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Alderson Town Council hears pitch for new solution to familiar problem

By Adam Pack

The Alderson Town Council met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 11 to discuss an opportunity to acquire novel equipment to deal with a rather universal problem. The meeting began however, with some regrettable news. Long time servant of Alderson and Councilman Todd Hangar was forced to tender his resignation, effective immediately, due to declining health. For several decades Hangar has served the town in a multitude of positions. The council, saddened to see Hangar's public service come to an end, accepted his resignation. Due to the immediate nature of Hangar's resignation, his replacement was sworn in at the meeting as well. Described as a "very involved and conscientious citizen," Larry Reinhold stood, took his oath, and sat for his first meeting of the Alderson Town Council.

The council also honored the coaches of the Alderson Elementary Archery team, who traveled to the national youth archery tournament on Friday, May 12. In a proclamation read before the public, coaches Alicia Utterback and Jason Ward were afforded the city's "most sincere and humble thanks" for "doing extra work that goes above and beyond the normal scope of an educator's role" in their work with the children of the school's archery team. Mayor Travis Copenhaver also pointed out that this team and these kids will be a part of history, having achieved this accomplishment in the twilight of the old elementary school's lifespan, and carrying this accomplishment into the new building, adding his most sincere thanks and pride for the work that these two dedicated servants do.

The council also took

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time out to hear a presentation from Ron Newhouse of Kappy & Associates Inc. Newhouse provided the council with requested information on Duperon's Auger System, a proprietary piece of equipment designed to eliminate the issues created by the use of so-called "flushable wipes." These wipes, in common usage across America, do not behave like normal toilet tissue in wastewater treatment systems, and never break down the way paper does. This causes massive clogs, stoppages, and damage to wastewater treatment equipment. Virtually every wastewater and sewer department in the country has to deal with this issue in some way, with most using a machine with opposing sets of rotating blades to eviscerate flushable wipes into smaller pieces. Others have simply installed cages into their pipeworks to catch these "rags" (as they



Larry Reinhold swears the oath of office of Councilman of the Town of Alderson



Alicia Utterback was also honored by the Town of Alderson for her work with the Alderson Archery Team.



Jason Ward was honored with a proclamation of the sincere thanks and gratitude of the Town of Alderson for his work with the Alderson Archery Team.

Football parents oppose concession stand bid

By Sarah Richardson

The White Sulphur Springs City Council met on May 8 to a crowded audience of sports parents and their children, along with coaches and volunteers, intent on speaking out against the city's decision to bid out the concession stands at the softball and football fields. The bid proposal also includes the concession stand at the municipal pool.

The concession stand at the ball fields has been run by the football team parents for the last several years, and before that both stands were bid out and run by one entity with a percentage of the proceeds going toward the city to help cover the costs of equipment in the stand, the electric bill, maintenance costs, etc.

Since the parents have been running the ball field concession stand, it has become a major source of relied-upon income for the football teams. Peter Bostic, president of the Falcon Football League, said that 114 kids participated in their program last year. He said that they provide an important resource for the kids from July through December with their sports program. He

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Crowded audience of sports parents and their children, along with coaches and volunteers

First Food Truck Festival a hit



Attendees enjoy a bit of sunshine while waiting in line for the Rolling Stove at the first Food Truck Festival in Ronceverte

The first Ronceverte Food Truck Festival was a smashing success despite a drizzly weather forecast last weekend. With a variety of food options, and a wide selection of vendors selling wares, there was something for everyone in the River City. The kid's zone was a hit for youngsters, especially the bouncy house, and the music stage drew quite an audience both evenings.

The next Food Truck Festival is slated for June 16 and 17 with different vendors and musicians. Follow the Ronceverte Food Truck Festival on Facebook for more information.

Greenbrier County Sheriff's Office welcomes back Academy graduate

The Greenbrier County Sheriff's Office welcomes back one of their officers who graduated from the West Virginia State Police Academy on Friday, May 12.

Deputy Kaleb Helmick was a member of the 192nd Basic Class at the Academy which was comprised of 46 police officers from across the state.

The Greenbrier County Sheriff's Office is proud of Kaleb for his efforts and accomplishment. We look forward to his many years of professional service to the citizens of Greenbrier County.



Chief Deputy Josh Martin (left), Deputy T.T. Hyatt, Deputy Kaleb Helmick, Corporal M.T. Doss and Sheriff Bruce Sloan (right)

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Lewisburg celebrates Arbor Day



On Arbor Day, Apr. 28, Mayor Beverly White read a book entitled “This is the Tree We Planted” by Kate McMullan and Alison Friend to students at the Greenbrier Community School in Lewisburg. Afterwards, there was a planting of a lovely Pink Dogwood on the campus of the school. Pictured are City Clerk and Lewisburg in Bloom Coordinator Shannon Beatty, Greenbrier Community School Principle Rece Nester, Lewisburg in Bloom member Linda Pennington, Mayor Beverly White, Andy Sheetz with WV Forestry, and students from the Greenbrier Community School.



Lewisburg was presented with a gorgeous Purple Leaf Plum tree by Mon Power at Dorie Miller Park in celebration of Arbor Day on Apr. 28. This was made possible through the National Arbor Day Foundation’s Tree Line USA Program. Pictured are WV Forester Andy Sheetz, Lewisburg in Bloom Member Linda Pennington, Lewisburg in Bloom Coordinator Shannon Beatty, Mayor Beverly White, and two employees from Mon Power.

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are referred to in wastewater treatment parlance), where they can then be physically removed. Both of these methods are costly, dangerous, inefficient, and require a great deal of manhours.

What Newhouse and KAI brought before the council is a system developed by one of their client factories in Saginaw, MI which puts rags through an automated five step process which ultimately dries and bags the rags safely above ground, where a wastewater employee can quickly and easily remove a bag to be carried off to be disposed of. Newhouse claimed that this system “addresses the underlying problem of flushable wipe buildup, instead of just making them smaller like a bladed system might. On top of that, the bladed systems have a great deal of recurring expense, with blade rebuilds being necessary after only a short time and costing up to \$30,000 each time.” Newhouse and KAI claimed that this system would provide the town with a return on investment, as it would be able to avoid such expensive recurring costs.

While a basic budgetary price of \$90,000 was provided to the town at an earlier date, extensive redesign had to be done to the system due to the town’s unique issues with flooding. Engineers at Duperon worked very hard and in ways that they had never expected, as Newhouse recalled that his contacts in Saginaw initially believed they’d be dealing with “about six, maybe eight inches of water at maximum; when I told them what you guys [Alderson] usually get, they were shocked, and I even had to send them pic-

tures of some of the ways you have to build things here to deal with your very particular flooding issues.” Despite the difficult engineering and design task that Duperon undertook to make their Auger System fit Alderson, Newhouse worked very hard with his counterparts at Duperon to, “keep it as close to that \$90,000 as I could,” and the new cost after the aforementioned amendments, brings the total to \$98,000. Newhouse relayed that this system could be used for advertising purposes due to the difficulty and care that was taken in its design, and that “We [Kappy & Associates/Duperon] might even send people from other municipalities here to show them one, what exactly the system does in real time, and two, what the folks in Saginaw can do in terms of custom work to fit the needs of other towns and cities.”

After hearing Newhouse’s pitch, the town council moved to table discussion on the purchase of Duperon’s Auger System. The town would like to secure legal certification of the system’s proprietary nature, i.e. patent filings. Governmental organizations like municipalities in West Virginia must, by law, open up any contracted work to a bidding process, giving area contractors a fair and equal chance to bid for a project. However an exception exists for work that is proprietary. The details of the deal must also be reviewed further by the city’s legal counsel.

In other news, the city’s new water treatment plant is currently in the final stages of design. A representative of The Thrasher Group was on hand at Thursday’s meet-

Walk for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Family Refuge Center (FRC) and the Greenbrier County Elder Abuse Awareness Committee (GCEAAC) began their journey last year to bring awareness to Elder Abuse by implementing an Awareness Walk on Jun. 15, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. This walk was able to engage community members and community partners on Elder Abuse and the ways they can help.

This year, FRC and GCEAAC are doing more to bring awareness to the community by inviting the public to participate in the annual Elder Abuse Awareness Walk that will take place on Jun. 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the CAMC/GVMC Hospital track. Light refreshments will be provided, and Elder Abuse Awareness T-shirts are available for purchase upon arrival at the event.

We encourage everyone to join us as we help educate the community about how to recognize and prevent Elder Abuse! If you are interested in participating, please contact Family Refuge Center’s Abuse in Later Life Advocate, Kensley Shannon at 304-645-6324.

Local earns medical degree from WVSOM

Elizabeth Caudle, D.O., graduated from the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSOM) with a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree on May 5.

While at WVSOM, Dr. Caudle was a member of Sigma Sigma Phi, a national honorary osteopathic service fraternity. She received the State-wide Campus Outstanding Student Award, the MOSS Scholarship and silver T.O.U.C.H. (Translating Osteopathic Understanding Into Community Health) recognition for community service.

Caudle earned a degree in exercise physiology from East Carolina University in Greenville, NC,



Elizabeth Caudle, D.O.

in 2019. She is a 2015 graduate of Middle Creek High School in Apex, NC.

Caudle is the daughter of Laura and Richard Sheppard of Lewisburg. She is married to Zachary Caudle.

She plans to enter a family medicine residency at Atrium Health Cabarrus in Charlotte, NC.

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ing to once again remind the public that this facility will not clash in any way with the residential area it will be constructed in. He even added that extra effort has been taken to put main pumps inside structures with thicker walls and added insulation to reduce noise, and is overall aesthetically minded in every aspect of design. The final designs will be displayed publicly to the council at the June 10 regular meeting.

The town also voted to name Travis Copenhaver as the administrator of upcoming water projects. This designation is both to establish dedicated management and administrative authority over the project, as well as save money on hiring an outside source for said services. The job of project administrator would come with a \$1,000/mo pay and see the mayor working with engineers, contractors, and city employees as water projects slated to go out to work in 2023. The town also authorized the financing of a new water treatment department vehicle through Country Roads Leasing. The vehicle will be purchased from Greenbrier Motors and financed at a rate of 5.75% over three years. The town is putting up half the cost, with ARPA funds covering the other half; the cost to the city will be \$33,708.

The Alderson Town Council meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Alderson City Hall Building. The public is encouraged to attend. Interested parties should call ahead to confirm time and date of meeting at 304-445-2916, as times and dates of meetings are subject to change.

School system addresses unloaded handgun situation at EGMS

Greenbrier County Schools officials confirm that on Wednesday, May 10, an unloaded handgun was discovered in a student’s backpack at Eastern Greenbrier Middle School (EGMS). Upon being notified by a staff member who found the gun, school administration and law enforcement acted swiftly in accordance with policies and procedures. Parents were notified through the school’s alert system that law enforcement responded to and resolved a situation and assured that students were safe and school was operating on a regular schedule.

The student did not bring the gun to school with the intent to attack other students or teachers, and at no time were other students or staff threatened. No ammunition was present in the gun or backpack, and the situation was isolated and contained quickly. However, Greenbrier County Schools policy, as well as state law, considers the possession of a firearm on school premises to be a severe disciplinary infraction, and the situation is being handled accordingly.

“We understand this incident is unsettling for students and parents. We want to assure them that we remain vigilant in keeping our schools safe through many safety and security initiatives, including law enforcement presence at all our schools. As always, we encourage students and parents to say something if they see or hear threats to school security,” states Director of School Safety & Security Vince Deeds.

“Every school in the county has an established safety plan which is reviewed regularly. All safety plans have protocols for lockdown procedures when warranted. This specific situation was so quickly contained that a lockdown was unnecessary to maintain a safe learning environment for students and staff. As always, we will continue to review safety plans and work with local law enforcement to ensure we do everything we can to maintain the safety and security of our schools,” said Superintendent Jeff Bryant.

“I commend the quick action taken by Principal Sue Lee and the law enforcement officers who responded to this situation remarkably,” continued Bryant.

School officials request that parents take appropriate measures to prevent children from accessing guns, discuss the incident with their children, and emphasize that it is against the law to bring weapons of any type to school.

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PICK OF THE LITTER



ABBOTT
Abbott is a one-year-old male Rottweiler mix and weighs 56 pounds

RENE
Rene is a one-year-old female 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

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 May 27 will feature the Eade's Mountain Boys** from 7 to 10:30. 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.

HOSA Fundraiser Auction scheduled

Greenbrier East High School HOSA will hold an auction at the high school auxiliary gym Saturday, May 20 beginning at 10 a.m. Kenneth Baker will be the auctioneer for the event. Items include: gift cards for food, mulch, vehicle upkeep, salons, bookstore, rounds of golf, etc. Other items are: eggs, cheese, medical supplies, WSS pool pass, wooden plaques, whisky barrel with plants, flowers, office supplies, home decor, and more. All proceeds are to help the HOSA students attend International HOSA competition in Dallas this year Jun. 21 through Jun. 25.

Democratic Women to meet

The May meeting of the Greenbrier County Democratic Women's Club will be held Tuesday, May 23 at 5:30 p.m. in the Old Stone Room Fellowship Hall.

Entries open for State Fair

Entries are officially open for the 98th Annual State Fair of West Virginia's livestock and home, arts, and garden competitions. All rules and regulations, as well as registration instructions are posted on the State Fair's website. The deadline to enter is July 14.

Elder Abuse Awareness Walk set

The Family Refuge Center will host an Elder Abuse Awareness Walk at the CAMC Greenbrier Valley Hospital Track on Jun. 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come dressed in purple; this event helps to raise awareness surrounding abuse later in life. For more information call 304-645-6324 or email kenskey@familyrefuge-center.org

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 Maxwellton. The public is invited to attend. Call 304-520-3221 for more information.

Greenbrier County PSD #1

will meet Friday, May 26, at 7 a.m. in the District Office, 9035 Seneca Trail South, Fairlea. On the agenda:

- Approval of Minutes - Apr. 29, 2023
- Financial Report
- Manager Report
- Field Report
- Engineering Report
- Phase B extension project:
 - Payment Resolutions
 - Other Phase B project-related business brought before the Board
- Phase C extension project:
 - Payment Resolutions
 - Other Phase C project-related business brought before the Board
- Other business brought before the Board

Suits

In Re: The Marriage of: Felicity Danielle Morgan and Phaon Carr, Jr.

In Re: The Marriage of: David D. Satterwhite and Patricia Diane Satterwhite

In Re: The Marriage of: Pamela Yvonne Farnack Marcus and Jack Marcus

In Re: The Marriage of: Rachel Elizabeth Johnson and Nathaniel Aaron Johnson

Marriages

Jarred Wayne Ramsey, Caldwell to Katherine Joann Bostic, Caldwell

Eric Ray Maze, White Sulphur Springs to Laleen Tayler Hatfield, Ronceverte

Kyle Franklin Meadows, Meadow Bridge to Kamryn Nicole Taylor, Crawley

Dereek Ray Brown, Alderson to Cheyenne Nokomis Hamrick, White Sulphur Springs

Wesley Brian Johnson, Rainelle to Eva June Sprouse, Lewisburg

Ayers wins lookalike contest

To celebrate Cinco de Mayo, a Frida Kahlo lookalike contest was held in the Thistle Lounge at the General Lewis Inn on May 5.

Karen Ayers won for her outfit, complete with pet monkey and a flower festooned hair band.



Karen Ayers won best Frida Kahlo look alike. (Karen Cohen photo)



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Jeffrey K. Mullins to Andrea D. Mullins, Lot No. 48, White Sulphur Hill Neighborhood, The Greenbrier Sporting Club, White Sulphur District

Jeremy Goddard to Sarah E. Smith, Lots Nos. 51, 52, 53, and 54, Atkinson Place Addition, Town of White Sulphur Springs

Reginald Berry to Diane A. Paramore, Dawn S. Houston, Roderic R. Berry, Sr., and Reginald R. Berry, 7.00 Acres, White Sulphur District

John L. Emmons and Mary Jane Holt Emmons to John D. Clayton II and Erica A. Cayton, 2.305 Acres, White Sulphur District

Jeremy A. Proctor and Christi M. Proctor to Anthony E. Diioia and Marina D. Diioia, Lots Nos. 14 and 15, Price Run Crossing Subdivision, Lewisburg District

James A. Gwinn to Sandra L. Hunsecker, Lot No. 15 Block No. 2, Seneca Estates Addition, Lewisburg Corp

Carman F. Phillips to Carman F. Phillips and Thomas W. Phillips, Lot No. 28, Ronceverte Corporation

Harold James Vance and Vicky Ann Vance to Timothy Price and Lora Price, Lot No. 14, Colonial Acres Subdivision, Fort Spring District

Nuncia D. Henneman to Almost Heaven Habitat for Humanity, Lots Nos. 37 and 39, Ronceverte Corp

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions

Philip Mark Watson, White Sulphur Springs, failure to appear, GP, fine \$100, jail 10 days - suspended and placed on 9 months unsupervised probation

James Arthur Ilper, Delmont, PA, reckless driving, NCP, fine \$150, jail 21 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation

Anicia Lynn Kerby, White Sulphur Springs, possession of a controlled substance without a valid prescription, NCP, fine \$100

Samantha Dawn Cales, Sandstone, possession of a controlled substance without a valid prescription, NCP, fine \$200

Travis Hunter Schutzmann, Lewisburg, driving revoked for DUI, NCP, fine \$100, jail 30 days to be served on Greenbrier County Home Confinement

Troy Edward Dilley, Renick, conspiracy, GP, fine \$50

Pepper M. Messick, Lewisburg, possession of a controlled substance, GP, fine \$150

Gilbert Wayne Roto, Ronceverte, petit larceny, NCP, jail 30 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation

Nickole Elisabeth Spencer, Crawley, shoplifting, NCP, fine \$50

Erica W. Kaptis, White Sulphur Springs, 1) obstructing officer, NCP, jail 22 days; 2) failure to appear, jail 22 days - to run concurrent

Jessica Renee Flack, Ronceverte, shoplifting, NCP, fine \$100

Jessica Renee Flack, Ronceverte, obstructing officer, NCP, jail 10 days - suspended and placed on 9 months unsupervised probation

Jeremy Crookshanks, Rainelle, no operators, NCP, fine \$25

Allen Lee Legg, possession of controlled substance, GP, fine \$100

Bradley Phipps, Peterstown, speeding, GP, fine \$30

Austin M. Gwinn, Meadow Bridge, speeding, GP, fine \$18

Thu Ann Nguyen, Vienna, 1) accidents involving damage to vehicle, GP, fine \$100; 2) following too closely, fine \$25

Phillip Andrew Austin, Asbury, speeding on country highway, GP, fine \$36

Hunter R. Thompson, Talcott, driving while license revoked - DUI, NCP, fine \$100, jail 6 months

Shawn Anthony Gill, Lewisburg, fleeing from officers, NCP, fine \$50, jail 6 months

Shawn Anthony Gill, Lewisburg, shoplifting, NCP, fine \$100

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OPINION



Zone In

By: Karen Cohen

According to The United States Department of Agriculture, everyone is facing temperatures that are slowly changing. The process of measuring the low and high temps of any given region started in 1960 by Henry Skinner. He worked at the National Arboretum in Washington, DC. In 2012, the climate records were updated and changes were noted. They haven't been reassessed since then. Records of climates around the states and around the world have been recorded and tracked year after year. What was discovered is that the climate zones are shifting northwards. In other words, the south is getting even hotter than it ever was. We are slowly warming up everywhere.

Temperature is extremely important to those of us who put plants in the ground at a specific time of the year for eventual and optimal growth. Back in the 90's, our hardiness zones were a half a zone less than today. That means that if you lived in hardiness zone 5 in the 90's, for instance, you are now considered to live in zone 5A or 5B.

Hot and cold temperature changes affect our seasons and health including our physical and mental well being. How about heating and a/c bills? We in the mountainous areas of Greenbrier County don't really require air conditioning... yet. It stays pretty cool here, especially at nighttime when the sun drops. The multitude of trees produce plenty of shaded areas. Outdoor temperatures are taken in the shade because that is the true air temperature. Temperatures monitored in sunshine indicate the heating up of the thermometer along with air temperature and solar radiation.

Our house is mostly in the shade of large oak trees and feels about 10-15 degrees cooler than a home in say, Lewisburg. Will your house benefit with the addition of trees to help it stay cooler in the hot summer sun? Yup. Even bushes around your house keep the surrounding ground and outside walls from heating up. Of course, this works conversely too. In the winter, sunshine hitting your home or your skin, will make you feel warmer. If you enjoy cooler temps, you'll be happy to know that the average temperature listed for May-September in Greenbrier County is a high of 73; it can reach into the 80's in July. Cloudless days with the sun beating down can

make everyone and everything, including your garden plants, feel warmer. The soil dries out quicker, too. In the past few years, we have experienced some 90 degree days here.

The change in climate is producing warmer temperatures and thus we will and do see changes in our gardens. Plants can get "confused" with warm spells and they put out flowers before they should. Night temperatures can drop and kill blossoms. Most native plants can withstand hardiness zones 3-10, zone 3 being the coldest temps that can drop to -30F.

Nowadays some plants will continue growing past the fall and into early winter months, November even. So we see an extended growing season and that is a good thing. But let's remember that we need cold temperatures too. The freezes that come with winter kill off bugs. Some insects can survive mildly cold months because their bodies have lots of water which just freezes and they become suspended in time, just like frogs. Frogs can be frozen to below 20 degrees for many weeks and still come back to life. Toads hibernate in the ground and burrow down deep below the ground even when it is 65 degrees or below. Any gardener who works their garden soil by hand, up close and personal, has experienced unearthing a bumpy, wide eyed toad when pulling weeds. It scares me every spring and I bet it scares the toad even more to find himself face to face with a human!

So, is it possible to slow down the warming trends, perhaps return to the snowy, frosty winters, too? Vegetables, herbs, flowers, bushes, and trees can help reduce carbon emissions. Plants remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and store it in their roots, so add plenty around your property. All of these green living "beings" act to remove the carbon dioxide that warms the atmosphere and in turn, they release oxygen. This helps to keep our surroundings filled with clean levels of air.

Little steps...we can work collectively...we just need to zone in.

(Karen Cohen writes her gardening journals called Nature's Way. She is an organic home gardener, seed saver, and avid explorer. Please send your tips and comments to natureswaykaren@gmail.com. And Happy Gardening!)

Commentary

Flag Etiquette: Respect for the U.S. Flag

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

Section 8: No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America; the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State flags, and organization or institutional flags are to be dipped as a mark of honor.

(a) The flag should never be displayed with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.

(b) The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.

(c) The flag should never be carried flat

or horizontally, but always aloft and free.

(d) The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery. It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free.

Bunting of blue, white, and red always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle, and the red below, should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping the front of the platform, and for decoration in general.

(e) The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a manner as to permit it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged in any way.

(f) The flag should never be used as a covering for a ceiling.

(g) The flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor attached to it any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or drawing of any nature.

(h) The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or

delivering anything.

(i) The flag should never be used for advertising purposes in any manner whatsoever. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or handkerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkin or boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use and discard. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.

(j) No part of the flag should ever be used as a costume or athletic uniform. However, a flag patch may be affixed to the uniform of military personnel, firemen, policemen, and members of patriotic organizations. The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing. Therefore, the lapel flag pin being a replica, should be worn on the left lapel near the heart.

(k) The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, prefer-

ably by burning. (Disposal of Unserviceable Flags Ceremony)

Post 100 intends to reprise its annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the courthouse in Union on Monday, May 29 at 10 a.m. The public is encouraged to attend to pay homage to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our country.

Post 100 and the local JROTC Maverick Battalion are collecting unserviceable U.S. Flags throughout the year for a respectful retirement ceremony conducted each May. Citizens wishing to turn in their unserviceable U.S. Flags may mail or bring them to James Monroe High School, c/o JROTC, at 142 James Monroe Drive, Lindside, WV 24951 or place them in the drop box in the courthouse in Union. Contact Scott Womack via email at swomack@k12.wv.us or via Facebook Messenger, or call the JROTC office at 304-753-6906 to arrange a drop-off of your unserviceable U.S. Flag.

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Commentary

Capito, Colleagues Call on DEA to Remove Barriers to Lifesaving Opioid Use Disorder Treatment

Last week, U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.) joined a bipartisan group of senators – led by U.S. Senator Martin Heinrich (D-N.M.) – in calling on the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to take further action to remove barriers to buprenorphine, a lifesaving drug used to treat opioid use disorder.

Specifically, the senators are urging the DEA to initiate a multi-agency evaluation of buprenorphine with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) to eliminate access gaps to the prescription drug to reduce overdose and death from opioid use disorder.

“According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than 106,000 Americans died from a drug overdose in the past year alone. Now more than ever, it is critical that the best treatments are made widely available and barriers to interventions are broken down,” the senators said.

The push from the senators comes as prescribers and patients across the country continue to report difficulty filling buprenorphine prescriptions, despite recent passage of the Mainstreaming Addiction Treatment (MAT) Act in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 that increased the number of medical professionals authorized to prescribe buprenorphine.

“We recognize that the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the DEA Diversion Control Division jointly published a Suspicious Orders Q&A on January 20, 2023, which explains that the agency does not place quantitative thresholds or limits on the amounts of controlled substances that a pharmacy can order. However, more is needed,” the senators continued. “Without formal guidance from the DEA, the absence of quantitative thresholds has created chilling effects on access to buprenorphine due to the perceived risks of crossing an undefined threshold by the DEA.”

The senators concluded, “The opioid epidemic remains one of the greatest public health crises our nation has ever faced. We must ensure the necessary resources and policies are in place so that every American who needs it can find treatment and life-saving care.”

Senators Capito and Heinrich were joined in sending the letter by U.S. Senators Maggie Hassan (D-N.H.), Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska), Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.), Thom Tillis (R-N.C.), Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), Angus King (I-Maine), Chris Van Hollen (D-Md.), Tim Kaine (D-Va.), Ed Markey (D-Mass.), Ben Ray Lujan (D-N.M.), Bob Menendez (D-N.J.), Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.), Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio), and Cory Booker (D-N.J.).

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OBITUARIES

John Wood Wiley



Beckley - John Wood Wiley, 87, passed away peacefully on Aug. 26, 2022, at Bowers Hospice House, Beckley, surrounded by family listening to his favorite songs.

John was born on Apr. 11, 1935, in Lewisburg to the late John and Eva (Wood) Wiley and was preceded in death by his brothers, Tom and Ted Wiley.

He graduated from Lewisburg High School and attended Marshall University. He moved to Maryland where he met the love of his life, Dee (Hedcock) Wiley. John and Dee married on Oct. 12, 1963. They have two wonderful children, Leland Wiley (Christie) and Lynn Dennie (Rowland); and four grandchildren. John was affectionately known as Granddaddy to Dixon and JD Wiley and Gaga to Caitlynn and Connor Dennie. He always dressed up as Santa Claus for Christmas and sang a special autoharp serenade for each birthday, which was cherished by the entire family.

His career was in sales, however, his most rewarding job came later in life as a school bus driver for special needs children in Montgomery County, MD. On holidays and special occasions John drove the bus in costume and always had special made cookies for the children, with some of whom he remained in contact. He brought so much joy to the children and their families.

In 2005, John and Dee retired to Lewisburg where he became active in the Lions and Ruritan Clubs, delivering Gwen's Meals and sharing his gift and love of music by singing and playing his autoharp at local nursing and assisted living homes, as well as Lewisburg United Methodist Church. John also enjoyed performing in Riders of the Flood on the Greenbrier River and visiting Flanagan's Barbershop. He was a 50-year member of the Masons A.F. & A. M. Greenbrier Lodge No. 42.

He cherished spending time with his family and friends, watching WVU football and westerns, playing games with his grandchildren, and relaxing in his recliner. John always had a joke to tell and a smile to give.

In lieu of memorials and/or flowers, please consider providing a donation to Hospice of Southern West Virginia (<https://www.hospiceofsouthernwv.org/>) or Gwen's Meals (<https://www.gwensmeals.com/>)

www.greenbriershepherdcenter.com/donate.

There will be a celebration of life service held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at Lewisburg United Methodist Church, 1133 Washington Street East, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg is in charge of arrangements. Please send online condolences by visiting www.WallaceandWallaceFH.com

Olena Chesnut Kersey



St. Albans-Olena Chesnut Kersey, 98, formerly of White Sulphur Springs, passed away Saturday, May 13, 2023.

Born Apr. 17, 1925, at Neola, she was a daughter of the late Lawrence O. and Hallie Gabbert Chesnut.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Ray Kersey and daughter, Linda Friend; three brothers and two sisters.

Those left to cherish her memory are her son, Wayne Kersey (Karen) of St. Albans; son-in-law, Don Friend of Spotsylvania, VA; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 17, at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in White Sulphur Springs. Burial followed in Greenbrier Memorial Gardens in Lewisburg. A visitation was held one hour prior to the service on Wednesday.

Flowers are appreciated or donations of sympathy may be made to a hospice center of your choice.

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Robert Lee White



White Sulphur Springs -Robert Lee "Bob" White, 73, passed away Thursday, May 11, 2023, at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center following a brief illness.

Born Oct. 17, 1949, to the late James "Bud" White and Gladys White both of White Sulphur Springs.

Bob was an active volunteer and member in his hometown of White Sulphur Springs from the age of 18. Bob retired from the Greenbrier County School system as a bus driver in 2014 after 42 years of employment and dedication to everyone whom he encountered. During his career he touched many lives of students, families, and teachers whom he worked alongside. In between his bus runs he worked within the White Sulphur Springs Elementary School as the school secretary for many years.

He became a Volunteer member of the White Sulphur Springs Fire Department in September of 1974 and served in many positions throughout his journey with the fire department, such as a pump captain along with many different positions within the board of directors. Bob became a member of the White Sulphur Springs Emergency Ambulance Service in 1979, where he worked and volunteered with numerous roles, he was always available to assist in any call, activity, or event that was held. He has served in every role of the board of directors from President, Captain, Lieutenant, and his last and current position as secretary/ treasurer.

Throughout his career and volunteer positions, he received many honors and recognitions for his outstanding volunteerism, leadership, heroic efforts, and complete dedication.

Bob was an all-around one-of-a-kind individual who never came in contact with someone he didn't try to help in some way. He will be remembered by his giving character, his tender heart, and his witty sense of humor. To have known Bob, throughout any part of his life was an honor to all.

Bob was preceded in death by both his mother and father, grandparents, and his lifelong companion and partner, Linda Griffith.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his daughter, Jessica "Doots" White of White Sulphur Springs; sister, Sandra (Lee) Bragg of White Sulphur Springs; brother, Steve (Linda) White of White Sulphur Springs; niece, Tiffany (Kenny) Bennett of White Sulphur Springs; nephew (son), Thomas (Autumn) Hayes of Frankford; very special great-nephew, Josh (Nikki) White of Lewisburg, Shavis White of Illinois along with his special great-nieces, Caitlin Bennett of Peterstown, Anna Hayes of Harrisonburg VA, Kayleigh and Brynleigh Hayes of Frankford; along with several great-great nieces and nephews, extended family, friends, students, and coworkers.

The family accepted visitors Monday, May 15, at Bethesda Church in White Sulphur Springs with services following, with officiant Steve Hudnall and Kenny Baker. His final resting place being Maple-Dale Cemetery on Route 92.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Wallace and Wallace to assist the family in offsetting final costs.

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Christopher Dale Dowdy



White Sulphur Springs -Christopher Dale Dowdy, 43, passed away at 8:40 a.m. Monday, May 8, 2023 at White Sulphur Springs Center after suffering from a rare and aggressive cancer.

He was born Nov. 3, 1979, at Low Moor, VA, a son of the late Dale Curtis Dowdy and Louise Ellen Dowdy-Perry.

Chris was a graduate of Greenbrier East High School and had three years of college at West Virginia University as a Sports Medicine Major. He worked many jobs including working at The Greenbrier Hotel where he also worked the Golf Club and was a lifeguard for two years.

He was a ski and snowboarding instructor at Snowshoe and Winterplace Resorts and also worked at many restaurants. He is survived by a sister, Sheena Louise Dowdy and her children, Haley Skaggs, James Lockhart, and Noah Hammons. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins.

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A memorial service for Chris will held at a later date.

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Lynda Susan Burdette



Ms. Lynda Susan Burdette, 81, gained her heavenly wings and is now in arms of Our Lord and Savior.

She was born Feb. 8, 1942, on Tuckahoe Road on the outskirts of White Sulphur Springs, a daughter of the late Porter and Ollie Fogus Burdette.

She attended White Sulphur Springs Pentecostal Holiness Church and graduated White Sulphur Springs High School in 1961. She then continued her education at Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing graduating in 1963. She worked there for 20 years, in the Cardiac Unit, then moved back to Tuckahoe and started

working at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center in Fairlea as an OR nurse for the next 20 years.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Porter and Ollie Burdette of White Sulphur Springs; friend, Marion Creech; and nephew, Carl Lowe.

She is survived by her brother, Ernest (Margaret) Burdette of White Sulphur Springs; sister, Thelma Bostic of White Sulphur Springs; adopted sister, Mae Byers who has been with us for years; and sister, Mary Ann Burdette of White Sulphur Springs. Also surviving are many nieces, nephews, and cousins too numerous to list.

There will be no visitation, but you can join the family at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 21, for a graveside service at Greenbrier Memorial Gardens in Lewisburg, with Pastor Gene Sizemore officiating.

The family asks there to be no home visits, food or flowers while they try to get through this the best they can.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that if you would like to donate make donations to Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home, 175 Mountain Avenue, White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986.

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WV Governor declares May Nurses Month



Dr. Krystal Atkinson and Heidi Edwards are pictured with the proclamation.

Nurses advocate for patients, show compassion for family members, and provide encouragement and hope during challenging times, which is why West Virginia Governor Jim Justice issued a proclamation declaring May 2023 as Nurses Month in the Mountain State.

"This proclamation is important to nurses because it demonstrates the recognition of the nursing profession and the impact nurses make through their commitment to provide care for all people throughout our state," said Heidi Edwards, chief nursing officer and vice president/administrator, CAMC General

Hospital.

During National Nurses Week, Vandalia Health thanks the skilled and dedicated nurses working in its hospitals.

"We are pleased to celebrate Nurses Week and Nurses Month in May to honor the nurses who go above and beyond for our patients," said Dr. Krystal Atkinson, chief nursing executive at Mon Health System. "Our nurses remain steadfast in providing compassionate care through hardships and we could not be more grateful for their commitment to enhancing the health of the communities we serve, one person at a time."

Celebrated between May

6, National Nurses Day, and May 12, the birth date of Florence Nightingale (the founder of modern nursing), Nurses Week gives everyone the opportunity to thank nurses for their dedication to patient care.

Nurses represent our state's largest health care profession and serve on the front line of health care, especially during the pandemic. Nursing also is the largest group of health care professionals that the American public consistently ranks as the most honest and ethical.

The demand for registered nursing services continues to grow due to the aging population, emerging health challenges, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies and the growth of home health care services.

During May, the American Nurses Association and Vandalia Health invite you to show your appreciation for nurses by using #ThankANurse in your social media posts.

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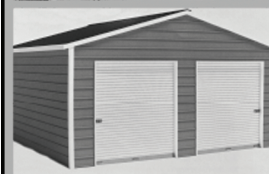
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3. Tackle; 4. Large
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1. NARROW
2. ROUSE
3. TACKLE
4. LARGE

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Dear Recycle Lady,

Dear Recycle Lady,
What are Global Organic Textile Standards?
A New Classification

Dear A New Classification,

Global Organic Textile Standards, or GOTS, spells out the environmental and toxicological criteria that organic products must meet to be certified organic. Only textile products that contain a minimum of 70% organic fibers and chemicals that meet certain environmental and toxicological criteria can become GOTS certified. The use of toxic chemicals for processing is prohibited, as is child labor. There are also strong labor provisions. GOTS protects the workers, the consumers, and the environment. For more information, Google Global organic textile products, Inc.



Dear Recycle Lady,

I use duplicate checks for my business. Can the paper that duplicates checks as they are written be recycled?
Duplicate Check User

Dear Duplicate Check User,

Good catch. The carbon copies of your checks are not recyclable locally. They go in the trash. Since they contain several pieces of your information (name, address, phone number, etc.) you would be wise to dispose of them carefully as this information could be used to steal your identity. Before putting them in the trash, cut off crucial information, cut the duplicate checks into small pieces, or shred them. Your bank may provide shredding as a service. Shredded carbon copies of checks must not be included in shredded paper that goes to the Recycling Center as they would be a contaminate.

Dear Recycle Lady,

What do these symbols below mean? I saw them on a box that arrived in the mail.
More New Symbols

Dear More New Symbols,

Conscious shoppers today want greener options for packaging, so symbols are needed to make sustainable options recognizable. The symbols above were created by the trade associations that represent manufacturers of North American cardboard packaging. They identify packaging that contains recyclable corrugated cardboard. However, not all cardboard boxes are recyclable. For example, ice cream boxes with a wax coating are not recyclable and cannot display the GOTS symbol. While the Corrugated Recycles symbol indicates that the packaging can be recycled, it doesn't mean that the contents are recyclable.



Good News! Project Mum, ('mum' represents Mother Nature in Japan), is repurposing ocean plastic and discarded fishing gear into stunning dining tables with designs inspired by the ocean. They are turning harmful ocean plastic into beautiful furniture. (fto.com) Have questions about recycling, or interesting information about recycling? Send questions or requests to recyclelady@greenbrier-swa.com. Dear Recycle Lady is sponsored jointly by the Greenbrier Recycling Center and Greenworks Recycling.

A Look Back



By William "Skip" Deegans

Shown is an early photo of the National Radio Observatory in Pocahontas County. While there was scant news coverage in West Virginia, the international news reported in April the Green Bank Observatory was involved in break through discoveries regarding the black hole of the M87 galaxy, including determining the black hole's ring is much larger than previously believed. The Green Bank Observatory united with telescopes around the world to make these discoveries.

While United States engineer Karl Jansky was the first person to detect radio waves from outer space, the United States fell behind in radio astronomy. Following discussions in 1954 about building a radio telescope in the United States, the National Science Foundation began a search for a suitable location. Several sites in the Appalachian region were considered, and in 1956 the Charleston Gazette wrote a premature story that an area in Pocahontas County had been selected. The National Science Foundation denied the story, but options on land had been executed. With financial support from the federal government, core drilling began near the small town of Green Bank (population 100) to determine if foundations for large telescopes could be supported. The site had been considered because it was free from man-made radio or electronic interference and protected by surrounding mountains. After a one-year search, the Green Bank location was selected, and in October of 1957 a groundbreaking ceremony took place in the Green Bank High School gymnasium. Due to bad weather that prevented flying, West Virginia's governor Cecil Underwood was unable to attend the event.

In 1958, the first telescope - the 85 foot Tatel - was finished. From 1959 through 1968 five additional telescopes were completed. More telescopes have been added including the 100 meter (320 feet) steerable Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope. At the observatory a science center is open to the public, and daily bus tours of the telescopes are available Thursday through Monday: <https://greenbankobservatory.org>.
Photo: Courtesy of the National Science Foundation.

Sources: Green Bank Observatory, Hinton Daily News, Weirton Daily News.

Super Crossword

EPICUREAN SPECIALTY

ACROSS

- 1 Salary limit
- 4 Reputation, on the street
- 8 Two-team wrestling competitions
- 13 Gave high praise to
- 19 Pesticide compound
- 21 The "A" of James A. Garfield
- 22 Aorta, for one
- 23 Study hard
- 24 Proportional relation
- 25 Supervise
- 26 Start of a riddle
- 29 Thing a doc prescribes
- 30 Yin and —
- 31 Suffix with hotel or cash
- 32 Riddle, part 2
- 43 Apple on a desk
- 44 Latin "that is"
- 45 "— So Fine"
- 46 French for "man"
- 47 Set into motion
- 50 Charles Chaplin's title
- 51 Eileen of "Clue"

- 53 In the vicinity
- 54 Riddle, part 3
- 58 Old-time actress Irene
- 59 She was Mrs. Gorbachev
- 60 German word before "geist"
- 61 Donkey Kong and others
- 62 Riddle, part 4
- 65 Lacerate
- 69 Dove shelter
- 70 Use all of
- 71 Afro-Brazilian dance
- 72 Riddle, part 5
- 78 Scrupulous insistence on traditional rules
- 79 Disturbs
- 80 Source of some bran
- 81 Havana natives, to
- 82 Novelist George
- 83 Braying beast
- 84 Shooter of small balls
- 87 Bard's "before"
- 88 End of the riddle
- 94 Huge battle
- 95 Bereft, poetically
- 96 Khaki color

- 97 Riddle's answer
- 107 Back-baring blouse
- 108 "— think so!"
- 109 Certain airport worker
- 111 "History repeats —"
- 112 Make a phony copy of
- 113 Moniker for Wilt Chamberlain
- 114 Shoulder garments
- 115 Deuce-beating cards
- 116 Admin. aide
- 117 Low grade

DOWN

- 1 Baby bear
- 2 In — (lined up)
- 3 Phnom —, Cambodia
- 4 Skydived, for short
- 5 Second-most populous place in South Dakota
- 6 Slaughter of the Cardinals
- 7 Chewing gum brand
- 8 Lack the courage to
- 9 700-mile-long African river

- 10 Intro studio course
- 11 Secular
- 12 Range of the Appalachians
- 13 Actress Hedy
- 14 Composer Khachaturian
- 15 — Reader (magazine)
- 16 Turn a — ear of
- 17 Hence
- 18 Hair colorer
- 20 "I love you," to Juanita
- 27 — Christian Andersen
- 28 Opposite of old, in Germany
- 32 Plummer of "Pulp Fiction"
- 33 How cards are sometimes dealt
- 34 Gasoline rating
- 35 Exalting verse
- 36 Lower leg part
- 37 Feudal toiler
- 38 Source of some bran
- 39 Goose sound
- 40 1980s Dodge
- 41 Supermodel from Somalia
- 42 Hong Kong's Hang — Index

- 48 Catering coffeepots
- 49 Vigoda of "Fish"
- 50 Tries to hit, as an insect
- 51 Cat variety
- 52 Sluggers' stats
- 54 DJ Casey
- 55 Fall chill
- 56 Bear, in Baja
- 57 Gas in an atmospheric layer
- 59 Hairworth and Moreno
- 62 Certain garden worker
- 63 "The Simpsons" storekeeper
- 64 Sleuth, in old slang
- 65 Lipinski on ice
- 66 Rapper aka "Slim Shady"
- 67 Sop up
- 68 19th-dynasty pharaoh
- 69 Greek island
- 71 Deli hero
- 72 "Oh, ri-i-ight"
- 73 — contendere (court plea)
- 74 "Take — from me ..."
- 75 Take an ax to

- 76 2010-19 Royals skipper Ned
- 77 Waist wear
- 78 Pokes a hole in
- 81 Chew the —
- 83 Helicopter rescue, say
- 84 Three 19th-century literary sisters
- 85 Arctic chunk
- 86 Subgenre of rap music
- 89 Friends of Snow White
- 90 Mart start
- 91 Like flashy jewelry, informally
- 92 Least frequent
- 93 Not fulfilled
- 97 — and that
- 98 Possesses, in Shakespeare
- 99 Bride of Lohengrin
- 100 Crockpot dish
- 101 Beehive unit
- 102 Scent
- 103 Sweat outlet
- 104 Singer Phil
- 105 Blyton of kids' books
- 106 Prefix with marketing
- 110 Blvd., e.g.

SCRAMBLERS
Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Slim
WARRON
Awaken
SOURE
Charge
LACKET
Ample
GLARE

"He called me a lousy cook, so I hit him with one of my _____."

TODAY'S WORD

HOCUS-FOCUS
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Weekly SUDOKU
by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,
GREENBRIER COUNTY, to wit:
In accordance with Code §11-8-12, as amended, the Greenbrier County Board of Education proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the 2024 fiscal year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:
The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE FUND

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ 10,511,908
Other local sources	464,000
State Sources:	
State aid to schools	25,589,141
Other unrestricted	12,312,185
Federal Sources:	
Unrestricted	575,000
Miscellaneous Sources:	331,910
Total estimated revenues	49,783,234
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	
Estimated beginning balance	3,500,000
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources and beginning balance	\$ 53,283,234
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	\$ 30,240,141
Supporting services:	
Students	935,259
Instructional staff	429,796
Central administration	1,184,076
School administration	3,736,592
Central services	510,889
Operation and maintenance of facilities	5,571,291
Student transportation	4,744,283
Food services	-
Community services	57,980
Capital outlay	500,000
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	70,000
Interest and fiscal charges	2,500
Total estimated expenditures	47,982,806
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	4,000,428
Estimated budgetary reserves	1,300,000
Total estimated expenditures, other financing uses, and reserves	\$ 53,283,234

**GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
EXCESS LEVY FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ 7,366,402
Other local sources	131,000
State Sources:	
State aid to schools	-
Other unrestricted	-
Federal Sources:	
Unrestricted	-
Miscellaneous Sources:	
Total estimated revenues	7,497,402
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	
Estimated beginning balance	-
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources and beginning balance	\$ 7,497,402
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	\$ 2,438,210
Supporting services:	
Students	65,000
Instructional staff	1,265,120
Central administration	-
School administration	-
Central services	-
Operation and maintenance of facilities	2,165,847
Student transportation	563,225
Food services	-
Community services	-
Capital outlay	-
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-
Total estimated expenditures	7,497,402
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	-
Estimated budgetary reserves	-
Total estimated expenditures, other financing uses, and reserves	\$ 7,497,402

**GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources	\$ 14,940
State Sources:	
State aid to schools	289,925
Other	401,522
Federal Sources	9,447,774
Miscellaneous Sources	-
Total estimated revenues	10,154,161
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	1,302,118
Estimated beginning balance	-
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources and beginning balance	\$ 11,456,279
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	\$ 6,873,511
Supporting services:	
Students	-
Instructional staff	249,246
Central administration	-
School administration	-
Business	-
Operation and maintenance of facilities	-
Student transportation	-
Food services	4,333,522
Community services	-
Capital outlay	-

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“NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING”
The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection has scheduled a public meeting on June 15, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. to discuss the **Draft Fiscal Year 2024 Intended Use Plan** for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program (CWSRF). A part of the Intended Use Plan is the Fiscal Year 2024 Priority List. The meeting will take place in person at the WV DEP’s Headquarters in Charleston, WV. An option to attend remotely or call-in is below. A copy of the draft Fiscal Year 2024 Intended Use Plan is available, and may be requested by calling, writing, or sending an email request to the address below. The plan can also be viewed on DEP’s web site.
Contact
Katheryn Emery
WV Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Water & Waste Management
Clean Water State Revolving Fund
601 57th street, SE
Charleston, WV 25304
(304) 926-0499 Ext. 43830
Katheryn.D.Emery@wv.gov
Google Meeting information
<https://meet.google.com/tkd-hsoo-arb>
Dial in number: 1-910-302-3018
PIN: 104 878 179#

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Debt service:	
Principal retirement	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-
Total estimated expenditures	11,456,279
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	-
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 11,456,279

**GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
DEBT SERVICE FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources:	
Property taxes (Net of allowances)	\$ 2,246,550
Other local sources	9,500
Miscellaneous Sources:	
Total estimated revenues	2,256,050
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	
Estimated beginning balance	2,500,000
Total estimated revenues, transfers and beginning balance	\$ 4,756,050
Estimated expenditures:	
Debt service	\$ 3,536,000
Total estimated expenditures	3,536,000
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	1,220,050
Total estimated expenditures, other financing uses	\$ 4,756,050

**GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources	\$ -
State Sources:	
State aid to schools	-
Other	9,206,530
Federal Sources	-
Miscellaneous Sources	-
Total estimated revenues	9,256,530
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	5,920,050
Estimated beginning balance	-
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources and beginning balance	\$ 15,176,580
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	\$ -
Supporting services:	
Students	-
Instructional staff	-
Central administration	-
School administration	-
Business	-
Operation and maintenance of facilities	-
Student transportation	-
Food services	-
Community services	-
Capital outlay	15,176,580
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-
Total estimated expenditures	15,176,580
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	-
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 15,176,580

**GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024
FUND 71 - ESSERF**

Estimated revenues:	
Local Sources	\$ -
State Sources:	
State aid to schools	-
Other	-
Federal Sources	5,200,000
Miscellaneous Sources	-
Total estimated revenues	5,200,000
Estimated transfers in and other financing sources	-
Estimated beginning balance	-
Total estimated revenues, other financing sources and beginning balance	\$ 5,200,000
Estimated expenditures:	
Instruction	\$ 5,016,250
Supporting services:	
Students	89,590
Instructional staff	-
Central administration	-
School administration	-
Business	-
Operation and maintenance of facilities	94,160
Student transportation	-
Food services	-
Community services	-
Capital outlay	-
Debt service:	
Principal retirement	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-
Total estimated expenditures	5,200,000
Total estimated transfers and other financing uses	-
Total estimated expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 5,200,000

**GREENBRIER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,
Greenbrier County, to wit:
I, Jeffrey Bryant, Secretary of the Greenbrier County Board of Education, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the proposed budget being considered for adoption by the Board of Education on 25th day of May 2023.


Secretary of the Board of Education

Please note: The Board will meet on Tuesday, May 25 at 1:00 p.m. in the Arts and Science Building at 1 River Community and Technical College for a special meeting on the proposed budget.

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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF WEST VIRGINIA
CHARLESTON**

**CASE No. 22-1059-E-IDS
APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
WHEELING POWER COMPANY,**
public utilities.

Application for Approval of a Written Plan for the Construction of Utility Infrastructure at two West Virginia Business Ready Sites and for Associated Cost Recovery Pursuant to W.Va. Code §24-2-1n

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

On December 14, 2022, Appalachian Power Company (APCo) and Wheeling Power Company (WPCo) (together, the Companies) filed an application, duly verified, for approval of a written plan to construct utility infrastructure at two West Virginia business ready sites and associated cost recovery, pursuant to W.Va. Code §24-2-1 n.

The Companies’ plan will involve the construction of transmission and distribution facilities within and near the Mason County Industrial Park and the Harless Industrial Park, both located within APCo’s service territory, which facilities will be capable of serving initial customer load at each site up to 30MW and potentially up to 60MW with additional investment. The goal of the Companies’ plan is to retain existing industrial customers and attract new industrial customers to the benefit of the local and state economies. The Companies’ application is on file with and available for public inspection at the Public Service Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, WV 25301. The Companies anticipate charging the following surcharge rates in connection with the construction described in their application:

Customer Class	Cents per kWh	\$ per kW
Residential	0.008	
Small Commercial	0.004 to 0.008	0.016
Large Commercial		0.004 to 0.026
Industrial Tariff		0.004 to 0.026
Industrial Special Contracts	Various	Various

The average residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month would experience a rate increase of \$0.08 monthly or \$0.96 yearly under the Companies’ proposal.

These rates represent the following average project-related increases to become effective June 1, 2023, unless otherwise ordered:

	Monthly		Yearly	
	\$ Increase	% Increase	\$ Increase	% Increase
Residential - total	\$33,546	0.055	\$402,556	0.055
Commercial - total	\$12,945	0.044	\$155,343	0.044
Industrial - total	\$7,728	0.018	\$92,735	0.018

During the first rate period, the proposed increased rates and charges related to the Project will produce approximately \$0.650 million annually in additional revenue, an overall increase of 0.041 percent.

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges among the various classes of customers are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of the Companies’ filing.

The Commission has set a procedural schedule, including a hearing on the Companies’ application, if necessary, that will begin at 9:30 a.m. on March 23, 2023, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Commission’s offices at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. If no opposition to the Companies’ application is received, the hearing may be waived and the Commission may issue a final order within 150 days of the application filing date.

Anyone desiring to intervene in the matter should file a written petition to intervene no later than February 28, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. All requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the request and comply with the rules on intervention set forth in the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Commission will receive public comments until March 15, 2023. All written comments and requests to intervene should state the case name and number and be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, WV 25323. Public comments may also be filed online at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm> by clicking the “Formal Case” link.

**APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
WHEELING POWER COMPANY**

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NOTICE OF CALL FOR BIDS

The Greenbrier County Board of Education, 391 Judyville Road, Lewisburg, WV, will accept sealed bids for the provision of school bus seat repair/replacement, installed. Request as follows:
 Furnish & Install for International & Thomas Buses
 Furnish & Install High Back Covers; Furnish & Install High Back Foam;
 Furnish & Install 39" Cushion Cover; Furnish & Install CE White Cover & Foam
 as Needed; Weld & Repair Seat Frame; Replace Seat Board as Needed;
 Refasten Loose Back Covers; Furnish & Install Driver Seat Back;
 Furnish & Install Driver Seat Cushion, Driver Seat Belt Inspection (replace as needed)
 Remove old cover, replace with new cover, NO DOUBLE COVERS
PRICES QUOTED REQUIRE AND SHALL INCLUDE:
 A. All work performed at our facility, Judyville Road, Lewisburg, WV and/or Greenbrier East High School.
 B. Vendor provision of all tools and equipment needed.
 C. A work list for each bus before work begins and updated as completed.
 D. Work must be completed June 12-July 14 or July 24-August 4; once work starts it must be completed.
 E. Use of only state and federal approved materials.
 F. Materials matched to manufacturer's colors for all models 2001-2024.
 G. Invoice submitted upon completion of work with billing net thirty (30) days from invoice. Preferred method of payment by VISA.
 H. Bus interiors and work areas will be left clean (as found) condition.
 I. Seat bottoms must be secured properly.

Mail bids to: Greenbrier County Schools
 Attention: George Brooks II, Office of Operations
 391 Judyville Road
 Lewisburg, WV 24901

DEADLINE FOR BIDS: 10:00 a.m. June 7, 2023

BID INSTRUCTIONS
 Greenbrier County Board of Education
 School Year 2023-2024

For: Unleaded Gasoline - Minimum Octane Rating 87 - 20,000 gals.
 Fuel Oil - #2 heating oil 45,000 gals.
 Ultra Low Sulphur Diesel Fuel 140,000 gals.
 *estimated 60,000 gals. with winter additive (time period October 1 -March 30)
 *estimated 80,000 gals. without additive
 Pre-mix Nitrite free OAT Extended Life Coolant (ELC) - approx. 500 gallons. To be delivered in 55 gal. drums as needed. Successful bidder must furnish pump FREE OF CHARGE.
 Anti-Freeze Red 50/50 Pre-mix with DCA Additive for diesel engines - approx. 55 gals. To be delivered in 55 gal. drums. Successful bidder must furnish pump FREE OF CHARGE.
 CK4 15-40 oil-must meet all diesel specs. Approx. 1,100 gals. bulk.
 Successful bidder must furnish tank, pump, reel and meter nozzle FREE OF CHARGE.

Bids Must Specify As Follows:
 Bidders shall submit the current rack price from their supplier and their markup fee listed separately. Markup fee will be a fixed rate throughout the school year.
 Any decrease or increase in prices shall be pursuant to Greenbrier County Board of Education, Policy 6320, Submission of Sealed Bids: J (enclosed)

The successful bidder shall furnish copies of invoices or other official notifications from his supplier to the Greenbrier County Board of Education to verify price changes as they occur. Fax daily rack prices with markup included. SUCH NOTIFICATION SHALL ACCOMPANY INVOICES AT EVERY BILLING. Also, you will find enclosed a "Non-Collusion Affidavit", which must accompany each bid and be signed.

Product:
 Product will be accepted based upon item meeting referenced standards and specification. The board reserves the right to cancel contracts if the product bid does not meet specification or delivery is unsatisfactory. Only the amount of product actually required will be purchased, even though such need may be more or less than the approximate stated in the specification section.

Also, successful bidder on HEATING OIL MUST RECORD THE TANK NUMBER ON EACH INVOICE and NAME OF SCHOOL/FACILITY where delivered.
 All bids must be in the Transportation Department, 391 Judyville Road, Lewisburg, WV, by 10:00 a.m. on June 7, 2023.

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Notice is hereby given that WARRIOR ENERGY RESOURCES, LLC, 111 FREEPORT RD, PITTSBURGH, PA 15215 has filed an application with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), 1159 Nick Rahall Greenway, Fayetteville, WV 25840 on Permit No. S301114 located near Crichton in Meadow Bluff District of Greenbrier County.

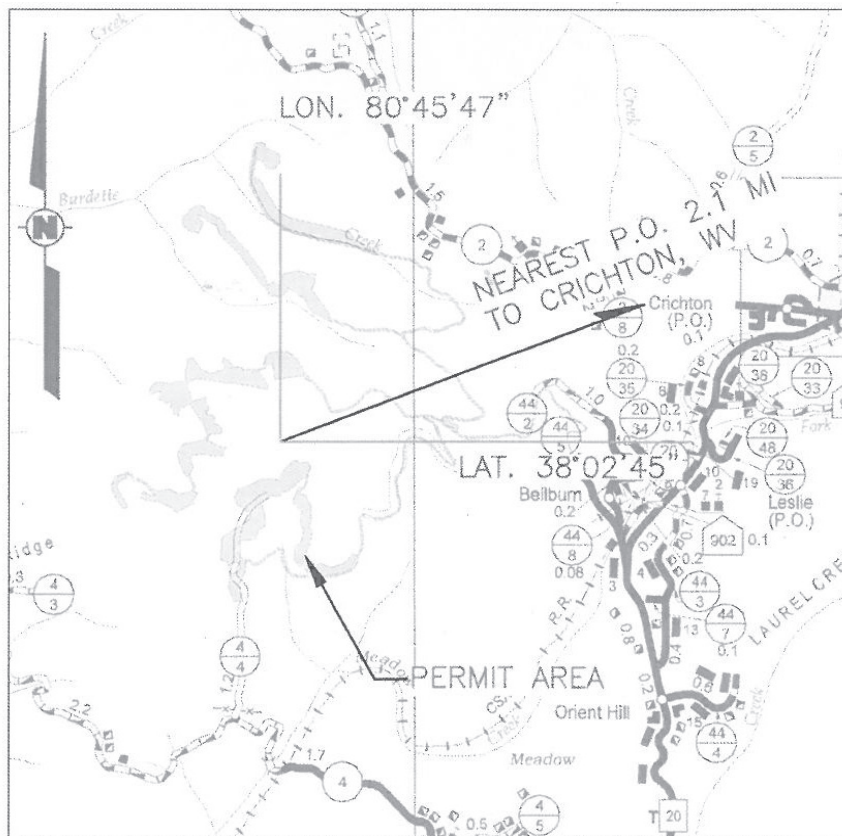
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CLUB & CHURCH

Henning Church of God Ladies hold monthly meeting

The Ladies of the Henning Church of God held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 9, in the church fellowship hall. Carole Spencer presided and Barb Seldomridge led in prayer.

Dyan Hefner presented the devotion, "Going to the Birds," with scripture reference Genesis 1:21. What can the birds do for us? The early bird gets the worm. The first person to get to the store gets the good deal. Get to bed early and get up early. Get to the Bible early to be fed for the day or whatever time works for you. Adult birds take worms to their babies. We should take nuggets of wisdom to others. (Psalm 63:1) Be wise as an owl. Why are they considered wise? In Greek mythology they were associated with Athena who was associated with wisdom. They seem to be serious, old and wise, and their large eyes are a sign of wisdom. Solomon was the wisest man. He asked for wisdom and God gave it to him. (Proverbs 4:7 and Proverbs 16:16) Watch like a hawk. The hawk can fly high in the air and has a good view. There are things we need to watch in our lives so we do not get attacked and lose our witness. (Matthew 26:41) We all need something to crow about. We need to share exciting news about Christ and there is an everlasting Hell. The rich man wanted someone to warn his family so they would not end up there. (Luke 16:27-28) The hummingbird gets our attention. It is one of God's marvelous creations. What a wonderful God we have. (Nehemiah 9:6)

Barb Seldomridge brought the missionary education report about missionaries Drew and Sunny Brown in Pakistan. Drew concentrates on pastoral training and education and radio outreach. Sunny concentrates on the women's ministry. Drew grew up on Boise, Idaho and attended the Cloverdale Church of God. His first wife passed away and he married Sunny five years later. He had two children with his first wife. Sunny grew up in the Catholic religion. She was introduced to Christ from a school friend in Massachusetts. She later moved to Reno, Nevada and concentrated on human services and met Drew. They launched their first radio program this Easter in Pakistan. We need to remember all missionaries all over the world no matter what religion.

Jamie Harvey presented the treasurer's report and Pauline Perkins read last month's minutes.

Carole thanked all the members for helping with the dinner for Gene Cook's family after his funeral. She also thanked everyone for their hard work for the very successful yard sale on May 6. We will be serving the Maxwellton Ruritans on May 25.

Our next meeting will be held on June 13 and Dyan Hefner dismissed in prayer.

Attending were: Alice Coff, Barb Seldomridge, Carole Spencer, Christine Cullen, Cindy Fleshman, Dyan Hefner, Jamie Harvey, Joan Vance, Marty Burns, Pauline Perkins, Patty Owens, and Peggy Seldomridge.

Savannah Garden Club annual raffle sale begins

Ticket sales help purchase hanging flower baskets for downtown Lewisburg

The Savannah Garden Club is proud to announce its continued annual support for Lewisburg's beautification efforts through the purchase of 76 stunning flower baskets. The garden club members are passionate advocates for horticulture and environmental stewardship, and the club is committed to enhancing the visual appeal of Lewisburg. Each year, the club purchases the flower baskets to infuse color and vibrancy into the city's streets, parks, and public spaces. The cost of this endeavor amounts to approximately \$5,000 annually, which the club raises through the sale of raffle tickets.

By participating in the raffle, community members not only contribute to Lewisburg's beautification but also have the opportunity to win an enchanting weekend experience in the historic town. Raffle

tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased at the General Lewis Inn, at the Greenbrier County Convention and Visitors Bureau, or directly from club members. Prizes include accommodation for two in one of Lewisburg's charming establishments, with meals provided by local restaurants, allowing the winners to savor the town's culinary delights. Additionally, a gift basket from Bellas, known for its exquisite products, will be presented to the lucky winners.

"We believe that a well-maintained and visually appealing environment fosters a sense of pride and community," said Stacie Cornett, president for the Savannah Garden Club. "Through our raffle ticket sales, we are able to directly support the purchase of flower baskets, enhancing the beauty of Lewisburg and creating a welcoming atmosphere

Church Bulletin

St. James Episcopal Church Yard Sale will be held Friday, May 19 and Saturday, May 20. Hours: 8 a.m. to noon. Parking and entrance on Court Street.

Homecoming at Andrew Chapel UMC
 Come to visit Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 21, for Homecoming. Enjoy the fellowship and music by 3:16 Crossroads beginning at 11 a.m. Following the service join us with a covered dish dinner. Pastor Katie Knotts will lead the service. Everyone is invited to attend.

Annual Meeting Woodland Cemetery
 will be held Saturday, May 27 at 10 a.m. in the Community Room at Woodland Church. Board meeting to follow.



Democratic Women's Club member Vicki Dove (left); Lesley Toliver, Director of GCFSC; and Democratic Women's Club member Gloria Martin.

Democratic Women donate to Greenbrier County Family Support Center

Believing that every person should be treated with dignity and respect, Greenbrier County Democratic Women's Club is happy to make a donation to the Greenbrier County Family Support Center. The Family Support Center helps to meet the basic needs of people in the Meadow River Valley community. Currently serving more than 80 clients, they offer clothing, food, hygiene products, educational classes and much more. By helping those in need, the Democratic Club believes they are ensuring a stronger future for every American.

The next meeting will be May 23, in Old Stone Fellowship Hall at 5:30 p.m. All meetings are open to the public. They are dedicated to ensuring a stronger future for every American. They believe that every person should be treated with dignity and respect.

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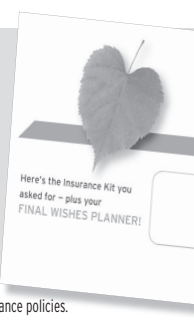
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SCHOOL

Godfrey graduates from Marshall

Regina Elizabeth Godfrey graduated from Marshall University on Apr. 29 with a Master's Degree in Human Resource Management. She is a native of White Sulphur Springs.

Abigail Fraley graduates from Bridgewater College

Abigail Fraley of Gap Mills graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts in political science from Bridgewater College during the Apr. 29, 2023, Commencement exercises.

Approximately 315 undergraduate and 25 graduate students from the Class of 2023 received degrees. Dr. David W. Bushman, president of Bridgewater College, conferred the degrees.

Rev. Dr. Robbie Miller '79, college chaplain, served as the Commencement speaker for 2023. In his address, "The Measure of Success," he said, "The measure of success in our brief span of life - represented by that little 'dash' between the year we're born and the year we die - is not the money we earn or the things we accumulate or the degrees we acquire or the recognition we receive, but the love we share and the difference we make."

Among the 313 undergraduate students in

the Class of 2023, 159 earned bachelor of arts degrees and 154 earned bachelor of science degrees. Thirty-two members of the class graduated summa cum laude - the top academic honor which requires students to achieve at least a 3.9 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. Forty graduates earned magna cum laude honors - a 3.7 or better average. Cum laude honors, requiring a 3.4 grade point average, were earned by 53 graduates.

Bridgewater College graduated students from four different master's programs. Three students graduated with a master of science in psychology - mental health professions; three students graduated with a master of arts in digital media strategy; six students graduated with a master of science in athletic training; and 13 students graduated with a master of science in human resource management.

Kylea Wykle named to SNHU President's List

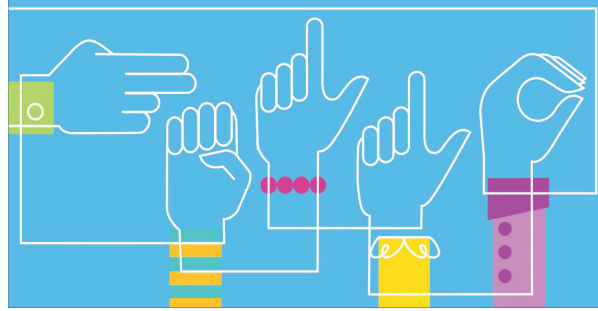
Kylea Wykle of Lewisburg has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's Winter 2023 President's List. The winter terms run from January to May.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) is a private, nonprofit institution with a 90-year history of

educating traditional-aged students and working adults. Now serving more than 170,000 learners worldwide, SNHU offers approximately 200 accredited undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, available online and on its 300-acre campus in Manchester, NH. Recognized as one of the "Most Innovative" regional universities by U.S. News & World Report and one of the fastest-growing universities in the country, SNHU is committed to expanding access to high quality, affordable pathways that meet the needs of each learner. Learn more at www.snhu.edu.

Sign language class planned through New River CTC



New River Community and Technical College is offering a six-week basic sign language class on Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. starting Jun. 8.

The class will be offered at the Nicholas County Campus in Summersville and through Zoom video conferencing.

Students in the class will learn sign language vocabulary, phrases and sentences, including grammatical features, and students will have interactive practice during the class. Students

will also learn about Deaf Culture and history.

Tuition is \$100 for the six-week class, and registration is required by May 29, 2023. Participants interested in the Zoom option will be emailed the link and log-in information after registering and paying for the class.

Visit www.newriver.edu/community for information on upcoming classes or register for the course or contact Gloria Kincaid (304-793-6101, gkincaid@newriver.edu).

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New River CTC's Workforce Education Division provides community education classes and employable

educational opportunities including noncredit courses, workforce development programs and customized training.

Ashleigh Darnell Achieves Belmont Univ. Spring 2023 Dean's List

Ashleigh Darnell of Lewisburg qualified for Belmont University's Spring 2023 Dean's List. Approximately 49 percent of Belmont's 6,552 undergraduate students were named.

Belmont Provost Dr. David Gregory said, "For Belmont's vision of becoming the leading Christ-centered university in the world to be realized, having a student body that is keenly committed to academic excellence, among other things is required. Dean's List achievements are consistently earned by a high percentage of the student body, giving evidence of an ever-increasing regard for scholarship across all programs. It is an honor to have a body of students as dedicated to stellar academic performance as it is to extra and co-curricular excellence."

Dean's List eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C.

STEPPIN' OUT

Alderson Strawberry Festival coming soon



Vendors and customer on the Alderson Memorial Bridge during the 2022 Strawberry Festival.

On Saturday, May 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. there will be strawberry themed food, fun, and festivities all over Alderson as the annual Strawberry Festival is in full swing. Sponsored by Alderson Main Street and the Town of Alderson; coordinated by Sheena Pendley; and in partnership with Sunset Berry Farm, the Strawberry Festival will provide a great time for all.

There will be more than 30 art and food vendors on or near the Alderson Memorial Bridge including the "sweetest berries" being sold by Sunset Berry Farm. Live music all day will include Lee Dean as Elvis at 10 a.m.; Lee Dean as Sinatra at 11:30 a.m. and the Goodson Boys at 1:30 p.m., all at the gazebo at Alumni Park on the Monroe County side of Alderson. Alderson Main Street will have strawberry lemonade for sale.

On the Greenbrier County side of town there will be pony rides and activities for the whole family. The Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church is having their Annual Yard Sale and

Hot Dog sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Alderson's restaurants including Ginny's Goodbites; the Riverview Café; and Fruits of Labor Café will be open with some serving special menus. They provide a place to sit and relax for a few minutes while enjoying great food. Alderson shops will also be open.

Just outside of Alderson, on Flat Mountain, Sunset Berry Farm will have endless activities and fun at the farm all day long as well as the opportunity to "pick your own" beautiful and tasty strawberries.

Other sponsors include the Greenbrier Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau; Greenbrier Valley Dyes, Sonya Shafer; the Robert C Byrd Clinic; and Kim Beard, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones.

Don Sutherland, President of Alderson Main Street, said, "We had such a great time last year and we are expecting to have even more vendors and fun this year. Please join us for strawberries and more!"

'Music, Dance, Love' with Trillium

On Wednesday, May 24, at 7 p.m., the Trillium School for the Performing Arts will present their Spring Dance Recital at the Historic Lewis Theatre in Lewisburg.

The theme is all about love. Dances will be performed to some of your favorite love songs from musicals and pop music. There is a special piece done totally in American Sign Language.

The show will also showcase the new Trillium Youth Ensemble. They include pieces choreographed by instructors Hannah Morningstar-Stout and Ross Honaker, and guest choreographer Shannon Hummel from CORA Dance. The TYE dancers are learning repertory dance and musical theatre and are performing at local schools.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and ages six and under are admitted for free. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

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Hall's Lobby Gallery Features Dana Wheelles



Dana Wheelles and her Heron Tapestry

Carnegie Hall's Spring Exhibits are underway with three new galleries featuring the works of regional artists. The Auditorium Lobby Gallery features Virginia artist Dana Wheelles' "Mandala Journeys."

Dana is a meditation teacher, life coach, and artist in Central Virginia. From client work to painting and podcasting, her work invites us to slow down and relax into our innate wholeness.

Dana's Deerhawk Art Studio began with her paintings of animals paired with mandalas. Living in the countryside outside of Charlottesville, Virginia, she encountered new animal friends every single day, and one by one, they found their way into her art. Her art includes animals, landscapes, abstract paintings, and watercolors of birds.

Dana's work has grown to encompass the deepest connections fostered with the natural world and makes visible the unseen frequencies. Man-

dalas are a core feature of her work: golden or silver, the mandala is a precise and holy structure that reflects the structure of the cosmos. She seeks to capture that dance on the visible spectrum, and remind the viewer of their place, as Mary Oliver says, "in the family of things."

Her pandemic project, *The Magical Journey: A Tale of Beauty Lost and Found* is the perfect blend of her healing work and art. Replete with lush illustrations and sacred mandalas, this book is a fairy tale for adults: a guide to finding magic even in the darkest times. Copies are available for purchase at Carnegie Hall.

Mandala Journeys is a free exhibition and open to the public, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and runs through Jun. 30. For more information, please visit carnegiehallwv.org, call 304-645-7917, or stop by the Hall at 611 Church Street, Lewisburg.

Blue Twisted Steel kicks off Ivy Terrace Concert Series



Blue Twisted Steel

Carnegie Hall begins the 2023 Ivy Terrace Concert Series Thursday, Jun. 8, at 6:30 p.m. with Blue Twisted Steel. Sponsored by City National Bank, the concert takes place outside on Carnegie Hall's Ivy Terrace as attendees watch from the expansive lawn in front of New River Community and Technical College. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket and pack a picnic to enjoy live music. All Ivy Terrace concerts

are free, open to the public, and alcohol free.

Blue Twisted Steel, formerly known as Marguerite, is a husband-and-wife lead band based out of Charleston, WV. Members include Josiah and Abigail Spangler, and Evan Olds. The band's recent reformation began in the summer of 2021 after a four-year hiatus from performing. During these four years the band wrote the songs for their new EP "Intro," as well as several others, and fi-

nally began tracking in July of 2021.

The new EP "Intro" was released in 2022 and includes original post-Americana songs with genre-blending arrangements and undertones of psychedelia. It was recorded and engineered in the Appalachian Mountains of West Virginia by Kenneth Clutter, mixed by Rick Kwan, and mastered by Matthew Agoglia of The Ranch Mastering.

For the first Ivy Terrace concert, Greenbrier Dairy's Cow

Licks Dessert Trailer will be on location. Cow Licks ice cream is mixed by hand in freezing pans, together with a wide variety of toppings. Then it's rolled up and served in your choice of a fresh-made waffle cone taco shell or bowl.

Concerts may be canceled due to inclement weather, so follow and like Carnegie Hall's Facebook page for updates. For more information, please visit www.carnegiehallwv.org or call 304-645-7917.

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Lady D and MISSION at the General Lewis

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The garden venue is the perfect place to spend a family friendly evening. Pillows and blankets are provided, and an outdoor bar is available (please don't bring your own booze of any kind). Attendees can also provide your own picnic!

This concert will be held on Friday, June 2, at 7 p.m. at the General Lewis Inn (1236 Washington St. E, Lewisburg). Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased on eventbrite.com (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/epic-picnic-series-presents-lady-d-miion-tickets-634243337897>). Enjoy an evening of R&B, reggae pop, blues, and originals!

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