centerpiece for a Mother's Day table or simple bud vase arrangements. Every participant will make a custom arrangement and go home with the knowledge to create their own floral designs and hand tied bouquets. Participants need to bring a pair of garden secateurs or scissors, all other materials provided.

Registration for each class in \$85 (\$75 for members) and students must be at least 12 years old. 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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