# Hanno Kirk, Jo Weisbrod retire after over 30 years of practice in Lewisburg

Local practitioners Hanno Kirk, PhD, LICSW, and Jo Weisbrod, MA, LPC, announced their retirement after providing the Greenbrier Valley with counseling, psychotherapy and neurofeedback services for the last 32 years. The couple practiced both independently and jointly out of their office on Washington Street.

Their impressive careers have taken them around the globe and offered a variety of unique opportunities, including a private meeting with His Holiness the Dalai Lama to discuss how neurofeedback relates and aligns with the principles of Buddhism.

At the start of her career, Jo Weisbrod was working at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington, DC, and visited her friend in Monroe County on the weekends. During one weekend visit she decided that she wasn't going to go back to the city, and she officially moved to West Virginia in the late 70's. She began working at Seneca Mental Health, which, at the time, was located across from the New River Community and Technical College in downtown Lewisburg. Throughout her career she specialized in psychological trauma work, including

helping those with conditions such as Dissociative Identity Disorder (DID), and other complex issues.

Kirk attributes Jo being centered in Lewisburg as their rock for staying in the Greenbrier Valley. He joined her here in 1989, where they married for the second time after first getting married in 1968.

Kirk explained that they met in 1961 and got engaged, but after a particularly grueling semester in college they called things off. He left for Australia to pursue his PhD scholarship. When he returned to the states, he was required to join the Army. "While I was in the Army I took a trip out to the west

coast, it was an official business trip, and I looked her up. We got back together, and married four days later," said Kirk. "I came back and my colleague almost ran the car off the road when I told him I'd gotten married over the weekend. That was in 1968."

They've been together ever since he moved to the Greenbrier Valley, where they proceeded to build their home and put down permanent roots with their private

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Hanno Kirk and Jo Weisbrod

# More than 200 WVSOM students aid local organizations during Day of Service

Amid the demands of the opening days of classes at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSOM), students set aside their textbooks and lab equipment to clean, perform yard work and even help build a house during the school's Day

Hosted in partnership with the United Way of the Greenbrier Valley, the Day of Service is an annual event in which first- and second-year students at West Virginia's largest medical school come together to aid community organizations by providing physical labor. This year's event took place July 30, with 204 WVSOM students, nine faculty members and two graduate teaching assistants volunteering at 17 sites throughout Greenbrier County.

Caroline Kayes, a second-year WVSOM student who tracks students' volunteer hours as the Student Government Association's T.O.U.C.H. (Translating Osteopathic Understanding Into Community Health) coordinator for the 2022-23 academic year, said the Day of Service is a chance for the school to give back to organizations that offer important services to Greenbrier County.

"As future physicians, it's important for us to focus not only on the health of our patients, but on the well-being of the community. Volunteering with local organizations gives us an opportunity to engage with community members and give back to

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WVSOM students visited the Greenbrier River Trail to assist with beautification efforts

# **Ronceverte City Hall** hears from Horseshoe Club regarding Dog Park conflict

By Adam Pack

The Ronceverte City Council met for their regular meeting on Monday, Aug. 1, at 7 p.m. at 693 Edgar Avenue. Items on the agenda included the reading of a letter requesting an amendment to layout of the Dog Park, an update on the condition of the Old City Hall building after the review of an engineer's report, the consideration of an ordinance regarding abandoned and unlicensed vehicles, and the consideration of the financing of a new excavator for use by the City Water Department.

The Ronceverte City Council began with discussion regarding a conflict with the layout of the fencing surrounding the new Dog Park and the traditional grounds of the Ronceverte Horseshoe Club. Representatives of the club were present to relay to the council that the fence of the dog park is too close to the horseshoe pitch-

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ing area for the purposes of the State Horseshoe Pitching Tournament, which will be coming to Ronceverte on Aug. 27. The club claimed that the fence bars access to the large number of people who will be attending. Said attendees have historically brought their See "Horseshoe" Page 2

Nature's Way By Karen Cohen on page 4



# 1834 Law Library Building re-dedicated

Affectionately known as "the pink library," the building will now be a public museum

At 1 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 1, the 1834 Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia Law Library and Study building was rededicated as a public museum under the auspices of the Greenbrier Historical Society. In a ceremony held on the 191st anniversary of the first Lewisburg session of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, a small group of invited guests toured exhibits and listened to the speakers.

Al Emch, vice president of the Greenbrier Historical Society, was master of ceremonies and recognized the role that various guests had played in making this wonderful event happen. He noted that the Greenbrier Historical Society welcomes the role of caretaker of this "grand old lady" as she retires into more gentle service. Janice Cooley, president of the Greenbrier Historical Society, welcomed everyone and said, "This building represents another step of GHS toward fulfilling our mission to preserve, protect, and present the diverse history of the Greenbrier Valley."

Emch stated that the building was specifically built to serve the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia while meeting in Lewisburg to handle all appellate cases arising west of the Blue Ridge mountains. Both 11th Judicial Circuit Judges, Jennifer Dent and Robert Richardson, were present, as were William T. "Bob" Wilson, Esq. representing the Virginia State Bar and Ben Mishoe, Esq., president of the West Virginia State Bar. Clifford Gillilan, a member of the local Masonic Lodge # 49, the oldest west of the Allegheny Mountains, represented the era when the Masons owned the building. Mary Lindquist, PHD, a graduate of Greenbrier College for Women and daughter of Dr. John D. Montgomery, a former president of that college, represented the years when several educational institutions, concluding with Greenbrier College for Women, utilized the building. Through the efforts of Houston B. Moore, the structure was transferred to the "town" of Lewisburg and renovated into a Library and Museum. Its life as a public library was represented by Ann Farr, librarian, Greenbrier County Public Library, and Marty McMillan, trustee. It

then served as the Library for the New River Commu-

nity and Technical College whose President, Dr. Bonnie



Greenbrier Historical Society President AI Emch listens to the keynote address by Chief Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court John Hutchinson.

Copenhaver, was in attendance, before being leased to the Greenbrier Historical Society this spring.

Others in attendance whose support has been or will be critical to the restoration of the building were Paul Lindquist, president of the Preservation Alliance of West Virginia; Todd Gunter representing Senator Capito; Ben Spurlock representing Senator Manchin; Kim McMillion representing Congresswoman Miller; Senator Stephen Baldwin; Commissioner Lowell Rose; John Tuggle, executive director, Region IV Planning and Development Commission; Angus Peyton representing the James F. B. Peyton Fund; "Tip" Richmond representing the Telford Foundation; and many others. The full cooperation of Mayor Beverly White and City Manager Misty Hill of the City of Lewisburg was acknowledged.

The keynote speaker was the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, John A. Hutchinson, who recognized the historic nature of the occasion. He stated that this building was built to serve the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia in an acknowledgement by Virginia lawmakers in 1831 that "access to justice" had been lacking west of the mountains - most

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the place that has given us so much," Kayes said. "The community is always supportive of WVSOM and its students, and participating in this is a way for us to show our gratitude. We had a great turnout, and everyone seemed to have a fun time with their organization."

At the grounds of the State Fair of West Virginia, students cleaned bleachers, painted fences and raked leaves. Volunteers helped with weeding at Montwell Commons, sorted books at Greenbrier County Public Library and assisted with beautification efforts at local trails.

Participants also walked dogs at the Greenbrier Humane Society, washed cars at Gateway Industries, a nonprofit that provides vocational services to individuals with physical, cognitive and psychiatric disabilities, and helped install floor joists in a house being built by Almost Heaven Habitat for Humanity, among many other tasks.

Belinda Evans, WVSOM's director of student life, said she was pleased to see such a large number of volunteers at this year's event.

"I'm proud of the level of community engagement WVSOM provides through programs like the Day of Service," Evans said. "It's inspiring to know that our students are committed to helping others and are invested in improving the area they live in. That dedication will serve them well in their careers as physicians."

Stephanie Moore, executive director of Family Ref-

Horseshoe

uge Center, where students painted the interior of a shelter used by victims of domestic violence, thanked the students for their work.

"We're grateful for the volunteers from WVSOM. When they come to our facility, they are always enthusiastic about helping. This year, we were able to repaint one room in the shelter to prepare for a new interior setup," Moore said. "In March, we hosted an Adopt-a-Room campaign that allowed individuals and organizations to purchase items to furnish each room in the shelter. With the assistance of WVSOM students, we are one step closer to creating a serene atmosphere for our survivors."

The full list of organizations and locations that benefited from the 2022 Day of Service were: Alderson Hospitality House, in Alderson; the State Fair of West Virginia, in Fairlea; Almost Heaven Habitat for Humanity and Frankford Elementary School, in Frankford; Davis Stuart, the Family Refuge Center, Greenbrier County Public Library, Greenbrier Humane Society, Hollowell Park, Lewisburg Baptist Church, Montwell Commons and Peyton Hospice House, in Lewisburg; Eastern Greenbrier Middle School, Gateway Industries and West Virginia Helping Hands in Ronceverte; and Greenbrier River Trail and Greenbrier State Forest.

In all, WVSOM students provide more than 6,000 hours of community service in a typical academic year.



Students also visited Montwell Commons on the Day of Service

own four-legged canopies to set up stations for shade and rest, and to sell food and baked goods to help cover travel expenses. The group further claimed that they had appeared at the construction of the fence to state the issue. Feeling at the time that the issue was resolved, the horseshoe club saw no need for further action and was not notified of any conflict that would occur. However, upon seeing the completed fence, the club claims the issue became apparent and they drafted a letter to request a modification to the fence. The Horseshoe Club is afraid that they will have to call the State Horseshoe organizing body and inform them that Ronceverte cannot be used as a suitable location. The grounds at Ronceverte are used on a rotation with other grounds, with the state tourney coming to the River City every two to three years.

Despite making it very clear that the council was in-

credibly pleased to see recreational activity all around Island Park and that they in no way wanted to discourage or dissuade the Horseshoe Club from continuing to "have a presence, and enjoy the things you enjoy" at the park, the Council voiced their displeasure with the request being made upon completion of the fence, as opposed to during construction. The City also stated that the cost of this modification may be prohibitive, and it may take more time than the Horseshoe Club has, as advanced preparations must be made, such as the delivery of regulation equipment, requiring access for trucks which currently is not possible. The Council also stated that while they did not notify the club directly, they were not aware of there being a conflict nor were they aware of the extent of the Ronceverte Horseshoe Club, such that it did not come up during discussion on the park. Said discussion, the Council also made a point of noting,

was had at several public meetings and there was much publicity surrounding the Dog Park.

Ultimately, the council moved to authorize City Administrator Pam Mentz to begin an inquiry on having the fence moved. Mentz has discretion to proceed or not with the findings of her inquiry given that they are timely and fiscally reasonable.

Moving on, the city updated the public on the status of the old City Hall building. As of now, City employees are working to relocate any and all salvageable furniture and features from the old building and placing them in the new City Hall location at 693 Edgar Avenue. Fortunately, most of the furniture is still in good condition, as well as most of the cabinets and filing cabinets. As for the structure itself, an engineer's report has been compiled and provided to the Council. The findings of this

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# Gov. Justice announces WV Sales Tax Holiday August 5-8

Gov. Jim Justice announced that West Virginians in need of materials for the upcoming school year will be able to save money this weekend during the state's backto-school Sales Tax Holiday.

During the holiday, certain back-to-school items are exempt from sales tax, such as clothing, school supplies, school instructional materials, laptops and tablets, and sports equipment.

The Sales Tax Holiday will begin at midnight on Friday, Aug. 5, and will continue through Monday, Aug. 8,

To learn more about what can and cannot be purchased tax-free during this time period and for additional information about the Sales Tax Holiday, click the link below:

The average customer will save at least 6% on every qualified purchase and up to 7% if they purchase the item in a municipality that has imposed a local sales tax.

During the holiday, the following items are exempt from Sales and Use tax:

- Certain clothing with a purchase price of \$125 or less
- Certain school supplies with a purchase price of \$50

- · Certain school instruction material with a purchase price of \$20 or less
- Certain laptop and tablet computers with a purchase price of \$500 or less
- Certain sports equipment with a purchase price of \$150 or less

Items purchased for use in a trade or business are not exempt under the sales tax holiday.

# PICK OF THE LIT



one-year-old female shepherd mix and weighs 32 pounds

**STALAGMITE** Stalagmite is a two-monthold male domestic shorthair



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 cov-

ers spay/neuter surgery, first dog vaccinations, rabies vaccine, de-worming, toe nail trim, flea bath and flea treatment. They also offer donation-based spay/

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

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# West Virginia, Lewisburg to expect more electric vehicle charging stations

By Adam Pack

at 11:59 p.m.

West Virginia, and Lewisburg specifically, will see more electric vehicle charging stations in the future. A press release distributed from the West Virginia Department of Transportation earlier this week states, "The West Virginia Department of Transportation (WVDOT) has completed a preliminary plan of proposed locations for electric vehicle charging stations and submitted it to the federal government."

The West Virginia National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Deployment Plan was submitted on July 28. The plan outlines proposed locations for electric vehicle charging stations throughout the state, and includes data on how West Virginia intends to use federal NEVI program funds to develop charging stations along major highways.

The funding for the project will come from federal monies to the tune of \$45.7 million spread across five years.

As per the NEVI Deployment Plan, EV charging stations will be added along multiple high traffic and interstate routes within the state, including stations to be added "somewhere near Lewisburg."

The plan, which is available on the WVDOT's website, explains that the plan will roll out in phases. "Deployment of the NEVI funds for implementation will occur in two phases. Phase 1 will build out the EV charging stations along the electric AFCs as required by the NEVI plan. It is estimated that this phase will require 12 stations, each with four ports. Based on initial cost estimates, it is projected to require funding from FY2022 and FY2023 of the NEVI program to build out the NEVI AFC station requirement. Phase 2, as previously described in this Plan, will focus on communitybased charging. Site selection will be based on NEVI requirements and selection criteria based on statewide priorities and public input." EV drivers should expect to see these new stations in

approximately the next two years, if things go according to plan.

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# Williamsburg Fair a success

73rd Annual Williamsburg Fair was celebrated with food, fun, and friends. Williamsburg, notorious for its home cooking, highlighted the fair with walking tacos, biscuits and gravy breakfasts, barbecue, snow cones, popcorn and much more. Fun was had by all with displays of all crafts, history, hobbies, produce from the garden and works of art by the children. Bingo, a bouncy house, water games, dunking tank, corn hole and horseshoe tournaments, square dancing and craft vendors were among the

A parade with about 50 floats, riders, and other participants made its way through town and of

activities.



Life is good at the Fair

course music was ongoing all day Saturday culminating with a dance concert by the Fallen Rock and Fireworks. The Community of Williamsburg wishes to thank all

those who worked diligently to make the Williamsburg Community Fair a huge success and to all those who came from far and wide to enjoy our fair. Special thanks to all those who entered floats, horseback riders, and others who made our parade a huge success.

A particular thank you to those who donated door prizes to the fair: Beauty Transitions, Blue Ridge Farms, Bob Evans, Dave's Farm Supply, Deb Zahorenko, Eddie Fletcher, Ellen Drigger, Food & Friends, GBV Aquatide Center, Jackson Kelly Law Firm, Jo Long, Out Behind the Barn Custom Baskets, Lowe's, Martin & Jones, Mat Jarrett, Reagan Rodgers Vet, Robin's Nest Farm, Rodgers of Fairlea, Samme Gee, Seneca Trail Animal Hospital, Access Health, TNT Auto, The Meeting Place, Tractor Supply, WV Woodturners: Bruce Brenneman, Carroll Bassett, Ron Manning, a special thanks to Greenbrier Solid Waste for all their care of the community, Williamsburg Volunteer Fire Department, and James Kirby. If you gave a door prize to our fair and your name was omitted, we apologize and thank you.

# Briefly

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. Saturday, Aug. 27 Dance will feature music by the Lilly Mountaineers Band from 7 to 10:30. Tuesday Aug. 16 there will be no Jam & Dance due to the State Fair. 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.

## Annual Auction at Williamsburg

The Williamsburg District Historical Foundation at 600 Williamsburg Road is sponsoring the annual Auction on Saturday, Aug. 6. The Auction will start at 10 a.m. and run until all things are sold. Some of the things to be sold are a gun scope, couch and two chairs, set of dishes, and much more. Donations are welcome and pickups available. Call 304-645-2153 or 304-646-5793. Concessions will be available.

#### Kirk

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As for living in Lewisburg, "I love this town," he said, "I got involved and sat on the Planning Commission for five years, and initially I didn't think I could live in such a small town, but it really grows on you, the community really grew on me." He said that both he and Jo remained involved in local groups, and that he sings in the choir of the Old Stone Presbyterian Church as well as the Greenbrier Valley Chorale.

"I fell in love with the community here, and the community spirit here. That's something I've never found anywhere else."

Coming from someone who has lived and studied around the globe, those words don't come lightly.

Kirk's wide ranging and eclectic background includes studying nuclear strategy and international law at UCLA after immigrating to the United States from his home country of Germany in 1953, attending the Institute of Advanced Studies in Australia for his PhD from 1964-1969, serving as a Faculty Associate in Computer Simulation Directorate at National Defense University in DC until 1969, working on Capitol Hill for the Nixon White House for two years, studying Sufi mysticism and human development in the ARICA Institute, to clinical social work, to end of life care, and more recently to neuroscience. He returned to graduate school to obtain a Master's in Social Work in 1984.

In 2006 after touring the United States with a seminar entitled, "Is it ADHD or Pediatric Bipolar: Differential Diagnosis and Effective Treatment," he developed an intense interest in the functioning of the brain. He became trained as a practitioner of Infra Low Frequency Neurofeedback and used it in his private psychotherapy practice from then on. He also taught courses in Social Work at WVU, and has participated in a variety of conferences.

At one such conference, he was approached by an acquisition editor from Taylor and Francis Group, a world leader in scientific publishing. She said that they would like him to compile his talk into a book, which he happily complied. After rounding up 11 other authors, Restoring the Brain: Neurofeedback as an Integrative Approach to Health was first published in 2015 and revised and updated for a second edition in 2020.

He also collaborated with former CIA Director Stansfield Turner in the writing of Caging the Nuclear Genie: An American Challenge for Global Security, published

"I actually met Stansfield Turner on the massage table when I was working at The Greenbrier," said Hanno, who is also a certified Massage Therapist. "I recognized him and asked what he was doing these days, as he was retired by then, and he said he was just getting ready to write a book on nuclear disarmament. I said, 'Oh! That's interesting, that's what my specialty was at UCLA during my national securities study program there, I studied nuclear strategy.' So we talked nuclear strategy for the whole hour, and at the end he gets up and says, 'My wife will never believe me when I tell her that I talked nuclear strategy with my massage therapist for an hour."

A week later Kirk received a packet in the mail, which was Turner's book proposal. After adding his comments and sending it back, Turner invited him to a meeting at his vacation home in Virginia. At that meeting, he asked Kirk to work for him to help him write this book.

"These things just kept falling into my lap," Kirk said. More recently, Kirk and Weisbrod have co-authored Psychosocial and Behavioral Aspects of Medicine together with Kay Ericson, and Kirk has taught courses as an Adjunct Lecturer at WVSOM.

In 2015, at a training conference for advanced neurofeedback practitioners, Weisbrod and Kirk received an invitation from neurofeedback colleague Minh Chau Le to join her delegation of Buddhists from Vietnam to go to Dharamsala, India to attend a four-day teaching event by the Dalai Lama. At the training later that year, the Dalai Lama invited them to a 20-minute private meeting to discuss neurofeedback. Kirk said that at the end of the meeting they were blessed, and each given a small golden Buddha.

Announcing their retirement last month hasn't slowed Kirk down, as the day after he publicly announced they would be closing their practices, The Journal of Neuroscience notified him that his article: Infra Low Frequency Neurofeedback Training for Trauma Recovery

A Case Report, by Hanno Kirk and Monica Geers Dahl, was just approved for publication in the Journal.

The article is free for viewing online at https://tinyurl.

com/2dwr2wh3 Kirk said they are both looking forward to spending their retirement in the "Coolest Small Town," and that he is now able to focus on writing his autobiography.

## **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.

#### Renick Town Council

will meet Monday, Aug. 8, at 7 p.m. at Renick Town Hall. Agenda items include:

- Community comments
- Approval of Minutes and Financial reports
- · Committee reports
- · Paving bids · Other business

#### Historic Landmarks Commission

will meet Monday, Aug. 8, at 5 p.m. at City Hall, 942 Washington Street West. Also available via teleconference. For information on how to participate on ZOOM contact Lewisburg City Hall at 304-645-2080 on Monday, Aug. 8, by 4 p.m. On the agenda:

- Approval of Minutes July 11, 2022
- Comments from the public
- Robert & Cynthia Woods, 422 Lafayette Street replace gutter and add leaf cover, with new fascia board behind gutter
- Shirley Perrine, 208 Foster Street repair awning, paint with SW-0051, replace (4) exterior doors and paint with SW-2835 Craftsman Brown or SW-2837 Aurora Brown, paint windows and exterior trim with SW Classic Ivory
- Andrew Edwards, 324 Lafayette Street remove existing chain link fence, and replace with 6' fence, constructed of pressure treated lumber
- Tryg Brody, 465 Lafayette Street replace (15) windows with Andersen E Series and re-install deck on side entry Tom & Jane Hill, 1489 Washington Street - repoint-
- ing and laying pavers to eliminate washout from existing driveway The next scheduled meeting of the Lewisburg His-

toric Commission will be Monday, Sept. 12, with a deadline of Friday, Aug. 26.

## Lewisburg Finance Committee

will meet in regular session Tuesday, Aug. 9, at 7 p.m. in the Paul R. Cooley Council Chamber. On the

- WV Dept. of Natural Resources Greenbrier River **Trail Agreement**
- · Public Works Building bid approval
- Water Project payment resolution & drawdown request approval
- Water Rate Ordinance update of water tap fees
- Parks Dept. approval of mower purchase
- Communication from members
- · Communication from City Manager
- Approval of Minutes July 12, 2022

# Morrisey's mobile office schedules August stops

West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey announced a representative from his office will meet with central and southeastern West Virginia residents in August to discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions.

"These public events are a great way for consumers to talk one-on-one with our consumer representatives," Attorney General Morrisey said. "Residents can easily get questions answered, learn what is going on in their area and how to keep personal information safe and secure."

Justin Arvon, a consumer outreach and compliance specialist with the office, will host the events as scheduled below:

• Aug. 11 through Aug. 20: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the West Virginia Building on the fairgrounds, 947 Maplewood Avenue, Fairlea.

Also, Arvon will host an event on Aug. 30, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Burger King, 10097 Seneca Trail, Lewisburg.

For information on additional requirements specific to any location, attendees are encouraged to contact Justin Arvon at 304-590-6462.

#### 1834 Law Library **Continued from Front Page**

of which is now West Virginia. Even though distance has been somewhat conquered by modern travel and much other progress has been made, access to justice continues to be a challenge to the court system.

In a serendipitous happening, Joe Preston from Texas, after having read the GHS Newsletter announcing the acquisition of the library, had recently called to say that he was a descendant of Samuel Price and wanted to donate Mr. Price's law books. Mr. Price was a prominent Lewisburg attorney who served as Lieutenant Governor of Virginia, president of the 1872 Constitutional Convention of West Virginia, and U.S. Senator for West Virginia, among other accomplishments. Joe and Susan Preston were present at the re-dedication and were recognized for their marvelous gift of 111 beautiful volumes, 104 of which date between 1787 and 1864. All are now proudly on display in this historic building, now

open as a public museum. Emch said, "We pledge to use this building, and the 1835 Enslaved Quarters building next to it, to educate the public about the wonderful history they have to share." Exact open hours have not yet been set and will be changed as renovations start. Please visit the North House Museum across the street to arrange your tour.

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## **Marriages**

John Timothy Brookman (Frankford) to Deanna Lynn Whitt (Lewisburg)

Peyton Lee Richmond (Sandstone) to Halee Hunter

Harrah (Meadow Bridge) Thomas Donald Taylor (White Sulphur Springs) to

Christina Elizabeth Nolen (Nallen)

#### Suits

In Re: The Marriage of: Courtney Brooke Lindsey and James Lindsey

In Re: The Marriage of: Nicole Morgan Dickerson and Jody Green Dickerson

In Re: The Marriage of: Angel Laura Boone and Jacob Matthew Boone

In Re: The Marriage of: Corey Randall Howard and Whitney Leigh Howard

In Re: The Marriage of: Amanda Kaye Lafferty and John Booker Lafferty IV

In Re: The Marriage of: Bobby D Hull and Margie L Hull

## **Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions**

Eric Lewis Burns, Ronceverte, domestic battery, GP, fine \$50, jail 60 days - suspended and placed on 1 year unsupervised probation

Charles R. Tharp, White Sulphur Springs, no seatbelt, NCP, fine \$25 Garrett Lee Feury, White Sulphur Springs, speeding,

NCP, fine \$20 Richard A. Marasek, Moyock, NC, speeding, GP, fine

Garrett Lee Feury, White Sulphur Springs, posses-

sion of controlled substance, NCP, fine \$100 Theresa Caporale-Graham, Zionsville, IN, speeding, GP, fine \$28

Bryan E. Thompson, Genoa, WV, speeding, NCP, fine \$10

Jesse Hartfield, Denver, CO, speeding, GP, fine \$26 James P. Cash, Frankford, possesson of controlled substance without a prescription, NCP, fine \$100 Jacob M. Nesselrotte, Nettie, driving suspended, NCP, fine \$100

Victoria Marie Rose, Renick, failure to appear, NCP,

Kizzy Ann Haddon, Lewisburg, harrassing communication, NCP, fine \$100

## For the Record

#### **Deeds**

Savannah Elizabeth Burns to Mark Hickman, Lot No. 19, Atkinson Place Addition, Town of White Sulphur Springs, White Sulphur Municipality

Gregory L. Richmond to Tony Hill, Lot No. 7, Edgewood Addition, White Sulphur District

Nancy K. Payne to Barrett Lewis Level, Lots Nos. 114 and 115, Meadow Bluff District William H. Branch, III and Jane W. Branch to Robert

L. Ludwig, Lot No. 36, Rolling Hills Estate, Sub. No. 3, Lewisburg Corp. District

Kathy Lynn Kaylor Eure to Timothy A. Lavender and Leslie Lavender, Lot No. 3, 83.25 Acres, Frankford Dist. Clarence W. Lodge, James E. Hodge and Brenda Cooper to Matthew B. Wykle and Amy Wykle, Lot No. 54, Section No. 3, Rolling Hills Estates, Lewisburg Mu-

Gary Dale and Carol Dale to Autumn Lee and Stuart Schwab, 1.456 Acres, Frankford District

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# OPINION

# Nature's Way

By Karen Cohen Master Gardener/Photojournalist/Artist Heat it Up!

Has it begun? Do you stay up at night wondering when it will all end? I'm talking about your garden! Cukes, zukes, beans, and tomatoes are flooding my harvest baskets, lining up to be canned, frozen, cooked, eaten, and given away. But let's not complain. This is exactly why we drop those seeds in the ground and then wait with bated breath for nature to do her magic. And then she does. Just a few weeks of summer gives us the bulk of the

Salsa, sauce, pickles, relishes, and whatever you can drum up to convert your harvest into more than a daily dose, extending its life for future months that might be covered with snow.

Of course, nothing compares to fresh off the vine. No debate on that truth.

How I extend my garden edibles is by dropping more seeds right now into vacant spots, if you saved some for your fall crops. Broccoli, turnips, kale, collards, arugula and carrots, these all prefer cooler temps. Go for it. Let new seeds germinate in the warm soil now and get their roots dug in for cooler months ahead.

Here's an easy way to grow all year round. Build a small, or large, plastic covered shelter to cover your fall crops and that will give them extended life right into the winter months. This is an easy way to keep on growing greens even when the snow is over three feet in depth. Usually, with an air tight, plastic cover for protection from night's falling temps, the plants will warm up under the plastic in the daylight.

I fill up plastic jugs with water, you can substitute wine bottles, re-purpose them in your garden. The water jugs are placed inside your little hothouse and when it all heats up during the day, the H20 will release some of that warmth at night. The water also evaporates slowly and gives the plants a light misting, just like the morning dew does. Watering all your plants once or twice a week will also keep them alive.

My tunnel is 10 feet long and I have two of these. To make your growing tunnel or mini hoop house, use ½ inch PVC tubing cut to 5 feet in length. You will need to cut rebar also to slip the tubing over the rebar stakes you will place into the ground every 15 inches or so. Mirror the rebar row along the opposite side two feet wide. Accuracy is not going to win a prize here so no need for a measuring tape. Your tubing then gets bent and inserted into one rebar then across to the other. This holds it in the shape of an upside down U, creating a hoop.

Purchase heavy duty 3.5 mil plastic sheeting. I order one roll (10' x 25') from any garden nursery. Roll it outside on the ground to the pre-planned size you desire for your tunnel and add 3 extra feet, then cut it. The extra



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plastic is for the overhang on each end of your tunnel that gets tucked in overnight to keep all the warmth inside. Simply drape your plastic over the tubes and place a long heavy board or row of bricks to anchor the plastic down on each side. The opening on each end of your tunnel allows you to crawl inside to harvest your treasures. When daily sun warms up the tunnel, you can let it air out by opening both or one end of the plastic tunnel. Also air circulates around the plants. You will be amazed at the amount of heat that builds up under a sheet of plastic and that's exactly what will keep your veggies alive all winter long. I was able to have fresh kale and mustard greens in January right through to spring. Happy Gardening!

(Karen Cohen is a Mistress of her Organic Garden, a lover of nature, and avid explorer. Plans for a small hoop house in PDF form can be emailed, send your request to: natureswaykaren@gmail.com)

## Commentary

Horseshoe

# WVDA to celebrate National Farmers' Market Week

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) is celebrating the tremendous growth in farmers' markets across the Mountain State during National Farmers' Market Week, Aug. 7-13. Over the last four years, the number of farmers' markets in West Virginia has nearly tripled. In 2019, there were 93 registered farmers' markets across the State. Today, that number has climbed to 267.

"Coming out of a pandemic that shut down food manufacturers, higher energy prices, supply chain issues, rising inflation and the military conflict in Ukraine, now more than ever we need to focus on food security. To avoid a potential national food shortage, we must expand access to fresh, local foods," said Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt. "Frankly, we need more people in West Virginia to contribute to our local food systems. That starts at the community farmers' market."

During Commissioner Leonhardt's administration, the WVDA has worked with the Legislature to reduce burdens and barriers on farmers' markets, making it easier for communities to register and start their own markets. Additional legislation has been passed to deregulate non-potentially hazardous foods and allow potentially

hazardous foods, such as vinegar-based products, to be sold at markets. The WVDA has also redeveloped and rebranded the WV Grown program, expanded the Veterans and Heroes to Agriculture program and provided additional funding to farmers' markets around the State.

"The best thing the government can do is support and get out of the way of those who grow our food. We have continued to work with organizations such as the Farmers Market Association, Food and Farm Coalition, Institute for Justice and Farm Bureau to expand markets around the State. We are on the right track towards building food resiliency," Leonhardt said.

The first National Farmers' Market Week was established in 1999 by the United States Department of Agriculture. The week is a celebration of the hard work and dedication of the local farmer and agriculture businesses in making farmers' markets an integral part of the communities in which they are located.

To find your local farmers' market, check out: https:// agriculture.wv.gov/farmers-market-search/.

For more information or questions, contact Crescent Gallagher at 304-380-3922 or cgallagher@wvda.us

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report were discussed and it was the general consensus among members of the council that the building was more than likely unusable. This is due to the presence of natural springs on the cliff face above the building, as well the fact that two storm water drains apparently end underneath the building. The floor is damaged and warped such that the foundation is beginning to weaken, and one wall in particular is structurally unsound and could perhaps fall, posing the possibility of condemning the building. Despite these issues, the final decision on the fate of the building was tabled as the council waits for the findings of an independent, outside engineers re-

Next, the council introduced a potential ordinance regarding abandoned or unlicensed vehicles within city limits. The ordinance would allow local employees to impound such vehicles in a fenced lot, charging a fee in the form of a citation. This move would help alleviate the problem of abandoned vehicles and also generate some cash flow for the city, addressing two problems at once. As the council members had not yet had adequate time to review the language of the ordinance, it was laid on the table for action at a later date.

The last item of regular business was the discussion of purchasing a new excavator for the use of the city's street and water departments. Those departments have an excavator but it is beginning to show wear and tear from age and the increased usage due to ongoing water lines projects. Pam Mentz produced a quote for the new excavator, and informed the council that the purchase can be financed through People's Bank at a rate of 6 per-

cent for three years, with a \$1,300 payment. The city is

not currently financing any other equipment. The council then voted on and unanimously passed a motion to purchase a 2022 Bobcat E50 R2 Series excavator.

Mayor Deena Pack reported that a third party engineer from Greenbrier Technologies has been contacted and will begin the process of installing cameras on Island Park, that the overgrown grass ordinance passed several weeks ago is now truly in effect and will be prosecuted. The mayor was quick to point out however that if any residents were willing to remove garbage, clutter, or tall grass but lacked the means to do so, they could contact city hall and the city would "do all we could to help anyone who needs it. We don't want to get anyone into trouble or hurt anyone, so if you want to clean up your property but can't for whatever reason, we want to be very understanding and help people and make our town that much more beautiful in the process."

The Council also would like to extend a thank you to all the people who helped make the recent summer events in and around Ronceverte a success, including The River Festival and The Skyline Bluegrass Festival, as well to Mark Mengel who donated the use of large colorful sunshades to multiple events. The Ronceverte City Council meets on the first Mon-

day of every month at 7:30 p.m. at 693 Edgar Avenue, the new City Hall building. The public is encouraged to

e-mail news stories and letters to the editor to news@mountainmessenger.com

# The Back Pew

By Stephen Baldwin



The headline from last week's special session was, "Abortion ban passes WV Senate." To be clear, that is precisely what happened. The WV Senate voted to ban abortion. So did the WV House.

While you may have seen the headline, I doubt you

heard the things senators said while we debated the ban. Every voter deserves to know what was said on July 28,

"Personally, I would have no exceptions." - Senator Eric Tarr (R-Putnam)

"We love all babies, until they mess up." - Senator Mike Azinger (R-Wood)

"The dynamic in these relationships (rape and incest) is that the child often has a romanticized view of what's happening. They think it's their boyfriend." - Senator Robert Karnes (R-Upshur)

"If someone (who is raped) is willing to kill their baby, they're willing to lie to get it done." - Senator Eric Tarr (R-Putnam)

I hope every citizen watches every word of the de-

bate. (Watch in full at wvlegislature.gov.) It disturbed many of us deeply. The values of those speakers are not representative of the good people of West Virginia. Our values are simple. We value life. God grants us the precious gift of life, and it's our highest duty to nurture it. All the statistics

show that the best way to nurture life is to provide access to a range of medically-necessary, reproductive health care services. We value personal freedom. Politicians should not be making unique medical decisions for mothers and

babies. Only patients and doctors can make those deci-We value systemic justice for children. It's incumbent on us as a culture to provide for the wellbeing of children by providing child care, foster care, adoption care,

feeding programs, family planning, and mental health We value women. Debate on the floor was limited to the life of the child. The child's life is absolutely precious, and that life is only possible because of the life of

the mother. Both must be protected. Because of these values, I opposed the abortion ban. It may make some folks feel better, but it will not improve life in West Virginia. In fact, it will make our health worse. Doctors will flee the state for fear of being imprisoned. Expectant mothers will have to travel out of state for prenatal care. Children will suffer. For years, we've reduced the number of abortions and taken steps to improved maternal health. Both will reverse if a ban occurs, and more lives will be taken.

The next step in the process is for a conference committee to be appointed. They will try to arrive at a compromise. That process will unfold in the coming weeks. Please speak up and speak out to your delegates and senators in the meantime. The capitol can be an echo chamber, and we need to hear from folks.

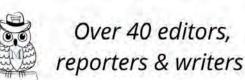
Those in power want a total ban. They are dominating the debate right now. We need to find a way to get beyond our worst partisan political impulses. I pray compassion and reason can prevail. We all value life, freedom, mothers, and children. Our state policy should reflect those values we share.

(Senator Stephen Baldwin is the Minority Leader and a local pastor. Reach him at 304-357-7959 or stephen. baldwin@wvsenate.gov. Follow him on Facebook, Twitter, TikTok, or Instagram @BaldwinForWV)

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# BITUARIES

#### William Alfred Zimmerman



A faithful husband, loving father, and talented musician, William Alfred Zimmerman passed away Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2022, after a recent heart attack and stroke.

Born in Maxwelton, he was preceded in death by his father, Alfred W. Zimmerman; his mother, Mary Gaye Quick Zimmerman; and his sisters, Helen Mc-Coy Zimmerman and Ora Mae Zimmerman Work-

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Sharon Zimmerman; his son, Terrence Zimmerman; his granddaughter, Davia Zimmerman; and sisters, Marjorie Kay Nettles and Mary Frances Emmons.

chasing Agent for The Greenbrier Hotel with 50+ years of service. The family will host a

Bill was a retired Pur-

celebration of his life at a later date. Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in White Sul-

of arrangements. Please send online condolences by visiting www.

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#### **Mary Sue Jenkins**

Lewisburg-Mary Sue Jenkins, 90, went home to be with the Lord at Peyton Hospice House in Fairlea on Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2022.

She was born in Tazewell County, VA, and resided in Greenbrier County for over 70 years. She was a homemaker, and loved being a mother and

grandmother. Mary Sue was a longtime member of Graystone Baptist Church in Ronceverte.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Mayola and Hugh Puckett; husband, Albert (Bill) Jenkins; two children, Jeffrey Jenkins and Linda Forren; two sonsin-laws, Jerry Kincaid and Basil Forren; and sisterin-law, Dawne Puckett.

Survivors include her

brother, Buck Puckett and his daughter Sandra; Mary Sue's three children, Billy (Angie) Jenkins, Elizabeth Kincaid and Patricia "PA" Martin (Tom). She had several grandchildren, Michael Jenkins, Jason Jenkins, Heather (Eddie) Hanna, Trevor (Caroline) Martin, Laura Kincaid (fiancé Justin Anderson), Julian Kincaid, Tyler (Samantha) Martin, Tevin Martin (fiancé Tara Shaw), Teighton Martin, Lili Norris and Melissa (Josh) Brown; great-grandchildren, Cody and Zach Jenkins, Hunter and Paige Hanna; Addison, Kellan, Max and Marleigh Martin and Easton White; and a step-grandchildren; special friends, Patricia Jenkins, Nancy Robertson, Sherry Bourgeois, and a loving caregiver, Betty Feury.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jenkins are to be held Saturday, Aug. 6, at 1 p.m. at the Graystone Baptist Church in Ronceverte with Pastor Youel Altizer and Pastor Mark Brandon officiating. Interment will follow in the Greenbrier Memorial Gardens in Lewisburg.

The family will receive family and friends on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the church.

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Sally Jo Hagi **McMillen** 



**Lewisburg-**Sally Jo Hagi McMillen died Saturday, July 30, 2022 at Peyton Hospice House from complications of myasthenia gravis, kidney failure and a host of other ailments. She is no longer suffering but the light of my life has gone out.

She was born Sept. 4, 1939 to Joseph and Goldie Mae Williamson Hagi in Clarksburg. She spent the WWII years in Virginia Beach as her father worked in the shipyards.

She graduated from Doddridge County High School class of 1957. She went to Baltimore to work; there she met her soul mate Dale McMillen, who was also a WV transplant. They were married Jan. 3, 1958 and lived in Maryland for 20 years. They built a house and farmed for 38 years near Meadow Bridge. The last seven years were spent in White Sulphur Springs.

She was a woman of many talents and interests, making and selling crafts, caring for her flower beds, and making her famous pickles. She was an avid collector of small teddy bears.

Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by all her siblings and a daughter, Traci Ann.

She is survived by her husband of over 64 years, Roland Dale McMillen, till death did us part; daughter, Shari Lenhart (Denny) of Thurmont, MD; son, Mike (Carolyn) of Charleston, WV; granddaughters, Kristi Taylor

(Justin) of Hagerstown, MD and Kandice Kollada (Jeff) of Thurmont, MD; sister-in-law, Betty Hagi of Clarksburg; brothers-in-law, Dr. J Wayne McMillen of Meadow Bridge, and GT Sands of Sall Branch, TN; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of her life will be held on Saturday, Aug. 6, at 2 p.m. at Emmanuel United Methodist Church in White Sulphur Springs.

Godspeed.

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

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#### **Charles Lee** Johnson



Lewisburg-Charles Lee Johnson, formerly of Rainelle, passed away at 80 years of age at the Peyton Hospice House in Lewisburg, on Thursday, July 28, 2022.

Charles was born on June 30, 1942, in Crichton, WV, the first child born to the late Charles T. Johnson and Kathleen Shawver Johnson.

Charles is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Janet Hoover Johnson; their two daughters, Charlena Johnson Moul and husband Robert Ray Moul Jr., of Statesville, NC, and Marilea Johnson Butcher of Renick; grandson, Alex Moul, **Emily** granddaughter, Moul Knox and husband Sage, great-granddaughter, Skylar Rayne Knox all of Statesville, NC; sister. Carolyn Johnson Hunter and husband Kermit of Rainelle; brother, Jerry Johnson of Tampa, FL; and nieces, Christina Martin and Susan Simms, as well as a host of close cousins, relatives and friends.

Charles was a faithful member of Sewell Valley Baptist Church in Rainelle before moving to Lewisburg, and then faithfully attended Salem Presbyterian Church in Organ Cave. He was a member of the Rainelle Volunteer Fire Department for 36 years, retiring from the department in December 2014 as Assistant Chief and President of the board. Following Graduation from Rainelle High School in 1960 he was employed by Herb May at May's Texaco Service Station for a few years. He was a skilled mechanic and employed by Martin Motor Company for 14 years, he later retired from Greenbrier Motors as a Service Writer after 22 years. He loved spending time with his family and playing gospel music on his guitar.

Visitation was held Monday evening, Aug. 1, at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg.

The Funeral was held on Aug. 2, at Salem Presbyterian Church in Organ Cave where Pastor Kermit Hunter and Rev. Kristi Moore officiated. Friends called prior to the service. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

The family has requested in lieu of flowers donations be sent to the Rainelle Volunteer Fire Department at 212 James River and Kanawha Turnpike, Rainelle, WV 25962, or the Salem Presbyterian Church at P.O. Box 71, Ronceverte, WV 24970.

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#### James L. Blankenship

White **Sulphur** Springs-James L. "Jim" Blankenship, 77, passed away Monday, Aug. 1, 2022 at Beckley Area Regional Hospital in Beckley, WV.

He was born Feb. 2, 1945 in Frankford to the late Alonzo and Rhoda Workman Blankenship.

Jim was a heavy equipment operator for Lynch Construction Co. He started his working career in the coal mines and then later with the State Road before working with Lynch Construction. He loved to be outdoors while enjoying fishing, hunting or shooting the breeze with his friends.

Other than his parents he was preceded in death by his sisters, Mary Harless and Thelma Tipton and brothers, Alva and Harley Blankenship.

Surviving Jim is his wife Phyllis Mentz Blankenship; daughters, Melissa Kasprzak (Marc) of Yadkinville, NC and Michelle Hefner (Richard Martinez) of Matthews, NC; grandchildren Brittany Talbert (Josh) and Danyelle Thompson; sisters, Arella Underwood of Frankford, and Irene George (Sam) of White Sulphur Springs; brothers, Lloyd Blankenship of Frankford and Bradford Blankenship of Pennsylvania; fishing and hunting buddy, Bobby Mentz and best friend, Dewey Taylor.

Funeral services will be Sunday Aug. 7, at 2 p.m. at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in White Sulphur Springs with Pastor Ralph Hubbard officiating. Interment will follow in the Highland Park Cemetery, Second Creek, WV. The family will receive

their family and friends from 12 noon until 2 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral Wallace & Wallace Fu-

neral Home in White Sulphur Springs is in charge of arrangements. Please send online con-

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#### **Thomas Oral** Zimmerman, Sr.

Second Creek-Thomas Oral Zimmerman, Sr., 66, passed away Saturday, July 30, 2022 at the Memorial Division of Charleston Area Medical Center after a brief illness.

He was born July 19, 1956 at Caldwell, a son of the late George and Juanita Morgan Zimmerman.

He was a former employee of E. M. Electric, was of the Baptist faith, loved building things, gardening, tending to his flowers, and he was an avid fisherman and hunt-

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by a son, Thomas Zimmerman, Jr.; a brother, Emory Zimmerman; and three angel babies of Mandy and Charles Mc-Carty.

He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife of 38 years, Joy Crislip Zimmerman; daughter, Mandy McCarty (Charles) of Second Creek; two sons, B. J. Zimmerman (Christie) of Second Creek and Doug Zimmerman of Marlinton; grandchildren, Hailey Zimmerman, Lane Zimmerman and Dawson Sarver; two sisters, Karen Withrow (Jim) of Lewisburg and Carol Christian (Darius) of Kiester; and three brothers, Sammy Zimmerman (Terry) of Lewisburg, Billy Zimmerman (Anita) of Organ Cave, and Roy Zimmerman (Gloria) of Lewis-

As per his wishes he will be cremated and no services will be held.

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# Church Bulletin

## First Baptist Church of Trout Annual Homecoming

Join us for our Annual Homecoming on Sunday, Aug. 7. Bring a covered dish and join in fellowship. Service starts at 11 a.m. with Special Singing. Pastor Roger Williams welcomes everyone.

#### First Saturday Services August 6 at Williamsburg Church

The first Saturday devotions and daily Mass will be celebrated Saturday, Aug. 6, in the Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate near Williamsburg beginning at 10:30 a.m. A covered dish picnic lunch will be held on the grounds following the Mass. Built in 1902, the Church is observing its 120th anniversary serving the Irish and German Catholic populations of northern Greenbrier County and is the oldest Catholic Church building in Greenbrier County. From Lewisburg, the church can be reached by traveling US 219 north to Frankford and then west on the Frankford/Williamsburg Road to Catholic Church Road, a distance of 4.5 miles. From the Beckley area take I-64 East to the Alta Exit, then north on WV 20 to US 60 East and US 60 East about a block to Sinking Creek Rd. north to Williamsburg and the southeast on Frankford Rd. to Catholic Church Rd., a distance of about four miles. Neighbors of the church provide the upkeep of the cemetery and the church.

#### Annual Ketron Church and Community Homecoming 1902-*2022*

Date: Sunday, Aug. 7, at 11 a.m.

Please join us once again to celebrate the legacy of Ketron Church, worship, and reunite with old friends. We hope that everyone has been safe from the COVID-19 virus this past year and that you are vaccinated and boosted. Masks will be available. The church is located on Rockland Road, 3 miles below Ronceverte. The speaker this year will be Al Morgan of Princeton. Following the worship service we will gather at the Frank Whanger Picnic Shelter for a pot-luck lunch and a brief business meeting. Everyone is invited to attend. Paper products and utensils will be provided. Please notify Karen West of any persons you would like added to the memorial list. Because the Homecoming was cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19 and attendance at the reunion

# **Reunions**

# Hedrick-Shepherd

The 55th Hedrick-Shepherd Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 6 at Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church at Fort Spring. The meal will be at 12 noon with meat and eating utensils provided. Please bring a covered dish and/or beverage and join us. Photos or items you would like to share will be put on display for everyone to see and enjoy.

## Hodges-O'Brien

The descendants of James H. Hodges and Jeremiah O'Brien will meet in a Reunion Sunday, Aug. 21 at Ronceverte Island Park Shelter #1. We'll gather at noon with dinner at 1 p.m. Bring photos, family tree information, past reunion information, and other memorabilia to share. Also bring addresses for family members that have moved that you want to add to our mailing list. The descendants are dying and we, the reunion committee, need you and your families to continue this RICH tradition. Please bring anyone and come enjoy the FINE food and GOOD fellowship. Come and catch up on family news and reminisce about the good old days/times. Please share this announcement with family members and relatives who may not be on our current mailing list. If your address has changed, we need your new address. Please call Nancy Hodges at 304-647-3451 for the changes in your address. Hope to see you there! Our rain location is First Church of God of Ronceverte Fellowship Hall, Ronceverte and North Avenue, Ronceverte, WV.

## Scott, Judy, Baldwin

The Scott, Judy, and Baldwin Reunion and annual get-together will be held Sunday, Aug. 14, at the Williamsburg Community Building. Doors will open at 11 a.m. with lunch starting around 12:30 p.m. All family and friends are invited to bring a covered dish, eat and be merry. For further information contact Shelby at 304-645-3690.

#### 30-year Reunion for GEHS Class of 1992

The GEHS Class of 1992 will hold a 30-year Reunion Saturday, Aug. 20. There will be an alumni and family social from 12 to 5 p.m. with a 1 p.m. memorial ceremony at the West Virginia State Fairgrounds, and a celebration dinner from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Big Draft Brewery. To register or get more information, visit the Facebook page Greenbrier East High School Class of 1992, or email GEHSClassof1992@gmail.com



# Club & Church

# Church of Latter-Day Saints missionaries speak to Richlands Ruritans

The Richlands Ruritans met at 7 p.m. on June 9 at the Calvary Methodist Church in Richlands. In addition to a business meeting, the Ruritans heard a presentation from Aaron Jensen and Logan Kelly missionaries for the Church of Latter-Day Saints.

Mr. Kelly and Mr. Jensen are missionaries assigned to the Lewisburg area. All young members of the Mormon Church have to serve a two-year term as missionaries. Some of these young people are assigned to locations in America and some are assigned to overseas mis-The presentation was about the

history and hierarchy of the Mormon Church and its evangelistic mission to spread the gospel. Their mission work is both Christian focused and family focused.

In the business portion of the meeting, the club made preparations for their upcoming raffle to raise funds for community service projects. Final plans were made for the annual family picnic on June 24 at the Calvary Methodist Church. The club voted to make a donation of \$100 to the Greenbrier Youth Camp



Steve Harris (left), president of the Richland Ruritans, with Aaron Jensen and Logan Kelly, Mormon missionaries

to provide scholarships for young-

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 Ruritans Club provides scholarships to local college students and 4-H campers and maintains Tuckwiller

# Williamsburg CEOS learn advanced care planning

What is advanced care planning? Well, Williamsburg CEOS Club President Barbara Deeds explained what everyone needs to take care of while they are in good health to prepare for the times when they might need extra care at the club's July meeting held at the Williamsburg Historical Museum.

There were many questions and

the WVU Extension Service prepared a very informative lesson which leads one in the right directions. Participating in the meeting were Loretta Shirley, Blanche Knicely, Cassandria Perkins, Shela McComsey, Linda Spencer, Burl and Patty Post, and Laura Rose.

The club also recognized Virginia Hanna, who celebrates her 99th

birthday this month!

The club will meet at the Museum on Aug. 9 at noon where preparations for the next year's club officers and committee chairs will be made. It would be a good time to come and learn what the Community Educational Outreach Service is all about. Everyone is welcome!

# Henning Church of God Ladies hold July meeting

The Ladies of the Henning Church of God met on Tuesday, July 12, in the church fellowship hall for their regular monthly meeting. President Carole Spencer presided and Cindy Fleshman led in prayer.

Dyan Hefner presented the devotion, "Under His Wings," with scripture reference Psalm 91:4. We all need protected just like a mother hen covering her chicks and this is how God protects us. Chicks hide under their mother's wings where they are safe and warm. The Lord keeps us under his wings. We need protection just like David running from King Saul and he poured his heart out to God. (Psalm 51:7) We find comfort

under his wings in all our tribulations. (II Corinthians 1:3-4) We all have sorrow and hurts that need comforted. He may not provide or protect us the way we want. Ruth lost her husband and moved to another country and married Boaz. She certainly did not plan to go through this in her life. We also have love under his wings and love will never fail us. Nothing can separate us from the love of God. (Romans 8:38-39) We have satisfaction under his wings in which he provides for our physical and spiritual needs. We rejoice and are happier under his wings. (Psalm 63:7) What are you finding under his wings? Barbara Seldomridge

brought us the missionary education report about the school in Peru named Roma Lee Courvisior. It is now open as of March 2022. They have 243 students which is the most ever. Ken Biron teaches religion classes along with his daughter Rachel. The school has a new principal. They need sponsors for their children. Their monthly budget has increased to \$14,500 a month. Many families are still touched by the pandemic and cannot work. Many still need food. They also have churches that need repairs and they need work camps.

Jamie Harvey gave the treasurer's report. Pauline Perkins read minutes from May since the church had a power outage in June and the meeting was cancelled.

Vacation Bible School was held July 18 through July 22. The theme was Food Truck Party. The closing program was held Sunday, July 24. The church Sunday School picnic will be held on Sunday, Aug. 7.

Marsha Merritt dismissed in prayer. The next meeting will be held Aug. 9.

Attending were: Alice Coff, Angie Scott, Barbara Seldomridge, Carole Spencer, Cindy Fleshman Dona Lilly. Donna Scott, Dyan Hefner, Jamie Harvey, Marsha Merritt, Marty Burns, Pauline Perkins, Patty Owens, Peggy Seldomridge, and Sue Hunt.

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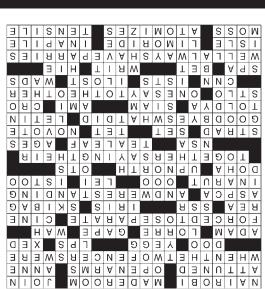
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GREENBRIER COUNTY BUILDING COMMISSION ANNUAL STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 Balance July 1, 2021 \$ 14,927.58 Revenues: Interest Expenditures:

WV Daily News - publishing 2020-2021 annual report Mountain Messenger - publishing 2020-2021 annual report Balance June 30, 2022

14,847.56 Gayle E. Mason, Chairman

#### LEGAL

#### NOTICE FOR CLERK OF THE WORKS

The Greenbrier County Board of Education is seeking expressions of interest from individuals for professional services to serve as clerk of the works for the construction of the new Alderson Elementary School. Individuals are invited to submit an expression of interest, to in-

clude a statement of qualifications, performance data and other material information desired no later than August 17, 2022, close of business 4:00 p.m. (E.S.T.) at the Office of the Board of Education of Greenbrier, 653 Church Street, Lewisburg, WV 24901, Attn: Superintendent. Please include all previous experience regarding PK-12 building services as well as previous experience on projects funded by the School Building Authority of West Virginia.

A selection team will evaluate the statements of qualifications and will conduct discussions with those deemed to be the most highly qualified to provide the service required.

# WVDA announces return of Senior **Market Nutrition Program**

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REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS - REROOFING

AND RELATED WORK

CRAIGSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY, NICHOLAS COUNTY WV

portions of the Library building located at 63 Library Lane in Craigsville, WV, 26205. The building is about 4,200 square feet in area and

consists of several adjoining sections with a complex roof structure.

The Craigsville Public Library is soliciting bids for reroofing all or

Based on the successful bidder's evaluation of the existing roofing

and on that bidder's recommendations, the job may include tear-off

and replacement of all existing roofing materials, or tear-off and re-

placement of only certain portions of the roofing. If damaged or de-

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The job will include repair as needed, or removal and replacement,

of an existing powered roof vent which is believed to not be operating,

along with the addition, if feasible, of other moisture venting provi-

sions such as a ridge vent and/or a second powered vent. The job will

also include such ancillary and detail work as is necessary to assure an

available at the front desk of the Library on and after July 27, 2022.

Each bidder is required to obtain and read the Bid Instructions

And Bid Package, to provide the information required thereby,

2022 at 1:00 PM. Attendance at the pre-bid meeting is not mandatory,

A pre-bid meeting will be held at the Library on Friday, August 5,

All bids must be marked "Sealed Bid - Roofing" and must be re-

ceived by the Library on or before August 25, 2022, at 5:00 PM. Bid

and to include the completed package as part of their bid.

but is suggested for all interested potential bidders.

The "BID INSTRUCTIONS AND BID PACKAGE" will be

will include removal and replacement of that sheathing.

acceptable and professionally completed job.

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) announced Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) vouchers are available as of Tuesday, Aug. 2. Vouchers are delivered to county senior citizens centers where they are distributed to eligible seniors. To qualify for the vouchers, you must be over the age of 60 and meet certain financial requirements.

Locally, Greenbrier County Committee on Aging will be distributing the Farmers Market Vouchers again this year. You must be 60 years of age or older to be eligible. Distribution will be from 9 a.m. through 11 a.m., and 1 to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Rupert Senior Center located at 284 Greenbrier Street Rupert. We will also distribute

vouchers from 8:30 a.m. through 10 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Fairlea Senior Center located at 110 Taylor Lane, Fairlea. Please bring proof of your age. For more information, call 304-392-5138.

"The issues we have experienced in West Virginia are similar to what other programs are facing around the country. For the WVDA, it has been a struggle to find banking partners to handle the redemption and printing of the vouchers, but I am proud of our staff for

working through these challenges to ensure the program continues," said Commissioner of Agriculture Kent Leonhardt. "We are already working towards a solution for next

The 2021 SFMNP program was delayed due to a lack of a banking contract. Facing a similar issue for 2022, as well as supply chain issues, the WVDA worked with federal partners to secure a contract and ensure the program's

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Vouchers will be distributed to all 55 counties in West Virginia by the WVDA to county senior centers through the United States Department of Agriculture's program. Vouchers can be exchanged for fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, honey and herbs from participating farmers markets, roadside stands and community support-

ed agriculture programs. "SFMNP is important to the health of our at-risk senior citizens, as well as the farmers who provide the produce. This program is part of our plan to grow our local food systems and build resiliency within them," Leonhardt

In 2021, the WVDA and its partners distributed a total of 14,912 vouchers to seniors in West Virginia. A total of 314 farmers participated in the program by accepting the vouchers. In addition, some seniors received a

For more information, contact Crescent Gallagher cgallagher@wvda.

## **LEGAL**

#### **NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS**

Appalachian Power plans to maintain a portion of its power line rights of way in West Virginia through aerial application of registered herbicides. Weather permitting, the program will begin on

Questions about the program or information about sensitive areas near the power lines listed below, such as springs, wells, streams, lakes, ponds, orchards, crop areas, gardens, pastures, meadows, year-round dwellings, public recreation areas, and Christmas tree farms, may be directed to the company by calling toll-free 1-800-642-3622.

Right-of-way maintenance agreements between the company and landowners are available to those preferring to accept responsibility for clearing the right of way crossing their property in lieu of aerial herbicide applications. Such agreements provide for compensation equivalent to the cost of aerial herbicide maintenance, provided the work meets the company's specifications.

Landowners desiring to enter into right-of-way maintenance agreements with Appalachian Power should call the toll-free number above, or contact the nearest office as listed below. Maps showing the location of rights of way to be maintained in their areas also are available for inspection at these offices.

Herbicides to be used have been extensively tested and are registered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the West Virginia Department of Agriculture. They are glyphosate, imazapyr, metsulfuron methyl, fosamine, triclopyr, aminocyclopyrachlor and aminopyralid. All applications are performed by certified applicators.

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Tariff Form No. 8-C

(Tariff Rule 14.2 et seq. (Historical Rule 30-C))

## PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that MOUNTAINEER GAS COMPANY, a public utility, has filed with the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA, an application containing increased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 220,000 customers at various locations in the Counties of Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancocko, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2022, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will increase revenue approximately \$90,914,544 annually, an increase of approximately 73.8%.

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A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at the following offices of the Company:

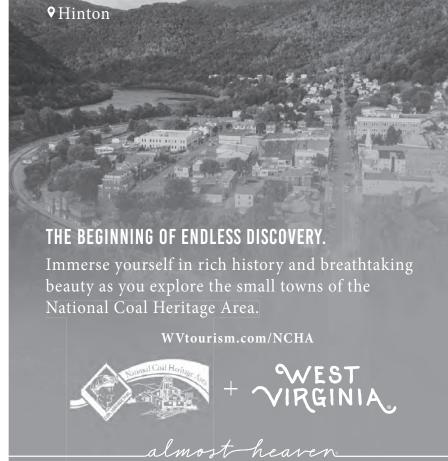
Mountaineer Gas Company Office

• 501 56th Street SE, Charleston, West Virginia 25304.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The Rule 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five (25) days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate increases and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All interventions must be mailed or hand-delivered and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Protests may be filed online through the Commission website using the "Submit a Comment" link or may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323.

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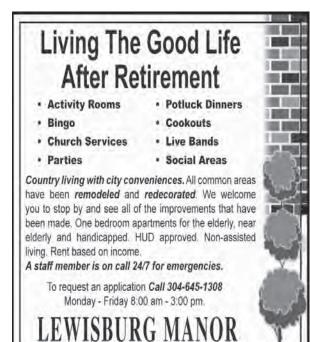


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Lumber Handler Pay & Benefits, First Shift; M-F 6 AM-4:30 PM, Starting Pay: \$12/hr, Full Plan of Benefits.

## Responsibilities

- Sorting and stacking hardwood products onto wood carts or in stackdown stands using leverage
- Straightens lumber on conveyor to align lumber for grading, sawing, edging, trimming, sorting, stacking, or for transfer to other conveyors; • Shovel bark and chips and cleans work area, using
- broom and shovel. make sure work area is clean of banding and boards before leaving every day; • Learn to operate various machinery and complete
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Wine Connoisseur

# Dear Wine Connois-

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Are balloons safe for the environment?

Party Giver

Dear Party Giver, Balloons are essentially a single-use product, whether they are made of plastic, rubber, nylon, or latex. Some early balloons were made of dried animal bladders. Balloons made of latex are supposedly biodegradable and thus eco-friendly, but they take six months to four years to fully break down. Plastic helium balloons take even longer. According to Tree Hugger, bright colored balloons tend to attract wildlife, birds, and other animals that will sometimes mistake them for food, leading to obstructions in their gastrointestinal tracts. Strings from the balloons also can wrap around their bodies. Many ideas exist for party decorations that are not single-use products. Reusable fabric water balloons are available for those that must have balloons for a party! Recyclable or compostable steamers and garlands are available through online websites. Party supplies and reusable decorations are often available at thrift stores, as well as regular

#### Dear Recycle Lady, How do you safely dis-

retail stores.

pose of home COVID-19 test kits?

Thankfully Negative

# Dear Thankfully Neg-

ative,

Good question. In West Virginia, home tests can be thrown in normal trash.







According to https://environment.govt.nz COVID-19 virus the kit is inactivated by the solution used. Just be sure to place everything in the disposal bag provided with the kit. Delaware, South Carolina, and California consider home tests a biohazard that must be treated as medical waste.

Good News: Beautiful Monarch butterflies have finally been added to the endangered species list as their population has declined between 85% and 95% since the 1990s. According to Emma Pelton of the nonprofit Xerces Society that monitors butterflies, butterflies are imperiled by loss of habitat and increased use of herbicides and pesticides for agriculture, as well as climate change. Let's hope, that with protection, the number of Monarch butterflies begins to increase.

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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#### By William "Skip" **Deegans**

Shown in this week's photo from the late 1800s is the Pickaway School in Monroe County. Standing in the rear of the classroom is, Charles A. Keadle (1864-1939,) a teacher and county school superintendent. Keadle started the first Corn Club in Monroe County. Founded in 1900, Corn Clubs were organized in schools to encourage the use of better farming techniques and to grow new varieties of corn. More than just that, the clubs were meant to foster a sense of community, develop a work ethic, increase school attendance, create teamwork, and increase enrollment in agricultural colleges. The clubs were imminently successful and spread throughout the country. In 1917, the Hinton Daily News reported the average production of corn for West Virginia was 26 bushels for the years 1915-1917. During the same period, Corn Club participants averaged 70 bushels per acre.

Membership in the clubs was limited to boys, but the girls saw the success and fun the boys were having and wanted in. Some folks questioned whether girls could do the hard work required, and the USDA suggested other activities better suited for girls like growtomatoes. Tomato

clubs were formed, but by clubs evolved into the 4-H 1912 the Corn Clubs beprogram. came coeducational. Other clubs like the pig club, poultry club, canning

Sources: North Carolina State University, University of Massachusetts, Hinton Independent-Herald, Hinton Daily News.

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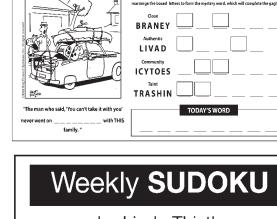
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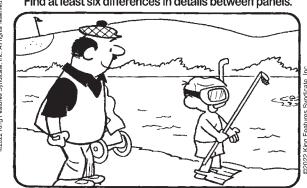
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# Steppin' Out

# Carnegie Hall's Ivy Terrace Concert Series presents the

# West Virginia Brass Quintet

Carnegie Hall's Ivy Terrace Concert Series presents the West Virginia Brass Quintet Thursday, Aug. 11, at 6:30 p.m. Sponsored by City National Bank, the concerts take place outside on Carnegie Hall's Ivy Terrace as attendees watch from the expansive lawn in front of New

River Community and Technical College. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket and pack a picnic to enjoy live music. All Ivy Terrace concerts are free, open to the public, and alcohol free.

Virginia The West Brass Quintet (WVBQ), formed in June 2009, is

# Coming Up at Big **Draft Brewing**



#### Friday, Aug. 5 - The Larry Keel Experience takes over Big Draft

The Larry Keel Experience is an award-winning innovative flat picking guitarist and singer/songwriter from Appalachia. Join us for what Keel calls "Experimental Folk." Tickets are just \$15 and can be grabbed ahead of time at www.bigdraftbrewing.com. If you love bluegrass and folk music - this is for you!

#### Saturday, Aug. 6 - Mighty Good Times are back to rock! Mighty Good Times is pumped to come back after

rocking our stage for St. Patrick's Day for another Free show! The level of energy and entertainment they bring is remarkable. This is the show for your dancing feets!

#### Saturday, Aug. 13 - Arlo McKinley returns after his European Tour

Arlo McKinley comes back to the Big Draft Stage after his European tour! \$15 tickets can be snagged at www.bigdraftbrewing.com. Don't miss this one!

#### Thursday, Aug. 18 - 3rd Thursdays in White **Sulphur Springs**

The 3rd Thursday of each month is the time to be out in White Sulphur Springs. We'll host a Dry Creek Society Happy Hour and our friends from Hampton Roots with Plants and Pints!

# Friday, Aug. 26 - John Inghram from Mountain

John Inghram comes in with his '60s and '70s psyhedelic rock tunes setting the experience for vintage sounds and nostalgia blended with innovative. This is another amazing FREE show sponsored by your friends at Big Draft Brewing.

#### Friday, Sept. 2 - Jared Stout Band will rock you into Labor Day weekend

Kick off Labor Day weekend the right way - with the Jared Stout Band! The JSB is an alt-country powerhouse based our of southwestern Virginia!

#### Saturday, Sept. 3 - Circus No9 shows us some newgrass

Circus No9 is East Tennessee's own progressive bluegrass outfit, blurring the lines between Bluegrass, Jazz, and Rock. Think, "John Hartford meets John Coltrane."

#### Friday, Sept. 16 - Jon Stickley will get you groovin'

Jon Stickley with Special Guest Hustle Souls. The Jon Stickley Trio is a genre-defying and cinematic instrumental trio who's deep grooves, innovative flatpicking and sultry-spacy violin moves the listener's head, heart, and feet!

one of the most exciting chamber ensembles in West Virginia. This versatile group's repertoire spans five centuries of music, from Renaissance and Baroque to Contemporary to Dixieland Jazz with an emphasis on traditional American music.

With members living more than 150 miles apart, the WVBQ goes to great lengths to sustain their passion for music making. From their annual Holiday Residency at the famous Greenbrier Resort to Artist Series Concerts at the Tamarack Center in Beckley and Carnegie Hall in Lewisburg to myriad church services, weddings, and civic functions, the West



**WV Brass Quintet** 

Virginia Brass Quintet has performed extensively throughout the Mountain State and surrounding areas.

The 2022 Carnegie

Hall Ivy Terrace Concert Series is a "must do" for visitors and locals alike. Concerts may be canceled due to inclement weather, so follow

and like Carnegie Hall's Facebook page for updates. For more information, please visit www. carnegiehallwv.org call 304-645-7917.

# Carnegie Hall's Fantasy Gala at The Greenbrier returns September 2

Tickets are now on sale for Carnegie Hall's Fantasy Gala: Bowties & Boas which is scheduled to take place Friday, Sept. 2, at 6 p.m. on the Colonial Hall Terrace at The Greenbrier. Tickets are \$195 per person, and tables of 10 are available for \$1,950.

The original Fantasy fundraisers were themed parties held from 1999 through 2009 at multiple locations in the Greenbrier Valley. Past Fantasies included Fantasy in White, Fantasy in the Jungle, Fantasy on the Farm, Rock and Roll Fantasy, and last year's Fantasy in Black & White. The theme for 2022 is Fantasy in Bowties & Boas. Be creative or be conservative - just make sure your attire includes a bowtie or a boa.

Gala Fantasy guests will enjoy a dine-around dinner, two complimentary drinks, a cash bar, live entertainment, and both a live and silent auction.

Carnegie Hall Board Treasurer Sharon Rowe chairs the Gala committee, which includes Sharon Rowe, Chair, Suzanne Cronquist, Mimi deOlloqui-Turner, Sarah Ream Driggers, Meredith German, Maggie Hutchison, Debbie Kilcollin, James Lockridge, Jill McIntyre, Terry Thompson, Mary Catherine Tuckwiller, and Tara Wooten.

Irresistible Groove will return to provide the music. Irresistible Groove is a highly acclaimed live-event band that has



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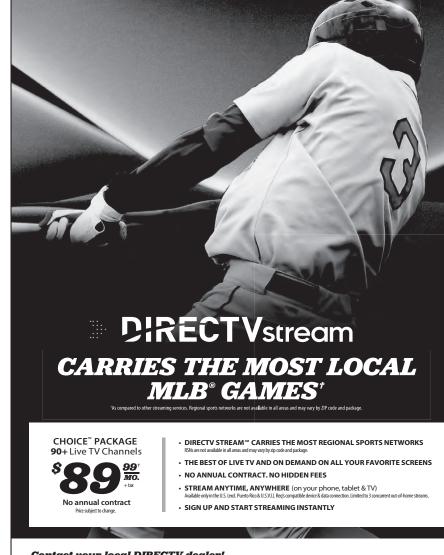
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2022 Gala Fantasy: Bowties & Boas Silver Sponsors include Meraki Fund, Yarid's, Aggie's Vest, Mimi deOlloqui-Turner, Bank of Monroe, and Surf Shop. Bronze Sponsors include Kilcollin Dental and Three Points Farm. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Please contact Development Director Sally Brayat development@carnegiehallwv.

For tickets or more information, please visit www.carnegiehallwv.org, call 304-645-7917, or visit Carnegie Hall at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg. Ticket sales end Aug. 26.

Proceeds from this event support Carnegie Hall's arts education initiatives and world-class performing/visual programming.

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