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Ronceverte River Festival returns to the River City this weekend



The Goodson Boys will perform Saturday evening.

By Sarah Richardson

The annual Ronceverte River Festival and Rubber Ducky Race will be held this weekend and will feature live music, a Main Street parade, activities for the kids, and a variety of fair foods and vendors.

Activities for the kids include the duck pond, a coloring contest, duck hunt, pony rides, and a petting zoo. There will also be inflatables, a bungee jump, and a climbing wall for those who are more adventurous. The Kent Family Magic Circus will be in town and will have shows on Friday, Jun. 9, at 9 p.m., and Saturday, Jun. 10, at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m., and 9 p.m. Described as a mixture of circus, theater, and vaudeville, with a sprinkle of sideshow, make sure to come out and see them for what may be their final year touring as a full troupe.

Live music acts this year are Kate Boytek, who will perform at 8 p.m. on Friday, and The Goodson Boys, who will perform Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Both shows are



Kate Boytek will be performing on Friday night at the Amphitheatre.

free to the public and will be held at the Island Park Amphitheatre.

The 2023 Main Street Parade will have 10 prize categories: Antique/classic car, street rod, motorized miscellaneous, walking group/civic organization, fire truck, horse drawn/equestrian youth, horse drawn/equestrian adult, decorated bike adult, decorated bike youth, and best float. Parade line-up begins at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, and the parade starts down Main Street at 7 p.m.

The famous Rubber Ducky Race is on Saturday, Jun. 10, starting at 4 p.m. Race ticket sales end at 3 p.m. that same day. The festival ends on Saturday night with a fireworks display at 10 p.m.

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Ronceverte City Council hears requests for next food truck festival

By Adam Pack

The Ronceverte City Council met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, June 5, and heard a request from Dan Withrow regarding the upcoming June edition of the Ronceverte Food Truck Festival.

Withrow and his associate Alexis Degraff were present to update the council on the inaugural food truck festival, which they called a “huge success” and said “if you came by you saw that we had so many people there. We honestly could have used one more food truck.” There were some minor electrical issues, with Degraff reporting that one of the food trucks had to request the permission of CSX to use electricity from one of their buildings.

Degraff and Withrow were very happy with the progress of the food truck festival so far, but requested that at the next installment of the event that they receive an extra day and an extra allotment of space. They proposed closing the street on Thursday as opposed to Friday, which would “greatly reduce the hectic nature of set-up if we had an extra day, and it would coincide well with our plans” to have an ALS fundraiser at Withrow’s establishment, The Sportsman Tavern. The pair also requested an elongated area for closure, extending the food truck festival’s end to Cedar Street. This would help with the crowding that accompanied the May festival. The city was sympathetic to the request, but would like the pair to discuss the method and scope of potential street closures with affected businesses before permitting the closure and date extension, which Degraff and Withrow were happy to do.

The June Food Truck Festival will run Friday, June 16, from 12 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, June 17, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Edgar Avenue. Food vendors this month include Bandit BBQ, Greenbrier Dairy, Kobe Asian Fusion, Makhni in the Mountains (butter chicken), Potluck, Rebel’s Kitchen, Sixpence Pizza, The Hungry Hillbilly, The Rolling Stove, Twisted Sisterz, and When Pigs Fly BBQ.

Music acts on Edgar Ave. will be Bicycle, Emmalea Deal & The Hot Mess, Kit Lindsey, Kodie Brooks, Mad Dog and Platypus, Ma’am, and Phil Rolleston. There will also be a large selection of artisanal vendors selling wares throughout the festival.

In other news, the city announced the formation of the Mayor’s Volunteer Corps. The Corps, an initiative to facilitate and identify volunteer opportunities and efforts in the city, was described by Mayor Pack as “an opportunity to give young people in the community, especially those looking to complete volunteer hours during their senior year of high school.”

The city was also glad to announce that the opening of the Splash Pad was a huge success and has remained a popular spot for kids and families. Mayor Pack recalled that “we attempted to do a speech commemorating the opening, but there were so many excited kids that were so excited we weren’t able to get a word in, which is a good sign we think.”

Anthony Brown of the Thrasher Group was present, as well, to update the town on upcoming wastewater related work. Designs for upcoming wastewater work are being finalized, described as “sixty to seventy percent done” by Brown. When asked about the timetable for Thrasher’s work, Brown said that, “it’s difficult to estimate this one, because there are some very old lines, perhaps pipe bursts underground we don’t know about. I would say at least six months from start to finish, and we should be ready to begin late [this] year or early next [year], but it could take up to a year.”

The city also passed Resolution #7, G-RON-004, an approval for payment related to design and construction of the sewer system repairs project, as well as the first reading of Ordinance 2023-09, titled “An Ordinance Requiring Conditional Use Permit for Sidewalk Use,” which will go to a second reading at the July meeting of the city council.

The Ronceverte City Council will meet again on July 3, at 7 p.m. in the New City Hall Building on Edgar Avenue. The public is encouraged to attend, and to call ahead first at 304-657-5455, as times and or dates are subject to change.

Municipal Elections set for June 13

The following area municipal elections are set for Tuesday, June 13:

- **White Sulphur Springs:** 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the WSS Elementary School
- **Lewisburg:** 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Lewisburg City Hall
- **Alderson:** 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Alderson City Hall

WV Community Corrections Grant funds awarded

Gov. Jim Justice has announced that he has awarded \$5,472,061 in West Virginia Community Corrections Grant program funds to 30 projects.

These funds will assist local communities in establishing and continuing operation of community corrections programs.

The West Virginia Community Corrections Grant Program is intended to provide a means for communities to develop, establish, and maintain community-based corrections programs to provide the judicial system with sentencing alternatives for those offenders who may require less than institutional custody.

These funds are administered by the Justice and Community Services (JCS) Section of the West Virginia Division of Administrative Services (DAS).

Funds were awarded to the following regional entities:

- **Greenbrier:** Greenbrier County Commission - \$295,000

These funds will be utilized for the continued operation of a community corrections program in Greenbrier County.

- **Pocahontas:** Pocahontas County Commission - \$51,000

These funds will be utilized for the continued operation of a community corrections program in Pocahontas County.

- **Summers & Monroe:** Summers County Commission - \$135,000

These funds will be utilized for the continued operation of a community corrections program in Summers and Monroe Counties.

USDA Forest Service invests \$1.1M in deferred maintenance projects on Monongahela National Forest

Monongahela National Forest has received \$1,092,000 million in funding from the Great American Outdoors Act

to support three deferred maintenance projects in West Virginia for 2023. These investments are made from the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund established by the Great American Outdoors Act.

These projects support the recent announcement by the Departments of Agriculture and Interior proposing a combined \$2.8 billion in funding for Fiscal Year 2024 to improve

infrastructure, recreation facilities, public lands access, and land and water conservation, as the legislation enters its third year out of five.

Including the three projects funded in 2023, Monongahela National Forest currently has nine Legacy Restoration Fund projects in various stages of development.

The 3 projects funded for Monongahela National Forest this year include:

- **Stream Crossing Structures for Trout Fisheries (Greenbrier and Pocahontas counties)** - This project implements the Panther Ridge Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project and replaces undersized and deteriorating stream crossing culverts on Forest Road 296 and Forest Road 298 in Laurel Run and Forest Road 999 in the Williams River watershed. The project addresses passage barriers. See “Projects” Page 3

Trent, Guet, Hazelwood and Sills prevail in Ronceverte election

By RealWV Staff

After being selected in February to serve out the balance of the retiring Kathy King’s term on the Ronceverte City Council, Mark Trent received more votes than any other candidate in the city council race and will serve a four-year term.

Trent received 51 votes. Also elected to four-year terms were Ashley Guet with 31 votes and Tanya Hazelwood with 28 votes. With 50 votes, Leah Sills was elected as city recorder.

Other candidates in the city council race included Scott Vogel song receiving 25 votes, T. Gail White receiving 24 votes, and Eric Mercer received 17 votes.

There are two city council positions for two-year terms which are now vacant. Council will appoint two candidates to fill those seats in the very near future.

The Cemetery Levy was adopted by a vote of 40 to 24, and the Street Levy was adopted by a vote of 47 to 17.

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Bluebells complete several community projects

The Bluebell Garden Club completed three community service projects in May. For the annual downtown merchant project, 41 floral entrance displays were created by club members at 14 locations following a coordinated harmonious design plan. The color scheme of the presentations was in keeping with the color selections of the Lewisburg in Bloom committee.

In addition to businesses, the Greenbrier County Visitors Center, Lee Street Studios, the Greenbrier County Public Library, Carnegie Hall, and the New River Community College campus were included in the merchant project.

The second Bluebell project was the spring beautification of the "triangle" at the intersection of Seneca and Holt Lane. For over 50 years the Club has maintained, cleaned up, and planted trees, flowers, and shrubs at this traffic heavy location. Recent awards were received by the Bluebell Garden Club from the West Virginia Garden Club, Inc. for the Triangle Garden and the South Atlantic Region National Garden Clubs, Inc. for our roadside improvement efforts.

The third project was at Old Stone Cemetery where the Club maintains two plots. This spring the Caldwell plot was enhanced with a butterfly garden. The Club also received a recent Historic Preservation award from the West Virginia Garden Club for our work in beautifying and maintaining these cemetery plots.



The floral displays align with color selections made by the Lewisburg in Bloom Committee



Connie Cover and Edith Sisung attend to the flower baskets at Robert Antiques



The Caldwell cemetery plot butterfly garden at Old Stone was refreshed



Ronda Harper is pictured working outside of Carnegie Hall

Three arrested on drug charges in Rupert

On Saturday, May 27, members of the Greenbrier County Sheriff's Department executed a search warrant at a residence located in Rupert. As a result of the search, officers recovered approximately 70 grams of methamphetamine, approximately 50 grams of heroin, fentanyl and a heroin/fentanyl mix, as well as a handgun.

Upon conclusion of the investigation three individuals were arrested.

Ronald A Koehler, 30, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and conspiracy to commit a felony
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Rainelle secures \$12M for stormwater, sidewalk projects

The Town of Rainelle has successfully secured \$12.1 million of federal funding to complete repairs and upgrades to its stormwater system and sidewalks. What started as plans for the rehabilitation of a section of stormwater piping has brought on opportunities to improve a wide variety of infrastructure across town.

The largest component of the project remains focused on stormwater collection improvements. A \$9.9 million Community Development Block Grant - awarded through the US Housing and Urban Development Mitigation Funds program - will allow the Town to replace the majority of the system, which is currently experiencing failures due to age and previous flooding events. As a result of this work, several roads will also receive fresh pavement at the end of the project, including Greenbrier Avenue, the main thoroughfare through town.

Another \$2.2 million was awarded to Rainelle for the repair and rehabilitation of more than 6,000 feet of sidewalks. The work will take place from 5th Street to 12th Street, rebuilding portions of sidewalk that have fallen into disrepair. This funding was made possible by Senator Joe Manchin, who selected the project as one of his recipients for Fiscal Year 2023 Congressionally Directed Spending, also known as "earmarks."

Both of these funding programs are highly competitive, with a great amount of time and effort required for success. The Town's dedication and persistence in pursuit of these projects has paid off - approximately 18 months of application processes were endured, but the impact of these funding awards will last far into the future. Not only that, the ability to fund these multiple projects at the same time will allow for a more expedient and cost-effective construction process. Each piece of the infrastructure upgrades will work together, ensuring work on one project does not interfere with progress of another.

An engineering consultant, The Thrasher Group, has been selected to handle the improvements, with the design and construction processes beginning shortly thereafter.

PICK OF THE LITTER



GINGER
Ginger is a 6-year-old pit bull mix and weighs 57 pounds



PEBBLES
Pebbles is a 7-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

Democratic Executive Committee

will meet Wednesday, June 14, at 5:30 p.m. at the Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate office in downtown Lewisburg. Anyone interested in learning more about our local Democratic party is welcome to attend.

Elder Abuse Awareness Walk set

The Family Refuge Center will host an Elder Abuse Awareness Walk at the CAMC Greenbrier Valley Hospital Track on June 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

Celebrating West Virginia's birthday in Williamsburg

Celebrate West Virginia's birthday at the Williamsburg Historical Museum on Williamsburg Road. The day will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 2 p.m. on June 17. Come enjoy local storytellers, authors, tours of the Museum, and demonstrations of traditional crafters and local musicians. The Museum Gift Shop will be open. Concessions will be available including hotdogs, cobblers with ice cream, assorted beverages, and more. Call 304-645-2153 with questions.

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 Saturday, June 24 will feature Ivan & The Outlaws from 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.

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.

For the Record

Deeds

Emil Fargo, Jr. to Neil Orlich and Ginger Annette Orlich, 55.12 Acres, Williamsburg District
Gene Williams and Janet Williams to Debra Lynn Wright, 0.75 Acre, Irish Corner District
Larry N. Cooper to Melissa Bowles, Lots No. 24, 25, 26 and 27, Section 15, Levelton Land and Improvement Company Addition, Town of East Rainelle
Joan R. Simms to Warren J. Rutherford, 26 Acres, Fort Spring District
Mark K. Long to Michael D. Griffith and Kathleen M. Griffith, Unit No. 25, White Gate Village Subdivision, White Sulphur Municipality
Richard K. Evans and Katie A. Evans to Brier T. Carpenter, 1.68 Acres, Fort Spring District
Carla M. Hayne to Zaccheus Properties, LLC., 10.22 Acres, Falling Springs District
Richard A. Caldwell, II and Tonya Caldwell to Jeremy Goddard and Kimberly Goddard, 1.29 Acres, Anthony Creek District
Margaret Level Green to Kevin Wayne Boggs and Karen Renee Mullins, 0.283 Acre, Irish Corner District
Edward Earl Crane and Barbara A. Crane to Spring Creek Consultants & Contractor, Inc., 2.27 Acres, Lewisburg District
Almost Heaven Habitat for Humanity, Inc. to Patryk Akers and Tomisha Akers, 1.23 Acres, Frankford Dist.
Kenneth Piernick to Pat Goodale, 8.413 Acres, Fort Spring District

Projects

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riers for aquatic species and this is particularly important because one of these crossings occurs on a stream in which an isolated trout population was recently found.

- International Mountain Biking Association Ride Center, Tea Creek Mountain Bike Trail Improvements (Greenbrier, Pocahontas, and Randolph counties) - This project includes repairing drainage structures, hardening tread with aggregate, and replacing trail signs to provide a sustainable trail system.

- Holcomb Bridge Repairs (Webster Co.) - This project addresses deferred maintenance and structural deficiencies on the Holcomb Bridge.

Work is underway on six other projects including:

- Lake Sherwood Campground Rehabilitation (Greenbrier Co.)
- Red Creek (Laneville) Bridge Replacement (Tucker Co.)
- Williams River at Tea Creek Bridge Replacement (Pocahontas Co.)
- Forest Road 209 Culvert Replacement with Bridge (Randolph Co.)
- Tumbling Rock Bridge Replacement (Nicholas and Pocahontas Co.)
- Red Oak Fire Tower Lightning Protections and Improvements (Webster Co.)

Since 2021, the Forest Service has completed more than 122 deferred maintenance projects across 53 national forests in 25 states with more than 880 additional projects currently funded and in various stages of completion.

For additional information about the Forest Service implementation of the Great American Outdoors Act, visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/gaoa>.

The Great American Outdoors Act addresses the growing \$7 billion backlog of deferred maintenance on national forest and grasslands. The Forest Service currently administers more than 370,000 miles of roads, 13,400 bridges, 159,000 miles of trails, 1,700 dams and reservoirs, 1,500 communications sites, 27,000 recreation sites and 40,000 facilities of other types across the United States and Puerto Rico.

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.

Lewisburg Building Commission

will meet Monday, June 12, at 4:30 p.m. in the Paul R. Cooley Council Chamber in City Hall, 942 Washington Street West. On the agenda:

- Appointment of Building Commission Secretary
- Resolution 515, Public Works Building pay request #4
- Approval of Minutes - Feb. 21, 2023 and Apr. 18, 2023

Lewisburg City Council

will meet Monday, June 12, at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 942 Washington Street West, in the Paul R. Cooley Council Chambers. Also available via Teleconference. For information on how to participate on ZOOM contact Lewisburg City Hall at 304-645-2080 by 4:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting. On the agenda:

- Resolutions:
 - Resolution 512 - City of Lewisburg Stormwater Study (CDBG-MIT funds) Pay Request # 4
 - Resolution 515 - Public Works Building - Pay Request #4
 - Resolution 518 - Water System Improvement Project Pay Request #12
 - Resolution 519 - PD lease purchase 2023 Durango & related equipment
- Proclamations:
 - Elder Abuse Awareness Day
- Communications from Mayor White
 - Greenbrier County Library annual report
 - Appointments to Boards and Commissions
- Communications from City Manager Hill
 - Hudnall Wildlife Services contract for skunk removal
 - Wildlife Control Specialties contract for deer removal
 - Mills Group LLC contract for Historic Landmarks District Consultant

Marriages

Thomas Branson Chattin, Lewisburg to Courtney Rae Blansfield, Lewisburg
Elliott Dal Woran, Lewisburg to Allison Anne Voce, Lewisburg

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions

Shawn Anthony Gill, Lewisburg, shoplifting, NCP, fine \$100
Stephanie Elaine Abel, Charleston, possession of a controlled substance without a valid prescription, NCP, fine \$100
Jerry Faron Cales, Quinwood, 1) driving impaired, NCP, fine \$100, jail 6 months - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation; 2) driving revoked for DUI, fine \$100, jail 60 days - suspended and placed on 60 days Home Incarceration
Brandon Lee Smith, Talcott, passing on double yellow, NCP, fine \$25
Christopher Michael Legg, Covington, VA, trespassing, NCP, fine \$100
Cary Roger Hughart, Beaver, brandishing deadly weapon, GP, fine \$50
Gracelynn Denning, White Sulphur Springs, distracted driving, NCP, fine \$100
Elizabeth R. Oney, Lewisburg, possession of controlled substance, NCP, fine \$75, jail 90 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation
Anthony Lee Kincaid, Lewisburg, restricted licenses, NCP, jail 45 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation
Steven Lee Garris, Ronceverte, obstructing officer, NCP, jail
Tiffany R. Cambell, Alderson, possession of controlled substance, NCP, jail 90 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation
Jacob Ryan Wade, Ronceverte, 1) driving suspended, GP, fine \$100; 2) expired registration, fine \$25; 3) no proof of insurance, fine \$200
Justin Clyde Holliday, Charmco, driving revoked for DUI - 1st offense, NCP, fine \$100, jail 90 days

Arrested

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against the state.

Reva C. Thornton, 60, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and conspiracy to commit a felony against the state.

Cynthia L. Smith, 49, was arrested for delivery of a controlled substance and conspiracy to commit a felony against the state.

Deputy S. H. Peacock, of the Greenbrier County Sheriff's Department, is the investigating officer.

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- Chapman Technical Group Task Order No. 37 City Hall HVAC System Replacement
- Lafayette Sidewalk
- Employee Insurance Benefit Update
- City National Bank lease for Green Space
- Communication from Boards and Commissions:
 - Planning Commission report
 - Conditional Use Permit, Byron and Julia Black, 372 Dwyer Lane, approval of three (3) plus bedroom Airbnb, public hearing.
 - Notification of approval of Site Plan Review, The Gardens of Blackbird Village
 - Parks Commission report
- Communication from City Council Members:
- Communication from the Police Department:
 - Report from Chief of Police Teubert
- Communication from the Fire Department:
 - Report from Fire Chief Thomas
- Public Works Department Report:
 - Report from Public Works Director Legg
- Approval of Minutes - regular session, May 16, 2023
- Visitors' Reports: 5-min. limit per subject not on agenda

Greenbrier County Commission

will meet Monday, June 13, at 10 a.m. in Room 132. LIVE STREAM FROM <https://www.facebook.com/gbrcourtthouse/> On the agenda:

- Regular Business
 - Approve Minutes - May 23, 2023 regular meeting
 - Settlements of Estates
 - Exonerations/County Splits/Consolidations
- Financial Approvals
 - Arts & Recreation Transfer
 - Budget Revisions
 - Line Item Transfer
 - Pay Bills
- New Business
 - Consider new hire of a security officer
 - Consider signing agreement with Adam Whanger Construction Inc. to make exterior repairs to the Home Confinement office located in Ronceverte.
 - Consider signing the TIF related resolutions.
 - Route 60 East Sewer Project - Resolution #3
 - Mapledale Tank Project - Resolution #2
 - Acknowledgement of the action by the Planning Commission regarding the recommended adoption of proposed amendments to the 2014 Greenbrier County Comprehensive Plan.
 - Consider signing the Amnea and Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Election and Release Form related to opioid litigation settlements.
 - Consider award allocations of Arts and Rec grants for 2023/2024 fiscal year.
 - Second reading of the updated Greenbrier County Floodplain Ordinance & consider approval.
 - Announce the new FEMA maps will be adopted and put in place on July 5, 2023.
- Construction Project
 - Consideration of any necessary actions related to design, acquisition, construction and equipping of Greenbrier County Courthouse Project, specifically including, but not limited to, any aspects of the construction contract.
 - Consideration of one or more requisitions related to the Greenbrier County Courthouse Project.
 - Update on status of Greenbrier County Courthouse Project.
 - Consideration of any necessary actions related to the financing for the Greenbrier County Courthouse Project.
 - Consideration of any and all actions related to the foregoing.

Greenbrier Co. Board of Education

will meet Monday, June 13, at 1 p.m. at the Kyle & Ann Fort Arts & Sciences Building, 653 Church Street, Lewisburg. On the agenda:

- Delegations
- Consent Agenda items
- New and/or revised policies for public comment
- Personnel
- Other business

Next meeting scheduled for July 11 at 1 p.m.

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Happy Stan

By: Karen Cohen

A few years ago I lived in Washington, DC, which is very much a pedestrian friendly town, especially areas like Capitol Hill. I seldom used my car and walking daily to the market was a great pastime and a good form of exercise. Plus, it allowed me to meet many folks including most of my neighbors, and we stopped to chat often. We compared our backyard garden adventures, too.

One day on my way to the library, I happened upon a colorfully dressed character bopping down the street coming towards me. His huge rainbow dyed afro, striped pants, and happy go lucky gait, caught my eye and even stopped traffic! I had to talk to him, just to say hi and catch some of his energy. Turns out his name, as he introduced himself, was Happy Stan.

True story. Happy Stan told me he wasn't always a happy camper. At the age of 41, he explained, he had suffered a debilitating stroke which had left him partially paralyzed. He said his doctors told him that his diet of processed food, heavily salted food, too much dairy products, and fried greasy meats had contributed to his clogged arteries and high blood pressure along with family genetics. Right then, he decided he was too young to give up and had to work at healing his body. He decided to give up red meat, dairy, and fried foods. At 67 years old, when I met him, he was lean, vibrant, and oh so happy to tell anyone and everyone all about his journey into healthy eating.

I came home wondering if I would be able to eat "animal free foods." I read that celebrities such as Brad Pitt, Beyonce, and even Betty White were touting both the health and philosophical benefits of eating animal free foods even excluding dairy products. Could I replace the gooey, melted cheese baked on pizza? Would I be able to skip salty chips, sugar filled cookies and ice cream, all junky empty calories and dive into natural, (what I call real) food?

It's not like I hadn't done this once before. In my late teens, I went vegetarian and took up meditation, too. I felt whole, happy, and healthy while incorporating yoga into my morning and evening routines. Well, what took me away from all that, I wondered? That's another whole story for another time. Let's

talk about getting some good nutrition into our bodies with common, home garden vegetables.

First off. You can start by limiting your intake of saturated and trans fat along with cholesterol. Cholesterol is a fatty, waxy substance made by your body and found in foods of animal origin, even ice cream. It is natural! However, too much cholesterol in your blood can and probably will increase your risk of stroke and heart disease. High levels of blood cholesterol result from two factors: how much cholesterol your body manufactures AND how much fat/cholesterol you consume in foods.

Second: If you Google vegetables and cholesterol, which I did, here's what I come up with: broccoli is plentiful in soluble fiber and is good for fighting high cholesterol. Cholesterol-busting vegetables include spinach, Brussels sprouts and collard greens. My garden has all of these. Do I love eating them? Yes, if properly prepared and integrated into meals. People who yell YUK over green veggies crack me up. Everyone knows that vegetables are building blocks on the food triangle for good health. My suggestions: please try them!

According to the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, vegan diets are high in fiber, magnesium, vitamins C, B-12, and D, calcium, zinc, iron, and omega 3 fatty acids. All are helpful (though not guaranteed), in reducing chronic diseases such as cardiovascular disease, obesity and some types of cancers. Without lecturing and turning off a slew of soda addicted families, let me urge you to get some nature made, not factory manufactured foods, into your meals. You don't have to give up meat or dairy. Just add some more diversity to your intake, and not just empty calories.

Easiest way is to grow your own. Fresh, chemical free vegetables, fruits, and herbs are beneficial. It just makes sense, right?

To hear more about Happy Stan, go to <https://dcist.com/story/20/11/20/happy-stan-happiness-philosophy-optimism/>.

(Karen Cohen is an organic home gardener, photojournalist, and avid explorer. Please email your tips and comments to natureswaykaren@gmail.com.)

Letter to the Editor

Support the Levy in upcoming election

Dear Citizens:

I wanted to write a letter to you regarding the upcoming election. Councilmember Sarah Elkins, Councilmember John Little and myself are very happy to be running for re-election. We know that when there is no opposition in an election that there isn't much interest in voting. However, not only are we on the ballot, our Levy is on there as well.

We need your support for the Levy to continue. This has been the same Levy you have supported every five years for as long as I can remember. This Levy supports our Police, Fire, and Streets. It's income that we need to supplement our budget. The rates have not changed in any way and that is one of the reasons this Levy has passed each time there has been an election to ask for your continued support. We need your support in this election cycle as well. You are the reason the City is doing so well. You are the reason people love it here. It's because all of you shine and show your pride in a City that is proud to call you her Citizens.

We know people are asking "where are the signs for the election?" We, as the Citizens Party Candidates chose not to fund raise for an unopposed election. We felt it would not be fair to you our citizens. We truly want to serve you again to the best of our abilities.

We are proud of the work that we have done these past four years. The biggest accomplishment was ac-

quiring the funds for the Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$64.3 million. We finished the sidewalks going 219 North and South. We now have six beautiful Pickleball Courts with the help of citizens who believe in Lewisburg as a thriving community. Our parks have been enhanced with the use of the Cares Act reimbursement funds. City Hall was renovated inside and out after almost 20 years. We have some of the most talented employees who have saved the City money by doing much of the construction work that was needed in our parks.

We welcomed ASCEND Greenbrier Valley to come live, work, and play. They have family members who have moved here since then also.

We acquired land to build our new firehouse which was another 10-year project in the works.

We have 14 Police Officers who dedicate their lives for each of you. We have a Fire Department who is always there if you need them.

I am blessed to call Lewisburg my home. It has been my honor to serve you. You continue to show your love for the City as well.

Please come out and vote especially for our Levy. We want to continue to serve you in the best way possible. Early voting is open until Saturday, June 10. Election Day is June 13!!!

Sincerely,
Mayor Beverly White

Commentary

AG Morrissey announces \$102.5M settlement with Suboxone maker for alleged monopoly tactics

West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrissey has announced that 41 states and Washington, DC have negotiated a nationwide \$102.5 million settlement with the maker of Suboxone, Indivior Inc. West Virginia will receive about \$1.5 million from the settlement.

"Companies should not resort to improper means to control the market, all the while hurting consumers," Attorney General Morrissey said. "Competition is the driving force in a free market economy, and those who resort to improper means will be held accountable to the full extent of the law." Suboxone is a prescrip-

tion medicine used to treat opioid addiction in adults.

In 2016, the bipartisan coalition of states filed a complaint against Indivior Inc, alleging the company used illegal tactics to switch the Suboxone market from tablets to oral film form (that dissolves under a patient's tongue) while attempting to destroy the market for tablets, in order to preserve its drug monopoly - in 2009, generic manufacturers were poised to begin selling their own pills.

The coalition argued the alleged unlawful conduct squelched the market for generic Suboxone tablets which were set

to enter the market. This conduct allowed Indivior time to switch the market to its brand name film.

The agreement, which was submitted to the court in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for approval, requires Indivior to pay the states \$102.5 million. Indivior is also required to comply with negotiated injunctive terms that include disclosures to the states of all citizen petitions to the FDA, introduction of new products, or if there is a change in corporate control, which will help the states ensure that Indivior refrains from engaging in the same kind of conduct alleged in the complaint.

Attorney General Morrissey joined in the Wisconsin-led lawsuit with Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, District of Columbia, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia and Washington.

Read a copy of the settlement at: <https://bit.ly/3CfELmd>.

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Super Crossword

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OBITUARIES

Betty Jo O'Dell



Leivasy - Betty Jo O'Dell, 76, passed away Saturday, June 3, 2023, at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center in Ronceverte.

Born Oct. 22, 1946, at Strange Creek, Braxton County, she was a daughter of the late Edgar and Leanore Dean Woods.

She was a member of New Prospect Baptist Church of Leivasy, was a loving mother, grandmother and wife. She was an avid shopper, seamstress, and loved to read her Bible daily.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by a brother, Robert Woods.

Survivors include her husband, David O'Dell; two daughters, Monica Heck (Christopher) of Waynesboro, VA, and Nicole Preast (Scott) of Hico; three sisters, Linda Helems of Green Valley, Nancy Wade of Annapolis, MD, and Carol Dillon of White Sulphur Springs; brother, Brent Woods of Luray, VA; and three grandchildren, Joshua Franklin, Morgan Preast and Avery Preast.

Graveside service was held on Tuesday, June 6, at Wallace Memorial Cemetery, Clintonville, where Pastor Tim McClung officiated.

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

She was born June 10, 1933, in Clintonville, the daughter of the late Roy Lee and Nettie Hanna Loudermilk.

Ima Jean was a member of James Chapel United Methodist Church and a retired Food Service Administrator with the Greenbrier County Board of Education.

Other than her parents she was preceded in death by her loving husband, William Dewey Harvey; son, Gary Dean Harvey; sister, Alene Loudermilk and brothers, Hartley Loudermilk and Paul Loudermilk.

Those left to cherish her memory are her son, Randy Harvey (Debbie) of Lewisburg; grandchildren, Jennifer Hedrick (Tanya), Valerie Jordan, Jessica Hammack and Tiffany Latocha (Steve); great-grandchildren, Madison Carter (Isaac), Caylea Carter, Jamison Sizemore (Sarah), Jacquelyn Sizemore, Jayce Hammack, Jordan Hammack, Josslyn Hammack and Poppy Lee; great-great-grandchild, Alyla Syed; sister, Barbara Johnson; sister-in-law, Faye Yates; and several special nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held for Ima Jean on Friday, June 9, at 1 p.m. at James Chapel United Methodist Church with Pastor Mike Loudermilk officiating. Interment will follow in Wallace Memorial Cemetery, Clintonville, WV.

The family received family and friends on Thursday evening, June 8 at the Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg.

The family would like memorial contributions be made to either James Chapel United Methodist Church, 710 Shoestring Trail, Crawley, WV 24931; or Peyton Hospice House, 1265 Maplewood Avenue, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

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

Manfred Allen Bennett



Ronceverte - Manfred Allen Bennett, 77, went home to his Lord and Savior on Friday, June 2, 2023.

He was born July 28, 1945, to the late Echols and Madge Holliday Bennett.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers, Edwin, Beuford, Orle and Albert Bennett; four sisters, Evidene Morgan, Arminta Weikle, Diane Propps and Mila Mitchell and daughter-in-law, Tanya Bennett.

Manfred was a devout member of Zion's Light Baptist Church. After he retired from Hercules Corporation in Covington, VA, he enjoyed fishing and hunting. He was most proud of his family, wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 51 years, Linda; his three children, Jason Bennett of Roanoke, VA, Lisa (Mark) Russo of Watertown, MA, and Mark (Mariah) Bennett of Covington, VA; eight grandchildren, Joshua (Corina) Bennett, Lila (Noah) Layman, Noah Bennett, Trevor, Isaac and Gavin Russo, Robert and Bradyn Bennett; two great-grandchildren, Benjamin Manfred Bennett and Sabrina Rose Bennett.

Funeral services were held on Monday, June 5, at Zion's Light Baptist Church, Ronceverte, where Pastor Gary Baker officiated. Burial followed in Adwell Cemetery, Ronceverte.

Visitation was on Sunday evening, June 4, at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home in Ronceverte.

In lieu of flowers, donations of sympathy may be made to Peyton Hospice House, 1265 Maplewood Avenue, Lewisburg WV 24901.

Special thanks to the caring staff of Seasons Place, Lewisburg, WV.

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



Ima Jean Harvey



Lewisburg - Ima Jean Harvey, 89, formerly of Clintonville, passed away on Monday June 5, 2023, at Peyton Hospice in Fairlea.

Sprouting Farms offers local food through Mobile Farmers Market

Sprouting Farms offers a variety of options to buy local products, which are grown on-site, or sourced from local farmers and producers we partner with. We keep a variety of items in stock including veggies, meat, commeal, flour, baked goods, and local honey. Our farm stand in Talcott is open for shopping Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition, our Mobile Farmers Market travels to locations in Summers, Monroe, Greenbrier, and Mercer County every week, Tuesday through Friday. We accept cash, check, card, EBT, WIC Vouchers, and Senior Vouchers at both the farm stand and mobile market stops. We also provide SNAP Stretch discounts to EBT shoppers buying fruits and vegetables. This discount can be 50-75% off fruits and veggies.

Mobile Farmers Market Schedule, May - October 2023

Every Tuesday:

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.: Hinton Park across from the Big Four Drug Store: Corner of 3rd Avenue and Temple Street, Hinton, WV 25951

3 - 6 p.m.: Alderson Farmers Market: 1447 E Riverview Avenue, Alderson, WV 24910

Wednesdays:

(Every Wednesday) 10 a.m. - 12 noon: Union Senior Center: 104 Health Center Drive, Union WV 24983

(Only on second Wednesdays) 1 - 3 p.m.: Lindsie Methodist Church: 8998 Seneca Trail South Lindsie, WV 24951

(Wednesdays except for second Wednesdays) 1 - 3 p.m.: Old Gap Mills Country Store: 8869 Sweet Springs Valley Road, Gap Mills, WV

(Every Wednesday) 4 - 5 p.m.: Greenville Senior Manor: 309 Greenville School Road, Greenville, WV 24945

Every Thursday:

1 - 2 p.m.: Alderson Manor: 336 Alderson Cemetery Road, Alderson, WV 24910

3 - 6 p.m. White Sulphur Springs Farmers Market: Main Street, White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986

Only on first Fridays:

3 - 9 p.m. Mercer Street Town Square: 858 Mercer Street, Princeton, WV 24740

We also frequent the Pence Springs Flea Market in Pence Springs on Sundays and the Route 52 Flea Market in Bluefield on Saturdays.

Community Days:

If you'd like to see the farm, all are welcome to join us for our monthly Community Day event, held the second Saturday of each month from 12 noon to 4 p.m., June through September. We will be hosting local artisan vendors, our farm stand will be open for shopping, there will be food, live music, animal swaps, and farm yoga from 1 to 2 p.m. in partnership with Active Southern WV.

For further inquiries about our programs or to be placed on our mailing list to receive our newsletters, send us a message on Facebook, reach out to us at contact@sproutingfarms.org, or give us a call at 304-466-5175.

New River Conservancy hires Stansell-Galitz as communications and marketing director

The New River Conservancy has named Lisa Stansell-Galitz, of Pearisburg, VA, as its new communications and marketing director to help strengthen the organization's mission and build more awareness, volunteerism, and funding for one of the nation's best-known river systems.

Stansell-Galitz brings decades of marketing experience to the Conservancy. She has most recently worked with the Greenbrier River Watershed Association, the Indian Creek Watershed Association, and the Watoga State Park Foundation in West Virginia, managing communications and website development. She is the founder, and former editor and publisher of Lewisburg, WV-based Daytripper travel magazine. She has resided in Pearisburg with her family for the past six years.

Conservancy director Elizabeth Underwood welcomed Stansell-Galitz, emphasizing the strengths she brings to the organization. "Her skills and talents will be an asset to the New River Conservancy and will enhance our team's ability to protect the waters, woodland, and wildlife of the New River watershed," Underwood said. The non-profit conservancy is dedicated to protecting the New River watershed in Virginia, West Virginia, and North Carolina, and is based in West Jefferson, NC, near the river's headwaters. A

new office in Draper, VA, will open in June and be educational visitor space.

Stansell-Galitz has spent a lifetime tubing and kayaking rivers in the New River watershed and hiking its mountains searching for waterfalls. She calls the new position "a dream job - one for which I feel I have been training for years."

The New River winds its way through three states and countless Appalachian communities that have depended on its bounty for generations. It predates the Appalachian Mountains and flows north from North Carolina through Virginia into America's newest national park, New River Gorge National Park and Preserve in West Virginia.

The New River is a unique and irreplaceable national treasure that connects us and feeds us - mind, body, and soul. We care for the river that has, for centuries, taken care of us, because a healthy river means healthy communities, both wild and human.

The conservancy was established in 1974 to "protect the river and ensure that the waters that feed it are clean; that the land supports vibrant plants and animals; and that the communities that rely on it are passionate and empowered advocates for a healthy New River."

If you have questions, you can contact Stansell-Galitz at Lisa@newriverconservancy.org.

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A native of Pocahontas County, she now resides in Renick with her husband, Jamie, and two children, Levi and Macy.

Dr. Wickline is currently working at Lewisburg health Center, located at 296 Fair Street, and is accepting new patients.

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Dear Recycle Lady,

Dear Recycle Lady,

There seems to be much confusion as to why on some holidays trash is picked up and recycle is not.

Please Help

Dear Please Help,

If last weekend was typical, there is a lot of confusion on holidays as to why trash and recyclables are not picked up on the same day. The reason this occurs is that scheduled trash pickups by Greenbrier Valley Solid Waste (a private entity), which operates the trash trucks, is different from the scheduled recyclables pickups by Greenworks for the City of Lewisburg (a public entity). Trash is picked up every weekday, with the exception of only four holidays: New Year's Day, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day, but the city observes all eleven federal holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. On these federal holidays, recycling is not picked up until the next day. For example, last Monday was Memorial Day, a federal holiday, so trash was picked up, but recycling was not. Recycling items were then picked up on Tuesday, the next day.

Dear Recycle Lady,

June is a month of weddings. I have seen various things used to throw at the departure of the happy couple instead of rice, which is not a good thing to throw. I know of one couple who made their own confetti by using a hole punch to punch holes in leaves, and another couple who threw lightly dried flower petals. Do you know any other alternates to using rice?

Summer Daze

Dear Summer Daze,

Back in Roman times, wheat was thrown on the departing bride and groom to shower them with prosperity, fertility, and good fortune. When wheat became too expensive to use, rice was used as a substitution, and it is still used today. Although it is meant as good wishes, rice is not a good thing to throw at weddings. It is hard to clean up and bad for any birds that eat it. Plastic confetti is not a good choice to throw either because it is not biodegradable. Paper confetti, which is biodegradable, is a better option. Bubbles are not a good choice, as they can ruin a silk gown if they land on the it. Rose petals or herbs, like lavender or rosemary, make good biodegradable confetti and they add a lovely scent for the couple's departure. Throwing flower petals in the summer and colorful leaves in the fall are both great eco-friendly alternatives to rice and plastic confetti. If the bride and groom are departing outside, one of the best choices is birdseed as it is not only environmentally responsible, it is also self-cleaning! Birds will clean up for you. For an added touch, make festive bags of birdseed by wrapping a spoonful in a cheesecloth or a colorful cloth, tie with a ribbon, and give them to the guests as they arrive.

Dear Recycle Lady,

I have several old and damaged cell phones that I would like to get rid of. Does the Recycling Center accept these phones?

Cleaning Out

Dear Cleaning Out,

Yes, the Recycling Center accepts all cell phones, but does not pay for them. They are boxed and sent to a company that repurposes the phones and their parts. Go to the door marked Aluminum Cans and ring the bell. Someone will come assist you. Clearing out your personal information is preferable, but not necessary.

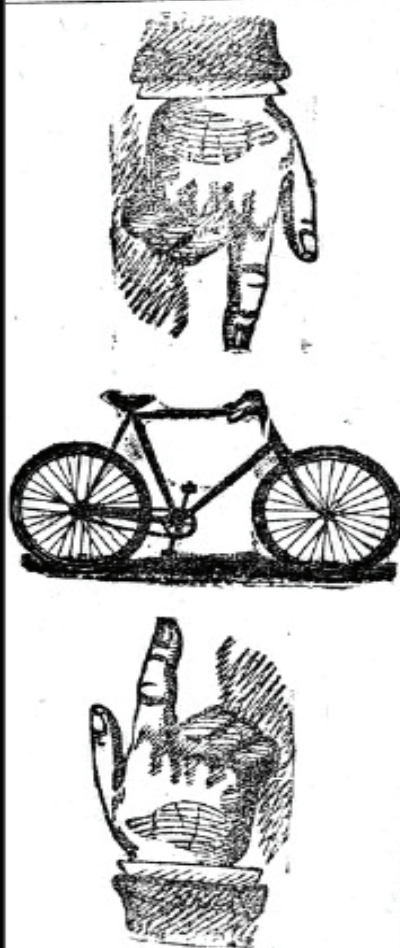
Good News: Australia's new marine park in the Southern Ocean, also known as the Antarctic Ocean, is a very large Germany-sized sanctuary, providing a safe haven for seabirds, seals, and penguins to thrive and frolic in their natural habitat. (FTO.com)

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.

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This advertisement in the July 2, 1898 West Virginia News indicates Ronceverte's Eagle and Ott store was an agent for Crescent Bicycles. Manufactured by Western Wheel Works of Chicago, the Crescent was a popular and well-built bicycle. The regular adult model sold for \$75 (\$2,741 in today's dollars). Western Wheel Works began manufacturing bicycles, tricycles and children's bicycles about 1890. By 1896 they were selling 70,000 bikes a year. They developed a chainless bicycle, but before it could be perfected the bicycle market in the United States crashed due to over production. Western Wheel Works went out of business in 1900.

The challenge bicyclists have today of sharing the road with cars and trucks was one bicyclists (called "wheelmen") faced in the late 1800s. The West Virginia News reprinted an article from a Cleveland newspaper about horse and wagon drivers: "It is pure meanness which prompts drivers of teams to obstruct the way of wheel riders... bicycles have just as many rights in the public highways as have other wheeled vehicles, and, inasmuch as wheel riders are forbidden to use the sidewalks, an effort should be made to save the portion of the streets to which they are entitled from unnecessary obstruction."

Interesting side note: Sharing space in Western Wheel Works' factory was Dr. William Scholl who was making shoes and foot care products. After the bicycle operation shut down, Scholl took over the whole factory.

Advertisement courtesy of the West Virginia Daily News.

Sources: The West Virginia News, Smithsonian, Chicagology, www.onlinebicyclemuseum.com.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GREENBRIER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

GREGG SEMPLE and KIMBERLY SEMPLE

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No.: 23-C-4

VS.

Honorable Jennifer P. Dent

DENNY BARKER individually and FOURTH TEE LICING, INC. a business

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a status hearing on the Complaint duly filed in the Circuit court of Greenbrier County, West Virginia, seeking judgment against the Defendant, DENNY BARKER, and FOURTH TEE LIVING, INC., shall be held before the Honorable Jennifer P. Dent, Judge of the Circuit Court of Greenbrier County, West Virginia, at the Greenbrier County Judicial Center situate 912 Court Street North, Lewisburg, West Virginia, on **Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard.

Further, notice is hereby given that judgment may be made in this proceeding, and that should any party appear to protect their interests within **Thirty (30) days** from the date of the first publication of this notice. If you fail to respond within said **Thirty (30) day** period, you may not appear or receive further notice of these proceedings.

PLAINTIFF IN GREENBRIER COUNTY, CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO.: 23-C-4

GREG SEMPLE KIMBERLY SEMPLE By Counsel,

[Signature]

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Fulton BSH LBWV, LLC/Secure Store - 135 Maple Carriage Drive, Lewisburg, WV 24901, has a possessory lien on all of the goods stored in unit 311. The auction will end on June 15, 2023 at 12 noon. All these items of personal property are being auctioned online through lockerfox.com. The auction will run until June 15, 2023. Pictures of the unit can be inspected online. Cash payments only. For more details visit www.lockerfox.com/storage-auctions/us/

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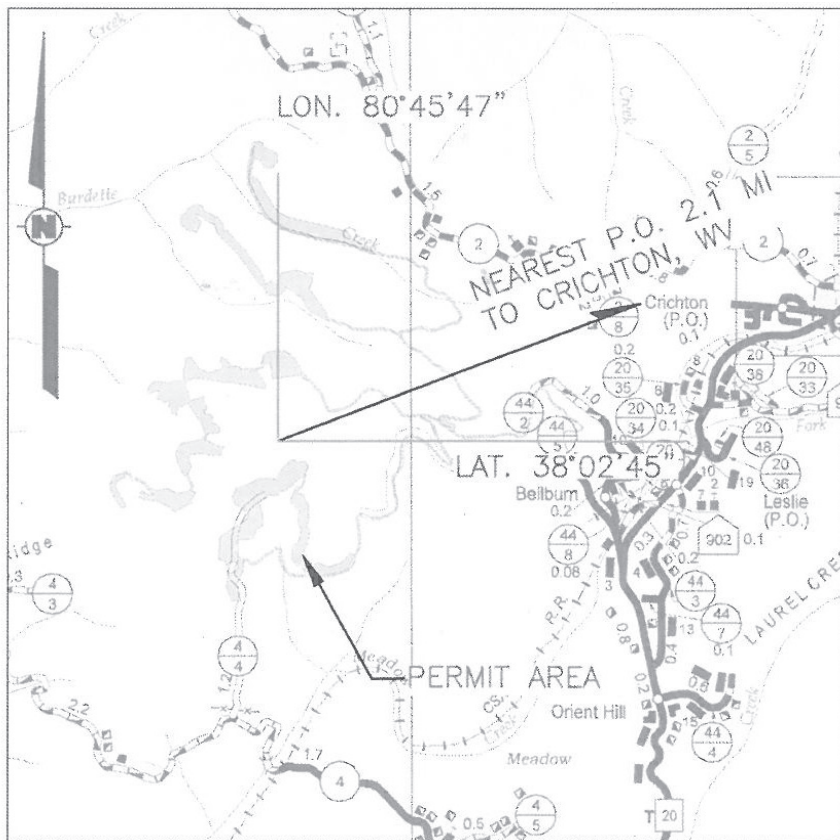
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Notice is hereby given that WARRIOR ENERGY RESOURCES, LLC, 111 FREEPORT RD, PITTSBURGH, PA 15215 has filed an application with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), 1159 Nick Rahall Greenway, Fayetteville, WV 25840 for extension of inactive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

Written comments on this application shall identify the applicant and application number and will be received by the Inspection and Enforcement Supervisor at the DEP address above until 7/10/23, or thirty days from date of publication.

A copy of the request will be available until 7/10/23, or thirty (30) days from date of publication in the DEP Regional Office located at the address and is available at:
http://apps.dep.wv.gov/WebApp/_dep/Search/ePermitting/ePermittingApplicatonSearchPage.cfm

The above link can be accessed from a computer at all West Virginia public libraries.
DEP Telephone No. 304-574-4465
Include location map in accordance with 38-2-3.2(b)(2)



LOCATION MAP

PERMIT NO. S-3011-14 NPDES NO. WV1028685

TAKEN FROM WEST VIRGINIA DEPT. OF HIGHWAYS
GREENBRIER COUNTY MAP 3 OF 5
NEAREST POST OFFICE: CRICHTON, WEST VIRGINIA
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**2023 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
IN WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS**

White Sulphur Springs Municipal elections will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. The voting polls will be located at White Sulphur Springs Elementary School and will be open from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. for all registered voters in the White Sulphur Springs Municipality to cast their vote for Mayor, Recorder, and five (5) Council Members. Early voting will begin on May 31, 2023 and will be held through Saturday, June 10, 2023. Early voting will be at City Hall, 589 Main Street West, White Sulphur Springs. Hours for early voting will be Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. On Saturday, June 3 and Saturday, June 10 the hours will be 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on both Saturdays.

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
MUNICIPAL ELECTION
City of White Sulphur Springs, WV
June 13, 2023**

To vote for a candidate mark an "X" in the square opposite to and at the left of the name.
In order to cast a WRITE-IN vote, you may write the name and office of the candidate in any location on the front side of this ballot.

**FOR MAYOR
(Vote For ONE)**

MICHAEL MACK MCINTIRE

ERIN LOVELL

KATHY L. GLOVER

**FOR RECORDER
(Vote For ONE)**

PENNY FIORAVANTE

MARK GILLESPIE

**FOR CITY COUNCIL
(Vote For Not More Than FIVE)**

RYAN L. LOCKHART

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The Town of Alderson municipal election will be held Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at the City Hall Building.
The doors will open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.
Early voting is also scheduled to be held Saturday, June 10, 2023, at the City Hall Building from 8:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m.

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
GENERAL ELECTION
Town of Alderson, West Virginia
June 13, 2023**

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**FOR MAYOR
(Vote For ONE)**

TRAVIS L. COPENHAVER

**FOR RECORDER
(Vote For ONE)**

BETTY THOMAS

**FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS
(Vote For Not More Than FIVE)**

LARRY REINHOLD

RUTHIE ALLEN

DORIS KASLEY

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LEGAL

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GREENBRIER COUNTY,
WEST VIRGINIA**

CHANGE OF NAME FROM Dawn LaBrette McCarty-Ferrell to Dawn LaBrette Ferrell
Civil Action No. 23-D-112
Dawn LaBrette McCarty-Ferrell to Dawn LaBrette Ferrell
LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CHANGE OF NAME
Order of Publication
Circuit Court of Greenbrier County, West Virginia
Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of June 2023, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, Petitioner Dawn LaBrette McCarty-Ferrell, will apply by petition to the Circuit Court of Greenbrier County, West Virginia, for the entry of an order by said court changing her name from Dawn LaBrette McCarty-Ferrell to Dawn LaBrette Ferrell. At which time any interested party may appear and be heard, if they so desire. Further, said hearing may be rescheduled without further notice of publication. A copy of said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at his office.
Entered by the Clerk of said Court this 7th day of June 2023.
Jamie Baker
Greenbrier County Circuit Clerk

LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE
June 1, 2023
The West Virginia Health Care Authority announced that it has received a Letter of Intent from Panhandle Support Services, Inc, CON File #23-1/4-12694-PC, to provide personal care services through West Virginia Medicaid in Fayette, Raleigh, Summers, Monroe, Mercer, and Greenbrier counties, West Virginia. The capital expenditure is \$1,500.
Further information regarding the Letter of Intent, including the Certificate of Need application when submitted, is on the Authority's website at www.hca.wv.gov.

LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE
June 1, 2023
The West Virginia Health Care Authority announced that it has received a Letter of Intent from Southern Home Care Services, Inc, CON File #23-1/4-12700-PC, to provide personal care services through West Virginia Medicaid in Monroe, Wyoming, McDowell, Raleigh, Summers, and Greenbrier counties, West Virginia. The capital expenditure is \$10,000.
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96607		Pactiv Packaging Inc.	Mineral Wells	WV	Certified	9/10/19	9/10/21
96599		Klockner Pentaplast of America Inc.	Beaver	WV	Certified	9/10/19	9/10/21
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94059		West Virginia University Research Corporation	Morgantown	WV	Certified	8/10/17	12/11/20
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93702		Koppers Inc.	Follansbee	WV	Certified	5/28/18	6/11/21
93685 B		Interline Brands, Inc.	Bluefield	WV	Certified	3/28/17	5/10/20
93311		Temp, Inc.	Fairmont	WV	Certified	11/15/16	2/22/20
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91497		Caldwell Hardware Co.	Alderson	WV	Certified	2/18/15	4/22/18
91318		Felman Production, LLC	Letart	WV	Certified	9/11/15	5/26/18
91250		Koppers, Inc.	Follansbee	WV	Certified	2/1/16	5/27/18
90184 A		Century Aluminum of West Virginia, Inc.	Ravenswood	WV	Certified	1/1/14	2/12/18
90093		T-Shirt International, Inc.	Culloden	WV	Certified	11/3/14	11/13/17
90050		TPUSA - FHCS, Inc.	Fairmont	WV	Certified	1/1/14	12/11/17
86089		Huntington Alloys Corporation	Huntington	WV	Certified	6/10/14	1/19/18
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CLUB & CHURCH

Annual Ketron Church and Community Homecoming

Date: Sunday, Aug. 6, 2023 at 11 a.m.



Please join us once again to celebrate the legacy of Ketron Church, worship, and reunite with old friends. The speaker this year will be Mayford Witt of Charleston. Following the worship service will be gather at the Frank Whanger Picnic Shelter for a Carry-in lunch and a brief business meeting. Everyone is invited to attend. Paper products and utensils will be provided. Please notify Karen West of any persons you would like added to the memorial list.

Because the Homecoming was cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19 and recent attendance has been sparse, contributions have been very low. Your donations for the upkeep of the church and cemetery are urgently needed. Current repair issues with the church must be addressed without delay. If you have loved ones buried in the Ketron cemetery and cannot attend, please consider mailing a generous donation to Ketron Church in care of the Ketron treasurer at the address listed below. Masks will be provided. We look forward to seeing you! Stay safe!

President: Doris Lovelace
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Ronceverte, WV 24970

Treasurer: Karen West
P.O. Box 251
Ronceverte, WV 24970

Secretary: Judy Reaser Merrill
35 Bells Ridge Drive
Stafford, VA 22554

Ketron Church is located on Rockland Rd., Ronceverte.



Scott Womack, in U.S. Civil War uniform, reading the first official Memorial Day Proclamation

American Legion Post 100 commemorates Memorial Day

On May 29, American Legion Post 100 held a brief Memorial Day commemoration in Union. The event, now in its eighth year, consisted of an invocation, singing the National Anthem, remarks by Post 100 Commander Tim Sluss, recitation of Theodore O'Hara's poem "Bivouac of the Dead" by Chris Johnson, a reading of Major General John A. Logan's first official 1868 Memorial Day Proclamation by Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Scott E. Womack, a wreath and flower laying at the Veteran's Memorial adjacent to the courthouse, and

the playing of "Taps" after the National Moment of Silence at 3 p.m. This year's event was scaled down due to inclement weather, but a few intrepid citizens came out anyway to remember those who paid the ultimate price to secure our liberties. Post 100 intends to continue this annual event to coincide with the national commemoration, and the public is always encouraged to attend.

Church services to take place in Greenbrier State Forest this Sunday

"Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give" Matthew 10:8. These were some of Jesus' most important words to His followers, and these are the very words that have moved a group of believers to action here in Greenbrier County.

Everyone is invited this Sunday, June 11, come to shelter No. 2 in the Greenbrier State Forest, Harts Run at 10 a.m. This is a gathering for any who are willing, searching, hungry, or hurting. Whether you need healing in your body, soundness restored to your mind or heart, or just want to connect with local believers outside of a traditional church setting, you are welcome.

One of the group's formative leaders, Andrew Poage, states, "Join us for a time of refreshing and restoration in the presence of the Lord of all the Earth! If you are feeling weary and frustrated with the lack of peace in any area of life, then this is your place to get a refreshing."

Another leader, Micheal Waid, explains why something new and different could be just what is needed: "If we want to see God move in ways that we have never seen Him move before we have to start moving in ways that we have never moved before. Greater is He that's in us than he that is in the world. Trust and believe and let the river flow."

Sunday, June 11, at 10 a.m. at Shelter No. 2 in the Greenbrier State Forest at Hart's Run could just mark a turning point for you, too.

Anyone and everyone is invited and welcome. Jesus is truly sending His Church outside the walls and into the streets, valleys, and mountains to proclaim deliverance to the captives and set His people free.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1108 visits the National Capitol



WV VVA Chapter 1108 members and young guests at Arlington National Cemetery Visitor's Center

The West Virginia Vietnam Veterans of America (WV VVA) Maverick Chapter #1108 traveled to the National Capitol Region on May 13-14 and sponsored five local youths on the trip: Caleb Cooper, Matthew Heller, LeiAnn Richmond, Eli Thomas, and Katherine Viars. The intent of the trip was to provide

a chance for these two generations to reflect on the service rendered by citizens who have served their country in uniform since its founding.

The group started the trip at Arlington National Cemetery and viewed the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Changing of the Guard. Next it traveled to the National Mall

and viewed the Vietnam War Memorial, the Korean War Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. The day concluded with a "drive-by" of the Pentagon and dinner at a local mall.

Saturday started with a tour of the Manassas Battlefield, which included a brief overview of the

American Civil War by Scott Womack followed by a museum visit, interactive map, and film about the two battles fought on that ground in 1861 and 1862. Next, the group visited the new U.S. Army Museum at Fort Belvoir, which featured Monroe Countian Colonel Andrew Rowan among many others in its Hall of Heroes. The trip concluded with lunch and a visit to the U.S. Marine Corps Museum in Quantico, VA.

The trip was inspiring, and the inclusion of local youth added a special dimension that benefited both parties. Special thanks to Steve Ellison, without whose hard and thankless work the trip would not have been possible.

Fairlea ARP Church presents creative arts camp

The Fairlea ARP Church invites children ages rising kindergarten through rising seventh grade to participate in a Creative Arts Camp, running from June 27 through June 30, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the church building. The Arts Camp invites children to select two classes from six different classes, which will be offered during two class periods each evening. The final evening on Friday will be a participants' "show and tell" along with a meal for the whole family. The fee for this experience is \$15 per child, or \$30 per family, and includes a specially designed T-shirt for their experience. The Arts Camp will feature six classes, from which each child will choose two. Children will gather at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary of the Church for a brief Bible study, then rotate to each of their two classes through the rest of the evening.

Classes offered include:

- Calligraphy, with children learning to use markers and pens to create beautiful alphabet letters
- Felting, with children learning how raw sheep wool can be transformed into felted objects using hot water and soap
- Create with Clay, with children working fast-drying clay into forms they can decorate
- Painting, with children learning the basics of painting with watercolor, and older students experimenting with acrylics
- Ukulele, with children learning a few basic chords and how to play simple songs
- Firefly in a Box, with children creating a light-up firefly in their own little box, which they will decorate with paint.

The Fairlea ARP Church is on Rt. 219 northbound (Seneca Trail S), at 9364 Seneca Trail South, across the street from the main entrance to the Fairgrounds. Please use the stairway to the Sanctuary door to enter. Children will be guided to their classrooms by those helping with the Arts Camp. Registration may be completed online at www.arp-churchfairlea.org

Church Bulletin

Free Vacation Bible School

will be held at First Baptist Church of Fairlea (across from Greenbrier County Health Department). June 19-23, 9 a.m. to noon for children age 5 through 6th grade (just finished 6th). Register at fbcfairlea.com

VBS at Andrew Chapel United Methodist

Plan to attend Vacation Bible School June 19-23 at Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church from 6 to 8 p.m. All youth age 4 through middle school are welcome. The theme: *Stellar - Shine Jesus' Light*, includes, songs, games, refreshments, imagination station science experiments, and Bible lessons. We have lots of fun. There will be a final program Friday, June 23, at 7 p.m. with a covered dish meal and fire truck visit for everyone in the community to attend and enjoy. Contact 304-667-9288 for more information.

Reunions

Kellwood Reunion

The annual Kellwood reunion will be held Friday, June 9, at the Charlie Mackey Park in Maxwelton. It's been 30 years since the Kellwood plant closed its doors for the last time in 1993. The covered dish meal will begin at 12 noon. Former employees, their families and friends are invited to attend. Plan to stay after the meal for socializing and taking pictures.

Greenville High School Reunion

The Greenville High School alumni will hold its reunion on Saturday, June 10, at James Monroe High School in Lindsie. Over 200 people attended the reunion in 2017, the last prior to the Covid pandemic; and organizers are hopeful of achieving that number again. Although the high school's doors officially closed in 1967, the school spirit and sense of community instilled in its graduates continue. GHS graduates have been contacted by letter, but anyone who would enjoy the fellowship is invited to attend. Staff; friends and families of Greenville students; spouses of deceased class members; those who were juniors, sophomores, and freshmen in 1967; and folks who attended Greenville Elementary and Junior High from 1967-1994 are all encouraged to attend. Again, everyone is welcome. The doors will open at 9:30 a.m. for those who want to arrive early and have an extended time for visiting. Lunch, catered by Gerry Phillips of Lindsie, will be served at 1 p.m. at a cost of \$17. The at-the-door registration fee will be \$20. If you have any questions, you may call Rita Martin at 304-660-9459 or Donna Jackson at 304-753-4038.

SCHOOL

NRCTC announces spring 2023 President's and Dean's List students

Over 260 New River Community and Technical College students were named to the President's List and Dean's List for the spring 2023 semester.

President's List students must carry a minimum of 12 semester hours and earn a grade point average (GPA) of 4.0 for the semester, not including foundational courses.

President Dr. Bonny Copenhaver announced that the following students have earned the President's List designation for the spring 2023 semester:

- Alderson:** Ariana J. Angel; Abigail Renee Boone;
- Crawley:** Kaylee Danielle Hankins;
- Lewisburg:** Alysha Dawn Hanna; Anne Doyle Kuliesh; Elizabeth J. Sparks; Hayden Sheen Andrew Yates; Alex Cameron Zimmerman;
- Rainelle:** Caroline Yulala Sue Davis;
- Renick:** Chelsea Ozell Brown; Jack Sinclair Hanna; Carol Ann Lane; Brett A. Mele;
- Ronceverte:** Maggie Grace Bostic; Kali N. Dawson;
- Rupert:** Jayden Edward Osborne; Abigail Grace Tharp;
- Sinks Grove:** Kelly Leslie Cales; Jasmine Nicole Hoke;
- Union:** Kylie J. Dunbar; William Roy Lester; Aurionna Frances Taylor;
- White Sulphur Springs:** Courtney Jane Nicole Clendenin; Laken Mae Coles; Tyra Lynette Ray; Charles Carrington McCray; and
- Williamsburg:** Joshua Lawrence Kessel.

Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs Dr. Richard Underbakke announced that the following students have earned the Dean's List designation for the spring 2023 semester:

- Alderson:** Tracee Elizabeth Byer; Lawrence Lacy Pyles; Emma Grace Robinette; Angel Lynn Willis;
 - Caldwell:** Kenlea Brook Adkins;
 - Covington, VA:** Alison Lee Ervine; Sara Grace Moses;
 - Crawley:** Mackenzie Paige Taylor;
 - Frankford:** Brittany Nicole Level; Donna Beth Sears;
 - Lewisburg:** Niya E Georger; Haylee Rave McKeone; Devin Gray McMillion; Zachariah Carl Patton; David Alan Williams;
 - Maxwelton:** Jaden Ray Baker;
 - Rainelle:** Ashleigh Nicole Legg; Christina M. Lester;
 - Renick:** Margaret Daelea Bradley;
 - Ronceverte:** Zoe Alexis Johnson; Gabrielle Lynn Johnson; Myra Marie Judy; Megan Marie Kemon; Elinor Rose McLeod; Jonas Xavier Ransom;
 - Sinks Grove:** Chase Bradley Oscar;
 - Union:** Lillian Jade Nickell;
 - White Sulphur Springs:** Brynn Amber Alderman; Ella Olivia Bowes; Amelia Eloise Burns; Becky Lynn Childers; Brittany Nicole Dempsey; Bryan Alberto Martinez; Gilberto Jose Martinez; Brandy Nicole Martinez; Sarah Maria Nazario.
- Registration for the fall 2023 semester is underway at New River CTC. For information on admissions and the programs offered at New River CTC, visit www.newriver.edu, email admissions@newriver.edu or call 866-349-3739.



Peoples Bank Foundation donates to Communities In Schools of Greenbrier County

The Peoples Bank Foundation recently presented a donation of \$2,000 to Communities In Schools of Greenbrier County (CISGC), which is a local West Virginia affiliate of the nation's leading dropout prevention program, Community in Schools. Their mission is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

"Peoples Bank is thrilled to be able to support Communities

In Schools of Greenbrier County and all that they do to benefit local students," said Jeff Vickers, Peoples Bank Senior Vice President, Commercial Banking. "The initiatives that they provide to local students are extraordinary."

The Peoples Bank Foundation was started by Peoples Bank in 2003 and is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2023. Since its inception, the Foundation has delivered over \$6.5 million in grants and scholarships.

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 gap!

Poise
CAGER □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □

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Idle
IRENT □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □

Shield
RUINES □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □

TODAY'S WORD

"I'm going in for a nap. I want plenty of energy when the _____ comes tonight."

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Sign is missing. 2. Window opening differs. 3. Container is missing. 4. Sleeve is shorter. 5. Buttons are missing. 6. Tittle differs.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

		4	9					8
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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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Super Crossword WORKING IN 2-D

ACROSS	DOWN
1 PC program shortcut	1 Is sulky
6 Fog	2 Take — (go somewhere)
10 Pelting precipitation	3 Porcelain babies, maybe
14 — Hopkins University	
19 Alternative	
20 Parka feature	
21 Quattro or TT carmaker	
22 Consume entirely	
23 King penguin's son?	
26 Dazzling light	
27 A, in Berlin	
28 Italian island	
29 Give a steed a spanking?	
31 Handheld firework	
33 Ad- —	
34 Direction from Ariz. to Ky.	
35 Actor Danson	
36 Hwy. violation	
37 Back in time	
39 Western treaty gp.	
42 Answer to "Are you?"	
44 Driving coast to coast on icy roads?	
52 — Purina (old pet food company)	
53 Consumed	
54 Negative point	
55 Platform for speakers	
57 Folkie Guthrie	
58 "It makes sleeping comfortable," e.g.?	
63 "A Nightmare on Elm Street" director	
64 Like Dubliners	
65 Inning third	
66 Berate loudly	
67 Holy images	
68 Device like a TiVo, in brief	
69 Jigsaw unit	
71 Repeated	
74 U.S. org. with operatives	
75 One — (a handful)	
76 Writing tablet	
79 Nylon tights for people who are losing a lot of weight?	
83 "— la Douce"	
84 Hauling rig	
85 Gut-punch reaction	
86 Tree of Illinois	
87 Alternative to grits	
89 Violins donated to people who've gone broke?	
94 Prior to	
95 Cool, 1940s-style	
96 "See ya!"	
97 With 115-Across, "Quit dreaming!"	
98 Ovine whine	
101 Water, to Yvette	
103 K-12 gp.	
105 Rebuke	
110 Presently riding as a jockey?	
114 Mix	
115 See 97-Across	
116 Growing older	
117 Villain from a Virginia city?	
120 Roofing tile	
121 Writer Wiesel	
122 Frightful giant	
123 Sewing cases	
124 Skin qualities	
125 Split apart	
126 Go beyond	
127 Plains shelter	
4 "The Intern" actress	
5 Tolkien menace	
6 Entire	
7 Informal German tavern	
8 The Hawkeye State	
9 High-tech "appt. book"	
10 Gave birth to Tom, Dick or Harry?	
11 "— Lang Syne"	
12 Screened at a bar door	
13 Twisted cotton thread	
14 Archie's pal, in comics	
15 World capital on a fjord	
16 Valentine's Day symbol	
17 Surgery aide	
18 Quickness	
24 Twisting fish	
25 Print quality meas.	
30 City in Oklahoma	
32 Commercial suffix with Star or Sun	
33 State-run game	
38 Grind, as the teeth	
40 Natty scarf	
41 Hershey candy bar	
43 Halfway point	
44 Bird's gullet	
45 Unusual	
46 Become rusty, say	
47 — a million	
48 Maker of major repairs	
49 Like musical works with five sharps	
50 Hardware bit	
51 Gershon of "Killer Joe"	
56 USMC NCO	
59 Sure-footed equine	
60 Parka feature	
61 Glasses and goggles	
62 1920s-'30s art style	
64 Frosted	
67 Potassium — (table salt additive)	
68 Major racket	
69 Counterpart of 54-Across	
70 "No problem"	
71 Slalom curve	
72 Dish designer	
73 Half: Prefix Star or Sun	
74 — latte (espresso)	
75 "Someone to Watch Over Me" musical	
76 Made attractive	
77 "I'm —" (greeting in Apple ads)	
78 "Cagney & Lacey" actress Tyne	
80 Sushi eggs	
81 Ritzy	
82 "— dabba doo!"	
83 Obtain by entreaty	
88 Pulls hard	
90 Earth-scooping machines	
91 Preside over	
92 Sided against	
93 Bee fluids	
98 Be a braggart	
99 — -Saxon	
100 Thai or Iraqi	
102 Gut problem	
104 Old Pan Am competitor	
106 Trail activities	
107 Billy Joel's "Just the Way You —"	
108 Hawkins of "Li'l Abner"	
109 Mom on "Family Ties"	
111 Poker stake	
112 "Wilde" actress Jennifer	
113 No, in Bonn	
114 Onetime Nintendo rival	
118 Daddy	
119 Poker stake	

SCHOOL

Bolling-Clay Scholarship now offered at Greenbrier Community School

Greenbrier Community School is honored to again recognize the history and great legacy of Bolling by introducing the Bolling-Clay Scholarship. This scholarship will be an annual scholarship for any primary aged student who is a descendent of a Bolling School student or teacher. The first scholarship will be offered in the Fall of 2023.

Bolling High School in Lewisburg had an extensive history in Greenbrier County. Mr. Edward Bolling, born in Greenbrier County in 1855 and educated at schools in Richmond, Virginia before attending Morgan State College in Baltimore, returned to Lewisburg in the 1880's and became the principal of the then Lewisburg Colored School. He served as both an educator and principal for fifty years. In addition to his dedicated work at the school, Mr. Bolling was an active member of the community involved in many religious and social organizations. In 1932, following the death of Edward Bolling, Earl Charles Clay became principal of the Lewisburg Colored School which he renamed Bolling Junior High and Elementary School in honor of Mr. Edward Bolling. Born in 1903 in Greenbrier County, Earl Charles Clay attended West Virginia State College and received his Masters degree from Virginia State College. In addition to being principal at Bolling, Mr. Clay taught chemistry. In the Spring of 1933, the Greenbrier County Board of Education decided to add a tenth grade for the following term at Bolling Junior High and Elementary. The add-a-year policy continued until 1935 when Bolling became a four year high school. In May 1936 fourteen graduates became the first alumni. Bolling High School officially closed in 1963. Since 1936, Bolling High School graduates, and its teachers, have brought honor and dignity to the Greenbrier Community, our state and nationwide.

Visit www.greenbriercommunityschool.org for more information.



Barger family provides funding for sustainability and scholarships at WVSOM

The West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSOM) installed three solar-powered charging stations to support sustainability on campus.

The solar units attach to picnic tables and will accommodate four outlets each. These units will allow students and employees to charge devices while they are outdoors having lunch, studying or taking a break.

In addition to providing convenience to users, the charging stations are part of a plan to promote sustainability on campus. David Barger, D.O., a WVSOM Class of 1983 alumnus, and his wife Bonita Barger, Ph.D., provided the initial funding to develop sustainable practices.

The Barger Campus Preservation and Green Initiative Endowment has dual purposes of providing scholarships for WVSOM medical students and providing a financial means for promoting sustainability at WVSOM.

The Bargers offered this support as a way to combine their passion for sustainability and love for WVSOM.

"We believe in the future of WVSOM and the viability of a green-friendly and sustainable campus environment," David Barger said. "In order to launch

this initiative, leadership, commitment and program implementation are fundamental. Solar-powered charging stations for students, an electric car charging station, dog waste containers, a recycling program and an employee-student education campaign are the first steps to bring this vision to life."

While it will take time to implement the projects, Dr. James W. Nemitz, Ph.D., WVSOM's president, said he appreciates the Bargers' contributions to help WVSOM focus on green initiatives.

"We are extremely grateful for the Bargers' generosity and the opportunities it brings to our campus," Nemitz said. "WVSOM has always been mindful of environmental concerns, but this gift has helped move our initiatives forward. We also appreciate their support for our students through scholarship funding."

A sustainability consultant will conduct assessments of existing campus initiatives to determine current levels of campus preservation. Additional steps included the formation of a green initiative committee to assist with creating a three to five-year sustainability plan for WVSOM.

The agreement with the Bargers is operated through a partnership with the WVSOM Foundation.

Abigail Herndon achieves Georgia Southern University's Dean's List

Georgia Southern University recently recognized approximately 3,110 students on the Spring 2023 Dean's List. Abigail Herndon of Crawley has been named to the list for excellence in academics. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have at least a 3.5 grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 hours for the semester.

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/R2 institution founded in 1906, offers approximately 140 different degree programs serving more than 25,500 students through 10 colleges on three campuses in Statesboro, Savannah, Hinesville and online instruction. A leader in higher education in southeast Georgia with expert faculty, the University is focused on public impact research and engaging learning opportunities through knowledge and know-how that prepare our students to take ownership of their lives, careers and communities. Visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu.

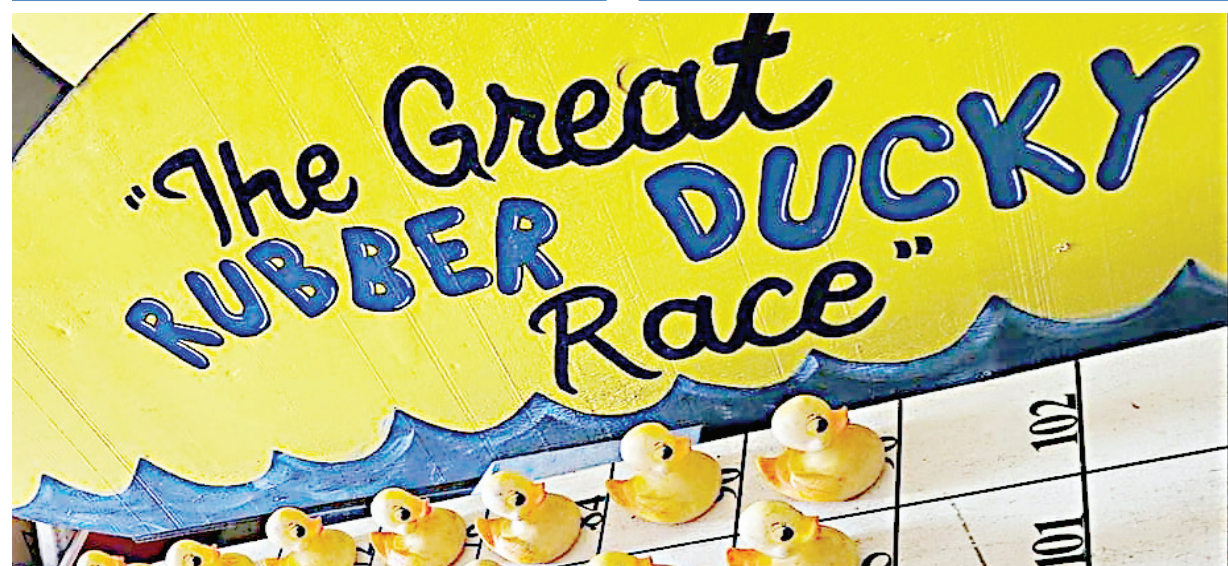
STEPPIN' OUT

Ronceverte River Festival Full Schedule of Events



SATURDAY JUNE 10th	
7:00 AM	Fishing Derby Signup Begins
8:30 AM	Car Show registration begins.
9:00 AM	Lion's Club Breakfast
10:00 AM	Tahoe Farm Club Car Show
	The Duck Pond opens
	Duck Coloring Contest continues
	Vendors open
	Inflatables open
	103.1 The Bear Duck Ticket Give-Away Registration
10:30 AM	The Kent Family Circus
11:00 AM	Strawberry Shortcake Sale begins
	Children's Games sponsored by Peoples Bank
11:30 AM	3 on 3 Basketball Tournament sponsored by the Ronceverte Lions Club
12:00 PM	Irish Road Bowling
2:00 PM	Live broadcast with Radio Greenbrier
	The Kent Family Circus
3:00 PM	Rubber Ducky Race ticket sales end. No exceptions!
4:00 PM	The Great Rubber Ducky Race!
5:00 PM	Father's Day Pageant
6:00 PM	Duck Hunt!
	The Kent Family Circus
	Coloring Contest ends and voting begins
7:30 PM	The Goodson Boys in the Amphitheatre
9:00 PM	The Kent Family Circus
10:00 PM	FIREWORKS!

FRIDAY JUNE 9th	
5:30 PM	Parade line-up begins
7:00 PM	Parade
	Vendors open
	Inflatables open
	Duck Coloring Contest begins
	Duck Pond opens
	Petting Zoo and Pony Rides
8:00 PM	Kate Boytek performs in the Amphitheatre
9:00 PM	The Kent Family Circus
	(all circus times are approximate)



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STEPPIN' OUT

Lionakis Diner opens in Ronceverte



The inside of the diner features a fun aesthetic chosen by the late Doug Hylton.

By Stephen Baldwin, RealWV

The Rodoussakis family has fed folks in the Greenbrier Valley for generations. From The Court Restaurant in Lewisburg to Rudy's in Ronceverte, the restaurant business is a family tradition.

Now, Stephanie Rodoussakis is opening a new diner in Ronceverte called Lionakis Diner, which was the original family name when they came to America from Greece four generations ago.

"Lionakis was my great grandma's name," explains Stephanie. "She married a Rodoussakis. Now I get to carry on a family tradition by naming the diner after her."

"I've done this all on my own financially," she says, "but with a lot of advice, support, and help from family and experience."

The Lionakis Diner is located at 124 Frankford Road in Ronceverte (at the foot of Ronceverte Hill just past the stop sign). Steve Wilson owns the building, which

Doug Hylton planned to turn into an ice cream parlor before his death.

"These were the same booths Doug had picked out," says Stephanie. "The aesthetic is what he had planned, and I wanted to honor that."

While work continues on the full kitchen in the back of the restaurant, the front is open for business on weekdays from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. with a limited menu which is posted on Facebook daily. Once work on the kitchen is completed, Stephanie will extend her hours to include breakfast, lunch, and some dinner items. She will also open this weekend and hopes to stay open on weekends moving forward.

"You will be able to get a full diner breakfast - eggs, sirloin, country ham, bacon, sausage, crepes, eggs benedict, muffins, and more," she says. "Then we'll also do hand-pattied burgers, milkshakes, sandwiches, hot dogs, open faced turkey and roast beef, spaghetti, a kid's menu, and some Greek-influenced food too."

After a soft opening week before last, business has been good. "Everybody has been great," Stephanie tells The Real WV. "They've been patient on the full opening, and it's been really busy with people wanting to eat here. We've honestly been overwhelmed with so much business so far."

Rodoussakis says running a restaurant is in her blood, and she hopes she can pass on the business to her children in the future. The soft opening for Lionakis Diner will continue until mid-June, when she expects to be fully open in time for the next Ronceverte Food Truck Festival.

For more stories like this one, visit therealwv.com.

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Stephanie Rodoussakis



Janah Carson and Brianna Feury are there to wait on guests when they enter the diner.

Disc golf course completed at Watoga State Park



Foundation board member Wayne Pollard works on completing the disc golf course

The Watoga State Park Foundation has been busy supporting our state park by helping complete the disc golf course. This Johnny Sias designed, 18-tee course will be a great asset to our park and our community and worthy of many challenging tournaments!

We want to thank Appalachian Aggregates at Mill Point for the donation of gravel, community volunteers Lester Waugh, Tony Kelly, Matt Turner, C.J. Peterson, Brad Lay, Hunter Betrus, Sollie Workman, Tom Fatora and Lora Morgan.

Foundation board members Wayne Pollard, Dave Elliott, Frank Hammons, Anne Workman, Joe Kaffl, Mary Dawson, and Louanne Fatora organized, participated, and provided lunch for volunteers. The Watoga State Park Foundation supports the park in many different ways. From International Dark Sky Park certification to

trail clearing and building a disc golf course. Want to volunteer? Send us an email at info@

watogafoundation.org. Follow us on Facebook for ongoing events facebook.com/WatogaSPF.

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