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Penny Pitch aims to raise \$60K for area families in need

Donations are beginning to arrive for this year's Penny Pitch effort. To date, we have raised \$6,645. We are so grateful to everyone who has given to us so far and hope that many more can help us reach our goal of \$60,000 before Christmas. As a community-wide effort, you will be helping folks have a little joy at Christmas and some warmth in the winter cold.

Please join our efforts to reach people in need this season. Just mail your donation to Penny Pitch, P.O. Box 494, Lewisburg, WV 24901

Donations:

Jerry & Linda Clemons - \$100

Williamsburg CEOS - \$50

Carol G. Rice - \$100

Ingevity Corporation (Covington) - \$1,500

Lewisburg Elks Lodge #1758 - \$2,500

Jerry & Judy Long - \$100

In memory of Joe Buttram from Cathey Sawyer - \$100

Sara M. Crickenberger - \$50

Lewisburg Rotary Foundation - \$500

Dan & Rebecca Edwards - \$100

Jim & Sharon Rowe - \$250

Lewisburg Rotary Club - \$620

Lewisburg City Council honors GEHS Men's Soccer Team

By Sarah Richardson

Following their AAA West Virginia State Championship win earlier this month, Lewisburg Mayor Beverly White read a proclamation at the November City Council meeting declaring Nov. 10, 2022 as The Greenbrier East High School 2022 Men's Soccer Team AAA West Virginia State Champion Day.

The City recognized the "hard work, dedication,

sportsmanship, and exceptional talent of the 2022 GEHS soccer team. Head Coach Lucas Lemine, and Assistant Coaches Todd Wagner and Bren Pittsenbarger, the entire coaching staff, team parents, and faculty were all named as "integral" to the team's success. The City encourages all citizens to join in celebration of the team on their outstanding accomplishment.



Mayor Beverly White stands with Lewisburg City Council members and the GEHS Men's Soccer in Council chambers.

White Sulphur reports on city finances, votes to raise water rates

By Sarah Richardson

Councilman G.P. Parker opened the Nov. 14 meeting of the White Sulphur Springs City Council with a report on the city's financial state. "The one we look at the most is our general fund, and we're not flush with money, but I was looking at it today and it looks like we are \$39,100.13 to the good, in the black," he reported. "Our CPA says we are \$39,099 to the black, in the good, so I was off by only \$1.13. We have positive cash flow now, that doesn't mean that it'll get better, it won't mean it will get worse, we just have to watch our expenses." He explained that the sewer fund for the year is up \$13,370.25, and noted a profitable October with numbers of \$33,500. He explained that the first part of the

fiscal year, which is July through June, is the "toughest" part due to insurance costs and other expenses. He also reported that the water fund is up \$46,800.72.

"We're really not here to make a profit, we're here to break even," he said. "That's the goal is to break even by the end of the fiscal year." He noted that their auditor is still reviewing the reports from fiscal year 2021-22, which ended in June 2022. "We were looking pretty bad most of the year, but we were recovering the last three months, the last quarter of the fiscal year was looking a lot better. But we won't know until next month, and I will hopefully have an update for you then."

Overall, Parker reiterated, "We are currently not going bankrupt." See "WSS City Council" ____ Page 4

Gov. Justice announces start of buck firearms season, return of Big Buck Photo Contest

Gov. Jim Justice reminded hunters that West Virginia's buck firearms season will start Monday, Nov. 21 and that they need to purchase their license and deer stamps before the season starts if they want a chance to take an additional buck during the state's most popular hunting season.

"West Virginia's buck firearms season is an incredible time of year and one of the most exciting ways you can enjoy a hunting adventure and experience all of the outdoor goodness our beautiful state has to offer," Gov. Justice said. "Whether you're a lifelong hunter like me or

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Alderson Town Council updates traffic map, makes school zones safer

By Adam Pack

Alderson area school bus drivers were present at the Alderson Town Council meeting on Nov. 11 to voice their concerns and propose a solution to a conflict between the operation of buses and parking in and around Memorial Field. According to one concerned bus driver, "At the corner of Virginia and Cedar, we have to turn in there, to pick up and drop off some kids, and parents also do the same. But cars park on the left side, as you go up the hill, and that doesn't leave us enough room to turn in. Between watching your tail-swing and kids lined up here [in front of the buses] and we would like a simple sign saying something like 'no parking during school hours,' that way it doesn't affect anything like parking for the football field or anything."

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Founders of Wellspring to retire

After 19 years of dedication and service, Fred and Scarlett Kellerman, co-founders of Wellspring of Greenbrier, Inc., are retiring. Founded in 2004, Wellspring is a nonprofit, faith-based organization that provides food, clothing, and other collaborative services to Greenbrier County's economically disadvantaged, homeless, and/or transient populations.

In the words of Scarlett and Fred:

How did the idea of creating Wellspring come to mind?

Scarlett answered, "We felt called by God. After working for Covenant House in Charleston and moving to this area, I saw a need for a similar ministry in Greenbrier County - to create a place where those in need could feel welcome. A home - a place where you could take a shower, do laundry, eat lunch, have a cup of coffee, and visit with your neighbor."

Fred added, "Wellspring started with helping a few people we knew were in need. Initially, we started this ministry out of a car and never considered anything on a corporate level. Lewisburg United Methodist Church gave us some space to operate out of when we first started up and eventually we stumbled upon the space we are in now."

"We keep in mind what Jesus asks us to do - to build His kingdom here on earth," said Scarlett. "Giving food, drink, clothing, freeing those who are imprisoned by addiction and poverty. We do this for God and with His help. We could have never done this without the Spirit here."

"It's all about instilling hope into people. People walk out of here feeling better than they did when they came in," Fred explained.

Of all the things this organization has accomplished, what are you most pleased with?

"We are happy that we have been an inspiration to other organizations that have sprung up in the last 19 years



Fred Kellerman (left), Scarlett Kellerman, Abigail Spangler, and Josiah Spangler

that have the common goal of helping those who are underprivileged in the Meadow River Valley," said Scarlett. "We've collaborated with many different churches and volunteer programs, such as Bethlehem Farm - which has provided us a significant amount of help over the years with work teams that come from all over the country. Wellspring relies heavily on the work of our volunteers. The faith community, including Lewisburg United Methodist Church, has also played a large part in this organization by providing volunteers who make meals and help with many other projects."

Fred noted, "I really like how we have developed a variety of programs throughout the years. So much so that there are few services we don't offer for those in need. It's also a great sense of satisfaction to go around the county and see the construction projects we have worked on for others that are still standing to this day."

How do you plan to spend your time after retiring?

"We have many home projects we have to focus on now," Fred laughed. "Raising our dog Harry is surely going to be amongst our priorities as well. I'd also say we're

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Taste of Our Towns raises funds for Carnegie Hall, local groups

After two years of having to be canceled, Carnegie Hall’s 36th annual Taste of our Towns (TOOT) proved once again why it is one of West Virginia’s most popular festivals. On Oct. 8, thousands of residents and visitors packed the streets of historic downtown Lewisburg to taste food and drinks created by over 30 regional vendors, listen to regional bands, participate in fun and educational activities, and experience Carnegie Hall’s first ever Art Block which featured Carnegie’s teaching artists selling and demonstrating their craft.

TOOT guests enjoyed a beautiful day, and the event raised funds for Carnegie Hall and other area nonprofits and businesses. This year, vendors collectively grossed over \$58,500 in sales. Carnegie Hall received more than \$23,000 as its 30 percent of vendor sales. Vendors took home nearly \$36,000.

“We were so happy with the number of people who participated in TOOT,” said to Development Director Sally Bray. “The weather was perfect, and our vendors were very happy with the crowd size and their profit.”

Food and drink vendors included Adamo Building Arts, Aggie’s-Vest, Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Central, Blackwell’s Catering, LLC, Child And Youth Advocacy Center, Faith Community Co-op, Foley Orthodontics, Food and Friends, General Lewis Inn, Greenbrier River Watershed Association, Greenbrier Valley Aquatic Center, Green-

brier Valley Beer Company, Greenbrier Valley Medical Center, Hambrick’s Concession & Catering, Hawk Knob Cidery, Mammy and Me, Monroe County Cancer Awareness Team, Old Stone Presbyterian Church, Ragged Branch Distillery, St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, Stardust Café, Sixpence Pizza, The Chocolate Lady, The Greenbrier Sporting Club, The Greenbrier, The Schoolhouse Hotel WV, West Virginia Beef Jerky, and West Virginia Renaissance Festival.

For the first time, TOOT included an “Art Block” to showcase its teaching artists and educational opportunities. Live clay demonstrations were performed by teaching artists Sean O’Connell and Amie Durrman.

Education Director Harmony Flora concluded that “Presenting the Art Block as a new addition to this year’s festival was a great opportunity to showcase the variety of talented teaching artists that participate in the educational programming at Carnegie Hall. For the public to be able to see our instructors doing live demonstrations of wheel throwing, hand building, woodturning, soap cutting, and wood burning is a great way to connect the process of creating art to the finished product and helps to spark interest for individual participation.”

Carnegie Hall teaching artists included George Ayars and Theresa Filzen (Stained/Fused Glass), Kathy Talley (Baskets), Tommy Raves (Soap & Spa Products), WV Woodturners Association (Turned



TOOT guests enjoyed a beautiful day in downtown Lewisburg

Wood items), Jennifer Spencer (Wood-burning), and Luke Davis (Leather).

Entertainers included Blue Steel, Hello June, The Shootouts, Absolute Love Affair (ALA), West Virginia Renaissance Festival, stilt-walker Marcus Fioravante, and banjo player Keith Thomas.

Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Central and Ragged Branch Distillery donated 100% of their proceeds to Carnegie Hall and The Greenbrier and The Greenbrier Sporting Club donated 100% less their expenses, contributing tremendously to the success of the event as a fundraiser. Without 2022 TOOT Sponsors the event would not be possible. The Title Sponsor was Boxell Solutions. Bronze sponsors included Greenbrier Medical Arts Pharmacy and Greenbrier Automotive Group.

Carnegie Hall would like to recognize following contributors:

- Volunteers from the Carnegie Hall Board of Directors, TOOT Committee, Lewisburg Rotary, Boy Scout Troop #70, Church of Latter-Day Saints, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, as well as individuals who regularly volunteer for Carnegie Hall contributed largely to the success of the event.
- The Greenbrier Valley Convention

and Visitors Bureau sold tickets and promoted TOOT.

• Special thanks to the City of Lewisburg Police, Fire, and Public Works, Gillespie’s Flowers & Productions, Greenbrier Valley CVB, Greenbrier County Health Department, Greenbrier County Humane Society, Greenbrier Valley Theatre, Greenbrier Valley United Way, Lewisburg United Methodist Church, New River Community and Technical College, Simms Exxon, The Lewis Theatre, and ALA (Absolute Love Affair).

The 2022 TOOT Committee included Jill McIntyre (Co-Chair), Jennifer Orr (Co-Chair), Sally Bray, Mary Cole Deitz, Harmony Flora, Ross German, LeeAnn Gillilan, Teri Hartford, Margo Henderson, Misty Hill, Michael Kincaid, Philip McLaughlin, Jill McClung, Cathy Renard, Sarah Umberger, David Ward, and Mayor Beverly White.

TOOT is made possible by the generosity and support of the community and is always held the second Saturday in October. Plans for next year are already underway. To learn more about how to become a sponsor, vendor, or volunteer next year, please call 304-645-7917 or visit www.carnegiehallwv.org

Governor and First Lady Justice invite West Virginians to submit photos for 2022 Military and First Responder recognition trees

Gov. Jim Justice and First Lady Cathy Justice invite all West Virginians to honor members of the United States Military and First Responders by submitting photos to be showcased on two recognition trees that will be displayed during the upcoming holiday season.

This year’s recognition trees will be located in the west rotunda of the main Capitol building, along with a third tree decorated by Gold Star mothers and families to honor their loved ones whose lives were sacrificed while serving our country.

“I am so proud to continue this holiday tradition. I love seeing the photos of so many special West Virginians each year,” First Lady Cathy Justice said.

All photos, along with the submission form and tag, must be received no later than Tuesday, Nov. 22.

Photos may be submitted via email or mail. Email: kate.e.morris@wv.gov

Mail:
West Virginia Governor’s Mansion
ATTN: Katie Morris
1716 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25305
Please submit photocopies. Submitted photos will not be returned.

The military recognition form and tag can be downloaded at <https://governor.wv.gov/SiteCollectionImages/2017%20Military%20Tree%20Submission%20Form%20%28003%29.jpg>

The first responder recognition form and tag can be downloaded at <https://governor.wv.gov/SiteCollectionImages/2017%20First%20Responder%20Tree%20Submission%20Form%20%28002%29.JPG>

Big Buck Photo Contest

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just getting started, I want to encourage you to get into the woods in the next two weeks and join the thousands of hunters who have helped make this special season one of West Virginia’s most beloved and time-honored traditions.”

Resident hunters and non-resident hunters who want a chance to harvest an additional buck must purchase a Class RG or Class RRG stamp, respectively, at WV-hunt.com or at an authorized license retailer by 11:59 p.m. on Nov. 20. The two-week season will open Nov. 21 and run through Dec. 4.

Resident landowners may harvest an extra buck without purchasing an RG stamp if they are hunting on their own property. Nonresident hunters who own land in West Virginia are not exempt from purchasing a license or the extra buck stamp, even if hunting on their own property.

Hunters are reminded that they are required to use their permanent DNR identification number to check in their game online at WVhunt.com, at a license agent or by calling 1-844-WVCHECK. All deer harvested on Nov. 21-22 in Barbour, Jackson, Mason and Upshur counties must be brought to a designated biological game examination station. For more information, check page 14 of the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary.

In eight counties and portions of two counties, hunters are required to take an antlerless deer before harvesting a second antlered deer. For more information, see pages 15, 20, and 22 in the 2022-2023 Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary, available to download at WVdnr.gov

Gov. Jim Justice also announced the return of West Virginia’s Big Buck Photo Contest, which gives hunters an opportunity to share photos of their buck harvest for a chance to win prizes.

The contest is open to West Virginia residents and nonresidents and includes

two divisions: a youth division for hunters 17 and younger, and an adult division for hunters 18 and older. Five participants from each division will win prizes.

To enter the contest, hunters must submit a photo with a buck they harvest during a 2022 hunting season along with a short account of their hunt. Submissions may be uploaded using the Big Buck Photo Contest entry form at WVdnr.gov/photocontest. Those entering must have a valid 2022 West Virginia Hunting License and will need to enter the 13-digit DNR-issued game check number for their bucks.


The second segment of West Virginia’s antlerless deer firearms season also opens Nov. 21 and runs through Dec. 4 on private land and select public lands. Archery and crossbow hunting for antlered and antlerless deer is also legal during the buck firearms season and subject to all archery and crossbow deer hunting regulations. Class N/NN stamps to hunt antlerless deer may be purchased at any time at WVhunt.com.

“Not only do West Virginia’s deer seasons provide quality outdoor recreation, they are incredible for our state’s economy and a major boost to our tourism industry,” West Virginia Division of Natural Resources Director Brett McMillion said. “Our deer seasons attract thousands of out-of-state hunters and bring in millions of dollars in license and stamp sales and overnight bookings at our state park and forest facilities. I want to thank Gov. Justice for promoting our hunting seasons and outdoor recreation and making them such a big part of his administration.”

Small game hunting is prohibited during the first three days of buck firearms season in all counties with a buck firearms season.


For more information about West Virginia’s hunting seasons, visit WVdnr.gov.

PICK OF THE LITTER



KIRK
Kirk is a male, two-year-old Red Heeler and weighs 48 pounds.

DALLAS
Dallas is a five-year-old 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 covers spay/neuter surgery, first dog vaccinations, rabies vaccine, de-worming, toe nail trim, flea bath and flea treatment.

Call 304-645-4775 for more information.

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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Briefly

Holiday Farmers Market

will be held Saturdays Nov. 5 through Dec. 17 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Gus Douglass Building on the WV State Fairgrounds featuring a Market Cafe, special events, food and local crafts.

American Heritage Music Hall, Inc.

located at 496 Island Park, Ronceverte, is open to the public, all welcome, handicap accessible. Listeners and tourists welcome. Admission \$7 Tuesday nights, \$10 Saturday - Audience provides food. Doors open at 7 p.m. Jam & Dance every Tuesday 7 to 10 p.m. Dance on Nov. 26 will feature Walt & Rich’s Country Pride, 7 to 10:30 p.m. The Music Hall is available for weddings and parties. For more information call the Music Hall at 304-645-4667; Bill Evans at 304-392-6079; Grace Poe at 304-992-5852.

Democratic Executive Committee

will meet Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 5:30 p.m. at the Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate office in downtown Lewisburg.

Shop With a Cop

The Greenbrier County Fraternal Order of Police would like to announce the beginning of our fundraising season for our 2022 Shop with a Cop Christmas program. You may receive a phone call or a mail out about our program. Please do not be alarmed, these calls and mail outs are legitimate. You can contact the Lewisburg Police Dept. with any questions and they will direct you to the appropriate person to speak with. We would like to thank all of our faithful sponsors and look forward to working with our public to provide another successful program for our local children.

Alderson

work of the Alderson Police and asking people to move their vehicles, “but you get a lot of people dropping their kids off to get on the buses for the middle school and high school, so there are a lot of people and it’s dark, it’s dangerous.”

While the bus drivers present agreed that all they needed was “a sign or some yellow paint or something,” Alderson Mayor Travis Copenhaver informed them that their concerns were already under consideration.

“I can actually give the whole street there during the time you’re supposed to pickup, because the original traffic map has that area designated as ‘school personnel and limited visitor parking.’ That was done when the community center was the Junior High and the street was never painted accordingly and the signs were never put up.” Copenhaver mentioned that this dovetails well with work around the entire school zone that the city has been planning to do. As a result, Mayor Copenhaver vowed to secure signs which could read something to the effect of “No Parking 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.; Limited Parking School Hours.”

The council also heard updates on various pieces of business, including action relating to the Jansen Pharmaceuticals settlement as part of the wider opioid settlement. At the council’s last meeting, suits against four major pharmaceutical distributors and manufacturers were dropped as part of the settlement reached between the aforementioned parties and the State’s Attorney General. The Council elected to sustain any actions further against Jansen Pharmaceuticals as part of a statewide settlement totaling \$99 million. The council approved that measure without further discussion.

The council also addressed the final change order and final contract amount for the completion of the Flat Mountain Flood/Stormwater upgrades. The final amount, \$186,292.80, included unplanned concrete work, to which Mayor Copenhaver explained, “Two vertical feet doesn’t sound like much, but two vertical feet means a huge difference when you’re working at

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going to spend more time together, but that’s how we spend all of our time now.”

Scarlett added, “Yes, we’ll be working on our home and seeing a lot of our family. We have missed out on a lot of family connections that we want to be more a part of now.”

“Our families have always been very supportive of what we do and we look forward to spending more time with them,” said Fred.

What is the future of Wellspring?

“Josiah and Abby are going to bring a lot of fresh ideas and energy into this ministry,” Fred explained.

“Our new directors have the ability to continue Wellspring’s vision and enhance the work that we have started. I am excited about the future - I really am.”

“So am I,” said Scarlett.

Josiah and Abigail Spangler, natives of Greenbrier County, are the new co-directors of Well-spring of Greenbrier. The Spanglers are registered nurses and regular vol-unteers at nonprofit and faith-based organizations including Wellspring. The community is invited to attend an Open House at Wellspring (524 Nicholas Street) in Rupert on Wednesday, Nov. 30, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information call 304-392-2095.

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.

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions

Russel W. Adkins, Crawley, 1) drivers must be li-censed, motorcycle licenses, State ID, GP, fine \$25; no insurance, fine \$200

Leigh Anna Timm, Crawley, expiration of registra-tion & certificate of title, NCP, fine \$50

Maryssa F. Smith, Scrabro, 1) operation of vehicle without safety belts (2 counts), NCP, fine \$25; 2) driving while license suspended or revoked, fine \$100

Tommy J. Horney II, Lost Creek, driving on the right side of roadway, NCP, fine \$50

Gabriella Cierra Boggs, Gap Mills, shoplifting - concealed merchandise, GP, fine \$20

Jesse Edward Merchant, Ronceverte, hunting, trapping or fishing on lands of another, NCP, fine \$30

Ryan A. Moore, Marlinton, possession of a con-trolled substance without a valid prescription, NCP, jail 90 days - suspended and place on 12 months unsupervised probation

Michael M. Cutright, Leslie, driving while license revoked - DUI, NCP, fine \$100

Thomas Augustus Patterson, Smoot, reckless driving, NCP, fine \$25

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elevation.” There was also a day’s worth of fuel con-sumption added, which accounts for the use of vehicles and idle time. This was the final and only change order on this project and thus this total amount is final.

There were no new updates on the water plant reloca-tion project, but regarding the water lines project, Cop-enhaver reported that it is “on track.” He went on to explain that the “[Army] Corps of Engineers submitted their [paperwork] and the process is for permits to go through to IJDC and a couple of other permitting agen-cies.” By spring the water lines project should be ready to bid.

Ann Eskins of the Parks and Recreation Department came forward to ask that the council reappoint Holly Gore to her term that runs through 2028, and to ap-prove Herbert Burdette to be new Parks and Recreation commissioner for the remainder of Roy Bennet’s term, which would be Dec. 2026. These actions of the board of Parks and Recreation were approved by the council.

The council also addressed year-end incentives for city employees. Mayor Copenhaver reported, “We’ve got the least amount of vacation cash-out that we’ve had in years. We usually average 1,500 [hours] but this year there were only 400 hours cashed for the end of the year.” Copenhaver went on to explain that the city has been diligently working to rectify issues with sales tax remittances, both with businesses which have not appro-priately remitted sales tax and one business which did but did not need to, and “will be getting a check for that. However, sales tax remittance is not optional, and those businesses which have not are going to get nasty letters from the state tax office.” That being said, given the first quarter sales tax remittances received by the city and the low number of PTO cashed out, Copenhaver felt that, “I think that we can afford whatever [the council] wants to do.” Thus the motion was made that city employees get \$500 in year-end bonus. The measure was approved.

The Alderson Town Council meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Council Chamber of the Alderson City Building. The public is encouraged to attend.

Marriages

William Ferguson Love, DC to Phillipa Bradley, Mt. Holly, NC

Parker Anton Michael Samples, Ronceverte to Jacquelyn Martha Buttafuoco, Ronceverte

Suits

In Re: The Marriage of: Jacob Blaine Ratliff and Katherine Gladys Ora Ratliff

In Re: The Marriage of: Melissa Margaret Brooks and Joseph Alan Brooks

Register for Lewisburg Christmas Parade

The Lewisburg Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 3, at noon. Lineup will begin at 11 a.m. on Lee Street. Clubs, local groups, individuals, and more are invited to participate in this fun holiday tradition. Please complete the form below and return to Lewisburg Christmas Parade, 942 Washington Street West no later than Nov. 28.

If you have questions please call 304-645-3776 ext. 122. Pre-registration is appreciated but not necessary to participate.

LEWISBURG CHRISTMAS PARADE

December 3, 2022

ENTRY FORM

Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Category: _____
(Band, Float, Equestrian, Walker, Club/Organization, Other – Describe)

Please complete this form and return to: Lewisburg Christmas Parade, 942 Washington Street West, Lewisburg WV 24901 no later than Nov. 28, 2022

For the Record Deeds

Michael D. Isaacs and Mary C. Isaacs to Gray Morgan and Molly Morgan, Lots Nos. 47, 48, 49, and 50, Phase III of Brier Hills Addition, Ronceverte Municipality

Margaret Ruth Criddle to Jesse Harold Tyree and Cynthia Marie Gosnell-Tyree, Lots Nos. 112, 113, 123, 124, 125, and 126, Town of East Rainelle, Meadow Bluff District

Timothy E. Eilts and Virginia Eilts to Michael R. Hunter and Pamela L. Hunter, 54 Acres, Meadow Bluff District

Jesse F. Kelley and Sydney Nicole Hopkins to Cathy Hillard, Lot No. 26, Valley Ridge Estates, Frankford Addition

Nolan Calabro and Kathy Halstead Calabro to Mark E. Richardson and Teresa Richardson, 1.00 Acres, Meadow Bluff District

Robert W. Doherty and Laurel D. Doherty to A.P. Prop-erties LLC., Lot No. 4, Section 2, Graham Addition City of Lewisburg

George L. Lemon to Sheila A. McCormick and Howard K. McCormick, 0.480 acres, Lewisburg District

Deanna Cadle Jenkins to Deanna Cadle Jenkins and Thomas K. Jenkins, Lot No. 38, Hughart Addition to East Rainelle, Meadow Bluff District

George M. Litten and Dhyan Skinner to George M. Litten and Dhyan Skinner, 2,771 Acres, Falling Spring District

Harry W. Golliday to Morris Wesley Savage, Lot No. 344, Creekside Neighborhood of Greenbrier Village, White Sulphur District

Randolph S. Knipp to Sarah F. Holliday and Char-lotte F. Glass, Lot No. 7, Block G, Section 2, Garden Heights Addition, Lewisburg District

604 South Jefferson Street LLC to Thomas W. Mutter and Elizabeth M. Mutter, Lot No. 12, Section 7, Gra-ham Addition, Lewisburg Municipality

Patricia Stanley Owens and Charles Allen Stanley, I to Michael S. Stevens, 8.55 Acres, Frankford District

Brian E. Hill to James Kaufman and Audrey Kaufman, Lot No. 21, Phase 1, The Overlook at Greenbrier, White Sulphur District

Melissa Manning to Andrew Bailes and Cassie Bailes, Lot 13, Section 4, Levelton Land and Improvement Company Addition, Town of Rainelle

Elizabeth K. Plumber to Thor Tangvald, IV, 2.00 Acres, White Sulphur Springs District

Elizabeth Anne Simmons Jarrett to James Matthew Jarrett, 1.327 Acres, Williamsburg District

Eileen Burke and Emily Lilly to Christopher P. Lilly and Samantha M. Lilly, 2.16 Acres, Falling Springs District

Brett M. Kees and Breanna M. Dillion-Kees to Danny E. Webb, 1.0 Acre, Meadow Bluff District

Robert Tuckwiller, Artist

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Scenes from the Greenbrier Valley and Beyond

Holiday Open House

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OPINION

Nature’s Way

By Karen Cohen

Master Gardener/Photojournalist/Artist

Sweet or Sour

Living here on the edge of growing zone 5, maybe zone 6 nearby, we cannot grow some plants/trees/flowers outside in the winter. We either dig up flower bulbs to hold inside till spring or use burlap to cover up our fig tree or pile a ton of chopped leaves on top of fennel, chard, and mustard greens all in the hope that these will make it through the tough winters here. Right now we are facing 21 degrees on some nights. And, as the band Chicago says, it’s only the beginning!

Last winter I became supremely jealous of my brother in law’s laissez faire attitude towards growing a dwarf lemon tree in his kitchen. Did I mention it is a Meyer’s lemon tree? OMG. Ever taste a Meyer lemon? You might be able to find them at Wegmans and Whole Foods; basically they are sold in gourmet food stores.

Meyer Lemons are native in China. The trees can grow to ten feet tall and produce white flowers that have a lemony smell. Then there are the lemons. My bro in law had grown his for about five years without paying much attention at all to it as it stood for years in the corner of his kitchen in front of the window. He watered it when he remembered to and opened the blinds daily when he left for work. In the summertime when the weather was fine, he carried it to the sunroom which was screened to allow fresh air flow. When I visited, it was scrawny but tall, and festooned with at least ten-twelve lemons. He joked that he had no idea what to do with them. Ok, I could have died right then. I did consider getting up in the middle of the night to remove it from his home and into my waiting car with the ignition on. But I didn’t.

What’s so special about these lemons? Praised by home chefs and bakers, Meyer lemons are just plain delightful in flavor. Meyer lemons are round in shape, smooth, thin skinned, bright yellow, and very juicy. Oh, and they don’t make you pucker when you taste one. They are actually sweet and that means you use less sugar in your recipes when you use them.

Because they appear late November to early December, their supply is limited and hence, desirability is high and so is their price. But so worth it. Two easy and delicious recipes are traditional ones, lemon curd and lemon bars. Starting with the curd, ingredients are few:

1 stick of unsalted butter, 2 tbsp. of Meyer lemon zest, ½ cup of the juice, ¾ (or less) cup of sugar, and 4 egg yolks, beaten. Melt the butter, add zest, juice and sugar, stir it all to melt the sugar then whisk in the egg yolks till it all thickens (approximately ten minutes) and the temperature reaches 170 degrees. Pour into small glass jars and refrigerate. Use as a topping on scones, simple pound cake, cheesecake, muffins, even on top of cereal or with yogurt. It can be stored in the fridge for up to six



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months and will still taste fresh! Simple and your guests will oooh and ahhh.

Lemon bars are also simple and there are plenty of recipes online. Chances are, if you have a baker in your family, they will know how to make easy lemon bars, or write to me for my recipe! Do I make lemonade with meyer lemons? When I can find them in the store, I do! I add a sprig of rosemary or fresh mint, ginger ale, and gin and voila, a Pimm’s cup cocktail.

Last year, I bought a dwarf Meyer lemon tree. It is scrawny but growing. I have it inside my warm kitchen near a window. Maybe in 4-7 years, I will be making lemonade out of these lemons!

Karen Cohen is a self-proclaimed Mistress of her organic garden, an animal and music lover, and avid explorer. Email natureswaykaren@gmail.com for recipes, tips, or questions. Happy growing!

Commentary

Coal v. Renewable energy - which is cheaper?

By Charlotte Lane

Chair of WV Public Service Commission

The PSC has come under criticism for favoring coal-fired generation over renewable energy. The fact is that the Commission favors lower cost generation over higher cost generation. It is often said that coal is not a cost-efficient electricity production fuel; that the cost of renewable resources from all technologies are dead even with coal-produced energy; and that West Virginians pay a lot more for electricity than customers in many other states.

These statements are just not true.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration rated West Virginia residential electricity costs in August 2022 as the 18th lowest out all 50 states. And West Virginia had the lowest rates in the country for industrial customers. The average industrial rate across the country was 55.4% higher than the West Virginia rate. Considering that we have lower rates than most states, if rates are driven by the cost of our coal-fired power plants then it must follow that the availability of the coal-fired power in West Virginia is helping to hold our electricity rates down.

Detractors of fossil fuel-fired power plants try to make the case that renewable resources (mostly wind and solar) costs less than fossil fuel power plants. It is true that the cost per kilowatt of capacity to construct wind and solar facilities is mostly lower than the cost of building coal-fired facilities (a new coal facility would cost \$4,074 per kilowatt; a new on-shore wind facility \$1,718 per kilowatt; a new solar facility \$1,748 per kilowatt; and a new off-shore wind facility \$6,041 per kilowatt).

However, unlike fossil fuel facilities, which can produce power around the clock, wind facilities can produce only within certain wind speed ranges, and solar facilities have no production capability when the sun goes down

or is covered by clouds. Due to the intermittent nature of wind and solar generation, replacing 1 megawatt of coal-generated electricity will require 3 megawatts of wind capacity and 4 megawatts of solar capacity.

The costs of wind and solar facilities do not include the backup facilities needed to maintain sufficient electricity to meet load requirements when the wind is not blowing or the sun is not shining.

Adding battery storage capacity or backup always-available generation resources will increase the costs for the intermittent wind and solar resources, making them more expensive than base load power plants.

I am not suggesting building new coal facilities, but we must consider the relatively low cost of the utility-owned coal-fired capacity already existing in West Virginia. Unlike a new coal-fired facility, our existing power plants were built at much lower costs, which have been partially recovered by our utilities through depreciation paid by customers.

The depreciated cost of those existing power plants is well below the cost of constructing a new wind or solar facility. A claim that the partially depreciated coal-fired plants is more expensive than the costs of building and maintaining a comparable amount of new generation is simply wrong. Such a claim has not been supported by any evidence or expert opinions provided to date to the Public Service Commission.

The PSC is not opposed to renewable energy. The Commission has never rejected or denied an application for a certificate to site a renewable energy project in the State. The Commission is leading West Virginia in the transition to locate more renewable energy facilities in the State. But we will not go cold turkey on coal at the expense of West Virginia ratepayers.

Commentary

President is right: We must end hunger

By Kent A. Leonhardt

West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture

President Biden recently announced his administration’s goal to eliminate hunger and reduce diet-related diseases by 2030. His plan is based around five policy pillars; improve access to food, integrate nutrition and health, empower consumers to make healthy choices, support physical activity and enhance nutrition and food security research. Addressing these issues is crucial as we face rising energy prices, inflation and supply chain problems. At the same time, more than 35% of the adult population and 20% of children are now considered obese, in addition to one in ten households facing food insecurity. It is refreshing to see an administration show some commitment to nutrition and food security, but I urge the President to look towards West Virginia for successful program examples.

In just the past year, the number of folks reliant on food banks has increased by 12%, with over 100,000 families receiving commodities. Food access is a prevalent issue facing many of our smaller and more rural communities. As big box stores pushed out small businesses, only to leave a few decades later, it has left many of our communities without reliable grocers. This forces our citizens to travel hours to secure food for their families. To combat these issues, we have seen West Virginia develop SNAP Stretch which doubles the value amount of those dollars when purchasing healthy produce, as well as convert WIC, WIC SFMNP and Senior SFMNP to electronic solutions to keep these programs moving forward. We have also seen the number of farmers’ markets triple since being moved to the Department of Agriculture and meat processing production rise 50% since the pandemic. We are doing a lot to expand access, but it is not enough.

To further integrate nutrition and medicine, the Biden administration plans to pilot covering “medically tailored meals” through Medicare. In West Virginia, we have already found success through our “FARMacy” programs that prescribe food boxes to combat diet-related diseases. Our eight programs around the state expand access to nutritious, healthy foods and combine them with educational materials and expert resources. Over the last several years, we have seen participants achieve better health outcomes and learn more about healthy living. To address mental health, we have funded projects through our Veterans and Heroes to Agriculture program to integrate mental health and agriculture. Through partners such as the VA hospitals and homes, we have expanded mental health programs to those who have served our country and communities. As a State that has limited medical resources, health and wellbeing of our citizens should be a top priority for ensuring a prosperous West Virginia.

President Biden wants more schools to cook food from scratch, as well as purchase more food from local farmers. The President is right, although he failed to mention how we got here. A grave policy mistake made by Departments of Education shifted us towards “heat and serve meals” in lieu of home cooking. The long-term effects of these policies have worsened nutritional outcomes for our youth leading to adulthood health risks. Now, most of our schools lack the staff and equipment to reverse course, but through successful programs such Farm to School and the Fresh Food Act we have tried to right these wrongs. If we are truly going to serve better meals in our schools like the President wants, it will take a huge investment in school resources. In the meantime, the Department continues to work through the Farm to School Coalition and invest staff time into how to connect more farmers to schools.

As much as I am happy to hear these policies initiatives from the President, we have been preaching since day one that food security is vital to West Virginia. It is sad that despite being one of the leading producers of food in the world, the United States still faces food deserts, rising diet-related diseases and food shortages during these economic times. Closing the gap between consumption and production not only lessens our reliance on foreign sources of foods, but also fosters a healthy citizenry, environment and economy. We must invest in the local farmer and programs that support them. President Biden is right; we must end hunger in the United States, and it starts by replicating and expanding the programs we have started right here in the Mountain State.

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WSS City Council

This report followed a public hearing for the proposed water and sewer rate increases, which was held prior to the Council meeting at 6 p.m. in the chambers. Several citizens attended to voice displeasure and concern over the increased rates, however, Council has stated at previous meetings that they are being “forced” into this raise.

“We’ve not had a water or sewer rate increase for 10 years,” explained Mayor Bruce Bowling during the July 2022 City Council meeting. “What the water and sewer boards have come up with is new rates. The water will go from \$9.89 [per 1,000 gallons] to \$12.74, and the sewer will go from \$8.04 [per first 1,000 gallons] to \$10.05. So basically, \$5 for both of them, and like I’ve said, there’s been nothing done for the last 10 years, maybe 12. Just for an idea of what you guys are paying for water, right now it’s a penny a gallon.” He notes that prices of materials, salaries, and more have increased over the last 10 years, and that the city should have

probably raised rates “five years ago.”

Parker explained that the water and sewer funds are controlled by the PSC, so the water and sewer boards report to Council, with the CPA recommending the rate increases. “We talked about the unfunded mandate from the state three years ago, another reason that we are looking at the increased rates now,” said Parker.

The third reading of the water and sewer rate increase was passed unanimously by Council. The sewer rate will be increased by 25 percent and water by 28 percent.

In other news:

-Councilmember Mary Collins said that there will be a home decorating contest this year, with homes needing to be decorated by Dec. 12 to be judged. Call City Hall for more information at 304-536-1454.

-Council voted to approve two youth recreation funding applications, one for Spa City Soccer and one for Pee Wee Basketball “which were already appropriated

in the budget.”

-Councilmember Kathy Glover reported that there is \$310,963.41 remaining in ARPA funding for the city, which includes some projects that were in the works but not fully completed. She said there are several “pending projects that we are still researching” that could total approximately \$290,000, this leaves roughly \$20,963.41 of the original monies. The ARPA committee recommended to Council to add two hotspots for public wi-fi in the town, both at MTA bus stops. This recommendation for expenditure was approved unanimously by council. Greenbrier Technologies, who has installed four other hotspots around town, presented a quote of \$3,457.80 for the two new hotspots. Collins also said a volunteer has approached the City regarding updating the City website to be “up to date” with new information, including contact info for all sitting Council members. Council approved both requests unanimously.

OBITUARIES

Patrick Lee Brown, M.D.



Lewisburg-Patrick Lee Brown, M.D. died Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2022, in Lewisburg.

Dr. Brown was born on Mar. 29, 1947, in Madison, WV, to Harry C. “Brownie” and Marvine Brown.

He graduated co-valedictorian from Scott High School in 1965 and went on scholarship to West Virginia University (WVU) in Morgantown where he majored in chemical engineering. After three years of study, he was admitted to the School of Medicine at WVU where he graduated with honors and was admitted to Alpha Omega Alpha.

He married Peggy Lynne Church in 1972 and moved to Charleston, WV, for his internship year. They returned to Morgantown for his residency in Internal Medicine and fellowship in Cardiology. They then moved to Huntington where he practiced for almost 25 years with Huntington Internal Medicine Group (HIMG).

He was part of the team of physicians that envisioned and developed the cardiac catheterization and openheart surgery program at St. Mary’s Hospital (SMH). Pat held many leadership positions during this time with HIMG and SMH, including President of HIMG, Chief of Internal Medicine at SMH, Director of SMH Cardiac Catheterization for nearly two decades, Director of the SMH Non-invasive Cardiology Lab and Director of SMH Cardiac Rehab. He also served as President of the West Virginia Heart Association and on the Board of Directors for the West Virginia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology. Pat was recognized as a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and was an Emeritus Member of the American College of Physicians.

Pat and his family were active members of Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church in Huntington. He was on the Board of Directors of Guaranty National Bank. In 2001, Pat and Peggy moved to Lewisburg where Pat worked until 2020 at the Greenbrier Clinic in White Sulphur Springs. They were active members of Lewisburg United Methodist Church and Greenbrier Valley United Way where they served as Campaign Chairpersons. He was a member of Lewisburg Rotary Club and served on the Board of Directors and was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Recently, Pat was honored with the Distinguished West Virginian Award by Governor Jim Justice. He, also, was honored with the Gifted Clinical and Teacher Award at this year’s WV Chapter of the American College of Cardiology. It was well known that if Pat was not working, he could be found either on the golf course or supporting his alma mater. He was an enthusiastic supporter of WVU, proudly serving as President of the WVU Medical School Alumni and on the WVU Athletic Council. He cheered on the Mountaineers and enjoyed traveling with family and

friends to the NCAA Final Four, the Big East Tournament in New York City as well as various college football bowl games including the Fiesta, Sugar and Gator Bowls.

Pat never met a stranger and cherished his friends both near and far. Pat and Peggy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this summer. He was extremely proud of his children and cherished most of all being a grandfather.

He was predeceased by his parents and his brother, Mickey Brown.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy, their children Shelby Gleason (John) of Fredericksburg, VA and P. Alex Brown (Janna) of Elkins; his three grandchildren, Patrick and Callie Gleason and Harper Brown; two brothers, Gary and Jim Bob Brown and a sister, Mary Brown of Madison, WV.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 1 p.m. at Lewisburg United Methodist Church with a light reception to follow in the fellowship hall.

Pat was very grateful for the scholarship he received to attend college and took great pride in serving on the scholarship committee for Rotary.

As part of Pat’s legacy, the family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the Lewisburg Rotary Club Foundation, P.O. Box 1305, Lewisburg, WV 24901. The memo should read: For scholarships in memory of Pat Brown.

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

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Jannett Lewis Rider



White Sulphur Springs

-Jannett Lewis Rider, 90, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2022, at Lewis-Gale Allegheny.

Jannett was born Dec. 27, 1931, in Hematite, VA, the daughter of the late Lee Andrew and Edith C. Birley Lewis.

She was a member of the Palestine Presbyterian Church. She was a retired server in the main dining room at The Greenbrier Hotel.

Jannett loved to help others as was evident with her working the food pantry at Emmanuel United Methodist Church, often delivering meals and boxed goods to people at the VA hospital in Beckley.

Other than her parents she was preceded in death by two sons, Steven Lee Rider and Keven Andrew Rider; and brothers and sisters, Robert Lewis, James W. Lewis, Charles E. Lewis, Richard H. Lewis, Ernest W. Lewis, Martha Wilkerson, Carol Pearson, Frances Elliott and Gertrude Vail.

Surviving are her daughter, Debra Rider Winkler and her sons, Justin and Nathan Winkler; sisters, Jo Anna Cooke (Julian) of Callahan, VA, and Charlotte Wilkerson of Ken-

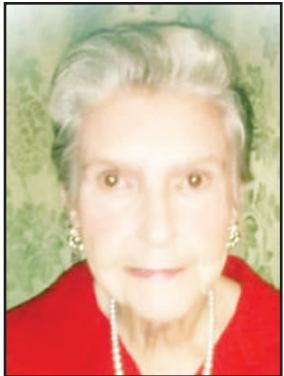
tucky; brother-in-law, William P. Vail; along with several nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held on Sunday, Nov. 13, at the Palestine Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hematite, VA.

The family received family and friends on Saturday evening, Nov. 12, at the Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in White Sulphur Springs.

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Mary Elizabeth Napier



Lewisburg-Mary Elizabeth Napier, 91, entered peacefully into Eternal Life with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, in Heaven, at her home on the evening of Monday, Nov. 14, 2022, following an extended illness.

Mary was a godly woman who loved the Lord and her family and set an example for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was of the Pentecostal faith and had attended the Pentecostal Holiness Church in Caldwell.

Mary was born July 28, 1931, to Edray Wilton and Juanita Helen Bennett Judy of Caldwell.

She attended school in White Sulphur Springs and was later employed by Greenbrier Laundry in Ronceverte and the Federated store in Lewisburg.

Mary married the love of her life, Ira Wallace Napier in October 1953 in Clifton Forge, VA.

She was devoted to her husband, her daughters, and their families and delighted in spending time with them. She enjoyed family gatherings and sharing home-cooked meals and will be fondly remembered for her fried chicken, mashed potatoes, Christmas fudge, apple and pecan pies.

Along with her parents, Mary was preceded in death by her infant son, William Edward Napier; infant twin sister to Debra; and her loving husband, Ira Wallace Napier; and sister, Margaret Helen Zimmerman.

Mary is survived by daughters, Diane Napier, at home, Debra Smith (Michael) of Lewisburg; grandchildren, Michael Napier (Tonya) of South Carolina, Ashley Boyd (Steven) of Ohio, and Britany Smith-Perry (Robert) of Meadow Bridge; great-grandchildren, Chelsye Napier (Darrion) of Florida, Mercedes Boyd of Ohio, Harper Boyd of Ohio, Ayden Smith of Meadow Bridge and Wilow Smith of Meadow Bridge; brother, Charles Judy (Leta) of Virginia; and several nieces and nephews which she loved dearly.

Mary was a sweet, caring and incredibly strong woman. She left a legacy to her family of love and grace and was fondly spoken of by all who knew and loved her.

A private gathering for the immediate family with visitation and a public funeral service was held on

Thursday, Nov. 17, at the Morgan Funeral Home in Lewisburg where Pastor Everette “Hat” Defibaugh officiated.

Upon Mary’s request, Richie Holliday sang a special hymn in her honor. Pallbearers were Dale Napier, John Napier, Robert Perry and Michael Smith.

Burial took place in Greenbrier Memorial Gardens where she was laid to rest beside her loving husband.

Our hearts are broken, but we look forward to the day we will be reunited in Heaven. Until then, you will forever remain in our hearts, precious “Miss Mary.”

“Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.” *Proverbs 31:31*

Online guestbook may be signed at www.morganfh.net

Carol Evelyn Byers Kincaid Harless



Hillsboro-Carol Evelyn Byers Kincaid Harless, 80, passed away Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022, at J.W. Ruby Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

She was born Apr. 6, 1942, in Auto.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Nellie Byers; her first husband, Richard R. Kincaid; two sons, Michael and Samuel Kincaid; and grandchildren, Allen Kincaid and Sabrina H. Massie.

She is survived by her husband, Orvil R. Harless; sons, Richard Kincaid (Kim), David Kincaid (Jennifer), and John Baxter; daughters, Ruth Kincaid (Bill), Lorey Baxter; daughter-in-law Vickey Kincaid; sisters-in-law, Gladys and husband Dave, Shirley Dicaro and family; brother-in-law, Jim Harless and family; step-daughters, Sonya Waitkey, and Renee Harper; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Evelyn was employed at Denmar and Pinecrest nursing homes until she retired.

She also loved to sew and make quilts. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend,

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 20, 2022, at the Woodland Presbyterian Church in Auto.

Arrangements are being handled by VanReenen Funeral Home.

Charles L. Nester II

Union-Charles “Chuck” L. Nester II, 61, passed away on Friday, Nov. 11, at CAMC General in Charleston following a sudden illness.

Chuck was born Jan. 5, 1961, in White Sulphur Springs, the son of the late Charles L. and Ruth Marie Kersey Nester.

He was a Christian and had been a logger most of his life. He attended Glen-

ville State College.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Melody Elaine Nester; daughters, Chloe Lewis and husband Nathan of Lewisburg and Sarah Gammons and husband Mike of Missouri; son, Josh Nester and wife Jessica of Lewisburg; grandchildren, Abby Fridley (Simon), Kaylee Gammons, Michael Gammons, Lydia Nester, Jase Nester, Evalyn Lewis, Avery Daniels and Regan Lewis; sister, Sandra Marie Kinney (John) of Spotsylvania, VA; brother, Greg Nester of Lewisburg; nieces and nephews, Tiffany Jackson, John Kinney III, Britt Nester and Bret Nester; and several great-nieces and nephews.

A graveside service for Chuck Nester will be on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 12 noon at the Leslie Nester Memorial Cemetery at Glace with Pastor Josh Nester officiating.

The family will receive their family and friends on Friday, Nov. 18, from 6 until 8 p.m. at the Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in White Sulphur Springs.

Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Robert Lee Wheeler August 10, 1952 – November 6, 2022



Lewisburg-Robert Lee Wheeler passed away Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, of an unexpected illness. He was 70. “Bob” lived his entire life in service to others and dearly loved his family and community.

Born in Gainesville, FL, Bob was forever grateful to find the love of his life, Linda Bailey, while still in high school. They married in 1974, started a family and home filled with love, and maintained a beautiful life partnership until his passing.

Bob attended the University of Florida, achieving a B.S. degree in 1974 and M.D. in 1978. Following the completion of his residency program at the University of Colorado in 1982, Linda and Bob moved to Greenbrier County, West Virginia, a place they grew to adore and would always call home. Bob joined the Obstetrics and Gynecology Practice at Greenbrier Physicians, where he practiced 36 years until his retirement in 2018. Dr. Wheeler’s passion for patient care never wavered, and he would be first to insist that quality patient care would not be achievable without the selfless professional staff he called his peers. During his tenure, the team welcomed more than 7,000 babies to proud families in the area.

Bob loved traveling and exploring wide-ranging topics from cooking to literature to foreign lan-

guages. Fitness was routine across many venues, including trails, ski runs, racquetball courts, and golf courses. He found great joy in the arts community of Greenbrier Valley, and never ceased finding ways to appreciate those that bring art to life. Bob was a proud member of Lewisburg United Methodist Church, finding the wonder of God in so many facets of this life.

Starting as a boy, Bob’s journey in the Scouting program included achieving the rank of Eagle Scout and a period he immensely enjoyed as an adult Scoutmaster with Troop 70 in Lewisburg. Many young men were fortunate to spend time with him and witness a man living every day by the Scout Oath and Law.

We mourn the loss of an amazing husband, father, grandfather and community advocate. His intensity for living set an extraordinary example of what a life of meaning can be for all of us.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Charlotte and Clyde Wheeler.

Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Linda B. Wheeler; sister, Jean Hayes and husband John, of Palm City, FL; brother, Steve Wheeler and wife Linda, of Trenton, FL; two sons, Kyle Wheeler and wife Hilary of Denver, CO and Ryan Wheeler and wife Sarah Fisher of Albany, NY; and four grandchildren, Eddie, Bradley, Leo, and Ruby.

Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. and a Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 21, both at Lewisburg United Methodist Church.

Memorial donations may be given to Lewisburg United Methodist Church at <https://lwbumc.breezechms.com/give/online>

Laura Jane Stuart Walls



Lewisburg-Beloved mother, “Sisty,” “Ganna,” teacher and friend, Laura Jane Stuart Walls, 82, died Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022, following an extended illness.

Her mother and father, Virginia Dare Monroe Stuart and James Bradford Stuart, preceded her in death.

As a direct descendant of Col. John Stuart, founder of Old Stone Presbyterian Church, Lewisburg, Laura Jane was an active Youth Leader and lifetime member.

Ms. Walls is survived by her brother, Brad Stuart and sister-in-law, Jackie McClung Stuart.

LJ was mother to Stuart “Skip” Walls (Penny) of Surfside Beach, SC; Virginia “Ginny” Walls Hinkle (Amber) of Lewisburg; and Laura Roberta “Robbi” Walls of Lewisburg.

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Henning Church of God Ladies hold November meeting

The ladies of the Henning Church of God met on Tuesday, Nov. 8, in the church fellowship hall for their regular monthly meeting. President Carole Spencer presided and Kim Brookman led in prayer.

Dyan Hefner presented the devotion, “Six Little Stories With Lots of Meanings,” First, the villagers decided to pray for rain and only one boy came with an umbrella. This is faith. Second, babies laugh when thrown in the air because they know they will be caught. This is trust. Third, every night, we go to bed with no guarantee of life in the morning, but we still set our alarms. This is hope. Fourth, we plan things for tomorrow and have no knowledge of the future. This is confidence. Fifth, we see what is happening in the world, but still get married and have children. This is love. Sixth, an old man turns 80 years old, but his shirt says, “I’m not 80-year-old, I’m sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.” This is attitude.

She also shared about the fall colors of leaves. Are we drawn to them? Do people gravitate to us? Are we warm and inviting? Red leaves stick out and are extraordinary. A passion for Christ will be reflected. (Matthew 5:6) Orange leaves remind us of pumpkins and fall. They reflect warmth, thoughtfulness and sincerity. (Ephesians 4:32) Yellow leaves show happiness, joy, and cheerfulness. Joy in the heart like the fruits of the spirit.(Galatians 5:22-23) Purple leaves are striking and show royalty in Christ. They also show that we are heirs of God. (Ro-

mans 8:16) Brown leaves are needed so the vibrant colors can be seen. They symbolize stability and anchors. (Colossians 2:6-7) Don’t let Christ be hidden.

What are your colors? We all go through things, but how we handle them is what counts. We should show mercy and grace to all people.

Kim Brookman presented the missionary education report about the Norberto, Nancy, Marcos, Nicole, Anahi and Dominick Kurrle family in Paraguay, South America. Norberto’s parents and grandparents were missionaries. Paraguay is in the heart of South America and is one of the least evangelized mainly because it was under a 35 year dictatorship which ended in 1989. Norberto attended college in Anderson, Indiana, along with his first wife, Julie. They were instrumental in establishing a Christian radio station in Paraguay. She and their son were killed in a car accident in 2012. He married Nancy in 2015. He also takes care of his ailing parents. Norberto serves as a professor in several Bible schools and provides leadership to pastors. The Church of God in Paraguay is experiencing great growth. During the pandemic, they held regular prayer meetings at 5 a.m. and had up to ten countries praying at one time.

Norberto is also helping to continue a school started by his missionary mother and her friend in 1980. They also started a program to raise money to send pastors on vacation and give small loans to church members. This

past spring, Norberto also had the opportunity to meet and forgive the man who killed his family in the car accident in 2012. This past summer, the family came to the states for the first time in three years.

Jamie Harvey gave the treasurer’s report and Pauline Perkins read last month’s minutes.

Carole Spencer read a letter to the editor found in the WVDN from Ed Norman from Ronceverte, thanking our group for encouragement and being uplifted by our monthly meetings. Our group would like to thank Mr. Norman for encouraging us with his kind words.

Carole reminded the group about apple butter, which was made on Nov. 11, serving the Ruritans on Nov. 17, and the Christmas celebration on Dec. 6. We are to bring food boxes for the food pantry, Christ’s birthday offering, and blessing cup. The group voted to donate money to Tara Hefner who is going on a missionary trip to Africa in January to help finish up her P.A. degree in women’s health. Everything she takes to Africa must be left to be used in the medical facility.

The next meeting will be held Dec. 6, and Marty Burns dismissed in prayer.

Attending were Alice Coff, Angie Scott, Barb Sel-domridge, Carole Spencer, Cindy Fleshman, Donna Scott, Dyan Hefner, Jamie Harvey, Kim Brookman, Marty Burns, Pauline Perkins, Patty Hefner, Peggy Sel-domridge, and Sue Hunt.

SCHOOL

Veteran’s Event at JMHS

American Legion Posts 100 in Union and 145 in Peterstown, Vietnam Veterans of American Chapter 1108, and James Monroe High School (JMHS) jointly hosted a veteran’s panel discussion on Nov. 10 in the school auditorium. Students had the opportunity to listen to the experiences of veterans from the World War II era to those currently serving, and to ask questions about life in the military and its meaning. Students divided into small groups and rotated through stations composed of veterans from various eras: 1940’s-50’s, 1960’s-70’s, 1980’s-2000, and post 9/11.



Del. Todd Longanacre (left), Mike Wiley, Scott Womack, Darwin Womack, Charles Larew, Wendy Reed, J.W. Larew, Frank Gagnier, Steve Ellison, Loyd Vest, Todd Fairchild, Hank Fischer, Bob Allen, Tim Sluss, and TSgt Franco Pace. (Not pictured but also present was Vietnam War Veteran John Donnelly)



Students engaging with Vietnam War Era veterans Bob Allen, Steve Ellison, Hank Fischer, and Frank Gagnier.

Pace represented the post 9/11 Era. The students appreciated learning of these veterans’ experiences, which ranged from humorous to serious.

The American Legion is nonpartisan and open to veterans of any branch of service and era, including those currently serving. The

American Legion supports veterans and their families, patriotism, and youth education. If you are interested in joining us in this vital mission and assisting with programs like the one described above contact Scott Womack at scott_womack@hotmail.com or via Facebook Messenger.



Students listen as Charles Larew relates his experiences in Korea from 1956 to 1958. Also at this station were World War II Era veteran Darwin Womack and Korean War Veteran J.W. Larew.

Registration for spring 2023 underway at New River CTC

Course selection is underway at New River Community and Technical College for the spring semester starting Jan. 17, 2023.

For the spring 2023 semester, New River CTC is offering in-person classes along with web enhanced face-to-face classes using video conferencing and on-line classes.

“In developing the course schedule, we’ve added more evening classes to meet the needs of working adults interested in either advancing in their careers or preparing for a new one,” explained Campus Director

and Community Outreach Roger Griffith.

More than 40 of New River CTC’s degree and certificate programs qualify for free tuition through the West Virginia Invests grant program, and the college is currently accepting new students. Accounting, barbering, business administration, criminal justice, esthetics and line service will have new class starts in January.

“Students interested in entering New River CTC’s physical therapist assistant, practical nursing or medical lab technician programs are encouraged to apply for

spring registration to complete prerequisite courses for the programs with class starts in August,” added New River CTC Dean of Transfer and Pre-Professional Programs Dr. Wendy Patriquin.

Registration for the college’s 5-week winter session continues through Dec. 12, ‘22, and registration for the spring semester will continue through Jan. 13, ‘23.

Visit www.newriver.edu, email admissions@newriver.edu or call 1-866-349-3739 for more information.

Back Down Country Roads

Early Pioneer Home Remedies

By Nancy Richmond

When the first European settlers immigrated to the territory that is now Greenbrier County, they brought with them many of the medicinal cures which had been passed down to them by their ancestors for hundreds of years. In turn, these home remedies, which later included several that were learned from the Native American population, continued to be used by their offspring. Some of these remedies are still used to this day, and have proven to be as beneficial now as they were three hundred years ago.

Angelica: Also called Archangel or masterwort, this

plant comes from the carrot and parsley family. It was used to make a drink called Carmelite water that was believed to be a cure for headaches and arthritis, an antidote for poisons, and an aid for healing

Asafoetida: This herb was a cure for colds, fevers, and the flu; also, Native Americans believed it could remove evil spirits. It was used by being burnt in a clay bowl in an area where the patient could inhale the fumes. It had a very acrid smell, and was also used to purify the home from evil, and as protection from ill fortune.

Belladonna: Belladonna is a small white flowering plant that blooms in July or August. It is poisonous. It

was thought to cure the bite of a rabid dog. It was also used to help capture thieves, rapists and murderers, and brought good luck by being worn in a charm bag around the neck.

Boneset: This plant is a member of the dandelion family, and was the most common herb of Native Americans, who used it to treat colds, indigestion and constipation. It was carried in the pocket to ward off evil, and was mixed with coffee or tea, and given to suitors that parents didn’t approve of, to deter them from courting their daughters.

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LEGAL

Notice is hereby given that the following described tracts or lots of land in the County of Greenbrier have been certified by the Auditor of the State of West Virginia to G. Russell Rollyson, Jr., Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered lands of said County, for sale at public auction. The lands will be offered for sale by the undersigned Deputy Commissioner at public auction in the First Floor Courtroom of the Greenbrier County Courthouse beginning at **12:30 p.m. in the afternoon, on the 6th day of December 2022.**

Each tract or lot as described below, will be sold to the highest bidder. The payment for any tract or lot purchased at a sale shall be made by check or money order payable to the sheriff of the county and delivered before the close of business on the day of the sale. If any of said tracts or lots remain unsold following the auction, they will be subject to sale by the Deputy Commissioner without additional advertising or public auction. The deputy commissioner sale may include tracts or lots remaining unsold from a previous auction not required by law to be readvertised and described for this subsequent auction of those same tracts and lots. All sales are subject to the approval of the Auditor of the State of West Virginia.

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Buckeye: Buckeye is poisonous if taken internally. It was used in a poultice to relieve backaches, chills and rheumatism, and worn in a charm bag to bring success.

Chamomile: This herb is part of the daisy and marigold families. Made into tea, it promotes sleep and relaxation. It can also be taken to relieve indigestion, cramps and ulcers. It was applied topically to promote the healing of wounds.

Celandine: Celandine was brought to the New World by English colonists. It is a perennial herb that grows along roads and in fields. It is an excellent topical ointment for swelling and skin abrasions.

Cinquefoil: Also known as ‘five finger grass,’ it is used to process leather products and to dye cloth and leather. The roots were used for medicinal purposes.

Cinnamon: Cinnamon comes from the same family as nutmeg. Its uses include pain relief, lowering blood pressure, and aiding digestion. Scented bowls of cinnamon were set around the house to bring peace, happiness and prosperity to the home.

Cloves: This herb is a member of the myrtle and eucalyptus family. It was used to treat gout and as an antiseptic. It was placed around doors and windows to keep evil from entering the home.

Coltsfoot: Medically, this herb is used to treat congestion. It was also used by early settlers as a

love potion, and to reduce swelling.

Comfrey: The extract from this plant was used in a paste and wrapped around broken bones to promote healing. It was used as a charm when traveling, to keep the wearer safe and to ensure that nothing was stolen or lost on the journey.

Coxcomb: Coxcomb was considered a magical herb by the Appalachian Indians, who thought it could call forth the dead, provide invisibility, and mend broken hearts. Medically, it was made into a paste and applied to wounds to speed up the healing process.

Fennel: Fennel was brought to the New World by Irish and British colonists. It is a natural mosquito repellent and was an aid in digestion.

Fenugreek: This herb is from the bean and pea family. It is used to treat sore throats. It was believed to bring money and power to the user.

Frauenschlussel: Also called Cowslip, this herb can treat migraines and vertigo. Placed under the front porch and around the gate, it was thought to stop unwanted visitors from coming in.

Garlic: Garlic is one of the most powerful antibiotic herbs known to man. It kills bacteria and is used to treat heart disease, stroke, diabetes and tuberculosis.

Henbane: Henbane is a part of the deadly nightshade family of herbs. It had a powerful narcotic

effect. It was used to kill rabid dogs.

Holly: Holly plants, mixed with water that has been blessed, was used to baptize babies. It was also used for protection, and to give someone who was sleeping badly sweet dreams.

Horehound: Horehound is a medicinal herb, used to treat colds and the flu. It was also crushed and sprinkled around the sick bed to promote healing and to bring protection from evil spirits.

Ivy: Ivy was considered to be a protection from evil if planted around a home. It was used externally as an astringent.

Lobeila: This herb, ‘gag root,’ is poisonous. It was used as a wormer and to treat syphilis, which was rampant in the American Indian population.

Mandrake root: Probably one of the most well known plants used by pioneers, it was used to aid in the treatment of circulatory problems, and to promote fertility and prosperity.

Marigold: Marigolds were strung together and hung on garlands over the doors of Appalachian homes to keep evil from entering. Their aroma was believed to promote peace and harmony.

Mistletoe: Mistletoe is a poisonous plant. It is used to treat high blood pressure, cancer and tumors. It was also used by settlers for healing, and in love potions.

Nettle: Native American women drank nettle

tea when expecting a child to strengthen the baby and ease the delivery, as well as to increase their milk supply. It was also used to reduce blood pressure, and to relieve hay fever and prostate enlargement.

Pennyroyal: Pennyroyal used by the Native Americans in their beehives. It makes an excellent topical ointment for wounds, and was used as an herbal flea collar for animals.

Rue: Rue was used to help in the recuperation of illnesses. It was also used as a disinfectant.

Sage: Worn in a charm, sage was believed to protect the wearer from the Evil Eye. It was used it to treat headaches, colds, measles, insomnia, epilepsy and intestinal worms.

Skunk Cabbage: Medically, this plant was used to treat asthma and other lung ailments.

Slippery Elm: It was used as a topical cream for wounds, and as a cure for sore throats.

Solomon’s Seal: This plant was given as a drink to aid in the healing of broken bones.

Sunflower: Sunflowers were planted in gardens to guard against insects, and the seeds were eaten by the settlers. Boiled down, they were used as a hair tonic and to treat snake bites.

Vervain: It was used in charms to bring peace, love, prosperity and healing. It was used by the Celts as a medicine for kidney stones, while Germans used it for pain relief.

Miller to speak at GOP Christmas Dinner

Congresswoman Carol Miller will be the keynote speaker at the Greenbrier County Republican Club Christmas Dinner being held Friday, Dec. 9. She has been asked to analyze why the predicted nationwide red wave occurred only in Florida and West Virginia, where Republicans swept the ticket in 25 of the 55 counties.

This event will be held at the Dutch Haus (Elks Country Club) with social hour (cash bar) beginning at 6 p.m. followed by a buffet dinner at 7 p.m. You do not have to be a member of the Republican Cub to attend. Tickets are \$50 per person. Payment may be made by check (or cash) mailed to GCRC, POB 1300, Lewisburg WV 24901. You do not want to miss this event.

Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner

If you are looking for somewhere to go on Thanksgiving for a wonderful home-cooked meal, come to the free Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Nov. 24 hosted by Mike Sheridan and Kellen Leef of When Pigs Fry Barbecue. Located at the Blue Ribbon Center at the West Virginia State Fairgrounds, this all-volunteer event is open to anyone.

Dinner will be served beginning at noon and will continue until 4 p.m., or until the food runs out. We encourage people to come and eat with us at the fairgrounds, but we will do carry-out and delivery meals if we have volunteer drivers. We will take orders for delivery beginning at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 24. Call 304-249-8124 to place your order.

To make this event successful, we do need donations of food or funds and we need lots of volunteers to prep all day on Wednesday, serve and deliver on Thursday, and clean-up on Friday morning. To volunteer, call Cathey at 304-645-5401. For further information or to see our wish list for donations, visit our website at www.whenpigsflybbq.com

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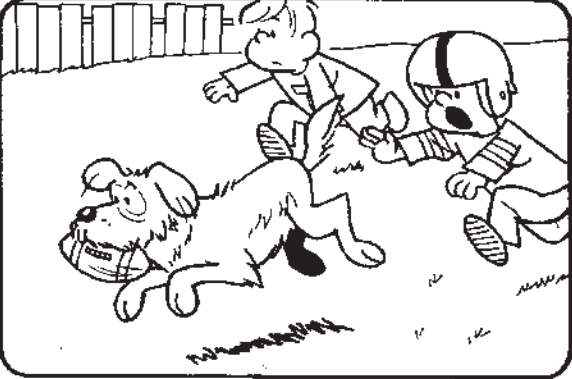
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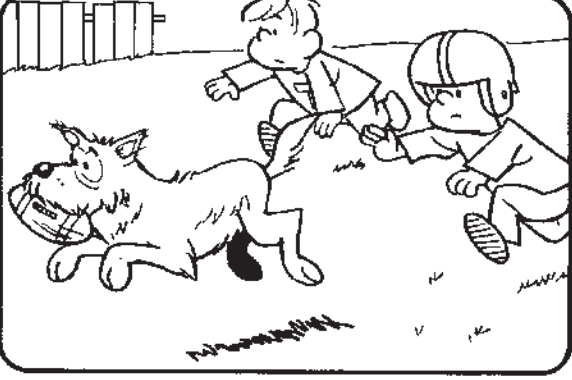
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Super Crossword

ACROSS

1 Acquire a wintry glaze

6 Ending for Rock

10 Dollars and cents

14 Woodard with four Emmys

19 Many a Jamaican believer, informally

20 Canine pain

22 "Yes, —!" ("Definitely!")

23 1936 film sequel with William Powell and Myrna Loy

25 Utter words

26 — Boys (hit rap trio)

27 "Lenore" poet

28 Suffered

29 Abbr. on a naval vessel

30 A wide physical variety

37 Stretch (out)

38 Oscar winner Jared

39 Seattle baseball team

40 Possible reply to "Who's there?"

43 Debater's platform

44 Model Klum

46 While lead-in

47 1997 James Bond film

51 — trial basis

52 Mess up morally

53 Locale of Ali's "Rumble in the Jungle"

54 Immune response trigger

59 Mess up

61 Canine coat

63 Scarf site

65 "Yay, me!"

66 Question about a weak effort

72 Woman on the throne

73 Designer Cassini

74 Father

75 LA-to-IN dir.

76 Apply via an aerosol

79 Rockabilly singer Chris

82 "Send help!"

84 Epoch

86 Influential Brian Eno album of 1975

90 Peter of "Columbo"

94 Dark beer

95 Rock guitarist Lofgren

96 No-brainer class

97 Cut across

99 "Le Roi d'Ys" composer Édouard —

100 Sun. church oration

101 Fifteen minutes of fame

105 Triceps' place

108 Quick snacks

109 Intense anger

110 Electrical resistance measures

112 Shrink back

113 Novel and film whose last line is formed by six key words in this puzzle

118 "— Is Born"

119 Came to an end

120 Finnish architect Alvar —

121 Comes to an end

122 Je ne — quoi

123 Bullets, e.g.

124 Hair lock

DOWN

1 Ex-Yankee Hideki —

2 Snug eateries

3 "Cómo —?"

4 Rugged trucks, briefly

5 Ones sharing in meals, e.g.

6 Jazz singer Waters

7 "Little piggy"

8 Young child

9 Verb suffix in the Bible

10 Olympic craft

11 Top points

12 "— Na Na"

13 She cackles

14 Home of St. Francis

15 Contour of one's kisser

16 Coldest refrigerator part

17 Bookworms

18 "Oh no, mice!"

21 River giant, informally

24 Floor square

28 Actor Brody

31 Deli side dish

32 Ketchup brand

33 Befuddled

34 Surrounded by

35 Gymnast Comaneci

36 JFK jet, once

37 Angsty music genre

40 Skater Midori

41 Gets rid of some flab

42 More brainy

43 Dunkable treat

44 "— mud in your eye!"

45 Put up

48 Rock fissure

49 Pickling liquid

50 Clic — (Bic brand)

55 Persia, now

56 Artillery unit members

57 Aged

58 Prefix with classical

60 Actress Perlman

62 Pi follower

64 Early English dramatist Thomas

66 Mental figs.

67 Novelist Seton

68 Peace

69 Nobelist Root

70 Springs in deserts

71 Japanese wheat noodle

77 Beginnings

78 Tally mark

80 Strain at — (fuss over trivialities)

81 Shrimplike crustacean

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89 Rowing tool

90 Bouquet-bringing co.

91 Middle East studier

92 Let have it

93 Ski mask, e.g.

98 Villains' looks

99 Lerner's partner in musicals

100 "Quiet down"

102 Moses' mount

103 Hunts quarry

104 Reached

105 Moving spryly

106 Fees for flats

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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PUZZLE ANSWERS PAGE 10

STEPPIN’ OUT

Carnegie Hall Calendar of Events

Fall 2022 Classes & Workshops: Carnegie Hall offers learning opportunities starting in September and continuing through December. Classes and workshops include pottery, painting, cooking, music, weaving, writing, singing, stained glass, and movement. To register or for more information visit carnegiehallwv.org

Friday, Dec. 2: Mainstage Lounge - Join Carnegie Hall for the WVSO Mainstage Lounge preshow reception in the Board Room at 6:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 2. Free admission.

Cash bar and snacks available.

Friday, Dec. 2: West Virginia Symphony Orchestra - Mainstage Performance on Friday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m. featuring The Sound of the Season by West Virginia Symphony Orchestra. Tickets start at \$28.

Rotating galleries:

Old Stone Room Gallery - Works by Trey Bryan. Runs through Dec. 30

Museum Gallery - Works by Frederick Hayes. Runs through Dec. 30

Lobby Gallery - Works by Sandra Sch-

mockers. Runs through Dec. 30

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.

Carnegie Hall is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, please visit carnegiehallwv.org, call 304-645-7917, or stop by 611 Church Street, Lewisburg.



Alderson Town Council announces upcoming Christmas Events



By Adam Pack

The Alderson Town Council met for their regularly scheduled meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 11 in the Town Council Chambers of the Alderson City Building.

Council members made the public aware of a host of Christmastime events taking place between now and the coming of the New Year, with several being organized through the Alderson Main Street organization.

To begin the season, the annual Christmas parade will take place on Dec. 2, with the Greenbrier East High School and Eastern Greenbrier Middle School bands playing in the parade. Both bands are being asked to line up at 5 p.m. and the parade itself will start at 6 p.m. It will proceed down Riverview Avenue and across the Alderson Memorial Bridge and disband in front of the Alderson Volunteer Fire Department. Santa will greet children and hear their wishes inside the AVFD. Treats will be provided by the Alderson Women’s Club.

As far as Santa Claus is concerned, Mayor Copenhagen reported that Santa’s office had been in communication with his office and despite a recent bout of poor health, Santa is recovering well and will be healthy in time to appear at the parade. The parade will also feature a “sensory zone” again this year, with parade units being asked to refrain from loud noises in the section of Riverview Avenue from Virginia Street to the Auto Repair Shop in the Old Ashland Station so that those with auditory sensitivities can enjoy the parade. Lois McVey, the Queen of Lights from the 5th grade class of Alderson Elementary School, will light up the Alderson Memorial Bridge and other lighted displays as she moves along the parade route.

The Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church, at 104 North Monroe Street across from the Exxon Station, will have their Christmas Bazaar in the basement open from 4:30 to 7 p.m. and a dinner of chili or potato soup and sandwiches will be served for a small fee. Many Alderson Shops will be open and dinner will be available at the Big Wheel Restaurant and Riverview Café. Following the parade, the Alderson Volunteer Fire Department will host the “Drive Under the Lights” across the Alderson Memorial Bridge. Council also noted that

the Alderson Model Train show will be Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 3 and 4, respectively, with times as of yet undecided, but hopefully available closer to the event.

On Dec. 11, Alderson Main Street will also host this year’s “Christmas Tea at the Old Vic.” With seatings at 1 and 3 p.m. those sitting for tea will be treated to lovely renditions of Christmas classics by Leah and Roger Trent. Guests may purchase tickets at the Alderson Artisan’s Gallery (304-445-7952) by cash or check for \$20 each. Ticket purchasing early is encouraged by the organizers as there is limited room available. Proceeds support Alderson Main Street projects, primarily the “Gem of the Hills” Christmas celebration.

The “Gem of the Hills” celebration is another project by Alderson Main Street which will give area residents multiple opportunities to decorate the town of Alderson for the Christmas season. Mayor Copenhagen said this initiative was born off the back of the success of the



scarecrow competition. “People were coming from all over and would just take one picture after the other of all of the scarecrows on our town’s lampposts,” he said. Participants will have three opportunities to decorate portions of Alderson: one may adopt one of the eight lampposts along Riverview Ave. and decorate it with lights and a snowman. Each pole has an electrical outlet, and participants may make and place a tree, snowman, or holiday gnome in the mini-park (Lee St and Riverview Ave), or make and place a tree or snowman in Alumni Park near the gazebo to create a Magical Forest. Your contribution will be combined with existing trees, deer, and other decorations. For further rules and regulations regarding decorations, as well as beginning and end date for their placement, check Alderson Main Street’s Facebook page.

The council also wished to remind citizens of the upcoming Baptist Contata, and of a home and business Christmas Lights and Decorations contest on Friday, Dec. 9. There will be no pre-registration required, all one simply has to do is have their home decorated and lit up on the evening of Dec. 9 in order to be judged.

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Poison Center offers tips to keep children safe while traveling

Homes hold cozy and wonderful memories during the holidays, especially when families gather from near and far. But could your home be a danger for young children who are coming to visit? With some simple poison safety tips from the West Virginia Poison Center, your home can be a safe place for ALL the people you love.

Put dangers up and away: Keep children away from your home’s most dangerous products by putting all potential dangers up and away. Be sure to child-proof places common potential poisons, like household cleaners, are kept.

If you don’t use it, lose it: If you have products you don’t regularly use in your home, such as expired medication or cleaning supplies, consider properly disposing of them. If dangerous products are not in your home, a loved one cannot get into them.

Don’t keep medicine out: Do not keep any medications (prescription, over-the-counter, vitamins, or herbals) out. It is extremely important to make sure all medicines are up high and out of reach of children. If you are visiting a home during the holidays, immediately put all medications from your purse or luggage up and away.

Childproofing is not fool-proof: Even with childproofing, children are quick and accidents happen. Consider putting the West Virginia Poison Center’s number (1-800-222-1222) in a quick to reach spot and into your cell phone before you need it.

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STEPPIN’ OUT

Old Stone Room Gallery features Trey Bryan

Carnegie Hall’s November/December Exhibits are underway with three new galleries featuring the works of regional artists. The Old Stone Room Gallery feature works by artists Trey Bryan. Old Stone Room is located on the ground floor of Carnegie Hall.

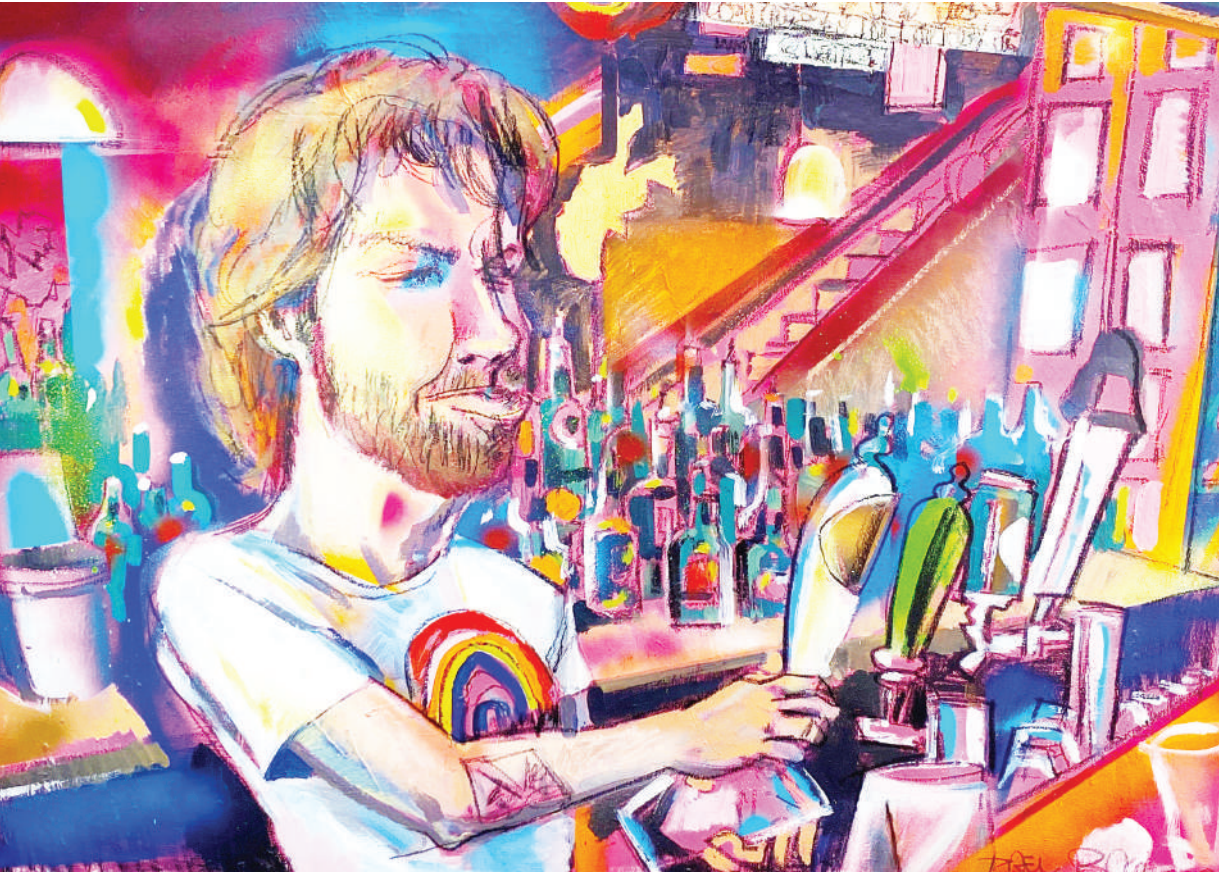
Trey Bryan is an artist and illustrator living in West Virginia where he paints and draws for galleries and exhibitions. He received a BFA in Illustration from Ringling College of Art and Design in 2009 and is a member of the Society of Illustrators in New York City. Shortly after graduating, he moved to Kansas City where he began an apprenticeship with Mark English, an American illustrator and painter.

His drawings and paintings during his time in Kansas City included collaborations with The Kansas City Symphony, The Kansas City Chiefs, and The Lyric Opera. He has published several books of his drawings, including a collection of his work from his tenure as Artist-in-Residence at the historic Hotel Phillips in Kansas City, MO.

Shortly after making his mark in the Midwest, Trey moved to New Orleans, to draw the Crescent City architecture and listen to the world’s greatest jazz bands. After bartering drawings in the streets and bars, and selling them at the famed art markets, Trey met the gallery owner and director of the Elliott Gallery, Catherine Betz. Shortly after, he became the first contemporary artist in the last two decades to join the ranks with noticeable artists such as Matisse, Chagall, Dali and Picasso.

In 2019, Trey was awarded the prestigious Denis Diderot Grant to attend the Artist-in-Residence program at Château d’Orquevaux in France. Joining internationally acclaimed artists, Trey painted all over the French countryside and was inspired by the breathtaking countryside of the Champaign region.

Still exhibiting in New Orleans, Bryan has now settled his home base in Lewisburg where he has a studio and



“Matthew” by Trey Bryan

gallery open to the public, located in the historic downtown on Court Street. He has also accepted an “Artist in Residence” position at Beaverdam Falls, Virginia’s premier nature preserve, nestled in the Allegheny Highlands.

Trey spends much of his time traveling in the direction of his painting, creating large scale murals and filling one sketchbook after another with his writing and drawing. You can find him most days in the mountains, or at his studio on Court Street in downtown Lewisburg.

For more info about the artist visit www.treybryan.com

The exhibits are open to the public, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and run through Dec. 30. For more information, please visit carnegiehallwv.org, call 304-645-7917, or stop by the Hall at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg.

Carnegie Hall programs are presented with financial assistance through a grant from the WV Department of Arts, Culture and History and the National Endowment for the Arts, with approval from the WV Commission on the Arts.

Bluebells decorate town with seasonal planter arrangements



Donna Johns selecting clippings for the decorative planters



One of the decorative planters placed at the Greenbrier County Public Library

The Bluebell Garden Club Holiday Greenery Project has created 38 decorative planter arrangements for downtown merchants, Montwell Commons, the Greenbrier Historical Society, Carnegie Hall, Greenbrier County Public Library, and Lee Street Studios. The yearly fundraiser, started in 2018, is completed before the Magic of Christmas in Lewisburg begins this month.

Over 25 members and three spouses participated in the six-day long process of selecting, gathering, organizing, bagging,

and creatively arranging the holiday floral planters. This year there was exceptional community support. People generously offered curly willow, magnolia, holly, hydrangea, and a variety of evergreen plants for clippings. Along with the maintenance watering done by the container owners, for the first time this year, the arrangements have been sprayed with Wilt Pruf by the volunteer efforts of Greenbrier Plant Health Care. Wilt Pruf seals in moisture helping to preserve the foliage throughout the season.

Carnegie Hall seeking artists for 2023 Spring Class, Workshops, Kids’ College

Are you a weaver, jewelry maker, science teacher or love to make bird houses? Do you know a heritage craft that you want to share with the next generation? If so, Carnegie Hall wants to hear from you. Carnegie Hall is looking for artists and crafters to teach classes for their 2023 Spring Class and Workshop Series and for the July 2023 Kids’ College program. Qualified applicants will have a love of what they do and a willingness to teach to others. No degree necessary.

Spring Classes and Workshops will be scheduled February through May and can be single day events or multiple day series. Classes can be tailored for youth, adults, or a combination of ages. Carnegie Hall has facilities for instruction in clay, dance, music, arts, weaving, cooking, photography, and more. Instructor pay is based on the number of participants per class, so encourage your friends and family to attend.

Carnegie Hall is also looking for instructors to participate in Kids’ College, Carnegie Hall’s two-week summer arts and science day camp. Kids’ College 2023 will be held July 10-14 and July 17-21 and offers up to five classes for students per day. Instructors can teach mornings, afternoons, both, or for just one class period. Pay for Kids’ College is based on a fixed per class rate, so



John Coffey’s watercolor class

income depends on the number of classes taught.

Any artist or crafter is welcome to submit a proposal by visiting www.carnegiehallwv.org/classes-and-workshops, or by contacting Harmony Flora, Carnegie Hall’s Education Director, at 304-645-7917, or by email to education@carnegiehallwv.org. Interested Instructors can also stop by the Carnegie Hall business office at 611 Church Street in Lewisburg.

WVDOH to install temporary bridge over Hinton sinkhole



In a two-day blitz over the weekend, West Virginia Division of Highways (WVDOH) bridge crews will build a temporary bridge over a large sinkhole on WV 20 in Hinton until permanent repairs can be made to a collapsed drainage structure under the road.

“The bridge we’re putting together comes with somewhere between zero and infinity number of bolts, and we sit and attach every one,” said Joe Pack, P.E., WVDOH Chief Engineer of District Operations. “During those two days, if you drive by

that area, you will see as many DOH uniforms as you can imagine.”

Pack said bridge crews from the WVDOH central office in Charleston, District 9, and District 10 intend to install the temporary bridge over the weekend of Friday, Nov. 18. The 125-foot bridge will be long enough to span the existing hole, even if the hole gets bigger before contractors can replace the collapsed drainage structure.

Detour during construction will be WV 3 (Hinton to Shady Spring), US 19 (Shady Spring to Bea-

ver), WV 307 (Beaver to Airport Road), Interstate 64 (Airport Road to Sandstone), and WV 20 (Sandstone to Hinton).

In June, a sinkhole about six feet wide and about 30 feet deep opened on WV 20 next to the Hinton police station. Pack said a 90-year-old drain under the road began failing, leading to the collapse.

WVDOH work crews installed a 120-foot temporary culvert and fill material under the road, but heavy rains from Hurricane Nicole on Friday, Nov. 11, washed out the

fill and made the sinkhole worse.

Pack said that, while construction plans for a permanent repair have been hampered by the discovery of toxic levels of lead on site, WVDOH has come up with an alternate plan to repair the sinkhole without endangering the public, contractors or WVDOH work crews.

Pack said the WVDOH intends to complete plans to install a 300-foot steel drainage structure under the area and put a contract out to bid by the end of the year.



Linda C. Spencer and Edith Sisung at the Greenbrier Visitor Center





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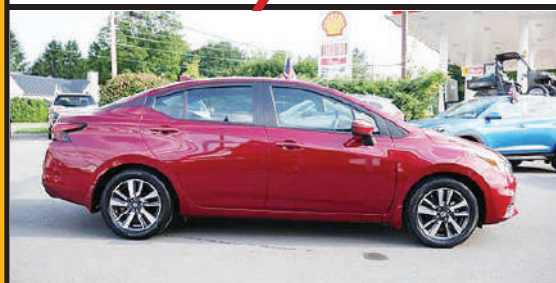
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