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Ronceverte Food Truck Festival announces music lineup

By Sarah Richardson

The musical lineup for the May Ronceverte Food Truck Festival has been released. Running Friday, May 17 from 4 to 10 p.m., and Saturday, May 18 from 12 to 10 p.m., the first Food Truck Festival of 2024 will be one of only two planned for this year.

Musical acts on Friday, May 17 begin with Anne Melton at 6 p.m., then Khegan McLane at 7 p.m., Grace Campbell at 8 p.m., and Joey Adams at 9 p.m. On Saturday, Will Sarver kicks off at 6 p.m., then Samuel James at 7 p.m., Distant Light at 8 p.m., and Caleb Bailey and the Bottom Dollars Band at 9 p.m.

The application period is now open for interested food vendors to join, visit the Ronceverte Food Truck Festival for the form link and submission information. Up to 30 artisan, crafter, and maker vendors are also welcome to sign up. There is a \$25 set up fee (goes to the Ronceverte Development Corporation) and a \$25 arts and crafts permit that is a one-time fee, valid for one year for setup in the City of Ronceverte (fee goes to City of Ronceverte).

The Food Truck Festival is hosted by the Ronceverte Development Corporation in partnership with the City of Ronceverte.

Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company to hold Picklefest this weekend

By Chelsea Blair

The Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company will be hosting a PickleFest on Sunday, Apr. 28. The festival brings delicious food, live music, a best pickle contest, and more to the Maxwelton brewery.

"PickleFest is a celebration, it's the time to bring all of the pickles up out of the cellar," says Jeff Frizsell, Production Manager and Head Small Batch Brewer at GVBC. "With the beautiful weather, we can get out and do something and it will bring something new to WV."

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Head Small Batch Brewer and Production Manager Jeff Frizsell (left) says that the PickleFest best pickle contest will benefit the Greenbrier Humane Society, with a 50/50 pot being split between the winner of the contest and GHS.

County Commission receives updates from Greenbrier Humane Society, recognizes April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

By Chelsea Blair

The Greenbrier County Commission met on Tuesday, Apr. 23, to discuss annual funding of the Greenbrier Humane Society, to recognize Child Abuse Awareness Month, and to review approval of proposed Greenbrier County Farmland Protection Program properties.

Jen Runyon, Greenbrier Humane Society's Volunteer Board President, presented the Commission with updates on the Greenbrier Humane Society. Runyon stated that in 2023 the facility had a total of 936 animals in their care; 771 dogs and 1,075 cats were surrendered by Greenbrier County Citizens. She stated that the society estimates they will end 2024 with over 900 dog surrenders, but she believes cat surrenders will remain static.

Runyon also spoke about the spay and neuter program provided by the Society as well as a new program, Doggy Day Out. The program allows approved dogs to leave the facility for the day and according to Runyon, is very helpful to the dogs and those who wish to bond with a dog for the day. The Greenbrier Humane Society continues to provide dog and cat food to all the food pantries in the county. Runyon spoke on the change in prices for food and medical care at the facility, stating last year the society spent \$37,963.61 on food compared to \$24,000 in 2022, and \$104,000 for medical care and supplies in 2023 compared to \$61,000 in 2022.

"It is sincerely an honor to be in that position and have
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Kiwanis Club of the Greenbrier Valley focused on serving children's needs

By Stephen Baldwin

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In a time when civic organizations are in decline, there's a new service organization in the Greenbrier Valley focused on making a positive impact with children.

Kiwanis Club of the Greenbrier Valley is a local chapter of the international Kiwanis Club. Kiwanis began in 1919 in Detroit, and now operates in more than 80 countries across the globe.

According to Club President Nicole Ramsey, who works as Director of Community Education at the Family Refuge Center, "Members of our local club come from all walks of life." Retirees, business owners, educators, corporate employees, and nonprofit workers all belong to the new club.

Ramsey believes civic groups play an important role in modern society.

"During this day and age, we know that civic and service organizations are slowly seeing a decline," she

reflects. "As someone who grew up in 4-H and saw the good that these organizations can do, I hope we can get back to a service-orientated place."

"Without the work of these organizations—whether it be Kiwanis club, 4-H, Ruritans, you name it!—there would be a great lag in what can be provided to the community," she says. "They create community cohesion and solidarity by bringing people together who share common interests, goals, or concerns."

Specifically, Ramsey says these civic groups are relied upon by citizens to provide essential services, "particularly in areas where government resources may be lacking."

Kiwanis Club of the Greenbrier Valley meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Shoney's in Lewisburg. "We start with fellowship and food at 5:30pm and then our regular meeting starts at 6 p.m." Massey says. "We typically try to have some type of guest speaker come to tell us about themselves and any service ori-

ented projects they may have happening in our area."

The real heart of the club is service, centered on children.

After only operating for seven months, they've already conducted a clothing and toy drive for children via the Greenbrier County Family Support Center, passed out to all Greenbrier County school employees in February as a thank-you for all the work they do with youth in our area, and handed out Easter baskets to families at the Ronceverte Food Bank.

"Currently we are working on several more projects including a membership drive, a book drive, and several others," Ramsey reports.

"I challenge everyone to find a group, or organization, or club and become active," Ramsey says. "The more we help our communities to grow and prosper, the better we all are for it!"

For more information, visit Kiwanis Club of the Greenbrier Valley on Facebook.

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Members of the Kiwanis Club of the Greenbrier Valley



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Arbor Day Celebration held at Greenbrier Community School

Mayor Beverly White celebrated Arbor Day on Monday, Apr. 22, by reading a book called "Nell Plants a Tree" by Anny Wynter and reading the Arbor Day proclamation to students at the Greenbrier Community School. After the reading, they planted a beautiful Black Cherry Tree on the campus.



Lewisburg Mayor Beverly White reads to Greenbrier Community School students.



A Black Cherry Tree was planted as part of the Arbor Day festivities.

Mayors march for Meals on Wheels

Each March, Meals on Wheels celebrates the historic day in 1972 when a national nutrition program for seniors was added to the Older Americans Act. This legislation supported the rapid growth of the Meals on Wheels network that now collectively serves 2.8 million seniors each year. The program helps reduce social

isolation, fosters a sense of community, and acts as a wellness check, ensuring that vulnerable seniors receive the care and attention they deserve.

The Greenbrier County Committee on Aging thanks Rainelle Mayor Andy Pendleton and Lewisburg Mayor Beverly White for participating in the program. In ad-

dition to Meals on Wheels, lunch is served Monday thru Friday at two locations in Greenbrier County, the Rupert Center and Fairlea Nutrition Site.

If you would like to donate to this program, checks can be sent to Greenbrier County Committee on Aging, P.O. Box 556, Rupert WV 25984.



Imogean Gilbert and Rainelle Mayor Andrea Pendleton



Mamie Martin and Mayor Pendleton



Sonny Walkup with Mayor Pendleton



Dorothy Crites and Lewisburg Mayor Beverly White



Mayor White with Dawn Thomas



Mayor White and Donna McCloud

Robert C. Byrd Clinic hosts cardiac clinic for student athletes

Are you a student athlete gearing up for the new season? Get ready to hit the field, court, or track with confidence! Don't miss the free Student Athlete Cardiac Clinic held in collaboration with several local providers on Saturday, May 4, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Rainelle United Methodist Church (617 Kanawha Ave, Rainelle, WV 25962).

This important event will provide student athletes with an EKG (Electrocardiogram) and a blood pressure check.

Who should attend?

This free clinic is open to all student athletes in the community. Early detection of any potential cardiac issues is crucial for ensuring the safety and well-being of young athletes.

Meet the team:

The Student Athlete Cardiac Clinic will be staffed by experienced healthcare professionals, including:

- Lori Cooper, APRN, CNP: A board-certified nurse practitioner specializing in primary care.
- Larry Rhodes, MD: A board-certified pediatric

cardiologist affiliated with WVU Medicine.

- David Allen, DO: A board-certified osteopathic physician specializing in family medicine.

"Make sure you are ready for the season with an EKG and blood pressure check," says Lori Cooper, APRN, CNP Family Medicine Provider

at Robert C. Byrd Rupert Clinic. "This free clinic is a great opportunity for student athletes to receive a baseline cardiac assessment and ensure they are performing at their peak."

Space is limited! Pre-registration is encouraged. Please call 304-645-3220 ext.1. Visit reclinic.org/ events for event details.

Robert C. Byrd Clinic is a comprehensive not-for-profit Rural Health Clinic dedicated to providing affordable, high-quality healthcare services to all. We are committed to the health and well-being of our community, including the young athletes who will be our future leaders.

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Briefly

Pop-up bakery set in Williamsburg

The Williamsburg Community invites the public to a pop-up bakery on Sunday, Apr. 28, from 12 noon until all baked goods are sold. The event will take place at the Williamsburg Community Center at 6571 Shoestring Trail. It will feature fried apple pies, corn pones, pepperoni rolls, homemade breads, and cupcakes. Proceeds will go toward fireworks for the Community Fair. Call 304-520-2196 with any questions.

The Renick Community Center Open House May 4

will hold an Open House gathering on Saturday, May 4, from 2 to 5 p.m. at 217 Huff Street, Renick. Celebrate with neighbors and friends and enjoy live music, vintage photos of Renick, an exhibit by the late photographer and former Renick resident Ken Sherman, and win fun door prizes. Walk on the new trails and try out the outdoor exercise equipment. There will be music and family fun.

Greenbrier County Commission receives funds for treatment supervision program

Gov. Jim Justice announced that he has awarded \$2,454,527 in West Virginia Justice Reinvestment Initiative Treatment Supervision (JRI-TS) grant funds to 13 projects.

In Greenbrier County, the Greenbrier County Commission has secured a \$73,781 JRI-TS grant to support the continued operation of a treatment supervision program.

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

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.

Greenbrier County Farmland Protection Board

meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Greenbrier County Courthouse, 912 Court Street North, Lewisburg, WV 24901 in the County Commission Meeting Room. The public is invited to attend. Call 304-520-3221 for more information.

Marriages

Megan Marie Copenhaver and Isaac Wayne Deskins
Alissha Wavelene Deal and Cody Tyler Parsons
Sherrie Amanda Boothe and George Washington Clark
Jamie Rae Wykle and Robert Lewis Hill, Jr.

PICK OF THE LITTER



RIVER

River is a two-year-old male pit bull mix and weighs 73 pounds. *No cats*



REIGN

Reign is a two-year-old male pit bull mix and weighs 85 pounds. *No cats*

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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For the Record

Deeds

Craig Martin and Frances Martin to James Ouellet and Diane Ouellet: lot no. 6 or 0.706 acres, Lewisburg District, Map 26 Parcel 136. Filed April 15, 2024.
Phyllis A. Johnson to Carol J. Williams and Lindsey N. Mamigonian: 123.5 acres more or less, Williamsburg District, Map 34 Parcel 21. Filed April 15, 2024.
Michael M. Roder to Emma Williamson: 0.48 acres, Falling Spring District, Map 55N Parcel 6. Filed April 15, 2024.
Karen Amacher and Jocelyn R. Burr Jones to Judith Gosnell and Charlie Gosnell: 2 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 8 Parcel 0014. Filed April 15, 2024.
Hilda E. Clendeden and Nova A. Clendenen to Stephen E. Gaylor: 17 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 65 Parcel 2. Filed April 15, 2024.
George Piaskecki and Janet Piasjecki to Brian E. Sandgren, Cheryl J. Sandgren, and Kristin N. Piasjecki: lot 39, Lewisburg District, Map 18R Parcel 22. Filed April 16, 2024.
Mary K. Brown to Michael H. Brown, Aaron L. Brown, and David A. Brown: 6 parcels, Blue Sulphur District, Map 25, 26 Parcel 5, 6, 7, 8, 8.1, 9, 10. Filed April 16, 2024.
Robert D. Crookshanks and Shirley F. Crookshanks to Robert and Shirley Crookshanks Irrevocable Family Trust: 3.15 acres, Rupert District, Map 5 Parcel 0668. Filed April 16, 2024.
Crookshanks Irrevocable Family Trust to Robert and Shirley Crookshanks Irrevocable Family Trust: 100X150, Meadow Bluff District, Map 56P Parcel 0016. Filed April 16, 2024.
Robert and Shirley Crookshanks Irrevocable Family Trust to Rupert Mobile Home Park LLC: 3.15 acres, Rupert District, Map 5 Parcel 0669. Filed April 16, 2024.
Robert D. Crookshanks and Shirley F. Crookshanks to Robert and Shirley Crookshanks Irrevocable Family Trust: 123.67, 2.793, and 0.20 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 84, 85, 56K Parcel 8, 45, 41. Filed April 16, 2024.
Vickie L. Orndorff to Vickie L. Orndorff and Nolan W. Orndorff: 2.42 acres, Blue Sulphur District, Map 18 Parcel 62. Filed April 16, 2024.
James B. Raubach Jr. to Amanda L. Raubach: 7 acres, Irish Corner District, Map 16 Parcel 0031. Filed April 17, 2024.
John B. McCuskey State Auditor (by trustee) to WV Co. Tax Cert Purch 2021 LLC: 0.53 acres, three tracts, Blue Sulphur District, Map 36M Parcel 0057. Filed April 17, 2024.
WVTI LLC to Louis Jordan: 1.43 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 55A Parcel 23. Filed April 18, 2024.

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court Convictions

Bradley Allen Loudermilk, White Sulphur Springs, not submitting bear tooth, fine \$50, GP
Alyssa D. Nazario, Union, speeding, fine \$8, GP
Terry W. Treadway, Meadow Bridge, speeding, fine \$10, GP
Rick Arduini, Wellington, FL, speeding 10 mph or less in excess on highway, fine \$5, NCP
Brian Edward Burns, Saint Albans, no submitting bear tooth, fine \$50, NCP
Ashton M. Stidom, Frankford, speeding, fine \$40, GP
Jennifer C. Webb, Caldwell, use of electronic device without hands free equipment, fine \$100, NCP
Jessica G. Davis, Crawley, use of electronic device without hands free equipment, fine \$100, NCP
Kyle Wiley Bowman, Peterstown, exceeding creel limit on trout, fine \$50, NCP
Erica Danielle Burns, Ronceverte, non-aggravated DUI, fine \$100, jail 10 days - credit for 2 days remainder (8 days) suspended and placed on 9 months unsupervised probation
Christopher Shawn McQuerry, Frankford, violation of a Protective Order, fine \$250, jail 90 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation
Carla Jean Hedrick, Rupert, possession of a controlled substance, fine \$100, NCP
Kari Ellen Cooper, Lewisburg, speeding in school zone 40 in a 15, fine \$100, NCP
Charles Jeffrey McCutcheon, Rainelle, 1) simple assault, fine \$50; 2) domestic assault, fine \$50, jail 45 days - suspended and placed on 12 months unsupervised probation, NCP

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Jeffrey S. Gascon to Jeffrey S. Gascon and Marjorie Jane Gascon: ½ acres, Falling Spring District, Map 45 Parcel 0032. Filed April 18, 2024.
Melashenko Living Trust (by sole surviving trustee) to Buddy L. Nedey and Jodie C. Nidey: two parcels, 3.603 and 0.3007 acres, Fort Spring District, Map 9R Parcel 0009. Filed April 18, 2024.
Melashenko Living Trust (by sole surviving trustee) to Connie R. Melashenko (trustee): memorandum of trust. Filed April 18, 2024.
Ruth E. Highlander to Jennifer Brown and Patricia Bragg: lot 9 & ½ lot 10, Fort Spring District, Map 9G Parcel 63. Filed April 18, 2024.
J. Steven Hunter (trustee) to Jenna F. Brown: 0.374, White Sulphur District, Map 12 Parcel 253. Filed April 18, 2024.
Litisha Kirk to Kaige Dilorenzo: 0.92 acre, Quinwood District, Map 6 Parcel 0003. Filed April 18, 2024.
Jason S. Gesner and Patricia C. Gesner to Randall L. Hill: 3.23 acres more or less, Lewisburg District, Map 24 Parcel 127. Filed April 18, 2024.
Johnson & Johnson Investments LLC to Tiffanie James: lot no. 66 & 67, Riverview Addition, Alderson District, Map 6 Parcel 414, 415. Filed April 19, 2024.
Elizabeth Daigle and John Stroud to Scott S. Miller and Mary G. Miller: lot no. 22 section 1, Lewisburg District, Map 28 Parcel 75. Filed April 19, 2024.
Frederick A. Bock to Christopher Bingler: lot 91, Meadow Bluff District, Map 22R Parcel 9. Filed April 19, 2024.
Albert S. Smart and Andrea H. Smart to Joshua A. Smart and Hannah M. Smart: 0.298 acres, Lewisburg District, Map 21 Parcel 60. Filed April 19, 2024.
Esther G. Bittinger to Melissa Grimmert: 2 parcels, Lewisburg District, Map 24G Parcel 4. Filed April 22, 2024.
Charles W. Hawkins Jr. to Katherine Martin: lot 20, White Sulphur District, Map 29 Parcel 12. Filed April 22, 2024.
Steven R. Brown and Joseph A. Brown to Steven R. Brown and Lisa Brown: 3.0 acres, Meadow Bluff District, Map 62 Parcel 16. Filed April 22, 2024.
Amy Papst and Jeffrey Papst to Dale P. Hocker and Blake L. Hocker: 41.05 acres, Falling Spring District, Map 62 Parcel 4. Filed April 22, 2024.
Donald P. Clements to Donna C. Ransey: two tracts, White Sulphur District, Map 16, 26, 29 Parcel 26, 29, 30. Filed April 22, 2024.
Jennings Murphy and Audrey Murphy to Douglas Lusk: 1.89 acres, Anthony Creek District, Map 35B Parcel 54.5. Filed April 22, 2024.
Wanda R. Blankenship to Paul M. Blankenship: 2 acres, Williamsburg District, Map 42 Parcel 20.1. Filed April 22, 2024.
Wanda R. Blankenship to Paul M. Blankenship and Betty L. Clifton: 1 acre, Williamsburg District, Map 42 Parcel 72. Filed April 22, 2024.
Joan M. Phillips to W.H.P. LLC: 2.71 acres, Falling Spring District, Map 60 Parcel 60. Filed April 22, 2024.
Susan L. Walker and Richard A. Williamson to Jerry Roberts: right of way, Falling Spring District, Map 48 Parcel 24 6000. Filed April 22, 2024.
Karen L. Winkfield to Michael L. Winkfield: lots 31 & 32, Garing Addition, White Sulphur District, Map 12 Parcel 204. Filed April 23, 2024.
Donna V. Eskins to James M. Eskins: lots 140-142, Alderson District, Map 5 Parcel 186. Filed April 23, 2024.
James M. Eskins to Clint Eskins and Stacy Eskins: lots 140-142, Alderson District, Map 5 Parcel 186. Filed April 23, 2024.
David L. Ryder to Jeffrey Camp and Sherry Camp: 67.50 acres, Anthony Creek District, Map 48 Parcel 27. Filed April 23, 2024.
Jenna F. Brown to J. Steven Hunter (trustee): 0.374 acres, White Sulphur District, Map 12 Parcel 253. Filed April 23, 2024.
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Picklefest

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During the event, GVBC will be releasing a new beer called Secret Sour. “We’ve partnered with our good friends at the Secret Sandwich Society in Fayetteville for our new brew, the Secret Sour,” explained Frizsell. “Using their pickle brine, we have made this cider-y, vinegary, super sour pickle beer, it’s not like a dill pickle. It’s the first real pickle beer in the whole state of West Virginia that I’ve seen.”

The event starts at 12 noon and the beer release will be at 1 p.m. Live music will be performed by bluegrass artist Corey Lee McQuade from 1 to 3 p.m., and Archibald Johnson from 3 to 6 p.m.

The pickle judging contest will be held from 12 to 3 p.m., with the winner being announced at 5 p.m. The winner will split a 50/50 pot with The Greenbrier Humane Society, so the registration fees will be going to a good cause. Jeff anticipates anywhere from 30 to 40 individual pickle entries for the contest.

“The more the merrier,” he exclaimed, “We want to be able to send the Greenbrier Humane Society home with a big check at the end of the day.”

There will be plenty of food options and shopping to be had, as well.

“We have more than 14 vendors scheduled right now,” said Jeff, including Kitchen 304, Mountain Table, Dawg Haus and others. He reports there will be three open bars with four bartenders, some set up inside and some outside, on what is anticipated to be a beautiful spring Sunday. A donation box will be at each bar for monetary contributions to the Greenbrier Humane Society, who will be in attendance to accept donations of blankets, cleaning supplies, and cat and dog food.

For more information, check “Greenbrier Valley Brewing Company” on Facebook.

Greenbrier Historical Society unveils new vision statement and presents talk on historical preservation

The Greenbrier Historical Society is proud to announce its new vision statement: “To be the premiere source and steward of Greenbrier Valley history, delivering meaningful exhibits and events that illuminate the past and inspire a better future.”

This visionary statement reflects the Society’s commitment to preserving and celebrating the rich history of the Greenbrier Valley while inspiring present and future generations. To kickstart this exciting new chapter, the Greenbrier Historical Society invites the community to a captivating talk on “Why Historical Preservation is Important” by Moss Rudley.

Rudley, superintendent of the National Park Service’s History Preservation Training Center (HPTC), brings a wealth of experience and innovation to the preservation community. Starting as a mason, Moss worked his way up to become the current superintendent of the HPTC. His creative thinking has led to groundbreaking initiatives such as the Traditional Trades Advancement Program (TTAP), which has provided hundreds of young people

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an opportunity to serve the community and to be here today with you all,” said Runyon. “I do also want to highlight that we were so pleased to already have Nick at the facility. Thank you for the visit, and he and Erica even fostered back in 2019, so thank you and thank you for having me here today.”

Next on the agenda was the consideration of a proclamation recognizing Child Abuse Protection Month and to announce the Children’s Memorial Flag Day Ceremony. Leslie Tolbert, director of the Greenbrier County Family Support Center, read the proclamation before the commissioners. The proclamation states that Friday, Apr. 26, will be recognized as Children’s Memorial Flag Day. She encourages citizens of the county to join in remembrance of children whose lives have been lost to abuse and neglect in our community and across the country. The proclamation also adds that April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. The motion was approved unanimously. Tincher added that the Flag Day ceremony will be held on Friday, Apr. 26 at 12 p.m. in front of the courthouse.

A resolution presented by the City of Alderson to accept the petition for annexation into municipal limits of certain real estate adjacent to the town was the next considered item. The real estate is identified as 737 River View Ave. West, Alderson, district 3 parcels 43 and 44. Representatives from Alderson’s Council were unable to attend the meeting, therefore, Britt Ludwig, counsel for the Greenbrier County Commission, shared information on the proposal. Ludwig informed the commissioners that both parcels owned by the petitioner, A and B Storage LLC., owned solely by Sabrina Vance are in the Blue Sulphur District. The town of Alderson certifies by

forwarding the resolution to the county commission that the petition meets requirements of the WV code 8-6-4 for annexation. The motion was approved.

A motion to approve a new hire, Maggie Bartenslager, a WVU student, as Program Assistant for the 4-H Extension Office, was presented for consideration. Based on her application, background, and involvement in 4-H, Commissioner Rose made a motion to approve her hiring beginning May 3. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Greenbrier County Farmland Protection Program presented a request for approval of purchase on two conservation easement properties. Program Director Amy Maloney provided information on the requests. The first property, owned by Doris A Ragsdale, is in the Lewisburg district with 38.51 acres. The Farmland Protection Program offered \$77,420 for the property. The second conservation easement is on property owned by Roger Todd Boone and is 100.409 acres located in the Irish Corner District. The price offered for the property is \$200,818. The motioned was approved unanimously.

Tincher reminded everyone that the funds that the county pays towards these properties for the landowners is a portion of the transfer tax from real estate sales in the county. It is written in the state code that a portion of those funds are required to go to this program.

Another item on the agenda for consideration is a draw request for the Quinwood area Broadband Project. It was presented for consideration by Region 4 development grant from Small Cities Block Grant Program. The tower has been completed and invoices received are for planning and technical services from Thompson and Litton, the engineering firm contracted for the county to complete the design work and engineering for the project. Also included are invoices for Region 4 Planning and Development Council which manages all the administration for the grant projects. The amount in consideration is \$28,454.77 in draw request with a total of \$31,454.77. Included in the total is \$3,000 from Thompson and Litton and \$668,227 is the awarded total considered for payment of invoices.

The next item is request for approval for Gig Ready budget amendment and approval of Gig Ready quarter report. The request was received from the State of WV Broadband Development Office to be reviewed by the Commission and returned. The motion was approved unanimously.

Before moving to adjourn, Tincher made a few announcements. She thanked everyone who submitted applications for the Arts and Recreation Program and stated the applications have been received but will not be awarded until June. She added that notifications will be made on the program in the coming months.

Tincher also reminded everyone that Apr. 23 was the last day to register to vote and that early voting will be held from May 1 through May 11. Early voting will be held at Romano Law on Court Street Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Early voting in Rupert will be held at the Rupert Community Building along Midland Trail, Route 60, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Courthouse will be closed on Election Day, May 14.

with paid learning experiences in the traditional trades.

The talk will take place on Thursday, May 2 at 5 p.m. in the New River Community and Technical College Greenbrier Hall. Rudley will share insights into the importance of historical preservation and discuss initiatives aimed at preserving and promoting traditional trades. Don’t miss this opportunity to learn from a true trailblazer in the field of preservation.

“One of our own Greenbrier boys is now leading the way to preserving historical properties in his role of superintendent of the national organization training artisans. I cannot wait to hear about their work and how we can use this knowledge in our efforts to preserve the history of the Greenbrier Valley. His dedication and innovation in the preservation community align perfectly with our mission to steward the Greenbrier Valley History,” said Mary Lindquist, Board Member of the Greenbrier Historical Society.

For more information about the event, please contact Marlyn McClendon at the Greenbrier Historical Society.

OBITUARIES

Edith Emma Popplewell Dilley



Edith Emma Popplewell Dilley, 104, of Lewisburg passed away Thursday, Apr. 18, 2024, at the Seasons Place. Born Mar. 24, 1920, in Butler, MO, a daughter of the late Dell and Dessie Thompson Popplewell. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Butler Dilley, brothers, James and Pleas, and several nieces and nephews.

Over the years she was a hairdresser, telephone operator and co-owned a restaurant with her husband Joe in California. After they moved to West Virginia, Edie went to work as a secretary at Bath County Pump Storage (Veeco), and Yarid’s in The Greenbrier Hotel.

After her husband passed away Edie moved back to Missouri to be close to family, she was there for 26 years, until the age of 100 when she decided to return to White Sul-

phur Springs, WV, to finish out her life. She called her adopted daughter Rita Kincaid to come and get her and she has been her caregiver ever since.

She was a 50-year member of Marlinton #97 OES, BPW, Daughters of the American Revolutions, Gray Hair Ladies Democrats and on the board of many organizations in Butler, MO. She loved playing cards with her friends in Butler, MO. She moved into The Season’s Assistance Living Center in 1999. She loved it there and they took very good care of her. She will be missed by many of her friends.

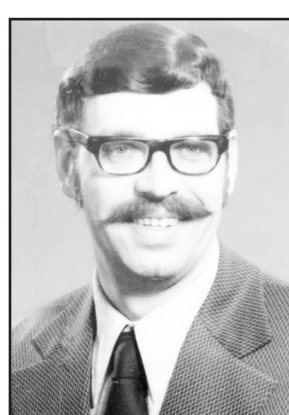
Those left are a great-niece, Marjory Poppelwell and great-great-nephew, J.T Popplewell both of Butler, MO.

In keeping with her wishes she will be cremated, and a celebration of life will be held on Sunday, Apr. 28, at 2 p.m. at May Chapel with Pastor Lowell O’Dell officiating. A burial of the cremains will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the May Chapel Cemetery Fund, 23445 Pocahontas Trail, White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986.

Online condolences may be made at Lantzfuneral-home.com

Gary Sartor



Gary Sartor, 80, of Lewisburg, passed away Wednesday, Mar. 20, 2024, at the Peyton Hospice House in Fairlea. Born Sept. 3, 1943 in Passaic, NJ, he was the son of the late Joseph Romano Sartor and Elizabeth Lichtenberger Sartor.

Gary attended Boonton High School and graduated in 1961. Gary and his brothers, the deceased Jack Sartor (Carol) of Richfield Springs, NY, and Carl Sartor (Kathy) of Murphy, NC. All spent their childhoods in Towaco, NJ.

After high school Gary was employed by Charles Pfizer & Co. in Parsippany, NJ, where he met and married his wife of 57 years, Nancy Lee McNicol Sartor. They had two children, the late Anthony “Tony” Gary (Gaea) Sartor of Tucson, AZ, and Suzanne Elizabeth (Matthew) Kemper of Saint Albans, WV.

In addition to his parents, brother and son, he was preceded in death by William and Elizabeth McNicol, father and mother-in-law and Elizabeth (Edward) Balderson, sister and brother-in-law.

Survivors include granddaughters Magnolia Sartor, Tucson, AZ, Eva Kemper, Saint Albans, and grandsons Owen Kemper and Henry Kemper, Saint Albans.

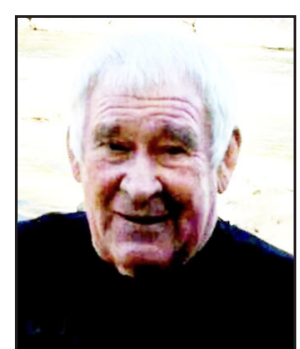
Gary spent his working life as a WV Licensed General Contractor, specializing in ceramic tile for businesses and homes in the surrounding area, a WV Licensed Real Estate Broker, Associate Broker of Active Realty, Lewisburg and a Certified General Appraiser. He was the former business owner of Tallman’s Gas and Grocery and Arrowwood Tavern in Renick, WV.

Gary was a former Boy Scout Master in Towaco, NJ, and a former member of the Fraternal Order of Elks, Green Pond Lodge, #2183, Rockaway, NJ, now Lake Hopatcong Lodge, #782.

Gary had a good sense of humor and was a good story-teller. He enjoyed family gatherings and working in his woodworking and metal shop. He paid attention to detail and was well known for his skills.

It was Gary’s wish to be cremated. Please send online condolences by visiting www.morganfh.net. No services are planned at this time. Funeral arrangements are being made by Morgan Funeral Home, 252 Montvue Drive, Lewisburg, WV, 24901.

Orvil Harless



Orvil Harless, 86, of Hillsboro, WV, passed away Sunday, Apr. 14, 2024. He is preceded in death by his wife Evelyn Kincaid, parents Elmer

and Viney Harless, and brother David Harless.

Orvil is survived by his two daughters Sonya Whipkey (Timothy), Renee Harper (James), sisters Shirley and her family, Gladys (Dave), brother Jimmy, niece Laura Eagle (James), great-niece Kimberly. He is also survived by his stepdaughter Ruth Kincaid (Bill), stepson David Kincaid (Jennifer), daughter-in-law Vicky Kincaid, step grandchildren Wally, Chris (Amanda), Josh, Elizabeth (Joey), Steven (Shara), Mason, Cody, and Kaycee. He will be forever missed by his beloved dog Bella.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 11, at 1 p.m. at the Trout Baptist Church, Trout, WV.

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Lewisburg Elks Lodge installs officers for 2024-2025 year

On Apr. 11, officers for the 2024-2025 year of the Lewisburg Elks Lodge were installed. Vice President South from Lewisburg, Willie Hylton, along with the officers from Princeton, WV Lodge 1459 performed the Installation of Officers in Lewisburg.



Officers for the 2024-2025 year are (in no particular order): Exalted Ruler - Patty Hylton, Esteemed Leading Knight - Charlie Callison, Esteemed Loyal Knight - Tyler Surbaugh, Esteemed Lecturing Knight - Bill Darnell, Secretary - Willie Hylton, Treasurer - Donna Chesebro, Esquire - Jerry Clemmons, Inner Guard - Barb Sanders, Tiler - Taso Stavrakis. Trustees: George Chesebro, Dave Sanders, John Barnes, Don Aultz and Michael Moore. (Not pictured: Tiler - Taso Stavrakis and Trustee Michael Moore)

Area DAR Chapter holds spring meeting

The General Andrew Lewis Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution held their April 2024 meeting in the charming home of former Regent, Deborah Phillips. Marit Withrow was her co-hostess.

This Spring Gathering was opened by Regent Suzanne Cronquist with the Pledge of Allegiance and the DAR Ritual which was led by Chaplain, Beverly Boswell. Regent Cronquist reported on the DAR state conference where the General Andrew Lewis Chapter received Five Certificates of Achievement. A business meeting followed.

Hostesses Phillips and Withrow served a delicious luncheon which was enjoyed by everyone as those who had attended the WV State DAR Conference gave a report on the programs. A highlight of the conference was visiting the cabin of Morgan Morgan and a memorial service in the Morgan Morgan Chapel.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is a nonprofit, non-political women's service organization whose main objectives are historic preservation, education and patriotism. Members are all lineal descendants of those who supported the cause of independence in the Revolutionary War back in 1776.

If you are interested in the Daughters of the American Revolution, call Registrar Sandra Cowan at 681-215-5303.



Deborah Phillips (left) and Marit Withrow celebrating by the Spring Gathering tree.

Commentary

To effect change, we must have information

By Taylor County Delegate Amy Summers

It can be easy to under-estimate the legislative work done through the interim committee process when we're not under the microscope and in the thick of the regular session. These committees are made up of both Senators and Delegates, and their purviews are different from the regular session committees. This is really our time to dig deep and study the issues we hope to address during our limited 60 days of lawmaking.

West Virginia Secretary of Health Facilities Michael Caruso and others arranged visits to state-owned psychiatric facilities last year for lawmakers and our staff. It was insightful for me, both from a budget standpoint and a system-of-care standpoint. It showed me the state needs to plan to invest in a replacement facility for our Huntington psychiatric hospital on its current property and that the Weston facility may need to expand.

When Legislative Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources Accountability (LOCCHRA) members were told the scheduled speakers for our April 16 meeting would not be available to discuss critical issues and long-term planning for our state-owned health facilities, I reached out to Secretary Caruso without success. As Co-Chair of LOCCHRA, I am asking for the same type of meetings I did in the past for many of our state-owned laboratories. Once those laboratory tours were complete, we were able to build consensus that the state needed a brandnew, state-of-the-art laboratory, and funding was requested. It now is in the process of being built. I have asked our staff to coordinate on-site visits to all the health facilities owned by the State of West Virginia, starting with Hopemont State Hospital.

How can the West Virginia Legislature comprehend

the state's most dire problems, let alone look for the solutions to them, without information? How do I know if the \$90,000 increase in the budget line item for maintenance and repairs to Hopemont is enough to solve a problem that led to a patient burned so badly it resulted in his death? I refuse to accept this type of care as the care a West Virginia-owned facility, or any facility, provides!

The Legislature cannot and should not attempt to manage the day-to-day operations of the Executive Branch, but we can and we will change laws, regulations and funds when we are shown the need. We have practically begged the newly separated departments of health to show and tell us where additional funds are necessary, and this most recent opportunity to do so was wasted.

Tears come to my eyes when I think of the pain a non-verbal, elderly man suffering from dementia must have endured sitting in scalding water for over 45 minutes. If we are expected to allocate and adjust state funds during a May special session, we should be clear about where those funds are desperately needed well before we gavel in.

If we do not stand up for these individuals in state care, who will?

Amy Summers, MSN, RN, is a Republican from Taylor County. She serves as Chair of the WV House of Delegates Health and Human Resources Committee and Co-Chair of the Legislative Oversight Commission on Health and Human Resources Accountability. She previously served as House Majority Leader and first was elected in 2014.



Patty Gray demonstrating chair restoration at April meeting of Progressive CEOS.

Progressive CEOS enjoy program on restoring and refinishing furniture

The Progressive CEOS met on Tuesday, Apr. 9, 2024, at the residence of Patty Gray.

President Patty Gray called the meeting to order and welcomed all members. Lynn Humphreys gave a meditation of scriptures and played a ram shofar horn, which was very nice and sounded like a trumpet. It is one of the oldest musical horns in the world.

Minutes were read by Betty Jo McNeel and approved as read. Treasurer's report was given by Lynn Humphreys with a balance of \$277.19. Health Motivator Tips to keep physically active were offered by Patty Gray, recommending 30 minutes of exercise each day to keep muscles strong.

Achievement Day will be May 16 at the White Sulphur Springs Union Hall. The theme will be dancing, bees, and tie-dye. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with a catered meal in the amount of \$11.

On June 12 plans are to tour the fish hatchery in White Sulphur Springs, then have lunch at Cook's Restaurant.

President Patty Gray presented the program on restoring and refinishing furniture. She demonstrated how she had restored a chair over 100 years old belonging to the grandparents. The work entails three categories: conserve, restore, and refinish.

Sally Holliday won the door prize. Those enjoying refreshments and fellowship were Elsie Dunkle, Patty Gray, Sally Holliday, Faye Honaker, Lynn Humphreys, Betty Jo McNeel, and Colleen Walton.

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Dear Recycle Lady,

Dear Recycle Lady,

Lately, I have received letters from several charitable organizations that included a return envelope that is bright red, blue, or orange. Some of them are also red, blue, or orange on the inside. Others are red, blue, or orange on the outside, but white on the inside. I know that red, blue, and orange paper is recycled with magazines, but what about these envelopes with the white lining? Where do they recycle?

Puzzled About the Color

Dear Puzzled About the Color,

Good question. Envelopes that are red and orange outside and inside are not recyclable. These colors, along with black and chartreuse, are too intense; thus, are not recyclable as it is impossible to bleach them or to dye them during processing. If the red and orange envelopes are white on the inside, they are recycled with magazines. To determine whether other colored envelopes recycle with magazines or with office paper you need to make a tear in the envelope. If the inside of the tear is white, indicating that the fibers are white, the envelopes recycle with office paper. If the inside of the tear is colored, the envelope recycles with magazines.

Dear Recycle Lady,

Here is my suggestion for an Earth Day project. I cut banana peels into small pieces and put them around rose bushes. The peels turn brown, disintegrate, and fertilize the plants.

Do It Yourselfer

Dear Do It Yourselfer,

Great idea! Planting very small pieces of banana peels directly into the soil, as you suggest, will not only fertilize the soil, but also feed the earthworms which bring additional benefits for the soil and plants. Banana peels are a good source of plant organic matter to help enrich the soil and contain nutrients

for healthy plant growth. According to several websites, there are a couple other ways to make banana fertilizer. One option is to cut the banana peels in small pieces, put them in a jar and cover with water. After they have soaked in the water for a week or so, pour the water around the base of your plants. Another option is to dry out the cut-up pieces of banana peels by putting them in the sun or in an oven at a low temperature with door ajar, then bury them around your plants.

The soil around a plant should never be greatly disturbed when adding any kind of fertilizer (again to protect that microbial activity in the soil), but the banana peels can be pushed in with fingertips or placed just under the mulch layer.

Dear Recycle Lady,

My Earth Day project was adding eggshells to my flower beds. The shell contains calcium carbonate, potassium, magnesium, and phosphorus, all of which are good for plants. Rinse the shells and when dry, they can be put in a coffee grinder to grind them into a fine powder. This powder can be stored until you have enough for your garden. Eggshells can also be used to start seedlings in early spring. I put eggshell halves in an empty egg carton, fill each one with a seed starting mix, and add a couple seeds. When plants are ready, put eggshells and all directly into the garden. Before planting the seedlings in the soil, I crack the shells just a bit so the roots can grow out of the shell. Otherwise, they may be root-bound.

Gardener

Dear Gardener,

Thanks for your excellent information on using eggshells to fertilize garden plants. Not only are you saving a valuable resource, you are also eliminating waste that takes up space in the landfill. For additional information on eggshells as fertilizer,

see <https://gardenforindoor.com/how-to-use-eggshell-as-fertilizer>. It has information on preparing your eggshells before using them to fertilize your garden. Before using eggshells to start seedlings, readers might want to check out the website www.gardeningchannel.com/how-to-use-eggshells-garden. It has some cautions about using eggshells to start seedlings, mainly having to do with the size of the shells being too small as the plants begin to grow.

Thanks to all those who participated in one of the three local Earth Day events this year; and special thanks to the nearly 65 recyclers who came to the Recycling Center to celebrate with us. Together we can make an impact on the environment and our wonderful Earth.

Have questions about recycling, or interesting information about recycling? Send questions or requests to recyclelady7@gmail.com. Dear Recycle Lady is sponsored jointly by the Greenbrier Recycling Center and Greenworks Recycling.

A Look Back

By William "Skip" Deegans

Shown is a 1941 photo of Dr. Louise McNeil Pease, who was born Louise McNeil in 1911 on a farm in Buckeye, Pocahontas County.

Her father, George Douglas McNeil, was an educator and author, and Pease declared at an early age of 16 she wanted to become a poet. After graduating from high school she taught in Pocahontas County schools before attending Concord College where she received a degree in English. For graduate school she attended Miami University and studied at Middlebury College and the University of Iowa. She received a doctorate in history from West Virginia University.

Pease sold poems to the Saturday Evening Post for \$5 a line. Her first book of poems was "Mountain White," published in 1931. Her poetry appeared in Harpers, Atlantic Monthly, Saturday Review, and Good Housekeeping. In 1939, she published "Gauley Mountain," one of her best known books, and married Dr. Roger Pease, an agricultural economist. After hearing Pease read her poetry in Huntington in 1964, Jesse Stuart, the famed Kentucky author, wrote, "Girl, there's genius in you - you have power. You are a first class poet." Throughout her writing career, Pease taught at Concord College, Fairmont State College, Potomac State College and West Virginia University.

Pease received many accolades for her poetry. West Virginia Governor Jay Rockefeller appointed her state poet laureate in 1977, and she retained that position until her death in



Photo: Courtesy of the West Virginia University Regional History Center. Sources: West Virginia University Library, New York Times, Beckley Post-Herald, The WV Encyclopedia.

1993. In 1985, The Charleston Gazette named her West Virginian of The Year. West Virginia University added her to the Academy of Distinguished Alumni in 1989.

Pease was no stranger to Greenbrier County. As a young girl, she showed sheep at the Greenbrier County Fair, and she and her husband moved to Lewisburg in 1977.

Run for the Roses on May 4

Gateway Industries Inc, is thrilled to announce the 28th annual Derby Day "Run for the Roses," a fundraising event dedicated to supporting individuals with significant disabilities in need of vocational rehabilitation services. This year it will be held on Saturday, May 4, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Cecil H. Underwood Building of the WV State Fairgrounds.

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LEGAL

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Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of May 2024 in the City Hall Council Chambers, 589 Main St. West, White Sulphur Springs, WV, at 4 p.m., the Board of Zoning Appeals of White Sulphur Springs, WV will hold a public hearing upon the application of Mountain Steer Meat Company for the purpose of requesting "conditional use permission" to construct and operate an Abattoir or "Slaughterhouse" at their current location of 169 Pocahontas Trail, White Sulphur Springs, WV. The present zoning of the property to be affected is commercial, which does not include the type of use requested.

The property to be considered contains 1.74 acres but only a small portion is requested for conditional use. The physical location is 169 Pocahontas Trail, White Sulphur Springs, WV.

Any person wishing to be heard concerning this matter should be present at the above listed time and place.

Written comments concerning this matter should be received by May 3, 2024 to be considered during the hearing on May 6, 2024.

Written comments should be sent to:
 White Sulphur Springs City Hall
 BZA Chairperson
 589 Main St. West
 White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986

A copy of the application for public review is on file in City Hall at the address listed above.

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NOTICE

Any individual or entity believing that may have ownership of funds deposited in the Trust Account of Attorney William D. Goodwin, who died on August 18, 2022, should contact Robert B. Allen, Esq., counsel for the William Goodwin Estate, prior to July 1, 2024. Mr. Allen may be contacted at P.O. Box 2031, Charleston, WV 25327, or by phone (304) 342-7592. If no one asserts a claim or there are funds remaining in the Trust Account after July 1, 2024, the West Virginia Supreme Court will be asked to have the remaining funds transferred to the West Virginia State Bar.

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF ABANDONED MINE LANDS AND RECLAMATION

Public meetings will be conducted to describe proposed Abandoned Mine Land reclamation projects, which have as their objective the alleviation of health, safety and environmental problems created by coal mines abandoned prior to August 3, 1977. Information regarding these projects, including required NEPA documentation, can be obtained from the WVDEP at 304-926-0485. The following projects listed with region and county locations will be explained at the public meetings:

Project Name	Region	County
Green Valley Highwall "All and Draining Portals	South	Greenbrier
Green Valley Highwall "D" and Refuse	South	Greenbrier
Crumpler (Scott) Draining Portal	South	McDowell
Greenbrier Hollow Refuse-Phase II	South	McDowell
Algoma Refuse	South	McDowell
Crary Mine Dump-Phase II	South	Wyoming
Abram Creek AMD Treatment Phase II	North	Grant
Three Fork Dosers-Squires/Raccoon/S.Birds/Pell	North	Preston
North Fork of Blackwater AMD Treatment	North	Tucker

These projects will be submitted to the Federal Office of Surface Mining for funding consideration.

Public meetings to discuss the projects will be conducted as follows:

South Region - Friday, May 17, 2024, Charleston - WV DEP, Office of Abandoned Mine Lands and Reclamation, 601 57th Street, SE, Charleston, WV 25304, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Contact Jeff Davis - Planning Supervisor, Southern Region, 304-414-1204.

North Region - Tuesday, May 21, 2024, Bridgeport - WV DEP, Office of Abandoned Mine Lands and Reclamation, 101 Cambridge Place, Bridgeport, WV 26330, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Contact Robert Stuart - Planning Supervisor, Northern Region, 304-848-2073.

An option for virtual attendance will be provided. If planning to attend virtually, please contact Scott Nunley at 304-414-1188 for access. Should you not be able to attend the above meeting(s), please contact one of the listed individuals regarding additional opportunities to discuss the project(s).

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PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
 Department of Environmental Protection
 Division of Water and Waste Management
 601 57th Street SE
 Charleston, WV 25304
 Telephone: (304) 926-0495
 Fax: (304) 926-0463

GENERAL WV/NPDES MULTI-SECTOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT STORMWATER ASSOCIATED WITH INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES WVNPDDES PERMIT NO. WV0111457

Public Notice No.: SM-38-2024

Publication: Statewide/West Virginia Press Association

Publication Date: April 26, 2024

The State of West Virginia, Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Water and Waste Management is proposing to reissue the West Virginia National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Multi-Sector Water Pollution Control Permit for Stormwater Associated with Industrial Activities. The General Permit will authorize discharges associated with industrial activity from industrial categories determined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to surface waters of the state for industrial operations. It is proposed that this General Permit be issued for a five (5)-year term. All facilities covered under the existing general permit within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the reissued general permit will be required to submit a new registration form to obtain coverage under the new Multi-Sector Stormwater Permit. The Draft Permit and Fact Sheet are available on the WVDEP website at: <https://dep.wv.gov/WWE/Programs/stormwater/multisector/Pages/home.aspx>. Hard copies can be mailed upon request.

The comment period for the Draft General Permit begins April 26, 2024 and ends on May 31, 2024.

During the public comment period, any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and/or request a public hearing. Comments and/or a request for a public hearing shall be made in writing and addressed to:

Director
 Division of Water and Waste Management
 601 57th Street SE
 Charleston, WV 25304
 Attention: Sharon Mullins
 Phone: (304) 926-0499, Extension 43808
 E-mail: sharon.a.mullins@wv.gov

The request shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing and must be received within the comment period. The Director shall hold a public hearing whenever he or she finds there is a significant degree of public interest in issues relevant to the draft permit.

For more information, contact Sharon Mullins at the email address or phone number listed above.

Hearing impaired individuals having access to a Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) may contact our agency by calling (304) 926-0489. Calls must be made between 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia, until June 11, 2024 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call	Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
008	2020000514	S313-64-164.17 00	NHPP-0644(226)D	RESURFACING CLINTONVILLE - LEWISBURG Begin: 1.72 miles West of US 60 End: 0.58 miles East of CR 60/12 COUNTY: GREENBRIER

DBE GOAL: 9% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

REMARKS:

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractor's license is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code. All contractors submitting bids on project(s) must include one of the following forms properly executed with each proposal: Proposal Guaranty Bond, Cashier's Check, or Certified Check for \$500.00 or 5% of the total bid, whichever is greater.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

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(2021-S-00000115 - Greenbrier County - WV CO TAX CERT PURCH 2021 LLC)

To: WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX & REVENUE, HEATHER RENEE GILLIAN, HEATHER RENEE TALBOTT, HEATHER RENEE TALBOTT, HEATHER RENEE GILLIAN, JEDIAH R. GILLIAN, STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, OCCUPANT(S), INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT MEADOW BLUFF MAP 55S PARCEL 0011 0000

You will take notice that WV CO TAX CERT PURCH 2021 LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Certificate of Sale: 2021-S-00000115, .20 (D) THOMAS US 60 N SIDE OF US RT 60, located in MEADOW BLUFF, which was returned delinquent in the name of TALBOTT HEATHER RENEE, and for which the tax lien(s) thereon was sold by the sheriff of Greenbrier County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on the 17th day of November, 2021, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to him or her on or after June 11, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount you will have to pay on the last day, June 10, 2024, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the sale, with interest, to June 10, 2024.	\$	302.96
Amount of subsequent year's taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to June 10, 2024.	\$	182.38
Amount paid for the Title Examination and preparation of the list to be served and for preparation and service of notice with interest from January 1, 2022, following the sheriff's sale to June 10, 2024.	\$	1,293.08
Amount paid for other statutory costs with interest from following the sheriff's sale to June 10, 2024.	\$	491.90
Total Amount Payable to Sheriff - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable Bruce Sloan, Sheriff and Treasurer of Greenbrier County.	\$	2,270.32
Cost of Certification of Redemption - cashier check, money order or certified check must be made payable to The Honorable John B. McCuskey, State Auditor.	\$	35.00

You may redeem any time before June 10, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Return this letter and both certified funds to the WV State Auditor's Office, County Collection Division 1900 Kanawha Blvd East, Building 1, Room W-114 Charleston, West Virginia 25305. Questions please call 1-888-509-6568 option 2

School

Area students place at WV State Social Studies Fair

The results have been released from the 2024 West Virginia State Social Studies Fair, and several area students took home awards for their projects.

- Division I, Anthropology, Individual
 - Honorable Mention: Owen Harless, Greenbrier County, Crafting the Past: Unveiling Native American Ingenuity Through Tools and Artifacts
 - Division I, State & Local Studies, Group
 - Third Place: Arlus McClung and Samuel McClung, Greenbrier County, Hominy Falls Miracle
- Division I, World History, Group
 - First Place: Brixton Hampton and Brandt Blake, Greenbrier County, Doolittle Raid
- Division II, Anthropology, Individual
 - Second Place: Vitale DeRouen, Greenbrier County, Ancient Cooking: How our Ancestors Prepared Their Meals
- Division II, Economics, Group
 - Third Place: Aaron Rodes and Andrew Rodes, Greenbrier County, Economics of Ford Ben Butler
- Division II, Geography, Individual
 - First Place: Tayton Martin, Greenbrier County, National Park Service
- Division II, Political Science, Group
 - Second Place: Scout Maynard, Liam Cunningham, Lucas Hughes, and Conrad Laird; Greenbrier County; Laughing at Power: The Art and Impact of Political Cartoons
- Division III, Economics, Individual
 - First Place: Alyson Vandall, Greenbrier County, Dolly's Impact
- Division III, Political Science, Individual
 - First Place: Orion Graves, Greenbrier County, One Way or Another
- Division III, Psychology, Individual
 - Third Place: Nathaniel Vincent, Greenbrier County, Connect or Disconnect: The Psychology of Video Games
- Division III, Sociology, Individual
 - First Place: Samuel Williams, Greenbrier County, Man or Monster?



The Cast of Welcome to West Virginia! (from left to right Zach Hyman, Allyn Faith Jones, Cara Niebling, Ross Fagan, and Tori Lyn Koszegi)



The Cast of Welcome to West Virginia! depict West Virginia's role in the Civil War (from left to right Zach Hyman, Allyn Faith Jones, Cara Niebling, Ross Fagan, and Tori Lyn Koszegi)

New educational programming at GVT brings WV history to schools across the state

Greenbrier Valley Theatre (GVT) has long been recognized for their exemplary educational programming, providing opportunities for students age 5-18 to learn and grow through involvement in the arts. This year, GVT is expanding their educational outreach opportunities with the brand-new Educational Touring Initiative. This spring, a troupe of five professional actors will tour a new play, Welcome to West Virginia!, to schools across six counties.

Welcome to West Virginia! takes students on a theatrical journey through West Virginia history, drawing inspiration from our public schools' history curriculum and textbooks. The play covers state landmarks and national parks, the role West Virginia played in the Civil War and how it became its own state, a history of mining, famous figures from West Virginia, and more.

The Educational Touring Initiative was co-created by GVT's Artistic Associate Jenna Sulecki, who wrote and directed the play. "Theatre and history are a hand-in-glove fit. Theatre is constantly teaching us about where and who we have been in order to understand who we are now," said Sulecki. "That is the goal of Welcome to West Virginia! - to help students understand the history of our state in order to envision themselves as a part of its future."

The cast is comprised of GVT newcomers Ross Fagan, Zach

Hyman, Allyn Faith Jones, Tori Lyn Koszegi, and Cara Niebling. The tour is managed by Mallory Topel. This crew will tour with a portable set, designed by Katherine Stepanek with assistance from Sol Guire, and a complete set of costumes, designed by Jenna Fawn Brown. Sound design for the play was created by Miles Peery, and props designed by Ashton Webb.

Welcome to West Virginia! is touring to elementary and middle schools across Greenbrier, Pocahontas, Fayette, Raleigh, Summers, and Monroe counties between Apr. 22 and May 17, 2024. This project was supported during initial writing and planning by Uncle Larry's Fund, and this leg of the tour supported in part by the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area.

Now entering its 57th season, Greenbrier Valley Theatre is a mainstay and theatre destination located in Lewisburg. The arts organization has been further recognized as a "West Virginia Jewel of the Hills," awarded the Living the Dream Service Organization Honor Roll by The Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission, and is a multi-year recipient of Non-Profit Business of the Year. GVT boasts a robust series of year-round programming and educational offers with the goal to enlighten, enrich, and enliven the region. Visit gvtheatre.org to learn more.

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!

Junk
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Divide
HEARS

Lure
PARENT

Rant
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TODAY'S WORD

"Everyone knows the families are the ones that do things together."

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Paper is missing. 2. Foot is missing. 3. Collar is added. 4. Phone is moved. 5. Desk legs are longer. 6. Man is standing straighter.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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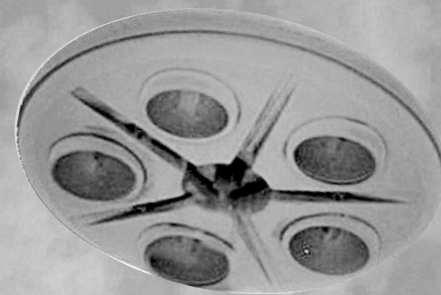
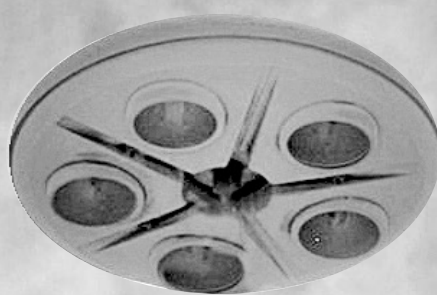
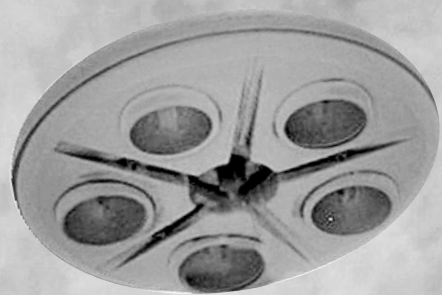
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Super Crossword SOLVING DA PUZZLE

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- 1 Theater district
 - 7 Butcher's cleaver
 - 14 Winter melon variety
 - 20 Replacing, with "of"
 - 21 Privy person
 - 22 Ill-willed sorts
 - 23 Arranged cheddar brands in order of sharpness?
 - 25 Arctic jacket
 - 26 Capitol fig.
 - 27 Collectible toon frame
 - 28 Per each unit
 - 29 Set to move forward, as a car
 - 30 Boldly courageous after January 1?
 - 34 Second shoot of a scene
 - 37 Nevertheless
 - 38 "—daisy!"
 - 39 Paleolithic period
 - 41 Letter-shaped track in metalworking
 - 43 Attach, as to a lapel
 - 48 Pre-TiVo machine
 - 49 — Lanka
 - 50 Comparable in humility to one particular sorority member?
 - 53 Quick glance
 - 55 Not durable
 - 57 Groups of four
 - 58 Underscore
 - 61 Law school beginner
 - 62 Think up
 - 64 Big Steinway played by your father's father?
 - 69 Condo policy about animals
 - 70 Dime, e.g.
 - 71 Passover feasts
 - 73 Canonized seventh-cen. pope
 - 76 Hotel bar
 - 78 Tug sharply
 - 79 Wrapping a wound on the noggin?
 - 82 Sit-up targets
 - 85 Chou En- —
 - 86 2003 #1 hit for OutKast
 - 87 Artist's stand
 - 88 Raconteur's offering
 - 90 "... and — it all over again!"
 - 91 Young boy
 - 93 Complained petulantly
 - 94 Lion's hunting recollections?
 - 102 River in central Jersey
 - 103 Certain shade provider
 - 104 Certain shade provider
 - 105 Chinese chairman
 - 108 More asinine
 - 109 Reversible fabric used during operations?
 - 113 Rich, filled pastry
 - 114 Daughter on "Bewitched"
 - 115 And others, to Caesar
 - 116 Rages
 - 117 — & Gamble
 - 118 Confirm officially
- DOWN**
- 1 Large trucks
 - 2 Apropos of
 - 3 Ladd or Alda
 - 4 Pot cover
 - 5 Petit four and Sally Lunn
 - 6 Piercing spot, often
 - 7 Prefix with air
 - 8 Coop up
 - 9 Fireplace receptacle
 - 10 Secure with string, say
 - 11 Skilled
 - 12 Ballot marks
 - 13 Afore
 - 14 Lon of old horror films
 - 15 Classic root beer brand
 - 16 Raconteur's offering
 - 17 Eagle's nest
 - 18 Cry to a prima donna
 - 19 Interrogator
 - 24 Part of REO
 - 29 Put into office
 - 30 Ex-veep Quayle
 - 31 "Science Guy" Bill
 - 32 Island dance
 - 33 Heroic poetry
 - 34 Answers an evite, e.g.
 - 35 "And so on and so on": Abbr.
 - 36 Bullfight hero
 - 40 PC image file
 - 41 High-voltage transformer
 - 42 Cloudland
 - 43 Peppermint — (York treat)
 - 44 "Bring it on!"
 - 45 Nuggets' org.
 - 46 Unusual
 - 47 "Stillmatic" rapper
 - 50 Prized Chinese vases
 - 51 The "E" of FEMA: Abbr.
 - 52 Big jumps
 - 54 Eisenhower's successor
 - 56 Politico Trent
 - 59 Floor-scrubbing robot brand
 - 60 Old photo tint
 - 62 Carding at a club, e.g.
 - 63 "Well, shoot!"
 - 65 Held back
 - 66 Adjective follower, often
 - 67 Comedian Kevin
 - 68 Very fancy slopes
 - 72 Did the shirt
 - 73 "Quit talking!"
 - 74 No-frills
 - 75 Set (down)
 - 76 Bigger than med.
 - 77 Suffix with Ecuador
 - 80 Groove for receiving the end of a board
 - 81 Not worth — (valueless)
 - 83 Perplex
 - 84 Structured frameworks
 - 88 Big fuss
 - 89 Belittle, informally
 - 90 Ill-fated flier of myth
 - 91 Actor Joseph Gordon- —
 - 92 "Cocoon" co-star Don
 - 94 Bluenoses
 - 95 Charged toward
 - 96 Poet's Muse
 - 97 Casual eatery
 - 98 Best players
 - 99 — -Croatian
 - 100 Sorcery
 - 101 Family mem.
 - 105 African nation
 - 106 "Not likely!"
 - 107 Thumbs-up
 - 109 Motor oil additive brand
 - 110 Nasser's fed.
 - 111 River of Bern
 - 112 Yoga surface

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U.F.O. CONFERENCE

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EXPLORE THE PHENOMENON

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024

Location: 10716 Hollywood Glace Road, Union, West Virginia 24983

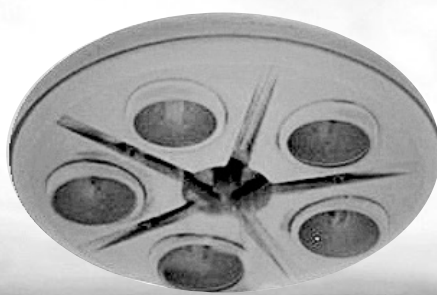
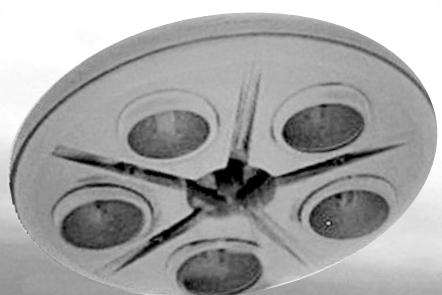
Schedule:

- 9:00 - 9:45 - Registration
- 10:00 - Rob Swiatek Board Member / Mutual U.F.O. Network
Presentation: U.F.O. Historical Archive
- 11:30 - Susan Swiatek Mutual U.F.O. Network's Virginia
State Director
**Presentation: Intense U.F.O. Experiences
from Virginia & West Virginia**
- 1:00 - 2:15 Lunch Bring a Packed Lunch / Picnic Area On Site
- 2:30 - James McCormick Retired U.S. Army Officer,
Purple Heart Recipient
Presentation: Military U.F.O. Encounters
- 4:00 - Jeffrey Hubbell Ceremonial Sundancer
"Golden Sun" **Presentation: Native American Cosmic
Heritage**
- 5:30 - Closing Circle

COST: Pre-Registration - \$65 - Door Registration - \$70

To Register, email or call Carol (merriamna@msn.com) 484-459-3810

Sponsored by: Leah Krista Stansell & Carol Merriamna Tjaden



STEPPIN' OUT

Carnegie Hall's new art exhibits now open

Carnegie Hall's three rotating galleries feature new artists for May and June in the Old Stone Room (ground floor), Lobby Gallery (Hamilton Auditorium), and Museum Gallery (adjacent to the Auditorium). There will be an opening reception with the artists on site, on Friday, May 3, at 5 p.m. in conjunction with First Fridays after 5 in Lewisburg.

The Old Stone Room will feature "Kaleidoscope" by Marietta Lyall & Friends. This art show will feature works by eight friends who share the love of painting. Artists who are joining Lyall include Jeanne Brenneman, Judith Shellnut, Shelby Orelt, Judie Lewis, John Telisko, Margaret Golden, and Susan Chappell.

The Lobby Gallery will house Rachel Dennison's exhibit. Rachel is a painter and



Works by Rachel Dennison (left), Ian Hagarty, and Marietta Lyall & Friends

sculptor living in West Virginia. Her work focuses on the intersection of everyday and surreal. She creates whimsical paintings often focusing on personal growth and societal issues.

Ian Hagarty will be showcased in the

Museum Gallery. Hagarty is an artist based in Huntington, WV, and a professor within the School of Art & Design at Marshall University. His work has been exhibited widely throughout the United States and Europe and he has been

awarded two of the most prestigious research awards at Marshall University - the Marshall University Distinguished Artists & Scholars Award, as well as the John Marshall University Creative Scholar & Research Award.

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

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

SCRAMBLERS

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3. Entrap; 4. Tirade

Today's Word

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Vote
Kelly Kemp
for
Family Court Judge



Greenbrier and Monroe Counties:
Vote Kelly Kemp on May 14th
Early voting begins on May 1st

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- ★ Compassion for Children & Families ★

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